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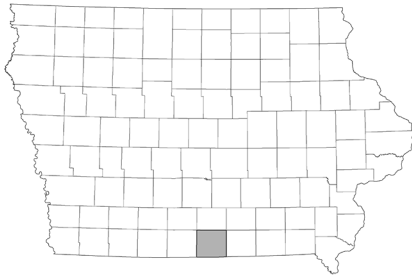
Seymour, Iowa
City Profile

Population profile

The 2020 population for Seymour is 634. Between 2010 and 2020 the population decreased by 9.6%. The City of Seymour is in Wayne County. Wayne County saw a 1.5% population increase between 2010 and 2020.
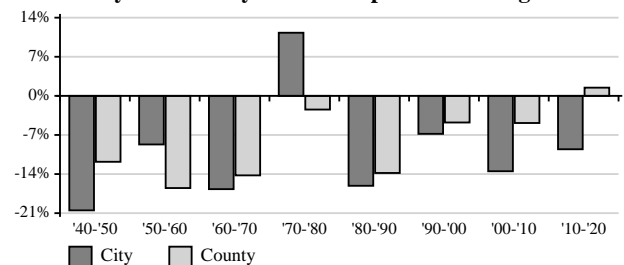
Wayne County Cities - Total Population[1]

City	2000	2010	2020
Seymour	**810**	**701**	**634**
Male Total	386	340	305
Female Total	424	361	329
Allerton	559	501	430
Clio	91	80	67
Corydon	1,591	1,585	1,526
Humeston	543	494	465
Lineville	273	217	195
Millerton	48	45	36
Promise City	105	111	88
Wayne County Total	6,730	6,403	6,497
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
Cincinnati	17.9%	-16.6%	-18.8%
Mystic	7.9%	-27.7%	-24.2%
Numa	-27.8%	-15.6%	-26.1%
Plano	-22.7%	20.7%	-15.7%
Promise City	-20.5%	5.7%	-20.7%
Seymour	-6.8%	-13.5%	-9.6%
Wayne County	-4.8%	4.9%	1.5%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%

City and County Percent Population Change[1]

Legend: ■ City ▫ County

X-axis: '40-'50, '50-'60, '60-'70, '70-'80, '80-'90, '90-'00, '00-'10, '10-'20

Y-axis: 14%, 7%, 0%, -7%, -14%, -21%

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Seymour's population is predominantly White. The City of Seymour, compared to Wayne 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 Origin[1]

Race Groups	City 2010	City 2020	County 2010	County 2020
One race only	99.1%	94.2%	99.3%	97.4%
White	98.7%	93.1%	98.0%	96.4%
White alone, not Hispanic	97.7%	91.5%	97.5%	95.9%
Black or African American	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%
Asian	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.8%	0.2%	0.3%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.2%
Two or more races	0.9%	5.8%	0.7%	2.6%
Hispanic origin[a]	1.6%	1.6%	1.1%	0.9%

[a] *Hispanics can be of any race.*

Households by Family or Nonfamily Type[1,3]

	City 2010	City 2020	County 2010	County 2020
Total households	295	274	2,652	2,585
Family households[a,b]	65.1%	60.9%	66.0%	64.4%
Married couple family[b]	45.1%	41.2%	54.0%	51.5%
With own children	12.5%	13.1%	18.0%	18.9%
Other family[c]	20.0%	19.7%	12.0%	12.9%
Male householder[c]	3.7%	6.2%	4.1%	5.1%
With own children	2.4%	3.6%	2.3%	2.6%
Female householder[c]	16.3%	13.5%	7.9%	7.8%
With own children	8.5%	8.4%	4.6%	4.1%
Nonfamily households[d]	34.9%	39.1%	34.0%	35.6%
Male living alone	14.9%	15.0%	13.3%	13.9%
Female living alone	15.6%	20.4%	16.7%	16.4%

Households by Couple or Non-couple Type[1,3]

