Welcome

Located at the junction of Cedar and Muscatine Counties, Iowa, Wilton is a community whose residents have the opportunity to enjoy the many advantages of Iowa’s larger cities, as well as the comforts and security of Eastern Iowa. Despite being an idyllic and safe community with small town values, Wilton has numerous amenities including an indoor swimming pool, four parks, a country club, and numerous other events and attractions. In terms of industry, Wilton is currently developing a new industrial park, contains numerous large-scale employers such as Gerdau Ameristeel, GDS Global, and Wilton Precision Steel, and has a city-wide tax rate less than nearby communities, West Liberty and Muscatine. Additionally, Wilton has competitive public schools characteristic of the State of Iowa, with a student-teach ratio of 14 to 1, and a high school graduation rate of nearly 92%. Wilton is also fortunate to have numerous historical attractions, including the former Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific Railroad Depot and the Wilton Candy Kitchen, one of the oldest ice cream parlors in the world.

Location

Just three miles south of Interstate 80, which traverses the U.S. from coast to coast, Wilton is within easy driving distance of Muscatine, the Quad Cities, and Iowa City. In terms of regional commuting options, U.S. Highway 6, State Highway 38, and Muscatine County Highway F 58, all provide easy access to nearby metro areas, and the city’s location also benefits from freight firms local to Wilton, in addition to easy access to the Eastern Iowa Airport, Muscatine Municipal Airport, and the Quad Cities International Airport. The 300 mile market includes the seven major metropolitan areas of Chicago, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Milwaukee, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Omaha and St. Louis, reaching a total area population of 39 million. As for quality of life, residents have the benefits of being nestled nearby the Mississippi and Cedar Rivers, and the American Discovery Trail, the Missisipi River Trail, and the Wiese Slough Wildlife Area, in addition to many cultural offerings in nearby Muscatine, Iowa City, and the Quad Cities.
Demographics

Population

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Households

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Age

Age Cohorts

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Median Age

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Educational Attainment

For the Population Age 25 and Over

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<td>Bachelors degree</td>
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Race

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Hispanic or Latino Origin

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Income

Household Income

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Median Household Income (City of Wilton) ............................................. $53,787
Median Household Income (Iowa) .......................................................... $52,406
Median Household Income (U.S.) .......................................................... $52,076

Transportation

Air Service

Eastern Iowa Airport (CID)
Distance from Wilton .................................................. 52 miles
Daily Flights ............................................................... 30
Major Airlines .............................................................. 4
Non-Stop Cities ............................................................. 11
Fixed Base Operator ...................................................... Yes
Air Cargo Carriers ......................................................... 3

Quad Cities International Airport (MLI)
Distance from Wilton ...................................................... 38 miles
Daily Flights ............................................................... 50
Major Airlines .............................................................. 5
Non-Stop Cities ............................................................. 10
Fixed Base Operator ...................................................... Yes
Air Cargo Carriers ......................................................... 3

Muscatine Municipal Airport (MUT)
Distance from Wilton ...................................................... 23 miles
General Aviation Provider ................................................ Yes
Fixed Base Operator ...................................................... Yes

Iowa City Municipal Airport (IOW)
Distance from Wilton ...................................................... 35 miles
General Aviation Provider ................................................ Yes
Fixed Base Operator ...................................................... Yes

Source: Individual air service providers, 2014.

Rail Service

Freight
Iowa Interstate Railroad .... through Wilton.

Passenger
AMTRAK................................................................. 4 stations within 1 hour, 15 minutes
(Burlington, IA • Mt. Pleasant, IA • Galesburg, IL • Kewanee, IL)
Source: Google Maps, 2015.

Utilities

Residential Electricity - Wilton Municipal Light and Power System
Industrial Park Electricity - Eastern Iowa Light and Power
Natural Gas - MidAmerican Energy
Water, Sewer, and Garbage - City of Wilton
Phone, Internet, and CATV - WTC Communications
The City of Wilton provides water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer infrastructure within the corporate limits of Wilton. The City has two water towers with 800,000 gallons of capacity and will waive hook-up fees for prospective companies, with the exception of the water meter which cost between $600 - $700. The City also provides sewer service and will waive hook-up fees in the new industrial park.
Commercial refuse collection is provided for city and company owned dumpsters and recycling pick-up is available at no additional charge. Electricity is provided by MidAmerican Energy.

