



## Iowa Workforce Development

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### April Benefits Seasonally Lower

DES MOINES, IOWA – Iowa jobless benefit payments for April 2005 totaled \$22.2 million for 29,896 claimants, analysts at the Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) said today.

The April 2005 total represented a decrease of \$17.8 million from the March value of \$40.0 million for 40,466 jobless Iowans. The seasonal decline in construction claims and the loss of a processing Wednesday accounted for most of the decline.

Current April benefit payments were well below the April 2004 total of \$25.0 million for 34,223 jobless workers. Over the past year, the sharpest declines occurred in manufacturing and the trades.

Iowa Workforce Development, in cooperation with its many partner organizations, operates 71 offices serving all 99 Iowa counties. Sixteen regional workforce centers offer a one-stop experience for accessing many programs, products and services for job seekers, employers, students, economic developers and other community stakeholders.

IWD's core services include job placement services for individuals; worker recruitment assistance to employers; training services to low-income and disadvantaged Iowans; worker protection and safety programs (inspections, consultation and education services); unemployment insurance programs and services; information regarding choices about careers, industries, labor availability and more; workers' compensation benefits/entitlement; and technical assistance for employers.

Services, in most instances, are provided at no charge or for a nominal charge to the customer.

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IOWA JOBLESS BENEFITS APRIL 2005

WEEKS COMPENSATED, TOTAL PAYOUT, BY COUNTY  
(STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS)

NAME OF COUNTY	*WEEKS*		*RECIPIENTS*		*BENEFITS PAID*	
	UI	TOTAL	UI	TOTAL	UI	TOTAL
OUT OF STATE	3,209	3,258	1,151	1,166	852,256	867,088
ADAIR	167	167	60	60	42,961	42,961
ADAMS	110	116	45	47	27,570	29,430
ALLAMAKEE	546	557	198	201	139,424	142,625
APPANOOSE	421	425	158	159	105,755	106,359
AUDUBON	193	195	65	66	45,510	46,130
BENTON	896	910	307	310	245,133	249,444
BLACK HAWK	3,943	3,995	1,288	1,298	979,213	993,801
BOONE	488	506	157	162	124,874	130,726
BREMER	520	522	184	185	133,828	134,448
BUCHANAN	592	605	223	227	162,686	166,788
BUENA VISTA	335	339	118	119	84,902	86,238
BUTLER	462	468	188	189	116,048	117,166
CALHOUN	161	161	62	62	37,431	37,431
CARROLL	286	290	102	103	67,783	69,023
CASS	539	547	204	205	144,125	146,313
CEDAR	378	396	143	145	100,745	105,674
CERRO GORDO	1,541	1,562	544	546	365,323	371,223
CHEROKEE	300	302	109	110	70,651	71,271
CHICKASAW	527	532	182	183	142,505	143,873
CLARKE	259	259	88	88	69,929	69,929
CLAY	553	575	225	228	135,242	141,033
CLAYTON	883	906	320	325	223,057	229,135
CLINTON	1,431	1,447	490	493	316,243	321,243
CRAWFORD	356	361	120	120	91,087	92,103
DALLAS	924	943	326	330	251,742	257,313
DAVIS	262	262	118	118	67,712	67,712
DECATUR	181	185	66	67	44,450	45,142
DELAWARE	581	592	206	208	152,094	155,538
DES MOINES	1,633	1,637	556	559	400,589	401,889
DICKINSON	708	709	390	390	179,067	179,150
DUBUQUE	3,289	3,313	1,329	1,332	832,907	839,193
EMMET	371	373	179	179	95,384	95,984
FAYETTE	713	724	253	255	178,329	180,493
FLOYD	605	623	223	224	140,657	145,047
FRANKLIN	313	313	104	104	82,991	82,991
FREMONT	122	122	40	40	30,499	30,499
GREENE	274	274	87	87	74,878	74,878
GRUNDY	289	293	94	95	73,647	74,660
GUTHRIE	261	267	95	97	72,056	74,162
HAMILTON	284	293	100	103	67,692	70,518
HANCOCK	263	267	86	87	66,280	67,684
HARDIN	508	519	165	167	125,082	128,584
HARRISON	307	307	98	98	71,377	71,377
HENRY	522	539	202	206	130,434	134,295
HOWARD	261	261	93	93	66,257	66,257
HUMBOLDT	163	167	59	60	39,832	41,072
IDA	173	173	61	61	43,856	43,856
IOWA	603	603	204	204	152,859	152,859
JACKSON	835	852	314	318	199,697	204,921
JASPER	1,543	1,549	462	464	422,796	424,126
JEFFERSON	365	380	136	137	88,212	90,956
JOHNSON	1,807	1,866	610	624	459,259	475,922

