



## **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 gained population between 2000 and 2010?
- a) None of the 99 counties.
  - b) 7 of the 99 counties.
  - c) 33 of the 99 counties.
  - d) 54 of the 99 counties.
  - e) 72 of the 99 counties.
  - f) 84 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 2010?
- 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 2010?
- a) None of the 99 counties.
  - b) 7 of the 99 counties.
  - c) 33 of the 99 counties.
  - d) 54 of the 99 counties.
  - e) 72 of the 99 counties.
  - f) 84 of the 99 counties.
  - g) All of the 99 counties.

\*Sources: Decennial Censuses 1980 - 2010; 2009 American Community Survey; 2010 Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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

- Q 6) What race group in Iowa was the largest in 2010?
- Q 7) How did Iowa's percentage of minorities compare with the percentage for the total U.S. in 2010?
- 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 2010? (choose answer from a) - g) below.)
- Q 9) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had an Hispanic population of 10% or more in 2010?
- a) None of the 99 counties.
  - b) 8 of the 99 counties.
  - c) 23 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. in 2009?
- 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. in 2009?
- 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 2010 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 2009?
- a) lowest \$ 25,600; highest \$55,900
  - b) lowest \$ 27,268; highest \$44,372
  - c) lowest \$ 24,656; highest \$46,551
  - d) lowest \$ 38,853; highest \$40,126
  - e) lowest \$ 35,312; highest \$52,867
  - f) lowest \$ 23,924; highest \$41,244

## **Answers and Data Sources**

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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 gained population between 2000 and 2010?

Answer: c) 33 of the 99 counties.

<http://www.iowadatecenter.org/archive/2011/02/countytotalpop.pdf>

<http://www.iowadatecenter.org/archive/2011/02/countypopchange.pdf>

<http://www.iowadatecenter.org/archive/2011/02/citypop.pdf>

<http://data.iowadatecenter.org/datatables/UnitedStates/usstpopulation17902010.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 2010?

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

Iowa: 14.9%; U.S.: 13.0%

Q 5) For how many of Iowa's 99 counties was the percentage of 65 or older 15% or higher in 2010?

Answer: f) 84 of the 99 counties.

<http://www.census.gov/prod/cen2010/briefs/c2010br-03.pdf>

<http://factfinder2.census.gov>

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

Q 6) What race group in Iowa was the largest in 2010?

Answer: White 91.3%

Q 7) How did Iowa's percentage of minorities compare with the percentage for the total U.S. in 2010?

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

Iowa: 11.3%; U.S.: 36.3%

Q 8) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had a minority population of 10% or more in 2010?

Answer: c) 23 of the 99 counties.

Q 9) How many of Iowa's 99 counties had an Hispanic population of 10% or more in 2010?

Answer: b) 8 of the 99 counties.

<http://www.iowadatecenter.org/archive/2011/02/countyrace.pdf>

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## 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. in 2009?

Answer: a) Iowa's percentage of high school graduates was higher than that for the U.S.  
Iowa: 90.5%; U.S.: 85.3%

Q 11) How did Iowa's percentage of population that are college graduates compare with that for the total U.S. in 2009?

Answer: b) Iowa's percentage of college graduates was lower than that for the U.S.  
Iowa: 25.1%; U.S.: 27.9%

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## Income in Iowa

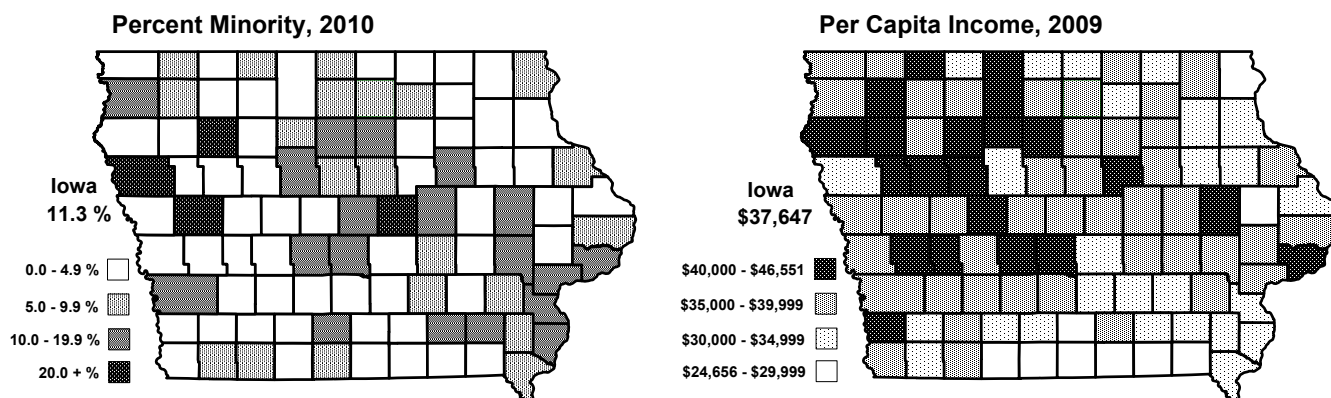
Q 12) How did Iowa's per capita income in 2010 compare with that for the total U.S.?

Answer: b) Iowa's per capita income was lower than that for the U.S.  
Iowa: \$38,281; U.S.: \$40,584

Q 13) What was the lowest and highest per capita income in Iowa's counties in 2009?

Answer: c) lowest \$ 24,656 (Decatur Co); highest \$46,551 (Ida Co)

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