



# Do You Know Iowa?

## A Population Quiz

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### Population Change in Iowa's Counties

- Q 1) How many of Iowa's 99 counties gained population between 1980 and 1990?  
(choose answer from a) - g) below.)
- Q 2) How many of Iowa's 99 counties gained population between 1990 and 2000?  
(choose answer from a) - g) below.)
- Q 3) How many of Iowa's 99 counties were estimated to have gained population between 2000 and 2009?
- a) None of the 99 counties.
  - b) 7 of the 99 counties.
  - c) 22 of the 99 counties.
  - d) 54 of the 99 counties.
  - e) 72 of the 99 counties.
  - f) 82 of the 99 counties.
  - g) All of the 99 counties.

### Age in Iowa

- Q 4) How did Iowa's percentage of persons 65 or older compare with the percentage for the total U.S. in 2009?
- a) Iowa's percentage 65 or older was higher than that for the U.S.
  - b) Iowa's percentage 65 or older was lower than that for the U.S.
  - c) Iowa's percentage 65 or older was nearly the same as that for the U.S.
- Q 5) For how many of Iowa's 99 counties was the percentage of 65 or older 15% or higher in 2000?
- a) None of the 99 counties.
  - b) 7 of the 99 counties.
  - c) 22 of the 99 counties.
  - d) 54 of the 99 counties.
  - e) 72 of the 99 counties.
  - f) 82 of the 99 counties.
  - g) All of the 99 counties.

## **Iowa's Population by Race and Ethnicity**

- Q 6) What race group in Iowa was estimated to be the largest in 2009?
- Q 7) How did Iowa's percentage of minorities compare with the percentage for the total U.S. in 2009?
- a) Iowa's percentage of minorities was higher than that for the U.S.
  - b) Iowa's percentage of minorities was lower than that for the U.S.
  - c) Iowa's percentage of minorities was nearly the same as that for the U.S.
- Q 8) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had a minority population of 10% or more in 2009? (choose answer from a) - g) below.)
- Q 9) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had an Hispanic population of 10% or more in 2009?
- a) None of the 99 counties.
  - b) 7 of the 99 counties.
  - c) 17 of the 99 counties.
  - d) 36 of the 99 counties.
  - e) 59 of the 99 counties.
  - f) 78 of the 99 counties.
  - g) All of the 99 counties.

## **Educational Attainment in Iowa**

- Q 10) How did Iowa's percentage of population that are high school graduates compare with that for the total U.S. at Census 2000?
- a) Iowa's percentage of high school graduates was higher than that for the U.S.
  - b) Iowa's percentage of high school graduates was lower than that for the U.S.
  - c) Iowa's percentage of high school graduates was nearly the same as that for the U.S.
- Q 11) How did Iowa's percentage of population that are college graduates compare with that for the total U.S. at Census 2000?
- a) Iowa's percentage of college graduates was higher than that for the U.S.
  - b) Iowa's percentage of college graduates was lower than that for the U.S.
  - c) Iowa's percentage of college graduates was nearly the same as that for the U.S.

## **Income in Iowa**

- Q 12) How did Iowa's per capita income in 2008 compare with that for the total U.S.?
- a) Iowa's per capita income was higher than that for the U.S.
  - b) Iowa's per capita income was lower than that for the U.S.
  - c) Iowa's per capita income was nearly the same as that for the U.S.
- Q 13) What was the lowest and highest per capita income in Iowa's counties in 2008?
- a) lowest \$ 25,600; highest \$55,900
  - b) lowest \$ 27,268; highest \$44,372
  - c) lowest \$ 23,711; highest \$45,364
  - d) lowest \$ 38,853; highest \$40,126
  - e) lowest \$ 35,312; highest \$52,867
  - f) lowest \$ 25,924; highest \$41,244

## **Answers and Data Sources**

### **Population Change in Iowa's Counties**

Q 1) How many of Iowa's 99 counties gained population between 1980 and 1990?

Answer: b) 7 of the 99 counties.

Q 2) How many of Iowa's 99 counties gained population between 1990 and 2000?

Answer: d) 54 of the 99 counties.

Q 3) How many of Iowa's 99 counties were estimated to have gained population between 2000 and 2009?

