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State of Iowa	2,583,552	2,483,135	96.1%	100,391	3.9%	35,407	1.4%	31,620	1.2%	11,114	0.4%	15,381	0.6%	8,995	0.3%		
Adair	7,855	7,669	97.6%	186	2.4%	37	0.5%	62	0.8%	12	0.2%	19	0.2%	7	0.1%		
Adams	4,523	4,454	98.5%	69	1.5%	17	0.4%	8	0.2%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Allamakee	12,864	12,585	97.8%	279	2.2%	56	0.4%	75	0.6%	21	0.2%	11	0.1%	3	0.0%		
Appanoose	12,871	12,527	97.3%	344	2.7%	76	0.6%	91	0.7%	6	0.0%	57	0.4%	33	0.3%		
Audubon	6,827	6,537	95.8%	290	4.2%	88	1.3%	53	0.8%	34	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Benton	20,777	20,260	97.5%	517	2.5%	181	0.9%	146	0.7%	72	0.3%	15	0.1%	15	0.1%		
Black Hawk	115,553	111,954	96.9%	3,670	3.2%	1,131	1.0%	1,239	1.1%	388	0.3%	603	0.5%	338	0.3%		
Boone	23,522	22,937	97.5%	585	2.5%	151	0.6%	181	0.8%	52	0.2%	98	0.4%	50	0.2%		
Bremer	21,435	20,606	96.1%	829	3.9%	242	1.1%	148	0.7%	48	0.2%	45	0.2%	32	0.1%		
Buchanan	19,228	18,197	94.6%	1,031	5.4%	525	2.7%	161	0.8%	83	0.4%	4	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Buena Vista	18,549	17,731	95.6%	813	4.4%	371	2.0%	174	0.9%	58	0.3%	343	1.8%	254	1.4%		
Butler	14,749	14,102	95.6%	647	4.4%	124	0.8%	48	0.3%	9	0.1%	4	0.0%	2	0.0%		
Calhoun	10,815	10,612	98.1%	203	1.9%	80	0.7%	71	0.7%	25	0.2%	10	0.1%	5	0.0%		
Carroll	19,734	19,330	98.0%	404	2.0%	116	0.6%	160	0.8%	50	0.3%	10	0.1%	2	0.0%		
Cass	14,166	13,811	97.5%	355	2.5%	66	0.5%	134	0.9%	17	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Cedar	16,278	15,845	97.3%	433	2.7%	113	0.7%	101	0.6%	36	0.2%	21	0.1%	6	0.0%		
Cerro Gordo	43,559	41,995	96.4%	1,552	3.6%	470	1.1%	759	1.7%	213	0.5%	95	0.2%	65	0.1%		
Cherokee	13,168	12,881	97.8%	287	2.2%	83	0.6%	109	0.8%	24	0.2%	21	0.2%	18	0.1%		
Chickasaw	12,398	12,110	97.7%	288	2.3%	117	0.9%	67	0.5%	42	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Clarke	7,723	7,593	98.3%	130	1.7%	40	0.5%	67	0.9%	18	0.2%	13	0.2%	0	0.0%		
Clay	16,340	16,020	98.0%	320	2.0%	131	0.8%	113	0.7%	58	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Clayton	17,722	17,310	97.7%	412	2.3%	126	0.7%	73	0.4%	41	0.2%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%		
Clinton	47,455	46,064	97.1%	1,366	2.9%	377	0.8%	466	1.0%	122	0.3%	106	0.2%	64	0.1%		
Crawford	15,596	14,909	95.6%	657	4.2%	245	1.6%	137	0.9%	52	0.3%	30	0.2%	28	0.2%		
Dallas	27,645	27,131	98.1%	514	1.9%	111	0.4%	266	1.0%	63	0.2%	16	0.1%	0	0.0%		
Davis	7,708	7,090	92.0%	618	8.0%	272	3.5%	35	0.5%	10	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Decatur	7,831	7,578	96.8%	253	3.2%	43	0.5%	43	0.5%	15	0.2%	18	0.2%	10	0.1%		
Delaware	16,620	16,208	97.5%	412	2.5%	133	0.8%	210	1.3%	82	0.5%	25	0.2%	6	0.0%		
Des Moines	39,816	38,467	96.6%	1,295	3.3%	405	1.0%	715	1.8%	224	0.6%	109	0.3%	46	0.1%		
Dickinson	14,092	13,702	97.2%	390	2.8%	115	0.8%	199	1.4%	49	0.3%	16	0.1%	6	0.0%		
Dubuque	80,386	77,814	96.8%	2,567	3.2%	898	1.1%	854	1.1%	378	0.5%	306	0.4%	174	0.2%		
Emmet	10,859	10,627	97.9%	232	2.1%	36	0.3%	58	0.5%	11	0.1%	23	0.2%	7	0.1%		
Fayette	20,352	19,755	97.1%	597	2.9%	167	0.8%	205	1.0%	56	0.3%	25	0.1%	8	0.0%		
