

Iowa's Workforce Dwindles Faster than Expected by Erin Therese
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A work force shortage is knocking on Iowa's door. Survey released Monday by Iowa Workforce Development shows the state will be short around 150,000 workers over the next five years.

Many industries are already feeling the pinch. A little more than 10% of those missing workers are in the health care field. Health care will also see the largest retirement, nearly 15%.

A Workforce spokesperson said there is a plus side for communities like Mason City. Many of the vacancies are in skilled labor. That means higher enrollment for technical and community colleges.