



## This report Reflects March-April 2016

# **Current Job Openings (Incudes indexed jobs)**

	Statewide	Regional
March	34,181	3376
April	34,030	3093

Unemployment Rates- County rates are not seasonally adjusted				
	March 2016	February 2016	March 2015	
United States (seasonally Adjusted)	5.0%	4.9%	5.5%	
State of Iowa (seasonally adjusted)	3.8%	3.7%	3.7%	
Benton	4.3%	4.7%	4.6%	
Cedar	4.1%	4.6%	4.1%	
Iowa	4.1%	4.3%	4.5%	
Johnson	2.8%	3.0%	2.5%	
Jones	5.7%	6.2%	5.6%	
Linn	4.2%	4.5%	4.1%	
Washington	3.1%	3.9%	3.7%	

## **Employer Services**

In addition to business visits, the employer services team assisted the following businesses during this reporting period through targeting recruiting events in the IowaWORKS center:

#### **Cedar Rapids Recruiting Events**

March/April 2016

RGIS-5 PIC Group-2 Randstad-4 Terry Branstad, Governor Kim Reynolds, Lt. Governor

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Allied Barton-2 Sprint Jarvis Property Envoy Air PerMar Gordmans American Window QPS Service Master LA Leasing United Health Smokin Joes GO Daddy LS Nexus The Muddy Paw

## **Iowa City Recruiting Events**

March/April 2016

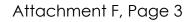
Way To Go-2 Key Resources-2 Aerotek Affordable Cleaning

Below are the Business Services activities held during March and April 2016:

Fraud in Unemployment-ECI Seminar Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2016 9:30am to 11:30am KTOS – Cedar Rapids, Iowa 44 Registrations

White Collar Exemptions-ECI Seminar Wednesday, April 27 of 2016 9:00am – 11:00am Kirkwood Regional Center at the U of I Coralville, Iowa 69 Registrations Terry Branstad, Governor Kim Reynolds, Lt. Governor

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#### Job Fairs

HBI Veteran Virtual Job Fair Wednesday, March 9 of 2016 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Corridor Career Fair-Partnered with CR Gazette Thursday, March 24 of 2016 4:00pm – 7:00pm Iowa Memorial Union Iowa City, Iowa City

Congressman's Blum Cedar Rapids Job Fair Tuesday, March 29 of 2016 3:00pm – 7:00pm National Czech & Slovak Museum Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Center of Influence Career Fair Thursday, April 14 of 2016 8:00am – 5:00pm Iowa City National Guard Armory

During March and April, several short term trainings were offered free as core services to members of IowaWORKS and are listed below.

## **Forklift Certification**

CPR Computer Classes (Keyboarding, Word, Email/Internet, Excel)

#### Synopsis of the State Apprenticeship Grant

473 referrals (via marketing, outreach, partners)
43 NEG/WIOA enrollments6 OJT placements (1 started as pre-apprentice and 1 promoted to apprentice)
17 non OJT placements (found employment in other industry and outside of program)
10 referrals to WIOA formula training programs
8 in assessment and job preparedness activities
15 program exits.
Current OJT's with Gerard Electric, R&R Dudek, Master Plumbing, Iowa Kenworth, LX Nexus, Homeland Electric

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