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Atkins, Iowa City Profile

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Population profile

The 2020 population for Atkins is 2,056. Between 2010 and 2020 the population increased by 23.1%. The City of Atkins is in Benton County. Benton County saw a 1.9% population decrease between 2010 and 2020.

Benton County Cities - Total Population¹

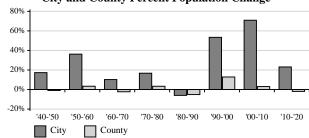
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City	2000	2010	2020					
Atkins	977	1,670	2,056					
Male Total	495	852	1,033					
Female Total	482	818	1,023					
Belle Plaine	2,878	2,534	2,330					
Blairstown	682	692	713					
Garrison	413	371	344					
Keystone	687	622	599					
Luzerne	105	96	112					
Mount Auburn	160	150	162					
Newhall	886	875	876					
Norway	601	545	466					
Shellsburg	938	983	961					
Urbana	1,019	1,458	1,554					
Van Horne	716	682	774					
Vinton	5,102	5,257	4,938					
$Walford^{\dagger}$	1,224	1,463	1,366					
Benton County Total	25,308	26,076	25,575					
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
Fairfax	14.0%	138.8%	33.2%
Newhall	3.7%	-1.2%	0.1%
Norway	3.1%	-9.3%	-14.5%
Palo	19.5%	67.1%	37.1%
Shellsburg	22.6%	4.8%	-2.2%
Atkins	53.4%	70.9%	23.1%
Benton County	12.8%	3.0%	-1.9%
State of Iowa	5.4%	4.1%	4.7%

City and County Percent Population Change¹



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Atkins's population is predominantly White. The City of Atkins, compared to Benton 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

	C	City	County	
Race Groups	2010	2020	2010	2020
One race only	99.3%	96.4%	99.1%	96.3%
White	98.9%	95.8%	98.1%	94.9%
White alone, not Hispanic	98.6%	95.5%	97.4%	94.1%
Black or African American	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Asian	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.5%
Two or more races	0.7%	3.6%	0.9%	3.7%
Hispanic origin ^a	0.7%	0.7%	1.1%	1.8%

^a Hispanics can be of any race.

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

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		City	Co	unty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	592	719	10,302	10,282
Family households ^{a,b}	81.1%	64.2%	71.6%	69.2%
Married couple family ^b	72.8%	52.6%	59.6%	55.8%
With own children	38.5%	35.3%	23.8%	20.5%
Other family ^c	8.3%	9.7%	12.0%	13.4%
Male householder ^c	4.2%	3.2%	4.3%	5.2%
With own children	2.9%	2.6%	2.7%	3.1%
Female householder ^c	4.1%	6.5%	7.7%	8.3%
With own children	3.2%	4.7%	4.9%	4.7%
Nonfamily households ^d	18.9%	35.8%	28.4%	30.8%
Male living alone	7.3%	7.5%	11.3%	12.9%
Female living alone	7.4%	8.9%	12.7%	12.6%

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

		City		ounty
	2010	2020	2010	2020
Total households	592	719	10,302	10,282
Married couple ^b	72.8%	52.6%	59.6%	55.8%
Cohabiting couple ^{b,f}	NA ^e	5.3%	NA^e	7.1%
Male householder g	NA^e	10.8%	NA^e	17.5%
Female householder g	NA ^e	13.9%	NA ^e	19.6%

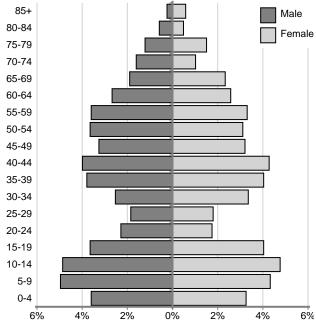
^aHouseholder and at least one other person related to the householder. ^bFor 2020 includes same-sex couples. ^cNo spouse present, but at least one relative present. ^dIn 2010 included same-sex couples whether married or not (if no relatives present). ^e2010 not comparable with 2020. ^fFor 2020 householder 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	31.3%	31.2%	25.5%	23.9%
0 - 4	8.6%	6.9%	6.3%	5.9%
5 - 9	9.9%	9.3%	7.1%	6.7%
10 - 14	8%	9.6%	7.2%	7.0%
15 - 17	4.8%	5.4%	4.9%	4.3%
18 - 24	5.1%	6.3%	6.4%	6.5%
25 - 44	30.5%	25.6%	24.1%	22.5%
45 - 64	23.2%	25.5%	28.6%	28.6%
65 or older	9.9%	11.5%	15.4%	18.3%
65 - 84	9.1%	10.6%	12.8%	16%
85 or older	0.8%	0.8%	2.6%	2.3%
Median ⁴ Age (years)	35.7	36.7	40.9	42.3
Age Dependency ^{a, 5}	70.1	74.4	69.2	73.3
Old-Age	16.8	20.0	26.1	31.8
Child	53.2	54.4	43.1	41.5

