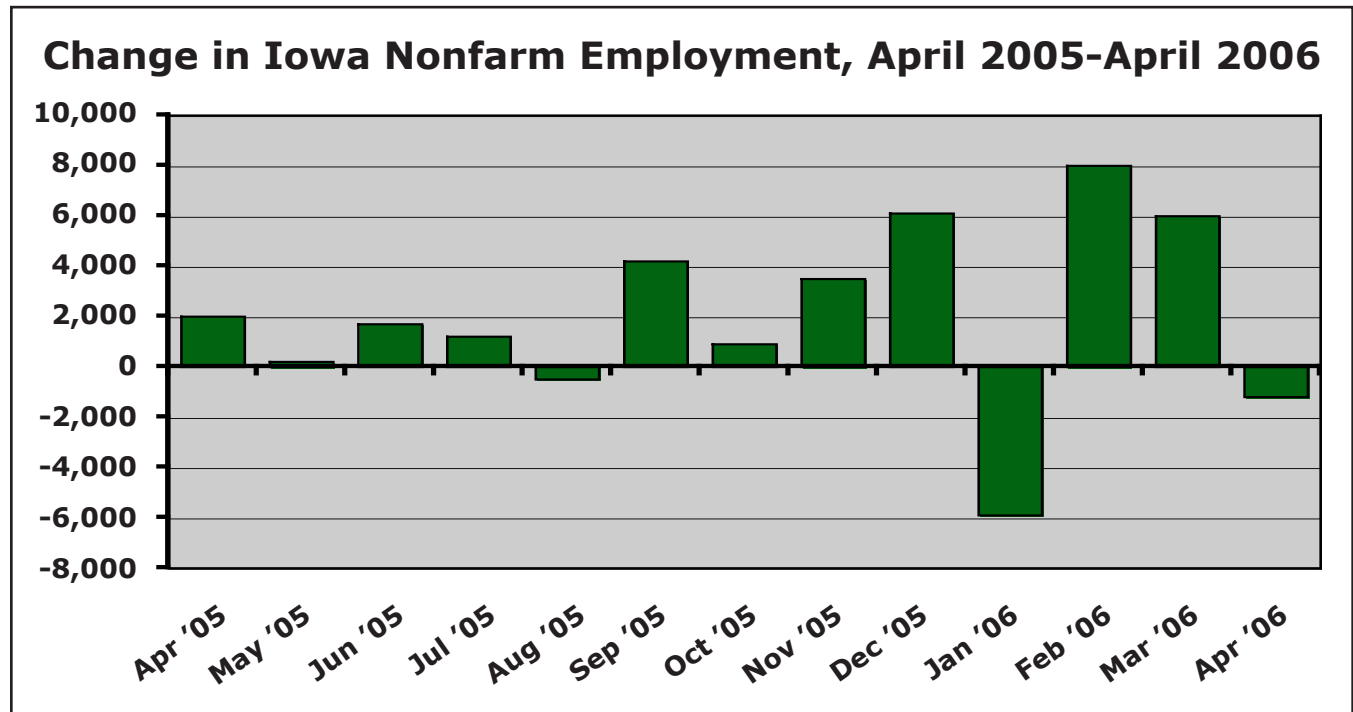
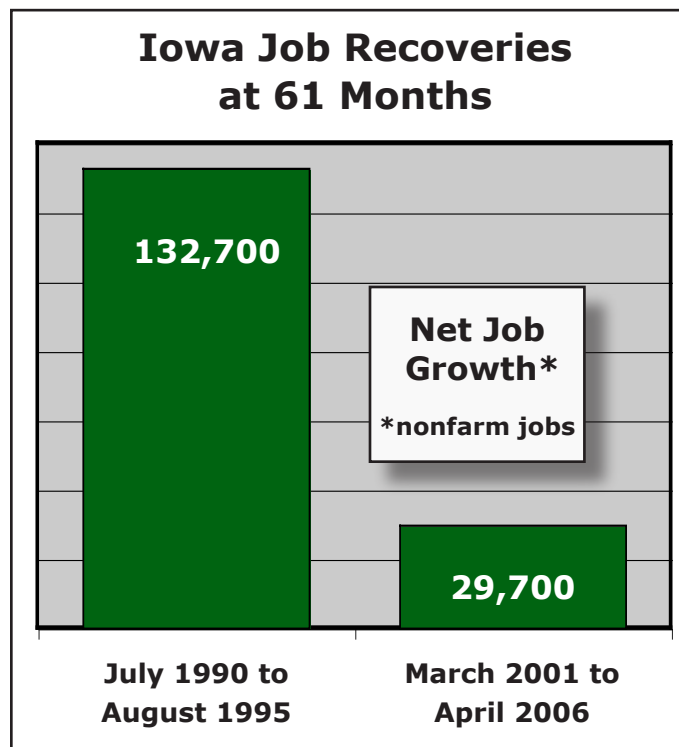


FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2006

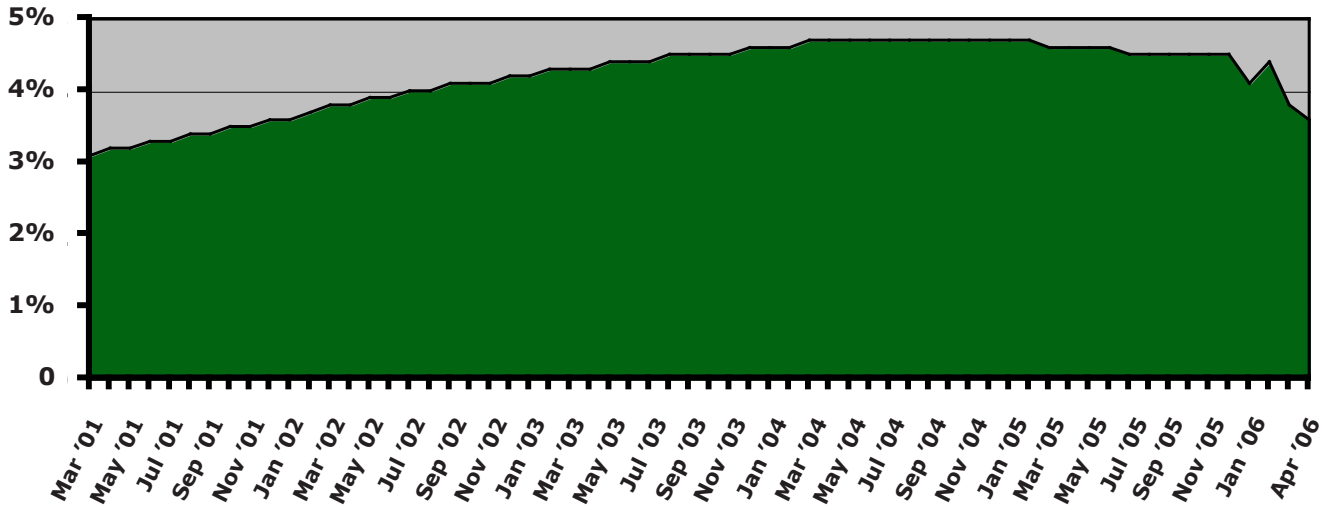
CONTACT: Mike Owen (319) 338-0773 or ipp@Lcom.net.



Source: Iowa Workforce Development



Change in Iowa Unemployment Rate Since Start of Last Recession



Iowa Nonfarm Job Totals Since Start of Last Recession
(Thousands of Jobs)

