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Earlham, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for Earlham is 1,410. Between 2010 and 2020 the population decreased by 2.8%. The City of Earlham is in Madison County. Madison County saw a 5.5% population increase between 2010 and 2020.

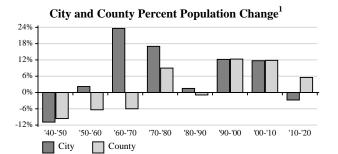
Madison County Cities - Total Population¹

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City	2000	2010	2020			
Earlham	1,298	1,450	1,410			
Male Total	634	725	711			
Female Total	664	725	699			
Bevington [†]	58	63	57			
East Peru	153	125	115			
Macksburg	142	113	97			
Patterson	126	130	176			
St. Charles	619	653	640			
Truro	427	485	509			
Winterset	4,768	5,190	5,353			
Madison County Total	14,019	15,679	16,548			
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
Adel	4.0%	7.2%	67.1%
De Soto	-2.3%	4.1%	-12.9%
Dexter	9.7%	-11.3%	4.7%
Redfield	-5.7%	0.2%	-12.5%
Van Meter	15.3%	17.3%	46.1%
Earlham	12.2%	11.7%	-2.8%
Madison County	12.3%	11.8%	5.5%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%



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Earlham's population is predominantly White. The City of Earlham, compared to Madison County, had a higher 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		Co	unty
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	99.1%	97.0%	99.1%	96.0%
White	98.3%	94.9%	98.1%	94.3%
White alone, not Hispanic	97.5%	94.5%	97.2%	93.7%
Black or African American	0.1%	0.9%	0.3%	0.3%
Asian	0.5%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Other	0.2%	1.0%	0.2%	0.6%
Two or more races	0.9%	3.0%	0.9%	4.0%
Hispanic origin ^a	0.8%	1.8%	1.3%	1.9%

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

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		City	C	ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	544	548	6,025	6,436
Family households ^{a,b}	71.5%	62.8%	73.2%	70.7%
Married couple family ^b	59.2%	38.4%	62.3%	59.9%
With own children	31.4%	24.6%	26.7%	23.5%
Other family ^c	12.3%	15.3%	10.9%	10.7%
Male householder ^c	3.9%	5.7%	3.6%	3.9%
With own children	2.6%	2.7%	2.2%	2.0%
Female householder ^c	8.5%	9.7%	7.3%	6.8%
With own children	5.9%	7.1%	4.7%	4.0%
Nonfamily households ^d	28.5%	37.2%	26.8%	29.3%
Male living alone	8.8%	9.1%	10.3%	11.2%
Female living alone	16.0%	17.2%	12.7%	13.3%

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

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	544	548	6,025	6,436
Married couple ^b	59.2%	38.4%	62.3%	59.9%
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	5.3%	NA ^e	5.8%
Male householder g	NA ^e	14.2%	NA^e	15.0%
Female householder g	NA ^e	25.7%	NA ^e	19.3%

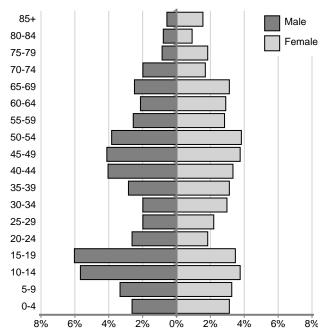
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder 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	31.6%	27.9%	27.2%	25.5%
0 - 4	8%	5.7%	7.0%	5.7%
5 - 9	10.3%	6.6%	7.8%	7.0%
10 - 14	8.6%	9.4%	7.9%	8.0%
15 - 17	4.7%	6.2%	4.5%	4.8%
18 - 24	6.1%	7.8%	5.7%	6.8%
25 - 44	30.3%	22.6%	24.5%	22.4%
45 - 64	20.8%	26%	27.8%	27.2%
65 or older	11.2%	15.8%	14.8%	18.1%
65 - 84	9.5%	13.7%	12.4%	16%
85 or older	1.7%	2.1%	2.4%	2.1%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	34.3	39.5	39.8	41.2
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	74.8	77.5	72.4	77.3
Old-Age	19.6	28.0	25.5	32.1
Child	55.2	49.5	46.9	45.2

