# OSCEOLA, IOWA

# LABORSHED AREA

A STUDY IN LABOR AVAILABILITY AND WORKFORCE CHARACTERISTICS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY WWW.IOWALMI.GOV/LABORSHED RELEASED 2023

ESTIMATED POPULATION AGES 18-64

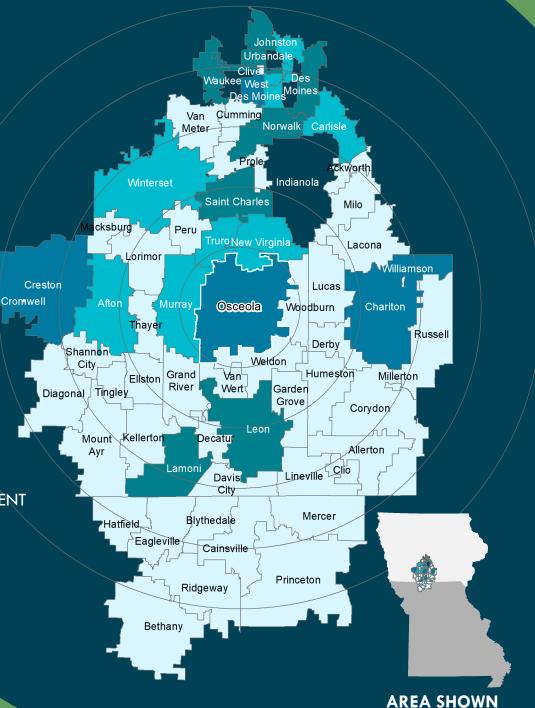
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ESTIMATED TOTAL LIKELY TO ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT IN OSCEOLA, IA

58,999

LIKELY TO
CHANGE/ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT
IN **OSCEOLA, IA**BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE
(PER ZIP CODE)

2 - 184 185 - 586 587 - 1,172 1,173 - 2,337 2,338 - 10,338



10-Mile Interval Between Rings

### A Laborshed area is defined by its commuting pattern and illustrates which communities contribute to an employment center's workforce and at what level. To determine the boundaries of a Laborshed area, local employers supply the residential ZIP codes of each of their employees. The data in this publication reflects characteristics specific to the workforce in the Osceola Laborshed area.

## OSCEOLA LABORSHED ANALYSIS

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS (ESTIMATED TOTAL)\*** 

(245,861) 84.4% **Employed** 9.6% (28,989) \*Unemployed 3.0% (9,059) Homemakers 3.0% (9,059) Retired

\*Employment status is self-identified by the survey respondent. The unemployment percentage above does not reflect the unemployment rate published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, which applies a stricter definition.



# Unemployed -Likely to Accept Employment 87.2%



The employed are currently commuting an average of-



Wholesale & Retail Trade, 21.4% (54,540)	240)
<sup>1</sup> Finance, 13.3% (33,897)	
<sup>2</sup> Government, 11.2% (28,544)	
Social Services, 11.2% (28,544)	
acturing, 8.8% (22,428)	
ation, 7.7% (19,624)	
Professional Services, 7.7% (19,624)	
Construction, 7.0% (17,840)	
<sup>3</sup> Transportation, 7.0% (17,840)	
ure, 1.4% (3,568)	
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nent & Recreation, 1.1% (2,803)	
ary Duty, 0.8% (2,041)	

	TOP CURRENT BENEFI FULL-TIME I						
Å	Paid Sick Leave/ PTO/ Vacation						
\$	Health/Medical Insurance	92.4%					
	Dental Coverage	88.4%					
\$	Pension/	04 20/					
777	Retirement/401K	86.3%					
	Paid Holiday	85.1%					
7	Life Insurance	83.5%					
0	Vision Coverage	83.5%					
	Disability	79.9%					
	Insurance	79.9%					
A	Flex Spending	61.4%					
7-7	Account	01.4%					
0	Wellness Program	<b>57.4</b> %					

<sup>1</sup>Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate <sup>3</sup>Transportation, Communications, & Utilities <sup>4</sup>Agriculture, Forestry, & Mining

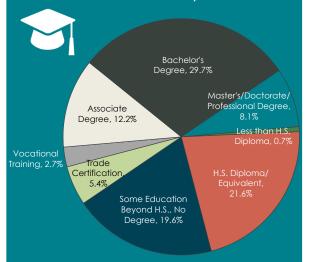
<sup>2</sup>Public Administration, Government

## EMPLOYED: LIKELY TO CHANGE

- An estimated 50,106 employed individuals are likely to change their current employment situation for an opportunity in Osceola
- Current occupational categories:

Professional, Paraprofessional, Technical	35.5%
Production, Construction, Material Moving	19.1%
Clerical	13.5%
Managerial	10.6%
Service	10.6%
Sales	9.2%
Agricultural	1.5%

- Current median wages: \$
  - \$19.00/hour and \$71,500/year
  - \$25.00/hour attracts 66%
  - \$25.90 / hour attracts 75%
- 77.7% have an education beyond HS



- 27.7% are actively seeking employment
- Most frequently identified job search resources:



• Top sites:

Top newspapers:



