



This report Reflects March-April 2016

Current Job Openings (Incudes indexed jobs)

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

| <i>Unemployment Rates- County rates are not seasonally adjusted</i> | | | |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 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



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 23rd 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



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 enrollments
6 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