

ASSOCIATION OF IOWA FAIRS --- 2017 SURVEY SUMMARY OF COUNTY FAIRS IN IOWA

The following statistics are taken from the 2017 Fiscal Year Financial Report that all Fairs are required to file with the Association. The figures include all county fairs in Iowa (*not included is the Iowa State Fair*). Also included are figures from the 2015 and 2016 reports, for comparison. Please note that the averages are taken only from Fairs that have activity in the particular area. For example some Fairs do not participate in open class livestock shows, so these Fairs are not included in calculating the averages.

In 2017, 42 Fairs had open class livestock competitions & 85 Fairs had open class arts, crafts, horticulture and culinary competitions. Report compiled 12/01/2017

AREA	2015	2016	2017	AVERAGE FOR 2017	AREA	2015	2016	2017	AVERAGE FOR 2017
ATTENDANCE	2,289,216	2,263,646	2,331,174	22,202	4-H/FFA TOTAL PREMIUMS	\$472,076	\$533,324	\$494,911	\$4,714
FAIR INCOME	\$20,747,816	\$20,715,514	\$20,599,371	\$196,184	4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK ENTRIES	64,548 **	70,311	69,906	666
NON-FAIR INCOME	\$18,542,349	\$19,990,397	\$22,966,764	\$218,731	4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS	17,898	17,139	17,770	170
COUNTY AID	\$2,745,397	\$2,918,580	\$2,759,436	\$26,280	4-H/FFA BUILDING EXHIBITS	68,946	66,814	63,045	601
FAIR EXPENSES	\$20,295,540	\$20,459,785	\$20,246,925	\$192,828	4-H/FFA BUILDING EXHIBITORS	16,981	14,885	15,817	151
NON-FAIR EXPENSE	\$17,147,709	\$17,853,711	\$16,509,990	\$157,238	OPEN CLASS TOTAL PREMIUMS	\$371,751	\$369,121	\$360,939	\$4,246
MONEY BORROWED	\$1,418,658	\$1,593,115	\$1,378,145	\$13,125	OPEN CLASS LIVESTOCK ENTRIES	12,155	9,718	11,773	280
PAYMENT TO DEBT	\$1,343,022	\$1,483,300	\$1,156,945	\$11,019	OPEN CLASS LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS	4,584	3,991	3,900	93
CURRENT DEBT	\$4,083,611	\$4,358,943	\$4,728,094	\$45,029	OPEN CLASS OTHER EXHIBITS	61,159	61,672	58,973	693
CAPITOL IMPROVEMENTS	\$4,402,512	\$6,354,819	\$9,220,808	\$87,817	OPEN CLASS OTHER EXHIBITORS	12,624	13,530	13,671	161

**** Lower entries in 4-H/FFA livestock shows is result of Avian Flu outbreak, resulting in cancellation of all poultry exhibitions in Iowa in 2015.**