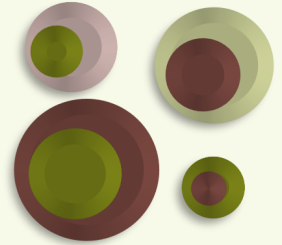
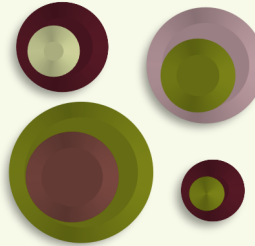


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Executive Summary

In 2022, the **Health Care and Social Assistance** sector was the second-largest sector in Iowa, comprising 14.2 percent of covered public and private employment with 218,045 jobs. After rising steadily for much of the previous decade, employment in the sector has stagnated since the Covid-19 pandemic, growing only 0.2 percent since 2020.

Wages have increased significantly since the pandemic, growing by 17.3 percent since 2019. By comparison, wages grew by 17.1 percent in the seven years from 2013–2019.

This sector reported an average annual wage of \$55,245 for 2022, which was 3.7 percent less than the statewide average of \$57,379. Wages vary tremendously between subsectors within this sector. For example, **ambulatory health care services** had the highest average wage at \$74,411 annually, while **social assistance** had the lowest annual wage at \$27,833.

The sector is dominated by women, who held 81.6 percent of jobs in the second quarter of 2022.



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What is Health Care & Social Assistance?

The **Health Care and Social Assistance** sector comprises firms providing health care and social assistance for individuals. The sector includes both health care and social assistance because it is sometimes difficult to distinguish between the boundaries of these two activities.

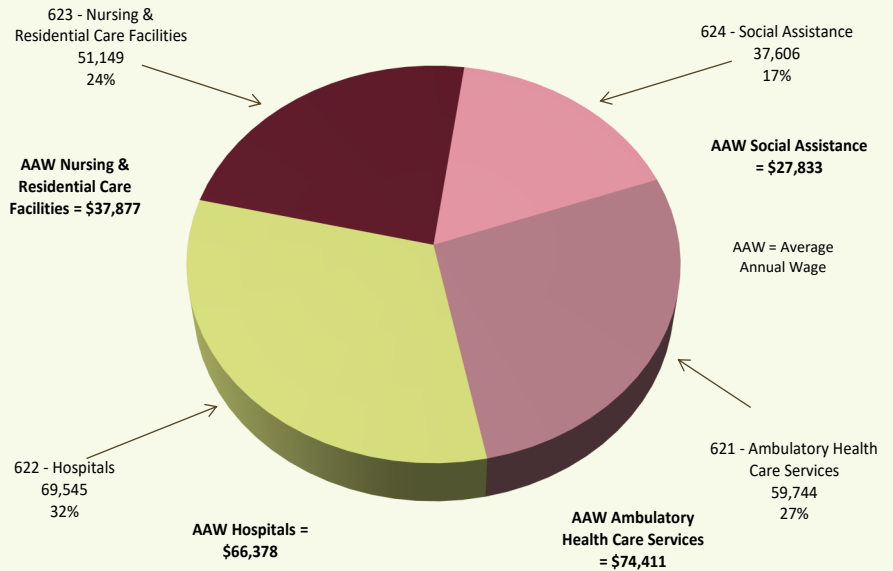
The industries in this sector are arranged on a continuum starting with providing medical care exclusively, continuing with those providing health care and social assistance and finally finishing with only social assistance.

The services provided in this sector are delivered by trained health practitioners and social workers with requisite experience.

