

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

## Scott 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	\$ 535	\$ 805	\$ 805	\$ 650	\$ 650	\$ 805	\$ 805	\$ 1,070	\$ 805	\$ 805
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	210	418	417	475	818	838	761	569	444	401
Child care	0	985	1037	0	0	985	1303	518	0	0
Clothing & household expenses	332	432	525	430	430	525	630	731	525	630
Transportation	628	606	693	1276	1276	1294	1294	1313	1102	1102
Monthly total	\$ 2,027	\$ 3,715	\$ 4,261	\$ 3,420	\$ 3,738	\$ 5,176	\$ 5,731	\$ 5,442	\$ 3,605	\$ 3,876
<b>Annual total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 24,318</b>	<b>\$ 44,582</b>	<b>\$ 51,128</b>	<b>\$41,038</b>	<b>\$44,858</b>	<b>\$ 62,115</b>	<b>\$ 68,775</b>	<b>\$ 65,299</b>	<b>\$ 43,261</b>	<b>\$ 46,514</b>
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 28,856	\$ 51,789	\$ 60,098	\$47,436	\$49,723	\$ 71,439	\$ 78,760	\$ 73,686	\$ 50,836	\$ 52,875
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(4,665)	(7,214)	(7,211)	(6,785)	(7,023)	(10,567)	(10,285)	(7,561)	(5,904)	(5,416)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	677	0	1,414
Net resources	<b>\$ 24,191</b>	<b>\$ 44,575</b>	<b>\$ 52,887</b>	<b>\$40,651</b>	<b>\$42,700</b>	<b>\$ 60,872</b>	<b>\$ 68,475</b>	<b>\$ 66,802</b>	<b>\$ 44,932</b>	<b>\$ 48,873</b>
<b>Family supporting hourly wage</b>	<b>\$ 13.87</b>	<b>\$ 24.90</b>	<b>\$ 28.89</b>	<b>\$ 11.40</b>	<b>\$ 11.95</b>	<b>\$ 17.17</b>	<b>\$ 18.93</b>	<b>\$ 17.71</b>	<b>\$ 24.44</b>	<b>\$ 25.42</b>

## County Comparisons

### Monthly total expenses

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Rank (1=highest cost)	98	11	18	95	94	13	21	47	96	96
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