Osceola Sentinel-Tribune
The Des Moines Register
Creston News Advertiser

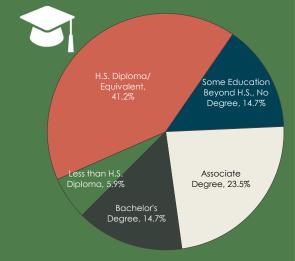
- Commute:
  - Currently commuting an average of 13 miles/19 minutes (one-way) to work
  - Willing to commute an average of 26 miles/35 minutes (one-way) to work

# UNEMPLOYED: LIKELY TO ACCEPT

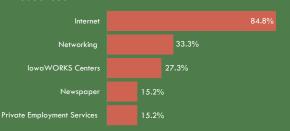
- An estimated 3,515 unemployed individuals are likely to accept employment in Osceola
- Former occupational categories:

Production, Construction, Material Moving	25.8%
Service	19.4%
Clerical	16.1%
Professional, Paraprofessional, Technical	16.1%
Sales	12.9%
Managerial	9.7%
Agricultural	0.0%

- Median wages: \$
  - \$15.00/hour lowest willing to accept
  - \$18.00/hour attracts 66%
  - \$20.00 / hour attracts 75%
- 52.9% have an education beyond HS



- 50.0% are actively seeking employment
- Most frequently identified job search resources:



• Top sites:

indeed.com linkedin.com Top newspapers:



- Commute:
- Willing to commute an average of 21 miles/30 minutes (one-way) to work







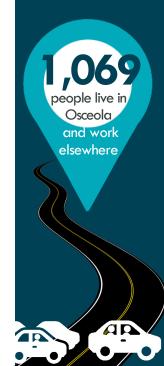
The Laborshed survey collects information regarding the **out commute** for an employment center.

The out commute for Osceola is estimated at 31.4 percent— approximately 1,069 people living in Osceola work in other communities.

Most of those who are out commuting are working in Des Moines, West Des Moines, and Murray.

Over one-third (36.4%) of out commuters are likely to change employment (approximately 389 people).

57.6% earn an hourly wage—median wage is \$30.00/hour 30.3% earn an annual salary—median salary is \$70,000/year



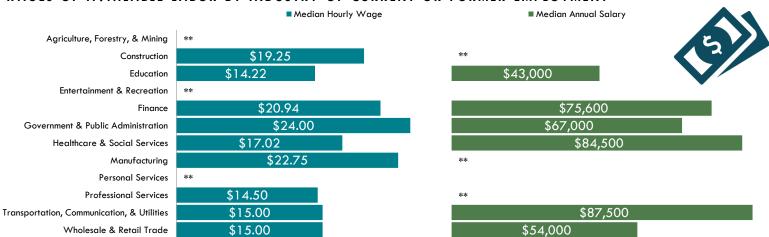
### EDUCATION OF AVAILABLE LABOR BY INDUSTRY OF CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYMENT

Data on this page is specific to only those survey respondents that reported they are likely to change or accept employment.

Industry	Education Beyond HS	Some Education Beyond HS, No Degree Obtained	Trade Certification/ Vocational Training	Associate Degree	Bachelor's Degree o
Agriculture, Forestry, & Mining	**	**	**	**	**
Construction	44.4%	0.0%	11.1%	11.1%	22.2%
Education	88.9%	22.2%	11.1%	0.0%	55.6%
Entertainment & Recreation	**	**	**	**	**
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	75.1%	4.2%	0.0%	16.7%	54.2%
Government & Public Administration	71.4%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	57.1%
Healthcare & Social Services	86.9%	13.0%	8.7%	30.4%	34.8%
Manufacturing	66.7%	6.7%	6.7%	20.0%	33.3%
Personal Services	**	**	**	**	**
Professional Services	77.0%	38.5%	0.0%	7.7%	30.8%
Transportation, Communication, & Utilities	61.6%	30.8%	15.4%	7.7%	7.7%
Wholesale & Retail Trade	69.5%	28.6%	8.2%	18.4%	14.3%

Top percentages among industries per education level are highlighted in the table. \*\*Insufficient survey data/refused

#### WAGES OF AVAILABLE LABOR BY INDUSTRY OF CURRENT OR FORMER EMPLOYMENT



<sup>\*\*</sup>Insufficient survey data/refused. A lack of data for a particular industry is not necessarily indicative that there were no (or few) individuals surveyed within that industry. Rather, it may be that there simply were no respondents within that industry that also reported that they are likely to change or accept employment.

Note: A wide variety of occupations are included within these industry categories. Industry classification is based upon the respondent's reported current or former employer. Two respondents that work for a manufacturer will be classified within the manufacturing industry even if, for example, one respondent is a custodian and the other is an accountant.

#### UNDEREMPLOYMENT

The underemployed are working fewer than 35 hours per week but desire more hours (**inadequate hours**); in positions that do not meet their skill or education level, or have worked for higher wages at previous employment (**mismatch of skills**); or are earning wages equal to or less than the national poverty level and work 35 or more hours per week (**low income**).

	Percent Surveyed	Estimated Total		Percent Surveyed	Estimated Total
Inadequate Hours	2.0%	1,002	Mismatch of Skills	11.6%	5,812
\$ Low Income	0.2%	100	\( \sum_t\tau_t\ta	13.3%	6,664

†Individuals may be underemployed for more than one reason but are counted only once for total estimated underemployment.

Note: To be counted as underemployed in any category an individual must be currently employed and likely to change their current employment situation.



