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Wellsburg, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for Wellsburg is 720. Between 2010 and 2020 the population increased by 1.8%. The City of Wellsburg is in Grundy County. Grundy County saw a 1.0% population decrease between 2010 and 2020.

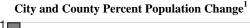
Grundy County Cities - Total Population¹

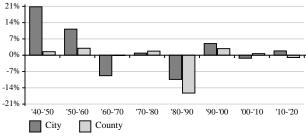
Grundy Co	ounty Cities - Tot	Grundy County Cities - Total Population								
City	2000	2010	2020							
Wellsburg	716	707	720							
Male Total	324	357	358							
Female Total	392	350	362							
Beaman	210	191	161							
Conrad	1,055	1,108	1,093							
Dike	944	1,209	1,304							
Grundy Center	2,596	2,706	2,796							
Holland	250	282	269							
Morrison	97	94	98							
Reinbeck	1,751	1,664	1,662							
Stout	217	224	191							
Grundy County Total	12,369	12,453	12,329							
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369							

 $^{^\}dagger C$ ity is located in multiple counties, total population is provided.

Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Ackley	6.7%	-12.2%	0.6%
Eldora	-0.1%	-10.0%	-2.5%
Grundy Center	4.2%	4.2%	3.3%
Holland	16.3%	12.8%	-4.6%
Steamboat Rock	0.3%	-7.7%	-14.8%
Wellsburg	5.0%	-1.3%	1.8%
Grundy County	2.8%	0.7%	-1.0%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%





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Wellsburg's population is predominantly White. The City of Wellsburg, compared to Grundy 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	99.3%	96.5%	99.3%	97.0%
White	98.4%	96.1%	98.5%	96.0%
White alone, not Hispanic	97.0%	96.1%	97.9%	95.6%
Black or African American	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%
Asian	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%
Other	0.6%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%
Two or more races	0.7%	3.5%	0.7%	3.0%
Hispanic origin ^a	2.1%	1.0%	1.0%	1.2%

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

		City	C	County
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	333	321	5,131	5,069
Family households ^{a,b}	60.4%	56.3%	70.2%	68.3%
Married couple family ^b	50.8%	35.9%	60.2%	57.4%
With own children	18.0%	18.1%	22.2%	20.4%
Other family ^c	9.6%	12.5%	10.0%	10.9%
Male householder ^c	3.0%	5.0%	3.7%	4.1%
With own children	2.7%	3.1%	2.4%	2.0%
Female householder ^c	6.6%	7.5%	6.3%	6.8%
With own children	3.9%	4.0%	4.2%	4.3%
Nonfamily households ^d	39.6%	43.7%	29.8%	31.7%
Male living alone	14.4%	14.3%	11.3%	12.7%
Female living alone	19.8%	17.4%	14.5%	14.9%

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

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	333	321	5,131	5,069
Married couple ^b	50.8%	35.9%	60.2%	57.4%
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	2.8%	NA ^e	5.4%
Male householder g	NA ^e	19.3%	NA^e	16.3%
Female householder ^g	NA ^e	25.5%	NA ^e	20.9%

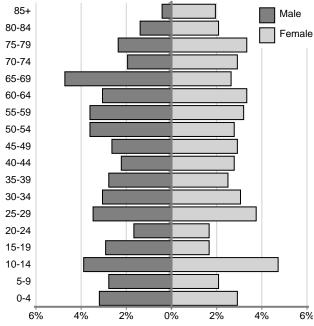
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder 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	unty
Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	20.8%	23.1%	23.8%	23.8%
0 - 4	6.6%	6.1%	6.3%	5.6%
5 - 9	4%	4.9%	6.4%	6.8%
10 - 14	6.9%	8.6%	6.6%	7.3%
15 - 17	3.3%	3.5%	4.5%	4.1%
18 - 24	6.6%	4.4%	6.5%	6.2%
25 - 44	22.1%	23.6%	22.1%	22.6%
45 - 64	26.9%	25.2%	28.8%	25.7%
65 or older	23.6%	23.8%	18.8%	21.6%
65 - 84	19.8%	21.5%	15.4%	18.4%
85 or older	3.8%	2.4%	3.4%	3.1%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	45.3	43.5	43.0	42.3
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	79.9	88.2	74.2	83.3
Old-Age	42.4	44.7	32.8	39.6
Child	37.4	43.4	41.5	43.7

^aAge Dependency Ratio

Wellsburg, 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 Wellsburg is less than the median household income of Grundy County. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is lower in Wellsburg than for Grundy County. There is a higher percentage of vacant housing units in Wellsburg than there is for Grundy County. Many housing units in Wellsburg were built between 1940 to 1959. There is a lower percentage of individuals 25 and older with a Bachelor's degree or higher in Wellsburg compared to Grundy County.

