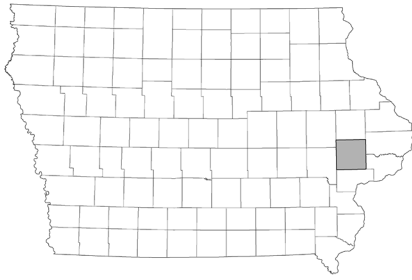


# Data for Decision Makers



## Lowden, Iowa City Profile

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### Population profile

The 2020 population for Lowden is 807. Between 2010 and 2020 the population increased by 2.3%. The City of Lowden is in Cedar County. Cedar County saw a 0.0% population increase between 2010 and 2020.

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

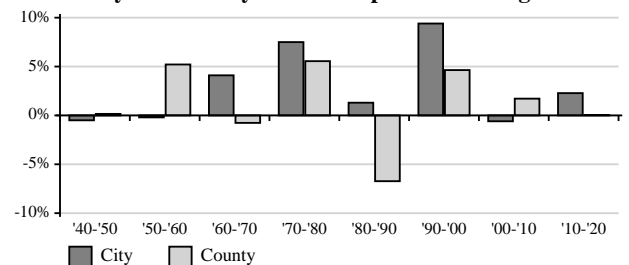
City	2000	2010	2020
<b>Lowden</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>807</b>
Male Total	381	378	398
Female Total	413	411	409
Bennett	395	405	347
Clarence	1,008	974	1,039
Durant <sup>†</sup>	1,677	1,832	1,871
Mechanicsville	1,173	1,146	1,020
Stanwood	680	684	637
Tipton	3,155	3,221	3,149
West Branch <sup>†</sup>	2,188	2,322	2,509
Wilton <sup>†</sup>	2,829	2,802	2,924
Cedar County Total	18,187	18,499	18,505
State of Iowa Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,190,369

<sup>†</sup>City is located in multiple counties, total population is provided.

**Neighboring Cities - Percent Population Change**

	'90-'00	'00-'10	'10-'20
Bennett	0.0%	2.5%	-14.3%
Calamus	4.0%	11.4%	-18.9%
Clarence	7.7%	-3.4%	6.7%
Toronto	1.5%	-7.5%	-17.7%
Wheatland	6.8%	-1.0%	1.4%
Lowden	9.4%	-0.6%	2.3%
Cedar County	4.6%	1.7%	0.0%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%

**City and County Percent Population Change<sup>1</sup>**



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# Demographic Profile

# Lowden, Iowa

Lowden's population is predominantly White. The City of Lowden, compared to Cedar County, had a higher 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.<sup>3</sup>

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

Race Groups	City		County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	99.5%	96.5%	98.9%	96.3%
White	99.1%	95.5%	97.8%	94.4%
White alone, not Hispanic	98.9%	95.0%	96.7%	93.7%
Black or African American	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%
Asian	0.0%	0.4%	0.5%	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%	0.3%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.8%
Two or more races	0.5%	3.5%	1.1%	3.7%
Hispanic origin <sup>a</sup>	0.8%	1.0%	1.5%	2.5%

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

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

	City		County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	346	359	7,511	7,594
Family households <sup>a,b</sup>	63.9%	77.5%	69.0%	66.8%
Married couple family <sup>b</sup>	49.4%	60.0%	57.6%	54.4%
With own children	17.3%	14.8%	22.0%	19.3%
Other family <sup>c</sup>	14.5%	18.1%	11.4%	12.4%
Male householder <sup>c</sup>	5.8%	6.1%	4.0%	4.7%
With own children	3.2%	3.3%	2.5%	2.4%
Female householder <sup>c</sup>	8.7%	12.0%	7.5%	7.7%
With own children	5.2%	6.7%	5.1%	4.5%
Nonfamily households <sup>d</sup>	36.1%	22.5%	31.0%	33.2%
Male living alone	12.1%	12.3%	12.1%	13.0%
Female living alone	19.7%	17.3%	14.2%	14.2%

