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# Pomeroy, Iowa **City Profile**

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## Population profile

The 2020 population for Pomeroy is 526. Between 2010 and 2020 the population decreased by 20.5%. The City of Pomeroy is in Calhoun County. Calhoun County saw a 2.7% population increase between 2010 and 2020.

Calhoun	County	Cities	- Total	Population <sup>1</sup>

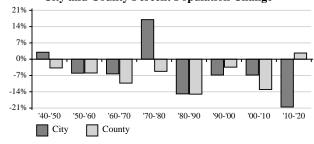
Calhoun County Cities - Total Population						
City	2000	2010	2020			
Pomeroy	710	662	526			
Male Total	318	313	256			
Female Total	392	349	270			
Farnhamville <sup>†</sup>	430	371	383			
Jolley	54	41	28			
Knierim	70	60	53			
Lake City	1,787	1,727	1,731			
Lohrville	431	368	381			
Lytton <sup>†</sup>	305	315	282			
Manson	1,893	1,690	1,709			
Rinard	72	52	38			
Rockwell City	2,264	1,709	2,240			
Somers	165	113	128			
Yetter	36	34	19			
Calhoun County Total	11,115	9,670	9,927			
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>City is located in multiple counties, total population is provided.

#### **Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change**

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Fonda	-11.4%	-2.6%	0.8%
Jolley	-20.6%	-24.1%	-31.7%
Manson	2.7%	-10.7%	1.1%
Palmer	-7.0%	-22.9%	-16.4%
Rockwell City	14.3%	-24.5%	31.1%
Pomeroy	-6.8%	-6.8%	-20.5%
Calhoun County	-3.4%	13%	2.7%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%

#### City and County Percent Population Change<sup>1</sup>



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Pomeroy's population is predominantly White. The City of Pomeroy, compared to Calhoun County, had a lower percentage of young people (17 or younger) and a higher percentage of older people (65 and older) in 2020. New household relationship categories were reported for 2020 that are not comparable with 2010.<sup>3</sup>

#### Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin<sup>1</sup>

	City		Co	unty
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	99.5%	95.8%	99.4%	97.2%
White	96.8%	93.7%	98.5%	94.3%
White alone, not Hispanic	95.0%	92.8%	97.9%	93.3%
Black or African American	0.5%	0.4%	0.2%	1.5%
Asian	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.1%	0.8%	0.2%	0.2%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Other	0.9%	1.0%	0.2%	0.8%
Two or more races	0.5%	4.2%	0.6%	2.8%
Hispanic origin <sup>a</sup>	3.2%	3.2%	0.9%	2.4%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Hispanics can be of any race.

#### Households by Family or Nonfamily Type<sup>1,3</sup>

	(	City	Co	County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020	
Total households	280	248	4,242	4,070	
Family households <sup>a,b</sup>	61.1%	63.4%	65.5%	63.3%	
Married couple family <sup>b</sup>	49.3%	45.8%	54.5%	51.2%	
With own children	15.4%	11.7%	16.9%	16.7%	
Other family <sup>c</sup>	11.8%	12.9%	11.0%	12.2%	
Male householder <sup>c</sup>	4.6%	4.4%	4.0%	4.0%	
With own children	2.1%	4.0%	2.6%	2.2%	
Female householder <sup>c</sup>	7.1%	8.5%	7.0%	8.2%	
With own children	5.0%	4.8%	4.8%	4.6%	
Nonfamily households <sup>d</sup>	38.9%	36.6%	34.5%	36.7%	
Male living alone	15.0%	17.7%	13.7%	15.6%	
Female living alone	20.0%	23.8%	17.8%	16.7%	

#### Households by Couple or Non-couple Type<sup>1,3</sup>

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	280	248	4,242	4,070
Married couple <sup>b</sup>	49.3%	45.8%	54.5%	51.2%
Cohabiting couple <sup>b,f</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	10.5%	NA <sup>e</sup>	6.7%
Male householder g	$NA^e$	19.0%	$NA^e$	18.5%
Female householder <sup>g</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	30.6%	NA <sup>e</sup>	23.6%

