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# Red Oak, Iowa City Profile

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# Population profile

The 2020 population for Red Oak is 5,596. Between 2010 and 2020 the population decreased by 2.5%. The City of Red Oak is in Montgomery County. Montgomery County saw a 3.8% population decrease between 2010 and 2020.

**Montgomery County Cities - Total Population**<sup>1</sup>

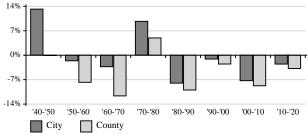
City	2000	2010	2020
Red Oak	6,197	5,742	5,596
Male Total	2,810	2,732	2,707
Female Total	3,387	3,010	2,889
Coburg	31	42	26
Elliott	402	350	338
Grant	102	92	86
Stanton	714	689	678
Villisca	1,344	1,252	1,132
Montgomery County Total	11,771	10,740	10,330
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369

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

#### **Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change**

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Coburg	-46.6%	35.5%	-38.1%
Elliott	0.8%	-12.9%	-3.4%
Emerson	0.8%	-8.8%	-8.0%
Essex	-3.5%	-9.7%	-9.5%
Stanton	3.2%	-3.5%	-1.6%
Red Oak	-1.1%	-7.3%	-2.5%
Montgomery County	-2.5%	8.8%	-3.8%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%





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Red Oak's population is predominantly White. The City of Red Oak, compared to Montgomery 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.<sup>3</sup>

#### Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin<sup>1</sup>

	City		Co	unty
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	98.7%	95.6%	99.1%	96.4%
White	96.3%	91.7%	97.4%	93.9%
White alone, not Hispanic	93.8%	90.3%	95.6%	93.0%
Black or African American	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Asian	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	1.4%	2.7%	0.8%	1.6%
Two or more races	1.3%	4.4%	0.9%	3.6%
Hispanic origin <sup>a</sup>	4.2%	5.5%	2.8%	3.6%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Hispanics can be of any race.

# Households by Family or Nonfamily Type<sup>1,3</sup>

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		City	Co	ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	2,481	2,454	4,558	4,456
Family households <sup>a,b</sup>	59.5%	53.6%	64.3%	61.9%
Married couple family <sup>b</sup>	42.7%	38.8%	50.3%	46.6%
With own children	15.2%	13.0%	17.2%	14.3%
Other family <sup>c</sup>	16.8%	17.7%	14.0%	15.3%
Male householder <sup>c</sup>	5.0%	5.5%	4.5%	5.2%
With own children	3.4%	3.5%	2.9%	3.3%
Female householder <sup>c</sup>	11.8%	12.2%	9.5%	10.1%
With own children	8.3%	7.1%	6.2%	5.8%
Nonfamily households <sup>d</sup>	40.5%	46.4%	35.7%	38.1%
Male living alone	13.5%	16.1%	13.3%	15.4%
Female living alone	21.4%	20.8%	17.5%	17.6%

# Households by Couple or Non-couple Type<sup>1,3</sup>

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	2,481	2,454	4,558	4,456
Married couple <sup>b</sup>	42.7%	38.8%	50.3%	46.6%
Cohabiting couple <sup>b,f</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	8.6%	NA <sup>e</sup>	7.7%
Male householder g	$NA^e$	20.3%	$NA^e$	19.6%
Female householder <sup>g</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	31.5%	NA <sup>e</sup>	26.1%

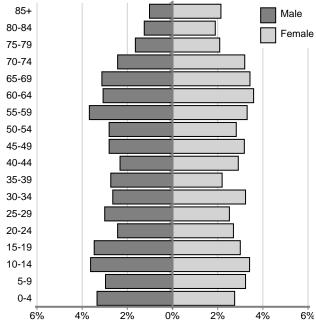
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Householder and at least one other person related to the householder. <sup>b</sup>For 2020 includes same-sex couples. <sup>c</sup>No spouse present, but at least one relative present. <sup>d</sup>In 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present).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

#### Percentage of Population by Age<sup>1</sup>

	(	City	Co	unty
Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	24.4%	23.4%	23.4%	22%
0 - 4	6.3%	6.1%	5.5%	5.7%
5 - 9	6.6%	6.2%	6.2%	5.7%
10 - 14	6.9%	7.0%	7.2%	6.7%
15 - 17	4.6%	4.1%	4.5%	3.9%
18 - 24	6.7%	7.5%	5.9%	7.1%
25 - 44	22.2%	21.5%	21.2%	20.8%
45 - 64	26.7%	25.3%	29.6%	26.9%
65 or older	20.1%	22.2%	19.9%	23.1%
65 - 84	16%	19%	16%	20.1%
85 or older	4.1%	3.2%	3.9%	3.1%
Median <sup>4</sup> Age (years)	42.2	42.6	44.6	45.1
Age Dependency <sup>a, 5</sup>	80.2	84.0	76.4	82.3
Old-Age	36.2	40.9	35.1	42.2
Child	44.0	43.1	41.3	40.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Age Dependency Ratio

### Red Oak, Iowa Population Pyramid,<sup>a</sup> 2020<sup>1</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Each bar represents the percentage that an age-sex group comprises of the total population.

