

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

## Jefferson 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	\$ 563	\$ 779	\$ 779	\$ 592	\$ 592	\$ 779	\$ 779	\$ 1,107	\$ 779	\$ 779
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	231	349	388	503	857	683	739	605	469	455
Child care	0	660	946	0	0	660	1078	473	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	\$ 2,141	\$ 3,357	\$ 4,186	\$ 3,521	\$ 3,851	\$ 4,802	\$ 5,591	\$ 5,604	\$ 3,718	\$ 4,017
<b>Annual total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 25,690</b>	<b>\$ 40,290</b>	<b>\$ 50,234</b>	<b>\$42,256</b>	<b>\$46,213</b>	<b>\$ 57,629</b>	<b>\$ 67,087</b>	<b>\$ 67,252</b>	<b>\$ 44,617</b>	<b>\$ 48,202</b>
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 30,505	\$ 46,833	\$ 59,338	\$48,868	\$51,219	\$ 67,165	\$ 76,888	\$ 76,117	\$ 52,543	\$ 55,097
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(5,066)	(5,962)	(7,006)	(7,127)	(7,357)	(9,501)	(9,800)	(7,867)	(6,317)	(5,699)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	385	0	907
Net resources	<b>\$ 25,439</b>	<b>\$ 40,871</b>	<b>\$ 52,332</b>	<b>\$41,741</b>	<b>\$43,862</b>	<b>\$ 57,664</b>	<b>\$ 67,088</b>	<b>\$ 68,635</b>	<b>\$ 46,226</b>	<b>\$ 50,305</b>
<b>Family supporting hourly wage</b>	<b>\$ 14.67</b>	<b>\$ 22.52</b>	<b>\$ 28.53</b>	<b>\$ 11.75</b>	<b>\$ 12.31</b>	<b>\$ 16.15</b>	<b>\$ 18.48</b>	<b>\$ 18.30</b>	<b>\$ 25.26</b>	<b>\$ 26.49</b>

## County Comparisons

### Monthly total expenses

	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
<b>Jefferson County</b>	\$2,141	\$3,357	\$4,186	\$3,521	\$3,851	\$4,802	\$5,591	\$5,604	\$3,718	\$4,017
Rank (1=highest cost)	31	63	25	70	69	66	47	15	63	63
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