

## is there align content too and align items

Yes, in CSS Grid there is both align-content and align-items, and they serve related but distinct purposes:

- align-items controls **how individual grid items are aligned inside their own grid areas vertically** (along the block axis). It sets the default alignment for all grid items within the container and affects each item's position inside its cell.
- align-content controls how the entire grid's rows (tracks) are aligned vertically within the
  grid container when there is extra space on the block axis. It manages the distribution of
  leftover space between the rows inside the container, affecting the whole grid's placement
  vertically.

## **Key distinction:**

- align-items aligns the content within each cell (item-level alignment).
- align-content aligns the *grid structure inside the container* when the total grid height is less than the container height (container-level alignment).

## **Additionally:**

- align-content only has a visible effect if the grid's total height is less than the height of the grid container.
- Common values for both include start, center, end, stretch, space-between, space-around, and space-evenly.

These two properties complement each other, just like justify-items (item horizontal alignment) and justify-content (whole grid horizontal alignment).

In shorthand, place-items corresponds to align-items (vertical) and justify-items (horizontal), while place-content corresponds to align-content (vertical) and justify-content (horizontal).

## References:

- align-content aligns the tracks along the block (vertical) axis inside the grid container [1] [2] [3] [4] [5]
- align-items aligns items inside their grid cells vertically [6] [3] [7].



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