Competitive Utility Rates
Utility Rates

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<td>Next 750 therms</td>
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Road Freight Service

Interstate 80 • U.S. Highway 6 • State Highway 38

Trucking Carriers
Wilton: Becker Trucking • D and C Express • Ellsworth Trucking • Larry Jenkins Trucking • Michael Martin Trucking • R H Hummer Jr, Inc. • R & J Express • Timothy A White Trucking
West Liberty: Craig A Jones Trucking • Florilli Transportation • South 6 Trucking
Iowa City: Brookstone Logistics • Central Transport • Cirle K Transportation • D Garringer Trucking • Farr Transport • Hawkeye Courier Express • Lineage Logistics • Metro Transport • Republic Services of Iowa • Riley Warehousing • Rittenmeyer Trucking • Sharkey Transportation • STS Transportation Services • Swift Transportation • Zook Transportation
Muscatine: Commercial Transport, Inc. • Corn Belt Express • Curry’s Transportation Services, Inc. • Daufeldt Transport, Inc. • Galaxy Trucking • Holladay Trucking • JRBC Target, Inc. • Lindle Enterprises • Morgan Trucking Co. • Newcomb Warehouse, Inc. • On time Delivery • P & W Trucking • Robert Brans, Inc. • Robison Trucking • Ruan Transport • SwiftTransportation • Tantara Transportation • Thompson Trucking • Total Freight Solutions

Water Freight Service

Mississippi River - Lock and Dam No. 16 near Muscatine, IA, approximately 15 miles; 9-foot channel, 10-month navigation season

International Trade Services

International Trade Services located 30 miles east of Wilton in the Quad Cities Area:
Computerized Paired Port System • Customs Bonded Motor Carriers • Customs House Brokers/International Freight Forwarders • Foreign Trade Zone #133 • U.S. Customs Port of Entry
Source: US Customs & Border Protection office, Quad Cities Port of Entry, 2014

Media

Local Newspapers: Wilton-Durant Advocate News

Regional Newspapers: Muscatine Journal, Iowa City Press Citizen, Cedar Rapids Gazette, Quad City Times, Des Moines Register

Radio Stations (within 20 miles):
KALA (88.5 FM; Davenport, IA; Owner: St. Ambrose University)
KSUI (91.7 FM; Iowa City, IA; Owner: The University of Iowa)
KMAC (92.5 FM; Muscatine, IA; Owner: Muscatine Seventh-Day Adventist Church)
KMCS (93.1 FM; Muscatine, IA; Owner: Owner: Wwp Broadcasting, Inc.)
KWPC (95.1 FM, AM 860; Muscatine, IA; Owner: Wwp Broadcasting, Inc.)
KBEA (99.7 FM; Muscatine, IA; Owner: Townsquare Media Quad Cities License, LLC)
KTDC (105.3 FM; Muscatine, IA; Owner: Muscatine Educational Association)
**Economy**

### Major Employers

- **Wilton**
  - Gerdau Ameristeel (nearby in Muscatine County) .................. 350
  - CDS Global .......................................................... 310
  - Wilton Community Schools ........................................... 125
  - Eastern Iowa REC (Light & Power Cooperative) ................. 105
  - Wilton Precision Steel ............................................... 100
  - Micro-Surface Finishing Products, Inc. ........................... 89
  - MidAmerican Energy Co. ........................................... 60
  - Hy-Line, North America ............................................. 48
  - Wilton Telephone Co. ................................................ 45
  - J M Mfg Co. .......................................................... 34

- **Muscatine (approx. 20 minutes)**
  - West Liberty Foods .................................................. 850
  - HNI Corporation/The HON Company, Allsteel .................... 3,600
  - Grain Processing/Kent Feeds ...................................... 900
  - Muscatine Community School District ............................. 855
  - Trinity Muscatine (formerly Unity Health Care) ................ 485
  - Hy-Vee Food Store ................................................ 430
  - Monsanto Company .................................................. 400
  - Heinz, U.S.A. ......................................................... 370
  - Musco Sports Lighting ............................................... 320

- **Iowa City (approx. 35 minutes)**
  - University of Iowa .................................................... 18,650
  - University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics ......................... 8,704
  - Iowa City Community School District ............................ 2,346
  - Veterans Health Administration .................................... 1,562
  - Mercy Hospital, Iowa City ......................................... 1,559
  - Pearson Educational Measurement ................................ 1,200
  - ACT, Inc. ............................................................. 1,089

Source: Infogroup USA, 2105; Greater Muscatine Chamber of Commerce & Industry, 2014; Iowa City Area Development Group, 2015; and local employers.

### Taxes

**Federal Taxes Deductible:**
- Corporate - 50%
- Individual - 100%

**State Corporate Income Tax:** Based solely on in-state sales.

**State/Local Sales Tax:** Current state sales tax is 6% with an additional local option sales tax of 1% bringing the total to 7%.

