

TRANSPORTATION FACTS

HIGHWAY

MOTOR VEHICLES: In 1975 Iowa had 2,100,000 registered motor vehicles, including 550,000 commercial vehicles. There were 1,899,000 licensed drivers. There were an estimated 19.5 billion vehicle miles of travel in 1975 on Iowa's streets and highways with 674 fatalities. In 1974 lowa ranked 25th nationally in number of fatal accidents per 100 million vehicle miles. There were 1.7 billion gallons of motor fuel consumed on lowa's streets and highways in 1975.

MILEAGE: In 1975 lowa ranks 9th nationally in public road and street mileage with 112,510 miles. This total includes the following jurisdictions: Cities, 12,100 miles; Counties, 89,730 miles; Iowa's State Parks and Institutions, 280 miles; and State, 10,400 miles which includes 725 miles of Interstate. Iowa's network of streets and highways includes approximately 30,000 miles of paved roads. Iowa is served by 3 major Interstate Routes which link the state with the east and west coasts and with Canada and Mexico.

FINANCE: In 1975 highway revenue of over \$270 million was obtained from the following tax sources: Motor Vehicle Registration (\$102 million); Motor Fuel (\$119 million); and Use and Miscellaneous faxes (\$49 million). During fiscal year 1975 more than \$123 million was spent on Iowa's State Primary Highway System and more than \$40 million was spent on county construction projects. During 1975 more than \$34 million was spent on city street construction.

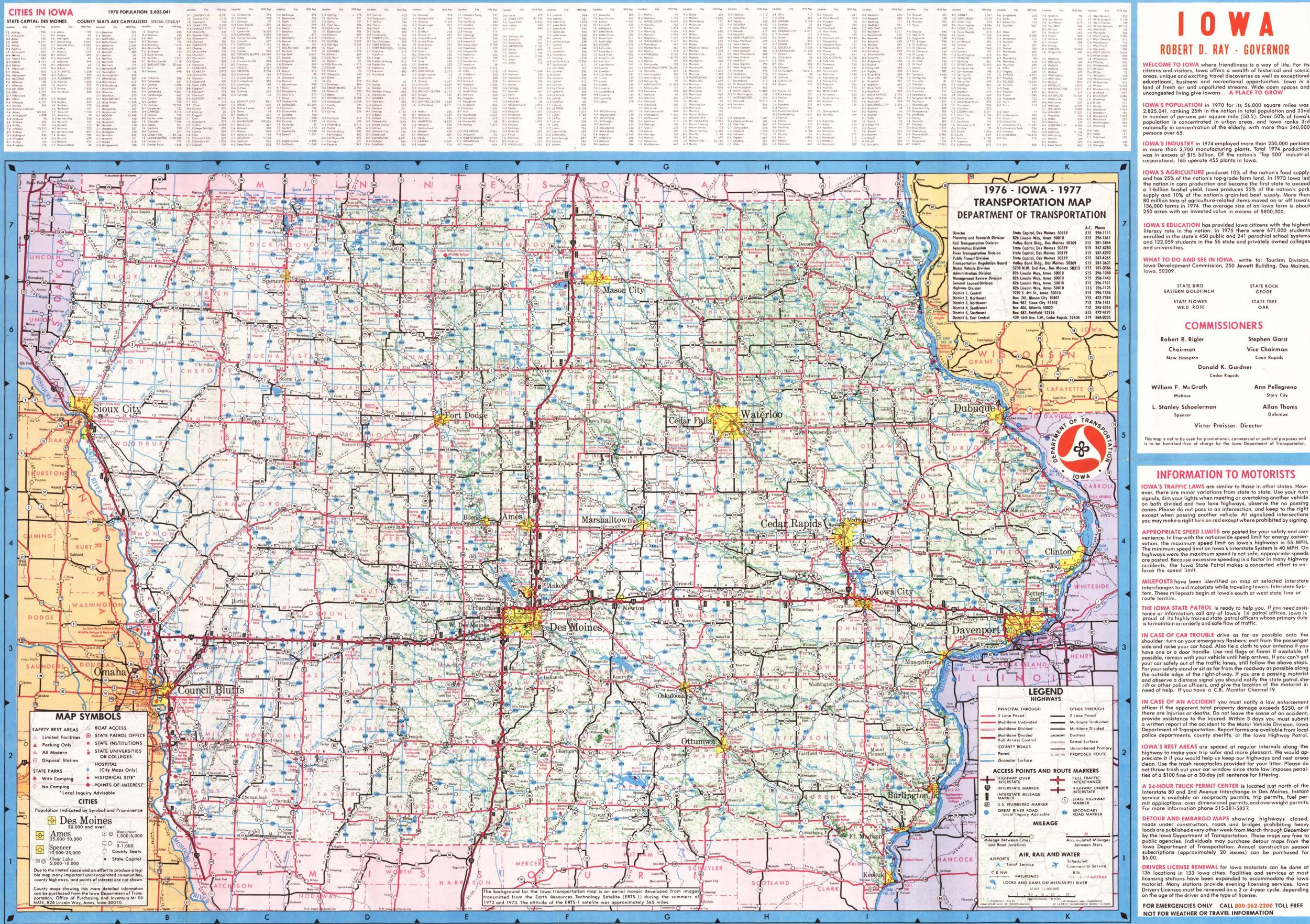
lowa ranks 5th nationally with approximately 10,800 miles of track in the state. There are 8 class I and 10 class II railroad companies which employ approximately 9,000 persons. (Class I railroads have more than \$10 million in operating revenues.) In 1974 approximately 30 million tons of revenue freight originated on lowa's class I railroads; an additional 23 million tons terminated in Iowa. The major export items were farm products, food and kindred products. The major import items were farm supplies and coal. There are 46 freight switching yards owned by class I railroads with 3 class II switching companies providing major service in Des Moines and Davenport. "Piggyback" service is provided by 7 class I railroads at 46 sites in 25 cities.

