## **Data for Decision Makers**



# **Linn County Housing Profile**

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### Housing Access

In 2022, there were 101,214 housing units in Linn County. Of this total, 69,894 were owner-occupied, 24,397 were renter-occupied, and 6,923 were vacant. Fewer housing units were counted in Linn County in the 1940 Decennial Census than in the most recent American Community Survey estimate. The median year for which housing was built in Linn County is 1977. In Linn County, a majority of owner-occupied housing is of 1-unit structures. For renter-occupied housing, there is more housing of 1-unit structures than any other type. Seasonally vacant housing units were 7.6% of all vacant units.

Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

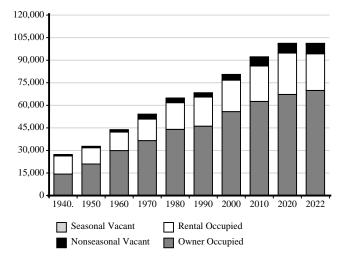
	Estimate	MOE
Total Housing Units	101,214	+/- 135
Vacant Units	6,923 (6.8%)	+/- 612 (0.6%)
Occupied Units	94,291 (93.2%)	+/- 635 (0.6%)
Owner-Occupied Units	69,894 (74.1%)	+/- 907 (0.9%)
Renter-Occupied Units	24,397 (25.9%)	+/- 904 (0.9%)
Median <sup>a</sup> Value <sup>b</sup>	\$188,800	+/- \$3,789
Median <sup>a</sup> Rent <sup>c</sup>	\$878	+/- \$24
Avg Household Size - Owner <sup>d</sup>	2.5	+/-0.02
Avg Household Size - Renter <sup>e</sup>	2.03	+/-0.06

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Median is the middle value of a distribution <sup>b</sup>Median value of owner-occupied units, <sup>c</sup>Median gross rent of renter-occupied units, <sup>d</sup>Owner-occupied units, <sup>e</sup>Renter-occupied units

#### Median<sup>a</sup> Year Built by Tenure, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Estimate	MOE
Median Year Built	1977	+/-1
Owner Occupied	1977	+/-2
Renter Occupied	1977	+/-2

#### Number of Housing Units, 1940-2022<sup>1,2</sup>



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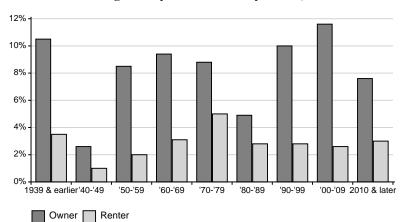
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Occupied Housing Units By Structure Type, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Numl	oer	Percent	(%)
	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Occupied Units	94,291	+/-635	NA	NA
Owner Occupied	69,894	+/-907	100.0	NA
1-Unit <sup>a</sup>	63,402	+/-1,321	90.7	+/-1.5
2 to 4 Unit	1,932	+/-549	2.8	+/-0.8
5 or More Units	1,739	+/-280	2.5	+/-0.4
Mobile Home	2,821	+/-466	4.0	+/-0.7
Boat, RV, Van etc.	0	+/-24	0.0	+/-0.0
Renter Occupied	24,397	+/-904	100.0	NA
1-Unit <sup>a</sup>	6,836	+/-656	28.0	+/-2.5
2 to 4 Unit	3,239	+/-442	13.3	+/-1.7
5 or More Units	13,800	+/-952	56.6	+/-3.3
Mobile Home	522	+/-202	2.1	+/-0.8
Boat, RV, Van etc.	0	+/-24	0.0	+/-0.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Includes Unattached and Attached Units

#### Percent of Housing Units by Year Built and by Tenure, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>



#### Housing Units by Number of Bedrooms and Tenure, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Num	ber	Percent	(%)
	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Occupied Units	94,291	+/-635	NA	NA
Owner Occupied	69,894	+/-907	100.0	NA
1 Bedroom <sup>a</sup>	1,065	+/-200	1.5	+/-0.3
2 Bedrooms	13,337	+/-902	19.1	+/-1.3
3 Bedrooms	32,352	+/-1,210	46.3	+/-1.6
4 or More	23,140	+/-1,057	33.1	+/-0.4
Renter Occupied	24,397	+/-904	100.0	NA
No Bedroom	1,165	+/-286	4.8	+/-1.2
1 Bedroom	7,226	+/-657	29.6	+/-2.5
2 Bedrooms	10,540	+/-736	43.2	+/-2.6
3 Bedrooms	4,248	+/-550	17.4	+/-2.2
4 or More	1,218	+/-254	5.0	+/-1.0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Includes No Bedroom Units (e.g. studio apartments)