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	UI	TOTAL	UI	TOTAL	UI	TOTAL
JONES	592	610	215	220	153,171	157,929
KEOKUK	348	356	115	117	91,536	93,100
KOSSUTH	399	405	136	138	96,905	97,792
LEE	1,294	1,298	435	436	322,505	323,582
LINN	6,236	6,340	2,076	2,098	1,604,544	1,634,545
LOUISA	264	271	99	99	67,457	68,391
LUCAS	297	298	99	100	75,961	76,271
LYON	85	85	32	32	22,203	22,203
MADISON	337	341	128	129	91,797	92,201
MAHASKA	504	508	162	163	128,954	130,066
MARION	736	759	253	257	187,460	193,562
MARSHALL	1,248	1,272	408	412	337,653	344,409
MILLS	201	204	72	73	49,205	50,207
MITCHELL	221	226	82	84	54,336	55,886
MONONA	306	310	104	105	81,040	82,168
MONROE	238	240	81	82	60,987	61,607
MONTGOMERY	380	380	137	137	83,383	83,383
MUSCATINE	936	962	325	331	229,808	236,684
O BRIEN	307	313	124	125	76,430	78,099
OSCEOLA	148	148	68	68	40,924	40,924
PAGE	279	279	90	90	63,511	63,511
PALO ALTO	258	258	95	95	60,550	60,550
PLYMOUTH	553	562	205	207	138,266	140,694
POCAHONTAS	152	162	47	50	35,344	38,164
POLK	11,219	11,402	3,689	3,737	2,985,898	3,037,318
POTTAWATTAMIE	1,467	1,479	436	440	367,975	371,827
POWESHIEK	672	697	235	241	178,491	186,069
RINGGOLD	99	99	37	37	23,548	23,548
SAC	183	183	75	75	42,275	42,275
SCOTT	3,859	3,911	1,353	1,366	940,760	955,608
SHELBY	293	296	103	103	70,490	71,603
SIOUX	503	505	200	201	130,661	131,281
STORY	1,006	1,044	329	339	254,930	265,307
TAMA	659	663	225	226	184,550	185,790
TAYLOR	101	104	32	32	24,704	24,992
UNION	330	330	125	125	79,537	79,537
VAN BUREN	247	247	114	114	66,208	66,208
WAPELLO	1,144	1,163	399	406	271,343	277,625
WARREN	909	927	317	320	254,727	259,757
WASHINGTON	439	446	153	156	115,924	118,094
WAYNE	140	140	49	49	34,733	34,733
WEBSTER	961	994	316	325	242,357	251,507
WINNEBAGO	125	132	51	51	27,206	29,361
WINNESHIEK	729	732	257	257	188,782	189,499
WOODBURY	3,360	3,402	1,070	1,083	853,146	866,272
WORTH	280	283	94	96	76,631	77,573
WRIGHT	378	378	118	118	93,916	93,916
INTERSTATE	2,652	2,687	842	847	711,930	722,533
GRAND TOTAL	85,330	86,638	29,594	29,896	21,809,566	22,176,691

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