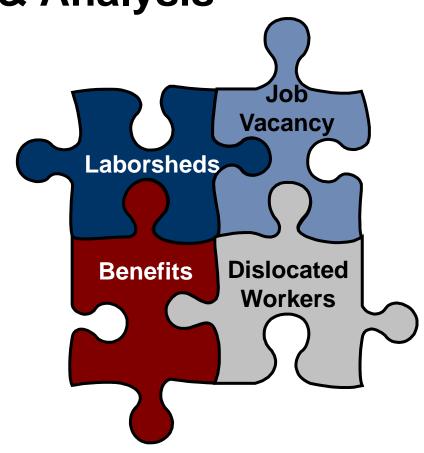
# Iowa Workforce Development's Surveys & Analysis

Unique Pieces of the Workforce & Economic Development Puzzle





## Purpose of a Workforce Surveys

Gives communities the ability to *document* and *illustrate* the characteristics of their labor force which in turn has proven to be a unique and effective tool for retaining and expanding their existing businesses while also attracting prospective new employers into the area.

# What Types of Surveys?

- Laborshed Studies/Industry Analysis
  - Community
  - Regional
- Fringe Benefit Profile
  - State
  - Region
- Dislocated Worker Survey
  - Small & Large Employers
- Job Vacancy Survey
  - On-line pilot Western Iowa Advantage Region (Carroll area)
  - Paper pilot Quad City Region

## How can this information be used

### **Workforce & Economic Development**

Business Retention
Business Expansion
Business Recruitment
College Curriculum Decisions
Strategic Planning
the list goes on and on......

These surveys make Iowa unique!!

## **Laborshed Studies Address**

- Potential available labor
- Availability & willingness to change/enter employment
- Occupations (previous/current)
- Wages (current/desired)
- Benefits (traditional/non-traditional)
- Distance willing to commute
- Out commute
- Education/training needs
- Underemployment
- Job search techniques



# Community Assistance via Laborshed Study

- Community Workforce Analysis
- Regional Analysis (Multiple Laborsheds)
  - By industry
  - Occupational clusters
    - Advanced Manufacturing
    - Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals
    - Information Solutions
- Industry Specific (for a community or region)
  - Business expansion
  - Prospect recruitment

## **Industry Specific Analysis**

### Sample listed below

- Value Added Agriculture
- Biotechnology
- Construction
- Manufacturing/Advanced Manufacturing
- Transportation, Communication, & Utilities
- Wholesale & Retail Trade
- Finance, Insurance & Real Estate
- Personal Services
- Entertainment & Recreational Services
- Professional Services
- Health Care & Social Services
- Public Administration/Government
- Etc.

# Prospect Recruitment

- Customized marketing materials highlighting labor availability tailored to the prospective industry
- Map reflects where employees live that have experience in that industry
- Map can be used to advertise for these positions

#### **Labor Characteristics**

Advanced Manufacturing Washington, Iowa Laborshed

#### Concentration of those with transferable experience/skills by place of residence Legend ☆ Washington \_\_\_\_ hterstate Area Shown US Highways State Highways [ES] Ilinois County lowa County Missouri County Laborshed Concentration b.: Place of Residence (per ZIP Code) Moderate High 10 Mile Intervals Between Rings

Workers who have transferable experience/skills in the industry are currently commuting an average of 11 miles one way for work. Those who are willing to change/accept employment are willing to commute an average of 15 miles one way for the right employment opportunity

#### **Employment Status:**

#### 74.8% Employed

26.0% of the employed are willing to change employment

#### 15.5% Unemployed

62.5% of the unemployed are willing to accept employment

#### 3.9% Homemakers, Not Employed 5.8% Retired

#### **Education Levels:**

- 58.3% Education beyond high school
- 1.0% Trade certified
- 3.9% Vocational training
- 16.5% Associate degree
- 14.6% Undergraduate degree
- 3.9% Postgraduate degree

#### Workplace Flexibility:

- (by percent of interest)
- Cross-training 82.4%
- Varied shifts (2nd, 3rd, & split) 29.4%
- Job sharing 47.1% Job teams - 94.1%
- Seasonal work 41.2%
- Temporary work 47.1%

#### Other Facts:

- 74.3% paid an hourly wage
- 82.5% are/were employed full-time
- 12.6% are/were employed part-time
- 3.9% are/were self-employed
- 9.1% hold two or more jobs
- Currently working an average of 41 hrs/week

#### **Current Benefits:**

- Health/medical insurance 87.7% Pension/retirement/401K - 65.8%
- Paid vacation 42.5%
- Dental coverage 34.2% Paid holidays - 19.2%
- Life insurance 17.8%
- Vision coverage 16.4% Paid sick leave - 13.7%
- Disability insurance 8.2%
- Paid time off 4.1%