Floyd	15,939	15,592	97.8%	347	2.2%	129	0.8%	63	0.4%	28	0.2%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Franklin	10,633	10,321	97.1%	312	2.9%	112	1.1%	171	1.6%	79	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Fremont	7,710	7,543	97.8%	167	2.2%	59	0.8%	97	1.3%	38	0.5%	4	0.1%	2	0.0%		

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Greene	9,409	9,147	97.2%	262	2.8%	107	1.1%	99	1.1%	41	0.4%	15	0.2%	12	0.1%	
Grundy	11,254	10,616	94.3%	638	5.7%	153	1.4%	93	0.8%	35	0.3%	4	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Guthrie	10,305	10,172	98.7%	133	1.3%	49	0.5%	51	0.5%	20	0.2%	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	
Hamilton	15,009	14,570	97.1%	439	2.9%	125	0.8%	212	1.4%	64	0.4%	48	0.3%	32	0.2%	
Hancock	11,725	11,315	96.5%	410	3.5%	188	1.6%	158	1.3%	79	0.7%	15	0.1%	13	0.1%	
Hardin	17,975	17,358	96.6%	617	3.4%	167	0.9%	202	1.1%	75	0.4%	27	0.2%	14	0.1%	
Harrison	13,705	13,421	97.9%	284	2.1%	95	0.7%	76	0.6%	32	0.2%	18	0.1%	11	0.1%	
Henry	17,950	17,360	96.7%	593	3.3%	251	1.4%	179	1.0%	64	0.4%	138	0.8%	78	0.4%	
Howard	9,135	8,624	94.4%	511	5.6%	108	1.2%	86	0.9%	8	0.1%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	
Humboldt	10,050	9,830	97.8%	220	2.2%	60	0.6%	63	0.6%	15	0.1%	31	0.3%	2	0.0%	
Ida	7,739	7,495	96.8%	244	3.2%	89	1.2%	41	0.5%	22	0.3%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	
Iowa	13,580	12,643	93.1%	937	6.9%	289	2.1%	97	0.7%	36	0.3%	11	0.1%	11	0.1%	
Jackson	18,526	18,161	98.0%	365	2.0%	119	0.6%	132	0.7%	44	0.2%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	
Jasper	32,553	31,670	97.3%	883	2.7%	261	0.8%	247	0.8%	62	0.2%	145	0.4%	99	0.3%	
Jefferson	15,248	14,614	95.8%	640	4.2%	217	1.4%	160	1.0%	36	0.2%	80	0.5%	49	0.3%	
Johnson	89,962	82,584	91.8%	7,349	8.2%	2,777	3.1%	1,303	1.4%	391	0.4%	2,525	2.8%	1,372	1.5%	
Jones	18,178	17,714	97.4%	458	2.5%	146	0.8%	142	0.8%	24	0.1%	12	0.1%	12	0.1%	
Keokuk	10,871	10,668	98.1%	203	1.9%	80	0.7%	70	0.6%	30	0.3%	14	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Kossuth	17,293	16,883	97.6%	410	2.4%	120	0.7%	154	0.9%	43	0.2%	8	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Lee	36,126	35,019	96.9%	1,086	3.0%	467	1.3%	538	1.5%	246	0.7%	74	0.2%	50	0.1%	
Linn	156,837	150,683	96.1%	6,113	3.9%	2,000	1.3%	1,389	0.9%	446	0.3%	828	0.5%	460	0.3%	
Louisa	10,789	10,352	95.9%	437	4.1%	173	1.6%	349	3.2%	149	1.4%	9	0.1%	7	0.1%	
Lucas	8,500	8,299	97.6%	201	2.4%	74	0.9%	124	1.5%	39	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Lyon	11,005	10,247	93.1%	758	6.9%	214	1.9%	54	0.5%	14	0.1%	31	0.3%	8	0.1%	
Madison	11,651	11,387	97.7%	264	2.3%	105	0.9%	99	0.8%	37	0.3%	26	0.2%	0	0.0%	
Mahaska	19,984	19,548	97.8%	436	2.2%	88	0.4%	98	0.5%	17	0.1%	52	0.3%	17	0.1%	
Marion	28,044	26,911	96.0%	1,133	4.0%	373	1.3%	175	0.6%	31	0.1%	131	0.5%	94	0.3%	
Marshall	35,778	34,743	97.1%	1,057	3.0%	285	0.8%	404	1.1%	104	0.3%	154	0.4%	67	0.2%	
Mills	12,365	12,114	98.0%	251	2.0%	58	0.5%	108	0.9%	49	0.4%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Mitchell	10,215	9,887	96.8%	328	3.2%	122	1.2%	12	0.1%	0	0.0%	6	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Monona	9,430	9,237	98.0%	193	2.0%	41	0.4%	58	0.6%	21	0.2%	5	0.1%	0	0.0%	
