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Atlantic was founded in October 1868 by Franklin H. Whitney, B.F. Allen, John P. Cook, and others. While historians cannot agree how Atlantic got its name, local legend tells that the founding fathers estimated that the town was about halfway between the Pacific Ocean and the Atlantic Ocean, so it led them to flip a coin and, clearly, Atlantic won. The nearby Rock Island Railroad was important in deciding the actual location of the town, and to this day, the old depot sits at the north end of Chestnut Street. Today, the old depot serves as the offices of the Chamber of Commerce.

Quote from the plaque in front of the cabin:  
 "This 14 by 18 foot log cabin was built by John Gingery in 1863 in what was called Five Mile Grove located two miles northeast of Atlantic. John left Stark County where he had been raised and has become a school teacher. He was twenty-six years old and arrived just as Cass County was being organized. He was hired by Cass County to do their clerical work in organizing the county.

John Gingery married Mary Hyatt of Audubon County, Iowa on April 28, 1866. Ten children were born to them and all were born in this log house except the tenth and youngest child. This cabin may also have been used as the first school house in Pymosa Township until 1868 when a separate school building was erected.

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The cabin was on the Gipple farm northeast of Atlantic when the Atlantic Rotary Club became interested in preserving and restoring it as the club's Bi-Centennial project in 1976. The Rotarians and Boy Scout troop 60 dismantled the cabin and numbered each log for rebuilding purposes. The Atlantic Soroptomists furnished the cabin much as it was originally furnished. It was the hope of the Atlantic Rotary Club that this cabin would typify the early history in Cass County and in the State of Iowa."

Another story told about Atlantic is the way main street was located. Someone asked Whitney where it should be placed. He marked the center at current day 6th and Chestnut and then plowed two furrows 100 feet (30 m) apart all the way up to the railroad, just north of Second Street.

Since 1929, Atlantic is noted for the Atlantic Coca-Cola Bottling Company, who bottles and distributes drinks from The Coca-Cola Company to southwestern and central Iowa.

### 2010 CENSUS

As of the census of 2010, there were 7,112 people, 3,137 households, and 1,906 families residing in the city. The population density was 854.8 inhabitants per square mile (330.0/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 3,399 housing units at an average density of 408.5 per square mile (157.7/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 97.0% White, 0.2% African American, 0.3% Native American, 0.3% Asian, 0.5% Pacific Islander, 1.0% from other races, and 0.6% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 2.6% of the population.

There were 3,137 households of which 26.8% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 47.0% were married couples living together, 9.9% had a female householder with no husband

present, 3.9% had a male householder with no wife present, and 39.2% were non-families. 34.3% of all households were made up of individuals and 15.7% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.21 and the average family size was 2.80.

The median age in the city was 44.3 years. 22.6% of residents were under the age of 18; 7.1% were between the ages of 18 and 24; 20.9% were from 25 to 44; 27.1% were from 45 to 64; and 22% were 65 years of age or older. The gender makeup of the city was 47.9% male and 52.1% female.

### 2000 CENSUS

As of the census of 2000, there were 7,257 people, 3,126 households, and 1,969 families residing in the city. The population density was 890.4 people per square mile (343.8/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 3,354 housing units at an average density of 411.5 per square mile (158.9/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 98.65% White, 0.25% African American, 0.12% Native American, 0.22% Asian, 0.06% Pacific Islander, 0.41% from other races, and 0.29% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 0.79% of the population.

There were 3,126 households out of which 28.5% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 51.0% were married couples living together, 8.8% had a female householder with no husband present, and 37.0% were non-families. 33.7% of all households were made up of individuals and 18.0% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.22 and the average family size was 2.81.

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The Cass County Environmental Control Agency is a 28E governmental entity that is made up of 2 representatives from the Cass County Board of Supervisors, 2 from the City of Atlantic and 1 from all other member cities in Cass County. The board consists of 11 members who share the responsibility in maintaining the daily operations of the landfill.

Prior to the purchase, the Agency had invested monies into the groundwater wells drilled on the property, engineering fees and other expenses related to the benefit of the Cass County public. They felt they wanted to protect their investment by controlling the future of the landfill for Cass County residents.

The Agency contracted for a short time with a private operator until employees could be hired and licensed to operate. The Cass County Engineer's office played a key role in maintaining the administrative and engineering tasks required of the landfill.

