

# TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION

HyVee, Keurig Dr. Pepper, and other leading companies have distribution and logistics centers in the Ottumwa, lowa region for good reasons. We're the cost-effective, business friendly place to reach all of the major markets of the Midwest. Ottumwa has excellent rail service, easy access to the Interstate system, Fed Ex ground service, and its only 90 minutes from FedEx and UPS air cargo service. Chose from our existing available warehouse space or build to suit at our nationally-certified industrial center. And we have the skilled labor you need to succeed. Join the companies who are reaching the world from Ottumwa!

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**Cedar Rapids** 

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St. Louis

Milwaukee

Chicago

Minneapolis/

St. Paul

**Des Moines** 

80

**Kansas City** 

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#### **ACCESS TO MARKETS**

Ottumwa companines can reach nearly 75 million people within an 8-hour drive - 23% of the U.S. population. We're close to all of the major metro areas in the upper Midwest:

- · Chicago, IL
- Des Moines, IA
- Minneapolis, MN
- · Milwaukee, WI
- St. Louis, MO
- Kansas City, MO
- Indianapolis, IN
- · Cincinnati, OH
- Louisville, KY

## TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

• Highways: Ottumwa is located just an hour and a half from both Des Moines, and Iowa City. The City of Ottumwa lies along U.S. 34, an east-west highway that runs from central Colorado to Chicago, and U.S. 63, a north-south highway that runs through the Midwest.

• Rail: Ottumwa is served by two Class I rail providers, BNSF and Canadian Pacific Railway. The City has two industrial sites served by rail, the Cargill Bioprocessing Industrial Park and the Ottumwa Regional Airport Industrial Park.

Burlington Junction Railway also operates a switching line and truck-rail transloading faciltiy in Ottumwa.

• Air: The City of Ottumwa has access to the Ottumwa Regional Airport, a public airport owned by the City with two runways and rental hangars. Located less than 90 minutes away, the Des Moines International Airport offers non-stop flights to twenty destinations across the U.S.

**Omaha** 

Lincon

• Port: Ottumwa is located along the Des Moines River, which connects to the Port of Des Moines. There are a number of major ports along the Mississippi River, the closest being the Burlington Port Authority.

### MAJOR REGIONAL EMPLOYERS

COMPANY INDUSTRY



Cold Storage and Dedicated Warehousing



Seed Distribution



Grocery and Perishables Warehousing and Distribution



Soft Drink Distribution



Coffee and Beverage Distribution



Food and Beverage Distribution

#### COMPETITIVE WAGES

Wages for many occupations logistics companies need are substantially below averages for lowa and the United States.



Number of workers in Ottumwa's laborshed: nearly 115,00.

The Ottumwa region has higher 2-year degree educational attainment than the U.S. average and most of the surrounding states.



**Indian Hills Community College:** A public community college with campuses located in Ottumwa and Centerville, the Ottumwa location has a student enrollment of over 4,300. Indian

Hills Community College offers two-year degrees, including aviation programs, commercial driver training, welding technology and auto collision repair programs.

 Automotive Technology Program: 21 month program with one of the only live labs in the state of Iowa, where students can fix real, broken and/or damaged cars and trucks. The program is certified by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation.

RELEVANT INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAMS	1 YEAR CERTIFICATE	ASSOCIATE'S
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician		3
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	90	17
Diesel Mechanics Technology/ Technician		23
Machine Tool Technology/Machinist	9	9
Welding Technology/Welder	46	6
Robotics Technology/Technician		12

OCCUPATION	WAPELLO COUNTY MEDIAN WAGE	OEDC REGION	IOWA	UNITED STATES
53-1021 First-Line Supervisors of Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	\$19.55	\$21.00	\$22.39	\$22.71
53-1031 First-Line Supervisors of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators	\$23.66	\$24.23	\$26.57	\$27.54
53-3032 Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$17.44	\$17.72	\$19.11	\$19.87
53-3033 Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers	\$11.75	\$11.83	\$14.30	\$14.70
53-7051 Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	\$15.20	\$15.85	\$15.89	\$15.61
53-7062 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	\$12.86	\$13.56	\$13.46	\$12.49
51-4122 Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	\$17.60	\$17.39	\$17.56	\$17.78
53-1021 First-Line Supervisors of Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	\$19.55	\$21.00	\$22.39	\$22.71
53-7062 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	\$12.86	\$13.56	\$13.46	\$12.49
51-9199 Production Workers, All Other	\$13.28	\$14.15	\$14.59	\$13.83



# To Learn More About the Surprising Value Ottumwa Offers Logistics Companies, Call Me Today!

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