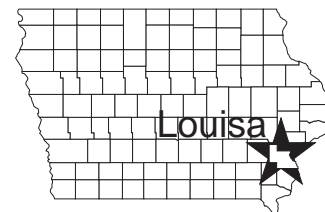


Employment and Earnings Data for Decision Makers

Louisa County



Working Age Population

Louisa County is a non-metropolitan county in southeast Iowa. The working age population (ages 16 to 64) in Louisa County increased 3.6 percent between 1980 and 1998. Statewide, the working age population decreased 0.5 percent over that period.

1. Total population and the working age population, Louisa County, 1980-1998.

Year	Total Population	Population 16 to 64 Years of Age	Percent of Total	
			Louisa County	State
1980	12,055	7,146	59.3	62.1
1990	11,592	7,056	60.9	61.4
1998	11,938	7,405	62.0	62.9

Labor Force

The labor force in an area consists of all persons aged 16 or older who either are currently employed or actively seeking work. The number employed reflects the number of labor force participants in the county who currently have jobs (whether or not it is the job of their choice). The employment rate is the percent of labor force participants who are employed.

2. Labor force and employment rates, Louisa County, 1980-1998

Year	Labor force	Number employed	Employment Rate	
			Louisa County	State
1980	5,370	5,161	96.1	94.2
1990	5,900	5,640	95.6	95.7
1998	5,230	5,050	96.6	97.2

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Employment and Earnings by Industry

The employment data in Tables 3 and 4 represent employment by place of work rather than place of residence. This means that the information is based on the jobs located within the county, whether or not county residents fill those jobs. As a result, county residents who commute to jobs outside their county of residence are not counted in these figures, but non-county residents who commute into the county for work are counted.

3. Percent of total employment by industry, 1980-1998

Industry	1980		1990		1998	
	Louisa County	State	Louisa County	State	Louisa County	State
Farm	21.5	10.5	13.6	7.9	14.1	6.0
Construction	8.9	4.8	2.8	4.3	3.9	5.2
Manufacturing	8.8	16.2	27.9	14.7	**	14.1
Transportation	3.7	4.5	3.6	4.2	3.5	4.4
Wholesale Trade	5.3	5.4	3.5	5.0	4.1	4.8
Retail Trade	14.3	16.5	13.4	17.0	12.3	17.4
FIRE *	6.6	7.1	4.1	6.6	3.9	6.8
Service	14.7	19.8	15.8	24.5	17.0	26.8
Government	15.0	14.3	13.5	14.2	14.5	13.0
Other	1.3	0.9	1.8	1.4	26.7	1.5

4. Earnings of employed persons by industry, 1980-1998

Industry	1980		1990		1998	
	Louisa County	State	Louisa County	State	Louisa County	State
Total earnings (\$000)	48,199	19,547,180	97,748	32,466,920	113,266	49,141,500
<i>Percent from</i>						
Farm	13.3	3.2	13.8	6.2	11.3	3.4
Construction	14.5	6.6	2.7	5.3	3.6	6.3
Manufacturing	15.0	27.5	34.8	22.9	**	21.1
Transportation	7.3	7.2	5.2	6.2	4.7	6.2
Wholesale Trade	8.2	8.0	9.6	6.8	8.3	7.0
Retail Trade	9.8	10.6	7.6	9.7	5.9	9.2
FIRE *	4.0	5.4	2.8	6.2	2.9	7.7
Service	10.9	16.4	8.2	19.9	8.9	22.3
Government	15.0	14.0	14.4	15.7	18.8	15.8

* FIRE refers to the Finance, Investment and Real Estate industry

** Data withheld to protect confidentiality when a limited number of businesses report.

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