

# Food Assistance

Food Assistance measures the average monthly number and percentage of individuals receiving financial assistance for food during the year. Formerly known as Food Stamps.

Source: Iowa Department of Human Services

County	2000			2004			2005			2000-2005 Change
	Total Population	Food Assistance	Percentage	Total Population	Food Assistance	Percentage	Total Population	Food Assistance	Percentage	
Adair	8,243	282	3.4%	7,895	372	4.7%	7,859	430	5.5%	59.9%
Adams	4,482	216	4.8%	4,300	223	5.2%	4,264	260	6.1%	26.5%
Allamakee	14,675	366	2.5%	14,712	578	3.9%	14,709	827	5.6%	125.4%
Appanoose	13,721	1,297	9.5%	13,629	1,578	11.6%	13,666	1,756	12.8%	35.9%
Audubon	6,830	205	3.0%	6,484	209	3.2%	6,457	301	4.7%	55.3%
Benton	25,308	622	2.5%	26,747	1,076	4.0%	27,000	1,401	5.2%	111.1%
Black Hawk	128,012	8,778	6.9%	125,707	10,698	8.5%	125,891	12,554	10.0%	45.4%
Boone	26,224	773	2.9%	26,436	1,175	4.4%	26,602	1,407	5.3%	79.4%
Bremer	23,325	501	2.1%	23,525	727	3.1%	23,677	835	3.5%	64.2%
Buchanan	21,093	674	3.2%	21,009	934	4.4%	21,019	1,125	5.4%	67.5%
Buena Vista	20,411	740	3.6%	20,160	885	4.4%	20,151	1,163	5.8%	59.2%
Butler	15,305	406	2.7%	15,011	641	4.3%	15,072	769	5.1%	92.3%
Calhoun	11,115	440	4.0%	10,530	517	4.9%	10,443	577	5.5%	39.6%
Carroll	21,421	632	3.0%	20,993	919	4.4%	21,034	1,037	4.9%	67.1%
Cass	14,684	589	4.0%	14,279	868	6.1%	14,219	1,054	7.4%	84.8%
Cedar	18,187	467	2.6%	18,270	568	3.1%	18,254	671	3.7%	43.2%
Cerro Gordo	46,447	2,026	4.4%	44,836	2,631	5.9%	44,645	3,320	7.4%	70.5%
Cherokee	13,035	367	2.8%	12,414	522	4.2%	12,237	629	5.1%	82.6%
Chickasaw	13,095	396	3.0%	12,617	451	3.6%	12,563	501	4.0%	31.9%
Clarke	9,133	528	5.8%	9,263	618	6.7%	9,161	826	9.0%	56.0%
Clay	17,372	613	3.5%	16,955	853	5.0%	16,897	983	5.8%	64.9%
Clayton	18,678	420	2.2%	18,364	620	3.4%	18,337	858	4.7%	108.1%
Clinton	50,149	3,251	6.5%	49,789	4,234	8.5%	49,717	5,249	10.6%	62.9%
Crawford	16,942	723	4.3%	16,897	895	5.3%	16,889	1,222	7.2%	69.5%
