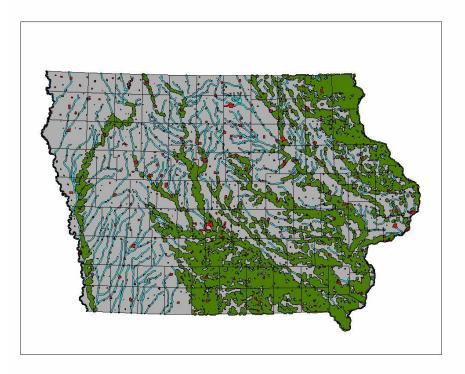
Iowa's Forest Cover

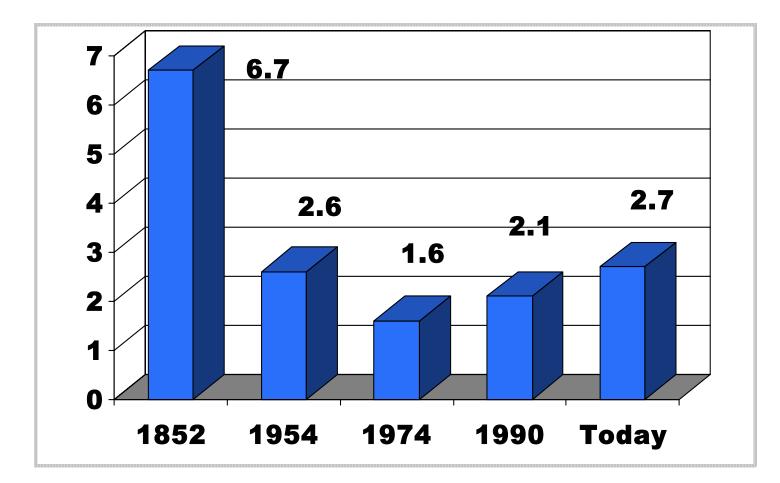
Iowa's Forests cover 2.7 Million acres or 7% of our landscape



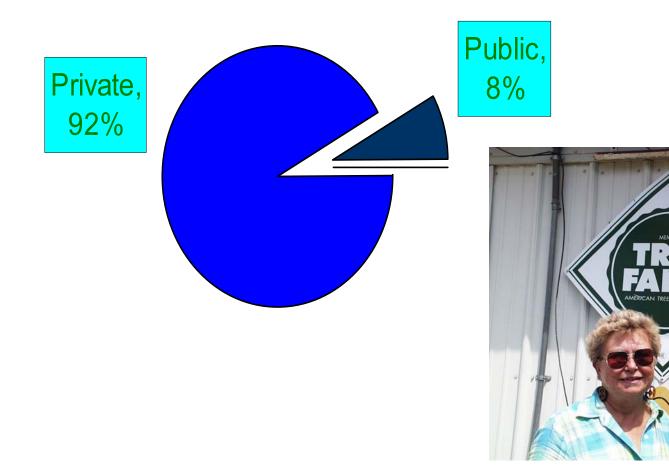


Iowa's forests exist on land too steep and wet for farming

History of the Iowa Forest Resource



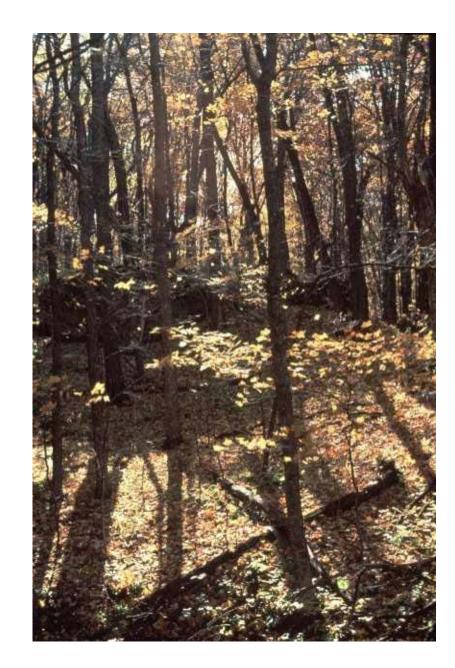
Forest Ownership in Iowa



92% of Iowa's Forests are owned by 55,000 different private landowners

Iowa's Forests of Oak-Hickory, Maple-Basswood, Ash-Elm-Cottonwood offer many values to Iowa:

- •Soil Erosion Control
- Wood products
- •Wildlife Habitat
- •Water quality
- Outdoor Recreation
- •Energy Conservation
- •Tourism



•Ranking as one of Iowa's top manufacturing industry, wood products in Iowa has over 22,000 workers with an annual payroll of \$705 million!

•Iowa's paper and work manufacturing workforce represents 6.7% of the state's total manufacturing workforce!





