



Battle Creek, Michigan.

Current market data.

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

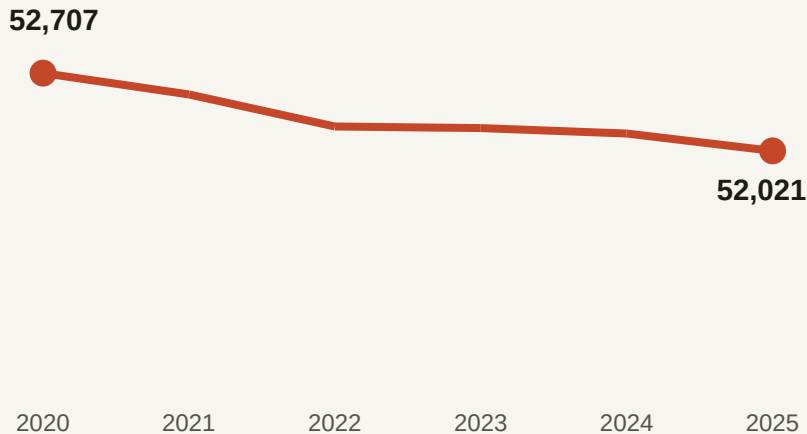


POPULATION

Down 1.3% since 2020.

52,021

people, the 24th-largest of Michigan's cities and towns.



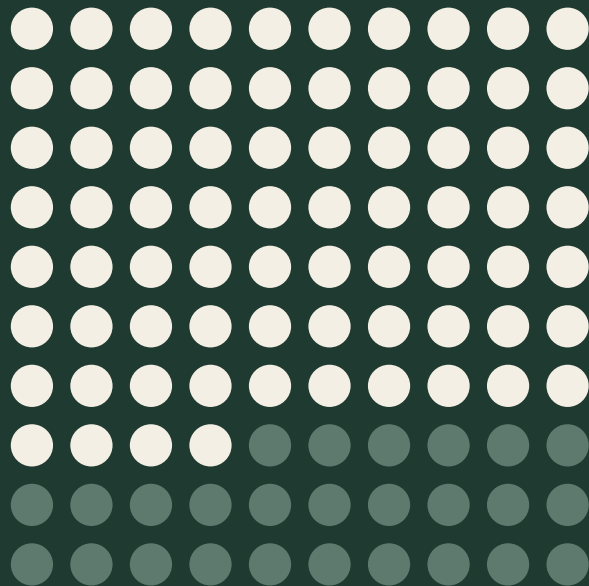
THE WORKDAY

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

74.4%

of 27,885 jobs located in Battle Creek are filled by in-commuters.

Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2021



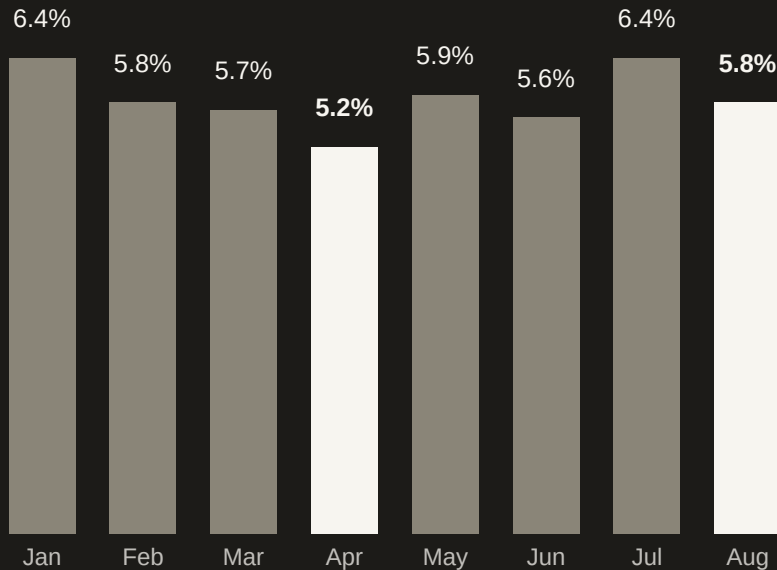
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April:
5.2%.

5.8%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 6.4%.

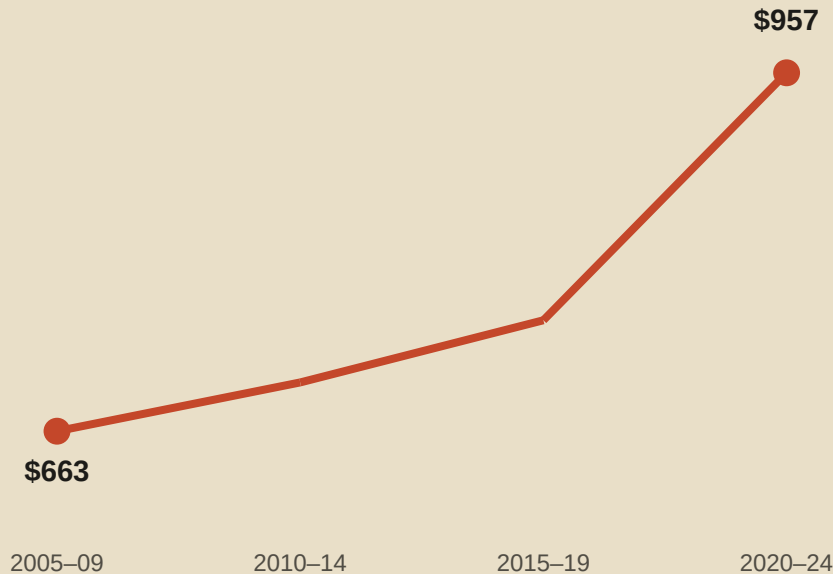


RENT

Median rent is up 44%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$957

a month. Michigan's median is \$1,129.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$1,082 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Calhoun County.

TRACT 21

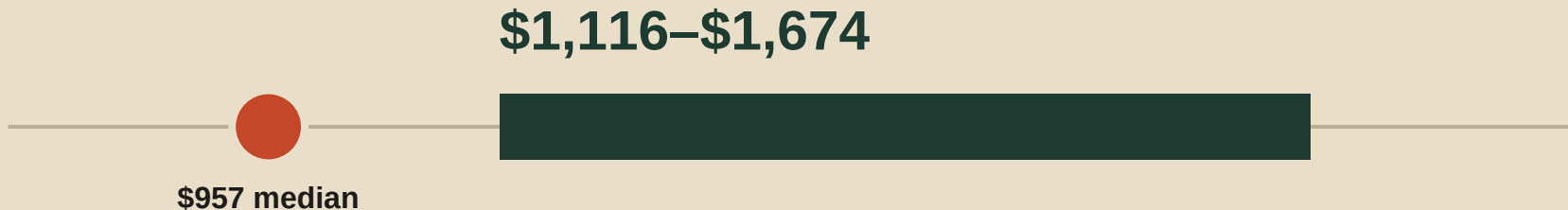
\$590

TRACT 22

\$1,672

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.

37

homes permitted, 2022–2025

5%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

92%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.3–1.2% to the 23,600 homes here.

73–279

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 39% less than Michigan's.

\$141,900

median home value in Battle Creek.

Battle Creek



\$141,900

Michigan



\$231,600

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS BATTLE CREEK'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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