



OTHER INFORMATION



Government Data:

Date of Incorporation	1893
Form of Government	Mayor - Council
General Election	2006
Registered Voters	37,467
Number of Votes Cast	20,723
Percent of Registered Voting	55.31%

Population (2005 Special Census)	51,744
Area (square miles)	38.5
Population/square mile	1,344
Counties (Polk, Dallas & Warren)	3

Miles of Streets:

Paved	642
Unpaved	42

Miles of Sewers:

Storm	150
Sanitary	223

Service Data:

Public Education Facilities:

Elementary	11
Middle School	2
Ninth Grade School	1
High School	1

Leisure Services:

Parks	37
Number of Park Acres	1,274
Number of Picnic Shelters	21
Number of Dog Parks	1
Number of Playgrounds	20
Number of Outdoor Aquatic Centers	2
Number of Wading/Spray Pools	1
Number of Tennis Courts	11
Number of Softball/Baseball Fields	24
Number of Soccer Fields	21
Number of Horseshoe Courts	18



Number of Sand Volleyball Courts	5
Number of Basketball Courts	13
Miles of trails	38

Libraries:

Number of Volumes	164,456
Annual Circulation	784,906
Annual Visitors	307,494

Cemeteries:

Number of Facilities	1
Number of Acres	9

Income Statistics:

	Median Family Income	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income
State of Iowa	\$48,005	\$39,469	\$19,674
Warren County	56,344	50,349	20,558
Polk County	56,560	46,116	23,654
Dallas County	58,293	48,528	22,970
West Des Moines	70,600	54,139	31,405

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; 2000 Census

Principal Property Taxpayers:

Taxpayer	Assessed Value	Percentage of Total City Assessed Value
Wells Fargo Home Mortgage	\$187,167,340	3.50%
GPG Jordan Creek LLC	154,186,230	2.93%
Valley West DM	81,900,000	1.55%
Mid-America Investment Company	56,580,000	1.07%
CCOP I LLC	48,196,430	0.91%
IFBF Property Management	44,061,100	0.84%
1776 Westlakes Parkway LC	31,000,000	0.59%
Dallas County Partners II	27,284,360	0.52%
Hy-Vee Food Stores, Inc.	22,971,900	0.44%
Three Fountains I LLC	19,872,500	0.38%

Source: 2008 Valuations Polk, Dallas and Warren County Assessor's Office



Demographic Statistics:

Year	West Des Moines Population	% Change	Polk County	% Change	State of Iowa	% Change
1960	11,949	112.80%	225,880	0.43%	2,737,537	4.4%
1970	16,441	37.59	286,130	26.67	2,824,376	3.17
1980	21,894	33.17	303,170	5.95	2,914,017	3.17
1985	23,456	7.13				
1990	31,702	35.15	328,140	8.24	2,776,755	(4.71)
1995	39,562	24.79				
2000	46,403	17.29	374,601	14.16	2,926,324	5.39
2005	51,744	11.51				

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1985 Special Census, 1995 Special Census, 2005 Special Census

