



Chelsea, Massachusetts.

Current market data.

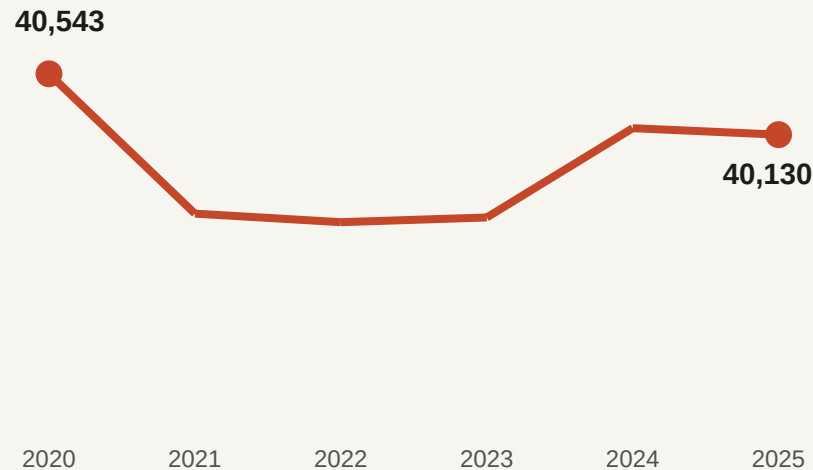
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 1.0% since 2020.

40,130

people, the 37th-largest of Massachusetts's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

87.9%

of 15,889 jobs located in Chelsea are filled by in-commuters.



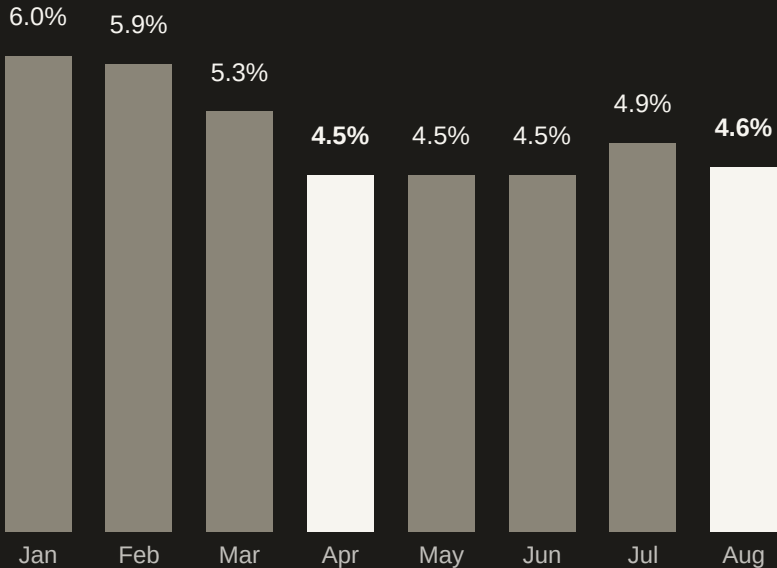
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April:
4.5%.

4.6%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 5.3%.

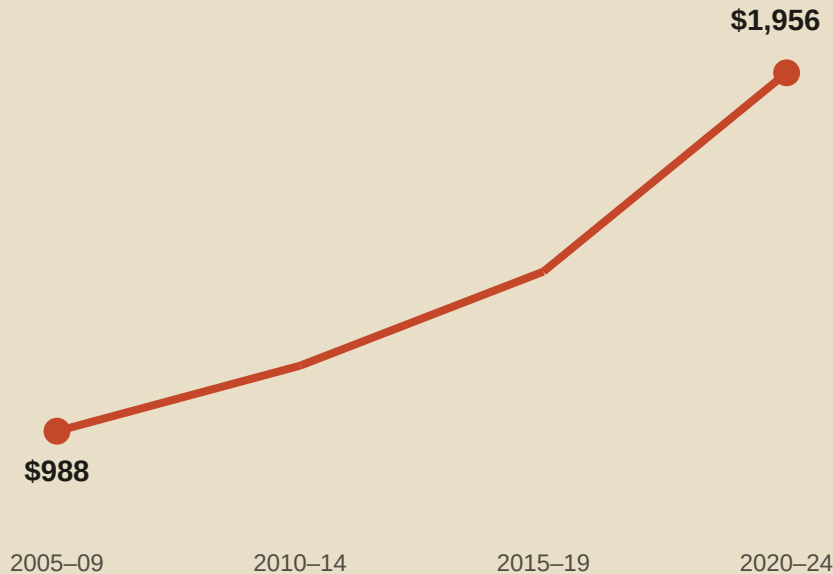


RENT

Median rent is up 98%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,956

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

TRACT 612.03

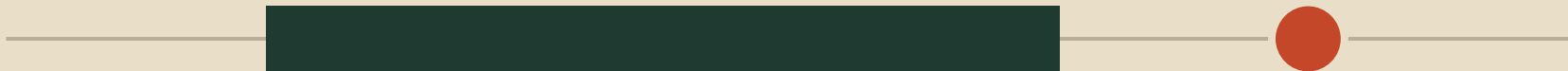
\$3,501



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

\$1,181–\$1,771



\$1,956 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

653

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

99%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

81%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 1% to the 14,165 homes here.

123–159

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 12%
less than
Massachusetts's.

\$493,500

median home value in Chelsea.

Chelsea



\$493,500

Massachusetts



\$562,100

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS CHELSEA'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/ma/chelsea/

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