Dallas	40,750	798	2.0%	49,455	1,316	2.7%	51,762	1,739	3.4%	71.6%
Davis	8,541	301	3.5%	8,676	387	4.5%	8,659	465	5.4%	52.4%
Decatur	8,689	621	7.1%	8,625	829	9.6%	8,605	984	11.4%	60.0%
Delaware	18,404	572	3.1%	18,067	718	4.0%	18,025	911	5.1%	62.6%
Des Moines	42,351	2,905	6.9%	40,840	4,177	10.2%	40,810	5,036	12.3%	79.9%
Dickinson	16,424	455	2.8%	16,580	517	3.1%	16,687	723	4.3%	56.4%
Dubuque	89,143	3,054	3.4%	91,079	4,408	4.8%	91,631	5,702	6.2%	81.6%
Emmet	11,027	392	3.6%	10,628	457	4.3%	10,534	508	4.8%	35.7%
Fayette	22,008	1,150	5.2%	21,243	1,545	7.3%	21,298	1,839	8.6%	65.2%
Floyd	16,900	822	4.9%	16,521	1,036	6.3%	16,443	1,286	7.8%	60.8%
Franklin	10,704	323	3.0%	10,725	392	3.7%	10,732	638	5.9%	97.0%
Fremont	8,010	463	5.8%	7,756	514	6.6%	7,759	638	8.2%	42.3%
Greene	10,366	501	4.8%	10,026	555	5.5%	9,963	603	6.1%	25.2%
Grundy	12,369	191	1.5%	12,364	286	2.3%	12,329	379	3.1%	99.1%
Guthrie	11,353	431	3.8%	11,550	489	4.2%	11,547	575	5.0%	31.2%
Hamilton	16,438	516	3.1%	16,230	790	4.9%	16,209	933	5.8%	83.4%
Hancock	12,100	285	2.4%	11,795	340	2.9%	11,786	432	3.7%	55.6%
Hardin	18,812	667	3.5%	18,169	1,006	5.5%	18,003	1,160	6.4%	81.7%
Harrison	15,666	726	4.6%	15,811	1,017	6.4%	15,884	1,251	7.9%	69.9%
Henry	20,336	791	3.9%	20,168	1,041	5.2%	20,246	1,339	6.6%	70.0%
Howard	9,932	293	3.0%	9,797	348	3.6%	9,700	420	4.3%	46.8%
Humboldt	10,381	333	3.2%	10,042	407	4.1%	9,973	550	5.5%	71.9%
Ida	7,837	240	3.1%	7,413	312	4.2%	7,379	384	5.2%	69.9%
Iowa	15,671	287	1.8%	15,979	477	3.0%	16,055	654	4.1%	122.4%
Jackson	20,296	812	4.0%	20,255	1,161	5.7%	20,335	1,542	7.6%	89.5%
Jasper	37,213	1,070	2.9%	37,696	1,629	4.3%	37,674	2,170	5.8%	100.3%
Jefferson	16,181	862	5.3%	16,021	1,191	7.4%	15,972	1,467	9.2%	72.4%
Johnson	111,006	2,707	2.4%	116,226	4,495	3.9%	117,067	5,740	4.9%	101.1%
Jones	20,221	619	3.1%	20,554	832	4.0%	20,509	949	4.6%	51.2%
Keokuk	11,400	720	6.3%	11,236	737	6.6%	11,157	864	7.7%	22.6%

