



Marion, Iowa.

Current market data.

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

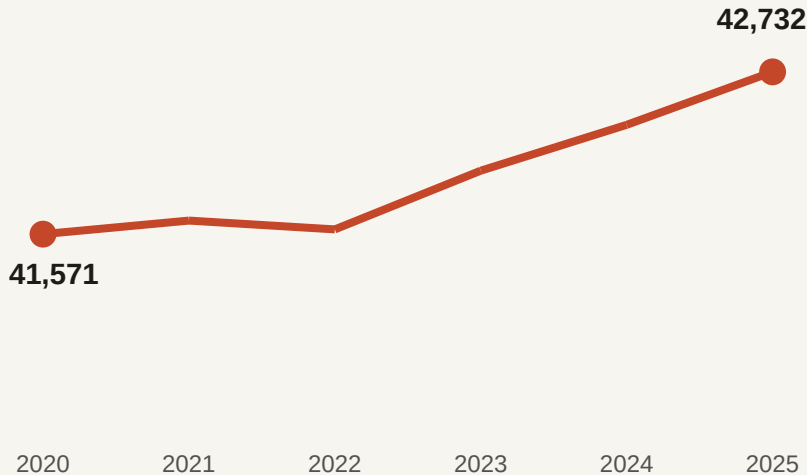


POPULATION

Growing. Up 2.8% since 2020.

42,732

people, the 13th-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.

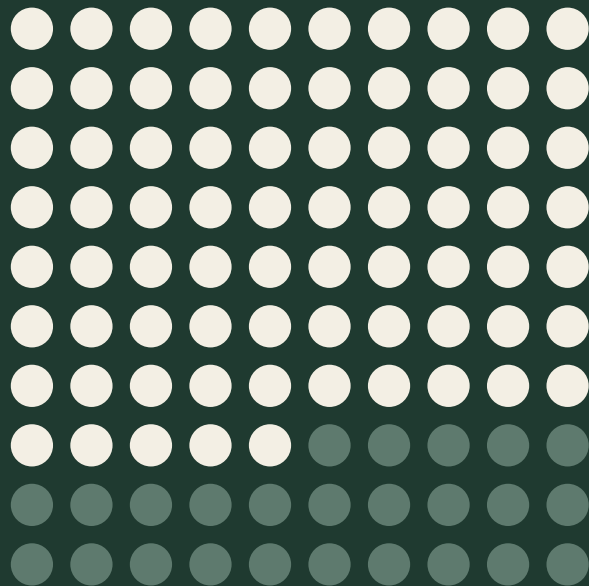


THE WORKDAY

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

74.5%

of 12,222 jobs located in Marion are filled by in-commuters.



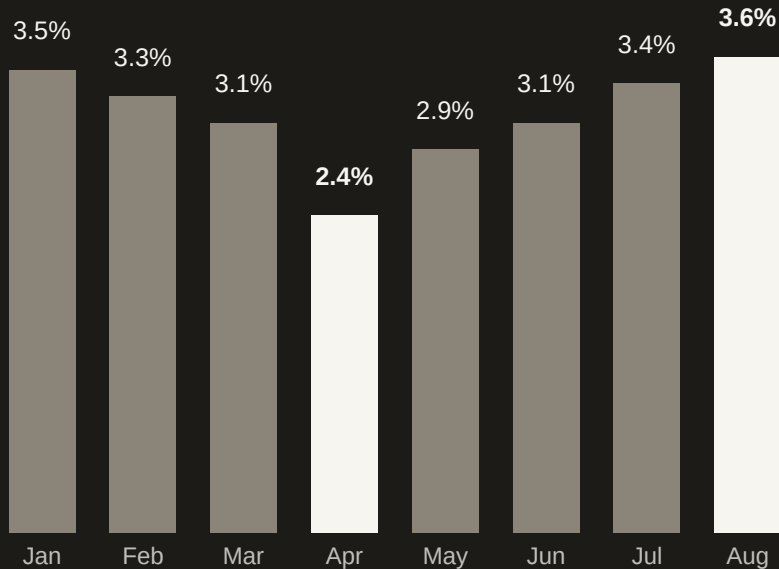
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April:
2.4%.

3.6%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 3.5%.



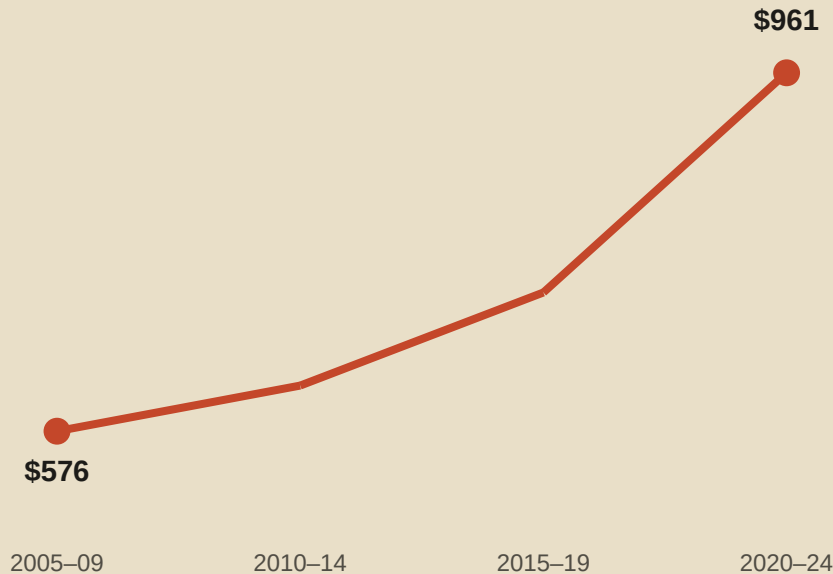


RENT

**Median rent is up 67%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.**

\$961

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

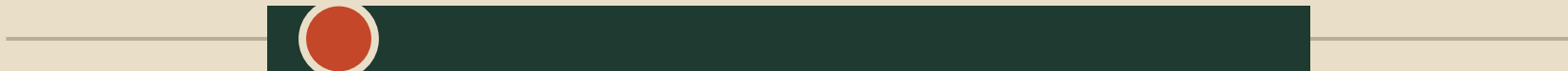
\$1,357



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$929–\$1,393



\$961 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

59% of the housing here was built before 2000.

2,297

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

38%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

59%

of all homes were built before 2000



UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–0.7% to the 18,029 homes here.

40–122

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 16% more than Iowa's.

\$241,700

median home value in Marion.

Marion



\$241,700

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS MARION'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/marion/

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