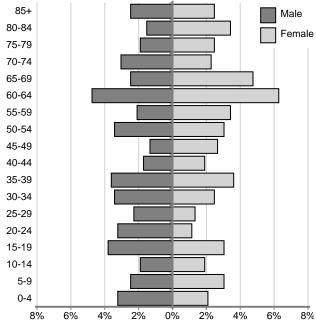
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Householder and at least one other person related to the householder. <sup>b</sup>For 2020 includes same-sex couples. <sup>c</sup>No spouse present, but at least one relative present. <sup>d</sup>In 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). <sup>e</sup>2010 not comparable with 2020. <sup>f</sup>For 2020 householder has an unmarried partner. <sup>g</sup>For 2020 no spouse or partner present, but relatives, nonrelatives may be present or householder may be living alone.

#### Percentage of Population by Age<sup>1</sup>

	(	City	Co	unty
Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	21.5%	19.8%	21.2%	21.4%
0 - 4	4.8%	5.3%	5.7%	5.4%
5 - 9	5.9%	5.5%	6.0%	6.2%
10 - 14	6.8%	3.8%	5.7%	6.2%
15 - 17	4%	5.2%	3.8%	3.6%
18 - 24	9.1%	6%	6.3%	5.8%
25 - 44	17.7%	20.3%	19.1%	23.4%
45 - 64	23.4%	27%	29.7%	26.2%
65 or older	28.4%	26.8%	23.7%	23.1%
65 - 84	20.5%	21.8%	19.1%	19.6%
85 or older	7.9%	4.9%	4.6%	3.5%
Median <sup>4</sup> Age (years)	47	49.9	47.8	44.3
Age Dependency <sup>a, 5</sup>	99.4	87.4	81.5	80.3
Old-Age	56.6	50.3	43.0	41.7
Child	42.8	37.1	38.5	38.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Age Dependency Ratio

#### Pomeroy, Iowa Population Pyramid,<sup>a</sup> 2020<sup>1</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Each bar represents the percentage that an age-sex group comprises of the total population.

The median household income in Pomeroy is less than the median household income of Calhoun County. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is lower in Pomeroy than for Calhoun County. There is a higher percentage of vacant housing units in Pomeroy than there is for Calhoun County. Many housing units in Pomeroy were built between 1960 to 1979. There is a lower percentage of individuals 25 and older with a Bachelor's degree or higher in Pomeroy compared to Calhoun County.

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	(	City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	229	+/- 37	3,852	+/- 144
Less than \$34,999	31.5%	+/- 5.3%	27.4%	+/- 2.5%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	12.7%	+/- 7.1%	10.6%	+/- 1.7%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	45.8%	+/- 4.0%	33.8%	+/- 2.1%
\$100,000 Or More	10.1%	+/- 2.7%	28.2%	+/- 2.2%
Median <sup>4</sup> Household Income	\$53,750	+/- \$3,471	\$65,614	+/- \$2,696
Median Family Income	\$65,268	+/- \$8,586	\$79,333	+/- \$4,075
Per Capita Income	\$30,535	+/- \$7,788	\$34,490	+/- \$2,202

#### **Educational Attainment, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>**

	(	City	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population 25 and older	382	+/-71	7,078	+/-31	
High School Graduate or Higher	94.8%	+/-2.6%	93.9%	+/-1.3%	
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	14.7%	+/-4.9%	21.4%	+/-2.3%	

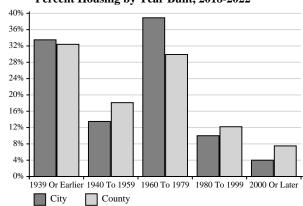
<sup>\*</sup>MOE = the margin of error for American Community Survey estimates<sup>2</sup> which is a numerical value that when added to or subtracted from the point estimate value gives the range of a 90% confidence interval around the estimate.

#### Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

		City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	349	+/- 56	4,794	+/- 28
Vacant	34.4%	+/- 7.9%	19.6%	+/- 3.0%
Occupied	65.6%	+/- 7.9%	80.4%	+/- 3.0%
Occupied <sup>a</sup>	229	+/- 37	3,852	+/- 144
Owner	87.3%	+/- 7.8%	78.7%	+/- 2.5%
Renter	12.7%	+/- 7.8%	21.3%	+/- 2.5%
Rent <sup>b</sup>	\$677	+/- \$53	\$696	+/- \$29
Value <sup>c</sup>	\$66,000	+/-\$13,845	\$104,900	+/-\$7,523

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Occupied Units, <sup>b</sup>Median gross rent of renter-occupied units, <sup>c</sup>Median value of owner-occupied units

#### Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>



In Pomeroy there is a higher percentage of workers in production, transportation, and material moving occupations than any other occupation category. The production, transportation, and material moving occupation category makes up 32.2% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

#### Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

		City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	208	+/- 47	4,237	+/- 149	
Management, business, science, and arts	18.8%	+/- 7.2%	37.5%	+/- 3.1%	
Service	28.8%	+/- 9.8%	17.9%	+/- 2.7%	
Sales and office	**%	+/- **%	17.2%	+/- 2.6%	
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	**%	+/- **%	13.1%	+/- 2.0%	
Production, transportation, and material moving	32.2%	+/- 10.7%	14.3%	+/- 2.3%	

<sup>\*\*</sup>MOE is high, use county estimate.

Pomeroy has a lower proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Calhoun 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 Pomeroy tend to be lower than the median earnings for Calhoun County. Families with children tend to have a higher rate of poverty than families without children.

#### **Median Employment Earnings, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>**

	(	City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ <sup>a</sup>	217	+/- 52	5,058	+/- 176
Median Earnings	\$33,860	+/- \$33	\$36,573	+/- \$2,165
Female	\$22,063	+/- \$5,432	\$32,815	+/- \$1,925
Female, full time <sup>b</sup>	\$22,375	+/- \$6,881	\$39,794	+/- \$2,309
Male	\$50,667	+/- \$9,499	\$45,156	+/- \$3,952
Male, full time <sup>b</sup>	\$53,636	+/- \$2,816	\$56,875	+/- \$2,526

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> with earnings, <sup>b</sup> year round, \*\*MOE is high, use county estimate.

## Disability Status and Health Insurance Coverage of the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population <sup>a</sup>	498	+/-94	9,217	+/-27
With a disability <sup>b</sup>	16.1%	+/-5.5%	14.2%	+/-1.4%
With Health Insurance	94.8%	+/-4.8%	96.3%	+/-0.8%
With Private <sup>c</sup> Coverage	69.3%	+/-9.3%	71.0%	+/-2.3%
With Public <sup>d</sup> Coverage	56.6%	+/-8.7%	46.5%	+/-2.6%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	3.7%	+/-0.8%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Civilan Noninstitutionalized Population, <sup>b</sup>limitations of activities or inability for full participation, <sup>c</sup>provided by employer, union, bought by individual, and some miliary plans, <sup>d</sup>includes Medicare, Medicaid, VA Health Care, children's CHIP, and some state plans, \*\*MOE is high, use county estimate.

#### Employment Status, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	407	+/- 73	7,957	+/- 43
in labor force	51.6%	+/- 8.6%	54.7%	+/- 1.8%
not in labor force	48.4%	+/- 8.6%	45.3%	+/- 1.8%
Civilian labor force	210	+/- 49	4,355	+/- 141
Unemployed	1.0%	+/- 1.7%	2.7%	+/- 1.1%

<sup>\*\*</sup>MOE is high, use county estimate.

## Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population <sup>a</sup>	496	+/-93	9,204	+/-28
Below poverty	**%	+/-**%	9%	+/-1.6%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	8.7%	+/-3.4%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	9.4%	+/-1.7%
65+	**%	+/-**%	8.6%	+/-2.4%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	6.2%	+/-1.5%
with children	**%	+/-**%	8.8%	+/-3.2%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	2.9%	+/-1.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH <sup>b</sup>	**%	+/-**%	28.9%	+/-7.7%
with children	**%	+/-**%	31.3%	+/-12.8%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> for whom poverty status is determined, <sup>b</sup> female householder, no husband present, \*\*MOE is high, use county estimate.

#### **Notes and Source Information:**

- <sup>1</sup>U.S. Census Bureau; Decennial Censuses 1940 2020
- <sup>2</sup>U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey 2018-2022
- <sup>3</sup> For 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.
- <sup>4</sup> Median is the middle value of a distribution.
- <sup>5</sup>The 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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