

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

## Jones 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	\$ 491	\$ 739	\$ 739	\$ 562	\$ 562	\$ 739	\$ 739	\$ 998	\$ 739	\$ 739
Food	321	470	784	589	565	729	938	1240	729	938
Health Care	202	321	372	454	792	637	698	553	432	389
Child care	0	716	1012	0	0	716	1140	506	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	\$ 1,975	\$ 3,283	\$ 4,125	\$ 3,310	\$ 3,625	\$ 4,640	\$ 5,438	\$ 5,342	\$ 3,528	\$ 3,798
<b>Annual total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 23,699</b>	<b>\$ 39,396</b>	<b>\$ 49,501</b>	<b>\$39,726</b>	<b>\$43,497</b>	<b>\$ 55,680</b>	<b>\$ 65,259</b>	<b>\$ 64,100</b>	<b>\$ 42,332</b>	<b>\$ 45,572</b>
Annual before-tax earnings needed	\$ 28,109	\$ 45,830	\$ 58,370	\$45,923	\$48,194	\$ 64,874	\$ 74,707	\$ 72,231	\$ 49,716	\$ 51,185
Less: Income & payroll taxes	(4,481)	(5,725)	(6,780)	(6,426)	(6,667)	(8,952)	(9,278)	(7,365)	(5,628)	(5,186)
Plus: EITC & other credits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	851	0	2,026
Net resources	<b>\$ 23,628</b>	<b>\$ 40,105</b>	<b>\$ 51,591</b>	<b>\$39,497</b>	<b>\$41,527</b>	<b>\$ 55,922</b>	<b>\$ 65,429</b>	<b>\$ 65,717</b>	<b>\$ 44,088</b>	<b>\$ 48,024</b>
<b>Family supporting hourly wage</b>	<b>\$ 13.51</b>	<b>\$ 22.03</b>	<b>\$ 28.06</b>	<b>\$ 11.04</b>	<b>\$ 11.59</b>	<b>\$ 15.59</b>	<b>\$ 17.96</b>	<b>\$ 17.36</b>	<b>\$ 23.90</b>	<b>\$ 24.61</b>

## County Comparisons

### Monthly total expenses

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<b>Jones County</b>	\$1,975	\$3,283	\$4,125	\$3,310	\$3,625	\$4,640	\$5,438	\$5,342	\$3,528	\$3,798
Rank (1=highest cost)	99	85	35	98	98	96	80	75	98	98
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