lowa has more than 8,000 registered pilots and more than 2,800 registered aircraft. There are 343 airports in lowa, of which 231 are open for public use. There are 138 lighted airports in Iowa; 90 provide all-weather runways. Commercial service is provided to 11 Iowa airports. During 1974 approximately 1,123,694 passengers and 12,325 tons of cargo were enplaned at 10 major terminals. In 1973, lowa ranked 14th nationally in the total number of airports, 20th in

aircraft and 25th in the number of pilots.

In 1974 over 9,025,000 tons were shipped from Iowa's 58 commercial docks on the Mississippi River. Iowa's 7 commercial docks on the Missouri River shipped over 388,000 tons in 1974. The navigation season normally runs from April to December. Keokuk, Iowa, on the Mississippi River, is the northermost point open to barge traffic year round. Sioux City, Iowa, is the northernmost point for international barge shipping on the Missouri River. Iowa's grain can be barged directly to New Orleans for shipment to overseas markets. A typical barge holds 1,500 tons and requires a 9' channel depth for navigation.

In 1974 there were 15 urban transit operations which provided service in 19 major lowa cities. Three are privately owned and 12 are owned by municipal or regional governing bodies. The 15 opera-tions operate a total of 250 vehicles on 112 routes. In 1974 urban transit operations transported approximately 13,428,000 passengers at an estimated cost of \$6,700,000. Revenue for 1974 was estimated at \$3,800,000. In 1975 there were 160 rural transportation systems which provided service in 89 lowa counties for the elderly, handi-capped and underprivileged.



WELCOME TO IOWA where friendliness is a way of life. For its citizens and visitors, Iowa offers a wealth of historical and scenic areas, unique and exciting travel discoveries as well as exceptional educational, business and recreational opportunities. Iowa is a land of fresh air and unpolluted streams. Wide open spaces and uncongested living give Iowans ... A PLACE TO GROW

IOWA'S POPULATION in 1970 for its 56,000 square miles was 2,825,041, ranking 25th in the nation in total population and 22nd in number of persons per square mile (50.5). Over 50% of Iowa's population is concentrated in urban areas, and Iowa ranks 3rd nationally in concentration of the elderly, with more than 340,000 persons over 65.

IOWA'S INDUSTRY in 1974 employed more than 230,000 persons in more than 3,700 manufacturing plants. Total 1974 production was in excess of \$15 billion. Of the nation's "Top 500" industrial orporations, 165 operate 455 plants in Iowa.

