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Birmingham Ranks #231 on National Home Value

The most affordable metro in Alabama—why that matters now

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\$240,200

Median Home Value (2024)

Birmingham ranks #231 of 401 U.S. metros on median home value, according to the latest U.S. Census data.

This ranking is not a sign of stagnation—it's a strategic positioning. At \$240,200, Birmingham's median home value sits far below the national average, placing it in the bottom 60% of all U.S. metros. This affordability is not accidental; it reflects deep-rooted structural advantages in labor, land, and cost of living that have been reinforced by the 6th District Federal Reserve's observation of sustained regional resilience in the Southeast.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024 • ALEX Intelligence computation

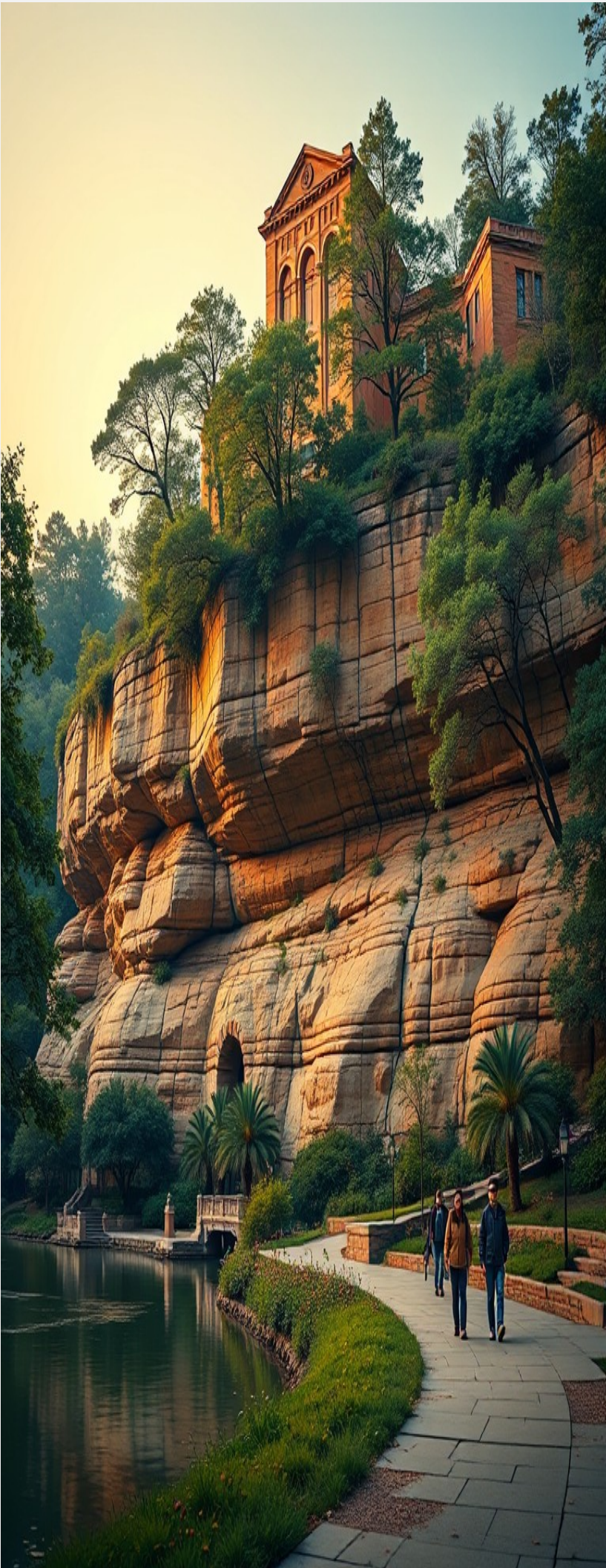
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Affordability as a Strategic Moat

The data from the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024, shows that this affordability is not a temporary anomaly. It is a structural feature of the Birmingham metro, one that aligns with the Atlanta Fed's assessment of Southeastern resilience in housing affordability despite macroeconomic headwinds.



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Affordability Without Sacrifice

The city's leadership shift in Bessemer, with Corietta L. Mitchell's election as mayor, further signals a focus on community-driven growth. These cultural and political trends, combined with stable housing values, reinforce Birmingham's ability to attract and retain talent without inflating prices—something that is rare in a national context where affordability and vibrancy are often traded for one another.

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