

RPA 3 - Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission

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COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

Transportation Policy Board

- Buena Vista County (3)
- Clay County (3)
- Dickinson County (3)
- Emmet County (3)
- Lyon County (3)
- O'Brien County (3)
- Osceola County (3)
- Palo Alto County (3)
- Sioux County (3)
- Iowa Department of Transportation (non voting)
- Federal Highway Administration (non voting)
- Federal Transit Administration (non voting)

Transportation Technical Committee

- Buena Vista County (2)
- Clay County (2)
- Dickinson County (2)
- Emmet County (2)
- Lyon County (2)
- O'Brien County (2)
- Osceola County (2)
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- Regional Transit Authority
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Okoboji Lake, Okoboji

PLANNING ACTIVITIES

- 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



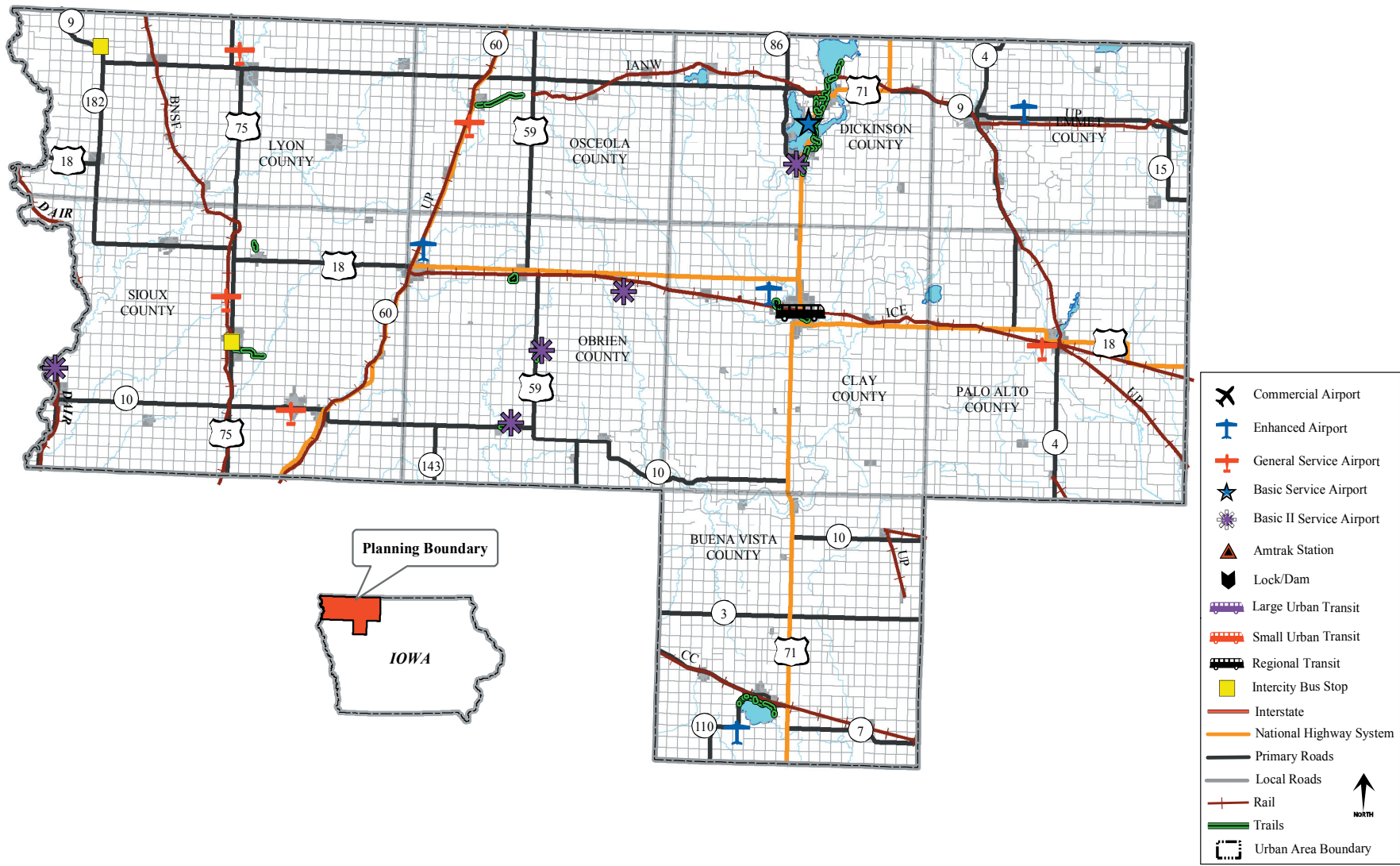
Magellan Pipeline Plant near Milford

PLANNING GOALS

- Ensure a regional transportation system which promotes the best movement of persons, goods, and services in order to develop and maintain a sound economy.
- Provide for a regional transit system which efficiently serves needs of the regional population.
- Provide for a regional transportation system which has intermodal equilibrium.
- Provide for an enhanced and aesthetic transportation system which serves bicycle, pedestrian and other recreational, historical and tourism needs.
- Provide for a well planned and managed regional transportation system.

