

# ***RPA 1 - Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission***

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## **COMMITTEE COMPOSITION**

### ***Transportation Policy Board***

- Allamakee County
- Clayton County
- Fayette County
- Howard County
- Winneshiek County
- Iowa Department of Transportation (non voting)
- Federal Highway Administration (non voting)
- Federal Transit Administration (non voting)

### ***Transportation Technical Committee***

- Allamakee County
- Clayton County
- Fayette County
- Howard County
- Winneshiek County
- Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission (non voting)
- Iowa Department of Transportation (non voting)
- Federal Highway Administration (non voting)
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*Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad, Marquette*



*Hutchinson Barn, Decorah*

## **PLANNING ACTIVITIES**

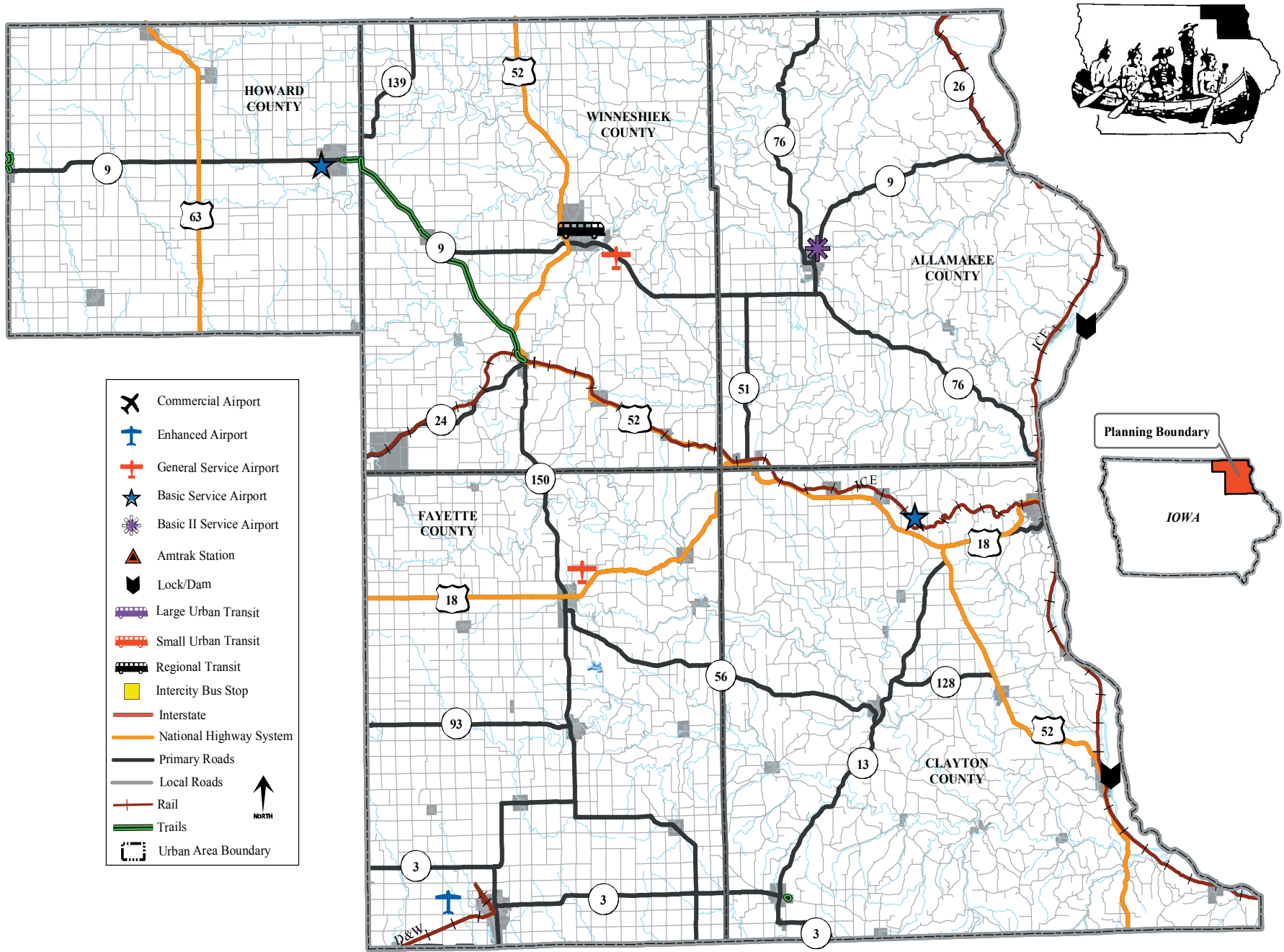
- Job Access Reverse Commute Plan
- Transit Plan
- 20-year Transportation Development Plan (1999)
- Long Range Transportation Plan
- Transportation Improvement Program (Ongoing)
- Transportation Planning Work Program (Ongoing)
- Public Participation Plan (Ongoing)
- Newsletters/Website (Ongoing)
- Transportation Enhancement Process
- Surface Transportation Program Process

