

West Okoboji, IA hail — 9 Aug 2026 recap

Storm date **9 Aug 2026** (CDT). 3 reports ≥ 1.25 in within ~3 miles of the Nominatim place centroid. Max **2.50 in** (tennis ball). Heading/path: **SE**.

On 9 Aug 2026, thunderstorms produced hail up to 2.50 in (tennis ball) at West Okoboji, IA. 3 NOAA/NWS Local Storm Reports of 1.25 in or larger were logged within about 3 miles of the Nominatim West Okoboji centroid, at 4:19 a.m. CDT and 4:25 a.m. CDT. Hail fell on or next to the town street grid (E of the town centroid; ESE of the town centroid; NW of the town centroid). Largest: 2.50 in at 1 NW West Okoboji (4:19 a.m. CDT); 1.75 in at 1 S Arnolds Park (4:20 a.m. CDT); 1.25 in at 2 E Milford (4:25 a.m. CDT). This meets HailDataHub in-town qualify (2+ stones ≥ 1.25 in near the place centroid), not a rural offset or a single-report pin. Storm motion from the timed reports was toward the SE. Chasers and PDR/roof crews tracking the swath would treat West Okoboji as an in-town hit. Census ACS population is 418. Public LSR only — not a damage certificate and not insurance.

Census / ACS

Population: **418** (MOE ± 89) — West Okoboji, IA.

Median household income: **\$66,250** (MOE $\pm 26,886$).

Primary industry / how people make a living (ACS employment by industry): Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management (27%); Educational services, health care, and social assistance (22%).

Median age: **64.5** (MOE ± 6.6).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 2024 5-year. Profile:

<https://censusreporter.org/profiles/16000US1984450/>. Figures are ACS estimates, not invented. If a cell is missing in ACS, it is listed as not published.

NOAA / NWS hail reports (≥ 1.25 in)

Times converted from LSR VALID UTC to local. Miles are haversine to the Nominatim place centroid (43.3533, -95.1625).

LOCAL TIME	LOCATION	SIZE	OBJECT	SOURCE	MILES
4:19 a.m. CDT	1 NW West Okoboji Dickinson County, IA	2.50 in	tennis ball	Public	0.60 mi

LOCAL TIME	LOCATION	SIZE	OBJECT	SOURCE	MILES
4:20 a.m. CDT	1 S Arnolds Park Dickinson County, IA	1.75 in	golf ball	Public	1.65 mi
4:25 a.m. CDT	2 E Milford Dickinson County, IA	1.25 in	half dollar	Public	3.09 mi

Qualify proof: 3 reports, max 2.50 in, centroid miles 0.60–3.09 (threshold ~3 miles).

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NOAA/NWS LSR via IEM. Public reports, not a damage certificate, not insurance, no dollar damage.

Population, income, industry, and age: U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year via Census Reporter / data.census.gov tables B01003, B19013, B01002, C24050. Place match: Census 2025 Gazetteer. Town centroid: Nominatim.

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