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West Burlington, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for West Burlington is 3,197. Between 2010 and 2020 the population increased by 7.7%. The City of West Burlington is in Des Moines County. Des Moines County saw a 3.5% population decrease between 2010 and 2020.

Des Moines County Cities - Total Population¹

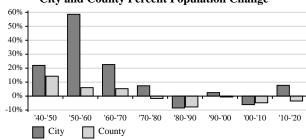
City	2000	2010	2020
West Burlington	3,161	2,968	3,197
Male Total	1,521	1,392	1,571
Female Total	1,640	1,576	1,626
Burlington	26,839	25,663	23,982
Danville	914	934	927
Mediapolis	1,644	1,560	1,688
Middletown	535	318	363
Des Moines County Total	42,351	40,325	38,910
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369

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

Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Burlington	-1.4%	-4.4%	-6.6%
Danville	-1.3%	2.2%	-0.7%
Mediapolis	0.4%	-5.1%	8.2%
Middletown	38.6%	-40.6%	14.2%
New London	0.8%	-2.1%	0.7%
West Burlington	2.5%	-6.1%	7.7%
Des Moines County	-0.6%	4.8%	-3.5%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%

City and County Percent Population Change¹



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Demographic Profile

West Burlington, Iowa

West Burlington's population is predominantly White. The City of West Burlington, compared to Des Moines 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 2010.³

Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin¹

	City		Co	unty
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	98.0%	93.7%	97.7%	94.3%
White	90.7%	82.6%	91.0%	85.2%
White alone, not Hispanic	88.2%	81.1%	89.4%	84.2%
Black or African American	4.1%	5.2%	5.1%	6.5%
Asian	1.8%	3.9%	0.7%	1.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Other	1.0%	1.9%	0.6%	1.2%
Two or more races	2.0%	6.3%	2.3%	5.7%
Hispanic origin ^a	3.9%	4.8%	2.6%	3.2%

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

	(City	Co	unty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	1,372	1,395	17,003	16,751
Family households ^{a,b}	58.3%	54.2%	64.2%	61.5%
Married couple family ^b	41.7%	37.5%	47.4%	43.9%
With own children	12.9%	12.0%	16.0%	13.6%
Other family ^c	16.6%	18.1%	16.8%	17.6%
Male householder ^c	4.0%	4.9%	4.7%	5.2%
With own children	2.1%	2.4%	2.7%	2.6%
Female householder ^c	12.6%	13.3%	12.1%	12.4%
With own children	7.5%	8.0%	7.7%	7.4%
Nonfamily households ^d	41.7%	45.8%	35.8%	38.5%
Male living alone	13.9%	18.2%	13.3%	15.2%
Female living alone	22.9%	20.5%	16.9%	17.4%

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

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	1,372	1,395	17,003	16,751
Married couple ^b	41.7%	37.5%	47.4%	43.9%
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	6.9%	NA ^e	7.6%
Male householder g	NA^e	23.4%	NA^e	20.0%
Female householder g	NA ^e	32.2%	NA ^e	28.4%

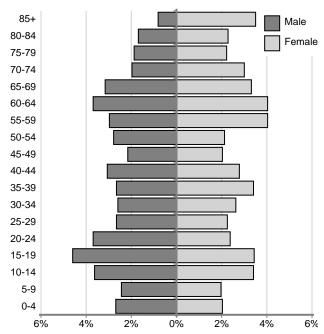
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder 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	20.2%	19.7%	23.2%	21.8%
0 - 4	5.9%	4.7%	6.5%	5.4%
5 - 9	5.6%	4.4%	6.3%	5.8%
10 - 14	5.8%	7.0%	6.4%	6.7%
15 - 17	2.9%	3.6%	4.0%	3.9%
18 - 24	9.1%	10.5%	7.5%	7.6%
25 - 44	21.4%	22%	23.4%	22.8%
45 - 64	29.4%	23.8%	28.4%	26.1%
65 or older	19.9%	23.8%	17.6%	21.7%
65 - 84	17.3%	19.6%	14.7%	19%
85 or older	2.6%	4.3%	2.9%	2.7%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	44.4	42.5	41.5	42.9
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	66.9	77.3	68.9	77.0
Old-Age	33.2	42.3	29.7	38.4
Child	33.7	35.0	39.2	38.6

