

starting a business

business (ieda): <https://opportunityiowa.gov/business>
business entities search (sos): [http://sos.iowa.gov/search/business/\(S\(kpppq23jyq52fa45r1nfgkib\)\)/search.aspx](http://sos.iowa.gov/search/business/(S(kpppq23jyq52fa45r1nfgkib))/search.aspx)
business step-by-step guide, iasourcelink (ieda): <http://www.iasourcelink.com/>
business tax guidance (idr): <https://revenue.iowa.gov/taxes/tax-guidance/business-income-tax>
business taxes quick links (idr): <https://tax.iowa.gov/businesses>
community (ieda): <https://opportunityiowa.gov/community>
contractor registration (ial): <https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/building/contractors>
iowa small business development centers (sbdc): <http://www.iowasbdc.org/>
one-stop shop for employers (iwd): <https://workforce.iowa.gov/employers>
starting a business (idr): <https://tax.iowa.gov/starting-business>
targeted small business program (ieda): <https://www.iowaeda.com/small-business/targeted-small-business/>

employment & workforce development

business resources (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/employers/resources>
divisional quick links (idial):
<https://dial.iowa.gov/divisions>
iowa department of inspections, appeals, & licensing (idial):
<https://dial.iowa.gov/>
iowa economic development (ieda):
<https://www.iowaeda.com/>
iowa workforce development (iwd):
<https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/>
iowaworks common contacts (iwd):
<https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/contact>
labor market information (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/labor-market-information>
laborshed studies (iwd):
<http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/laborshed-studies>
one-stop shop for employers (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/employers>
osha (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/contacts/osha-research-statistics>
unemployment insurance (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/employers/unemployment-insurance>
unemployment insurance tax information (iwd):
<http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-taxes/>
iowa workforce (ieda):
<https://opportunityiowa.gov/business/iowa-advantage/iowa-workforce>

agriculture and biosciences

iowa department of agriculture & land stewardship (idals):
<http://www.iowaagriculture.gov/>
iowa economic development authority (ieda), iowa advantage:
<https://www.iowaeda.com/iowa-advantage/>
iowa finance authority (ifa), find a program:
<https://www.iowafinance.com/find-a-program/>
iowa state university (isu), start something:
<https://startsomething.cals.iastate.edu/>

running a business

business incentives (ieda):
<https://opportunityiowa.gov/business/financial-assistance/business-incentives-growth>
<https://www.iowaeconomicdevelopment.com/Programs>
business taxes (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/businesses>
eFile (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/efile-pay>
file my taxes (idr):
<https://revenue.iowa.gov/taxes/file-my-taxes>
misclassification of iowa workers (iwd):
grow your business, iasourcelink (ieda):
<https://www.iasourcelink.com/guides/grow-your-business-guide/>
misclassification of workers: (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/employers/unemployment-insurance/misclassification-and-audit>
sales tax rates lookup (idr):
<https://www.idr.iowa.gov/salestaxlookup/>
special events tax permits (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/special-events-tax-permits>
tax benefits (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/standard-contacts-resources-and-tax-benefits-businesses>
unemployment insurance taxes (iwd):
<http://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-taxes>

international trade

directory of exporters, iowa: (ieda):
<https://intldirectory.iowaeda.com/home/1>
international financial assistance (ieda):
<https://opportunityiowa.gov/business/financial-assistance>
international trade (ieda):
<https://opportunityiowa.gov/business/international-trade>

expansion & development

america's cultivation corridor:
<https://www.cultivationcorridor.org/>
buildings & sites search (ieda):
<https://opportunityiowa.gov/business/buildings-sites>
business expansion & strategic trends (ieda):
<https://www.iowaeda.com/expand-your-business/>
business forms (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/forms>
easypay iowa, taxes (idr):
<https://revenue.iowa.gov/taxes/make-payment>
expanding business opportunity (iasourcelink):
<https://www.iasourcelink.com/guides/industry-specific-guides/expand-my-business-to-iowa/>
iowa area development group (iadg):
<http://www.iadg.com/>
iowa lakes corridor:
<http://www.lakescorridor.com>
iowa's creative corridor:
<https://now.uiowa.edu/news/2013/07/welcome-iowas-creative-corridor>
north iowa corridor:
<http://www.northiowacorridor.com/>

business & related resources

employer database (iwd):
<https://workforce.iowa.gov/labor-market-information/industry-employers/employer-database>
energy (ieda):
<https://opportunityiowa.gov/community/energy>
federal tax information for businesses (irs):
<http://www.irs.gov/Businesses>
iowa association of business & industry (abi):
<http://www.iowaabi.org/>
iowa department of insurance & financial services (difs):
<https://www.iowa.gov/difs>
iowa.gov:
<https://www.iowa.gov/>
iowa insurance division (iid):
<https://iid.iowa.gov/>
renewable energy tax credits (iub):
<http://www.iub.iowa.gov/renewable-energy-tax-credits>
u.s. small business administration (sba):
<http://www.sba.gov/>
u.s. small business administration office of advocacy (sbaooa):
<http://www.sba.gov/advocacy>

regulatory/compliance/taxes

business development, expand your business (ieda): <https://www.iowaeda.com/expand-your-business/>
business license information center (iasourcelink): <https://www.iasourcelink.com/resources/business-license-home>
business resources: regulatory compliance (iasourcelink): <https://www.iasourcelink.com/regulatory-compliance/>
environmental protection (idnr): <http://www.iowadnr.gov/Environmental-Protection>
recycling (idnr): <https://www.iowadnr.gov/environmental-protection/land-quality/recycling>
research activities tax credit business program (ieda): <https://www.iowaeda.com/innovate/research-activities-tax-credit/>
taxes (idr): <https://revenue.iowa.gov/taxes>

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online services

fast track filing including ag, biennial, ucc (sos):
<https://sos.iowa.gov/file/ag/index.aspx>
business license information center (iasourcelink):
<https://www.iasourcelink.com/resources/business-license-home>
efile (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/efile-pay/>
legislation:
<https://www.legis.iowa.gov/>
Imi publications (iwd):
<https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/additional-Imi-publications>
mechanic's notice & lien registry (sos):
<https://sos.iowa.gov/mnlr/index.aspx>
notary search (sos):
<http://sos.iowa.gov/search/notary/search.aspx>
ucc certified/federal liens search:
<https://sos.iowa.gov/Search/UCCsearch.html?fed>

business with the state

bidding opportunities (idas):
<https://das.iowa.gov/procurement/vendors/how-do-business/bidding-opportunities>
business tax forms (idr):
<https://tax.iowa.gov/forms>
how to do business (idas):
<https://das.iowa.gov/procurement/vendors/how-do-business>
procurement (idas):
<https://das.iowa.gov/how-do-business-state-iowa/procurement>
vendor services (idas):
<https://das.iowa.gov/procurement>

why iowa

iowa economic development, iowa advantage (ieda):
<https://www.iowaeda.com/iowa-advantage/>
iowa.gov:
https://www.iowa.gov/?ia_slv=1543521175172
iowa workforce development (iwd):
<https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/business>