



Wadena, Iowa.

Current market data.

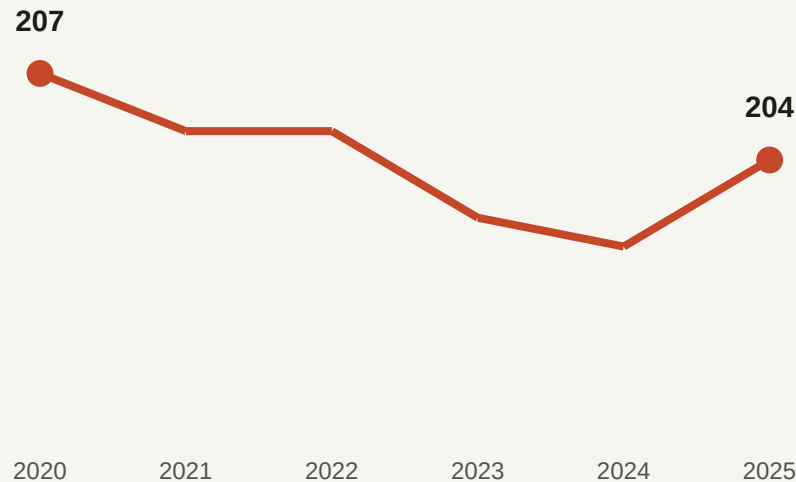
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 1.4% since 2020.

204

people, the 658th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

Every job here goes to
someone who lives
somewhere else.

100.0%

of 24 jobs located in Wadena are filled by in-commuters.



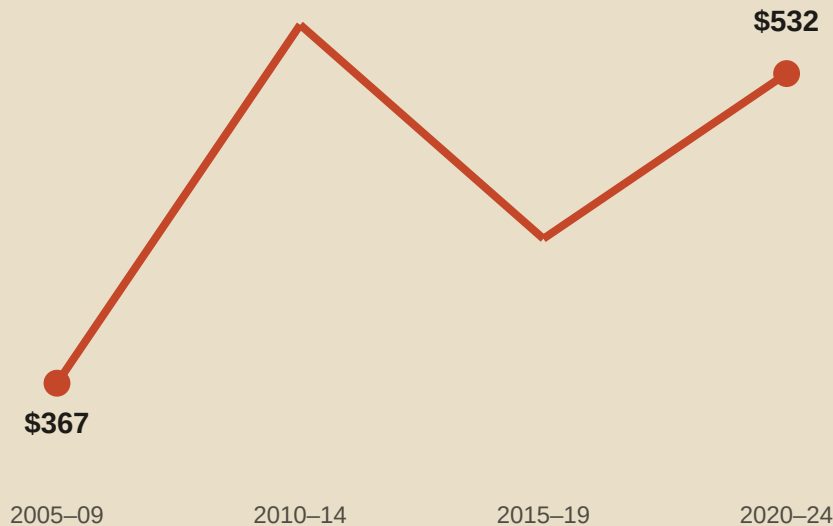
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 45%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$532

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



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$429.

A \$429 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Fayette County.

TRACT 806

\$538

TRACT 801

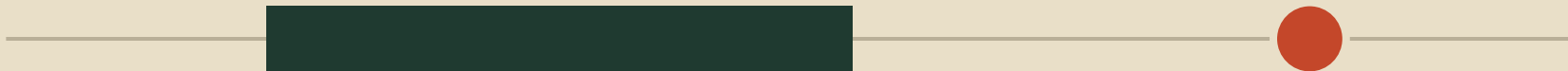
\$967



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

\$281–\$422



\$532 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

3

homes permitted, 2022–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

97%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

None of three estimates finds a housing shortfall here.

0

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 55% less than Iowa's.

\$94,200

median home value in Wadena.

Wadena



\$94,200

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700



THAT WAS WADENA'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/wadena/

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