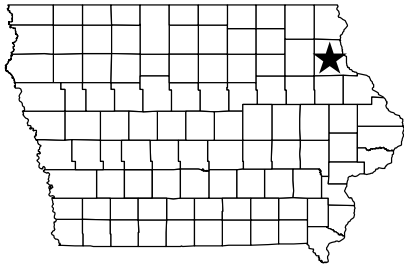


# Child and Family Data for Decision Makers



## Clayton County

### Population Profile

Clayton County is a non-metropolitan county in northeast Iowa. The total population in the county decreased 2 percent from 1990 to 2000. At the same time, the population under the age of 18 in Clayton County decreased 11 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

	Clayton County			State		
	1980	1990	2000	1980	1990	2000
Total Population	21,098	19,054	18,678	2,913,808	2,776,831	2,926,324
Percent 17 or younger	29.6	27.9	25.4	28.3	25.9	25.1
Population 17 or younger	6,244	5,322	4,735	825,873	718,880	733,638
Under 1 year	381	260	214	48,309	34,301	37,338
1 and 2 years	673	514	434	88,825	79,758	75,150
3 and 4 years	637	558	429	84,494	79,144	75,925
5 years	308	274	222	41,200	41,088	38,649
6 years	311	296	243	39,274	40,967	39,441
7 to 9 years	941	1,001	800	130,567	127,283	124,513
10 and 11 years	673	620	589	92,514	85,454	84,392
12 and 13 years	705	609	567	90,875	80,260	82,996
14 years	352	295	318	48,311	38,503	43,159
15 years	398	302	287	51,934	38,170	43,759
16 years	410	290	323	54,449	36,626	43,617
17 years	455	303	309	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 2,281 families with children under 18 in Clayton County. A large majority of these families were headed by a married-couple family; 20.4 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

	Total	Families with children under 18					
		Married-couple families		Female householder families*		Male householder families*	
		n	%	n	%	n	%
Clayton County	2,281	1,816	79.6	292	12.8	173	7.6
White alone	2,253	1,802	80.0	284	12.6	167	7.4
Black alone	6	4	66.7	1	16.7	1	16.7
American Indian alone	5	2	40.0	2	40.0	1	20.0
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	2	2	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Some other race alone	5	3	60.0	1	20.0	1	20.0
Two or more races	10	3	30.0	4	40.0	3	30.0
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	15	10	66.7	2	13.3	3	20.0
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 Clayton County lived in married-couple families in 1990 and 2000. The percentage living in single-parent families however, increased from 10.5 percent in 1990 to 17.8 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*	
		Clayton County	State	Clayton County	State	Clayton County	State
Total Children 17 or Younger							
1990	5,139	89.5	83.4	7.5	13.7	3	2.9
2000	4,520	82.2	78.9	11.3	16.1	6.5	5.1
White alone	4,434	82.7	80.8	11.0	14.3	6.3	5.0
Black alone	12	25.0	36.1	41.7	57.5	33.3	6.4
American Indian alone	17	76.5	56.9	23.5	34.8	0.0	8.3
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	9	88.9	84.8	11.1	11.1	0.0	4.2
Some other race alone	14	50.0	70.5	42.9	21.9	7.1	7.6
Two or more races	34	55.9	57.6	17.6	35.6	26.5	6.8
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	41	56.1	70.0	34.1	22.6	9.8	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 Clayton County (77.2 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

	Clayton County				State	
	1990		2000		1990	2000
	n	%	n	%	%	%
Total Children Under 6 Years in Families or Subfamilies	1,580	—	1,231	—	—	—
Living with two parents	1,412	100.0	927	100.0	100.0	100.0
Both parents in labor force	986	69.8	699	75.4	68.0	69.2
Father only in labor force	390	27.6	190	20.5	29.3	25.3
Mother only in labor force	13	0.9	27	2.9	1.4	3.0
Neither parent in labor force	23	1.6	11	1.2	1.3	3.0
Living with one parent	168	—	304	—	—	—
Living with father	67	100.0	134	100.0	100.0	100.0
In labor force	60	89.6	106	79.1	93.2	88.8
Not in labor force	7	10.4	28	20.9		11.2
Living with mother	101	100.0	170	100.0	100.0	100.0
In labor force	52	51.5	145	85.3	56.3	75.9
Not in labor force	49	48.5	25	14.7		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 \$40,199 in Clayton 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 \$25,586. Statewide, median family income increased from \$31,659 in 1989 to \$48,005 in 1999.

### 5. Median family income

	Clayton County		State	
	1989	1999	1989	1999
Median family income (\$)	25,586	40,199	31,659	48,005
Married-couple family (\$)	26,971	42,500	34,092	52,409
With children under 18 years (\$)	29,720	46,587	36,387	55,946
Female household family*	15,417	22,297	15,202	24,468
With children under 18 years	11,442	21,161	11,079	20,453
Male household family*	n/a	28,563	n/a	32,466
With children under 18 years	n/a	25,682	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 Clayton County in 1999 was 0.8 percentage points lower 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

	Clayton County				State	
	1989		1999		1989	1999
	n	%	n	%	%	%
Total families in poverty	590	11.3	295	5.7	8.4	6.0
With related children under 18 years	357	14.1	195	3.8	12.6	4.6
Married-couple families in poverty	461	9.8	175	4.0	5.0	3.2
With related children under 18 years	249	11.1	89	4.8	6.3	4.0
Female householder* families in poverty	98	29.0	83	18.4	33.5	23.4
With related children under 18 years	89	47.6	71	23.7	45.1	30.5
Male householder* families in poverty	31	14.9	37	11.2	13.4	11.2
With related children under 18 years	19	16.5	35	16.4	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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