## **PLANNING GOALS**

- Establish a transportation system for the Region that is based upon an integrated system of air, land, rail, and water modes.
- Provide a good inter-regional transportation network for the safe and convenient movement of goods and people.
- Design transportation facilities and services to satisfy the needs of users with the minimum of infringement on the rights and properties of others.
- Encourage cooperation and coordination of the various transportation agencies responsible for the planning, design, construction and maintenance of the street and highway network.
- Secure adequate financing on a cooperative and coordinated basis.



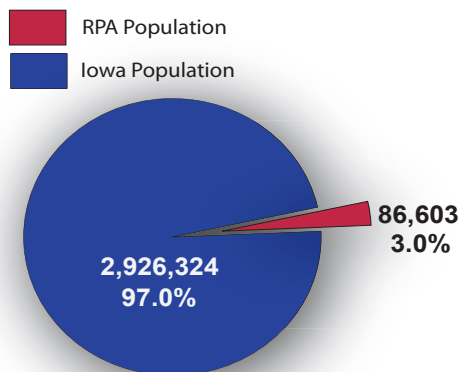
*Effigy Mounds, Allamakee County*



# DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC INFORMATION

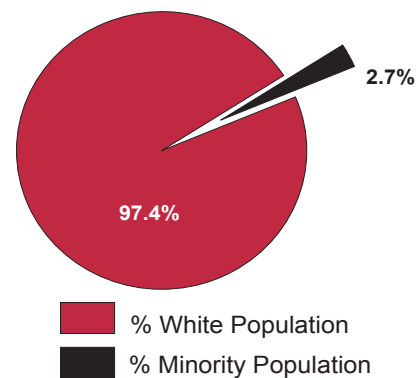