Answer: c) 22 of the 99 counties.

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/CountyAll/copopnumeric18502000.pdf>

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/CountyAll/coestpop20002009.pdf>

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/PlacesAll/plestpop20002009.pdf>

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/UnitedStates/usstpopcomponentranking20002009.pdf>

### **Age in Iowa**

Q 4) How did Iowa's percentage of persons 65 or older compare with the percentage for the total U.S. in 2009?

Answer: a) Iowa's percentage 65 or older is higher than that for the U.S.

Iowa: 14.8%; U.S.: 12.9%

Q 5) For how many of Iowa's 99 counties was the percentage of 65 or older 15% or higher in 2000?

Answer: f) 82 of the 99 counties.

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/UnitedStates/usstageselpercentages2009.pdf>

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/CountyAll/coageselpercent2000.pdf>

### **Iowa's Population by Race and Ethnicity**

Q 6) What race group in Iowa was estimated to be the largest in 2009?

Answer: White 93.9%

Q 7) How did Iowa's percentage of minorities compare with the percentage for the total U.S. in 2009?

Answer: b) Iowa's percentage of minorities was lower than that for the U.S.

Iowa: 10.2%; U.S.: 34.9%

Q 8) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had a minority population of 10% or more in 2009?

Answer: c) 17 of the 99 counties.

Q 9) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had an Hispanic population of 10% or more in 2009?

Answer: b) 7 of the 99 counties.

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<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/UnitedStates/usstracehispanic2009.pdf>

## Educational Attainment in Iowa

Q 10) How did Iowa's percentage of population that are high school graduates compare with that for the total U.S. at Census 2000?

Answer: a) Iowa's percentage of high school graduates was higher than that for the U.S.  
Iowa: 86.1%; U.S.: 80.4%

Q 11) How did Iowa's percentage of population that are college graduates compare with that for the total U.S. at Census 2000?

Answer: b) Iowa's percentage of college graduates was lower than that for the U.S.  
Iowa: 21.2%; U.S.: 24.4%

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/UnitedStates/ussteducation2000.pdf>

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/UnitedStates/ussteducationalattainment20002006.pdf>

## Income in Iowa

Q 12) How did Iowa's per capita income in 2008 compare with that for the total U.S.?

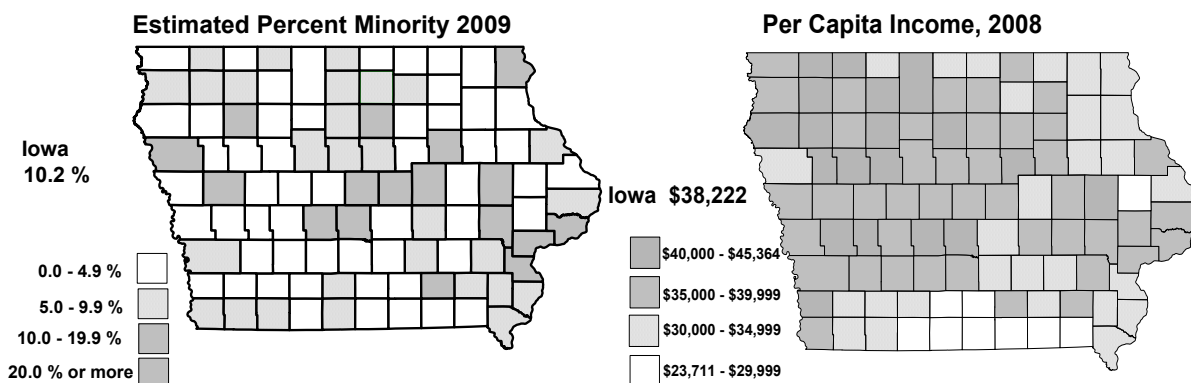
Answer: b) Iowa's per capita income was lower than that for the U.S.  
Iowa: \$38,222; U.S.: \$40,673

Q 13) What was the lowest and highest per capita income in Iowa's counties in 2008?

Answer: c) lowest \$ 23,711 (Decatur Co); highest \$45,364 (Ida Co)

<http://www.bea.gov/regional/spi/drill.cfm>

<http://data.iowadatacenter.org/datatables/CountyAll/copcpi19692008.pdf>



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