



Dickens, Iowa.

Current market data.

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

POPULATION

Down 1.4% since 2020.

145

people, the 740th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

Every job here goes to
someone who lives
somewhere else.

100.0%

of 70 jobs located in Dickens are filled by in-commuters.



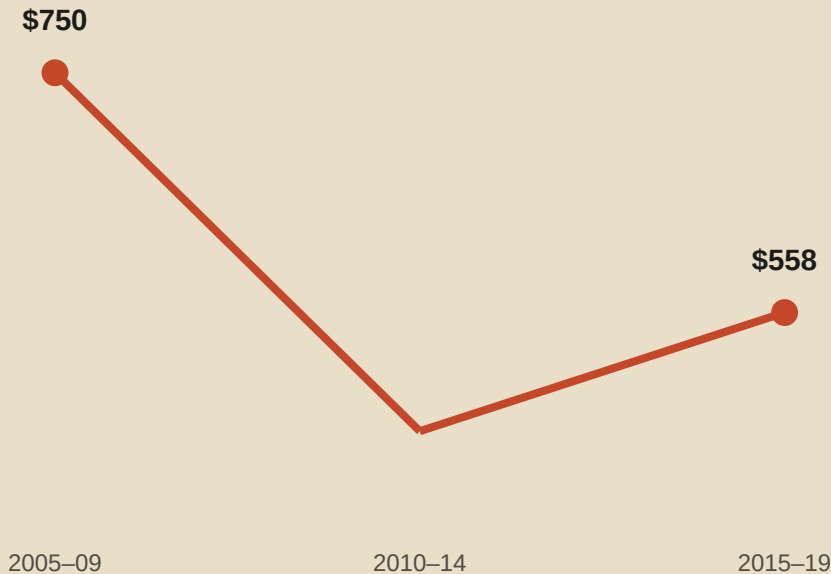
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is down 26%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$558

a month. Iowa's median is \$972.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$134.

A \$134 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Clay County.

TRACT 803.01

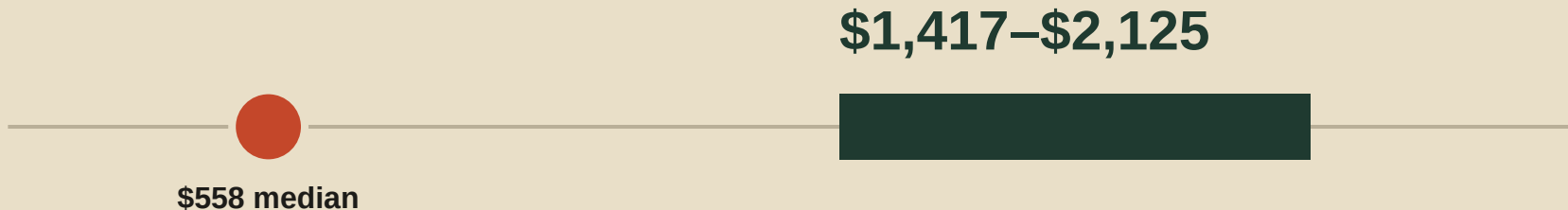
\$718

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\$852

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.

0

homes permitted, 2022–2025

86%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–1% to the 70 homes here.

0–1

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 52%
less than Iowa's.

\$99,300

median home value in Dickens.

Dickens



\$99,300

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700



THAT WAS DICKENS'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/ia/dickens/

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