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Waverly, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

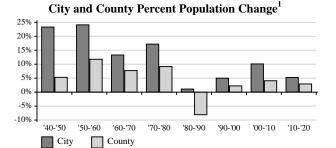
The 2020 population for Waverly is 10,394. Between 2010 and 2020 the population increased by 5.3%. The City of Waverly is in Bremer County. Bremer County saw a 2.9% population increase between 2010 and 2020.

Bremer County Cities - Total Population							
City	2000	2010	2020				
Waverly	8,968	9,874	10,394				
Male Total	4,204	4,685	5,023				
Female Total	4,764	5,189	5,371				
Denver	1,627	1,780	1,919				
Frederika	199	183	204				
Janesville [†]	829	930	1,034				
Plainfield	438	436	393				
Readlyn	786	808	845				
Sumner [†]	2,106	2,028	2,030				
Tripoli	1,310	1,313	1,191				
Bremer County Total	23,325	24,276	24,988				
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
Clarksville	4.3%	-0.1%	-12.2%
Denver	1.7%	9.4%	7.8%
Janesville	0.9%	12.2%	11.2%
Plainfield	-3.7%	-0.5%	-9.9%
Shell Rock	-6.3%	-0.2%	-2.2%
Waverly	5.0%	10.1%	5.3%
Bremer County	2.2%	4.1%	2.9%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%



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Waverly's population is predominantly White. The City of Waverly, compared to Bremer County, had a lower 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	98.6%	96.6%	99.0%	97.0%
White	95.3%	91.8%	97.2%	94.4%
White alone, not Hispanic	94.5%	90.5%	96.6%	93.7%
Black or African American	1.7%	2.2%	0.8%	1.0%
Asian	1.2%	1.5%	0.7%	0.8%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.3%	0.8%	0.3%	0.6%
Two or more races	1.4%	3.4%	1.0%	3.0%
Hispanic origin ^a	1.3%	2.7%	1.0%	2.0%

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

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		City	C	County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020	
Total households	3,546	3,823	9,385	9,646	
Family households ^{a,b}	64.7%	69.2%	69.4%	68.5%	
Married couple family ^b	54.2%	50.3%	59.8%	58.0%	
With own children	20.7%	20.2%	22.7%	21.8%	
Other family ^c	10.5%	11.4%	9.6%	10.5%	
Male householder ^c	2.5%	3.5%	2.9%	3.8%	
With own children	1.8%	2.1%	1.9%	2.1%	
Female householder ^c	8.0%	8.0%	6.6%	6.7%	
With own children	5.5%	5.5%	4.4%	4.3%	
Nonfamily households ^d	35.3%	30.8%	30.6%	31.5%	
Male living alone	10.2%	11.6%	11.0%	11.5%	
Female living alone	18.1%	19.3%	14.7%	15.4%	

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

		City		County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020	
Total households	3,546	3,823	9,385	9,646	
Married couple ^b	54.2%	50.3%	59.8%	58.0%	
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	5.3%	NA ^e	5.5%	
Male householder g	NA ^e	15.1%	NA^e	15.1%	
Female householder g	NA ^e	26.7%	NA ^e	21.4%	

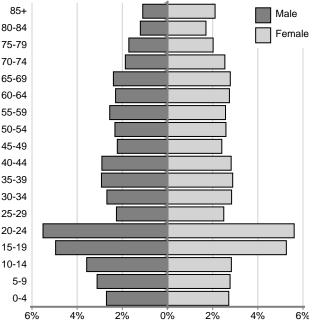
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder 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

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Age Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	20.4%	21.8%	22.7%	23.4%
0 - 4	5.5%	5.4%	5.8%	5.7%
5 - 9	5.3%	5.9%	6.0%	6.5%
10 - 14	5.8%	6.4%	6.3%	7.0%
15 - 17	3.8%	4.1%	4.6%	4.2%
18 - 24	21.4%	17.2%	12.4%	10.8%
25 - 44	19.9%	21.8%	21.7%	22.3%
45 - 64	21.6%	19.6%	25.9%	23.4%
65 or older	16.8%	19.4%	17.3%	20.3%
65 - 84	13.3%	16.2%	14.3%	17.4%
85 or older	3.5%	3.2%	3.0%	2.9%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	33.1	35.8	39.3	39.6
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	59.2	70.3	66.7	77.3
Old-Age	26.8	33.1	28.8	35.9
Child	32.5	37.2	37.8	41.4

^aAge Dependency Ratio

Waverly, Iowa Population Pyramid, 2020¹



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

The median household income in Waverly is less than the median household income of Bremer County. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is higher in Waverly than for Bremer County. There is a lower percentage of vacant housing units in Waverly than there is for Bremer County. Many housing units in Waverly were built in 2000 or later. There is a higher percentage of individuals 25 and older with a Bachelor's degree or higher in Waverly compared to Bremer County.

