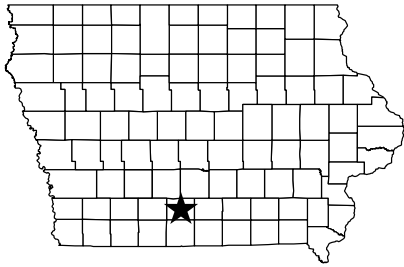


# Child and Family Data for Decision Makers



## Clarke County

### Population Profile

Clarke County is a non-metropolitan county in southwest Iowa. The total population in the county increased 10.2 percent from 1990 to 2000. At the same time, the population under the age of 18 in Clarke County increased 10.8 percent. Statewide, total population increased 5.4 percent and the population under 18 increased 2.1 percent during that period.

#### 1. Population 17 or younger

	Clarke County			State		
	1980	1990	2000	1980	1990	2000
Total Population	8,612	8,287	9,133	2,913,808	2,776,831	2,926,324
Percent 17 or younger	27.5	26.2	26.3	28.3	25.9	25.1
Population 17 or younger	2,370	2,168	2,402	825,873	718,880	733,638
Under 1 year	149	104	129	48,309	34,301	37,338
1 and 2 years	223	238	213	88,825	79,758	75,150
3 and 4 years	270	222	241	84,494	79,144	75,925
5 years	116	135	116	41,200	41,088	38,649
6 years	129	116	96	39,274	40,967	39,441
7 to 9 years	364	398	417	130,567	127,283	124,513
10 and 11 years	277	251	278	92,514	85,454	84,392
12 and 13 years	275	222	303	90,875	80,260	82,996
14 years	142	137	155	48,311	38,503	43,159
15 years	124	104	149	51,934	38,170	43,759
16 years	142	130	150	54,449	36,626	43,617
17 years	159	111	155	55,121	37,326	44,699

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 1.

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## Family Profile

In 2000, there were 1,152 families with children under 18 in Clarke County. A large majority of these families were headed by a married-couple family; 24.2 percent were headed by a single parent. Statewide, 24.0 percent of families with children under 18 were headed by a single parent in 2000.

### 2. Families with children under 18 years by race/Hispanic Origin, 2000

	Families with children under 18						
	Total	Married-couple families		Female householder families*		Male householder families*	
		n	%	n	%	n	%
Clarke County	1,152	873	75.8	203	17.6	76	6.6
White alone	1,105	838	75.8	197	17.8	70	6.3
Black alone	0	0	NA	0	NA	0	NA
American Indian alone	7	3	42.9	0	0.0	4	57.1
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	4	4	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Some other race alone	29	22	75.9	5	17.2	2	6.9
Two or more races	7	6	85.7	1	14.3	0	0.0
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	53	41	77.4	9	17.0	3	5.7
State	361,153	274,565	76.0	64,367	17.8	22,221	6.2
White alone	338,833	261,530	77.2	57,027	16.8	20,276	6.0
Black alone	8,567	3,285	38.3	4,475	52.2	807	9.4
American Indian alone	1,206	617	51.2	471	39.1	118	9.8
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	4,490	3,712	82.7	563	12.5	215	4.8
Some other race alone	5,176	3,624	70.0	998	19.3	554	10.7
Two or more races	2,881	1,797	62.4	833	28.9	251	8.7
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	10,653	7,458	70.0	2,149	20.2	1,046	9.8

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 1 (P34-35).

\*No spouse present.

Note: Includes families with own children only. See definition section on page 4.

The vast majority of children under 18 in Clarke County lived in married-couple families in 1990 and 2000. The percentage living in single-parent families however, increased from 16.8 percent in 1990 to 22.2 percent in 2000. The figures for the state were 16.6 percent and 21.2 percent, respectively.

### 3. Children 17 or younger by family type

	Children in all families	Percent of children in...					
		Married-couple families		Female householder families*		Male householder families*	
		Clarke County	State	Clarke County	State	Clarke County	State
Total Children 17 or Younger							
1990	2,094	83.2	83.4	13.5	13.7	3.3	2.9
2000	2,227	77.8	78.9	16.3	16.1	5.9	5.1
White alone	2,130	77.8	80.8	16.5	14.3	5.7	5.0
Black alone	6	100.0	36.1	0.0	57.5	0.0	6.4
American Indian alone	11	63.6	56.9	0.0	34.8	36.4	8.3
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	11	100.0	84.8	0.0	11.1	0.0	4.2
Some other race alone	52	69.2	70.5	21.2	21.9	9.6	7.6
Two or more races	17	94.1	57.6	5.9	35.6	0.0	6.8
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	111	76.6	70.0	18.0	22.6	5.4	7.4

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 1 (P36).

