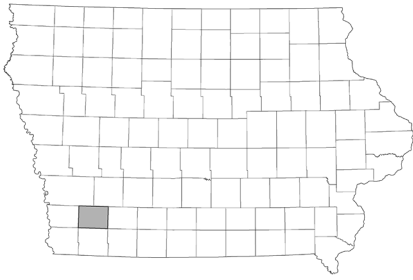# Data for Decision Makers

County Profile
Montgomery County

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Population profile

Montgomery County is a nonmetropolitan county in southwest Iowa. It is composed of six incorporated communities and their surrounding rural areas. From 2000 to 2010, Montgomery County's population decreased by 8.76 percent while the state's population increased by 4.10 percent.
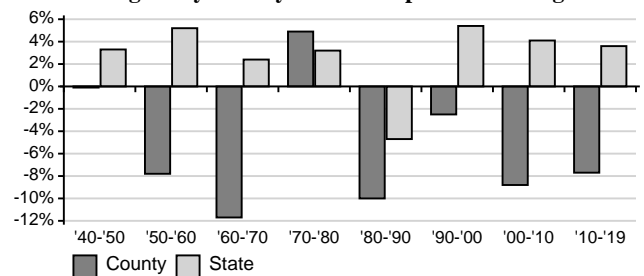
Total Population

City	2000[2]	2010[3]	2019[4]
Coburg	31	42	39
Elliott	402	350	318
Grant	102	92	83
Red Oak	6,197	5,742	5,276
Stanton	714	689	643
Villisca	1,344	1,252	1,142
Male Total	5,581	5,209	0
Female Total	6,190	5,531	0
County Total	**11,771**	**10,740**	**9,917**
State Total	2,926,324	3,046,355	3,155,070

* City is located in multiple counties, total population is provided.

Neighboring Counties - Percent Population Change

County	'90[1]-'00[2]	'00[2]-'10[3]	'10[3]-'19[4]
Adams, IA	-7.89%	-10.11%	-10.60%
Cass, IA	-2.93%	-4.96%	-8.03%
Fremont, IA	-2.63%	-7.10%	-6.46%
Mills, IA	10.19%	3.52%	0.33%
Montgomery, IA	**-2.53%**	**-8.76%**	**-7.66%**
Page, IA	0.63%	-6.15%	-5.18%
Pottawattamie, IA	6.14%	6.22%	0.05%
Taylor, IA	-2.19%	-9.21%	-3.10%
State of Iowa	5.39%	4.10%	3.57%

Montgomery County Percent Population Change

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Demographic Profile   **Montgomery County**

As with the other 98 counties in the state, Montgomery County's population is predominantly white, though between 2000 and 2010 there was a slight decrease in the percent of the population that is white. The percent of the population of Hispanic origin had a slight increase over the same time period. Compared to the state, Montgomery County had a lower percentage of young people (17 or younger) and a higher percentage of older people (65+) in 2010. There is a lower percentage of individuals 25+ with a Bachelor's degree or higher in Montgomery County compared with the state.

Percentage of Population by Race/Hispanic Origin[2,3]

| | County | | State | |
Race Groups	2000	2010	2000	2010
One Race Only	99.6%	99.1%	98.9%	98.2%
White	98.2%	97.4%	93.9%	91.3%
White Alone, Not Hispanic	97.6%	95.6%	92.6%	88.7%
Black or African American	0.1%	0.2%	2.1%	2.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	0.2%	0.2%	1.3%	1.7%
American Indian	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%
Hawaiian	0%	0%	0%	0.1%
Other	0.7%	0.8%	1.3%	1.8%
Two or more races	0.4%	0.9%	1.1%	1.8%
Hispanic origin*	1.3%	2.8%	2.8%	5%

Hispanics can be of any race.

