



Columbia, Illinois.

Current market data.

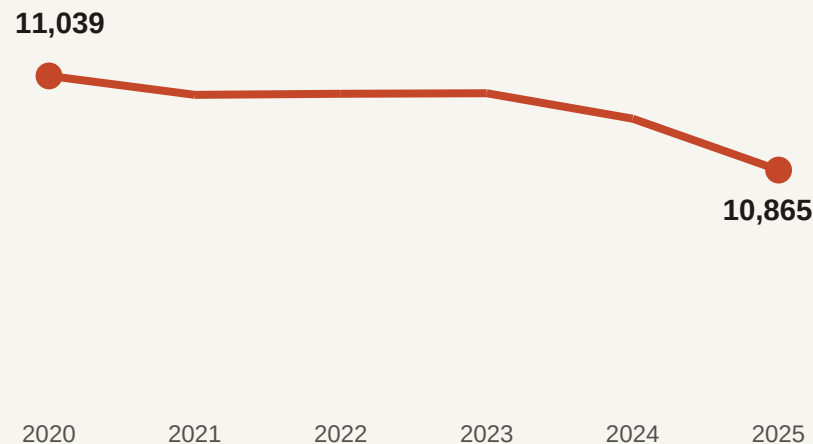
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 1.6% since 2020.

10,865

people, the 211th-largest of Illinois's cities and towns.

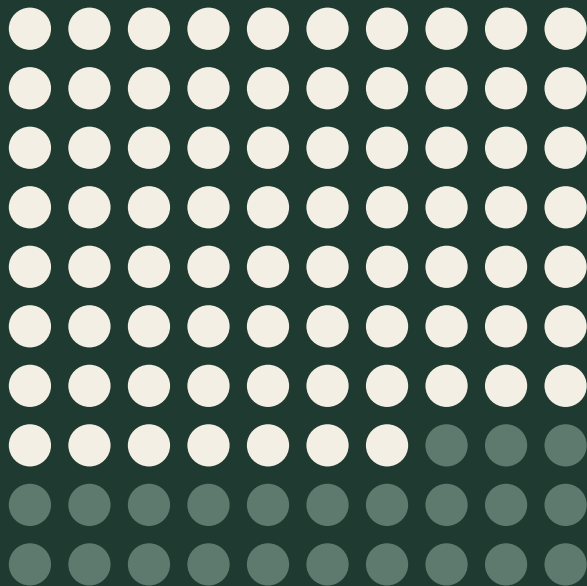


THE WORKDAY

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

76.6%

of 3,417 jobs located in Columbia are filled by in-commuters.



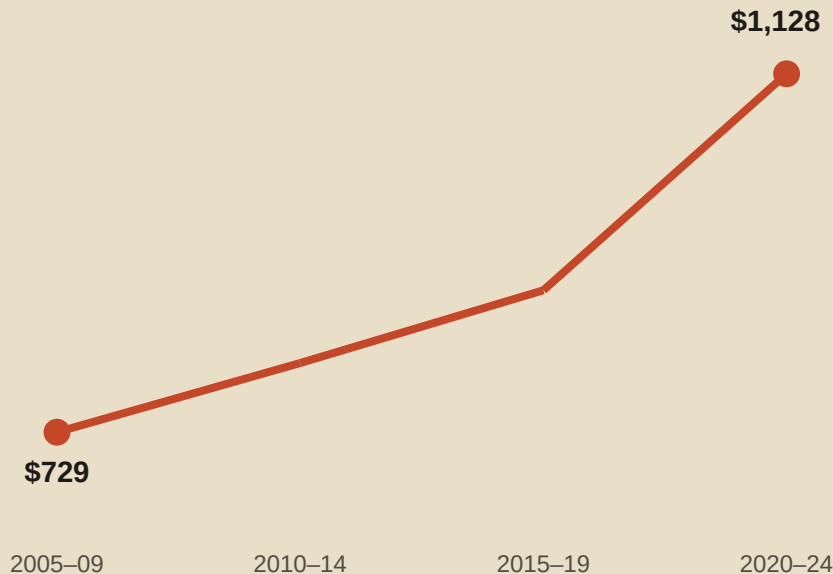
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 55%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,128

a month. Illinois's median is \$1,274.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$452.

A \$452 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Monroe County.

TRACT 6005.01

\$729

TRACT 6004.02

\$1,181



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$912–\$1,368



\$1,128 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

65% of the housing here was built before 2000.

363

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

36%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

65%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–0.7% to the 4,735 homes here.

8–34

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 11% more than Illinois's.

\$293,000

median home value in Columbia.

Columbia



Illinois



U.S.



THAT WAS COLUMBIA'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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