**FY 2013 Revenue from Property Tax** .................. $1,210,862
**FY 2013 Revenue from Tax Increment Financing (TIF)** .... $244,140
**FY 2013 Revenue from Local Option Sales Tax** ............. $293,406
**Total Tax Rate (per $1,000 Assessed Value)** .............. 13.68633

**Actual Valuation (Property within Wilton)** .................. $1,210,862

Source: Muscatine County Assessor’s Office, 2014; Iowa Department of Revenue, 2015; Iowa State Auditor, 2015.

### Workforce

**Laborshed Area Labor Force (Muscatine)** .................. 344,298
**Muscatine County Labor Force** .................. 22,110
**Muscatine County Employed, Muscatine County** .......... 21,150
**Muscatine County Current Unemployment Rate** ........... 4.4%
**Cedar County Labor Force** .................. 11,070
**Cedar County Employed** .................. 10,610
**Cedar County Current Unemployment Rate** ........... 4.1%


### Commuting

**Travel Time to Work**
- Less than 10 minutes ............................................. 33.9%
- 10 to 24 minutes .................................................. 32.3%
- 25 to 35 minutes .................................................. 13.3%
- 35 to 60 minutes .................................................. 18.4%
- 60 or more minutes ............................................... 2.1%
- Mean travel time to work ....................................... 20.7 minutes

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, 2009-2013.

### Retail Sales

**City** ........................................**2013 Population Estimate** ........................................**FY14 Retail Sales**
- Eldora, IA ............................................ 2,714 ........................................ $18,112,889
- Clarion, IA ........................................ 2,791 ........................................ $27,964,627
- **Wilton, IA** ........................................ 2,808 ........................................ $37,286,944
- Tama, IA ............................................... 2,842 ........................................ $29,215,189
- Onawa, IA ........................................... 2,937 ........................................ $30,374,360
- Milford, IA ........................................... 2,979 ........................................ $34,241,700

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program, July 1, 2013; Iowa Department of Revenue, December 2014.

### Employment by Industry for Residents

- Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining - 1.9%
- Manufacturing - 21.0%
- Wholesale trade - 3.5%
- Retail trade - 15.8%
- Other services, except public administration - 4.8%
- Public administration - 4.8%
- Arts, entertainment, recreation, and accommodation and food services - 4.4%
- Educational services, and health care and social assistance - 18.0%
- Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management services - 10.7%
- Finance and insurance, real estate, rental and leasing - 3.8%
- Information - 0.7%
- Transportation and warehousing, and utilities - 9.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates (2009-2013)
Quality of Life

Primary and Secondary Education

Public Schools
Wilton Community School District 7038

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<td>346</td>
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Graduation Rate: 91.94%¹
Student Teacher Ratio: 14 to 1
Average Total Salary per Teacher: $52,359²
Average K-12 Daily Attendance Rate: 94.6%¹

Source: Iowa Department of Education, 2014-15 School Year; except ¹ 2013-14 School Year; ² FY'14.

Private and Parochial Schools
Zion Lutheran School (Pre-K), Cornerstone Christian School (Wilton)
Adventist Christian School • Bishop Hayes Catholic School • Faith Academy • Saints Mary & Mathias Catholic School (Muscatine)


Post-Secondary Education
Institutions of Higher Learning within 50 Miles of Wilton:
Augustana College • Black Hawk College • Coe College • Cornell College • Iowa Wesleyan College • Kirkwood Community College • Muscatine Community College • Palmer College of Chiropractic • Scott Community College • St. Ambrose University • Trinity College of Nursing • University of Iowa • Western Illinois University-Quad Cities

Source: Collegeboard.org, 2015.

Health Care

Family Doctors (Wilton) ................................................................. 4
Dentists (Wilton) ...................................................................... 1
Dentists (Muscatine) ................................................................. 14
Surgeons (Muscatine) ................................................................. 6

Hospitals

Unity Point Health, Trinity - Muscatine........................................ 13 miles .......... 80
University of Iowa Hospitals ......................................................... 34.5 miles .... 718

Source: Unity Point Health, University of Iowa Healthcare, Healthgrades.com

Climate

Average Annual Temperature .................................. 51.8°F ...... 11.0°C
Average Winter Temperature ........................................ 26.4°F ...... -3.1°C
Average Summer Temperature ........................................ 74.3°F ...... 23.5°C
Average Annual Precipitation ........................................ 38.53 in. .... 97.9 cm


Average Home Sales Price

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ACCRA Cost of Living

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* DMRI, IA-IL = Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, Iowa-Illinois Metropolitan Statistical Area
** W-CR, IA = Waterloo-Cedar Rapids, Iowa Metropolitan Statistical Area

Source: The Council for Community and Economic Research (C2ER); 2014 ACCRA Cost of Living Survey.

