

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

## Fayette 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	\$ 491	\$ 739	\$ 739	\$ 562	\$ 562	\$ 739	\$ 739	\$ 914	\$ 739	\$ 739
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	244	382	387	552	957	751	804	625	522	513
Child care	0	708	830	0	0	708	1098	415	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	\$ 2,082	\$ 3,399	\$ 4,030	\$ 3,540	\$ 3,921	\$ 4,879	\$ 5,635	\$ 5,373	\$ 3,731	\$ 4,035
<b>Annual total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 24,981</b>	<b>\$ 40,786</b>	<b>\$ 48,354</b>	<b>\$42,481</b>	<b>\$47,051</b>	<b>\$ 58,551</b>	<b>\$ 67,619</b>	<b>\$ 64,478</b>	<b>\$ 44,769</b>	<b>\$ 48,416</b>
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 29,691	\$ 47,724	\$ 57,721	\$49,253	\$52,027	\$ 68,614	\$ 77,901	\$ 73,191	\$ 53,120	\$ 55,751
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(4,837)	(6,127)	(6,516)	(7,166)	(7,465)	(9,771)	(9,934)	(7,331)	(6,367)	(5,666)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	736	0	829
Net resources	<b>\$ 24,854</b>	<b>\$ 41,597</b>	<b>\$ 51,205</b>	<b>\$42,088</b>	<b>\$44,562</b>	<b>\$ 58,843</b>	<b>\$ 67,967</b>	<b>\$ 66,596</b>	<b>\$ 46,753</b>	<b>\$ 50,914</b>
<b>Family supporting hourly wage</b>	<b>\$ 14.27</b>	<b>\$ 22.94</b>	<b>\$ 27.75</b>	<b>\$ 11.84</b>	<b>\$ 12.51</b>	<b>\$ 16.49</b>	<b>\$ 18.73</b>	<b>\$ 17.59</b>	<b>\$ 25.54</b>	<b>\$ 26.80</b>

## County Comparisons

### Monthly total expenses

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<b>Fayette County</b>	\$2,082	\$3,399	\$4,030	\$3,540	\$3,921	\$4,879	\$5,635	\$5,373	\$3,731	\$4,035
Rank (1=highest cost)	87	42	39	35	31	36	32	51	15	14
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