

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

## Tama 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	\$ 510	\$ 768	\$ 768	\$ 584	\$ 584	\$ 768	\$ 768	\$ 949	\$ 768	\$ 768
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	217	359	376	493	840	691	758	562	459	419
Child care	0	730	925	0	0	730	1188	463	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	\$ 2,074	\$ 3,427	\$ 4,142	\$ 3,503	\$ 3,826	\$ 4,871	\$ 5,709	\$ 5,393	\$ 3,696	\$ 3,970
<b>Annual total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 24,887</b>	<b>\$ 41,120</b>	<b>\$ 49,703</b>	<b>\$42,038</b>	<b>\$45,911</b>	<b>\$ 58,448</b>	<b>\$ 68,503</b>	<b>\$ 64,721</b>	<b>\$ 44,358</b>	<b>\$ 47,637</b>
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 29,540	\$ 47,763	\$ 58,624	\$48,598	\$50,894	\$ 68,035	\$ 78,458	\$ 72,995	\$ 52,173	\$ 54,560
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(4,832)	(6,202)	(6,841)	(7,069)	(7,293)	(9,727)	(10,207)	(7,464)	(6,237)	(5,643)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	760	0	972
Net resources	<b>\$ 24,708</b>	<b>\$ 41,562</b>	<b>\$ 51,783</b>	<b>\$41,529</b>	<b>\$43,601</b>	<b>\$ 58,309</b>	<b>\$ 68,251</b>	<b>\$ 66,291</b>	<b>\$ 45,936</b>	<b>\$ 49,889</b>
<b>Family supporting hourly wage</b>	<b>\$ 14.20</b>	<b>\$ 22.96</b>	<b>\$ 28.18</b>	<b>\$ 11.68</b>	<b>\$ 12.23</b>	<b>\$ 16.35</b>	<b>\$ 18.86</b>	<b>\$ 17.55</b>	<b>\$ 25.08</b>	<b>\$ 26.23</b>

## County Comparisons

### Monthly total expenses

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<b>Tama County</b>	\$2,074	\$3,427	\$4,142	\$3,503	\$3,826	\$4,871	\$5,709	\$5,393	\$3,696	\$3,970
Rank (1=highest cost)	90	43	33	78	74	50	25	58	69	70
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