Households and Families by Type, 2014-2018[5]

| | County | | State | |
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	4,587	+/-275	1,256,855	+/-4,146
Family Households	64.2%	+/-3.8%	63.7%	+/-0.2%
Married-couple	47.6%	+/-4.7%	50.4%	+/-0.3%
Female Householder[a]	12.2%	+/-2.3%	9%	+/-0.2%
Male Householder[b]	4.4%	+/-1.6%	4.2%	+/-0.1%
Nonfamily Households	35.8%	+/-3.8%	36.3%	+/- 0.2%
Householder Living Alone	30.9%	+/-3.7%	29.2%	+/-0.2%

[a] *No husband present,* [b] *No wife present*

Educational Attainment, 2014-2018[5]

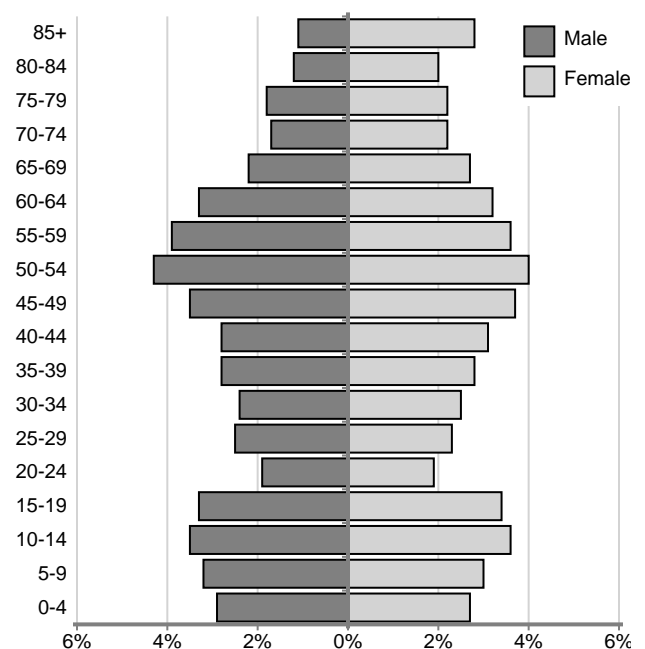| | County | | State | |
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 25 and older	7,058	+/-36	2,081,373	+/-894
High School Graduate or Higher	90.1%	+/-1.7%	92%	+/-0.1%
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	17.5%	+/-2.3%	28.2%	+/-0.2%

MOE = the margin of error for American Community Survey estimates[5] 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.

Percentage of Population by Age[2,3]

| | County | | State | |
Age Groups	2000	2010	2000	2010
17 or younger	25.0%	23.4%	25.1%	23.9%
0 - 4	6.1%	5.5%	6.4%	6.6%
5 - 9	6.9%	6.2%	6.9%	6.6%
10 - 14	7.3%	7.2%	7.2%	6.6%
15 -17	4.7%	4.5%	4.6%	4.1%
18 - 24	6.5%	5.9%	10.2%	10.0%
25 - 44	25.5%	21.2%	27.6%	24.5%
45 - 64	22.8%	29.6%	22.2%	26.7%
65 or older	20.3%	19.9%	14.9%	14.9%
65 - 84	16.6%	16%	12.7%	12.4%
85 or older	3.7%	3.9%	2.2%	2.5%
Median Age (years)	40.4	44.6	36.6	38.1
Age Dependency[*b]	82.7	76.4	66.7	63.4
Old-Age	37.0	35.1	24.8	24.3
Child	45.6	41.3	41.8	39.1

Age Dependency Ratio[b]

Montgomery County Population Pyramid, 2010[3]

Socioeconomic Profile   **Montgomery County**

The median household income in Montgomery County is less than the median household income of the state. Both Montgomery County and the state have more households in the $50,000 to $99,999 household income group. The median value of owner-occupied housing can be quite different from county to county. The median value of owner-occupied housing units is lower in Montgomery County than for the state. There is a higher percentage of vacant housing units in Montgomery County than there is for the state. Many housing units in Montgomery County were built prior to 1940.

