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Lamoni, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for Lamoni is 1,969. Between 2010 and 2020 the population decreased by 15.3%. The City of Lamoni is in Decatur County. Decatur County saw a 9.6% population decrease between 2010 and 2020.

Decatur	County	Cities -	Total	Population ¹
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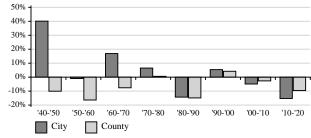
Decatur County Cities - Total Population							
City	2000	2010	2020				
Lamoni	2,444	2,324	1,969				
Male Total	1,179	1,154	951				
Female Total	1,265	1,170	1,018				
Davis City	275	204	179				
Decatur City	199	197	175				
Garden Grove	250	211	174				
Grand River	225	236	196				
Le Roy	13	15	11				
Leon	1,983	1,977	1,822				
Pleasanton	37	49	32				
Van Wert	231	230	178				
Weldon	145	125	136				
Decatur County Total	8,689	8,457	7,645				
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369				

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

Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change

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Davis City	7.0%	-25.8%	-12.3%
Decatur City	12.4%	-1.0%	-11.2%
Kellerton	18.5%	-15.3%	-22.9%
Leon	-3.1%	-0.3%	-7.8%
Pleasanton	-36.2%	32.4%	-34.7%
Lamoni	5.4%	-4.9%	-15.3%
Decatur County	4.2%	2.7%	-9.6%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%





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Lamoni's population is predominantly White. The City of Lamoni, compared to Decatur County, had a lower percentage of young people (17 or younger) and a lower percentage of older people (65 and older) in 2020. New household relationship categories were reported for 2020 that are not comparable with 2010.³

Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin¹

	City		Co	unty
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	98.0%	94.6%	99.0%	96.4%
White	88.6%	84.3%	95.4%	92.6%
White alone, not Hispanic	85.8%	81.7%	94.0%	91.7%
Black or African American	5.7%	4.2%	1.8%	1.4%
Asian	1.1%	1.4%	0.7%	0.5%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.6%	0.7%	0.4%	0.3%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.7%	1.0%	0.2%	0.3%
Other	1.2%	3.0%	0.5%	1.3%
Two or more races	2.0%	5.4%	1.0%	3.6%
Hispanic origin ^a	4.5%	7.3%	2.1%	2.8%

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

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		City	C	ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	770	719	3,223	2,986
Family households ^{a,b}	55.5%	59.6%	64.4%	64.2%
Married couple family ^b	42.7%	46.8%	51.6%	50.5%
With own children	15.5%	15.7%	17.5%	17.6%
Other family ^c	12.7%	14.9%	12.8%	13.7%
Male householder ^c	3.5%	3.3%	4.2%	4.7%
With own children	1.9%	1.7%	2.2%	2.2%
Female householder ^c	9.2%	11.5%	8.6%	9.0%
With own children	6.6%	6.5%	5.7%	4.7%
Nonfamily households ^d	44.5%	40.4%	35.6%	35.8%
Male living alone	13.2%	18.1%	12.9%	15.9%
Female living alone	19.1%	20.2%	16.3%	14.9%

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

		City		County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020	
Total households	770	719	3,223	2,986	
Married couple ^b	42.7%	46.8%	51.6%	50.5%	
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	4.5%	NA ^e	5.1%	
Male householder g	NA^e	23.2%	NA^e	20.7%	
Female householder ^g	NA ^e	31.3%	NA ^e	23.6%	

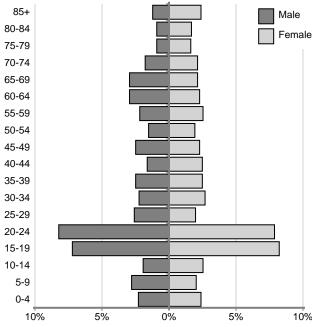
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder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

	(City	Co	unty
Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	16.4%	18%	22.7%	23.2%
0 - 4	4.7%	4.7%	6.3%	6.1%
5 - 9	4.5%	4.8%	6.0%	6.4%
10 - 14	4.3%	4.5%	6.2%	6.6%
15 - 17	2.9%	4%	4.2%	4.1%
18 - 24	37%	27.5%	15.0%	12%
25 - 44	15.3%	18.6%	19.1%	20.1%
45 - 64	15.8%	18.2%	25.1%	23.7%
65 or older	15.5%	17.7%	18.1%	21.0%
65 - 84	12.6%	14.1%	15.4%	17.8%
85 or older	2.9%	3.6%	2.7%	3.1%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	23.5	29.9	38.2	39.5
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	46.8	55.5	68.9	79.2
Old-Age	22.8	27.5	30.6	37.6
Child	24.1	28.0	38.3	41.6

^aAge Dependency Ratio

Lamoni, Iowa Population Pyramid,^a 2020¹



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

The median household income in Lamoni is less than the median household income of Decatur County. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is higher in Lamoni than for Decatur County. There is a lower percentage of vacant housing units in Lamoni than there is for Decatur County. Many housing units in Lamoni were built prior to 1940. There is a higher percentage of individuals 25 and older with a Bachelor's degree or higher in Lamoni compared to Decatur County.