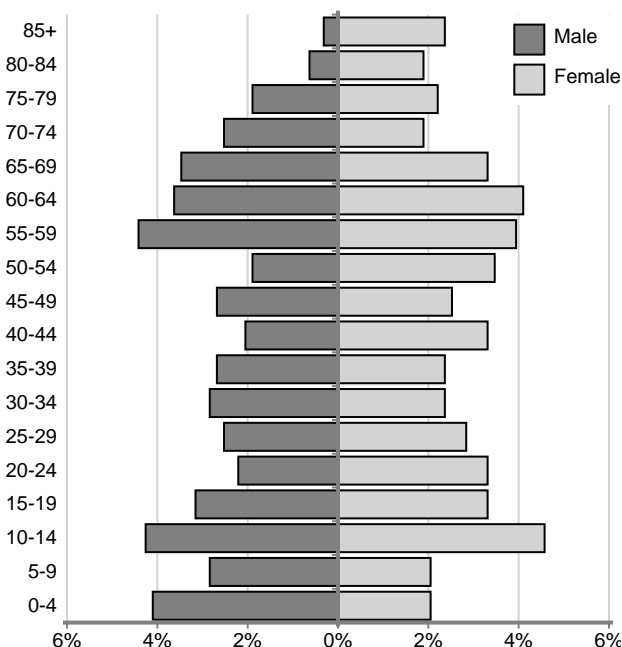|	City 2010	City 2020	County 2010	County 2020
Total households	295	274	2,652	2,585
Married couple[b]	45.1%	41.2%	54.0%	51.5%
Cohabiting couple[b,f]	NA[e]	4.0%	NA[e]	5.6%
Male householder[g]	NA[e]	21.5%	NA[e]	18.9%
Female householder[g]	NA[e]	33.2%	NA[e]	24.0%

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

Percentage of Population by Age[1]

Age Groups	City 2010	City 2020	County 2010	County 2020
17 or younger	20.8%	24.3%	23.4%	26.2%
0 - 4	8.3%	6.2%	6.2%	6.7%
5 - 9	5.6%	4.9%	6.8%	7.4%
10 - 14	4.1%	8.8%	6.1%	7.8%
15 - 17	2.8%	4.4%	4.3%	4.3%
18 - 24	7.3%	7.6%	7.1%	6.8%
25 - 44	20%	21%	19.1%	21.4%
45 - 64	27.4%	26.7%	28.2%	24.5%
65 or older	24.5%	20.5%	22.1%	21.1%
65 - 84	20.5%	17.8%	17.9%	17.6%
85 or older	4%	2.7%	4.2%	3.4%
Median[4] Age (years)	47.1	41.6	45.3	40.3
Age Dependency[a,5]	83.0	81.0	83.6	89.8
Old-Age	44.9	37.1	40.6	40.0
Child	38.1	43.9	43.0	49.7

[a]*Age Dependency Ratio*

Seymour, Iowa Population Pyramid,[a] 2020[1]

[a]*Each bar represents the percentage that an age-sex group comprises of the total population.*

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

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	275	+/- 53	2,531	+/- 92
Less than $34,999	34.9%	+/- 4.5%	26.0%	+/- 2.6%
$35,000 To $49,999	30.9%	+/- 11.4%	17.8%	+/- 2.7%
$50,000 To $99,999	28.0%	+/- 3.6%	35.5%	+/- 2.5%
$100,000 Or More	6.2%	+/- 3.9%	20.8%	+/- 2.3%
Median[4] Household Income	$40,547	+/- $7,125	$58,257	+/- $5,920
Median Family Income	$56,250	+/- $15,332	$77,570	+/- $6,789
Per Capita Income	$23,236	+/- $3,836	$32,524	+/- $3,421

Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	330	+/- 54	3,032	+/- 27
Vacant	16.7%	+/- 8.4%	16.5%	+/- 2.9%
Occupied	83.3%	+/- 8.4%	83.5%	+/- 2.9%
Occupied[a]	275	+/- 53	2,531	+/- 92
Owner	82.5%	+/- 7.3%	79.8%	+/- 3.0%
Renter	17.5%	+/- 7.3%	20.2%	+/- 3.0%
Rent[b]	$613	+/- $94	$627	+/- $38
Value[c]	$64,800	+/-$10,496	$98,700	+/-$6,877

