



Ely, Iowa.

Current market data.

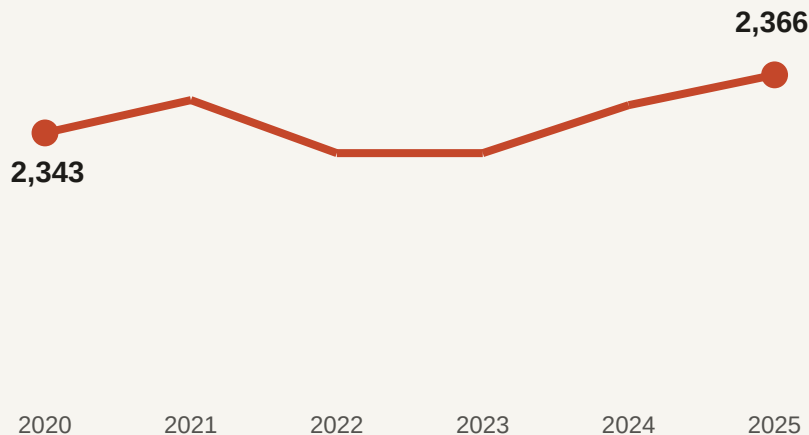
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

**Steady. Within 1% of 2020,
every year since.**

2,366

people, the 147th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

Nearly every job here goes
to someone who lives
somewhere else.

97.6%

of 290 jobs located in Ely are filled by in-commuters.



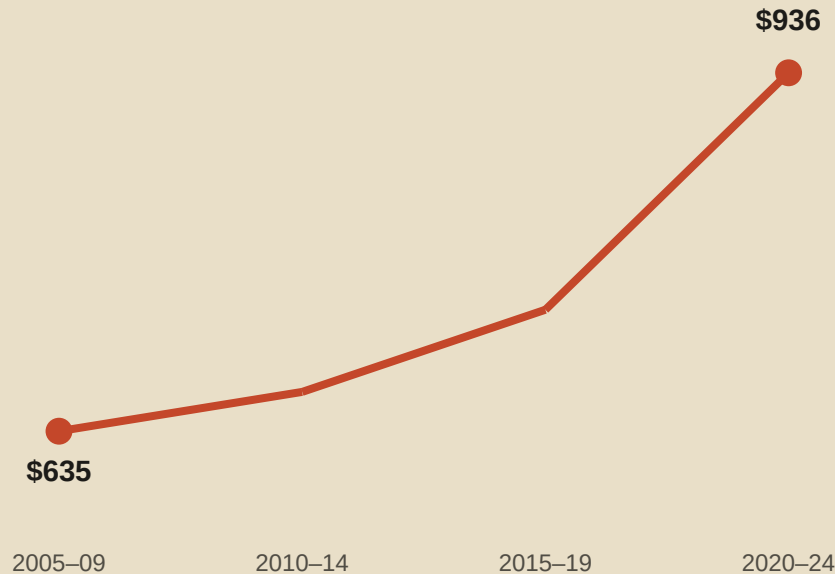
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 47%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$936

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$663 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Linn County.

TRACT 28

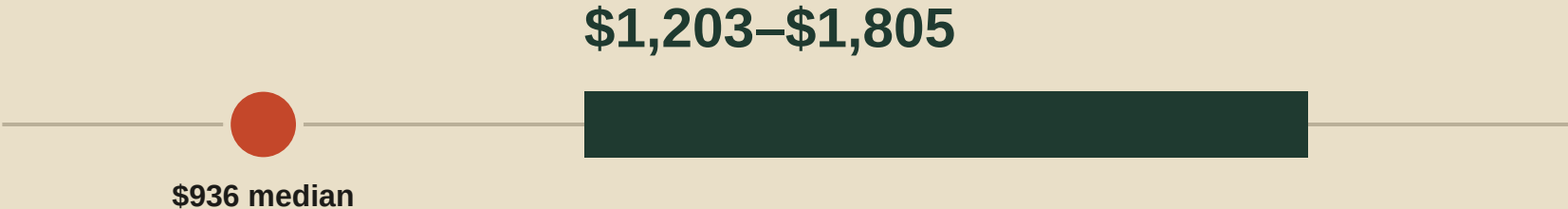
\$694

TRACT 16

\$1,357

ROOM TO BUILD

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



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.



BUILDING

49% of the housing here was built before 2000.

49%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.1–0.4% to the 839 homes here.

1–3

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 50% more than Iowa's.

\$311,900

median home value in Ely.

Ely



Iowa



U.S.





THAT WAS ELY'S 2026

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

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

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