

The Cost of Living in Iowa, 2023 Edition: Basic Family Budgets

Black Hawk County

	Single Individual	Single Parent		Married Couple, No Children		Two Working Parents			Two Parents, One Working	
		1 child	2 children	Young	Older	1 child	2 children	3 children	1 child	2 children
<i>Monthly Expenses</i>										
Rent and utilities	\$ 611	\$ 889	\$ 889	\$ 707	\$ 707	\$ 889	\$ 889	\$ 1,178	\$ 889	\$ 889
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	224	382	379	490	835	696	751	576	459	443
Child care	0	766	897	0	0	766	1183	448	0	0
Clothing & household expenses	332	432	525	430	430	525	630	731	525	630
Transportation	628	606	693	1276	1276	1294	1294	1313	1102	1102
Monthly total	\$ 2,117	\$ 3,545	\$ 4,167	\$ 3,491	\$ 3,812	\$ 4,899	\$ 5,684	\$ 5,487	\$ 3,704	\$ 4,002
Annual total expenses	\$ 25,398	\$ 42,534	\$ 50,007	\$41,897	\$45,749	\$ 58,791	\$ 68,212	\$ 65,840	\$ 44,450	\$ 48,021
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 30,151	\$ 49,409	\$ 58,968	\$48,432	\$50,718	\$ 68,422	\$ 78,115	\$ 74,342	\$ 52,276	\$ 54,813
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(4,984)	(6,616)	(6,927)	(7,030)	(7,254)	(9,824)	(10,124)	(7,650)	(6,265)	(5,681)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	598	0	941
Net resources	\$ 25,168	\$ 42,792	\$ 52,040	\$41,403	\$43,464	\$ 58,598	\$ 67,991	\$ 67,289	\$ 46,010	\$ 50,074
Family supporting hourly wage	\$ 14.50	\$ 23.75	\$ 28.35	\$ 11.64	\$ 12.19	\$ 16.45	\$ 18.78	\$ 17.87	\$ 25.13	\$ 26.35

County Comparisons

Monthly total expenses

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Rank (1=highest cost)	69	24	30	81	79	41	31	37	68	68
Lowest cost county	\$1,969	\$3,230	\$3,853	\$3,291	\$3,461	\$4,585	\$5,049	\$5,340	\$3,674	\$4,002
Median county	\$2,110	\$3,453	\$4,225	\$3,497	\$3,690	\$4,859	\$5,576	\$5,555	\$3,873	\$4,218
Highest cost county	\$2,288	\$4,163	\$5,136	\$3,618	\$3,808	\$5,477	\$6,281	\$6,028	\$4,031	\$4,369