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

	City		County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	346	359	7,511	7,594
Married couple <sup>b</sup>	49.4%	60.0%	57.6%	54.4%
Cohabiting couple <sup>b,f</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	9.2%	NA <sup>e</sup>	7.5%
Male householder <sup>g</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	16.7%	NA <sup>e</sup>	17.3%
Female householder <sup>g</sup>	NA <sup>e</sup>	28.4%	NA <sup>e</sup>	20.8%

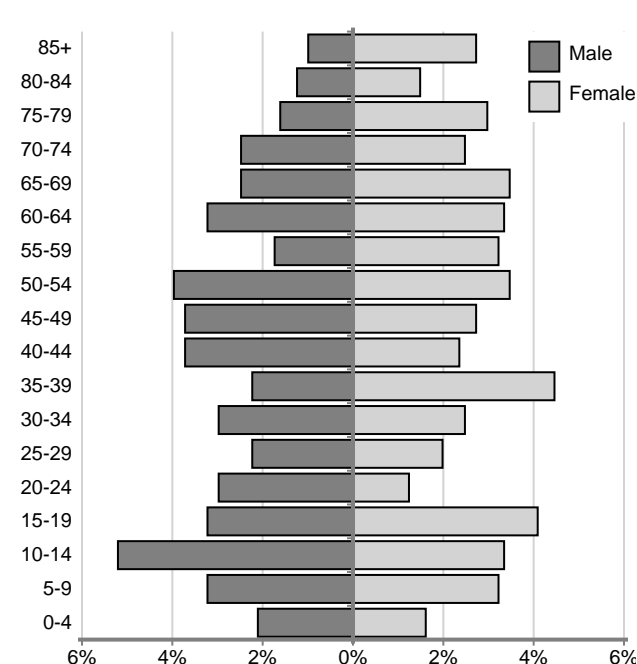
<sup>a</sup>Householder and at least one other person related to the householder. <sup>b</sup>For 2020 includes same-sex couples. <sup>c</sup>No spouse present, but at least one relative present. <sup>d</sup>In 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). <sup>e</sup>2010 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>**

Age Groups	City		County	
	2010	2020	2010	2020
17 or younger	22.8%	23.4%	24.5%	22.8%
0 - 4	5.7%	3.7%	6.2%	5.0%
5 - 9	7%	6.4%	6.8%	6.1%
10 - 14	5.8%	8.6%	6.9%	7.3%
15 - 17	4.3%	4.7%	4.6%	4.4%
18 - 24	7.6%	6.8%	6.1%	6.4%
25 - 44	22.1%	22.5%	22.9%	22.4%
45 - 64	24%	25.4%	29.7%	27.8%
65 or older	23.6%	21.9%	16.7%	20.5%
65 - 84	18.5%	18.2%	13.7%	17.7%
85 or older	5.1%	3.7%	3.0%	2.8%
Median <sup>4</sup> Age (years)	42.9	42.3	42.4	43.6
Age Dependency <sup>a, 5</sup>	86.6	82.8	70.1	76.5
Old-Age	44.0	40.0	28.4	36.2
Child	42.5	42.8	41.7	40.3

<sup>a</sup>Age Dependency Ratio

**Lowden, 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.

## Socioeconomic Profile

## Lowden, Iowa

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

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

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	350	+/- 55	7,508	+/- 176
Less than \$34,999	31.1%	+/- 4.0%	19.9%	+/- 2.3%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	15.4%	+/- 8.3%	11.9%	+/- 2.1%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	28.9%	+/- 3.9%	34.0%	+/- 2.1%
\$100,000 Or More	24.6%	+/- 3.5%	34.3%	+/- 2.3%
Median <sup>4</sup> Household Income	\$57,969	+/- \$17,726	\$76,959	+/- \$3,151
Median Family Income	\$64,444	+/- \$23,280	\$94,132	+/- \$4,189
Per Capita Income	\$36,455	+/- \$5,924	\$36,808	+/- \$1,568

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

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	533	+/-86	13,224	+/-46
High School Graduate or Higher	93.2%	+/-2.9%	95.6%	+/-1%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	23.8%	+/-7.2%	20.9%	+/-1.7%

\*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.