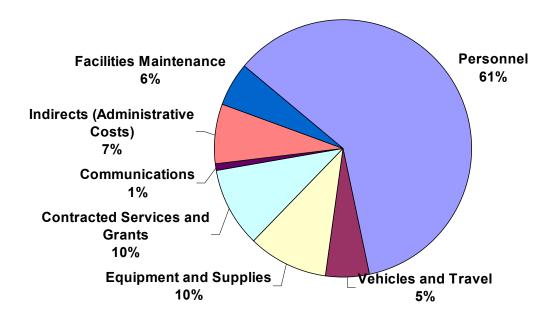


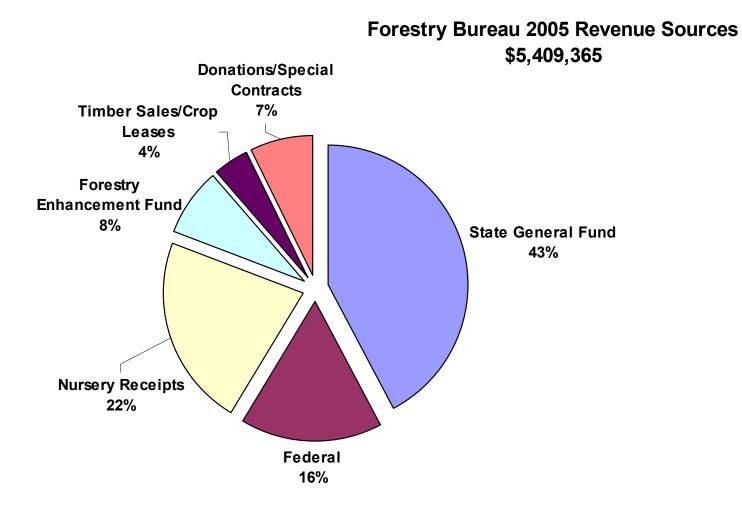




Our mission is building a better lowa by helping people to grow and care for their trees, forests and prairies

Forestry Bureau FY05 Budget \$5,409,365

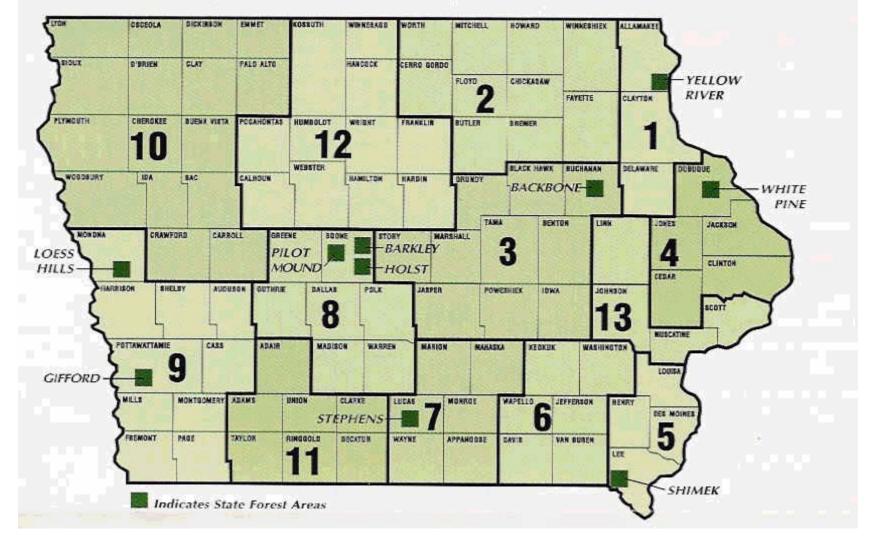




Forestry Bureau Operations

- 55.34 FTE which includes 46 full-time employees and 9.34 part-time
- Private Lands Assistance
- State Forests
- State Forest Nursery
- Special Programs
 - Rural Fire Assistance
 - Urban Forestry and Tree Planting
 - Forest Health Protection
 - Rural Development through Forestry
- Employ 80 DOC inmates at our state forests and nursery operations

- DNR DISTRICTS, STATE FOREST AREAS, AND DISTRICT FORESTERS -



Private Forestry Assistance

- 16 private lands foresters provide technical assistance in:
 - Tree planting
 - Forest stand improvement
 - Timber management
 - Riparian Buffers
 - Windbreaks



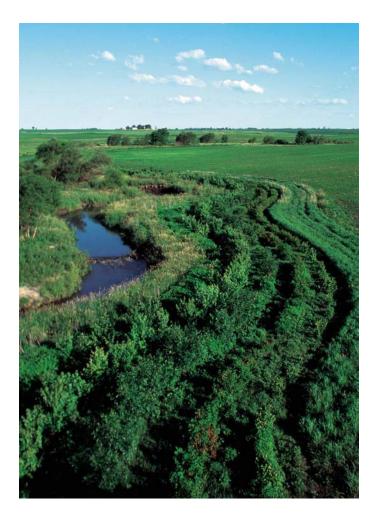
Iowa State Forests

- 4 Major State Forest Areas total 44,000 acres
 - Loess Hills
 - Shimek
 - Stephens
 - Yellow River
- Managed for sustainable forestry, wildlife, outdoor recreation and watershed





State Forest Nursery



- Produce conservation Seedlings for:
 - Reforestation
 - Soil erosion control
 - Wildlife habitat
- Sell approximately 4 million each year to 2,800 landowners
- Operate at costs of production
- Plus helps to fund Forestry Enhancement Program

Fire Program

- Help VFDs to get wildland fire:
 - Vehicles
 - Hand tools
 - Clothing
 - Communications
 - Dry Hydrants
 - Training
- To use and control fire



Rural Development through Forestry



- We work with 17 RC&Ds and private wood using businesses to use our forest resources in a sustainable manner
- We administer the Timber Buyer bonding Law

Urban Forestry

- Over 80% of Iowans live in 980 communities
- Our urban forestry program helps with tree planting efforts, tree care and management
- We provide training to citizens and professional arborists
- We coordinate Tree City USA and Arbor Day Programs



Forest Health



- Work to monitor and protect our forests from pests, diseases and environmental impacts
- For pests such as the Gypsy moth, Oak Wilt, and Emerald Ash Borer and many others
- As well as invasive plants that threaten our forest regeneration.

Conservation Education

•Our Trees For Kids and Teens programs offers:

 Education materials

•Opportunities to get trees to plant

•Partners to get involved....

