

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

Des Moines 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	\$ 581	\$ 874	\$ 874	\$ 664	\$ 664	\$ 874	\$ 874	\$ 1,089	\$ 874	\$ 874
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	235	392	488	523	873	842	1057	622	488	471
Child care	0	737	1155	0	0	737	1289	577	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	\$ 2,162	\$ 3,573	\$ 4,590	\$ 3,613	\$ 3,939	\$ 5,134	\$ 6,215	\$ 5,708	\$ 3,831	\$ 4,128
Annual total expenses	\$ 25,949	\$ 42,879	\$ 55,079	\$43,355	\$47,270	\$ 61,608	\$ 74,575	\$ 68,497	\$ 45,976	\$ 49,541
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 30,813	\$ 49,861	\$ 64,817	\$50,133	\$52,459	\$ 70,882	\$ 83,731	\$ 77,610	\$ 54,177	\$ 56,738
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(5,142)	(6,720)	(8,382)	(7,438)	(7,658)	(10,414)	(11,500)	(8,066)	(6,727)	(5,927)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	206	0	710
Net resources	\$ 25,672	\$ 43,141	\$ 56,435	\$42,695	\$44,800	\$ 60,468	\$ 72,231	\$ 69,750	\$ 47,450	\$ 51,521
Family supporting hourly wage	\$ 14.81	\$ 23.97	\$ 31.16	\$ 12.05	\$ 12.61	\$ 17.04	\$ 20.13	\$ 18.66	\$ 26.05	\$ 27.28

County Comparisons

Monthly total expenses

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Rank (1=highest cost)	18	17	2	17	21	17	7	5	12	12
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