IOWA'S AGRICULTURE produces 10% of the nation's food supplyand has 25% of the nation's top-grade farm land. In 1973 Iowa led the nation in corn production and became the first state to exceed a 1-billion bushel yield. Iowa produces 22% of the nation's pork supply and 10% of the nation's grain-fed beef supply. More than 80 million tons of agriculture-related items moved on or off lowa's 136,000 farms in 1974. The average size of an lowa farm is about 250 acres with an invested value in excess of \$800,000.

IOWA'S EDUCATION has provided lowa citizens with the highest literacy rate in the nation. In 1975 there were 671,000 students enrolled in the state's 450 public and 241 parochial school systems and 122,059 students in the 56 state and privately owned colleges

STATE ROCK

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WHAT TO DO AND SEE IN IOWA, write to: Tourism Division, Iowa Development Commission, 250 Jewett Building, Des Moines,

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OWA'S TRAFFIC LAWS are similar to those in other states. How ver, there are minor variations from state to state. Use your turn signals, dim your lights when meeting or overtaking another vehicle on both divided and two lane highways, observe the no passing zones. Please do not pass in an intersection, and keep to the right except when passing another vehicle. At signalized intersections you may make a right turn on red except where prohibited by signing.

APPROPRIATE SPEED LIMITS are posted for your safety and convenience. In line with the nationwide speed limit for energy conser ration, the maximum speed limit on lowa's highways is 55 MPH. The minimum speed limit on Iowa's Interstate System is 40 MPH. On highways were the maximum speed is not safe, appropriate speeds are posted. Because excessive speeding is a factor in many highway accidents, the Iowa State Patrol makes a concerted effort to en-

WILEPOSTS have been identified on map at selected interstate interchanges to aid motorists while traveling Iowa's Interstate System. These mileposts begin at Iowa's south or west state line or

THE IOWA STATE PATROL is ready to help you. If you need assistance or information, call any of lowa's 14 patrol offices, lowa is proud of its highly trained state patrol officers whose primary duty is to maintain an orderly and safe flow of traffic.

N CASE OF CAR TROUBLE drive as far as possible onto the shoulder; turn on your emergency flashers; exit from the passenger side and raise your car hood. Also tie a cloth to your antenna if you have one or a door handle. Use red flags or flares if available. It possible, remain with your vehicle until help arrives. If you can't get your car safely out of the traffic lanes, still follow the above steps or your safety stand or sit as far from the roadway as possible along the outside edge of the right-of-way. If you are a passing motorist

riff or other police officers, and give the location of the motorist in need of help. If you have a C.B., Monitor Channel 19. IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT you must notify a law enforcement officer if the apparent total property damage exceeds \$250, or if there are injuries or deaths. Do not leave the scene of an accident; provide assistance to the injured. Within 3 days you must submit a written report of the accident to the Motor Vehicle Division. Iowa

Department of Transportation. Report forms are available from local police departments, county sheriffs, or the Iowa Highway Patrol IOWA'S REST AREAS are spaced at regular intervals along the highway to make your trip safer and more pleasant. We would appreciate it if you would help us keep our highways and rest areas

clean. Use the trash receptacles provided for your litter. Please do ot throw trash out your car window since state law imposes penalties of a \$100 fine or a 30-day jail sentence for littering. 24-HOUR TRUCK PERMIT CENTER is located just north of the

Interstate 80 and 2nd Avenue Interchange in Des Moines. Instant service is available on reciprocity permits, trip permits, fuel permit applications, over dimensional permits, and overweight permits. For more information phone 515-281-5827.

DETOUR AND EMBARGO MAPS showing highways closed, roads under construction, roads and bridges prohibiting heavy loads are published every other week from March through December by the Iowa Department of Transportation. These maps are free to public agencies. Individuals may purchase detour maps from the owa Department of Transportation. Annual construction season subscriptions (approximately 20 issues) can be purchased for

DRIVERS LICENSE RENEWAL for lowa motorists can be done at 36 locations in 133 lowa cities. Facilities and services at most licensing stations have been expanded to accommodate the Iowa motorist. Many stations provide evening licensing services. Iowa Drivers Licenses must be renewed on a 2 or 4-year cycle, depending on the age of the driver and the type of license.

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