## POPULATION

Population of RPA 1 and State of Iowa



Source: US Census Bureau, 2000

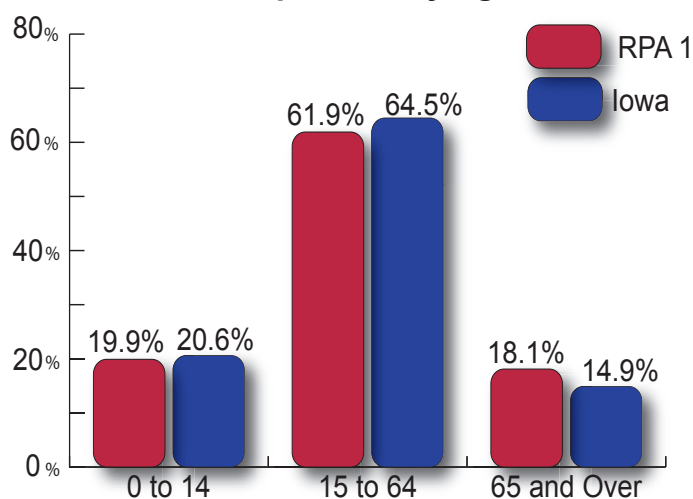
Percent Minority Population



Source: US Census Bureau, 2000

## EMPLOYMENT

Population by Age



Source: US Census Bureau, 2000

Industry Breakout by Employment



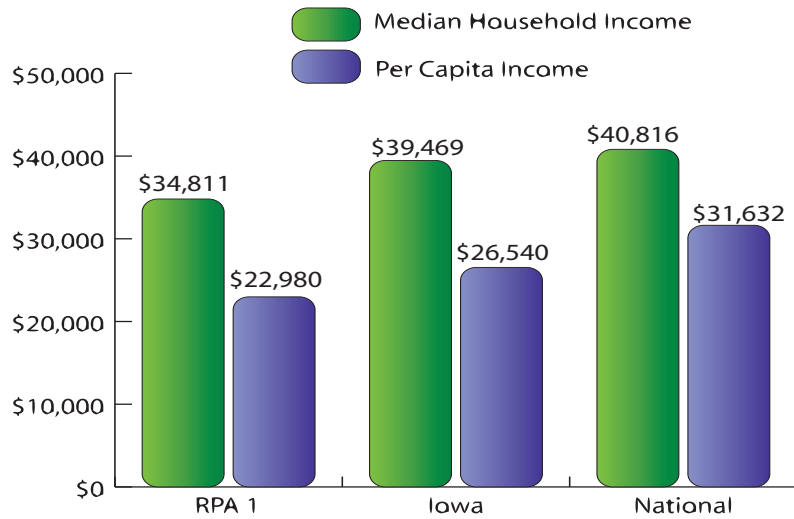
Number of Firms  
\*\*Firms that have reported on  
Unemployment Insurance

Source: Iowa Workforce Development, 2003



# TRAVEL TREND INFORMATION

## Per Capita and Median Household Incomes



Source: US Census Bureau: Per Capita Income and Median Household Income, 2000

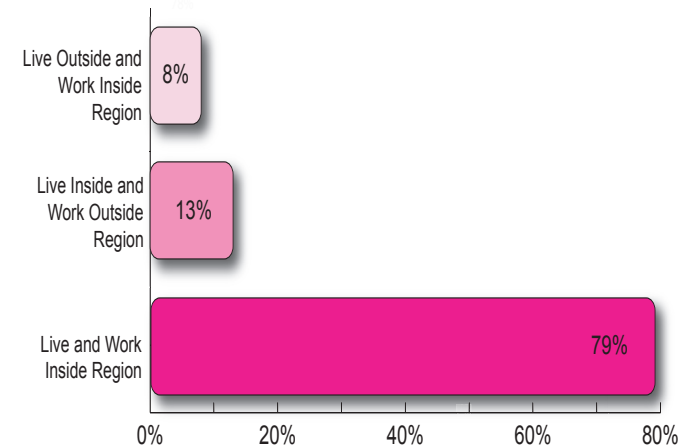
## Employment and Unemployment

Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate (%)
49,140	46,700	2,440	5.0%