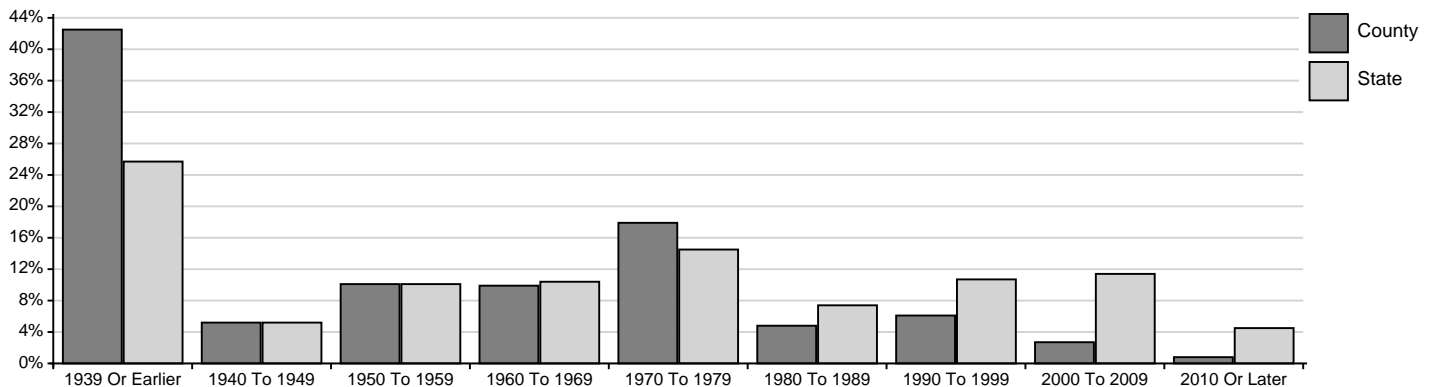**Median Household and Per Capita Income, 2014-2018[5]**

	County Estimate	MOE*	State Estimate	MOE*
Total Households	4,587	+/- 275	1,256,855	+/- 4,146
Less than $14,999	12.9%	+/- 2.1%	9.9%	+/- 0.4%
$15,000 To $34,999	24.7%	+/- 2.2%	19.1%	+/- 0.6%
$35,000 To $49,999	14.7%	+/- 2.5%	13.7%	+/- 0.2%
$50,000 To $99,999	32.1%	+/- 2.2%	33.5%	+/- 0.6%
$100,000 Or More	15.7%	+/- 2.1%	23.8%	+/- 0.6%
Median Household Income	$47,648	+/- $4,351	$58,580	+/- $313
Median Family Income	$57,239	+/- $4,035	$74,794	+/- $418
Per Capita Income	$28,780	+/- $3,701	$31,085	+/- $190

Housing Characteristics, 2014-2018[5]

	County Estimate	MOE*	State Estimate	MOE*
Total Units	5,230	+/- 225	1,386,722	+/- 687
Vacant	12.3%	+/- 3.2%	9.4%	+/- 0.3%
Occupied	87.7%	+/- 3.2%	90.6%	+/- 0.3%
Occupied[a]	4,587	+/- 275	1,256,855	+/- 4,146
Owner	68.6%	+/- 4.0%	71.1%	+/- 0.3%
Renter	31.4%	+/- 4.0%	28.9%	+/- 0.3%
Median Rent[b]	$638	+/- $42	$766	+/- $5
Median Value[c]	$83,400	+/- $4,100	$142,300	+/- $518

[a]Occupied Units,[b]Median gross rent of renter-occupied units [c] Median value of owner-occupied units

Percent Housing by Year Built, 2014-2018[5]

In Montgomery County there is a higher percentage of workers in management, business, science, and arts occupations than any other occupation category while the production, transportation, and material moving occupation category makes up 19.8% of occupations of the civilian employed population in the county.

