

Status of the Iowa Workforce and Economy

Upcoming 2018 News Release Schedule

Reference Month	Statewide News Release	Local Area News Release
Jan	Mar 12	Mar 12
Feb	Mar 23	Mar 27
Mar	Apr 20	Apr 24
Apr	May 18	May 22
May	Jun 15	Jun 19
Jun	Jul 20	Jul 24
Jul	Aug 17	Aug 21
Aug	Sep 21	Sep 25
Sep	Oct 19	Oct 23
Oct	Nov 16	Nov 20
Nov	Dec 21	Dec 27
Dec	Jan 18	Jan 23

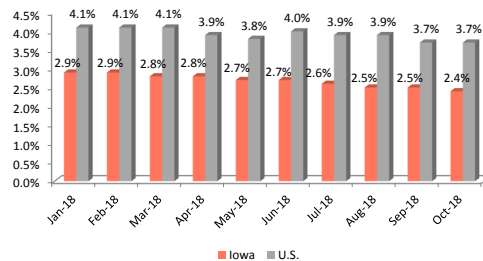
Iowa Nonfarm Employment Seasonally Adjusted

Year	Month	Iowa Statewide Employment	Construction Employment
2018	Mar	1,583,400	75,100
	Apr	1,583,100	75,700
	May	1,585,000	76,600
	Jun	1,592,200	78,400
	Jul	1,591,000	78,900
	Aug	1,593,500	79,800
	Sep	1,591,400	80,000
	Oct	1,595,300	81,600

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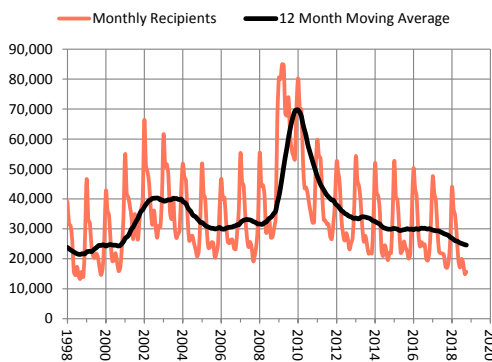
Iowa and U.S. Unemployment Rates for 2018



- Iowa's seasonally adjusted jobless rate dropped to 2.4 percent in October. The current rate is down from the year ago figure of 2.9 percent.
- The number of employed Iowans increased to 1,647,100 in October from 1,644,400 in September.
- The U.S. unemployment rate remained at 3.7 percent in October.

- Iowa establishments gained 3,900 jobs in October, more than offsetting a loss of 2,100 last month.
- This is the sixth monthly increase for Iowa versus only four months of losses.
- Leisure and hospitality added the most jobs in October (+2,100). The gains were heaviest in arts, entertainment, and recreational industries and related to special events.
- Construction added jobs for the ninth consecutive month and is up 6,300 jobs annually.
- Manufacturing increased by 1,100 jobs and remains up 9,000. Durable good job gains have outpaced non-durable factories by adding 6,100 jobs.
- Iowa establishments have advanced by 21,800 jobs versus last year's mark. Manufacturing has added 9,000 jobs and construction 6,300 jobs. Losses have been limited to other services (-1,800)
- U.S. total nonfarm employment added 250,000 jobs in October. This total was higher than the prior twelve month average of 211,000.

Unemployment Insurance Recipients Regular UI Only



Source: Iowa Workforce Development
 Recipients represents the number of persons receiving at least one UI payment during the month.

- The number of UI benefit recipients declined from 17,022 in October 2017 to 15,5664 in October 2018. This represents the lowest number of October UI recipients since 1999.

Iowa Total Nonfarm Employment January 2017 - October 2018

