

**Female-headed Family Poverty Status for Iowa: 1970 - 2000**  
**Universe: Families**

Year	Families with female householder, no husband present									
	Total	Below poverty			With related children Under age 18			With related children Under age 5 <sup>2</sup>		
		Number	Percent	Total	Below poverty		Total	Below poverty		
					Number	Percent		Number	Percent	
2000	93,952	22,015	23.4%	66,461	20,292	30.5%	23,825	10,982	46.1%	
1990	81,914	27,404	33.5%	55,684	25,140	45.1%	20,000	12,828	64.1%	
1980	70,509	18,186	25.8%	46,976	16,688	35.5%	18,506	9,515	51.4%	
1970 <sup>1</sup>	53,349	14,684	27.5%	30,364	11,508	37.9%	11,914	6,356	53.3%	

<sup>1</sup> Poverty data appeared in regular census report series for the first time with the 1970 census.

<sup>2</sup> In the 1970 and 1980 censuses, data for Families with Female Householder with Related Children was tabulated "under age 6". It was changed to "under age 5" for the 1990 and 2000 censuses.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Decennial Censuses

2000 Census: SF3, Table P90

1990 Census: 1990 Census of Population, Social and Economic Characteristics - Iowa, 1990 CP-2-17, Table 29

1980 Census: General Social and Economic Characteristics - Iowa, PC80-1-C17, Table 72

1970 Census: Characteristics of the Population, Part 17 - Iowa, Table 58

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