



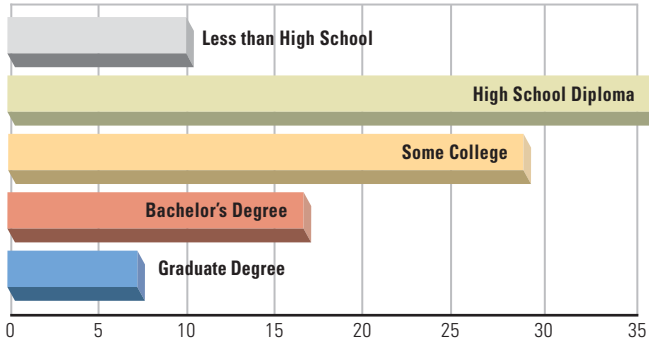
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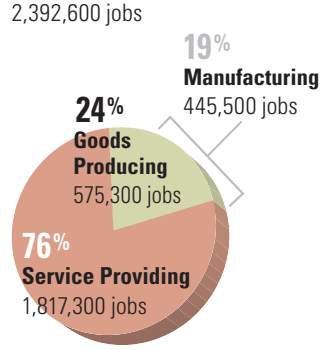


Governor: Terry Branstad (R) iowalifechanging.com
Population 2010: 3,016,808 **Population growth forecast 2010-2014:** 2.59% **Median household income:** \$53,121

Work Force Education by Percentage



Private Sector Employment



2010 New Economy Index Rankings

Overall Ranking: **38**
Immigration of Domestic and Foreign Knowledge Workers: **27**
Manufacturing Value-Added: **12**
Export Focus of Manufacturing and Services: **34**
Industry Investment in R&D: **29**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$14.37**
Right-to-work state? **YES**

Legislative Update

- HF 2399 encourages utilities to undertake studies related to the possibility of expanding nuclear power in Iowa. The bill also modifies existing law related to electricity generation and to switching existing coal-based plants to other fuel sources. Utilities will be allowed to enter into rate-making in order to pay for investments that may lead to lower carbon emissions from current plants.
- Senate File 2389, the "Infrastructure and Capitals Budget," includes funding for I-JOBS and the state's Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF), representing a total \$273.7 million investment. In 2009, a new law created the I-JOBS initiative to help meet Iowa's outstanding infrastructure needs while helping to create jobs. I-JOBS' total investment in Iowa's infrastructure and economy now totals \$875 million.

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