

HISTORY

Iowa Ordnance Plant construction began in January 1941. The plant rolled out its first munitions that September. Production stopped in 1945 when World War II ended.

In 1946, the plant was changed from a Government-Owned, Contractor-Operated facility to a Government-Owned, Government-Operated facility with 277 employees. The mission became ammunition storage, surveillance, munitions demilitarization, facilities renovation and reconditioning. In 1949, the Army resumed ammunition manufacturing for the Korean War. The plant became a GOCO again under Mason & Hangar-Silas Mason Co. in 1951. In 1963, it was re-named the Iowa Army Ammunition Plant. IAAAP increased production during the Vietnam War, and was modernized through the 1970s.

In 1975, the Army designated IAAAP the core plant for warhead and heavy artillery loading with the mission to produce, load, assemble, and pack munitions. Through the Base Realignment and Closure Act of 2005, IAAAP gained several missions from closing ammunition installations, and has actively modernized to support those missions.



MISSION

The Iowa Army Ammunition Plant (IAAAP) loads, assembles, and packs medium- and large-caliber ammunition for the Department of Defense using modern production methods in support of world-wide operations.



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PRODUCTS

- 40MM high-velocity family
- 155MM artillery
- 120MM tank rounds
- 75MM and 105MM salute rounds
- Insensitive munitions
- Rocket-assisted projectiles
- Medium- and large-caliber mortars
- 60MM, 81MM, and 120MM mortar propellant charges
- M112 charges / mine-clearing line charge (MICLIC)
- Smart munitions mines / scatterable mines
- Demolition charges
- Detonators
- TOW, Hellfire, Javelin, Stinger and Sidewinder warheads
- Pressured and cast warheads
- Missile assembly / missile warheads
- Spider grenades



FACILITIES

- 19,011 acres of land
- 271 earth-covered magazines
- 35 above-ground magazines
- 37 inert warehouses
- 585 buildings (demolition schedule dependent)
- 1.6 million-square-foot storage capacity
- 2 fully instrumented test ranges
- Test-fire site for munitions and high explosives
- 143 miles of road; 102 miles of railroad
- Fully automated production lines
- Fire and security staff and equipment
- Burlington Northern Santa Fe certified site
- Training area for USARNG and USAR Soldiers



PROVIDING READINESS

By leveraging cutting-edge technologies and cultivating a modern, secure, and process-driven industrial core, IAAAP continuously adapts to the evolving needs of our military. Its scalable facilities and infrastructure reflect a forward-looking mindset, ensuring that America's defense capabilities remain unmatched both today and in the future. IAAAP is more than an ammunition plant; it's a testament to the ingenuity, dedication, and resolve that underpin our nation's security. The men and women of IAAAP play an essential role in supporting those who defend freedom on the front lines, making their efforts a cornerstone of our nation's strength and resilience.