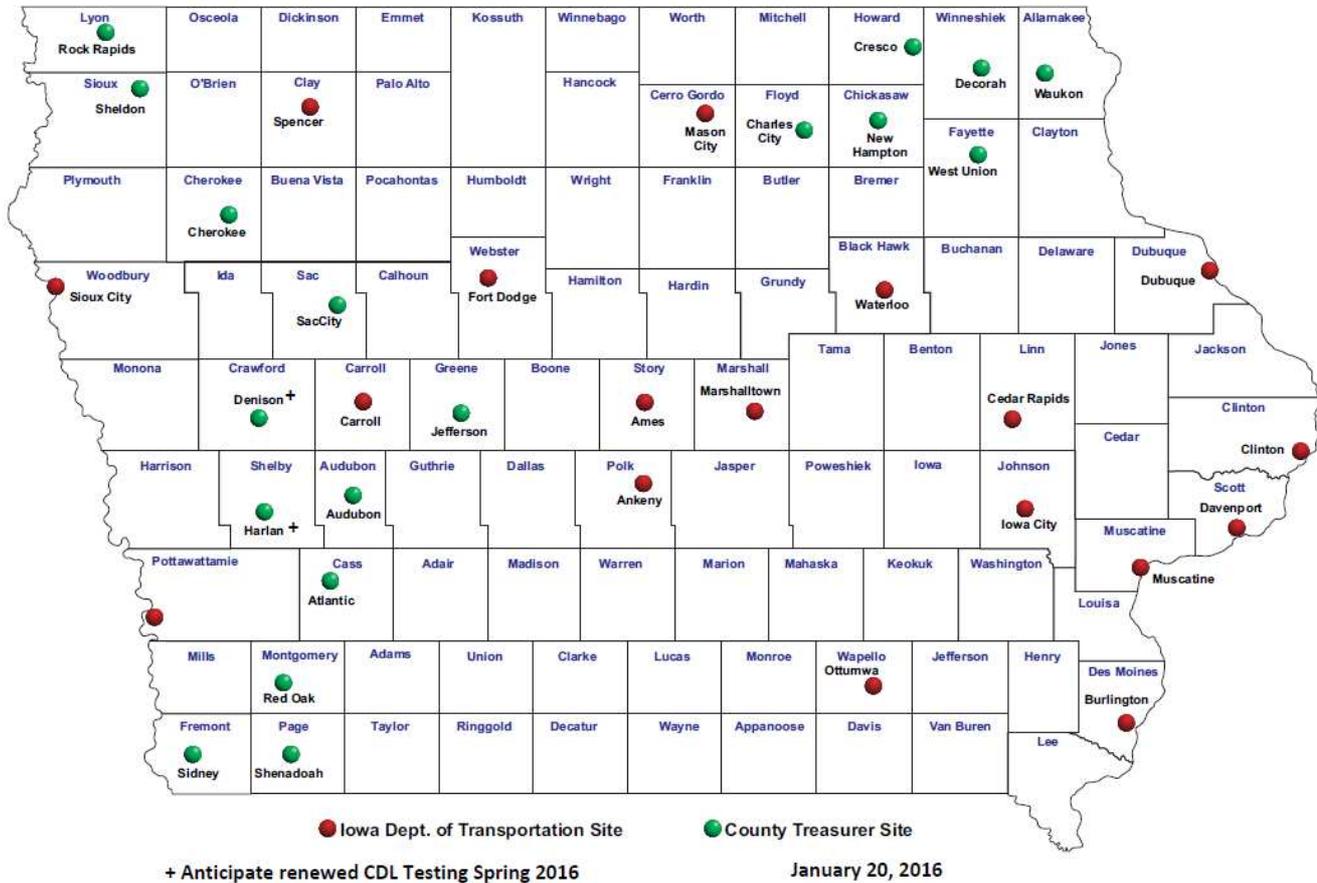


# IOWA CDL SKILLS TEST LOCATIONS

## State and County\* CDL Test Locations:



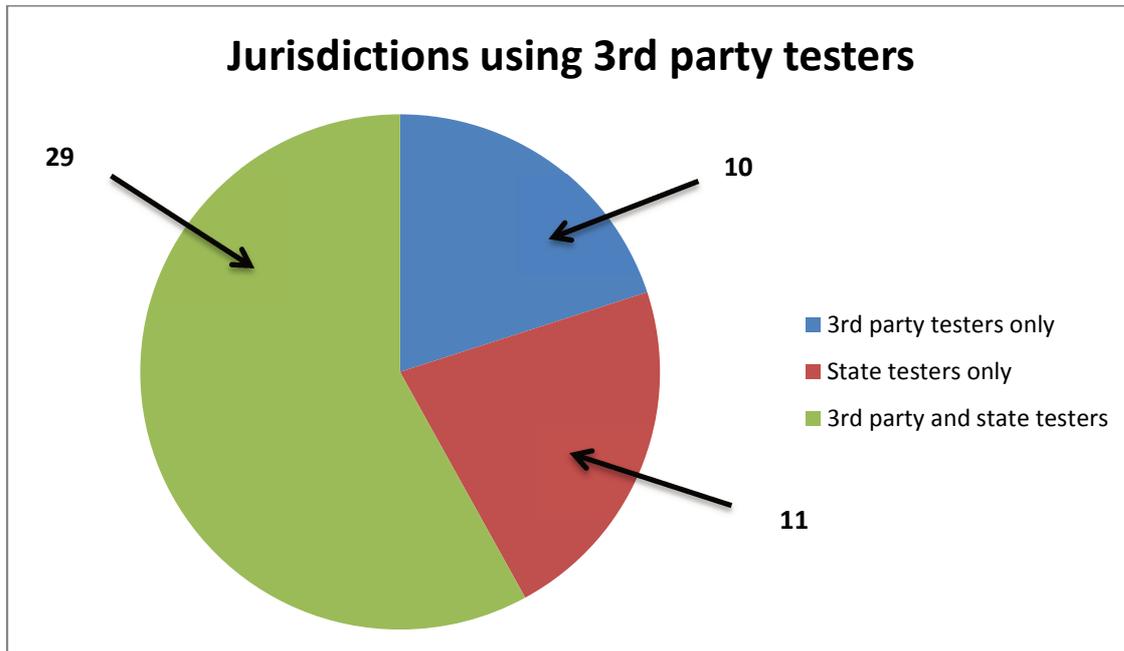
\* Most county locations offer CDL services on limited days or hours. DOT locations offer test services Tuesday through Saturday.

Community colleges that perform CDL skills tests for students enrolled in their CDL training programs\*

Colleges with their own testing program	Colleges contracting out their program
1) Eastern Iowa CC: Davenport	1) Iowa Lakes CC: Estherville/Emmetsburg
2) Hawkeye CC: Waterloo	2) Iowa Valley CC: Marshalltown/Iowa Falls
3) Indian Hills CC: Ottumwa	3) Iowa Western CC: Council Bluffs
4) Iowa Central CC: Fort Dodge	4) Northeast Iowa CC: Calmar/Peosta
5) Kirkwood CC: Cedar Rapids	5) Northwest Iowa CC: Sheldon
6) Northern Iowa CC: Mason City	6) Southwest Iowa CC: Creston
7) Western Iowa Tech: Sioux City	

\*Des Moines Area CC and Southeast CC (Burlington) have a CDL programs but have students tested at DOT Stations.

## NATIONAL INFORMATION



The U.S. Government Accountability Office, at the request of commercial motor vehicle industry stakeholders that raised concerns about delays prospective drivers face in taking the skills tests needed for a CDL, completed a study regarding commercial driver's licensing programs and oversight. The resulting report, issued in July, 2015, detailed information on the manner in which U.S jurisdictions deliver CDL skills tests. The information provided above is derived from that report. Some key observations from that report are as follows:

- Officials from jurisdictions that relied exclusively or primarily on state testers had longer wait times for testing services. Officials from licensing agencies that relied on state sites had skills test appointments that were typically available within two weeks at those sites, while most officials from states that had third-party testers reported likely availability within one week.
- It's anticipated that the demand for CDLs and accordingly CDL skills tests will continue to grow. Licensing officials from 12 states indicated they expected their states' use of third parties to increase over the next two years, and officials from three of those states indicated added their states may increase their use of third parties to help meet growing demand for CDLs.
- It was reported that third-party test sites, unlike state sites, can offer more test appointments through the day and expanded hours, including more weekend hours, and are more widely dispersed through the jurisdiction in which they operate. Although not noted in the report, we note that third-parties also have the ability to provide a representative vehicle in which to complete the test, which is often a major obstacle for CDL applicants – many do not have access to a representative vehicle and have to find someone to contract with someone to bring the vehicle to the test site to take the test. (Federal rules require all applicants to complete the skills test in a vehicle representative of the class of CDL for which they are applying.
- Overall, licensing agencies surveyed and stakeholders interviewed noted that third-parties generally maintained shorter wait times than state testers.
- The full report appears at this link: <http://www.gao.gov/assets/680/671429.pdf>