

# The Cost of Living in Iowa, 2023 Edition: Basic Family Budgets

## Cedar County

	Single Individual	Single Parent		Married Couple, No Children		Two Working Parents			Two Parents, One Working	
		1 child	2 children	Young	Older	1 child	2 children	3 children	1 child	2 children
<i>Monthly Expenses</i>										
Rent and utilities	\$ 592	\$ 819	\$ 819	\$ 622	\$ 622	\$ 819	\$ 819	\$ 1,037	\$ 819	\$ 819
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	233	382	418	502	846	823	767	580	467	453
Child care	0	774	955	0	0	774	1175	478	0	0
Clothing & household expenses	332	432	525	430	430	525	630	731	525	630
Transportation	693	668	764	1408	1408	1427	1427	1448	1215	1215
Monthly total	\$ 2,171	\$ 3,544	\$ 4,265	\$ 3,550	\$ 3,870	\$ 5,097	\$ 5,755	\$ 5,515	\$ 3,756	\$ 4,055
<b>Annual total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 26,053</b>	<b>\$ 42,530</b>	<b>\$ 51,185</b>	<b>\$42,599</b>	<b>\$46,440</b>	<b>\$ 61,162</b>	<b>\$ 69,061</b>	<b>\$ 66,176</b>	<b>\$ 45,067</b>	<b>\$ 48,657</b>
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 30,932	\$ 49,404	\$ 60,165	\$49,242	\$51,516	\$ 70,320	\$ 79,088	\$ 74,747	\$ 53,019	\$ 55,574
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(5,176)	(6,615)	(7,228)	(7,229)	(7,445)	(10,289)	(10,366)	(7,705)	(6,452)	(5,786)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	549	0	850
Net resources	<b>\$ 25,757</b>	<b>\$ 42,789</b>	<b>\$ 52,937</b>	<b>\$42,014</b>	<b>\$44,071</b>	<b>\$ 60,031</b>	<b>\$ 68,722</b>	<b>\$ 67,591</b>	<b>\$ 46,567</b>	<b>\$ 50,638</b>
<b>Family supporting hourly wage</b>	<b>\$ 14.87</b>	<b>\$ 23.75</b>	<b>\$ 28.93</b>	<b>\$ 11.84</b>	<b>\$ 12.38</b>	<b>\$ 16.90</b>	<b>\$ 19.01</b>	<b>\$ 17.97</b>	<b>\$ 25.49</b>	<b>\$ 26.72</b>

## County Comparisons

### Monthly total expenses

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<b>Cedar County</b>	\$2,171	\$3,544	\$4,265	\$3,550	\$3,870	\$5,097	\$5,755	\$5,515	\$3,756	\$4,055
Rank (1=highest cost)	16	25	17	47	62	23	18	32	34	35
Lowest cost county	\$1,969	\$3,230	\$3,853	\$3,291	\$3,461	\$4,585	\$5,049	\$5,340	\$3,674	\$4,002
Median county	\$2,110	\$3,453	\$4,225	\$3,497	\$3,690	\$4,859	\$5,576	\$5,555	\$3,873	\$4,218
Highest cost county	\$2,288	\$4,163	\$5,136	\$3,618	\$3,808	\$5,477	\$6,281	\$6,028	\$4,031	\$4,369