#### Status of Vacant Housing Units, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Number		Percent (%)	
	Est	MOE	Est	MOE
Total Vacant Units	6,923	+/-612	NA	NA
For Rent	2,555	+/-342	36.9	+/-3.7
Rented, Not Occupied	623	+/-257	9.0	+/-3.6
For Sale	723	+/-251	10.4	+/-3.5
Sold, Not Occupied	425	+/-206	6.1	+/-2.9
Seasonal <sup>a</sup>	526	+/-176	7.6	+/-2.5
For Migrant Workers	0	+/-24	0.0	+/-0.3
Other	2,071	+/-401	29.9	+/-5.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>For Seasonal, Recreational, or Occasional Use

#### Authorized Housing Construction Permits in Linn County, 1995-2021<sup>3</sup>

	Single Family	Duplex	Tri/Four-plex	Multi-Family		Per Unit Va	aluation <sup>+</sup>
Permit Year	Units	Units	Units	Units	Total Units	Single Family	Multi-Family
1995-1999	3,172	139	108	117	3,536	\$99,846	\$393,566
2000-2004	3,849	125	119	181	4,274	\$114,944	\$416,749
2005-2009	2,949	106	174	47	3,276	\$116,080	\$659,635
2010-2014	2,985	144	120	15	3,264	\$113,069	\$1,739,573
2015-2019	2,573	294	50	35	2,952	\$135,671	\$0
2020	429	37	6	3	475	\$158,558	\$3,265,658
2021	511	38	2	12	563	\$169,267	\$1,933,920

## Housing Affordability

## **Linn County**

The median value of owner-occupied housing in Linn County was \$188,800 in 2018-2022. Median rent was \$878. In 2022, 563 permits for housing construction were authorized in Linn County. In 2018-2022, the median household income for owner-occupied housing was higher than the median household income for renter-occupied units. It was estimated that 16.8% of owners and 41.4% of renters spent more than 30% of their household income on monthly owner or renter costs. Among owner-occupied units, more householders were age 45 to 64 than any other age group. For renter-occupied units, the most common age was under 35.

**HUD Income Limits, 2022<sup>4</sup>** 

	2 Person Family	4 Person Family
Extemely Low Income	\$21,450	\$27,750
Very Low Income	\$35,800	\$44,700
Low Income	\$57,200	\$71,500

#### Percent of Households Spending 30% or More of Household Income on Monthly Owner or Renter Costs, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Estimate	MOE
Owner Occupied Units	16.8%	NA
Renter Occupied Units	41.4%	NA

#### Median<sup>a</sup> Household Income by Tenure 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Estimate	MOE
Median Household Income	\$75,457	+/-\$1,426
Owner Occupied	\$91,027	+/-\$2,386
Renter Occupied	\$39,311	+/-\$2,467
Median Family Income	\$96,369	+/-\$2,755

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Median is the middle value of a distribution

#### Housing Values for Owner Occupied Housing Units with Mortgage and without Mortgage, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Number		Percen	t (%)
Owner Occupied Units	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
With Mortgage	46,158	+/-1,019	100.0	NA
Less than \$50,000	1,127	+/-315	2.4	+/-0.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2,871	+/-390	6.2	+/-0.8
\$100,000 to \$299,999	31,834	+/-1,113	69	+/-1.7
\$300,000 to \$499,999	7,889	+/-648	17.1	+/-1.4
\$500,000 and above	2,437	+/-351	5.3	+/-0.8
Without Mortgage	23,736	+/-935	100.0	NA
Less than \$50,000	2,760	+/-453	11.6	+/-1.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,743	+/-285	7.3	+/-1.1
\$100,000 to \$299,999	14,701	+/-1,150	61.9	+/-4.3
\$300,000 to \$499,999	3,535	+/-368	14.9	+/-1.6
\$500,000 and above	997	+/-202	4.1	+/-0.8