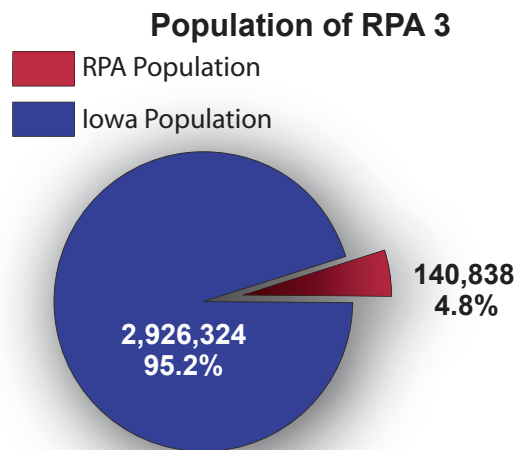


US-71 Bridge, Okoboji

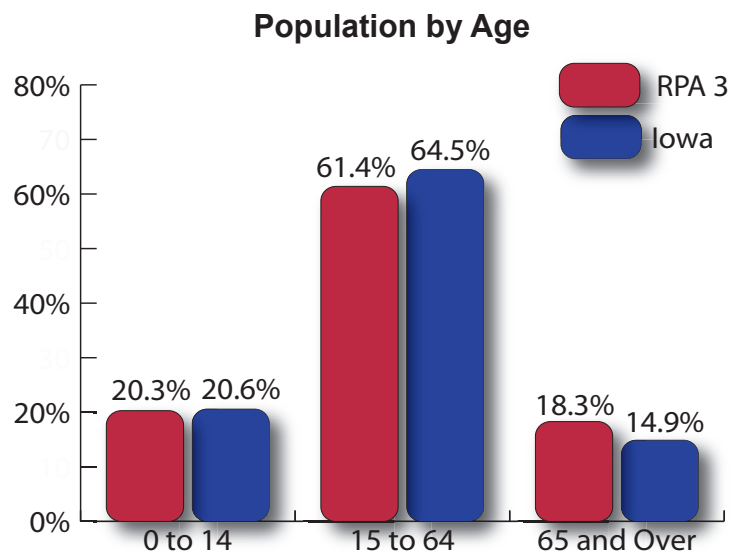


DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC INFORMATION

POPULATION

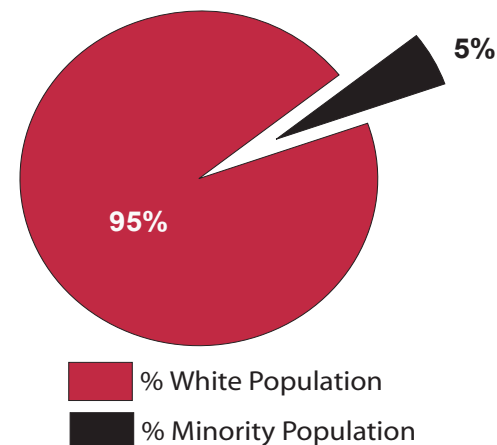


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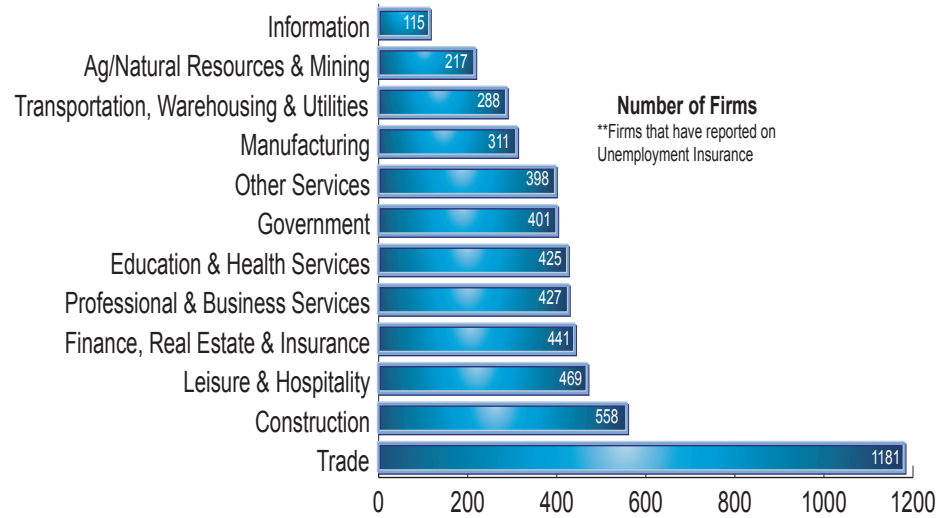
Percent Minority Population



Source: US Census Bureau, 2000