At the time of the purchase, Eastern Pottawattamie County (Hancock Transfer Station – including Hancock, Oakland and Walnut) was transferring waste into the Cass County Landfill for disposal. They chose shortly after our purchase to transfer their mate-

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rials to another facility. This decrease in waste transferred (approximately 7000 tons) into the Cass County Landfill left a major deficiency in our operating income.

Tonnage fees were adjusted to offset the loss of revenue. Due to increased demands from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (including requirements for deposits of closure/post closure monies and implementation of recycling programs) over the early 90's, fees were once again adjusted. Also at the time of the purchase, member cities and the county were paying a per capita fee to the landfill (city and county assessments - approximately \$ 50,000 yearly). It was decided that the landfill needed to become self-sufficient and those per capita fees were ceased. The Cass County Landfill became totally reliant on fees charged for waste disposed. Since that time all operational funds have come from 100% user fees. There is no tax money subsidizing this operation.

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## 2010 CENSUS

As of the census of 2010, there were 972 people, 427 households, and 266 families residing in the city. The population density was 571.8 inhabitants per square mile (220.8/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 488 housing units at an average density of 287.1 per square mile (110.8/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 99.5% White, 0.2% Asian, 0.1% from other races, and 0.2% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 0.6% of the population.

There were 427 households of which 25.3% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 46.8% were married couples living together, 11.0% had a female householder with no husband present, 4.4% had a male householder with no wife present, and 37.7% were non-families. 32.6% of all households were made up of individuals and 13.8% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.19 and the average family size was 2.72.

The median age in the city was 47.4 years. 20.9% of residents were under the age of 18; 6.3% were between the ages of 18 and 24; 18.6% were from 25 to 44; 30.6% were from 45 to 64; and 23.4% were 65 years of age or older. The gender makeup of the city was 49.8% male and 50.2% female.

## 2000 CENSUS

As of the census of 2000, there were 1,049 people, 454 households, and 285 families residing in the city. The population density was 612.1 people per square mile (236.9/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 492 housing units at an average density of 287.1 per square mile (111.1/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 99.24% White, 0.19% Native American, 0.10% Asian, and 0.48% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 0.48% of the population.

There were 454 households out of which 26.4% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 51.1% were married couples living together, 9.3% had a female householder with no husband present, and 37.2% were non-families. 33.7% of all households

were made up of individuals and 19.2% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.21 and the average family size was 2.81.

In the city, the population was spread out with 21.5% under the age of 18, 6.9% from 18 to 24, 24.0% from 25 to 44, 22.0% from 45 to 64, and 25.5% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 44 years. For every 100 females, there were 92.1 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 83.3 males.

The median income for a household in the city was \$28,984, and the median income for a family was \$42,578. Males had a median income of \$28,393 versus \$20,223 for females. The per capita income for the city was \$15,672. About 5.5% of families and 8.1% of the population were below the poverty line, including 8.9% of those under age 18 and 10.5% of those age 65 or over.

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Fees once again in 1995 were adjusted, and after a 10 year freeze, were raised July 1, 2005.

Around the same time as the purchase of the landfill, the IDNR put into effect its waste abatement program. The DNR mandated all landfills to meet a 25% reduction goal in waste going into the landfill by 1995. This reduction was based on a base year of waste in 1988. They also mandated that all landfills reduce waste by 50% by 2000. Cass County has met the 25% reduction goals as mandated by IDNR but very few in the state met the 50% goal. Even though we continue to recycle more yearly, the formula that DNR calculates on is based on what is landfilled.

Over the years, recycling has continued to boom. More recycling boxes were added to the county-wide program for the ease of use for the public. Marketing of the recyclable goods continues to be a large part of the operations, as materials are required to be processed and baled for cost effective shipping. Most recyclables are processed and sent to facilities for recycling within the State of Iowa. Some are shipped to more lucrative markets outside Iowa. The revenues earned from marketing these materials are applied back to the programs for future growth.

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# Did You Know?

Cass County is named in honor of Lewis Cass, a Michigan senator and an unsuccessful Democratic candidate for the presidency in 1848. The county was established within its present boundaries in 1851 and originated in 1853. Religious persecution was responsible for bringing the first people of European ancestry to Cass County. The Mormons, fleeing from Illinois, were the earliest settlers, and established a community at Indiantown in 1846.

