Data for Decision Makers



Athelstan, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for Athelstan is . Between 2010 and 2020 the population had no change. The City of Athelstan is in Taylor County. Taylor County saw a 6.7% population decrease between 2010 and 2020. Athelstan's population is predominantly White.

Total Population¹

City	2000	2010	2020
Athelstan	18	0	
Male Total	12	13	3
Female Total	6	6	3
Taylor County Total	6,958	6,317	5,896
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369

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

Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Athelstan	-35.7%	-100.0%	nan%
Taylor County	-2.2%	9.2%	-6.7%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%

Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin¹

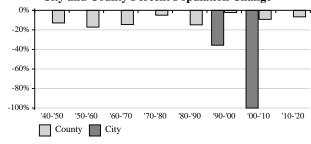
	(City		County	
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020	
One race only	100.0%	66.7%	99.1%	95.8%	
White	100.0%	66.7%	96.1%	91.8%	
Two or more races	0.0%	33.3%	0.9%	4.2%	
Hispanic origin ^a	0.0%	0.0%	5.8%	6.8%	

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

Housing Units¹

	City		Co	County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020	
Total Housing Units	13	6	3,107	2,885	

City and County Percent Population Change¹



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Socioeconomic Profile

Athelstan, Iowa

For very small communities and small population subgroups, fewer data are reported in the *Data for Decision Makers* than what are included for larger cities. By law, the Census Bureau is required to protect the confidentiality of respondents' personal information. The Bureau has used various methods for Disclosure Avoidance (privacy protection) since the 1930 Census. For the 2020 Census, the Bureau implemented a different, statistically based method called Differential Privacy (DP). The DP methodology, while providing privacy protection, has resulted in more uncertainty for reported data for very small communities. Although omitted in some of the *Data for Decision Makers* profiles for very small communities, the fully reported data are available from the Census Bureau's data retrieval site data.census.gov/advanced. See 2020 Census Disclosure Avoidance Handbook for more information.

Notes and Source Information:

- ¹U.S. Census Bureau; Decennial Censuses 1940 2020
- ² U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey 2018-2022
- 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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