



East Chicago, Indiana.

Current market data.

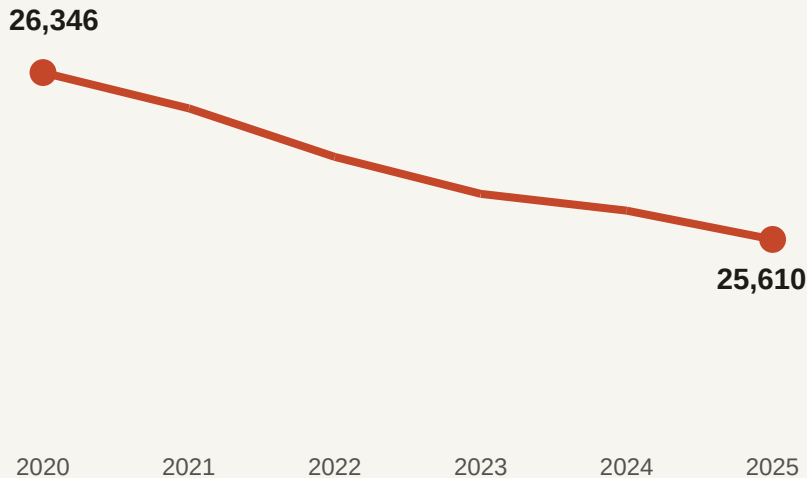
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 2.8% since 2020.

25,610

people, the 40th-largest of Indiana's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

89.4%

of 13,991 jobs located in East Chicago are filled by in-commuters.



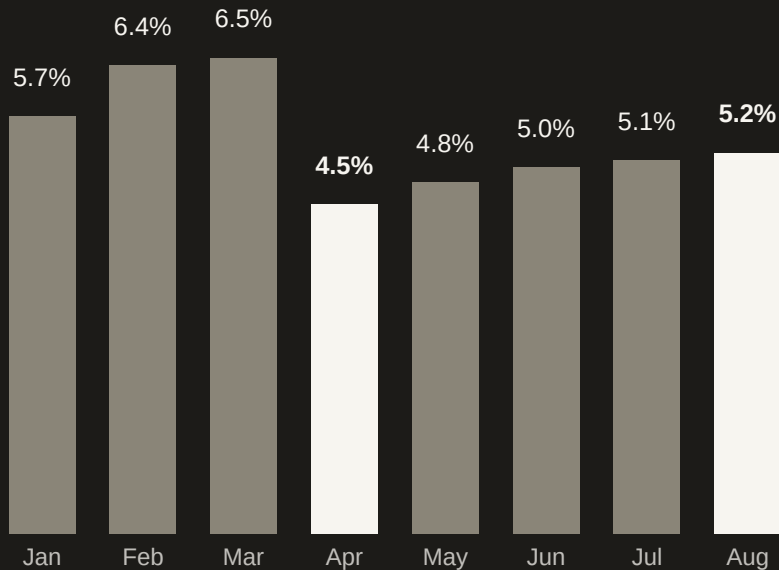
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April:
4.5%.

5.2%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 6.0%.

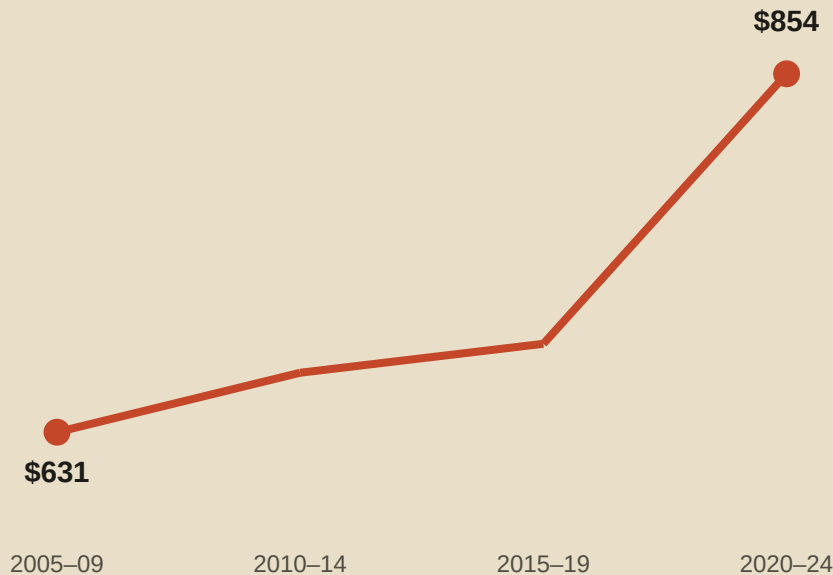


RENT

Median rent is up 35%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$854

a month. Indiana's median is \$1,062.



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$1,460 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Lake County.

TRACT 425.03

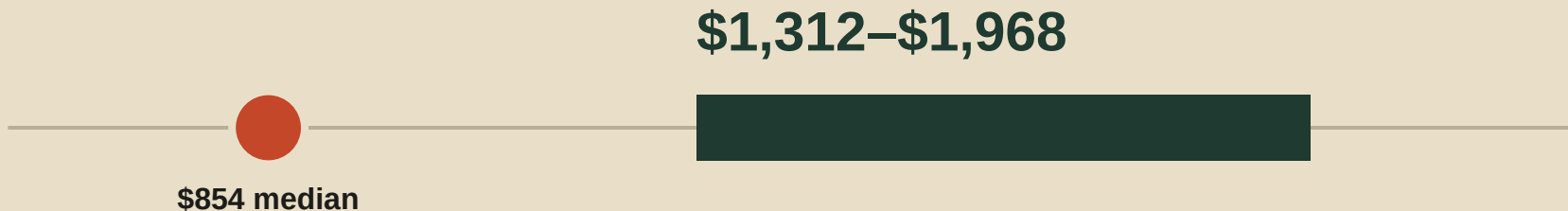
\$448

TRACT 425.09

\$1,908

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.

38

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

97%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

96%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.5–1.1% to the 12,365 homes here.

61–140

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 52% less than Indiana's.

\$105,400

median home value in East Chicago.

East Chicago



\$105,400

Indiana



\$218,200

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS EAST CHICAGO'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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