Source: www.bls.gov/cew/bls_naics/bls_naics_app.htm

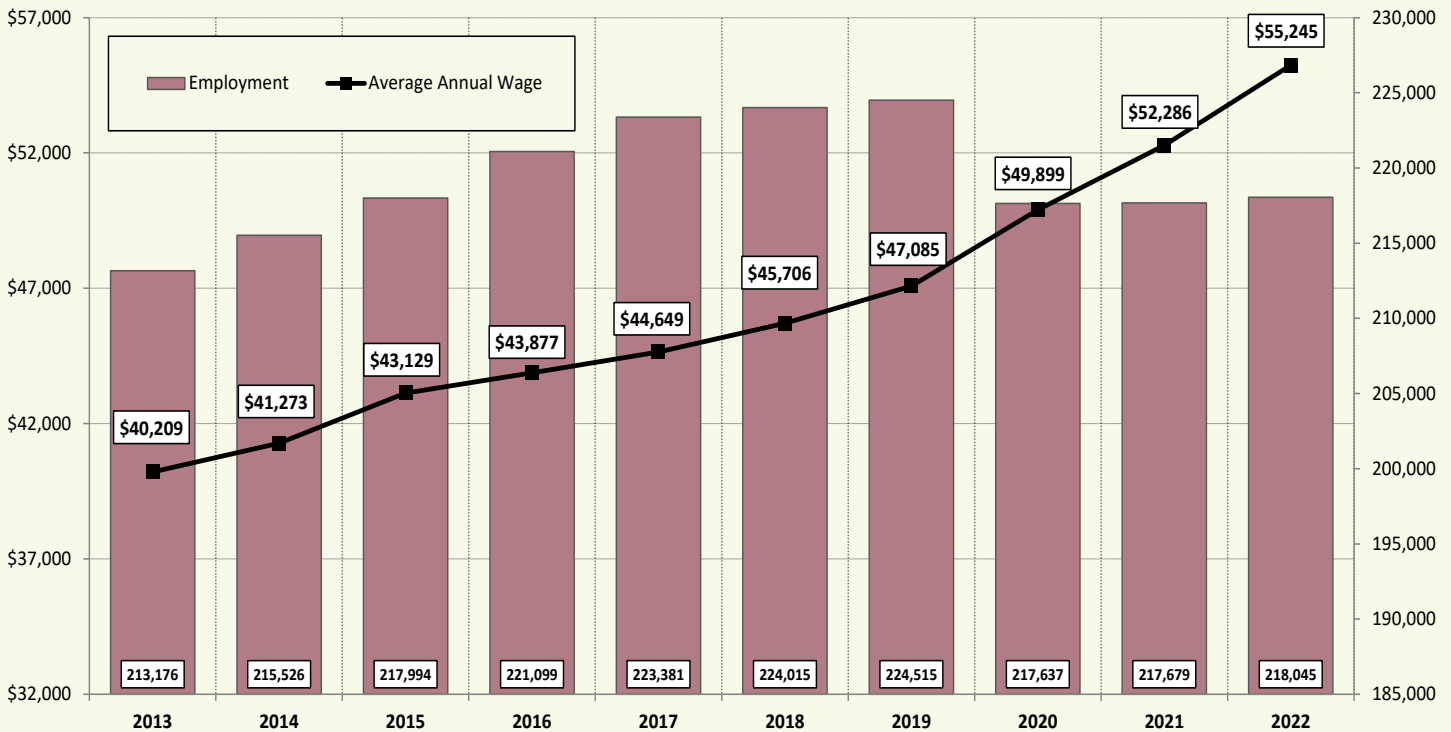
2022 Industry Breakout by Employment in Iowa

Health Care & Social Assistance NAICS Industry Coding
Percentage Employed and Average Annual Wage by Subsector



Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), Iowa Workforce Development

2013–2022 Employment in Health Care & Social Assistance in Iowa



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Top Occupations in Health Care & Social Assistance	Employment
Registered Nurses	27,919
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	21,222
Nursing Assistants	20,214
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	5,844
Childcare Workers	5,248
Medical Assistants	5,035
Medical and Health Services Managers	5,029
Medical Secretaries	4,652
Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	3,497
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	3,465
Receptionists and Information Clerks	3,382
Social and Human Service Assistants	3,349
Dental Assistants	2,944
Food Servers, Nonrestaurant	2,906
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	2,875
Office Clerks, General	2,824
Teaching Assistants, Except Postsecondary	2,681
Substance Abuse, Behavioral Disorder, and Mental Health Counselors	2,635
Customer Service Representatives	2,556
Radiologic Technologists	2,377