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	City		Co	County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Total Households	343	+/- 61	5,062	+/- 120	
Less than \$34,999	26.2%	+/- 3.8%	16.6%	+/- 2.0%	
\$35,000 To \$49,999	15.5%	+/- 8.0%	11.3%	+/- 2.0%	
\$50,000 To \$99,999	35.6%	+/- 3.5%	35.3%	+/- 2.0%	
\$100,000 Or More	22.7%	+/- 3.3%	36.7%	+/- 2.4%	
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$60,750	+/- \$11,968	\$80,701	+/- \$2,848	
Median Family Income	\$78,750	+/- \$10,400	\$94,726	+/- \$5,695	
Per Capita Income	\$34,459	+/- \$3,414	\$38,265	+/- \$1,462	

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	(City		unty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	585	+/-103	8,580	+/-41
High School Graduate or Higher	96.6%	+/-1.8%	95.9%	+/-0.9%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	14.7%	+/-4.4%	26.1%	+/-2.4%

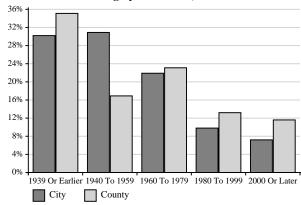
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Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	388	+/- 69	5,457	+/- 80
Vacant	11.6%	+/- 6.4%	7.2%	+/- 1.6%
Occupied	88.4%	+/- 6.4%	92.8%	+/- 1.6%
Occupied ^a	343	+/- 61	5,062	+/- 120
Owner	91.3%	+/- 3.3%	83.3%	+/- 2.0%
Renter	8.7%	+/- 3.3%	16.7%	+/- 2.0%
Rent ^b	\$575	+/- \$156	\$742	+/- \$74
Value ^c	\$102,000	+/-\$11,148	\$166,300	+/-\$6,061

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Wellsburg 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 21.5% 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	321	+/- 70	6,275	+/- 217
Management, business, science, and arts	30.2%	+/- 7.3%	39.4%	+/- 2.6%
Service	16.5%	+/- 7.0%	13.8%	+/- 1.9%
Sales and office	19.0%	+/- 7.9%	17.1%	+/- 1.8%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	12.8%	+/- 6.3%	12.2%	+/- 1.9%
Production, transportation, and material moving	21.5%	+/- 6.9%	17.5%	+/- 2.1%

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

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

Median Employment Earnings, 2018-2022²

		City		ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ ^a	356	+/- 75	6,837	+/- 200
Median Earnings	\$39,250	+/- \$39	\$44,877	+/- \$1,635
Female	\$26,875	+/- \$7,243	\$34,270	+/- \$1,648
Female, full time ^b	\$44,000	+/- \$16,525	\$44,325	+/- \$3,194
Male	\$45,987	+/- \$3,318	\$52,652	+/- \$1,914
Male, full time ^b	\$50,556	+/- \$7,859	\$57,794	+/- \$2,517

^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	730	+/-122	12,202	+/-8
With a disability ^b	14.9%	+/-4.9%	9.4%	+/-1.1%
With Health Insurance	97.0%	+/-3.1%	97.0%	+/-0.8%
With Private ^c Coverage	72.5%	+/-7.5%	79.8%	+/-2.3%
With Public ^d Coverage	46.4%	+/-9.0%	33.2%	+/-2.2%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	3.0%	+/-0.8%

^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+	603	+/- 104	9,791	+/- 48
in labor force	56.1%	+/- 7.4%	65.7%	+/- 2.2%
not in labor force	43.9%	+/- 7.4%	34.3%	+/- 2.2%
Civilian labor force	338	+/- 74	6,434	+/- 217
Unemployed	5.0%	+/- 4.0%	2.5%	+/- 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	724	+/-119	12,182	+/-19
Below poverty	**%	+/-**%	5.9%	+/-1%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	7.9%	+/-2.9%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	4.9%	+/-0.9%
65+	**%	+/-**%	6.6%	+/-2.1%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	3.4%	+/-1.0%
with children	**%	+/-**%	5.2%	+/-1.8%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	2.2%	+/-0.7%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH ^b	**%	+/-**%	19.1%	+/-9.0%
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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- 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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