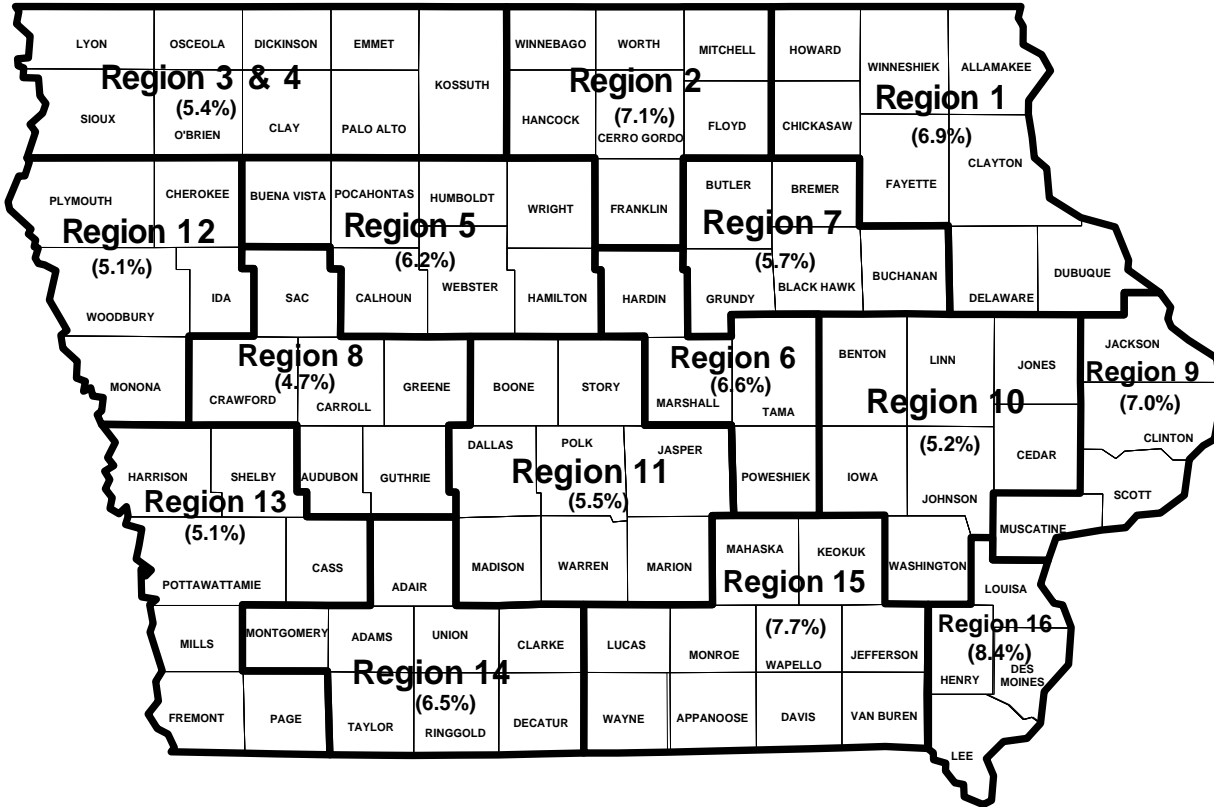


# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT REGIONS IN IOWA

## AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

### CALENDAR YEAR 2009



**Notes:**

- 1) For the past decade, Iowa's annual average unemployment rate has been substantially lower than the comparable U.S. rate.
- 2) Iowa's 2009 unemployment rate of 6.0% ranked as tenth lowest in the nation.
- 3) Iowa Workforce Development Region 16 had the highest unemployment rate in the state in 2009 at 8.4%. Region 16 experienced the largest increase in the percentage of unemployed from 2008 to 2009.

Source: Labor Market and Economic Research Bureau, Iowa Workforce Development