^aAge Dependency Ratio

West Burlington, Iowa Population Pyramid, a 20201



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

Socioeconomic Profile

West Burlington, Iowa

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

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	City		Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	1,267	+/- 156	17,251	+/- 303
Less than \$34,999	31.6%	+/- 4.2%	29.0%	+/- 2.4%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	21.7%	+/- 8.1%	14.5%	+/- 2.2%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	23.7%	+/- 3.4%	31.1%	+/- 1.9%
\$100,000 Or More	23.0%	+/- 3.7%	25.4%	+/- 2.0%
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$42,721	+/- \$15,618	\$58,084	+/- \$3,015
Median Family Income	\$70,417	+/- \$18,596	\$76,866	+/- \$3,619
Per Capita Income	\$30,264	+/- \$8,512	\$35,689	+/- \$1,732

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	(City	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population 25 and older	2,005	+/-199	27,152	+/-176	
High School Graduate or Higher	93.7%	+/-3.9%	92.9%	+/-1.2%	
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	24.9%	+/-7.5%	23.3%	+/-1.7%	

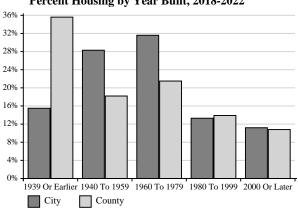
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Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	1,326	+/- 161	18,791	+/- 72
Vacant	4.4%	+/- 4.3%	8.2%	+/- 1.6%
Occupied	95.6%	+/- 4.3%	91.8%	+/- 1.6%
Occupied ^a	1,267	+/- 156	17,251	+/- 303
Owner	51.8%	+/- 9.7%	69.9%	+/- 2.5%
Renter	48.2%	+/- 9.7%	30.1%	+/- 2.5%
Rent ^b	\$835	+/- \$119	\$882	+/- \$49
Value ^c	\$136,600	+/-\$10,355	\$135,300	+/-\$7,521

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In West Burlington 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 24.8% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,469	+/- 162	18,599	+/- 454
Management, business, science, and arts	27.4%	+/- 8.1%	32.6%	+/- 2.4%
Service	19.3%	+/- 6.7%	16.7%	+/- 2.0%
Sales and office	21.6%	+/- 8.0%	20.8%	+/- 2.4%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	**%	+/- **%	7.9%	+/- 1.1%
Production, transportation, and material moving	24.8%	+/- 10.4%	22.1%	+/- 2.0%

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

Socioeconomic Profile

West Burlington, Iowa

West Burlington has a lower proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Des Moines 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 West Burlington tend to be lower than the median earnings for Des Moines 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	1,644	+/- 173	20,298	+/- 469
Median Earnings	\$29,145	+/- \$29	\$36,485	+/- \$1,992
Female	\$35,000	+/- \$13,847	\$30,504	+/- \$1,976
Female, full time ^b	\$37,794	+/- \$4,539	\$39,979	+/- \$1,883
Male	\$27,697	+/- \$12,518	\$44,862	+/- \$3,037
Male, full time ^b	\$51,138	+/- \$4,853	\$57,222	+/- \$2,550

^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		Co	unty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population ^a	3,025	+/-22	38,357	+/-24
With a disability ^b	11.8%	+/-3.6%	16.7%	+/-1.4%
With Health Insurance	96.2%	+/-2.0%	96.5%	+/-0.6%
With Private ^c Coverage	71.5%	+/-7.0%	67.7%	+/-2.1%
With Public ^d Coverage	34.5%	+/-6.4%	45.7%	+/-2.0%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	3.5%	+/-0.6%

^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+	2,561	+/- 165	31,393	+/- 139
in labor force	58.2%	+/- 4.9%	61.0%	+/- 1.3%
not in labor force	41.8%	+/- 4.9%	39.0%	+/- 1.3%
Civilian labor force	1,491	+/- 161	19,152	+/- 428
Unemployed	1.5%	+/- 1.3%	2.9%	+/- 0.8%

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

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population ^a	2,726	+/-128	37,950	+/-154
Below poverty	**%	+/-**%	14.6%	+/-1.9%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	19.9%	+/-4.3%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	14.4%	+/-2.0%
65+	**%	+/-**%	9.7%	+/-2.4%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	11.4%	+/-2.3%
with children	**%	+/-**%	21.3%	+/-4.5%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	4.0%	+/-1.6%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH ^b	**%	+/-**%	33.9%	+/-6.9%
with children	**%	+/-**%	43.6%	+/-8.2%

^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.
- ⁴ Median 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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