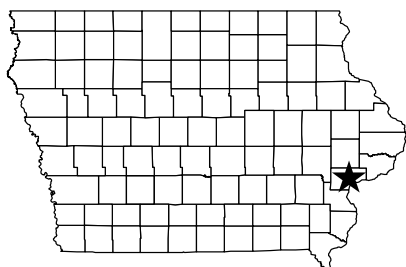


Child and Family Data for Decision Makers



Muscatine County

Population Profile

Muscatine County is a non-metropolitan county in southeast Iowa. The total population in the county increased 4.5 percent from 1990 to 2000. At the same time, the population under the age of 18 in Muscatine County increased 0.7 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

	Muscatine County			State		
	1980	1990	2000	1980	1990	2000
Total Population	40,436	39,907	41,722	2,913,808	2,776,831	2,926,324
Percent 17 or younger	30.9	27.9	26.9	28.3	25.9	25.1
Population 17 or younger	12,480	11,140	11,219	825,873	718,880	733,638
Under 1 year	747	562	569	48,309	34,301	37,338
1 and 2 years	1,323	1,213	1,139	88,825	79,758	75,150
3 and 4 years	1,287	1,167	1,180	84,494	79,144	75,925
5 years	673	626	585	41,200	41,088	38,649
6 years	615	620	636	39,274	40,967	39,441
7 to 9 years	2,003	1,994	1,998	130,567	127,283	124,513
10 and 11 years	1,457	1,366	1,302	92,514	85,454	84,392
12 and 13 years	1,318	1,244	1,198	90,875	80,260	82,996
14 years	732	576	627	48,311	38,503	43,159
15 years	767	634	634	51,934	38,170	43,759
16 years	732	551	607	54,449	36,626	43,617
17 years	826	587	744	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 5,518 families with children under 18 in Muscatine County. A large majority of these families were headed by a married-couple family; 25 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	%
Muscatine County	5,518	4,136	75.0	970	17.6	412	7.5
White alone	4,912	3,701	75.3	854	17.4	357	7.3
Black alone	42	24	57.1	14	33.3	4	9.5
American Indian alone	18	10	55.6	8	44.4	0	0.0
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	51	42	82.4	4	7.8	5	9.8
Some other race alone	415	300	72.3	75	18.1	40	9.6
Two or more races	80	59	73.8	15	18.8	6	7.5
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	766	573	74.8	126	16.4	67	8.7
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 Muscatine County lived in married-couple families in 1990 and 2000. The percentage living in single-parent families however, increased from 19.1 percent in 1990 to 22.1 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*	
		Muscatine County	State	Muscatine County	State	Muscatine County	State
Total Children 17 or Younger							
1990	10,507	80.9	83.4	15.1	13.7	4	2.9
2000	10,282	77.9	78.9	16.0	16.1	6.0	5.1
White alone	8,941	78.6	80.8	15.4	14.3	6.0	5.0
Black alone	88	54.5	36.1	34.1	57.5	11.4	6.4
American Indian alone	35	51.4	56.9	42.9	34.8	5.7	8.3
Asian/Pacific Islander alone	109	85.3	84.8	10.1	11.1	4.6	4.2
Some other race alone	847	75.3	70.5	18.9	21.9	5.8	7.6
Two or more races	262	72.5	57.6	19.5	35.6	8.0	6.8
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,789	75.9	70.0	17.8	22.6	6.3	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 Muscatine County (65 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

	Muscatine County				State	
	1990		2000		1990	2000
	n	%	n	%	%	%
Total Children Under 6 Years in Families or Subfamilies	3,509	—	3,219	—	—	—
Living with two parents	2,649	100.0	2,323	100.0	100.0	100.0
Both parents in labor force	1,792	67.6	1,381	59.4	68.0	69.2
Father only in labor force	847	32.0	772	33.2	29.3	25.3
Mother only in labor force	10	0.4	88	3.8	1.4	3.0
Neither parent in labor force	0	0.0	82	3.5	1.3	3.0
Living with one parent	860	—	896	—	—	—
Living with father	159	100.0	254	100.0	100.0	100.0
In labor force	148	93.1	233	91.7	93.2	88.8
Not in labor force	11	6.9	21	8.3		11.2
Living with mother	701	100.0	642	100.0	100.0	100.0
In labor force	348	49.6	477	74.3	56.3	75.9
Not in labor force	353	50.4	165	25.7		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 \$48,373 in Muscatine 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 \$34,083. Statewide, median family income increased from \$31,659 in 1989 to \$48,005 in 1999.

5. Median family income

	Muscatine County		State	
	1989	1999	1989	1999
Median family income (\$)	34,083	48,373	31,659	48,005
Married-couple family (\$)	36,478	53,425	34,092	52,409
With children under 18 years (\$)	38,413	54,959	36,387	55,946
Female household family*	12,089	24,755	15,202	24,468
With children under 18 years	7,905	20,016	11,079	20,453
Male household family*	n/a	32,436	n/a	32,466
With children under 18 years	n/a	30,032	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 Muscatine County in 1999 was 0.2 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

	Muscatine County				State	
	1989		1999		1989	1999
	n	%	n	%	%	%
Total families in poverty	961	8.8	720	6.3	8.4	6.0
With related children under 18 years	788	13.5	543	4.8	12.6	4.6
Married-couple families in poverty	369	4.0	313	3.4	5.0	3.2
With related children under 18 years	224	4.8	186	4.1	6.3	4.0
Female householder* families in poverty	540	43.1	335	22.8	33.5	23.4
With related children under 18 years	525	59.4	300	29.6	45.1	30.5
Male householder* families in poverty	52	11.2	72	12.3	13.4	11.2
With related children under 18 years	39	15.7	57	13.5	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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