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	(City	C	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	821	+/- 110	3,058	+/- 123
Less than \$34,999	35.3%	+/- 4.4%	30.5%	+/- 3.0%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	16.7%	+/- 6.4%	14.8%	+/- 2.7%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	29.5%	+/- 3.3%	34.9%	+/- 2.6%
\$100,000 Or More	18.5%	+/- 2.8%	19.8%	+/- 2.2%
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$48,854	+/- \$7,807	\$56,068	+/- \$4,173
Median Family Income	\$67,656	+/- \$8,110	\$66,754	+/- \$5,119
Per Capita Income	\$22,948	+/- \$2,382	\$26,334	+/- \$1,786

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	City		Сс	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	1,148	+/-155	4,761	+/-47
High School Graduate or Higher	91.7%	+/-5.5%	89.1%	+/-2.4%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	48.1%	+/-6.2%	24.9%	+/-3%

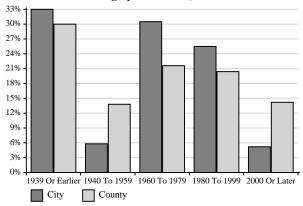
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Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	942	+/- 109	3,662	+/- 28
Vacant	12.8%	+/- 5.0%	16.5%	+/- 3.2%
Occupied	87.2%	+/- 5.0%	83.5%	+/- 3.2%
Occupied ^a	821	+/- 110	3,058	+/- 123
Owner	54.7%	+/- 8.3%	67.2%	+/- 4.5%
Renter	45.3%	+/- 8.3%	32.8%	+/- 4.5%
Rent ^b	\$649	+/- \$91	\$621	+/- \$53
Value ^c	\$104,100	+/-\$12,801	\$97,000	+/-\$8,605

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Lamoni there is a higher percentage of workers in management, business, science, and arts occupations than any other occupation category. The production, transportation, and material moving occupation category makes up **% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, $2018-2022^2$

	City		Сог	County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,084	+/- 140	3,479	+/- 160	
Management, business, science, and arts	40.9%	+/- 8.4%	36.4%	+/- 4.5%	
Service	21.4%	+/- 6.3%	17.5%	+/- 3.4%	
Sales and office	23.9%	+/- 6.4%	18.2%	+/- 3.4%	
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	5.9%	+/- 2.3%	14.2%	+/- 2.2%	
Production, transportation, and material moving	**%	+/- **%	13.7%	+/- 2.9%	

^{**}MOE is high, use county estimate.

Lamoni has a higher proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Decatur County. A portion of those who are not in the labor force are people who are retired. Earnings data are provided for the population 16 and over who have earnings. Median earnings in Lamoni tend to be lower than the median earnings for Decatur County. Families with children tend to have a higher rate of poverty than families without children.

Median Employment Earnings, 2018-2022²

		City	County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ ^a	1,374	+/- 152	4,051	+/- 128
Median Earnings	\$19,400	+/- \$19	\$31,535	+/- \$3,874
Female	\$**	+/- \$**	\$23,662	+/- \$5,037
Female, full time ^b	\$49,097	+/- \$9,662	\$39,926	+/- \$4,771
Male	\$21,979	+/- \$10,755	\$40,049	+/- \$7,565
Male, full time ^b	\$47,232	+/- \$2,682	\$50,513	+/- \$2,563

^a with earnings, ^b year round, **MOE is high, use county estimate.

Disability Status and Health Insurance Coverage of the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population ^a	2,253	+/-214	7,569	+/-24
With a disability ^b	17.7%	+/-4.5%	14.9%	+/-1.8%
With Health Insurance	97.2%	+/-1.4%	92.3%	+/-2.1%
With Private ^c Coverage	74.5%	+/-4.9%	65.1%	+/-3.7%
With Public ^d Coverage	36.4%	+/-6.2%	41.9%	+/-3.1%
No Health Insurance	2.8%	+/-1.4%	7.7%	+/-2.1%

^aCivilan Noninstitutionalized Population, ^blimitations of activities or inability for full participation, ^cprovided by employer, union, bought by individual, and some miliary plans, ^dincludes Medicare, Medicaid, VA Health Care, children's CHIP, and some state plans, **MOE is high, use county estimate.

Employment Status, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	1,956	+/- 175	6,146	+/- 56
in labor force	59.9%	+/- 5.4%	59.1%	+/- 2.1%
not in labor force	40.1%	+/- 5.4%	40.9%	+/- 2.1%
Civilian labor force	1,172	+/- 146	3,630	+/- 142
Unemployed	7.5%	+/- 3.3%	4.2%	+/- 1.6%

^{**}MOE is high, use county estimate.

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population ^a	1,734	+/-212	6,979	+/-61
Below poverty	20.8%	+/-7.3%	14.5%	+/-3.1%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	16.6%	+/-7%
18 - 64	21.0%	+/-8.4%	15.0%	+/-3.4%
65+	**%	+/-**%	11.0%	+/-3.6%
All Families	16.9%	+/-7.5%	11.0%	+/-2.9%
with children	**%	+/-**%	14.7%	+/-4.6%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	9.2%	+/-2.9%
with children	**%	+/-**%	8.8%	+/-4.1%
Female HH ^b	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%

^a for whom poverty status is determined, ^b female householder, no husband present, **MOE is high, use county 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. For smaller towns, the couple or noncouple data are omitted in this profile.
- 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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