

Sewage Disposal in Iowa: 1940-1990

Year	Sewage Disposal ¹							
	Public sewer		Septic tank or cesspool		Other means		No flush toilet	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1990	869,056	76.0%	264,889	23.2%	9,724	0.9%	N/A	N/A
1980	830,489	74.1%	273,536	24.4%	17,289	1.5%	N/A	N/A
1970	662,320	69.4%	257,889	27.0%	34,829	3.6%	N/A	N/A
1960	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	112,730	12.5%
1950	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	261,591	32.6%
1940	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	340,330	47.5%

¹ 1970 and 1980 data are presented for year-round housing units; vacant seasonal and migratory were excluded.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Decennial Census

1940 - 2000 Census: U.S. Census Bureau, Census of Housing, HHES Division,
<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/housing/census/histcensushsg.html>

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