



Lester, Iowa.

Current market data.

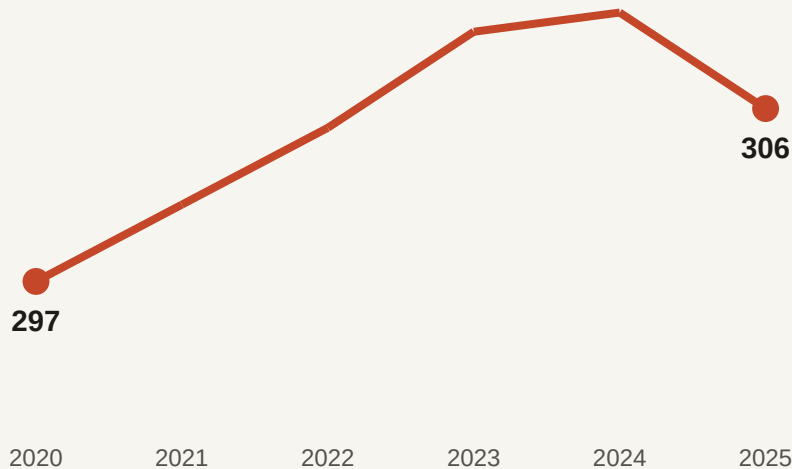
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POPULATION

Growing. Up 3.0% since 2020.

306

people, the 557th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.

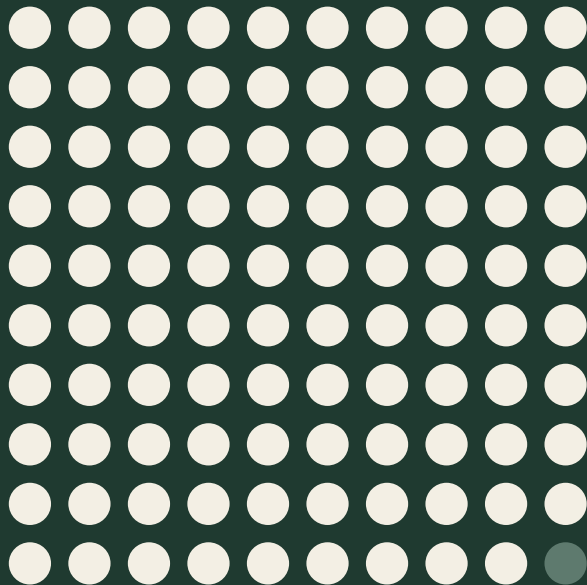


THE WORKDAY

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

99.0%

of 103 jobs located in Lester are filled by in-commuters.



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



RENT

Median rent is \$450 a month.

\$450

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

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$49.

A \$49 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Lyon County.

TRACT 9502

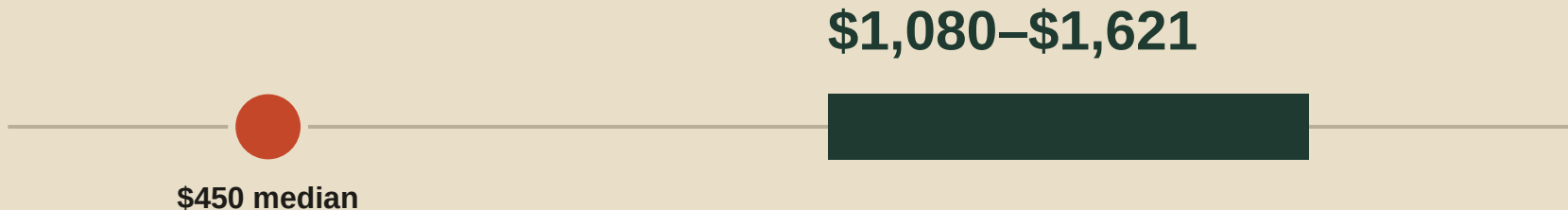
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\$867

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.

2

homes permitted, 2022–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

82%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–0.8% to the 119 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 8%
less than Iowa's.

\$190,900

median home value in Lester.

Lester



\$190,900

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS LESTER'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/lester/

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