



Oak Forest, Illinois.

Current market data.

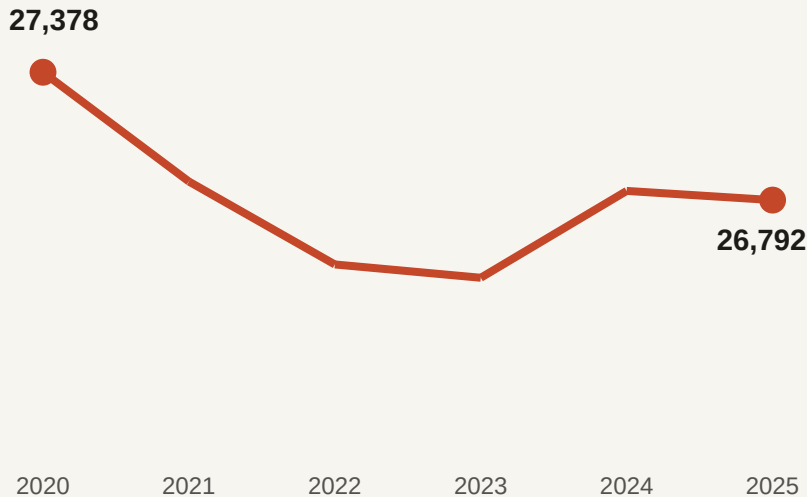
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 2.1% since 2020.

26,792

people, the 81st-largest of Illinois's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

90.7%

of 6,796 jobs located in Oak Forest are filled by in-commuters.



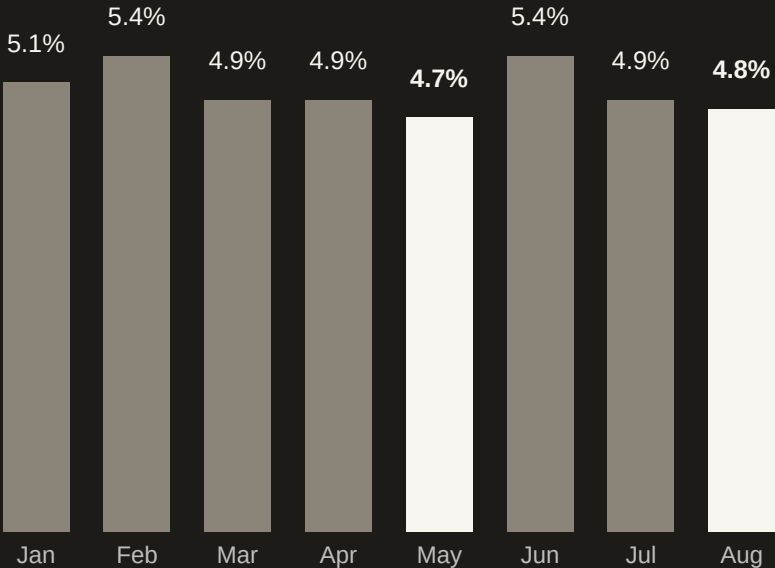
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in May:
4.7%.

4.8%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 4.3%.



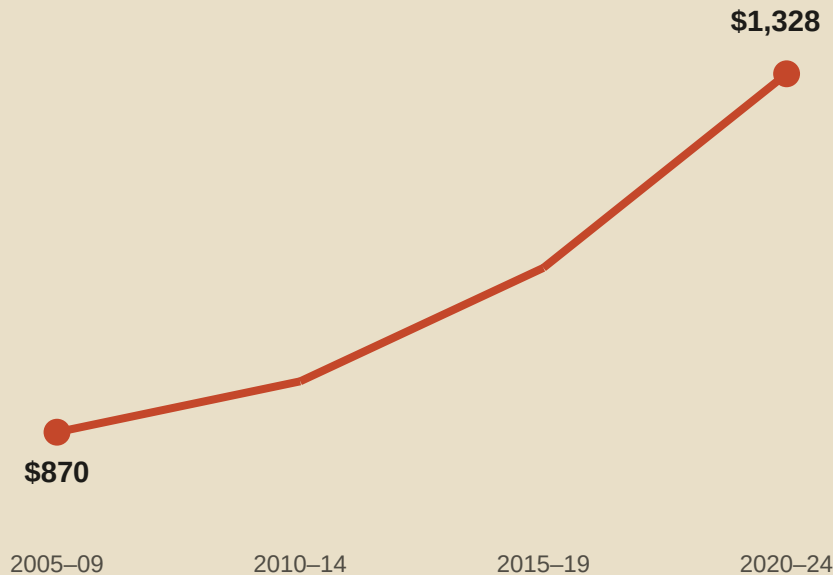
Source: BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2026-08

RENT

**Median rent is up 53%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.**

\$1,328

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$3,070 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Cook County.

TRACT 1301

\$431

TRACT 8080.02

\$3,501

ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$889–\$1,333



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

106

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

72%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

91%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–0.6% to the 10,659 homes here.

20–68

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 3% less than Illinois's.

\$255,100

median home value in Oak Forest.

Oak Forest



\$255,100

Illinois



\$263,300

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS OAK FOREST'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/il/oak-forest/**](https://almanacdata.ai/e/il/oak-forest/)

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