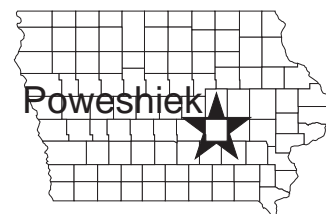


Employment and Earnings Data for Decision Makers

Poweshiek County



Working Age Population

Poweshiek County is a non-metropolitan county in east central Iowa. The working age population (ages 16 to 64) in Poweshiek County declined 2.3 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, Poweshiek County, 1980-1998.

Year	Total Population	Population 16 to 64 Years of Age	Percent of Total	
			Poweshiek County	State
1980	19,306	12,054	62.4	62.1
1990	19,033	11,707	61.5	61.4
1998	18,865	11,773	62.4	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, Poweshiek County, 1980-1998

Year	Labor force	Number employed	Employment Rate	
			Poweshiek County	State
1980	10,170	9,641	94.8	94.2
1990	9,970	9,521	95.5	95.7
1998	10,110	9,790	96.8	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	
	Poweshiek County	State	Poweshiek County	State	Poweshiek County	State
Farm	15.1	10.5	10.2	7.9	8.7	6.0
Construction	4.5	4.8	5.3	4.3	6.1	5.2
Manufacturing	12.9	16.2	14.3	14.7	15.2	14.1
Transportation	7.5	4.5	6.4	4.2	5.5	4.4
Wholesale Trade	6.0	5.4	4.3	5.0	3.7	4.8
Retail Trade	15.8	16.5	14.9	17.0	15.3	17.4
FIRE *	7.3	7.1	8.9	6.6	8.2	6.8
Service	20.1	19.8	26.1	24.5	27.5	26.8
Government	9.7	14.3	8.1	14.2	7.8	13.0
Other	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.4	1.9	1.5

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

Industry	1980		1990		1998	
	Poweshiek County	State	Poweshiek County	State	Poweshiek County	State
Total earnings (\$000)	116,539	19,547,180	238,586	32,466,920	330,781	49,141,500
<i>Percent from</i>						
Farm	4.0	3.2	8.0	6.2	5.7	3.4
Construction	5.8	6.6	6.7	5.3	7.8	6.3
Manufacturing	21.3	27.5	20.1	22.9	21.0	21.1
Transportation	13.9	7.2	10.1	6.2	8.9	6.2
Wholesale Trade	8.4	8.0	4.1	6.8	4.4	7.0
Retail Trade	10.5	10.6	8.0	9.7	7.1	9.2
FIRE *	7.6	5.4	9.4	6.2	9.4	7.7
Service	17.9	16.4	23.1	19.9	26.5	22.3
Government	9.4	14.0	7.8	15.7	8.2	15.8

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

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