



New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Current market data.

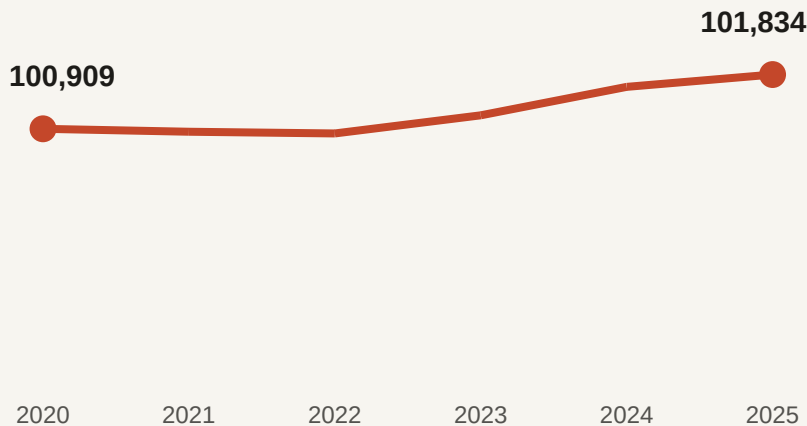
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

**Steady. Within 1% of 2020,
every year since.**

101,834

people, the 9th-largest of Massachusetts's cities and towns.



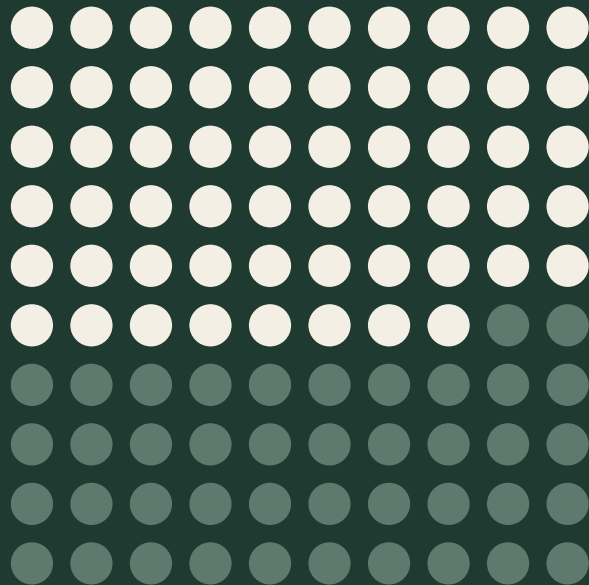
THE WORKDAY

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

57.7%

of 34,772 jobs located in New Bedford are filled by
in-commuters.

Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023



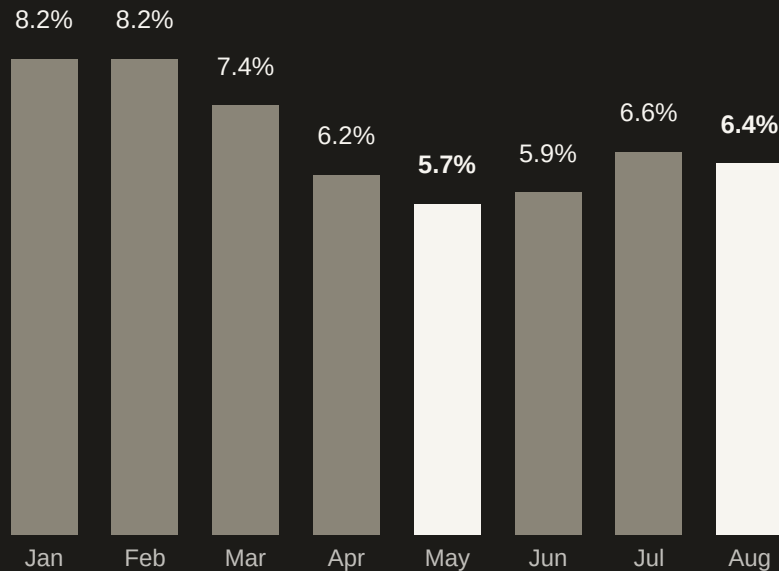
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in May:
5.7%.

6.4%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 6.2%.



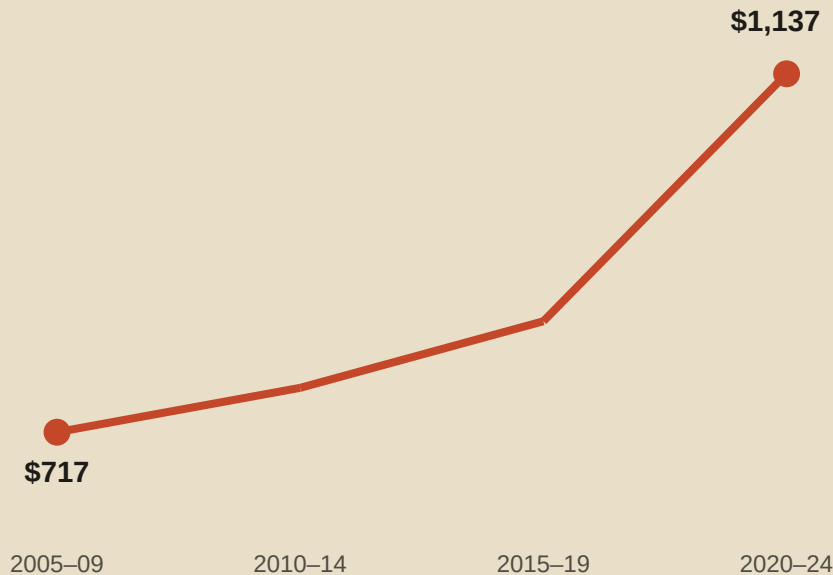


RENT

Median rent is up 59%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,137

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



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$1,853 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Bristol County.

TRACT 6111.02

\$1,165

TRACT 6112.02

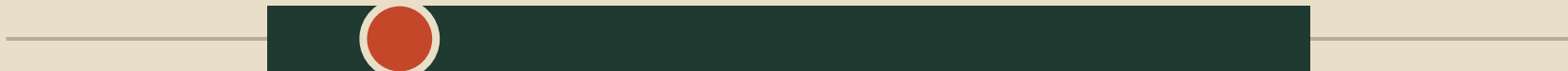
\$3,018



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$1,069–\$1,603



\$1,137 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

229

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

28%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

95%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.6–0.8% to the 44,346 homes here.

252–348

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



HOME VALUE

**A median home costs 36%
less than
Massachusetts's.**

\$357,300

median home value in New Bedford.

New Bedford



\$357,300

Massachusetts



\$562,100

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS NEW BEDFORD'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/new-bedford/

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