



Bear Lake, Michigan.

Current market data.

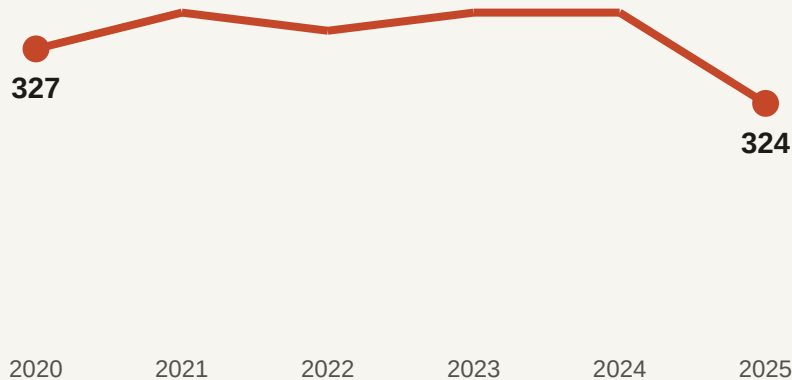
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

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

324

people, the 480th-largest of Michigan's cities and towns.

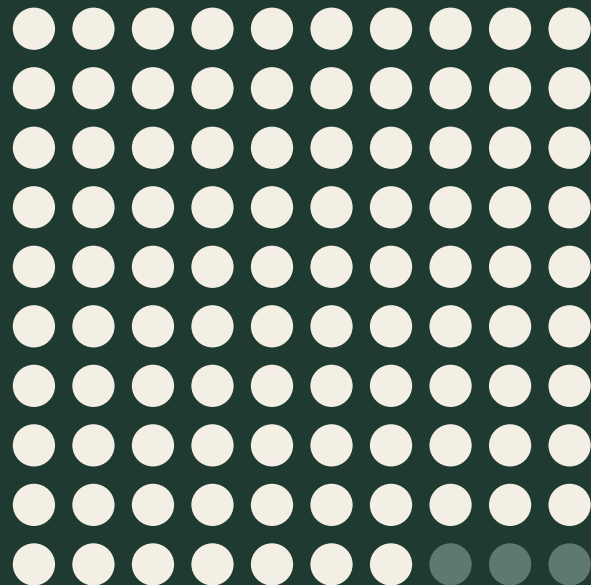


THE WORKDAY

Nearly every job here goes
to someone who lives
somewhere else.

96.9%

of 64 jobs located in Bear Lake are filled by in-commuters.



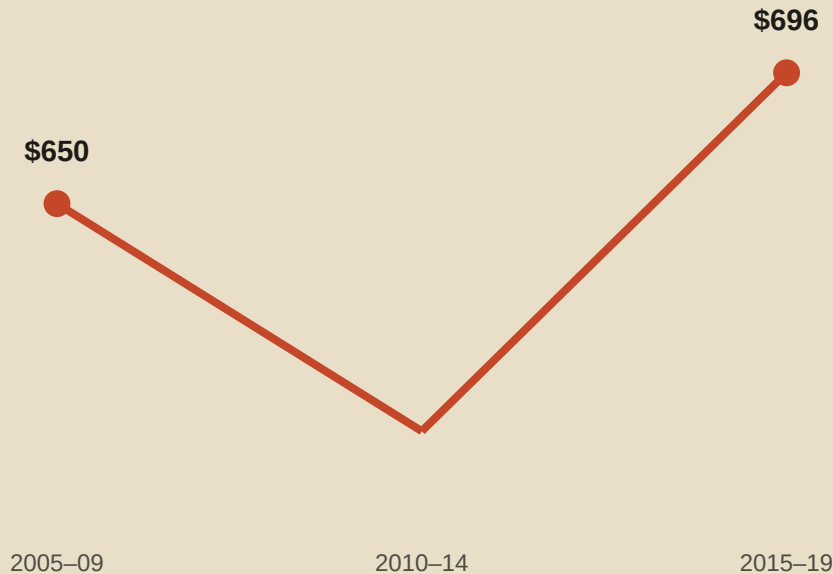
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

**Median rent is up 7%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.**

\$696

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



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$478 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Manistee County.

TRACT 9

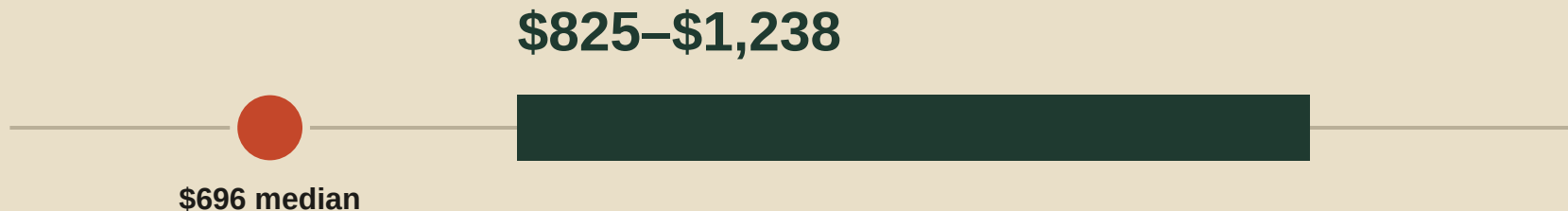
\$442

TRACT 4

\$920

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.

98%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–0.7% to the 143 homes here.

0–1

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 33% less than Michigan's.

\$155,400

median home value in Bear Lake.

Bear Lake



\$155,400

Michigan



\$231,600

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS BEAR LAKE'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/mi/bear-lake/**](https://almanacdata.ai/e/mi/bear-lake/)

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