At Indiantown, two of the three commissioners selected to locate a county seat were chosen. The site they chose was one mile (1.6 km) from Indiantown and named Lewis. Most of the people and businesses in Indian Town moved to Lewis shortly after it was laid out. In 1856, a frame courthouse was built, and eight years later a small stone building was completed for the county treasurer's office. In 1857, there was an attempt to relocate the county seat to Grove City; it was unsuccessful. On October 20, 1869, after a due canvass of the vote on the re-location of the county seat, the Board declared the city of Atlantic the county seat and ordered the county officers to that place.

In 1872, the first courthouse built in Atlantic was completed. Until it was completed county offices were held in various empty buildings. Ten years later the county built its second courthouse at Atlantic. The \$65,000 building was

destroyed by a fire in 1932. The fire started in the clock tower and gutted all of the second floor. Most of the county records and equipment were saved.

The present, fourth, courthouse was completed in 1934. While it was being built, county offices were located in the Atlantic Motors building, where an attempted robbery of the treasurer's safe took place. The robbers were interrupted and escaped, but without any money. The final cost of the fourth courthouse was \$130,000: \$65,000 came from a county bond issue, \$46,500 from insurance and the remaining was covered by a Public Works Administration federal grant. The concrete and brick building is three stories high. It was dedicated on December 26, 1934, with the main speaker being the Governor of Iowa, Clyde L. Herring. The Board of Supervisors approved a new jail addition, which was dedicated in 1984.



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There is still some disagreement on how Cumberland got its name. Since several eastern cities were named Cumberland, it's likely an early settler named the new town after his home in the east.

By 1890, Cumberland had a population of 400 people and early businesses included, grocery stores, wagon makers,

blacksmiths, drug stores, harness makers, dressmakers and milliners, hard-ware stores, furniture stores, lumber yards, banks, barber shops, a creamery, hotel, livery barns, etc. A brick plant began operation in 1897 and operated until 1914. Several buildings still stand that were made of local brick.

In 1897, a telephone line was run between Cumberland and the coal mining community of Briscoe, eight miles south. With a change of name, the telephone company continues to this day.

After the 1902 fire that destroyed most of the buildings on the east side of main street, a wooden water tower was built south of the school house and water mains were installed that served part of the City. In 1915, a larger steel water tower was

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constructed and additional mains added. The present steel tower holds 75,000 gallons and was built in 1979.

In the early days a flagpole on Main Street was used to notify the citizens of expected weather.

Early street lighting was by gas. In 1915, Jim White got the first franchise for furnishing electric power to the community.

The local farmers cooperative, now called 21st Century, was organized in 1919.

In 1920, another fire burned the wooden building on the west side of Main Street, leaving three buildings standing. One of the buildings that was destroyed was the three-story Opera House where silent movies were shown and Billy Sunday and William Jennings Bryan spoke. During the heyday of Chau-tauqua, week-long programs of entertainment and "uplift" were presented in tents at Asa Sherwin's pasture, site of the present City Park.

The City's outstanding Volunteer Fire Department was organized in 1935.

In a highly-publicized robbery of the Cumberland Savings Bank, on February 12, 1935, the robbers took \$1,050.

For many years Cumberland was served by two passenger trains daily - affectionately named the Cumberland Rose. In the 1960s passenger trains were discontinued, but freight trains continued to haul freight to and from the City until the early 1980s.

In 1984, the City celebrated its Centennial (100 years) with a week of programs and activities.

In 2009 the City of Cumberland celebrated their Quasiquintennial (125 years) with a weekend long celebration including a parade around the City.

According to the 2010 Census the City of Cumberland has a

population of 262 with 116 households and 66 families.

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## 2010 CENSUS

As of the census of 2010, there were 120 people, 52 households, and 37 families residing in the city. The population density was 210.5 inhabitants per square mile (81.3/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 64 housing units at an average density of 112.3 per square mile (43.4/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 99.2% White and 0.8% from two or more races.

There were 52 households of which 25.0% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 57.7% were married couples living together, 7.7% had a female householder with no husband present, 5.8% had a male householder with no wife present, and 28.8% were non-families. 25.0% of all households were made up of individuals and 3.8% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.31 and the average family size was 2.78.

The median age in the city was 44 years. 21.7% of residents were under the age of 18; 8.4% were between the ages of 18 and 24; 22.4% were from 25 to 44; 37.4% were from 45 to 64; and 10% were 65 years of age or older. The gender makeup of the city was 48.3% male and 51.7% female.