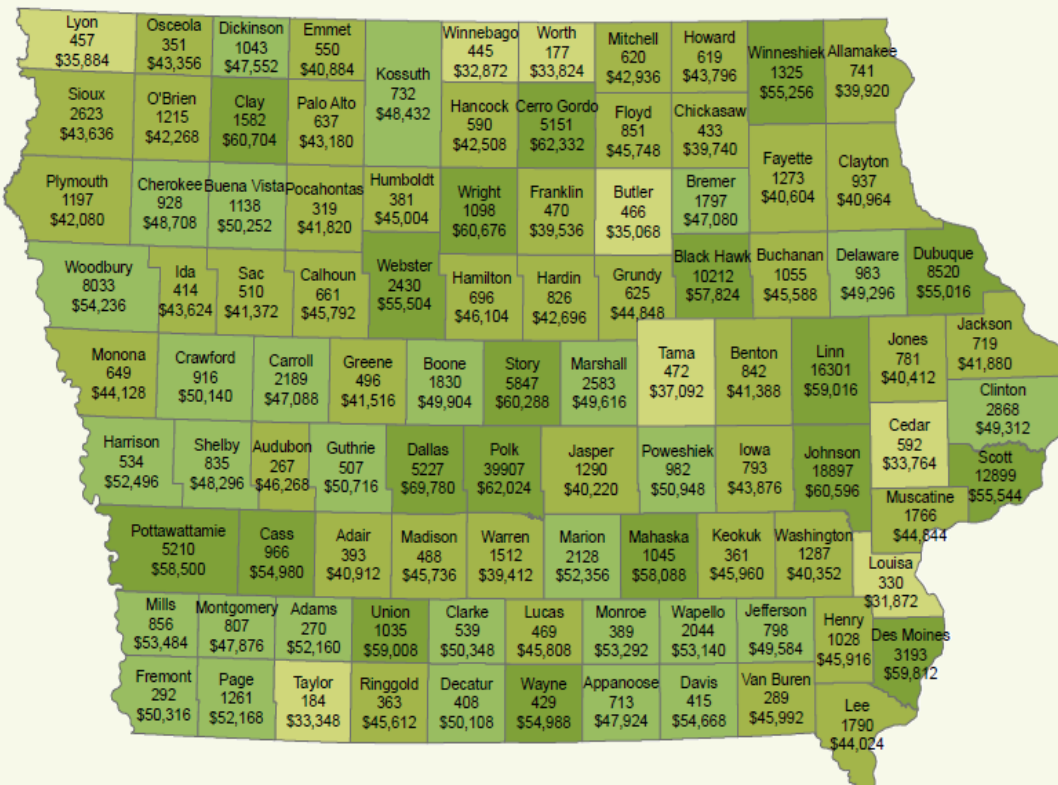
Source: Iowa Workforce Development, Labor Market Information Industry and Occupational Projections (2020-2030 Long-Term Projections)

Establishment Facts:

In 2022, there were 12,701 **Health Care and Social Assistance** locations across Iowa. **Ambulatory health care services** represented the majority of establishments, with 5,856 locations, or 46.1 percent. **Hospitals** had the fewest number of establishments in this sector at 265, but had the highest employment with 69,545 positions.

Social assistance had the second-most locations (5,075) but the fewest employees (37,606). This is likely due to the prevalence home-based establishments in which only a handful of caretakers are employed.

2022 Covered Employment in Health Care & Social Assistance by County



Sector Statewide:

Employment - 218,045
Average Annual Wage - \$55,245

Label Key:
First line is the county name followed by average employment and finally, average wage.

Wages ■ Less than \$37,092 ■ \$37,093 - \$46,268 ■ \$46,269 - \$54,668 ■ Greater than \$54,669