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

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	2,448	+/- 133	4,493	+/- 158
Less than \$34,999	34.7%	+/- 3.9%	28.6%	+/- 3.0%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	13.3%	+/- 3.4%	11.7%	+/- 2.3%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	30.4%	+/- 3.0%	33.5%	+/- 2.5%
\$100,000 Or More	21.6%	+/- 2.8%	26.0%	+/- 2.4%
Median <sup>4</sup> Household Income	\$50,984	+/- \$4,141	\$61,261	+/- \$3,887
Median Family Income	\$59,913	+/- \$12,012	\$75,911	+/- \$5,916
Per Capita Income	\$31,651	+/- \$4,717	\$36,122	+/- \$5,025

#### **Educational Attainment, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>**

	(	City	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population 25 and older	3,820	+/-115	7,219	+/-39	
High School Graduate or Higher	89.9%	+/-3.5%	91.6%	+/-2.1%	
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	14.5%	+/-3.8%	18.6%	+/-2.7%	

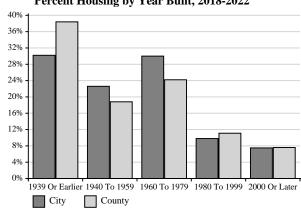
<sup>\*</sup>MOE = the margin of error for American Community Survey estimates<sup>2</sup> which is a numerical value that when added to or subtracted from the point estimate value gives the range of a 90% confidence interval around the estimate.

#### Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	(	City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	2,698	+/- 117	5,030	+/- 49
Vacant	9.3%	+/- 4.3%	10.7%	+/- 3.1%
Occupied	90.7%	+/- 4.3%	89.3%	+/- 3.1%
Occupied <sup>a</sup>	2,448	+/- 133	4,493	+/- 158
Owner	64.4%	+/- 5.6%	70.9%	+/- 3.4%
Renter	35.6%	+/- 5.6%	29.1%	+/- 3.4%
Rent <sup>b</sup>	\$720	+/- \$27	\$718	+/- \$32
Value <sup>c</sup>	\$92,900	+/-\$6,628	\$99,300	+/-\$6,112

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Occupied Units, <sup>b</sup>Median gross rent of renter-occupied units, <sup>c</sup>Median value of owner-occupied units

# Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>



In Red Oak 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 25.6% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

## Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	2,390	+/- 208	4,757	+/- 227
Management, business, science, and arts	24.0%	+/- 5.5%	29.3%	+/- 3.2%
Service	16.1%	+/- 4.2%	15.4%	+/- 2.8%
Sales and office	25.4%	+/- 4.9%	22.9%	+/- 3.2%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	9.0%	+/- 3.7%	11.6%	+/- 2.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving	25.6%	+/- 4.9%	20.7%	+/- 2.9%

<sup>\*\*</sup>MOE is high, use county estimate.

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

### Median Employment Earnings, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	(	City		ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ <sup>a</sup>	2,773	+/- 223	5,297	+/- 227
Median Earnings	\$30,822	+/- \$30	\$37,958	+/- \$4,021
Female	\$23,304	+/- \$5,705	\$28,284	+/- \$3,100
Female, full time <sup>b</sup>	\$35,694	+/- \$7,338	\$40,428	+/- \$4,617
Male	\$43,441	+/- \$3,897	\$46,035	+/- \$3,304
Male, full time <sup>b</sup>	\$49,467	+/- \$6,944	\$53,214	+/- \$6,498

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> with earnings, <sup>b</sup> year round, \*\*MOE is high, use county estimate.

# Disability Status and Health Insurance Coverage of the Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		Co	unty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population <sup>a</sup>	5,452	+/-48	10,098	+/-40
With a disability <sup>b</sup>	19.5%	+/-2.9%	16.0%	+/-1.8%
With Health Insurance	97.5%	+/-1.1%	97.6%	+/-0.8%
With Private <sup>c</sup> Coverage	59.8%	+/-6.1%	67.0%	+/-3.6%
With Public <sup>d</sup> Coverage	53.9%	+/-6.5%	48.2%	+/-3.6%
No Health Insurance	2.5%	+/-1.1%	2.4%	+/-0.8%

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

#### Employment Status, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	4,394	+/- 109	8,206	+/- 51
in labor force	58.8%	+/- 4.8%	60.7%	+/- 2.7%
not in labor force	41.2%	+/- 4.8%	39.3%	+/- 2.7%
Civilian labor force	2,583	+/- 212	4,979	+/- 216
Unemployed	7.5%	+/- 3.6%	4.5%	+/- 2.0%

<sup>\*\*</sup>MOE is high, use county estimate.

# Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population <sup>a</sup>	5,452	+/-48	10,084	+/-43
Below poverty	18.6%	+/-6.5%	14.5%	+/-3.9%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	20.8%	+/-7.8%
18 - 64	20.2%	+/-6.7%	15.0%	+/-4.1%
65+	**%	+/-**%	6.2%	+/-2.2%
All Families	16.5%	+/-6.8%	12.3%	+/-4.0%
with children	32.7%	+/-13.7%	24.6%	+/-8.6%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH <sup>b</sup>	56.9%	+/-18.1%	49.0%	+/-14.2%
with children	66.2%	+/-19.5%	61.5%	+/-16.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> for whom poverty status is determined, <sup>b</sup> female householder, no husband present, \*\*MOE is high, use county estimate.

# **Notes and Source Information:**

- <sup>1</sup>U.S. Census Bureau; Decennial Censuses 1940 2020
- <sup>2</sup>U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey 2018-2022
- <sup>3</sup>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.
- <sup>4</sup>Median is the middle value of a distribution.
- <sup>5</sup>The 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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