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Johnson County County Profile

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Population profile

Johnson County is a metropolitan county in east central Iowa. It is composed of twelve incorporated communities and their surrounding rural areas. From 2010 to 2020, Johnson County's population increased by 16.79% while the state's population increased by 4.73%.

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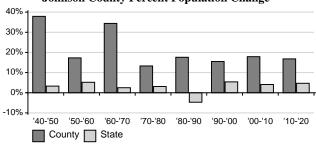
Total Population ¹							
Totals	2000	2010	2020				
Johnson County	111,006	130,882	152,854				
Male Total	55,254	65,462	75,692				
Female Total	55,752	65,420	77,162				
City							
Coralville	15,123	18,907	22,318				
Hills	679	703	863				
Iowa City	62,220	67,862	74,828				
Lone Tree	1,151	1,300	1,357				
North Liberty	5,367	13,374	20,479				
Oxford	705	807	722				
Shueyville	250	577	731				
Solon	1,177	2,037	3,018				
Swisher	813	879	914				
Tiffin	975	1,947	4,512				
University Heights	987	1,051	1,228				
West Branch [†]	2,188	2,322	2,509				
State Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369				

[†]City is located in multiple counties, total population is provided.

Neighboring Counties - Percent Population Change¹

County	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Benton, IA	12.84%	3.03%	-1.92%
Cedar, IA	4.64%	1.72%	0.03%
Iowa, IA	7.12%	4.36%	1.88%
Johnson, IA	15.49%	17.91%	16.79%
Linn, IA	13.59%	10.19%	9.03%
Louisa, IA	5.10%	-6.53%	-4.83%
Muscatine, IA	4.55%	2.45%	1.15%
Washington, IA	5.39%	5.00%	3.97%
State of Iowa	5.39%	4.10%	4.73%

Johnson County Percent Population Change¹



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As with the other 98 counties in the state, Johnson County's population is predominantly white. The percentage of the population of Hispanic origin increased between 2010 and 2020. In 2020, Johnson County had a lower percentage of those 17 or younger than the state. New household relationship categories were reported for 2020 that are not comparable with 2010³.

Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin¹

	Co	unty	State	
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	97.7%	93.6%	98.2%	94.4%
White	85.6%	76.6%	91.3%	84.5%
White alone, not Hispanic	83.1%	74.9%	88.7%	82.7%
Black or African American	4.8%	8.4%	2.9%	4.1%
Asian	5.2%	5.6%	1.7%	2.4%
American Indian	0.2%	0.2%	0.4%	0.5%
Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Other	1.8%	2.8%	1.8%	2.8%
Two or more races	2.3%	6.4%	1.8%	5.6%
Hispanic origin ^a	4.7%	6.7%	5.0%	6.8%

^aHispanics can be of any race.

Households by Family or Nonfamily Type^{1,3}

	С	ounty	State	
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	52,715	61,335	1,221,576	1,288,560
Family households ^{a,b}	52.9%	53.6%	64.7%	63.0%
Married couple family ^b	42.3%	42.0%	51.2%	48.5%
With own children	18.7%	17.9%	20.0%	18.2%
Other family ^c	10.6%	11.7%	13.5%	14.4%
Male householder ^c	3.1%	3.6%	4.2%	4.9%
With own children	1.5%	1.9%	2.5%	2.7%
Female householder ^c	7.6%	8.1%	9.3%	9.6%
With own children	4.7%	4.8%	5.9%	5.7%
Nonfamily households ^d	47.1%	46.4%	35.3%	37.0%
Male living alone	14.2%	14.8%	12.8%	14.2%
Female living alone	16.1%	16.7%	15.7%	15.8%

Households by Couple or Non-couple Type^{1,3}

	C	County		State
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	52,715	61,335	1,221,576	1,288,560
Married couple ^b	42.3%	42.0%	51.2%	48.5%
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	7.7%	NA ^e	7.1%
Male householder ^g	NA ^e	22.6%	NA ^e	19.5%
Female householder ^g	NA ^e	27.8%	NA ^e	24.9%

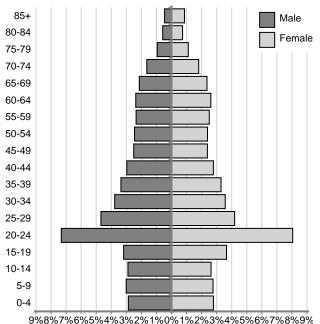
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder has an unmarried partner. ^gFor 2020 no spouse or partner present, but relatives, nonrelatives may be present or householder may be living alone.

