



## **BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005**

### **Buena Vista , Iowa [19021]**

Buena Vista is one of 99 counties in Iowa. It is part of the Storm Lake, IA Micropolitan SA. Its 2005 population of 19,789 ranked 36th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2005 Buena Vista had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,009. This PCPI ranked 77th in the state and was 86 percent of the state average, \$31,535, and 78 percent of the national average, \$34,757. The 2005 PCPI reflected a decrease of 2.1 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 2.7 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of Buena Vista was \$19,278 and ranked 45th in the state. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.2 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2005 Buena Vista had a total personal income (TPI) of \$534,476\*. This TPI ranked 37th in the state and accounted for 0.6 percent of the state total. In 1995 the TPI of Buena Vista was \$395,198\* and ranked 30th in the state. The 2005 TPI reflected a decrease of 2.5 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 3.1 percent and the national change was 5.9 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Buena Vista. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 65.4 percent of TPI (compared with 61.6 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 17.2 percent (compared with 21.9 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 17.4 percent (compared with 16.5 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings decreased 3.9 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 4.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 4.8 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 3.7 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 0.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 3.6 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Buena Vista decreased from \$421,797\* in 2004 to \$409,144\* in 2005, a decrease of 3.0 percent. The 2004-2005 state change was 3.2 percent and the national change was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of \$285,865\* to the 2005 estimate was 3.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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