



Iowa Workforce Development

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May Benefits Seasonally Lower

DES MOINES, IOWA – Iowa jobless benefit payments for May 2005 totaled \$17.9 million for 23,929 claimants, analysts at the Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) said today.

The May 2005 total represented a decrease of \$4.3 million from the April value of \$22.2 million for 29,896 jobless Iowans. Construction and manufacturing claims accounted for most of the decline.

Current May benefit payments were below the May 2004 total of \$19.9 million for 26,307 jobless workers. A reduction in manufacturing and trade claims accounted for much of the decline.

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.

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IOWA JOBLESS BENEFITS MAY 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	2,700	2,737	980	991	717,132	728,923
ADAIR	116	116	43	43	28,359	28,359
ADAMS	78	86	24	26	19,000	21,480
ALLAMAKEE	262	267	90	92	59,083	60,705
APPANOOSE	327	329	109	110	86,867	87,158
AUDUBON	167	167	57	57	37,667	37,667
BENTON	679	685	248	250	178,926	180,886
BLACK HAWK	2,933	2,980	946	956	713,110	726,932
BOONE	386	399	131	135	99,159	102,951
BREMER	343	343	112	112	87,410	87,410
BUCHANAN	429	440	148	151	112,392	115,702
BUENA VISTA	272	273	86	87	70,979	71,313
BUTLER	279	294	93	94	67,980	71,499
CALHOUN	123	123	37	37	28,658	28,658
CARROLL	200	203	68	70	47,414	48,220
CASS	376	380	124	124	97,180	98,080
CEDAR	320	336	114	117	81,540	86,186
CERRO GORDO	1,344	1,347	447	448	317,918	318,895
CHEROKEE	216	220	69	70	51,669	52,909
CHICKASAW	299	308	101	102	76,831	79,435
CLARKE	233	234	77	77	60,986	61,011
CLAY	661	668	270	273	163,273	165,382
CLAYTON	549	560	193	197	135,219	137,825
CLINTON	1,256	1,267	427	431	276,288	280,030
CRAWFORD	264	264	82	82	63,754	63,754
DALLAS	822	839	260	265	228,324	232,441
DAVIS	192	192	62	62	50,369	50,369
DECATUR	137	141	42	43	32,769	33,461
DELAWARE	403	412	137	139	99,430	101,869
DES MOINES	1,415	1,424	489	492	341,954	344,780
DICKINSON	850	850	435	435	221,063	221,063
DUBUQUE	2,557	2,590	1,030	1,035	622,153	630,934
EMMET	363	363	174	174	92,470	92,470
FAYETTE	453	458	149	150	113,247	113,750
FLOYD	384	398	139	140	84,036	87,550
FRANKLIN	202	204	68	69	50,744	51,364
FREMONT	92	96	26	27	20,884	22,124
GREENE	206	206	63	63	55,535	55,535
GRUNDY	231	235	76	77	59,021	59,624
GUTHRIE	203	209	69	72	56,662	58,768
HAMILTON	251	261	81	84	58,808	62,051
HANCOCK	173	177	52	53	42,063	43,467
HARDIN	404	412	138	139	99,963	102,535
HARRISON	212	212	65	65	50,745	50,745
HENRY	468	484	178	182	115,265	119,029
HOWARD	141	141	53	53	33,413	33,413
HUMBOLDT	135	137	40	41	33,176	33,796
IDA	103	103	37	37	25,445	25,445
IOWA	395	395	159	159	93,168	93,168
JACKSON	657	668	249	253	155,013	158,400
JASPER	1,347	1,348	409	410	371,706	372,016
JEFFERSON	337	346	112	113	84,770	86,044
JOHNSON	1,793	1,843	585	597	439,202	453,915

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	UI	TOTAL	UI	TOTAL	UI	TOTAL
JONES	453	480	144	149	111,551	117,812
KEOKUK	235	243	81	83	58,174	59,738
KOSSUTH	276	283	93	96	62,959	64,587
LEE	1,046	1,050	371	372	253,764	255,167
LINN	5,431	5,510	1,811	1,828	1,382,562	1,405,542
LOUISA	229	233	81	81	56,761	56,920
LUCAS	234	238	99	100	62,375	63,615
LYON	63	63	18	18	14,789	14,789
MADISON	296	304	99	100	78,464	79,776
MAHASKA	434	435	139	140	105,909	106,187
MARION	581	595	182	184	147,652	151,204
MARSHALL	1,024	1,042	307	310	263,594	266,781
MILLS	155	164	48	50	34,074	36,962
MITCHELL	154	162	59	61	38,743	41,223
MONONA	189	191	67	69	49,710	50,072
MONROE	207	217	62	62	48,331	49,864
MONTGOMERY	447	447	163	163	99,338	99,338
MUSCATINE	895	923	307	313	216,589	223,908
O BRIEN	217	219	81	82	55,320	55,964
OSCEOLA	104	104	48	48	29,508	29,508
PAGE	271	271	85	85	66,905	66,905
PALO ALTO	215	220	92	94	49,691	51,132
PLYMOUTH	369	378	132	135	91,451	94,361
POCAHONTAS	116	124	36	38	26,348	28,828
POLK	9,695	9,894	3,149	3,190	2,591,065	2,644,972
POTTAWATTAMIE	1,310	1,325	402	407	325,386	330,130
POWESHIEK	415	433	143	148	108,095	113,563
RINGGOLD	62	62	20	20	14,749	14,749
SAC	94	94	31	31	19,638	19,638
SCOTT	3,504	3,547	1,113	1,124	865,701	877,163
SHELBY	197	197	69	69	42,277	42,277
SIOUX	312	316	124	125	71,015	72,255
STORY	879	908	286	294	229,750	237,938
TAMA	416	423	139	140	108,096	110,138
TAYLOR	82	82	30	30	20,213	20,213
UNION	242	242	87	87	55,498	55,498
VAN BUREN	143	143	59	59	35,547	35,547
WAPELLO	974	989	317	320	233,289	238,160
WARREN	772	784	267	270	215,733	219,558
WASHINGTON	387	398	132	135	96,775	99,800
WAYNE	104	104	37	37	26,155	26,155
WEBSTER	704	735	223	231	172,432	180,945
WINNEBAGO	121	126	42	43	24,081	25,577
WINNESHIEK	425	425	155	155	97,219	97,219
WOODBURY	2,701	2,743	907	918	677,594	689,569
WORTH	217	217	68	68	59,900	59,900
WRIGHT	292	292	94	94	68,057	68,057
INTERSTATE	2,281	2,301	706	712	611,113	617,425
GRAND TOTAL	69,708	70,846	23,658	23,929	17,584,131	17,898,122

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