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Kossuth	17,163	512	3.0%	16,348	666	4.1%	16,142	834	5.2%	73.2%
Lee	38,052	2,533	6.7%	36,745	3,403	9.3%	36,705	3,825	10.4%	56.5%
Linn	191,701	6,959	3.6%	197,005	11,557	5.9%	198,903	15,479	7.8%	114.4%
Louisa	12,183	545	4.5%	12,041	770	6.4%	11,842	898	7.6%	69.5%
Lucas	9,422	534	5.7%	9,661	790	8.2%	9,672	945	9.8%	72.4%
Lyon	11,763	282	2.4%	11,750	376	3.2%	11,750	390	3.3%	38.5%
Madison	14,019	347	2.5%	14,905	518	3.5%	15,158	649	4.3%	73.0%
Mahaska	22,335	1,175	5.3%	22,111	1,699	7.7%	22,364	1,960	8.8%	66.6%
Marion	32,052	981	3.1%	32,691	1,383	4.2%	32,984	1,626	4.9%	61.1%
Marshall	39,311	2,230	5.7%	39,441	3,044	7.7%	39,418	4,013	10.2%	79.5%
Mills	14,547	645	4.4%	14,995	711	4.7%	15,284	920	6.0%	35.8%
Mitchell	10,874	212	1.9%	10,942	321	2.9%	10,919	376	3.4%	76.6%
Monona	10,020	467	4.7%	9,654	625	6.5%	9,520	736	7.7%	65.9%
Monroe	8,016	519	6.5%	7,848	582	7.4%	7,835	676	8.6%	33.3%
Montgomery	11,771	749	6.4%	11,310	973	8.6%	11,313	1,167	10.3%	62.1%
Muscatine	41,722	2,340	5.6%	42,358	3,200	7.6%	42,756	3,838	9.0%	60.1%
O'Brien	15,102	326	2.2%	14,428	528	3.7%	14,414	660	4.6%	112.1%
Osceola	7,003	130	1.9%	6,782	153	2.3%	6,694	185	2.8%	48.9%
Page	16,976	999	5.9%	16,236	1,099	6.8%	16,253	1,318	8.1%	37.8%
Palo Alto	10,147	287	2.8%	9,750	321	3.3%	9,697	389	4.0%	41.8%
Plymouth	24,849	543	2.2%	24,964	679	2.7%	24,958	856	3.4%	57.0%
Pocahontas	8,662	374	4.3%	8,077	488	6.0%	7,930	513	6.5%	49.8%
Polk	374,601	16,298	4.4%	394,031	22,127	5.6%	401,006	28,521	7.1%	63.5%
Pottawattamie	87,704	4,963	5.7%	89,208	7,333	8.2%	89,738	8,991	10.0%	77.1%
Poweshiek	18,815	542	2.9%	18,999	815	4.3%	18,925	1,009	5.3%	85.1%
Ringgold	5,469	334	6.1%	5,354	304	5.7%	5,273	366	6.9%	13.7%
Sac	11,529	410	3.6%	10,801	409	3.8%	10,621	465	4.4%	23.1%
Scott	158,668	10,906	6.9%	160,125	13,919	8.7%	160,998	17,170	10.7%	55.2%
Shelby	13,173	420	3.2%	12,771	581	4.5%	12,634	763	6.0%	89.4%
Sioux	31,589	461	1.5%	32,134	558	1.7%	32,277	610	1.9%	29.5%
Story	79,981	1,541	1.9%	80,239	2,364	2.9%	79,952	2,949	3.7%	91.4%
Tama	18,103	552	3.0%	17,926	761	4.2%	17,919	1,015	5.7%	85.8%
Taylor	6,958	369	5.3%	6,660	366	5.5%	6,614	423	6.4%	20.6%
Union	12,309	670	5.4%	11,985	912	7.6%	11,972	1,151	9.6%	76.6%
Van Buren	7,809	372	4.8%	7,739	457	5.9%	7,786	536	6.9%	44.5%
Wapello	36,051	3,139	8.7%	35,793	3,992	11.2%	35,965	4,731	13.2%	51.1%
Warren	40,671	757	1.9%	42,399	1,224	2.9%	42,981	1,696	3.9%	112.0%
Washington	20,670	672	3.3%	21,332	894	4.2%	21,457	1,107	5.2%	58.7%
Wayne	6,730	472	7.0%	6,601	499	7.6%	6,601	572	8.7%	23.6%
Webster	40,235	2,325	5.8%	39,186	3,094	7.9%	39,003	3,652	9.4%	62.0%
Winnebago	11,723	324	2.8%	11,402	525	4.6%	11,351	632	5.6%	101.5%
Winneshiek	21,310	359	1.7%	21,185	563	2.7%	21,234	607	2.9%	69.7%
Woodbury	103,877	5,044	4.9%	103,206	7,860	7.6%	102,605	10,137	9.9%	103.5%
Worth	7,909	129	1.6%	7,745	251	3.2%	7,768	295	3.8%	132.8%
Wright	14,334	428	3.0%	13,692	662	4.8%	13,647	874	6.4%	114.5%
State	2,926,324	124,395	4.3%	2,952,904	170,557	5.8%	2,966,334	212,161	7.2%	68.3%
Rural	496,961	17,309	3.5%	489,579	22,110	4.5%	488,345	27,175	5.6%	59.8%
Small Urban	1,104,670	46,836	4.2%	1,106,499	63,686	5.8%	1,110,198	77,743	7.0%	65.2%
Metropolitan	1,324,693	60,250	4.5%	1,356,826	84,761	6.2%	1,367,791	107,243	7.8%	72.4%
United States	281,421,906	17,194,000	6.1%	293,656,842	23,858,000	8.1%	296,410,404	25,673,000	8.7%	41.8%