## 2000 CENSUS

As of the census of 2000, there were 149 people, 62 households, and 39 families residing in the city. The population density was 259.5 people per square mile (100.9/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 68 housing units at an average density of 118.4 per square mile (46.1/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 97.32% White, 0.67% Native American, and 2.01% from two or more races.

There were 62 households out of which 32.3% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 53.2% were married couples living together, 8.1% had a female householder with no husband present, and 35.5% were non-families. 32.3% of all households were made up of individuals and 11.3% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.40 and the average family size was 3.03.

In the city, the population was spread out with 25.5% under the age of 18, 8.7% from 18 to 24, 29.5% from 25 to 44, 22.1% from 45

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## 2010 CENSUS

As of the census of 2010, there were 433 people, 183 households, and 119 families residing in the city. The population density was 866.0 inhabitants per square mile (334.4/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 200 housing units at an average density of 400.0 per square mile (154.4/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 96.8% White, 1.2% Native American, 0.2% from other races, and 1.8% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 1.4% of the population. There were 183 households of which 26.2% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 50.3% were married couples living together, 9.3% had a female householder with no husband present, 5.5% had a male householder with no wife present, and 35.0% were non-families. 28.4% of all households were made up of individuals and 13.1% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.37 and the average family size was 2.83. The median age in the city was 45.8 years. 23.1% of residents were un-

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der the age of 18; 6.4% were between the ages of 18 and 24; 18.1% were from 25 to 44; 37.2% were from 45 to 64; and 15.2% were 65 years of age or older. The gender makeup of the city was 50.3% male and 49.7% female.

### 2000 CENSUS

As of the census of 2000, there were 438 people, 190 households, and 128 families residing in the city. The population density was 876.0 people per square mile (338.2/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 196 housing units at an average density of 392.0 per square mile (151.4/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 99.32% White, 0.23% Native American, 0.23% from other races, and 0.23% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 0.23% of the population.

There were 190 households out of which 31.6% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 55.8% were married couples living together, 7.9% had a female householder with no husband present, and 32.6% were non-families. 31.1% of all households were made up of individuals and 19.5% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.31 and the average family size was 2.85.

In the city, the population was spread out with 25.6% under the age of 18, 4.1% from 18 to 24, 24.0% from 25 to 44, 28.5% from 45 to 64, and 17.8% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 42 years. For every 100 females, there were 95.5 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 90.6 males.

The median income for a household in the city was \$30,114, and the median income for a family was \$36,563. Males had a median income of \$29,219 versus \$19,917 for females. The per capita income for the city was \$14,316.

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## 2010 CENSUS

As of the census of 2010, there were 355 people, 161 households, and 97 families residing in the city. The population density

was 514.5 inhabitants per square mile (198.6/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 191 housing units at an average density of 276.8 per square mile (106.9/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 99.4% White, 0.3% African American, and 0.3% from other races.

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There were 161 households of which 24.2% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 50.3% were married couples living together, 9.3% had a female householder with no husband present, 0.6% had a male householder with no wife present, and 39.8% were non-families. 34.8% of all households were made up of individuals and 17.4% had someone living

alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.20 and the average family size was 2.91.

The median age in the city was 44.3 years. 24.2% of residents were under the age of 18; 5.7% were between the ages of 18 and 24; 20.7% were from 25 to 44; 30.1% were from 45 to 64; and 19.4% were 65 years of age or older. The gender makeup of the city was 50.4% male and 49.6% female.

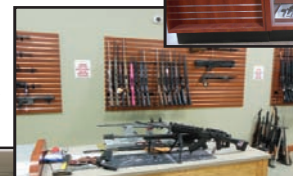
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## 2000 CENSUS

As of the census of 2000, there were 414 people, 182 households, and 113 families residing in the city. The population density was 595.3 people per square mile (228.4/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 193 housing units at an average density of 277.5 per square mile (106.5/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 99.76% White (413 people), and 0.24% from two or more races (1 person). Hispanic or Latino of any race were 0.24% of the population (1 person).

There were 182 households out of which 25.8% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 53.3% were married couples living together, 5.5% had a female householder with no husband present, and 37.4% were non-families. 34.1% of all households were made up of individuals and 22.0% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.27 and the average family size was 2.88.