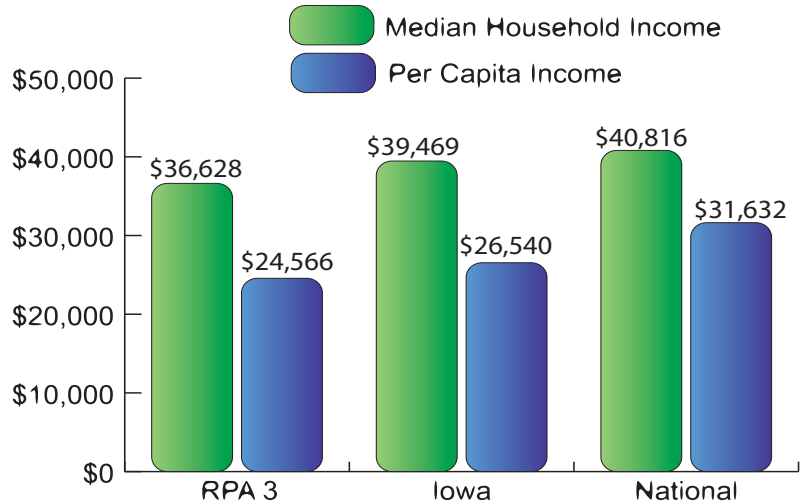
EMPLOYMENT

Industry Breakout by Employment



Source: Iowa Workforce Development, 2003

Per Capita and Median Household Incomes



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

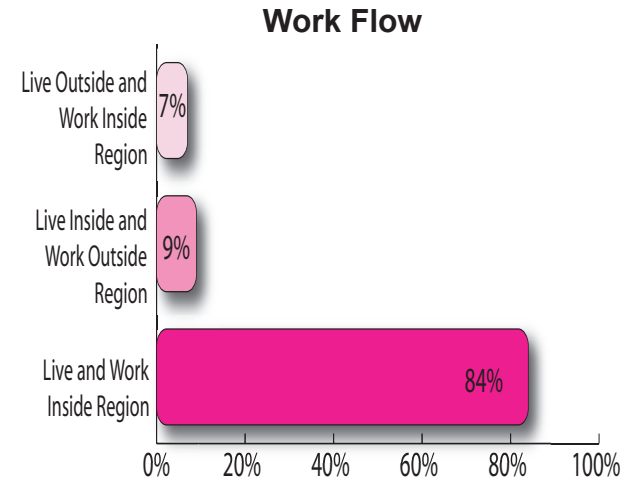
Employment and Unemployment

Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Unemployment Rate (%)
81,110	78,530	2,580	3.2%