Source: Iowa Workforce Development, 2002

## COMMUTING PATTERNS

### Work Flow



Source: US Census Bureau, 2000



*IA 9 Bridge over Mississippi River, Lansing*



*Barges at Mississippi River, Allamakee County*

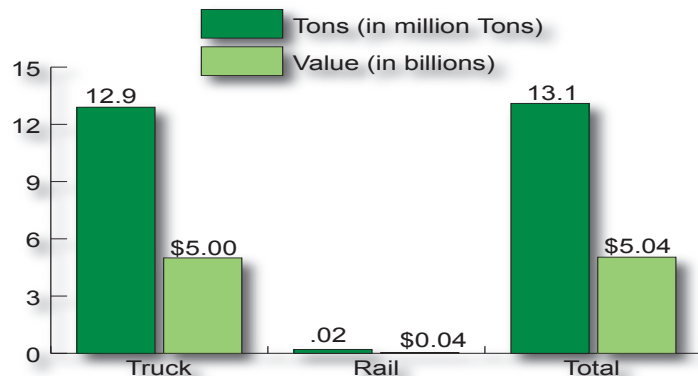


*Monona Municipal Airport, Monona*



## FREIGHT MOVEMENT

### Freight Originating and Terminating in Region



Source: Reebe and Associates, 2001

### Top Commodities

Food and Kindred Products	Coal
Clay, Concrete and Glass	Transportation Equipment

Source: Reebe and Associates, 2001

### Agricultural Products - Market Value Sold

Crops - \$333 million; 4.7% of state total  
Livestock - \$198 million; 4.6% of state total

Source: US Department of Agriculture, 2002



*Regional Transit, Guttenberg*



*World's Smallest Church  
Winneshiek County*

## TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES



### AIRPORT FACILITIES

CITY	AIRPORT	AIRPORT TYPE	PRIMARY RUNWAY LENGTH FEET	NUMBER OF BASED AIRCRAFT	PILOTS WITHIN 30 MINUTE SERVICE AREA
Cresco	Ellen Church Field	Basic Service	2,949	5	45
Decorah	Decorah Municipal	General Service	4,001	27	62
Monona	Monona Municipal	Basic Service	2,650	5	35
Oelwein	Oelwein Municipal	Enhanced Airport	4,001	14	125
Waukon	Waukon Municipal	Basic Service II	2,413	4	48
West Union	George L. Scott Union	General Service	4,248	5	55

Source: Iowa DOT, Office of Aviation, 2004



### PUBLIC TRANSIT PROVIDER

Agency	Ridership FFY 04	Revenue Miles FFY 04	Number of Vehicles (As of 06/30/04)
Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation	243,630	887,891	45

Source: Iowa DOT, Office of Public Transit, FY 2004



### RAIL FACILITIES

Railroad	Classification	Mileage
Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad (ICE)	Class II	129
D & W Railroad (D & W)	Class III	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>135</b>

Source: Railroad Annual Reports, 2003



## ROADWAY FACILITIES



### Mileage & Average Daily Traffic

Classification	RPA Miles	State Miles	RPA Average Daily Traffic	State Average Daily Traffic
Interstate	0	782	0	25,080
Primary (non-Interstate)	487	8,099	2,690	3,970
State	487	8,881	2,690	5,830
Secondary	4,871	89,845	150	170
Municipal	407	13,965	700	1,430
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,765</b>	<b>112,691</b>		

Source: Iowa DOT, Offices of Systems Planning and Transportation Data, January 1, 2004

### Federal Functional Classification Mileage

Interstate	0
Other Principal Arterials	258
Minor Arterial	238
Collector	1,737
Local	3,565
<b>National Highway System (NHS)</b>	<b>149</b>

Source: Iowa DOT, Office of Systems Planning, 2004. NHS consists of the Interstate system and a portion of Other Principal Arterials. Includes Open and Proposed Roads.



*Lock and Dam #10, Guttenberg*



*Pedestrian Trail, Elkader*



*County Road C-33, Maynard*



## TRAIL FACILITIES

City/County	Facility Name	Mileage by Surface Type			
		Asphalt/Concrete	Granular	Mixed/Other	Total
City of Oelwein	Oelwein Multi Purpose Trail	3.8	-	-	3.8
City of Strawberry Point	Strawberry Point Multi Purpose Trail	-	0.8	-	0.8
Fayette County	Fayette City Multi Purpose	-	3.0	-	3.0
Howard County	Wapsi-Great Western Line Trail	-	1.5	-	1.5
Winneshek County	Prairie Farmer Recreational Trail	-	20.0	-	20.0
<b>Total</b>		<b>3.8</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>29.1</b>

Source: Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission, 2004



*Clock Museum, Spillville*



*Main Street, Decorah*