In the city, the population was spread out with 23.2% under the age of 18, 7.5% from 18 to 24, 25.8% from 25 to 44, 22.2% from 45 to 64, and 21.3% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 41 years. For every 100 females, there were 97.1 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 90.4 males.

The median income for a household in the city was \$30,625, and the median income for a family was \$43,173. Males had a median income of \$31,319 versus \$20,909 for females. The per capita income for the city was \$15,012. About 8.4% of families and 10.6% of the population were below the poverty line, including 11.4% of those under age 18 and 10.0% of those age 65 or over.

## HISTORY

The city of Massena was platted by the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad on land purchased from A. Vredenburg in 1883 and 1884 that included most of Section 33 of Cass County. The incorporated city was platted in 1886. The first meeting of the city council was on March 21, 1887 and a special election was held on December 10, 1887 to enlarge the corporate limits to include all of section 33. The city was platted with the name of "Smith", but the post office authorities refused the name because of another city with a similar spelling.

Lume A. Stone, an American Civil War soldier from Massena, New York, suggested Massena after his hometown, and thus the name of the township and town. Massena, New York was named after a French Marshal under Napoleon, Andre Massena.



Massena Restored Gas Station

## CULTURE

The Massena Historical Society restored, maintains and gives tours of a country school house, a barber shop and a gas station. The country school house, Victoria No. 8, was brought in to town from Victoria Township. Every 3 July the local volunteer fire department sponsors a street dance on Main Street to raise money for the fire department funds. The annual Fontanelle & Massena Independence Day parade is alternated between Massena and the community of Fontanelle, Iowa. Baseball has a strong tradition in Massena. Massena's local team is the Massena Red Sox, formally the Cumberland Red Sox, which has been in existence since the 1920s.

## EDUCATION

Massena was home of the Massena School District until 1959 when it reorganized with the city of Cumberland, Iowa to create the C & M Community School District. In 2003 the C & M Community School District started whole grade sharing with the Anita Community School District of Anita, Iowa, going under the name of CAM for Cumberland, Anita and Massena. C & M and Anita reorganized in 2010 to create the CAM Community School District. Massena is currently the home of the CAM Middle School and C & M Elementary. CAM High School is in Anita where there is also an elementary school.

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- Neville Brand, Griswold, IA (born Lawrence Neville Brand; August 13, 1920 – April 16, 1992) was an American television and film actor. He was also a highly decorated World War II American combat soldier.
- Jack Edwin Drake, Walnut, IA (July 29, 1934 – October 11, 2015) was an American politician in the Iowa State Representative from the 21st District. A Republican, he served in the Iowa House of Representatives from 1993 until his death. Drake was born and raised near Walnut, Iowa and lived in Griswold. Drake attended the University of Iowa.
- William G. Cambridge, Atlantic, IA (December 13, 1931 – September 30, 2004) was a United States District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska.
- Warren N. Gaer, Atlantic, IA (February 7, 1912 – January 13, 1997) was an American football player and coach. He served as the head football coach at Pepperdine College—now known as Pepperdine University—from 1946 to 1948 and Drake University from 1949 to 1958, compiling a career college football record of 64–49–2.
- Richard Michael “Rick” Heiserman, Atlantic, IA (born February 22, 1973) is former Major League Baseball pitcher. Heiserman played for the St. Louis Cardinals in 1999.
- George Beckwith Hitchcock (1812–1872) was an American involved in housing slaves on their way to freedom. His house in Lewis, Iowa, now a National Historic Landmark, was part of the Underground Railroad.

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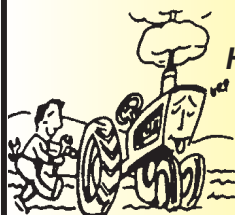
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- Guy Sumner Lowman, Griswold, IA (May 1877 – September 14, 1943) was an American football, basketball, and baseball coach and a player of baseball
- Lois Meredith, Atlantic, IA (June 26, 1897 – January 15, 1967) was a silent film and theatre actress.
- Ethel Theresa Wead Mick, Atlantic, IA (March 9, 1881 – February 21, 1957) is the founder of the Masonic girls' organization The International Order of Job's Daughters (now known as Job's Daughters International) and served as its first Supreme Guardian.
- Stuart Pratt Sherman, Anita, IA (1881–1926) was an American literary critic, educator and journalist known for his philosophical "feud" with H. L. Mencken.
- Michael Peterson, Atlantic, IA (born November 29, 1982) is a former American football tight end. He was signed by the Green Bay Packers as an undrafted free agent in 2008.

