Telephones Available for Iowa: 1960-2000

	Occupied housing units			
		With	No telephone	
Year	Total	telephone	Number	Percent
2000	1,149,276	1,129,539	19,737	1.7%
1990	1,064,325	1,027,838	36,487	3.4%
1980	1,053,033	1,012,728	40,305	3.8%
1970	896,311	834,283	62,028	6.9%
1960	841,340	750,230	91,127	10.8%

Note: The 2000 census asked if there was telephone service in the unit from which calls can be made and received. The 1980 and 1990 censuses asked if there was a telephone in the housing unit. The 1960 and 1970 censuses asked if there was a telephone available; it did not have to be in the actual unit.

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

2000 Census: SF3, Table H43

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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