Source: Iowa Workforce Development, 2002

TRAVEL TREND INFORMATION

COMMUTING PATTERNS



Source: US Census Bureau, 2000



RIDES Transit Bus, Buena Vista County



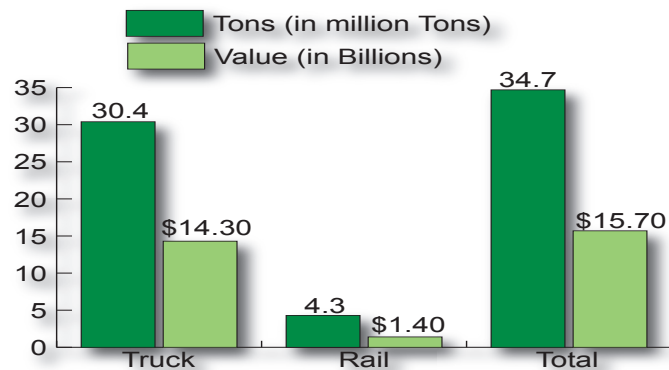
Downtown Spirit Lake



Phillips Gas Station Replica, Sanborn

FREIGHT MOVEMENT

Freight Originating and Terminating in Region



Source: Reebe and Associates, 2001

Top Commodities

Food and Kindred Products	Chemicals
Clay, Concrete and Glass	Petroleum

Source: Reebe and Associates, 2001

Agricultural Products - Market Value

Crops - \$748 million; 10.50% of state total
Livestock - \$956 million; 22.20% of state total

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2002



County Road A-34, Emmet County

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES



AIRPORT FACILITIES

CITY	AIRPORT	AIRPORT TYPE	PRIMARY RUNWAY LENGTH FEET	NUMBER OF BASED AIRCRAFT	PILOTS WITHIN 30 MINUTE SERVICE AREA
Emmetsburg	Emmetsburg Municipal	General Service	3,401	14	58
Estherville	Estherville Municipal	Enhanced Airport	4,797	20	63
Hartley	Lambert Fichter Municipal	Basic Service II	2,500	2	80
Hawarden	Hawarden Municipal	Basic Service II	2,030	4	50
Milford	Fuller	Basic Service II	2,873	7	92
Orange City	Orange City Municipal	General Service	4,250	7	103
Paullina	Paullina Municipal	Basic Service II	2,800	7	95
Primghar	Primghar Municipal	Basic Service II	1,985	2	78
Rock Rapids	Rock Rapids Municipal	General Service	3,097	13	40
Sheldon	Sheldon Municipal	Enhanced Airport	4,199	23	85
Sibley	Sibley Municipal	General Service	3,000	13	57
Sioux Center	Sioux Center Municipal	General Service	3,802	12	83
Spencer	Spencer Municipal	Enhanced Airport	6,000	27	92
Spirit Lake	Spirit Lake Municipal	Basic Service	3,015	12	67
Storm Lake	Storm Lake Municipal	Enhanced Airport	5,000	31	84

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)
Regional Transit Authority	384,485	1,032,500	98

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



RAIL FACILITIES

Railroad	Classification	Mileage
BNSF Railway (BNSF)	Class I	46
Union Pacific Railroad (UP)	Class I	126
Chicago, Central & Pacific Railroad (CC)	Class II	25
Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad (ICE)	Class II	72
D & I Railroad (DAIR)	Class III	14
Iowa Northwestern Railroad (IANW)	Class III	37
Total	--	320

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)	656	8,099	2,990	3,970
State	656	8,881	2,990	5,830
Secondary	8,257	89,845	150	170
Municipal	806	13,965	710	1,430
Total	9,719	112,691		

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

Federal Functional Classification Mileage

Interstate	0
Other Principal Arterials	320
Minor Arterial	393
Collector	2,726
Local	6,311
National Highway System (NHS)	195

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.



Iowa, Chicago, & Eastern Railroad, Spencer



Pedestrian Trail, Orleans



Diamond Vogel Plant, Orange City



Biking on IA-276



TRAIL FACILITIES

City/County	Facility Name	Mileage by Surface Type			
		Asphalt/Concrete	Granular	Mixed/Other	Total
City of Sanborn	Miller Park Complex	2.3			2.3
City of Sioux Center/Sioux County	Sandy Hollow Recreation Trail	2.0			2.0
City of Spencer	East Leach Trail	1.0			1.0
City of Spencer	Stolley Park Trail (Spencer Rec. Trail)	1.3			1.3
City of Storm Lake	Storm Lake Laketrail	5.0			5.0
Dickinson County	Iowa Great Lakes Trail	10.0			10.0
Dickinson County	KEMA Phase I Trail	1.0			1.0
Dickinson County	Poyzer Trail		1.0		1.0
Dickinson County	Spirit Lake Fish Hatchery Segment		0.8		0.8
Hull/Sioux County	Rolling Hills Bike Path	1.0			1.0
O'Brien County	Mill Creek Fitness Trail	0.8			0.8
O'Brien County	Sneakers Run		0.8		0.8
Sioux County	Orange City/Alton Puddle Jumper Trail		2.3		2.3
Total		24.3	4.8		29.1

Source: Northwest Iowa Planning and Development Commission, 2004