



Boston, Massachusetts.

Current market data.

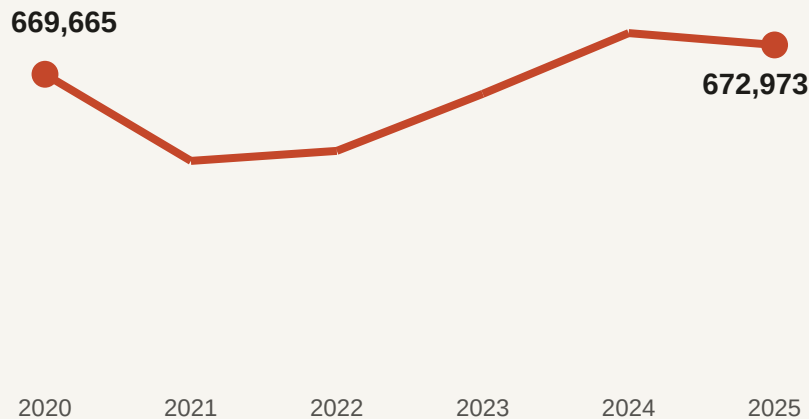
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 0.5% since 2020.

672,973

people, the largest of Massachusetts's cities and towns.

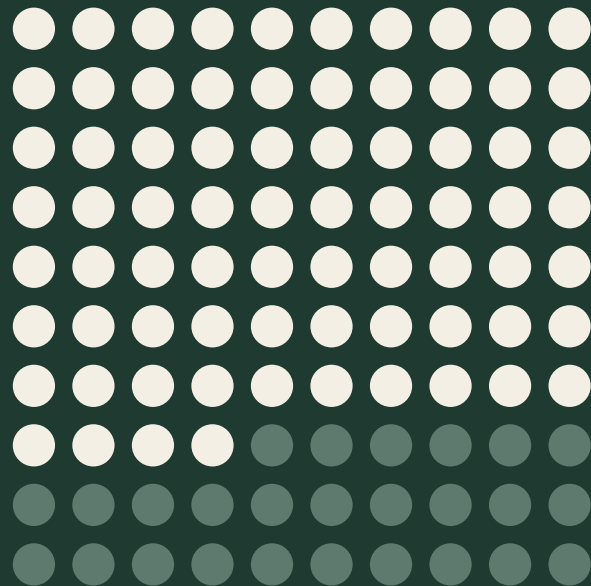


THE WORKDAY

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

73.5%

of 718,571 jobs located in Boston are filled by in-commuters.



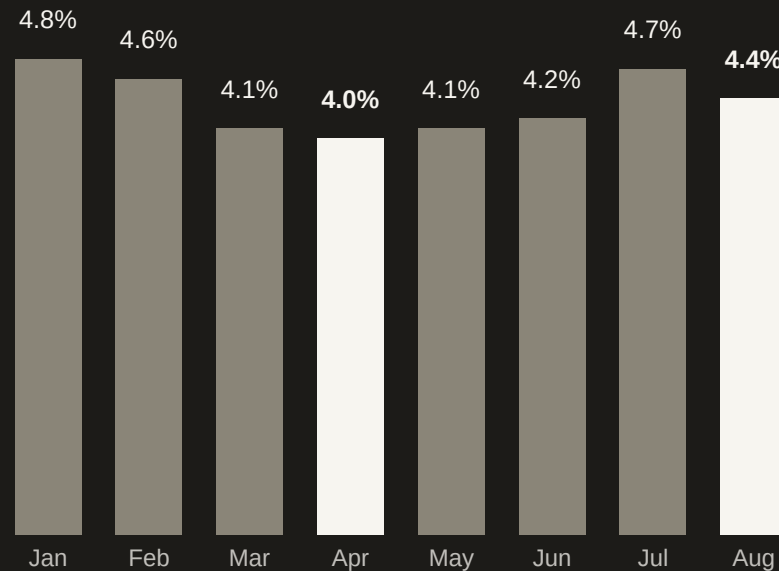
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April:
4.0%.

4.4%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 4.7%.

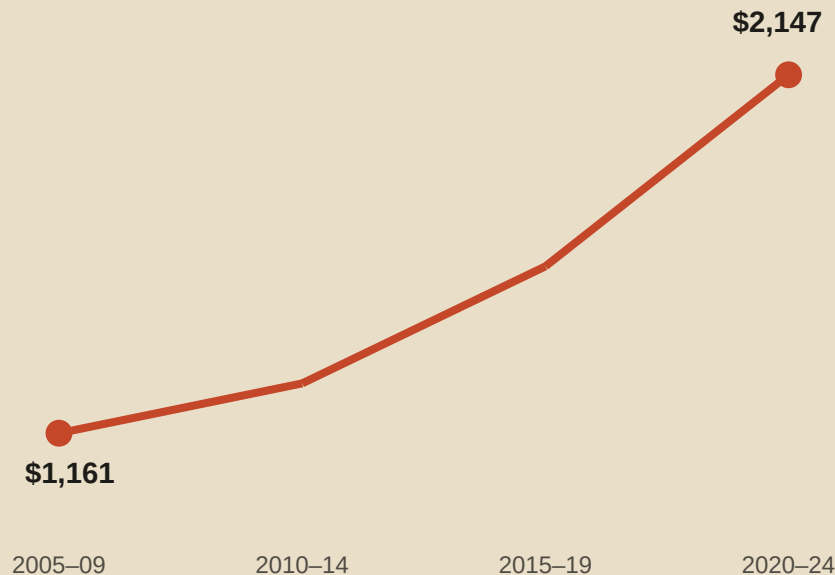


RENT

Median rent is up 85%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$2,147

a month. Massachusetts's median is \$1,762.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$2,702 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Suffolk County.

TRACT 607

\$799

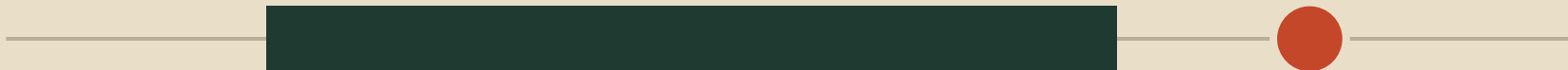
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\$3,501

ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

\$1,331–\$1,996



\$2,147 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

31,959

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

98%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

82%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 1–2% to the 310,625 homes here.

1,796–7,186

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 30% more than Massachusetts's.

\$731,700

median home value in Boston.

Boston



\$731,700

Massachusetts



\$562,100

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS BOSTON'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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