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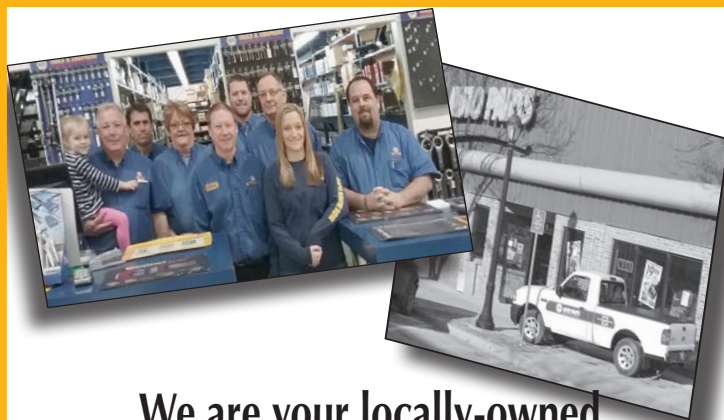
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**2010 CENSUS**

As of the census of 2010, there were 116 people, 59 households, and 35 families residing in the city. The population density was 362.5 inhabit-

There were 59 households of which 13.6% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 45.8% were married couples living together, 5.1% had a female householder with no husband present, 8.5% had a male householder with no wife present, and 40.7% were non-families. 33.9% of all households were made up of individuals and 10.2% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 1.97 and the average family size was 2.37.

The median age in the city was 50 years. 12.1% of residents were under the age of 18; 5.9%

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## ATLANTIC AREA

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were between the ages of 18 and 24; 17.2% were from 25 to 44; 40.6% were from 45 to 64; and 24.1% were 65 years of age or older. The gender makeup of the city was 57.8% male and 42.2% female.

### 2000 CENSUS

As of the census of 2000, there were 149 people, 67 households, and 44 families residing in the city. The population density was 469.6 people per square mile (179.8/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 80 housing units at an average density of 252.1 per square mile (96.5/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the city was 100.00% White.

There were 67 households out of which 29.9% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 47.8% were married couples living together, 9.0% had a female householder with no husband present, and 34.3% were non-families. 26.9% of all households were made up of individuals and 11.9% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.22 and the average family size was 2.59.



Wiota Fire Department  
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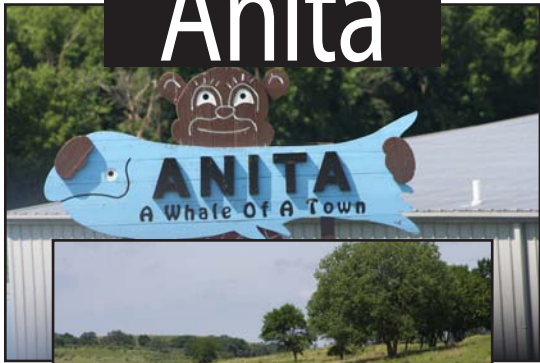
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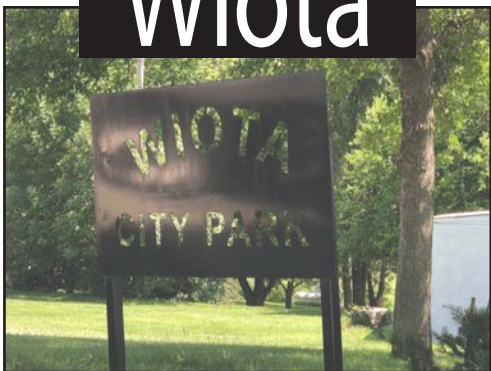
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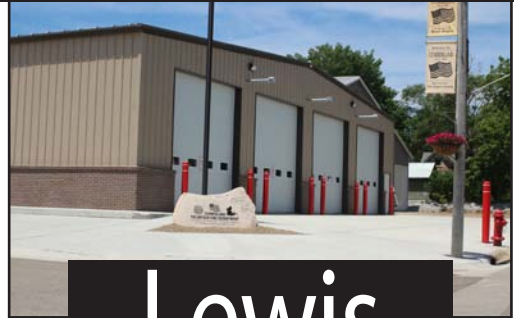
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