

DATA CENTERS

Iowa is the safe and cost-effective location for data centers

Technology Friendly Business Climate

Iowa's commitment to data centers is demonstrated by its friendly tax policies, business climate and aggressive legislative action. Iowa is a right to work state that offers flexible assistance for qualifying business expansions or relocations. Its world class workforce and education systems make Iowa a great place to do business.

- No sales or use tax on equipment and computer purchases
- No property tax on equipment or computers
- No sales tax on electricity
- No corporate income tax on profits from sales made outside of Iowa

Data Center Legislation

To further bolster Iowa's friendly business climate, legislation was passed in 2009 to assist a range of companies from large to small with multi-level incentives based on qualified investments in Iowa.

"In Council Bluffs, Iowa we found one of the best locations around the world with the right combination of infrastructure capacity and other resources to support an Internet data center of this size."

- Paul Froutan, Director of Hardware Operations



Iowa has the lowest cost of doing business in the country.

- CNBC, America's Top States for business, 2010

In the Safe Zone

In Iowa's Midwest location, the state is statistically one of the safest areas in the United States. The map below demonstrates how Iowa is protected from hurricanes, earthquakes, rolling utility blackouts and terrorist activities that threaten the integrity of data centers.