^aAge Dependency Ratio

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

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	City		Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	523	+/- 77	6,475	+/- 174
Less than \$34,999	9.2%	+/- 3.4%	17.0%	+/- 2.5%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	11.3%	+/- 6.3%	9.9%	+/- 2.0%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	27.0%	+/- 3.4%	29.9%	+/- 2.4%
\$100,000 Or More	52.5%	+/- 4.2%	43.2%	+/- 2.6%
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$103,977	+/- \$10,582	\$88,110	+/- \$4,806
Median Family Income	\$110,391	+/- \$5,300	\$105,706	+/- \$5,875
Per Capita Income	\$38,959	+/- \$3,296	\$39,442	+/- \$1,344

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	(City	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population 25 and older	875	+/-120	11,322	+/-131	
High School Graduate or Higher	94.2%	+/-3.9%	97%	+/-0.9%	
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	27.7%	+/-7.0%	25.8%	+/-3%	

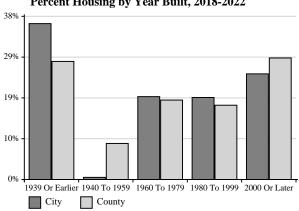
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Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

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		City	C	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	559	+/- 80	6,953	+/- 31
Vacant	6.4%	+/- 3.1%	6.9%	+/- 2.4%
Occupied	93.6%	+/- 3.1%	93.1%	+/- 2.4%
Occupied ^a	523	+/- 77	6,475	+/- 174
Owner	81.3%	+/- 6.5%	82.4%	+/- 3.1%
Renter	18.7%	+/- 6.5%	17.6%	+/- 3.1%
Rent ^b	\$825	+/- \$278	\$932	+/- \$111
Value ^c	\$228,500	+/-\$49,456	\$230,500	+/-\$13,460

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Earlham 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 10.7% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, $2018-2022^2$

	City		Cor	inty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	826	+/- 122	9,055	+/- 287
Management, business, science, and arts	40.4%	+/- 6.3%	40.0%	+/- 3.2%
Service	12.6%	+/- 4.8%	11.7%	+/- 2.1%
Sales and office	24.6%	+/- 5.8%	22.0%	+/- 2.9%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	11.7%	+/- 4.8%	14.1%	+/- 2.3%
Production, transportation, and material moving	10.7%	+/- 4.9%	12.2%	+/- 2.3%

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

Earlham has a higher proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Madison 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 Earlham tend to be lower than the median earnings for Madison 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	861	+/- 126	9,635	+/- 251
Median Earnings	\$46,375	+/- \$46	\$47,891	+/- \$2,453
Female	\$37,500	+/- \$15,868	\$37,026	+/- \$7,074
Female, full time ^b	\$57,361	+/- \$11,415	\$49,797	+/- \$3,528
Male	\$56,250	+/- \$15,753	\$55,894	+/- \$2,181
Male, full time ^b	\$67,750	+/- \$11,340	\$63,395	+/- \$5,611

^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	ounty	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population ^a	1,367	+/-176	16,428	+/-28	
With a disability ^b	10.0%	+/-3.0%	9.3%	+/-1.3%	
With Health Insurance	99.6%	+/-0.5%	96.5%	+/-1.2%	
With Private ^c Coverage	86.1%	+/-4.3%	78.5%	+/-2.3%	
With Public ^d Coverage	24.4%	+/-5.2%	32.2%	+/-2.1%	
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	3.5%	+/-1.2%	

^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+	1,033	+/- 141	12,995	+/- 140
in labor force	80.7%	+/- 4.9%	71.5%	+/- 2.0%
not in labor force	19.3%	+/- 4.9%	28.5%	+/- 2.0%
Civilian labor force	834	+/- 123	9,265	+/- 270
Unemployed	1.0%	+/- 1.0%	2.3%	+/- 1.0%

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

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population ^a	1,367	+/-176	16,411	+/-38
Below poverty	**%	+/-**%	6.1%	+/-1.4%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	5.3%	+/-1.1%
65+	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	3.2%	+/-1.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	5.9%	+/-2.5%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH ^b	**%	+/-**%	24.3%	+/-11.1%
with children	**%	+/-**%	30.5%	+/-14.7%

^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.
- 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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