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

	City		Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	3,788	+/- 165	9,684	+/- 185
Less than \$34,999	20.5%	+/- 3.0%	16.0%	+/- 2.1%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	8.9%	+/- 2.3%	10.7%	+/- 1.5%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	35.6%	+/- 2.6%	35.4%	+/- 2.0%
\$100,000 Or More	35.1%	+/- 3.0%	38.0%	+/- 2.2%
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$78,278	+/- \$7,174	\$84,727	+/- \$3,606
Median Family Income	\$97,188	+/- \$11,780	\$98,823	+/- \$4,875
Per Capita Income	\$41,234	+/- \$8,908	\$40,912	+/- \$3,704

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	City		Сс	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	6,284	+/-206	16,513	+/-103
High School Graduate or Higher	95.4%	+/-2.0%	96.1%	+/-0.9%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	40.8%	+/-4.2%	34%	+/-2.3%

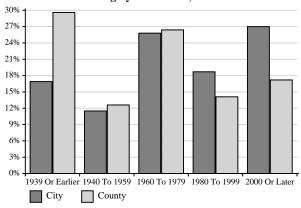
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Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	ounty	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Total Units	4,080	+/- 137	10,493	+/- 34	
Vacant	7.2%	+/- 2.5%	7.7%	+/- 1.7%	
Occupied	92.8%	+/- 2.5%	92.3%	+/- 1.7%	
Occupied ^a	3,788	+/- 165	9,684	+/- 185	
Owner	76.4%	+/- 4.6%	83.6%	+/- 2.0%	
Renter	23.6%	+/- 4.6%	16.4%	+/- 2.0%	
Rent ^b	\$861	+/- \$122	\$783	+/- \$61	
Value ^c	\$211,000	+/-\$16,954	\$202,600	+/-\$8,463	

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Waverly 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 17.5% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

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

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	5,415	+/- 303	12,928	+/- 388
Management, business, science, and arts	38.9%	+/- 4.5%	38.1%	+/- 2.4%
Service	21.1%	+/- 4.2%	16.6%	+/- 2.4%
Sales and office	17.0%	+/- 3.0%	17.4%	+/- 1.9%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	5.4%	+/- 1.9%	8.3%	+/- 1.3%
Production, transportation, and material moving	17.5%	+/- 3.4%	19.5%	+/- 1.9%

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

Waverly has a lower proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Bremer 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 Waverly tend to be lower than the median earnings for Bremer 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	5,968	+/- 279	14,299	+/- 328
Median Earnings	\$35,872	+/- \$35	\$43,212	+/- \$2,968
Female	\$29,142	+/- \$4,955	\$35,076	+/- \$2,514
Female, full time ^b	\$54,030	+/- \$3,830	\$50,930	+/- \$2,997
Male	\$42,002	+/- \$4,854	\$53,087	+/- \$3,110
Male, full time ^b	\$61,103	+/- \$11,082	\$68,208	+/- \$2,378

^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		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population ^a	10,196	+/-23	24,679	+/-22
With a disability ^b	11.8%	+/-2.3%	11.1%	+/-1.2%
With Health Insurance	97.5%	+/-1.0%	97.9%	+/-0.6%
With Private ^c Coverage	80.4%	+/-3.2%	83.2%	+/-1.8%
With Public ^d Coverage	36.3%	+/-3.5%	33.1%	+/-1.9%
No Health Insurance	2.5%	+/-1.0%	2.1%	+/-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+	8,525	+/- 154	20,024	+/- 89
in labor force	65.3%	+/- 3.5%	66.7%	+/- 1.7%
not in labor force	34.7%	+/- 3.5%	33.3%	+/- 1.7%
Civilian labor force	5,565	+/- 304	13,350	+/- 350
Unemployed	2.7%	+/- 1.1%	3.2%	+/- 0.9%

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

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population ^a	8,989	+/-34	23,474	+/-30
Below poverty	9.7%	+/-2.8%	6.6%	+/-1.3%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	7.4%	+/-2.9%
18 - 64	11.4%	+/-3.5%	7.0%	+/-1.6%
65+	**%	+/-**%	4.3%	+/-1.4%
All Families	6.7%	+/-2.7%	4.2%	+/-1.2%
with children	12.1%	+/-5.7%	7.0%	+/-2.4%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH ^b	30.8%	+/-15.2%	21.1%	+/-8.0%
with children	**%	+/-**%	26.4%	+/-10.3%

^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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