

Transportation Needs

Affordable, reliable transportation is a basic need for low-income persons in order to get to and from work and for older adults to meet their basic needs and medical care.

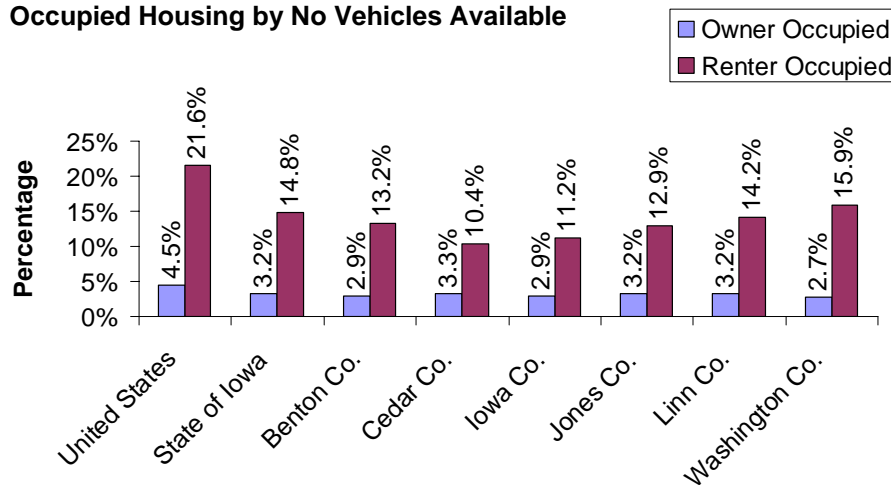
In 2002 and 2006, United Way of East Central Iowa (UWECI) conducted a Community Assessment that included health and human service provider focus groups, household surveys and key leader focus groups. Lack of transportation was identified as a main barrier for clients accessing health and human services in both assessments.

Number of Households with No Vehicle Available

	1990	2000	2007	% of population
Benton Co.	506	487	352	1.3
Cedar Co.	386	354	NA	1.9
Iowa Co.	341	294	NA	1.9
Jones Co.	360	416	NA	2.0
Linn Co.	4,741	4,742	5,308	2.6
Washington Co.	463	478	452	2.1

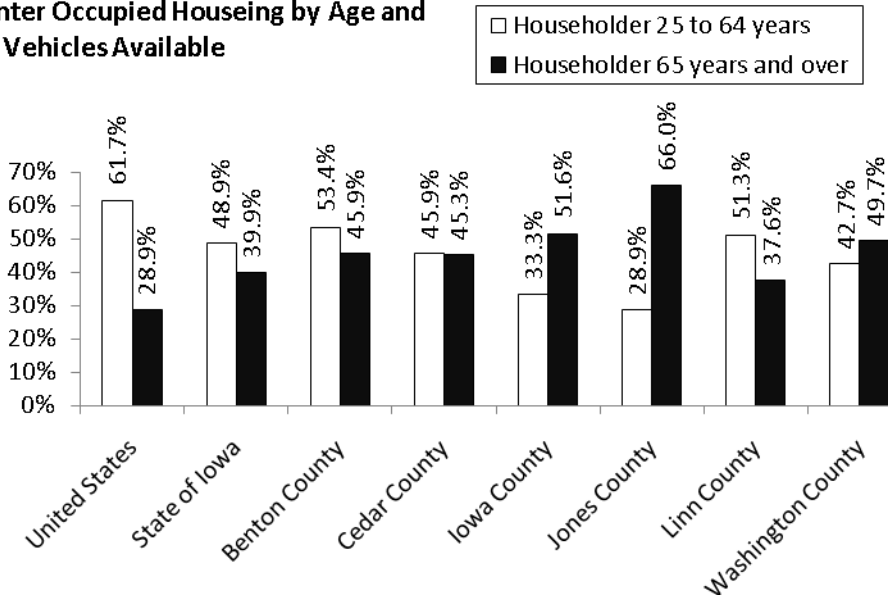
The number of households with no vehicle available is decreasing among rural counties for Benton and Washington County and increasing for Linn County.

Occupied Housing by No Vehicles Available



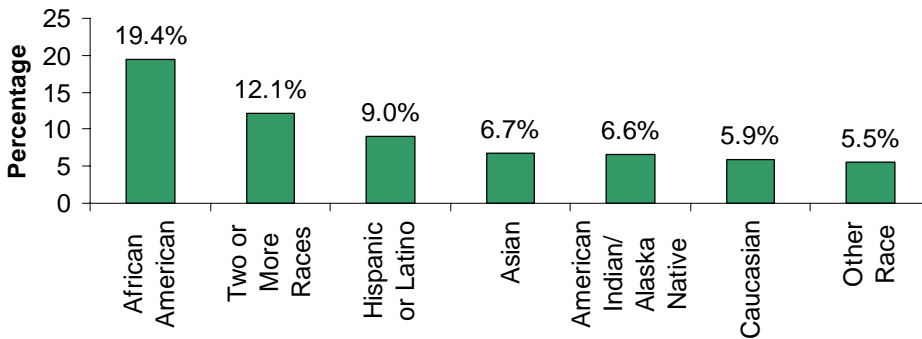
Renter occupied households are more likely to have no vehicles available vs. owner occupied households.

Renter Occupied Housing by Age and No Vehicles Available



The percentage of persons in renter occupied housing with no vehicle is higher for adult ages 65 and over for 3 out of 5 rural counties in the UWECI service area.

Linn County No Vehicle Available by Race



There are a greater percentage of households with no vehicle available among African American households.

Transportation Resources

East Central Iowa Council of Governments (ECICOG)

<http://www.ecicog.org/>

Corridor MPO

<http://www.corridormpo.com/>

Iowa Department of Transportation

<http://www.iowadot.gov/>

Community Transportation Association of America

<http://web1.ctaa.org/>

United We Ride

<http://www.unitedweride.gov/>

Data Source:

U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Decennial Census, 2007 American Community Survey