



Shelby, Iowa.

Current market data.

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

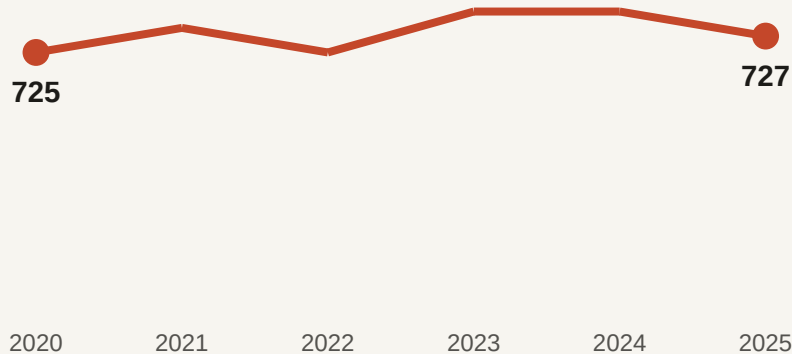


POPULATION

**Steady. Within 1% of 2020,
every year since.**

727

people, the 355th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.

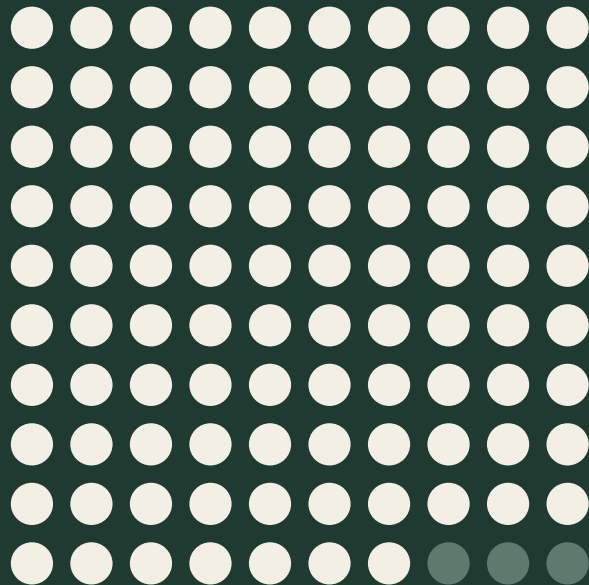


THE WORKDAY

Nearly every job here goes
to someone who lives
somewhere else.

96.8%

of 801 jobs located in Shelby are filled by in-commuters.



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

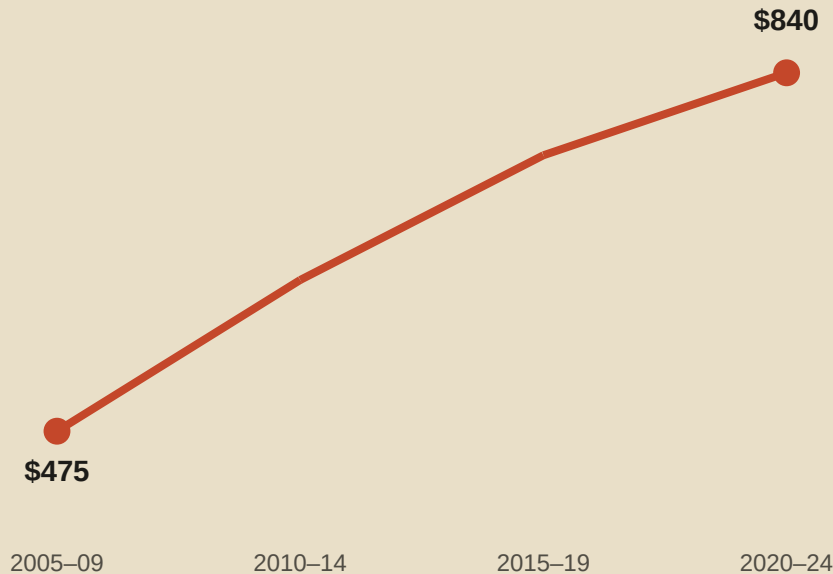


RENT

Median rent is up 77%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$840

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$197.

A \$197 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Shelby County.

TRACT 9603

\$654

TRACT 9602

\$851



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.

84%

of all homes were built before 2000



UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–2.0% to the 408 homes here.

1–8

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 22% less than Iowa's.

\$162,500

median home value in Shelby.

Shelby



\$162,500

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS SHELBY'S 2026

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

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

See this Edition at almanacdata.ai/e/ia/shelby/

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