



Elgin, Iowa.

Current market data.

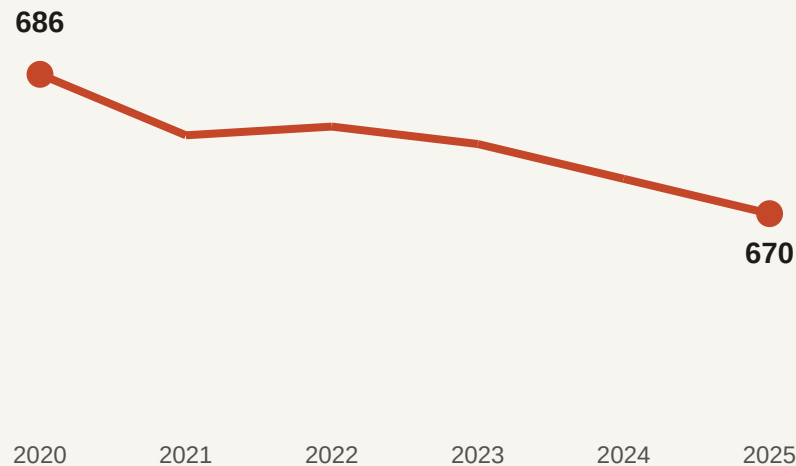
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 2.3% since 2020.

670

people, the 386th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.

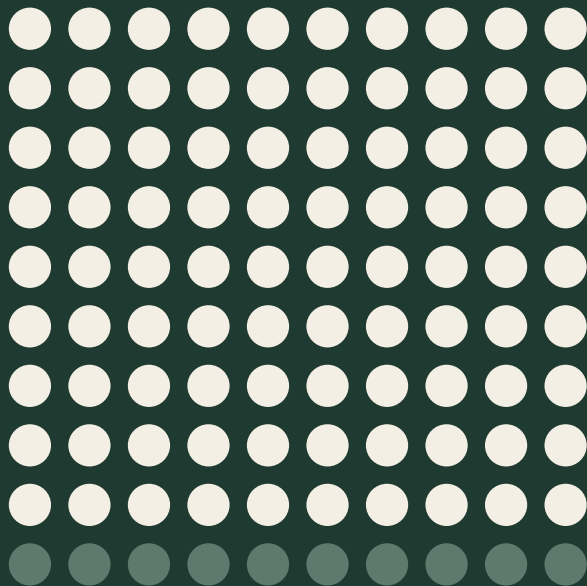


THE WORKDAY

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

90.0%

of 130 jobs located in Elgin are filled by in-commuters.



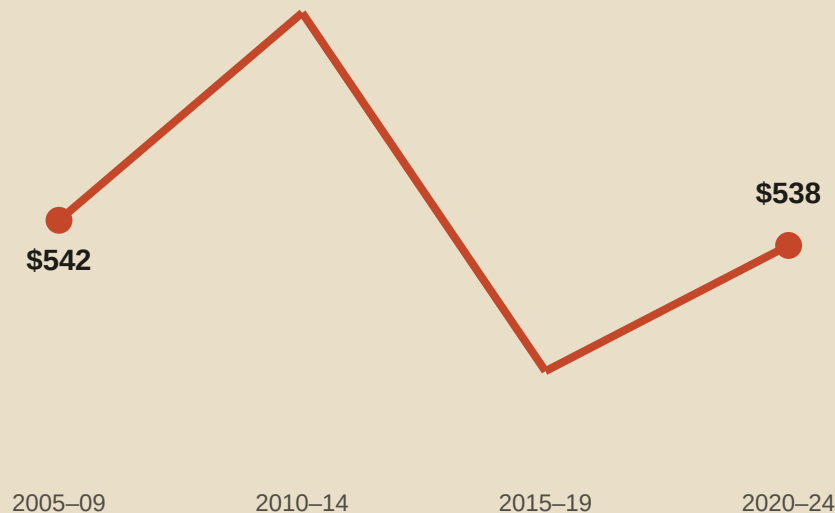
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is down 1%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$538

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$429.

A \$429 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Fayette County.

TRACT 806

\$538

TRACT 801

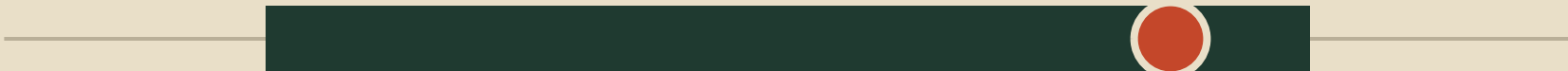
\$967



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$375–\$563



\$538 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

1

homes permitted, 2022–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

77%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–0.3% to the 396 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.

\$98,800

median home value in Elgin.

Elgin



\$98,800

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS ELGIN'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/elgin/**](https://almanacdata.ai/e/ia/elgin/)

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