^aAge Dependency Ratio

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

Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	792	+/- 79	10,114	+/- 222
Less than \$34,999	7.2%	+/- 2.3%	19.4%	+/- 2.3%
\$35,000 To \$49,999	9.1%	+/- 3.6%	9.7%	+/- 1.2%
\$50,000 To \$99,999	25.7%	+/- 2.9%	33.3%	+/- 2.0%
\$100,000 Or More	58.0%	+/- 3.8%	37.6%	+/- 2.2%
Median ⁴ Household Income	\$110,313	+/- \$15,538	\$79,444	+/- \$4,092
Median Family Income	\$128,750	+/- \$10,614	\$95,589	+/- \$5,495
Per Capita Income	\$43,908	+/- \$4,397	\$37,926	+/- \$1,272

Educational Attainment, 2018-2022²

	(City	County		
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*	
Population 25 and older	1,476	+/-163	17,867	+/-59	
High School Graduate or Higher	98.5%	+/-1.1%	94.4%	+/-1.2%	
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	33.5%	+/-6.1%	23.3%	+/-1.7%	

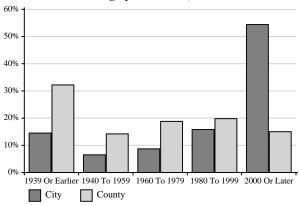
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Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022²

		City	Co	ounty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	802	+/- 78	11,074	+/- 57
Vacant	1.2%	+/- 1.8%	8.7%	+/- 1.9%
Occupied	98.8%	+/- 1.8%	91.3%	+/- 1.9%
Occupied ^a	792	+/- 79	10,114	+/- 222
Owner	92.6%	+/- 2.9%	83.8%	+/- 2.2%
Renter	7.4%	+/- 2.9%	16.2%	+/- 2.2%
Rent ^b	\$480	+/- \$70	\$766	+/- \$73
Value ^c	\$283,800	+/-\$16,288	\$189,000	+/-\$8,699

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

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2018-2022²



In Atkins 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 14.6% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the city.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,267	+/- 156	13,194	+/- 329
Management, business, science, and arts	41.8%	+/- 7.4%	33.4%	+/- 1.9%
Service	12.9%	+/- 4.4%	15.0%	+/- 1.9%
Sales and office	20.7%	+/- 5.7%	19.4%	+/- 1.8%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	9.9%	+/- 3.1%	14.8%	+/- 1.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving	14.6%	+/- 4.1%	17.3%	+/- 1.9%

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

Atkins has a higher proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than Benton 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 Atkins tend to be higher than the median earnings for Benton 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	1,334	+/- 159	14,253	+/- 311
Median Earnings	\$56,350	+/- \$56	\$46,432	+/- \$1,632
Female	\$41,786	+/- \$11,652	\$38,745	+/- \$1,989
Female, full time ^b	\$60,714	+/- \$6,017	\$49,246	+/- \$3,808
Male	\$71,000	+/- \$4,054	\$54,994	+/- \$2,196
Male, full time ^b	\$77,321	+/- \$8,675	\$61,834	+/- \$3,691

^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	unty
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population ^a	2,296	+/-261	25,384	+/-20
With a disability ^b	6.9%	+/-1.7%	11.7%	+/-1.1%
With Health Insurance	99.4%	+/-0.4%	97.3%	+/-0.6%
With Private ^c Coverage	92.3%	+/-2.1%	78.6%	+/-2.0%
With Public ^d Coverage	17.9%	+/-3.7%	33.9%	+/-1.9%
No Health Insurance	**%	+/-**%	2.7%	+/-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+	1,727	+/- 191	20,422	+/- 68
in labor force	75.4%	+/- 3.9%	66.2%	+/- 1.5%
not in labor force	24.6%	+/- 3.9%	33.8%	+/- 1.5%
Civilian labor force	1,302	+/- 159	13,511	+/- 311
Unemployed	2.7%	+/- 1.3%	2.3%	+/- 0.7%

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

Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2018-2022²

	City		County	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population ^a	2,296	+/-261	25,175	+/-138
Below poverty	2.7%	+/-1.2%	8.3%	+/-1.3%
17 and under	**%	+/-**%	7.2%	+/-1.9%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	7.4%	+/-1.3%
65+	**%	+/-**%	12.6%	+/-4.3%
All Families	**%	+/-**%	4.3%	+/-1.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	4.5%	+/-1.5%
Married Couple	**%	+/-**%	2.8%	+/-1.2%
with children	**%	+/-**%	**%	+/-**%
Female HH ^b	**%	+/-**%	17.9%	+/-7.7%
with children	**%	+/-**%	25.8%	+/-11.0%

^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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- ³ 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.
- 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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