[a]Occupied Units, [b]Median gross rent of renter-occupied units, [c]Median value of owner-occupied units
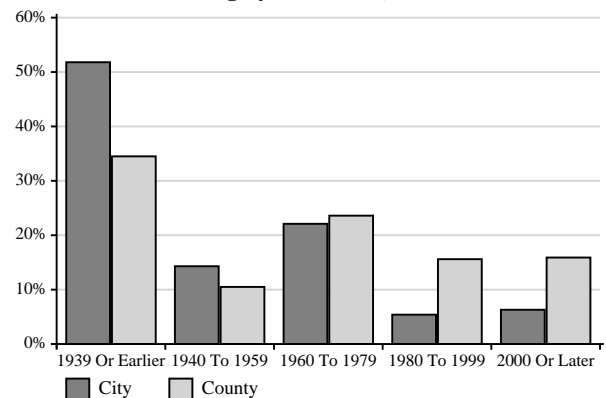
Educational Attainment, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	416	+/-81	4,345	+/-46
High School Graduate or Higher	88.5%	+/-6.8%	89.4%	+/-1.9%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	12.3%	+/-5.9%	15%	+/-2.4%

*MOE = the margin of error for American Community Survey estimates[2] 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.
**MOE is high, use county estimate.

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022[2]

In Seymour 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 35.1% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	239	+/- 65	2,859	+/- 122
Management, business, science, and arts	22.2%	+/- 6.5%	29.8%	+/- 3.3%
Service	**%	+/- **%	13.0%	+/- 3.1%
Sales and office	20.5%	+/- 7.2%	14.9%	+/- 3.0%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	**%	+/- **%	17.7%	+/- 2.9%
Production, transportation, and material moving	35.1%	+/- 8.9%	24.6%	+/- 2.8%

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

Median Employment Earnings, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ [a]	258	+/- 68	3,089	+/- 126
Median Earnings	$35,833	+/- $35	$38,129	+/- $2,102
Female	$34,808	+/- $3,931	$30,786	+/- $3,995
Female, full time[b]	$36,776	+/- $7,019	$40,849	+/- $2,480
Male	$39,167	+/- $7,050	$43,706	+/- $2,734
Male, full time[b]	$43,063	+/- $2,339	$49,769	+/- $6,213

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

Disability Status and Health Insurance Coverage of the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population[a]	558	+/-122	6,379	+/-23
With a disability[b]	27.1%	+/-7.5%	14.0%	+/-2.2%
With Health Insurance	95.0%	+/-3.4%	88.6%	+/-5.2%
With Private[c] Coverage	62.4%	+/-8.8%	62.9%	+/-4.5%
With Public[d] Coverage	55.4%	+/-7.8%	44.6%	+/-4.2%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	11.4%	+/-5.2%

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

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Employment Status, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	455	+/- 92	4,993	+/- 49
in labor force	53.8%	+/- 8.4%	58.2%	+/- 2.4%
not in labor force	46.2%	+/- 8.4%	41.8%	+/- 2.4%
Civilian labor force	245	+/- 66	2,905	+/- 119
Unemployed	2.4%	+/- 3.0%	1.6%	+/- 0.9%

**MOE is high, use county estimate.*

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022[2]

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population[a]	554	+/-122	6,360	+/-28
Below poverty	17.5%	+/-8.0%	13.3%	+/-3.1%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	19.4%	+/-7.1%
18 - 64	18.8%	+/-8.3%	12.3%	+/-2.8%
65+	**%	+/-**%	8.2%	+/-3.2%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	8.7%	+/-2.5%
with children	**%	+/-**%	15.3%	+/-5.0%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	5.4%	+/-2.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH[b]	**%	+/-**%	34.2%	+/-12.6%
with children	**%	+/-**%	40.3%	+/-14.4%

[a] *for whom poverty status is determined,* [b] *female householder, no husband present, **MOE is high, use county estimate.*