



Taft, California.

Current market data.

10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

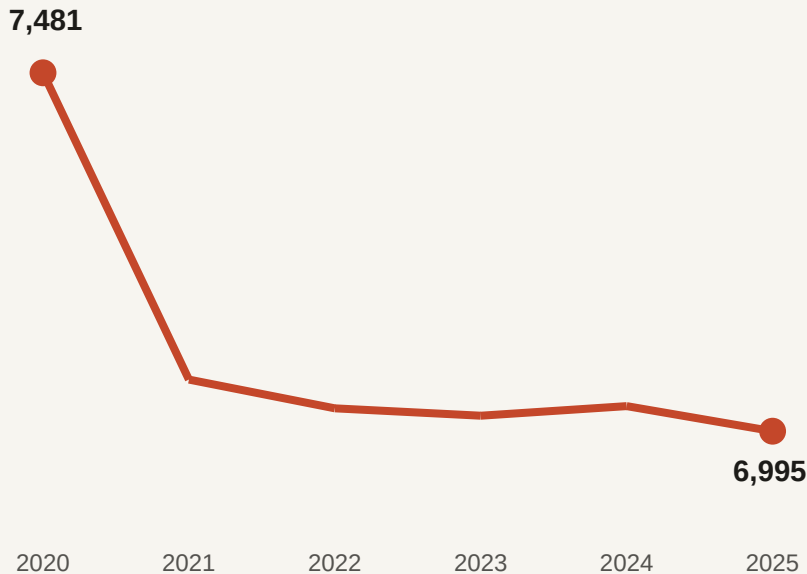


POPULATION

Down 6.5% since 2020.

6,995

people, the 409th-largest of California's cities and towns.

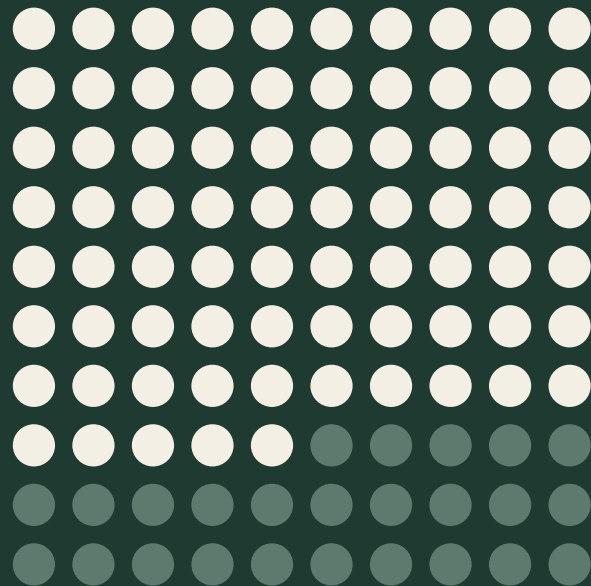


THE WORKDAY

8 in 10 jobs here go to
people who live somewhere
else.

75.2%

of 3,443 jobs located in Taft are filled by in-commuters.



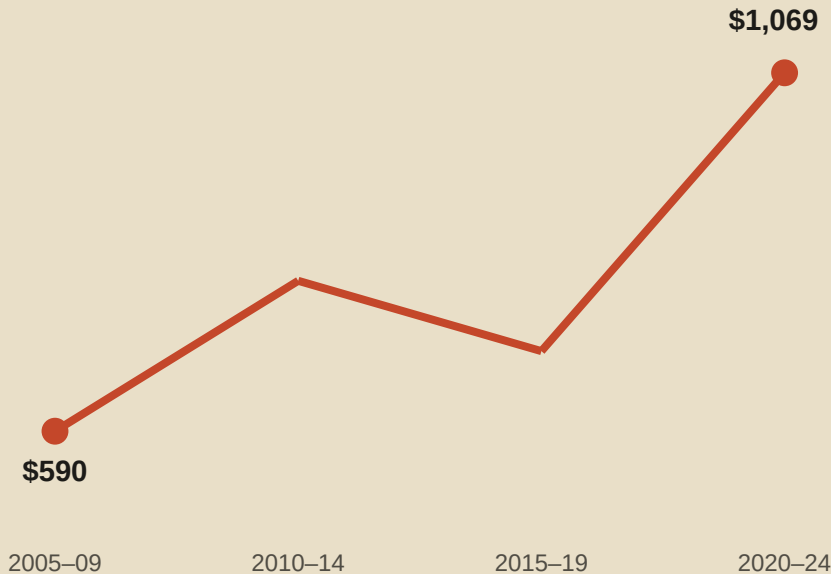
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 81%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,069

a month. California's median is \$2,036.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$2,044 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Kern County.

TRACT 5.10

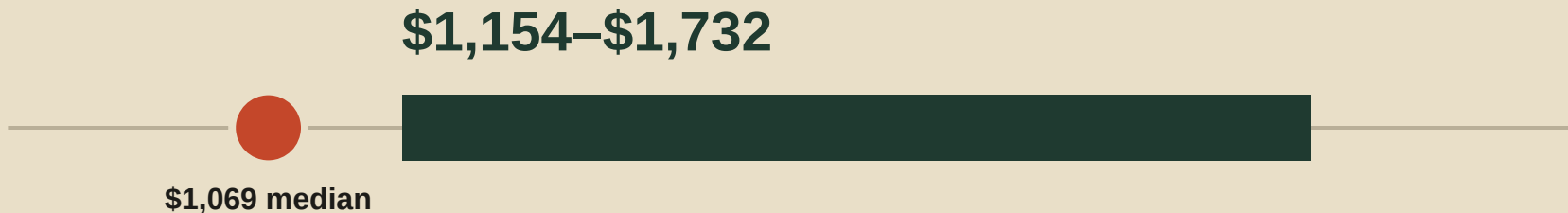
\$1,457

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\$3,501

ROOM TO BUILD

Local wages can carry more rent than the median charged today.



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

66

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

90%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.5–1.2% to the 2,876 homes here.

13–34

is the estimated number of missing housing units, from the lowest to the highest of three estimates.



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 66% less than California's.

\$252,600

median home value in Taft.

Taft



\$252,600

California



\$734,700

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS TAFT'S 2026

Every number came from a public source, with its date.

New Census data usually lands in December. The next Edition follows it.

See this Edition at [**almanacdata.ai/e/ca/taft/**](https://almanacdata.ai/e/ca/taft/)

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