Wheat Ridge, Colorado.

Current market data.

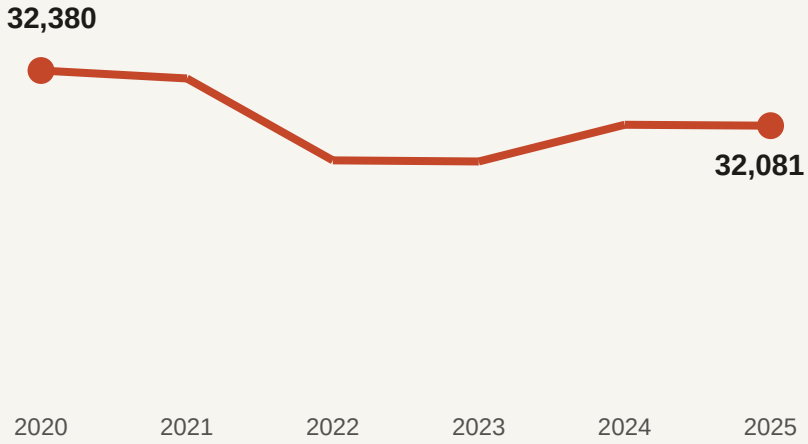
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 0.9% since 2020.

32,081

people, the 26th-largest of Colorado's cities and towns.



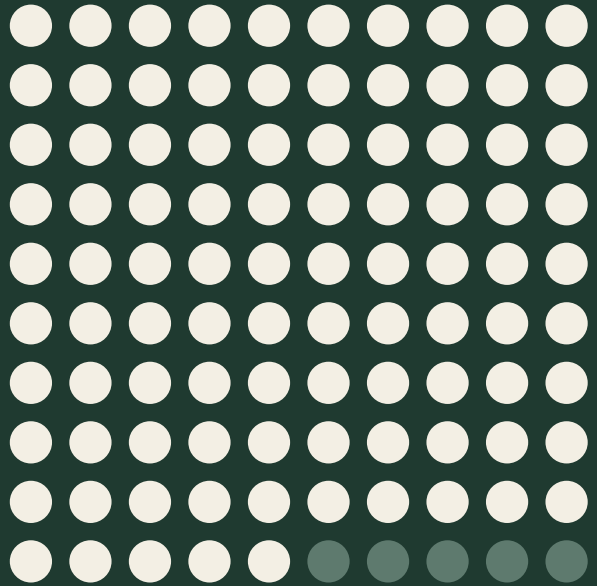
Source: Census Population Estimates, 2025

THE WORKDAY

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

95.0%

of 21,092 jobs located in Wheat Ridge are filled by in-commuters.



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

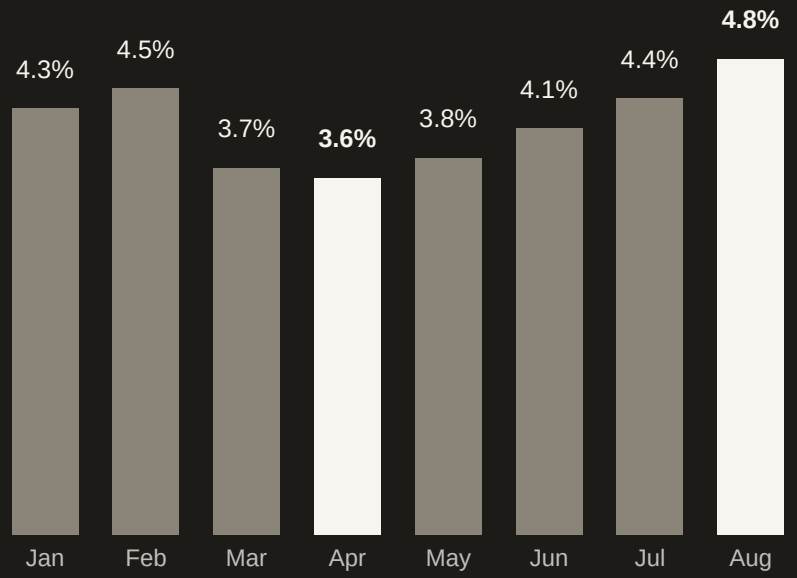
Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April: 3.6%.

4.8%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 4.2%.