Lodging

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Meeting Facilities

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Source: City of Wilton, 2014; Muscatine Convention and Visitors Bureau, February 2015.

Wilton High School.
Quality of Place

Parks and Recreation

Four City Parks - Westview, City, Cherrydale, and Elder

With tennis courts, shelters, playground equipment, baseball and softball fields, and an indoor/outdoor community swimming pool in City Park.

Muscatine County Conservation Areas

Cedar Bluffs Recreation Area - 176 acres
Deep Lakes Park - 435 acres
Gedney Lake - 18 acres
Jack Shuger Memorial Park - 4 acres
McKeown Bridge River Access - 7 acres
Muscatine County Discovery Park - 85 acres
Nye Cemetery - 1 acre
Pike Run Wildlife Area - 182 acres
Richardson Wildlife Area - 77 acres
Saulsbury Bridge Recreation Area - 675 acres
Shield Prairie - 80 acres

Mississippi River

Enjoy magnificent views of the nation’s preeminent waterway from the Mark Twain Overlook and a beautiful downtown in nearby Muscatine or take advantage of the many recreational opportunities the Mississippi offers.

Arts and Culture

In nearby Muscatine:

Muscatine Art Center (Located in 1908 Musser Mansion and including the Stanley Gallery) • Muscatine History and Industry Center • Muscatine Center for the Performing Arts • Muscatine Symphony Orchestra • Pearl City Players Theatrical Society • Masquers Community Theatre • Outdoor sculpture and fountains: Folded Circle Arc, Mississippi Harvest, Prayer of Peace, and Mississippi Mist

Wilton Sites

Wilton Depot

This station was built in 1898 when 100 trains would pass through the town daily. After use of the depot by the Rock Island Railroad ended in 1967, the depot was used as a storage building by various individuals. The Wilton Historical Society acquired the depot in 1987, restored it, and turned it into a museum of local history. It is open on weekends through the summer.

Civil War History

In 1861, at the beginning of the Civil War, Wilton men hurried to enlist and the entire county of Muscatine sent more men to war than any other county in Iowa. Later, in April of 1862, the casualty list from the Battle of Shiloh in Tennessee touched every neighborhood in town. Muscatine County remembered these brave young men by putting up monuments and markers throughout the county. As a result, Wilton has its own Civil War Monument at Oakdale Cemetery.

Wilton Candy Kitchen

Built in 1856, this quaint shop is on the National Register of Historic Places and is the oldest working soda fountain in the Midwest.

Famous Citizens

Perry Nelson, 1903 – 1929

Pioneer air mail pilot died in a plane crash while flying mail from New York to Cleveland on December 2, 1929. He was known by his co-pilots as the “King of Airmail Pilots.”

Charles H. Gabriel, 1856 – 1932

One of this country’s most influential and prolific gospel song writers of the twentieth century. Charles would write hymns along with his good friend, Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain).

Grace Noll Crowell, 1877 – 1969

Credited with more than thirty books of prose and poetry. In 1938, she received National recognition when she was given Mother of the Year by New York Poetry Center, One of the Ten most Outstanding Women of America by American Publications, and Honor Poet of the Year by the New York Poetry Center. She was a Poet Laureate of Texas.

Walter Hilgenberg, 1942 – 2008

A professional American football player. Hilgenberg was born in Marshall-town, Iowa. His family moved to Wilton where he grew up and graduated from Wilton High School. He attended the University of Iowa, where he starred on both sides of the line of scrimmage, as a linebacker and as a guard. He played 16 seasons in the National Football League, with the Detroit Lions and Minnesota Vikings.

Bobby Fischer, 1935 –

Songwriter, is known for his songs that were recorded by famous artists such as: Eddy Arnold, George Jones, Conway Twitty, Charlie Pride, Faron Young and Reba McEntire.

Historic Route 6

What do Bonnie & Clyde, Jesse James, Nancy Drew, John Wayne, Jack Kerouac, Gary Cooper, a meteorite strike, and the inventor of barbed wire have in common? U.S. Highway Route 6 in Iowa. Built in one day by 10,000 farmers and businesses across the state, Iowa’s Route 6 is part of the second largest transcontinental highway in America.

US Route 6 runs right through Wilton. Durant-born Mr. Ashton T. Nelson lived and worked in downtown Wilton. In 1922, he planted a 5 mile row of Walnut trees on US Route 6 linking his two home towns (Durant & Wilton). These trees are at the crossing of “Little Elkhorn Creek” and there is a sign which reads, “Walnut Tree Lane”, it is posted on the north side of the highway, east side of the creek.
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