\*No spouse present.

Note: Includes families with own children only. See definition section on page 4.

## Employment of Parents Profile

The majority of children under 6 years of age in Clarke County (84.6 percent) had all parents in the labor force\* in 2000. This compared to 71.4 percent statewide.

### 4. Employment status of parents with young children

	Clarke County				State	
	1990		2000		1990	2000
	n	%	n	%	%	%
Total Children Under 6 Years in Families or Subfamilies	682	—	630	—	—	—
Living with two parents	525	100.0	479	100.0	100.0	100.0
Both parents in labor force	417	79.4	391	81.6	68.0	69.2
Father only in labor force	98	18.7	54	11.3	29.3	25.3
Mother only in labor force	4	0.8	13	2.7	1.4	3.0
Neither parent in labor force	6	1.1	21	4.4	1.3	3.0
Living with one parent	157	—	151	—	—	—
Living with father	35	100.0	44	100.0	100.0	100.0
In labor force	35	100.0	42	95.5	93.2	88.8
Not in labor force	0	0.0	2	4.5		11.2
Living with mother	122	100.0	107	100.0	100.0	100.0
In labor force	39	32.0	100	93.5	56.3	75.9
Not in labor force	83	68.0	7	6.5		24.1

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3 (P46).

\*This includes all children in this age group living in single-parent families with that parent in the labor force, as well as children in married-couple families where both parents are in the labor force.

## Income Profile

In 1999, median family income was \$42,171 in Clarke County. Median income is the point at which half of the families report more income and half report less. Ten years earlier, median family income in the county was \$27,129. Statewide, median family income increased from \$31,659 in 1989 to \$48,005 in 1999.

### 5. Median family income

	Clarke County		State	
	1989	1999	1989	1999
Median family income (\$)	27,129	42,171	31,659	48,005
Married-couple family (\$)	29,352	46,947	34,092	52,409
With children under 18 years (\$)	32,476	48,005	36,387	55,946
Female household family*	11,848	21,522	15,202	24,468
With children under 18 years	9,360	20,516	11,079	20,453
Male household family*	n/a	25,104	n/a	32,466
With children under 18 years	n/a	24,750	n/a	28,788

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

\*No spouse present.

# Poverty Profile

The percentage of families with children under 18 living in poverty in Clarke County in 1999 was 0.3 percentage points higher than the state average. Families with female householders, no husband present, continued to constitute a disproportionate percentage of total families with children in poverty. Note: See definition section below for poverty thresholds.

## 6. Poverty status of families with children 17 or younger

	Clarke County				State	
	1989		1999		1989	1999
	n	%	n	%	%	%
Total families in poverty	225	9.6	157	6.2	8.4	6.0
With related children under 18 years	177	16.1	123	4.9	12.6	4.6
Married-couple families in poverty	110	5.4	87	4.1	5.0	3.2
With related children under 18 years	73	8.2	55	6.2	6.3	4.0
Female householder* families in poverty	105	38.6	65	20.4	33.5	23.4
With related children under 18 years	96	51.6	63	28.5	45.1	30.5
Male householder* families in poverty	10	21.7	5	5.0	13.4	11.2
With related children under 18 years	8	27.6	5	6.8	19.0	14.1

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Summary File 3.

### Definitions and Notes:

**Own children** include all never-married children under 18 years who are sons/daughters by birth, stepchildren, or adopted children of householder.

**Related children** include own children and all other persons under 18 years of age in the household, regardless of marital status, who are related to the householder. Foster children are not included since they are not related to the householder.

**Poverty status** is determined for all persons except those institutionalized, in military quarters, in college dormitories, and unrelated individuals under 15 years of age. The income cutoffs used to determine poverty status include several thresholds; for families, size is cross-classified by the number of related children under 18 years of age, with everyone in a particular family given the same poverty status. For a two-person family, the poverty threshold averaged \$10,869 in 1999, it was \$13,290 for a three-person family, and \$17,029 for a four-person family.

**Economic data** (e.g., income and poverty) collected in the decennial censuses are based on the previous calendar year. That is the reason for the 1989 and 1999 headings in Tables 5 and 6.

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