Occupation of the Civilian Employed Population, 2014-2018[5]

	County Estimate	MOE*	State Estimate	MOE*
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	4,779	+/- 188	1,609,481	+/- 4,666
Management, business, science, and arts	31.1%	+/- 3.0%	35.7%	+/- 0.3%
Service	16.5%	+/- 2.8%	16.4%	+/- 0.2%
Sales and office	23.1%	+/- 3.6%	21.1%	+/- 0.2%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	9.5%	+/- 1.9%	9.5%	+/- 0.2%
Production, transportation, and material moving	19.8%	+/- 2.6%	17.2%	+/- 0.2%

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Montgomery County

Montgomery County has a lower proportion of the population age 16 or older in the labor force than the state. A portion of those who are not in the labor force are people who are retired. The percent unemployed in Montgomery County is higher than that for the state overall. Earnings data are provided for the population 16 and over who have earnings. Median[a] earnings in Montgomery County tend to be lower than the median earnings for the state. There is a higher percentage of families in Montgomery County below poverty level than for the state. Families with children tend to have a higher rate of poverty than families without children.

Employment Status, 2014-2018[5]

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+	8,126	+/- 68	2,484,354	+/- 1,190
in labor force	63.2%	+/- 2.2%	67.5%	+/- 0.2%
not in labor force	36.8%	+/- 2.2%	32.5%	+/- 0.2%
Civilian labor force	5,125	+/- 189	1,674,697	+/- 4,399
Unemployed	6.8%	+/- 2.2%	3.9%	+/- 0.1%

Median Employment Earnings, 2014-2018[5]

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Population 16+ [a]	5,442	+/- 187	1,779,082	+/- 4,133
Median Earnings	$28,839	+/- $1,806	$32,782	+/- $238
Female	$24,010	+/- $2,082	$26,872	+/- $153
Male	$36,808	+/- $3,987	$40,522	+/- $157
Female, full time[b]	$31,096	+/- $1,260	$39,380	+/- $269
Male, full time[b]	$43,396	+/- $3,198	$50,923	+/- $222

[a] with earnings, [b] year round

Individuals Below Poverty Level by Race, 2014-2018[5]

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population[a]	9,929	+/-90	3,030,572	+/-857
Percent Below	16.1%	+/-0.2%	11.7%	+/-0.2%
White Alone	14.9%	+/-3.2%	10.2%	+/-0.2%
Black/African American Alone	**%	+/-**%	33.3%	+/-1.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander Alone	**%	+/-**%	17%	+/-1.3%
American Indian Alone	**%	+/-**%	24.6%	+/-4.5%
Hawaiian Alone	**%	+/-**%	29.6%	+/-10.8%
Other Race Alone	**%	+/-**%	21.8%	+/-2.8%
Two or more races	67.7%	+/-32.4%	23%	+/-1.8%
Hispanic origin[+]	**%	+/-**%	21.8%	+/-1.4%

[a]for whom poverty status is determined, [+] Hispanics can be of any race. **MOE is high, use state estimate.

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Individuals and Families Below Poverty Level, 2014-2018[5]

	County		State	
	Estimate	MOE*	Estimate	MOE*
Total Population[a]	9,929	+/-90	3,030,572	+/-857
Below poverty	16.1%	+/-0.2%	11.7%	+/-0.2%
17 and under	26.5%	+/-7.6%	14.2%	+/-0.5%
18 - 64	**%	+/-**%	0.2%	+/-18.4%
65+	6.2%	+/-2%	7.1%	+/-0.2%
All Families	14.7%	+/-3.8%	7.4%	+/-0.2%
with children	25.8%	+/-7.4%	12.2%	+/-0.4%
Married Couple	3.8%	+/-1.6%	3.3%	+/-0.1%
with children	**%	+/-**%	4.6%	+/-0.3%
Female HH[b]	54.6%	+/-13.2%	27.5%	+/-0.9%
with children	64.4%	+/-14.1%	35.2%	+/-1.2%

[a] for whom poverty status is determined, [b] female householder, no husband present, **MOE is high, use state estimate.

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