#### **Desired Benefits:**

- Health/medical insurance 96.8% Pension/retirement/401K - 48.4%
- Paid vacation 35.5%
- Dental coverage 32.3%
- Vision coverage 25.8%
- Paid holidays 16.1% Life insurance - 16.1%

#### Top Advertising Media:

- (for those seeking employment opportunities)
- The Internet
  - www.iowaworkforce.com
  - www.craigslist.com
  - Local/Regional Newspapers Washington Evening Journal

  - Iowa City Press Citizen The Gazette - Cedar Rapids
- Iowa Workforce Development Centers
- Networking through friends, family, or acquaintances



#### Estimated Potential Available Labor Per Occupational Category:

- **Business Operations:** General Operation Managers - 645
- Financial Managers 641
- Sales Representatives 342
- Accounting Clerks 1,664
- Customer Service
- Representatives 986 Shipping & Receiving Clerks - 981
- Secretaries & Office Support 6,926

#### Production:

- Supervisors 1,969 Mechanical Engineers 338
- Engineers & Drafters, All Other 676
- Engineering Technicians 1,664 Electricians - 346
- Painters 974
- Maintenance & Repair Workers 1,972
- Structural Metal Fabricators 344
- Assemblers & Fabricators 639
- Milling & Planing Machine
- Operators 336
- Machinists 978
- Multiple Machine Operators 3,293
- Welders 346
- Prepress Technicians 334
- Water & Liquid System Operators 339
- Inspectors & Testers 990
- Production Workers 2,649

#### Material Movers:

- Supervisors 343
- Heavy Truck Drivers 1,973
- Light Truck Drivers 982
- Fork Lift Operators 340

#### An estimated total of 34,010 people in the Laborshed area



#### Underemployment:

Total Underemployment - 6.8%

- Low hours 1.0%
- Mismatch of skills 1.9%
- Low income 4.9%

IVD only counts individuals once when estimating Total Underemployment.

#### Washington Economic **Development Group**

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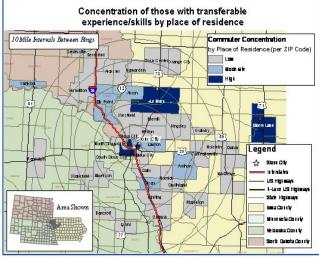
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Information compiled by Jowa Workforce

#### **Labor Characteristics**

Advanced Manufacturing Sioux City MSA



Workers who have transferable experience/skills are currently commuting an average of 13 miles one way for work. Those who are willing to change/accept employment are willing to commute an average of 24 miles one way for the right employment opportunity.

#### **Employment Status** 80.9% Employed

33.3% of the employed are willing to change employment

#### 6.7% Unemployed

#### Flexibility in the Workplace

#### (by percent of interest):

- Cross-training 67.7%
- Varied shifts (2nd, 3rd, & split) 32.3%
- Job sharing 29.0%
- Job teams 83.9%
- Seasonal work 20.0%
- Temporary work 16.7%

#### **Education Levels:**

- 52.8% Education beyond high school
- 6.7% Associate degree
- 12.4% Trade certified
- 2.2% Vocational training
- 10.0% Undergraduate degree
- 2.2% Postgraduate degree

#### Other Facts:

- 82.4% paid hourly wage
- 92.1% are/were employed full-time
- Currently working an average of 45 hrs/week
- 6.9% hold more than one job

#### Top Advertising Mediums:

(for those seeking employment opportunities)

- Local/Regional Newspapers
  - Sioux City Journal
  - The Des Moines Register
  - Omaha World Herald
- The Internet

  - www.iowaworkforce.org www.monster.com

  - www.siouxcityjournal.com
- Local Iowa Workforce Development
- Networking thru family, friends, acquaintances

#### Underemployment:

Total Underemployment - 1.1%

- Low hours 0.0%
- Mismatch of skills 1.1%
- Low income 0.0%

MVD only counts individuals once when estimating Total Underemployment.

#### Desired Benefits (by percent of interest):

- Health/medical insurance 89.3%
- Dental coverage 50.0%
- Vision coverage 39.3%
- Paid vacation 39.3%
- Pension/Retirement/401K 39.3%
- Paid sick leave 25.0%
- Paid holidays 21.4%



#### Potential Available Labor Per Occupational Category:

#### **Business Operations:**

- Managers 699
- Customer Service Reps 2,372
- Clerks, Office & Administrative Support - 3,558

#### Computer:

- Computer Programmers 953
- Computer Software Engineers 233

#### Production:

- Supervisors 466 Engineers - 468
- Electric Motor Repairers 235
- Aircraft Mechanics 231 Heaw Equipment Mechanics - 237
- Machinery Maintenance
- Workers 1.906 General Maintenance
- Workers 720
- Millwrights 235 Coil Winders - 228
- Assemblers & Fabricators 1,419
- Cutting Machine Operators 236
- Machinists 229
- Welders 470
- Mixing & Blending Machine
- Operators 230 Tool & Die Makers - 234
- Inspectors 1,186
- General Production Workers 1,673

