



Lost Nation, Iowa.

Current market data.

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

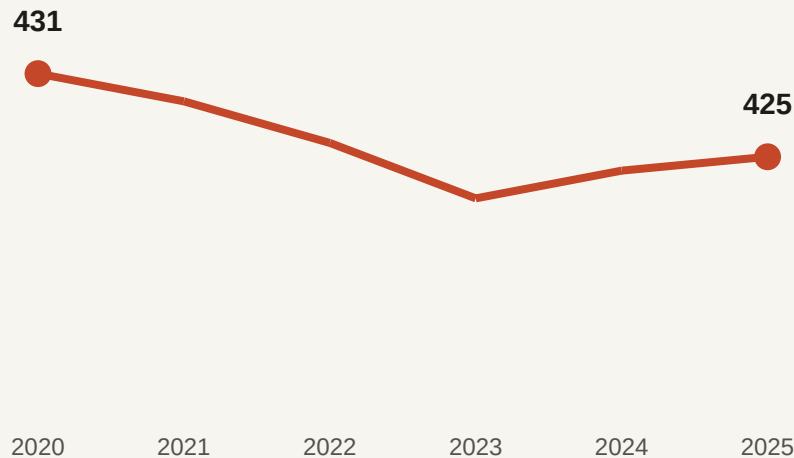


POPULATION

Down 1.4% since 2020.

425

people, the 475th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

95.3%

of 43 jobs located in Lost Nation are filled by in-commuters.



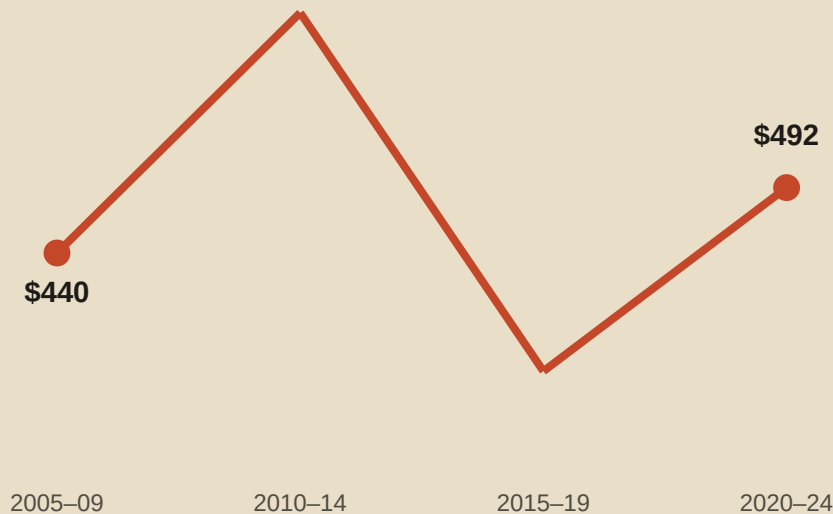
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 12%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$492

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$782 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Clinton County.

TRACT 5

\$785

TRACT 4

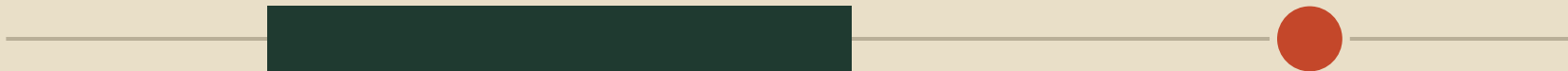
\$1,567



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

\$260–\$390



\$492 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

4

homes permitted, 2022–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

100%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–0.5% to the 213 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 63% less than Iowa's.

\$77,300

median home value in Lost Nation.

Lost Nation



\$77,300

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS LOST NATION'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/lost-nation/**](https://almanacdata.ai/e/ia/lost-nation/)

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