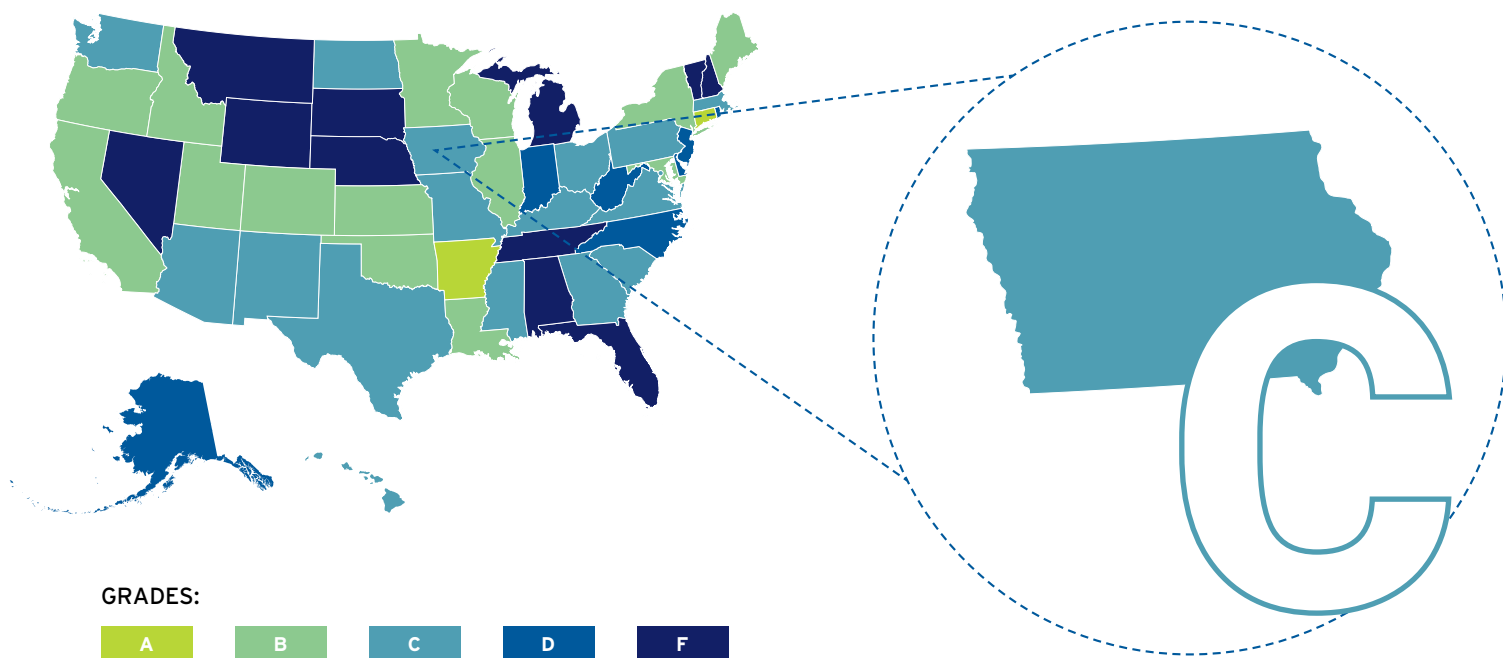


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Out of **SEVEN** possible types of living donor protection legislation, Iowa currently has **TWO** laws in place.



- Job-protected leave from private employers
- Job-protected leave from public employers
- Tax credits for employers who provide paid leave
- Paid leave via Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) law
- Direct reimbursements, tax credits or tax deductions for donor expenses
- More than 60 days of leave via FMLA laws
- Protection from life, disability or long-term care insurance discrimination

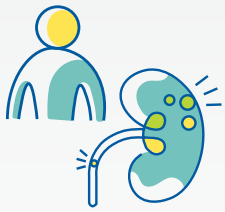
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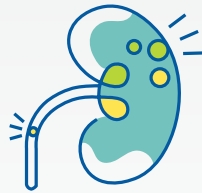
### Who is impacted?



**5,448 Iowans** have kidney failure. Without treatment – dialysis or a transplant – kidney failure is fatal.

**2,357** have transplants  
**3,091** depend on dialysis to stay alive

SOURCE: 2021 USRDS Annual Data Report



**899 new cases of kidney failure** were diagnosed in Iowa in 2019 (most recent data available).

**45** were able to get a transplant  
**854** went on dialysis

SOURCE: 2021 USRDS Annual Data Report



**224 kidney transplants** were performed in Iowa in 2021.

**55** living donor transplants  
**169** deceased donor transplants

SOURCE: Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network

### Legislation is needed to protect living organ donors

Donating a kidney is one of the most altruistic actions a person can take, and being a living donor is much easier when you have guaranteed paid leave from work and protection from insurance discrimination. AKF has been spearheading efforts at the state and federal levels to get such legislation enacted. Until federal legislation passes that would give baseline protections to donors nationwide, states should enact living donor protection laws, including: anti-insurance discrimination for life, disability and long-term care insurance; job-protected leave from private employers; job-protected leave from public employers; tax credits for employers who provide paid leave; direct reimbursements, tax credits or tax deductions for donor expenses; paid leave via Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) laws; and extended FMLA leave (more than 60 days).



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Visit [KidneyFund.org/ldpa](https://KidneyFund.org/ldpa) to ask your members of Congress to support the federal Living Donor Protection Act.