



# Alden, Iowa.

Current market data.

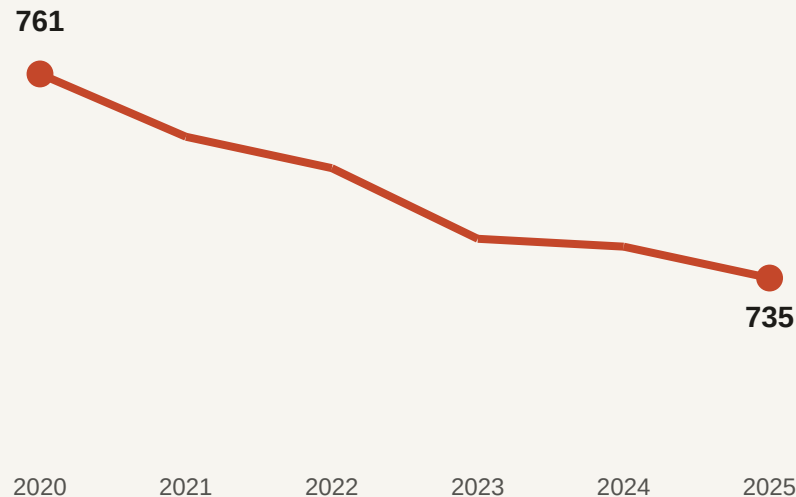
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 3.4% since 2020.

735

people, the 354th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.

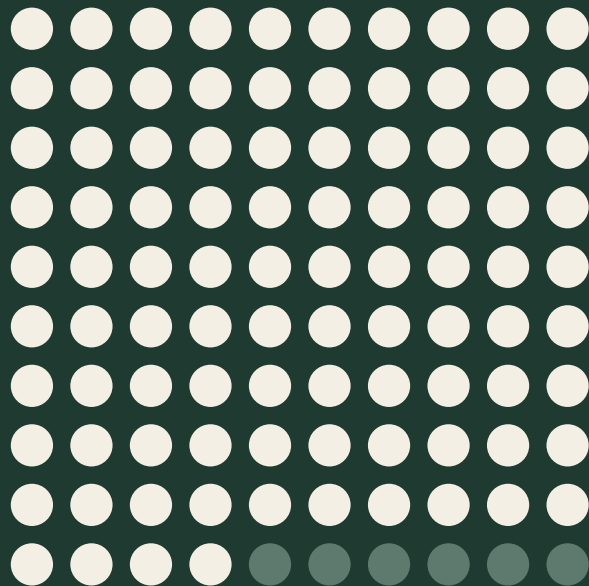


## THE WORKDAY

9 in 10 jobs here go to  
people who live somewhere  
else.

94.3%

of 246 jobs located in Alden are filled by in-commuters.



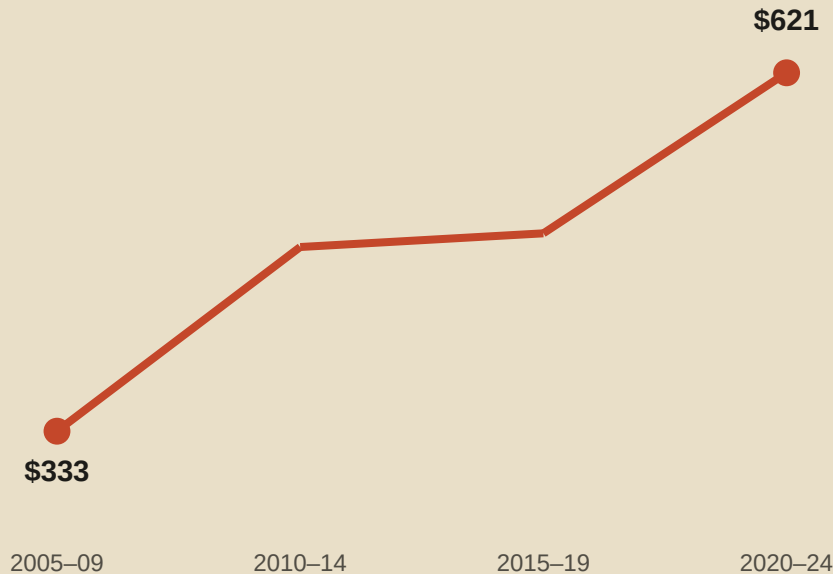
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 86%  
since the 2005–2009  
survey, before inflation.

**\$621**

a month. Iowa's median is \$972.



## THE SEAM

# Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$204.

A \$204 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Hardin County.

TRACT 4804

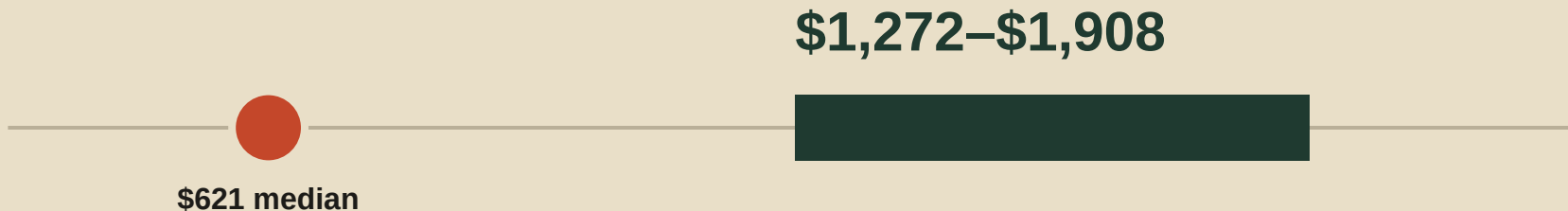
**\$646**

TRACT 4803

**\$850**

ROOM TO BUILD

# Local wages can carry more rent than the median charged today.



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.



BUILDING

# Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

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homes permitted, 2022–2025

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98%

of all homes were built before 2000



UNITS NEEDED

**Closing the gap would add 0.3–0.5% to the 387 homes here.**

**1–2**

is the estimated number of missing housing units, from the lowest to the highest of three estimates.



## HOME VALUE

A median home costs 48%  
less than Iowa's.

**\$107,900**

median home value in Alden.

Alden



\$107,900

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS ALDEN'S 2026

# Every number came from a public source, with its date.

New Census data usually lands in December. The next Edition follows it.

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