Monroe	7,599	7,392	97.3%	207	2.7%	32	0.4%	126	1.7%	27	0.4%	11	0.1%	5	0.1%	
Montgomery	11,346	11,064	97.5%	282	2.5%	80	0.7%	106	0.9%	35	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Muscatine	36,965	33,928	91.8%	3,024	8.2%	1,481	4.0%	2,445	6.6%	1258	3.4%	129	0.3%	46	0.1%	
O'Brien	14,418	14,022	97.3%	396	2.7%	142	1.0%	131	0.9%	48	0.3%	17	0.1%	0	0.0%	
Osceola	6,732	6,459	95.9%	273	4.1%	111	1.6%	41	0.6%	13	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Page	15,871	15,556	98.0%	315	2.0%	122	0.8%	144	0.9%	47	0.3%	14	0.1%	14	0.1%	
Palo Alto	9,989	9,753	97.6%	236	2.4%	62	0.6%	104	1.0%	20	0.2%	14	0.1%	4	0.0%	

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Plymouth	21,671	21,076	97.3%	595	2.7%	272	1.3%	283	1.3%	147	0.7%	6	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Pocahontas	8,875	8,633	97.3%	242	2.7%	74	0.8%	51	0.6%	11	0.1%	17	0.2%	8	0.1%	
Polk	302,280	287,504	95.1%	14,820	4.9%	5,701	1.9%	4,801	1.6%	1654	0.5%	3,877	1.3%	2,292	0.8%	
Pottawattamie	76,437	74,398	97.3%	2,039	2.7%	668	0.9%	873	1.1%	276	0.4%	118	0.2%	80	0.1%	
Poweshiek	17,866	17,365	97.2%	501	2.8%	129	0.7%	178	1.0%	51	0.3%	103	0.6%	52	0.3%	
Ringgold	5,130	5,027	98.0%	103	2.0%	23	0.4%	54	1.1%	16	0.3%	17	0.3%	5	0.1%	
Sac	11,488	11,294	98.3%	194	1.7%	51	0.4%	70	0.6%	21	0.2%	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	
Scott	139,221	132,794	95.4%	6,450	4.6%	2,307	1.7%	2,709	1.9%	943	0.7%	776	0.6%	439	0.3%	
Shelby	12,341	12,008	97.3%	333	2.7%	125	1.0%	70	0.6%	16	0.1%	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	
Sioux	27,599	26,282	95.2%	1,317	4.8%	379	1.4%	134	0.5%	40	0.1%	89	0.3%	41	0.1%	
Story	69,869	64,581	92.4%	5,304	7.6%	2,309	3.3%	957	1.4%	354	0.5%	2,196	3.1%	1,388	2.0%	
Tama	16,280	15,055	92.5%	1,225	7.5%	346	2.1%	176	1.1%	57	0.4%	59	0.4%	21	0.1%	
Taylor	6,680	6,579	98.5%	101	1.5%	62	0.9%	45	0.7%	26	0.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Union	11,952	11,822	98.9%	130	1.1%	22	0.2%	77	0.6%	10	0.1%	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	
Van Buren	7,129	6,796	95.3%	333	4.7%	97	1.4%	57	0.8%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Wapello	33,354	32,600	97.7%	754	2.3%	152	0.5%	324	1.0%	48	0.1%	92	0.3%	68	0.2%	
Warren	33,437	32,598	97.5%	839	2.5%	189	0.6%	395	1.2%	66	0.2%	86	0.3%	17	0.1%	
Washington	18,163	17,165	94.5%	998	5.5%	435	2.4%	195	1.1%	73	0.4%	12	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Wayne	6,619	6,460	97.6%	159	2.4%	52	0.8%	92	1.4%	31	0.5%	17	0.3%	5	0.1%	
Webster	37,393	36,097	96.5%	1,252	3.3%	345	0.9%	297	0.8%	72	0.2%	131	0.4%	48	0.1%	
Winnebago	11,329	10,798	95.3%	531	4.7%	218	1.9%	104	0.9%	44	0.4%	53	0.5%	29	0.3%	
Winneshiek	19,434	18,510	95.2%	925	4.8%	317	1.6%	48	0.2%	2	0.0%	86	0.4%	61	0.3%	
Woodbury	90,811	86,134	94.8%	4,733	5.2%	2,119	2.3%	1,888	2.1%	896	1.0%	965	1.1%	740	0.8%	
Worth	7,488	7,285	97.3%	203	2.7%	56	0.7%	18	0.2%	11	0.1%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Wright	13,314	12,961	97.3%	353	2.7%	85	0.6%	95	0.7%	6	0.0%	7	0.1%	4	0.0%	

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