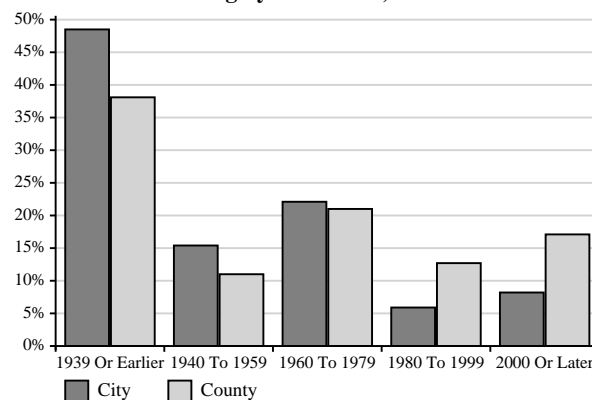
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**Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022<sup>2</sup>**

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	390	+/- 65	8,213	+/- 47
Vacant	10.3%	+/- 7.0%	8.6%	+/- 2.1%
Occupied	89.7%	+/- 7.0%	91.4%	+/- 2.1%
Occupied <sup>a</sup>	350	+/- 55	7,508	+/- 176
Owner	82.9%	+/- 7.5%	80.6%	+/- 2.7%
Renter	17.1%	+/- 7.5%	19.4%	+/- 2.7%
Rent <sup>b</sup>	\$847	+/- \$74	\$830	+/- \$39
Value <sup>c</sup>	\$105,400	+/- \$15,671	\$180,700	+/- \$9,311

<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 Lowden 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 \*\*\*% 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	339	+/- 66	9,710	+/- 248
Management, business, science, and arts	39.5%	+/- 11.1%	30.9%	+/- 2.5%
Service	10.3%	+/- 5.0%	16.6%	+/- 2.6%
Sales and office	19.2%	+/- 6.4%	22.1%	+/- 2.0%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	16.8%	+/- 7.1%	14.5%	+/- 1.9%
Production, transportation, and material moving	***%	+/- ***%	15.9%	+/- 1.9%

## Socioeconomic Profile

## Lowden, Iowa

Lowden has a lower proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Cedar 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 Lowden tend to be lower than the median earnings for Cedar 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		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ <sup>a</sup>	387	+/- 71	10,431	+/- 247
Median Earnings	\$38,304	+/- \$38	\$43,794	+/- \$2,858
Female	\$32,750	+/- \$13,704	\$36,421	+/- \$2,586
Female, full time <sup>b</sup>	\$48,125	+/- \$20,094	\$42,348	+/- \$3,400
Male	\$46,667	+/- \$20,966	\$52,357	+/- \$2,720
Male, full time <sup>b</sup>	\$61,042	+/- \$9,061	\$59,336	+/- \$3,268

<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		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population <sup>a</sup>	749	+/-117	18,209	+/-15
With a disability <sup>b</sup>	13.2%	+/-4.6%	11.4%	+/-1.2%
With Health Insurance	100.0%	+/-3.3%	96.6%	+/-1.0%
With Private <sup>c</sup> Coverage	77.3%	+/-5.9%	77.6%	+/-2.3%
With Public <sup>d</sup> Coverage	43.3%	+/-7.7%	34.8%	+/-2.1%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	3.4%	+/-1.0%

<sup>a</sup>Civilian 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 military plans, <sup>d</sup>includes Medicare, Medicaid, VA Health Care, children's CHIP, and some state plans, \*\*MOE is high, use county estimate.

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

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	602	+/- 90	15,008	+/- 86
in labor force	60.3%	+/- 6.1%	66.7%	+/- 1.6%
not in labor force	39.7%	+/- 6.1%	33.3%	+/- 1.6%
Civilian labor force	363	+/- 67	10,011	+/- 252
Unemployed	6.6%	+/- 4.0%	3.0%	+/- 1.1%

\*\*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>	749	+/-117	18,104	+/-67
Below poverty	**%	+/-**%	7.8%	+/-1.5%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	10.6%	+/-3.6%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	7.8%	+/-1.5%
65+	**%	+/-**%	4.7%	+/-1.8%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	4.6%	+/-1.1%
with children	**%	+/-**%	8.8%	+/-2.5%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH <sup>b</sup>	**%	+/-**%	24.8%	+/-9.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	32.7%	+/-11.1%

<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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