



# HANDOUTS

## Judicial Dist. & Judicial Resources Study Committee

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**Chart Summarizing Redistricting of Surrounding States  
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## Summary Chart of Redistricting In Iowa and Surrounding States

|   | <u>Iowa</u> | <u>Minnesota</u>  | <u>Nebraska</u>   | <u>South Dakota</u>  | <u>Wisconsin</u> |
|---|-------------|---|---|--|------------------|
| Unified Court System  | Yes         | No  | Yes   | Yes  | Yes              |
| National Center for State Courts (NCSC) Weighted Caseload Study | 2002        | 2003  | 1996*   | 1997   | 2001             |
| Redistricted as a result of the NCSC study                      | No          | No  | No  | Yes**  | No               |
| Last time redistricted  | 1972        | 1959  | 1993  | 2001   | 1979             |
| Distribution of judicial officers                               | Legislature | Judicial Branch determines distribution of judgeships, General Assembly determined number of judgeships | Judicial Resources Commission recommends to Legislature | Judicial Branch determines distribution of judges based on formula, General Assembly determines number of judgeships | Legislature      |

\*\* Nebraska had an assessment of needs study done by the National Center for State Courts.