



Rock Rapids, Iowa.

Current market data.

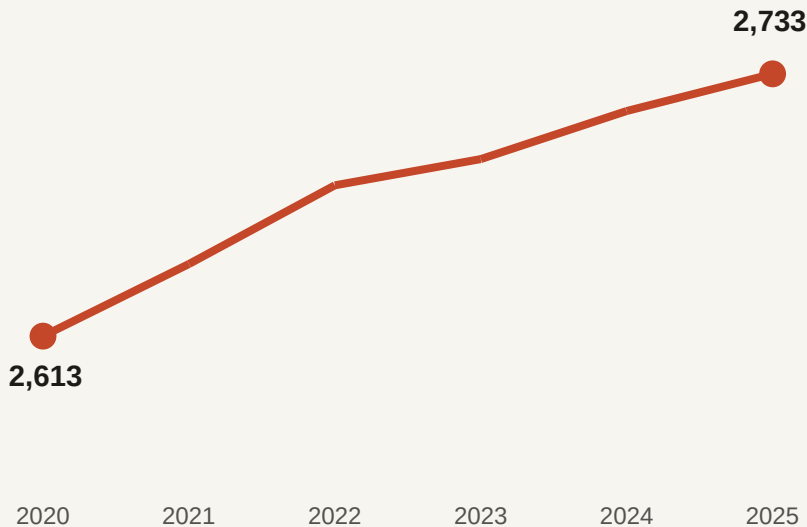
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 4.6% since 2020.

2,733

people, the 133rd-largest of Iowa's cities and towns.



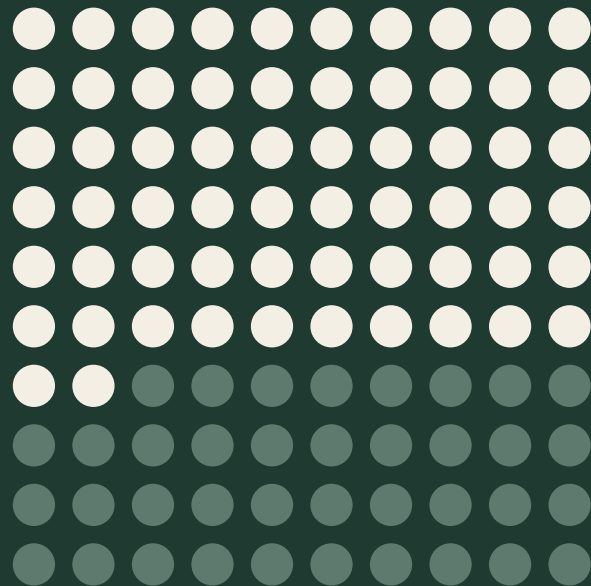
THE WORKDAY

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

62.1%

of 1,431 jobs located in Rock Rapids are filled by in-commuters.

Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023



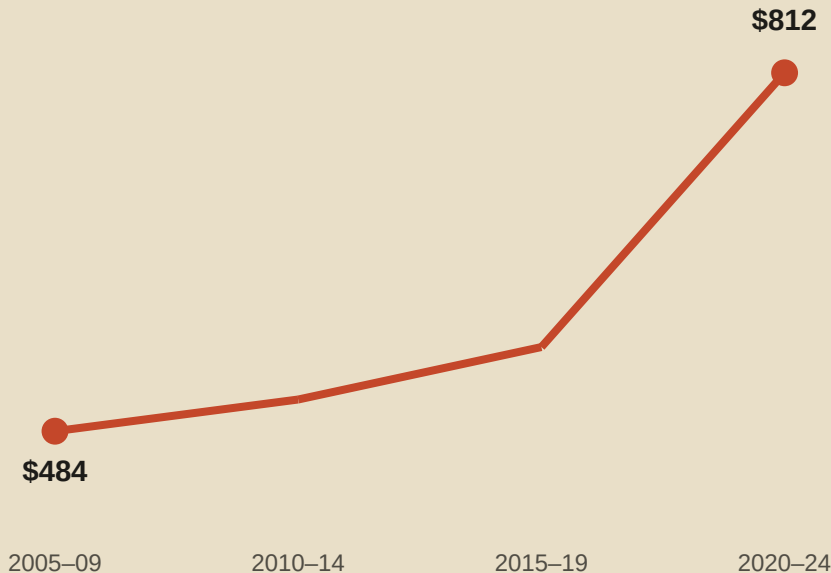
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 68%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$812

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.

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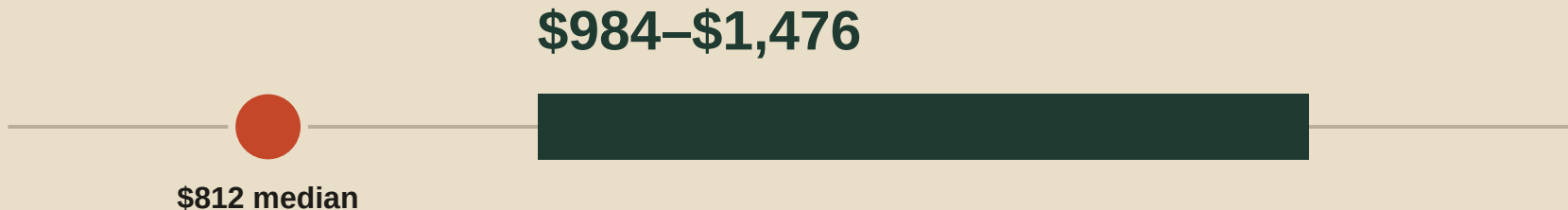
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\$867

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.

53

homes permitted, 2022–2025

4%of those were in multifamily
buildings

86%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–1.2% to the 1,136 homes here.

2–14

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 1%
less than Iowa's.

\$206,700

median home value in Rock Rapids.

Rock Rapids



Iowa



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THAT WAS ROCK RAPIDS'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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