Percentage of Population by Age¹

	Cou	nty	Sta	ite
Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	19.8%	20.1%	23.9%	23.2%
0 - 4	6.2%	5.7%	6.6%	6.0%
5 - 9	5.6%	5.8%	6.6%	6.5%
10 - 14	5.1%	5.5%	6.6%	6.8%
15 -17	2.9%	3.1%	4.1%	3.9%
18 - 24	21.5%	19.1%	10.0%	9.8%
25 - 44	28.6%	28.5%	24.5%	24.6%
45 - 64	21.5%	19.6%	26.7%	24.5%
65 or older	8.6%	12.6%	14.9%	18.0%
65 - 84	7.4%	11.3%	12.4%	15.6%
85 or older	1.2%	1.3%	2.5%	2.4%
Median ⁴ age (years)	29.3	31.2	38.1	38.6
Age dependency ^{a,5}	39.7	48.7	63.4	69.9
Old-Age	12.0	18.8	24.3	30.6
Child	27.7	29.9	39.1	39.4

^aAge Dependency Ratio.

Johnson County Population Pyramid^a, 2020¹



^aEach bar represents the percentage that each age-sex group comprises of the total population.

Socioeconomic Profile

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The median household income in Johnson County is greater than the median household income of the state. Both Johnson County and the state have more households in the \$100,000 or more household income group. The median value of owner-occupied housing can vary among counties. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is higher in Johnson County than for the state. There is a lower percentage of vacant housing units in Johnson County than there is for the state. Many housing units in Johnson County were built in 2000 or later. Johnson County has a higher percentage of college graduates than does the state.

Median⁴ Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	C	ounty	St	ate
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total households	61,414	+/- 798	1,290,139	+/- 4,032
Less than \$14,999	10.9%	+/- 1.2%	7.8%	+/- 0.4%
\$15,000 to \$34,999	14.8%	+/- 1.4%	15.2%	+/- 0.6%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	10.7%	+/- 1.0%	11.9%	+/- 0.2%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	26.1%	+/- 1.6%	32.2%	+/- 0.6%
\$100,000 Or More	37.5%	+/- 1.7%	32.9%	+/- 0.8%
Median ⁴ household income	\$72,977	+/- \$2,901	\$70,571	+/- \$395
Median ⁴ family income	\$112,575	+/- \$2,970	\$90,921	+/- \$579
Per capita income	\$42,175	+/- \$1,358	\$37,949	+/- \$241

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	Co	unty	State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	90,653	+/-49	2,131,202	+/-967
High school graduate or higher	96.0%	+/-0.6%	93.0%	+/-0.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher	54.1%	+/-1.5%	30.3%	+/-0.3%

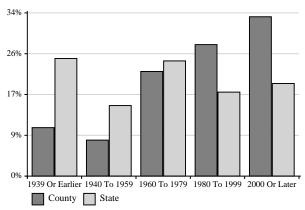
^{*}MOE = the margin of error for American Community Survey estimates² which is a numerical value that when added to or subtracted from the point estimate value gives the range of a 90% confidence interval around the estimate.

Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

	C	ounty		State
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total units	66,163	+/- 111	1,417,064	+/- 977
Vacant	7.2%	+/- 1.2%	9.0%	+/- 0.3%
Occupied	92.8%	+/- 1.2%	91.0%	+/- 0.3%
Occupied ^a	61,414	+/- 798	1,290,139	+/- 4,032
Owner	59.1%	+/- 1.5%	71.5%	+/- 0.3%
Renter	40.9%	+/- 1.5%	28.5%	+/- 0.3%
Median ⁴ rent ^b	\$1,086	+/- \$27	\$914	+/- \$6
Median value ^c	\$277,800	+/- \$6,752	\$181,600	+/- \$1,035

^aOccupied Units. ^bMedian gross rent of renter-occupied units ^cMedian value of owner-occupied units.

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Johnson County there is a higher percentage of workers in management, business, science, and arts occupations than any other occupation category while the production, transportation, and material moving occupation category makes up 10.3% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the county.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022²

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	84,763	+/- 1,308	1,627,434	+/- 5,740
Management, business, science, and arts	50.2%	+/- 1.5%	38.1%	+/- 0.3%
Service	16.3%	+/- 1.1%	15.5%	+/- 0.2%
Sales and office	17.8%	+/- 1.0%	19.7%	+/- 0.2%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	5.4%	+/- 0.6%	9.5%	+/- 0.2%
Production, transportation, and material moving	10.3%	+/- 1.0%	17.2%	+/- 0.2%

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Johnson County has a higher proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than the state. A portion of those who are not in the labor force are people who are retired. The percent unemployed in Johnson County is the same as the state overall. Earnings data are provided for the population 16 and over who have earnings. Median⁴ earnings in Johnson County tend to be lower than the median earnings for the state. There is a lower percentage of families in Johnson County below poverty level than for the state. Families with children tend to have a higher rate of poverty than families without children.