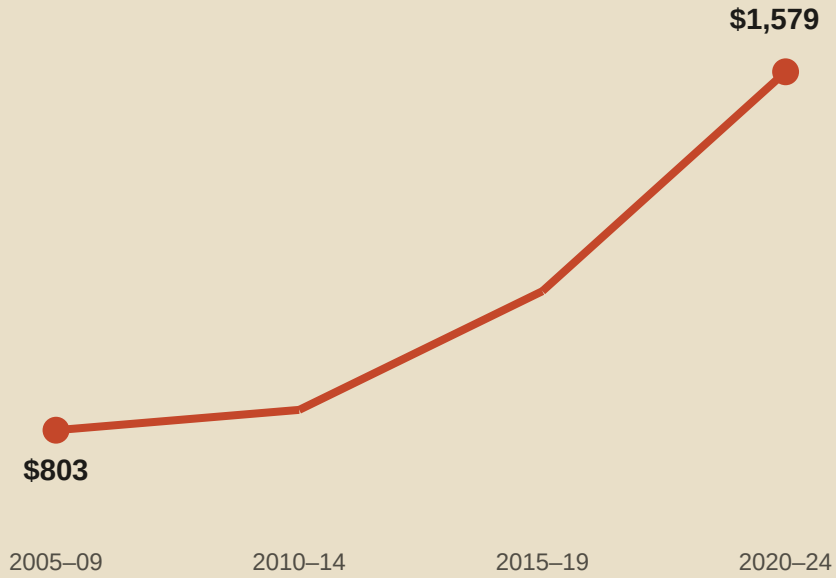
Source: BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2026-08

RENT

Median rent is up 97% since the 2005–2009 survey, before inflation.

$1,579

a month. Colorado's median is $1,761.

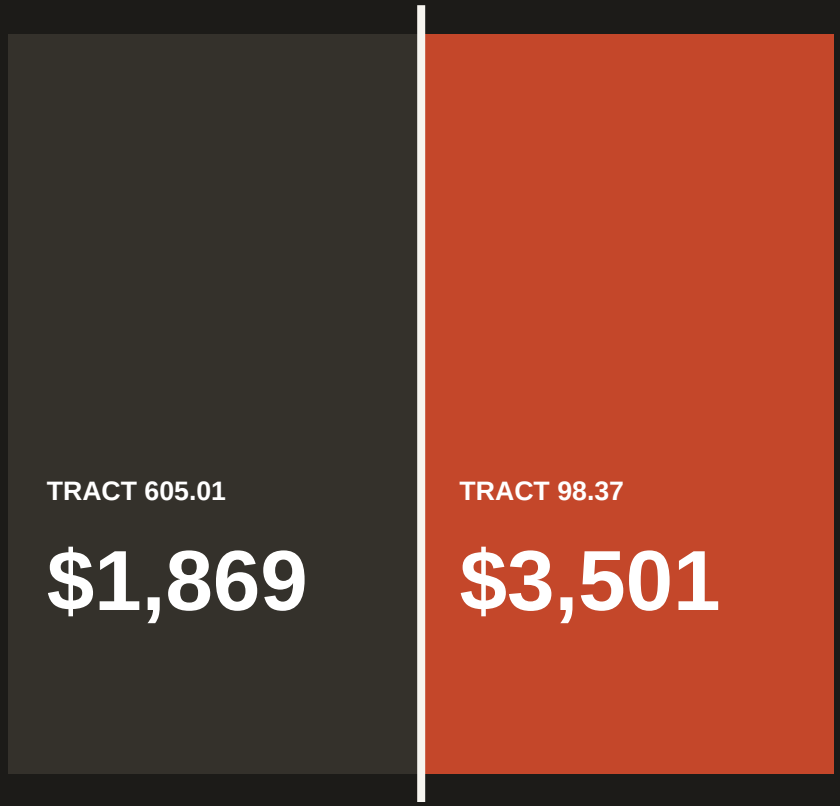


Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps $1,632.

A $1,632 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Jefferson County.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

1,840

homes permitted in ten years, 2016–2025

58%

of those were in multifamily buildings

90%

of all homes were built before 2000

Source: Census Building Permits Survey, 2016-2025; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.4–1.3% to the 15,695 homes here.

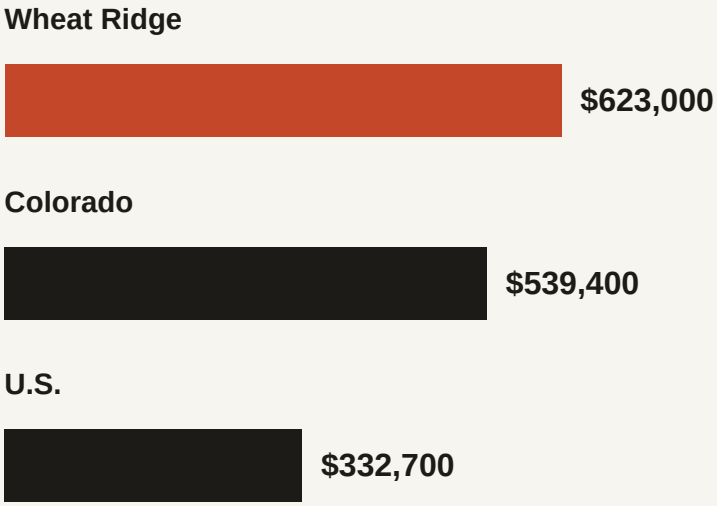
61–211

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

Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023

HOME VALUE

A median home costs 15% more than Colorado's.



$623,000

median home value in Wheat Ridge.

Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THAT WAS WHEAT RIDGE'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/co/wheat-ridge/**