## Monthly Housing Costs of Owner Occupied Units with Mortgage, without Mortgage and Renters, 2018-2022

	Num	ber	Percen	t (%)
Occupied Units	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Owner with Mortgage	46,158	+/-1,019	100.0	NA
Less than \$399	86	+/-69	0.2	+/-0.1
Between \$400 to \$599	26	+/-20	0.1	+/-0.1
Between \$600 to \$799	508	+/-249	1.1	+/-0.5
Between \$800 to \$999	1,385	+/-207	3	+/-0.4
Between \$1,000 to \$1,499	4,053	+/-460	8.8	+/-1
Between \$1,500 to \$1,999	17,346	+/-987	37.6	+/-1.9
Between \$2,000 to \$2,499	11,551	+/-728	25	+/-1.5
\$2,500 and above	8,561	+/-766	18.6	+/-1.6
Owner without Mortgage	23,736	+/-935	100.0	NA
Less than \$200	321	+/-105	1.4	+/-0.4
Between \$200 and \$399	2,799	+/-423	11.8	+/-1.6
Between \$400 and \$599	7,186	+/-545	30.3	+/-1.9
Between \$600 and \$999	10,893	+/-658	45.9	+/-2.4
\$1,000 and above	2,537	+/-454	10.7	+/-1.9
Renter	24,397	+/-904	100.0	NA
Less than \$300	676	+/-175	2.8	+/-0.7
Between \$300 and \$499	1,496	+/-390	6.1	+/-1.6
Between \$500 and \$799	7,477	+/-668	30.6	+/-2.5
Between \$800 and \$999	4,671	+/-526	19.1	+/-2.1
Between \$1,000 and \$1,499	6,998	+/-687	28.7	+/-2.5
\$1,500 and above	2,214	+/-371	9.1	+/-1.5

**Demographics** Linn County

#### Households and Families by Type by Tenure, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Num	ber	Percen	ıt (%)
	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Total Households	94,291	+/-635	100.0	NA
Living Alone	28,759	+/-1,136	30.5	+/-1.2
Owner Occuppied	69,894	+/-907	100.0	NA
Family Households	48,980	+/-1,136	70.1	+/-1.3
Married-couple	40,792	+/-1153	58.4	+/-1.5
Married-couple w/ Children <sup>a</sup>	16,098	+/-892	23.0	+/-1.2
Female Householder <sup>b</sup>	5,215	+/-609	7.5	+/-0.9
Female HH w/ Children a,b	2,824	+/-408	4.0	+/-0.6
Male Householder <sup>b</sup>	2,973	+/-414	4.3	+/-0.6
Male HH w/ Children a,b	1734	+/-336	2.5	+/-0.5
Nonfamily Households <sup>c</sup>	20,914	+/-1,068	29.9	+/- 1.5
Renter Occuppied	24,397	+/-904	100.0	NA
Family Households	9,170	+/-699	37.6	+/-2.5
Married-couple	4,009	+/-420	16.4	+/-1.6
Married-couple w/ Children <sup>a</sup>	1736	+/-288	7.1	+/-1.2
Female Householder <sup>b</sup>	3,820	+/-496	15.7	+/-1.9
Female HH w/ Children <sup>a,b</sup>	2,776	+/-454	11.4	+/-1.8
Male Householder <sup>b</sup>	1,341	+/-381	5.5	+/-1.5
Male HH w/ Children <sup>a,b</sup>	974	+/-336	4.0	+/-1.4
Nonfamily Households <sup>c</sup>	15,227	+/-855	62.4	+/- 2.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> with Own Children, <sup>b</sup> No Spouse Present,

#### Opportunity Zones & New Market Tax Credit Eligible Areas in Linn County<sup>5,6</sup>

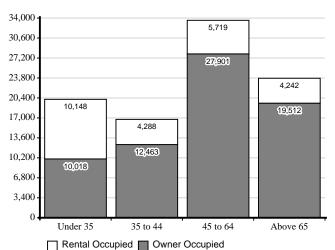
Opportunity Zones	3
New Market Tax Credit Areas	18

#### Place of Work and Travel Time to Work, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>

	Number		Percer	Percent (%)	
	Estimate	MOE	Est	MOE	
Workers 16 years & over	119,071	+/-1,403	NA	NA	
Worked in state <sup>a</sup>	118,637	+/-1398	99.6	+/-0.1	
Worked in county <sup>a</sup>	107,303	+/-1642	90.1	+/-0.7	
Worked outside county <sup>a</sup>	11,334	+/-851	9.5	+/-0.7	
Worked outside state <sup>a</sup>	434	+/-139	0.4	+/-0.1	
Travel Time to Work					
Less than 14 minutes	48,224	+/-1	40.5	+/-0.5	
15 to 29 minutes	50,605	+/-777	42.5	+/-0.4	
30 to 44 minutes	13,098	+/-873	11	+/-0.7	
More than 45 minutes	7,144	+/-676	6	+/-0.6	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>of residence

#### Householder Age by Tenure, 2018-2022<sup>1</sup>



#### Information in this document was derived from:

- <sup>1</sup> U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey, 5-year Estimates (2018-2022)
- <sup>2</sup> U.S. Census Bureau; Decennial Census (1940-2020)
- <sup>3</sup> U.S. Census Bureau; Building Permits Survey
- <sup>4</sup> Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); Income Limits
- <sup>5</sup> Internal Revenue Service (IRS) & U.S. Department of the Treasury, CDFI Fund; Qualified Opportunity Zones (QOZs)
- <sup>6</sup> U.S. Department of the Treasury, CDFI Fund; New Market Tax Credit (NMTC) Program
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