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Russell, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for Russell is 472. Between 2010 and 2020 the population decreased by 14.8%. The City of Russell is in Lucas County. Lucas County saw a 3.0% population decrease between 2010 and 2020.

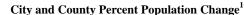
Lucas County Cities - Total Population¹

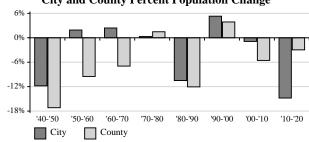
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City	2000	2010	2020				
Russell	559	554	472				
Male Total	264	276	227				
Female Total	295	278	245				
Chariton	4,573	4,321	4,193				
Derby	131	115	90				
Lucas	243	216	172				
Williamson	163	152	120				
Lucas County Total	9,422	8,898	8,634				
State 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

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Chariton	-0.9%	-5.5%	-3.0%
Derby	-3.0%	-12.2%	-21.7%
Melrose	-13.3%	-13.8%	-1.8%
Millerton	9.1%	-6.3%	-20.0%
Williamson	-1.8%	-6.7%	-21.1%
Russell	5.3%	-0.9%	-14.8%
Lucas County	3.9%	5.6%	-3.0%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%





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Russell's population is predominantly White. The City of Russell, compared to Lucas 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	County		
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020	
One race only	100.0%	96.0%	99.4%	96.7%	
White	96.9%	96.0%	98.6%	95.1%	
White alone, not Hispanic	96.6%	95.8%	98.0%	94.4%	
Black or African American	0.4%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	
Asian	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	
American Indian or Alaska Native	2.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Other	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%	1.0%	
Two or more races	0.0%	4.0%	0.6%	3.3%	
Hispanic origin ^a	2.0%	0.4%	1.0%	2.3%	

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

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		City	С	ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	212	202	3,689	3,608
Family households a,b	68.9%	58.7%	66.4%	64.0%
Married couple family ^b	53.3%	42.0%	54.8%	52.5%
With own children	21.7%	14.9%	18.7%	17.8%
Other family ^c	15.6%	14.9%	11.6%	11.5%
Male householder ^c	4.2%	7.4%	4.1%	4.8%
With own children	3.3%	4.0%	2.5%	2.4%
Female householder ^c	11.3%	7.4%	7.5%	6.7%
With own children	6.6%	3.5%	4.3%	3.6%
Nonfamily households ^d	31.1%	41.3%	33.6%	36.0%
Male living alone	12.7%	15.8%	13.1%	15.4%
Female living alone	14.6%	15.3%	16.5%	15.9%

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

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	212	202	3,689	3,608
Married couple ^b	53.3%	42.0%	54.8%	52.5%
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	7.4%	NA ^e	5.5%
Male householder g	NA ^e	24.8%	NA^e	20.1%
Female householder g	NA ^e	21.3%	NA ^e	21.9%

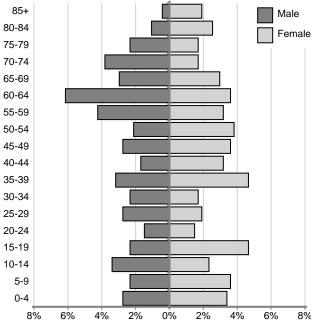
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder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

	(City	Co	ounty
Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	29.6%	22.5%	24.4%	23.4%
0 - 4	7.6%	6.1%	6.2%	6.3%
5 - 9	7.8%	5.9%	6.5%	6.5%
10 - 14	8.5%	5.7%	7.0%	6.9%
15 - 17	5.7%	4.8%	4.7%	3.7%
18 - 24	6.3%	5.2%	6.5%	6.5%
25 - 44	22.7%	21.4%	20.2%	21.5%
45 - 64	23.6%	29.4%	28.7%	26.6%
65 or older	17.7%	21.4%	20.2%	21.9%
65 - 84	15%	19%	16.7%	19.2%
85 or older	2.7%	2.3%	3.5%	2.8%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	39.4	45.6	44.1	43.4
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	89.8	78.4	80.5	83.0
Old-Age	33.6	38.2	36.5	40.1
Child	56.2	40.2	44.0	42.9

^aAge Dependency Ratio

Russell, 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 Russell is less than the median household income of Lucas County. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is lower in Russell than for Lucas County. There is a higher percentage of vacant housing units in Russell than there is for Lucas County. Many housing units in Russell were built prior to 1940.