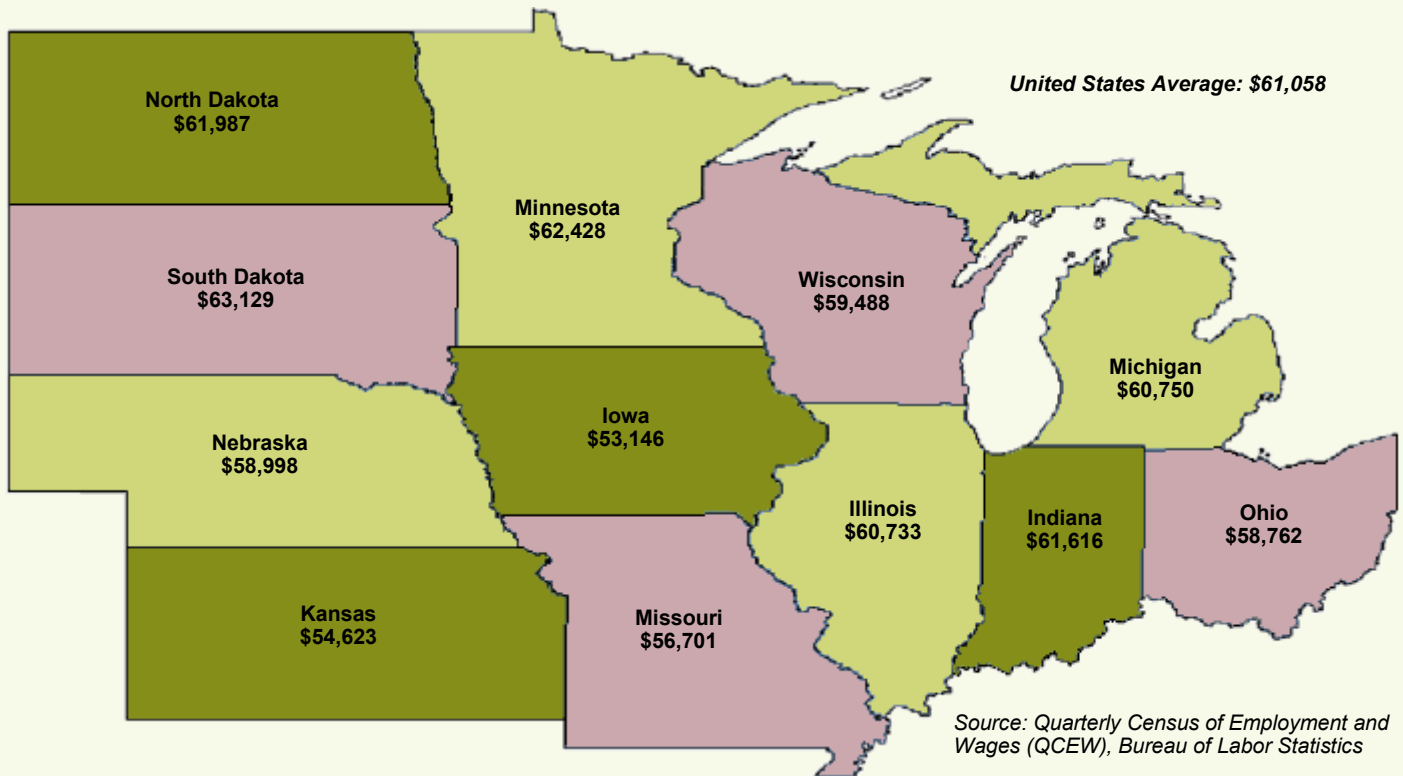
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2022 Average Annual Wage for Covered Employment in Health Care & Social Assistance

State Comparisons by Private Ownership



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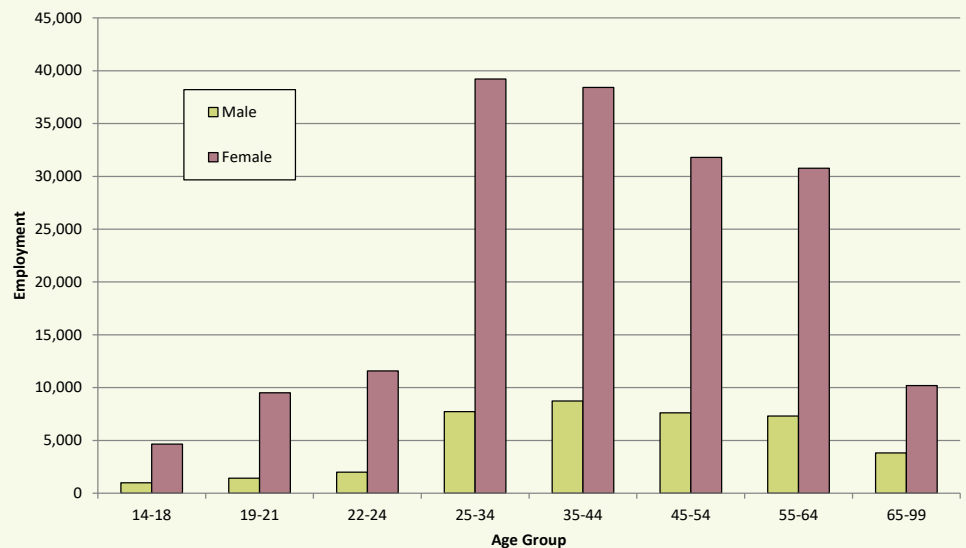
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Industry Distribution by Age and Gender, 2nd Quarter 2022



Source: Local Employment Dynamics, Iowa Workforce Development and U.S. Census Bureau
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