Employment Status, 2018-2022²

	Co	ounty	,	State
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	126,731	+/- 252	2,544,719	+/- 1,266
In labor force	69.7%	+/- 1.0%	66.6%	+/- 0.2%
Not in labor force	30.3%	+/- 1.0%	33.4%	+/- 0.2%
Civilian labor force	88,144	+/- 1,238	1,692,129	+/- 5,407
Unemployed	3.8%	+/- 0.6%	3.8%	+/- 0.1%

Individuals Below Poverty Level by Race, 2018-2022²

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total population ^a	145,970	+/-266	3,088,999	+/-950
Percent below	16.9%	+/-0.2%	11.1%	+/-0.2%
White alone	15.3%	+/-1.1%	9.7%	+/-0.2%
Black/African American alone	24.5%	+/-4.4%	30.5%	+/-1.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	24.5%	+/-3.5%	13.6%	+/-1.4%
American Indian alone	**%	+/-**%	27.6%	+/-4%
Hawaiian alone	**%	+/-**%	33.1%	+/-8.5%
Other race alone	**%	+/-**%	16.6%	+/-2.3%
Two or more races	19.7%	+/-6.3%	17.6%	+/-1.3%
Hispanic origin ^b	24.7%	+/-6.5%	17.4%	+/-1.1%

^afor whom poverty status is determined, ^bHispanics can be of any race. **MOE is high, use state estimate.

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Median⁴ Employment Earnings, 2018-2022²

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ ^a	98,604	+/- 1,080	1,799,851	+/- 5,338
Median earnings	\$34,244	+/- \$1,096	\$40,905	+/- \$219
Female	\$28,693	+/- \$1,309	\$33,724	+/- \$250
Male	\$41,525	+/- \$2,477	\$48,115	+/- \$407
Female, full time ^b	\$52,599	+/- \$2,552	\$47,128	+/- \$238
Male, full time ^b	\$65,432	+/- \$3,026	\$59,875	+/- \$356

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Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total population ^a	145,970	+/-266	3,088,999	+/-950
Below poverty	16.9%	+/-0.2%	11.1%	+/-0.2%
17 and under	11.4%	+/-2.4%	13%	+/-0.4%
18 - 64	20.6%	+/-1.2%	11.4%	+/-0.2%
65+	6.1%	+/-1.5%	7.7%	+/-0.2%
All families	6%	+/-0.8%	7%	+/-0.2%
With children	9.5%	+/-1.7%	11.5%	+/-0.4%
Married couple	3.4%	+/-0.8%	3.2%	+/-0.1%
With children	5.8%	+/-1.8%	4.1%	+/-0.3%
Female HH ^b	20.2%	+/-4.6%	25.4%	+/-1%
With children	26.2%	+/-5.8%	32.4%	+/-1.4%

^afor whom poverty status is determined, ^bfemale householder, no spouse present, **MOE is high. Use state estimate.

Notes and Source Information:

- ¹U.S. Census Bureau; Decennial Censuses 1940 2020
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- ³For the 2020 Decennial Census, households are divided into subcategories by two different methods. One method (family or nonfamily) is based on the presence or absence of family relationships among the household members and the householder. Using family relationships (birth, marriage, or adoption) has been the usual way to classify households, and the data using this method has good comparability between 2010 and 2020. In 2020, the Census Bureau introduced an additional method to divide households into subcategories. This second method (couple or noncouple) is based on the presence or absence of a couple relationship for the householder. The relationship can be as a married spouse or as an unmarried partner and can be of the opposite or same sex. The 2020 data reported for the second method (except for married couples) does not have good comparability with data from 2010. In this profile, the 2020 data are reported, but items for 2010 are omitted.
- ⁴Median is the middle value of a distribution.
- ⁵The age dependency ratio compares, by age, those typically not in the labor force with those who typically are in the labor force. Old Age dependency is persons 65+ per 100 persons age 18-64. Child dependency is persons under age 18 per 100 persons age 18-64. The total age dependency ratio is persons under age 18 plus persons 65 or older per 100 persons age 18-64.

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