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	City		C	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	289	+/- 68	3,621	+/- 137
Less than \$34,999	39.4%	+/- 5.9%	30.2%	+/- 3.1%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	14.9%	+/- 9.6%	9.6%	+/- 2.1%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	36.0%	+/- 4.5%	36.3%	+/- 2.6%
\$100,000 Or More	9.7%	+/- 3.8%	24.0%	+/- 2.4%
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$44,375	+/- \$19,873	\$63,405	+/- \$7,681
Median Family Income	\$65,625	+/- \$9,835	\$77,927	+/- \$3,524
Per Capita Income	\$28,405	+/- \$3,571	\$32,575	+/- \$3,745

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	(City	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population 25 and older	449	+/-96	6,066	+/-34	
High School Graduate or Higher	83.5%	+/-7.5%	92.4%	+/-1.7%	
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	**%	+/-**%	14.9%	+/-2.3%	

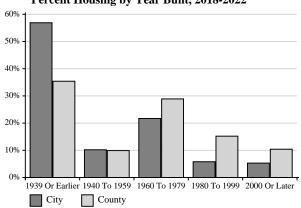
^{*}MOE = the margin of error for American Community Survey estimates² which is a numerical value that when added to or subtracted from the point estimate value gives the range of a 90% confidence interval around the estimate.

Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

		City	C	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	341	+/- 68	4,080	+/- 59
Vacant	15.2%	+/- 9.0%	11.3%	+/- 3.3%
Occupied	84.8%	+/- 9.0%	88.8%	+/- 3.3%
Occupied ^a	289	+/- 68	3,621	+/- 137
Owner	91.3%	+/- 5.2%	79.8%	+/- 3.7%
Renter	8.7%	+/- 5.2%	20.2%	+/- 3.7%
Rent ^b	\$682	+/- \$118	\$773	+/- \$72
Value ^c	\$47,900	+/-\$19,964	\$111,000	+/-\$12,873

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Russell 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 45.3% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022²

	City		Сог	ınty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	225	+/- 64	4,105	+/- 201
Management, business, science, and arts	**%	+/- **%	27.1%	+/- 3.8%
Service	14.7%	+/- 6.9%	14.2%	+/- 2.8%
Sales and office	16.0%	+/- 7.9%	21.3%	+/- 3.8%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	**%	+/- **%	12.4%	+/- 2.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving	45.3%	+/- 10.7%	25.0%	+/- 3.6%

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

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

Median Employment Earnings, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*		
Population 16+ ^a	228	+/- 63	4,437	+/- 199		
Median Earnings	\$40,985	+/- \$40	\$40,428	+/- \$1,684		
Female	\$32,813	+/- \$14,476	\$31,856	+/- \$5,263		
Female, full time ^b	\$40,947	+/- \$1,580	\$42,066	+/- \$2,086		
Male	\$53,750	+/- \$7,252	\$46,433	+/- \$3,257		
Male, full time ^b	\$55,250	+/- \$6,449	\$58,929	+/- \$3,638		

^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		Со	unty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population ^a	532	+/-109	8,576	+/-28
With a disability ^b	37.2%	+/-11.2%	17.4%	+/-2.1%
With Health Insurance	96.4%	+/-3.3%	91.6%	+/-2.1%
With Private ^c Coverage	69.0%	+/-8.9%	65.9%	+/-4.0%
With Public ^d Coverage	62.8%	+/-8.5%	45.4%	+/-3.5%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	8.4%	+/-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+	472	+/- 99	6,968	+/- 37
in labor force	47.7% +	-/- 10.0%	61.3%	+/- 2.6%
not in labor force	52.3% +	-/- 10.0%	38.7%	+/- 2.6%
Civilian labor force	225	+/- 64	4,273	+/- 181
Unemployed	0.0% +	-/- 10.5%	3.9%	+/- 1.9%

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

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population ^a	532	+/-109	8,557	+/-39
Below poverty	22.9%	+/-10.1%	16.6%	+/-3.6%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	23.1%	+/-7.8%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	15.1%	+/-3.5%
65+	**%	+/-**%	13.6%	+/-5.5%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	13.3%	+/-4.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	24.5%	+/-8.6%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	5.7%	+/-2.3%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH ^b	**%	+/-**%	57.0%	+/-16.1%
with children	**%	+/-**%	67.5%	+/-16.5%

^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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- ³ 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.
- 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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