



Graettinger, IA

Palo Alto County

Location:

General location is a line located at northwest and north central Iowa. Along state Highway 4 just 8 miles North of Highway 18 and 13 miles South of Highway 9



Business Climate:

The community of Graettinger supports business expansion and creation through low interest loans, enterprise zone, property tax incentives and utility grants.

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Demographic Information

Population

	2007
Population:	900
Labor Market Population:	45,273
Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 for Population, and Iowa Workforce Development Laborshed Analysis, March 2007.	

Households

	2000
Total Number of Households:	430
Average Household Size:	2.25
Median Household Income:	\$36,591.00

Educational Attainment: Population - Age 25 Plus

	594
Associate Degree:	6 %
Bachelor's Degree:	11 %
Graduate or Professional Degree:	3 %

Metro Area Distances

City	Driving Distance (miles)	Flight Time	Days by Truck	Days by Rail
Des Moines, Iowa	175	45 minutes	1	1
Minneapolis, Minnesota	175	45 minutes	1	1
Omaha, Nebraska	185	45 minutes	1	1
Sioux Falls, South Dakota	120	35 minutes	1	1

Labor Force Characteristics

For information please see the Palo alto County Laborshed Analysis at:
<http://www.paloaltoiowa.com/documents/Laborshed%202007.pdf>

Mid Iowa Growth Partnership Labor Report can be viewed at:
http://www.midiowagrowth.com/business/labor_reports.htm

Leading Employers

	Product or Service	Employees
Bank Plus	Banking	6
Boys and Girls Home	Juvenile Care	6
Day Break Foods	Chicken egg plant	51
Energy Panel Structure, Inc	mfg. pre engineered buildings	96
ProCooperative	grain & fertilizer	17
River Valley Telephone	Telephone / Cable TV/Internet	12
Shaver Manufacturing Co.	fencing equipement, stump gridders, and log splitter	10
Uppr Des Moines Opportunity	community action agency	185

Local Government

Type of Government:	Mayor/Council
Comprehensive City Plan:	Yes
Year Plan Completed:	2003
Strategic City Plan:	No
Year Plan Completed:	
City Zoning Ordinance in Effect:	Yes
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Percent of Streets Paved:	100.0

Local Government Services

Palo Alto County Ambulance Service	Ambulance
Graettinger Benefited Fire District	Fire Department
Graettinger Public Library	Library

Utilities

Water

Provider Name:	Graettinger Municipal Utilities
Rated Capacity (mgd):	0.94
Average Capacity (mgd):	0.08
Peak Demand (mgd):	0.13
Storage Capacity (gallons):	150,000

Sewer

Provider Name:	Graettinger Municipal Sewer Utility
Rated Capacity (mgd):	0.576
Average Daily Demand (mgd):	0.081
Peak Demand (mgd):	0.576

Electric

Provider Name:	Graettinger Municipal Light Plant
Peak Demand (kW):	2,170
Generation Capacity (MW):	3,636
Customers Served (state):	550
Customers Served (system):	550

Natural Gas

Provider Name:	Graettinger Municipal Gas Utilities
Pipeline Source:	Northern
Customers Served (state):	430
Customers Served (system):	430

Telecommunications

Provider Name:	River Valley Telecommunication
Service Type:	Telephone, cable, internet provider
DSL:	Yes
Fiber Optics:	Yes
Switch Services:	
Customers Served (state):	808
Customers Served (system):	808

Transportation

Interstates and Highways

Graettinger is located adjacent to Highway 4, and 8 miles north of highway 18 and 13 miles south of Highway 9.

Motor Freight

Motor Carriers:	8
Local Terminals:	0

Railroads

Union Pacific railroad runs through our community. Contact: George Zettles, Eagle Grove, Iowa 515-448-9878.

Piggyback Ramp Available:	No
Distance to Nearest Piggyback:	180
Intermodal Services Available:	No

Airport

Airports located in Estherville, Emmetsburg and Spencer

Waterway

Graettinger does not have a water way.

Public Transportation Network

Graettinger does not have a public transportation network, however Palo Alto County does.

General Comments

Graettinger has access to Highway 4 and is 30 minutes to I-90.

Taxation Structure

Actual Valuation (2009):	\$31,578,167.00
Bond Indebtedness (2009)	
General Obligation:	\$ 57,500.00
Revenue:	\$ 450,000.00
County:	\$ 0.00
School:	\$ 0.00

General Comments:
Total rate \$33.92 per 1000 evaluation.

Quality of Life

Religious Institutions

Bethel Lutheran Church, United Methodist, Immaculate Conception Church

Education

Elementary and Secondary Education Overview

Graettinger/Terril Community School provides classes for Preschool-12, Grades Preschool-5 and 9-12 are housed in Graettinger, Middle school is in Terril with elementary in both schools. Extra curricular activities in both schools. Students receive the basic classes of math, reading language, science and social studies.

Higher Education Overview

The GT School district lies between the ILCC campus in both Emmetsburg and Estherville. ILCC partnership with BV University to allow students to continue education for an AA degree.

Health Facilities and Personnel

Number of Hospitals:	0
Total Number of Beds:	0
Number of Outpatient Clinics:	0
Number of Medical Doctors:	1
Number of Dentists:	0
Number of Registered Nurses:	0
Number of Practical Nurses:	0