#### Material Movers:

- Truck Drivers 2,605
- Hoist & Wench Operators 229

#### An estimated total of 21.052 people in the Laborshed area

The Siouxland Laborshed area aggregate wage data was also extracted from the Iowa Wage Survey and is provided in the table on page 2 which reflects mean, entry, experienced, and median wages

For more information regarding the Siouxland Laborshed Study contact:

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Information was compiled by Iowa Workforce Development using 2006 Laborshed data.



# **Business** Expansion

- Customized marketing materials highlighting labor availability tailored to existing industry
- Map reflects where your employees are coming from using their home ZIP Code

## **Current Laborshed Studies**

## Fringe Benefit Profiles Address

**Employers** 

Statewide & regional analyses

Industry

**Employment size** 

Urban vs. rural

Information analyzed

Insurance

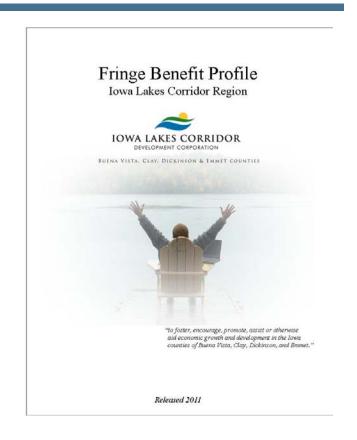
Vacation

Sick leave

Paid leave

Retirement

Additional benefits.



Statewide & Regional Data

## **Dislocated Worker Facts Address**

- Occupations/experience
- Wages (hourly or salaried)
- Education level
- Distance willing to commute
- Training needs
- Job search techniques
- Willingness to relocate within Iowa



# Alsercated Overweations

#### Related Jobs

#### Jobs Related to Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters

Sheet Metal Workers

Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters

Solderers and Brazers

Model Makers, Metal and Plastic

Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders

Lay-Out Workers, Metal and Plastic

**Precious Metal Workers** 

Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic

Stone Cutters and Carvers, Manufacturing

Team Assemblers

Drilling and Boring Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic

Crushing, Grinding, and Polishing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders

**Molding and Casting Workers** 

#### Jobs Related to Electricians

Helpers-Electricians

Electric Motor, Power Tool, and Related Repairers

Electrical and Electronics Installers and Repairers, Transportation Equipment

Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Powerhouse, Substation, and Relay

Electrical and Electronics Repairers, Commercial and Industrial Equipment

Control and Valve Installers and Repairers, Except Mechanical Door

Signal and Track Switch Repairers

Electronic Equipment Installers and Repairers, Motor Vehicles

Electro-Mechanical Technicians

Electromechanical Equipment Assemblers

Maintenance Workers, Machinery

#### Jobs Related to Fork Lift Operator

Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand

Hoist and Winch Operators

#### Jobs Related to Welder

Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters

Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders

Sheet Metal Workers

Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters

Solderers and Brazers

Boilennakers

Lay-Out Workers, Metal and Plastic

Pipe Fitters and Steamfitters

Structural Iron and Steel Workers

Industrial Machinery Mechanics

Reinforcing Iron and Rebar Workers

Control and Valve Installers and Repairers, Except Mechanical Door

Maintenance Workers, Machinery

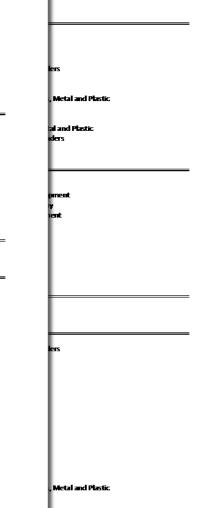
Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operators, Metal and Plastic

Team Assemblers

Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic

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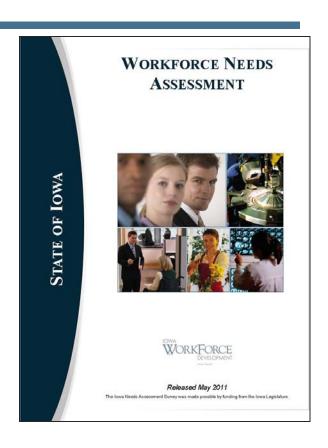






## Workforce Needs Assessment

- By industry and region
  - Current vacancies
    - Employment type
    - Education level requirements
    - Experience needed
    - Is the company providing training
  - Reasons positions are hard to fill
  - Employee recruitment sources
  - Upcoming expansion expectations
  - Upcoming retirement expectations







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