



East Lansing, Michigan.

Current market data.

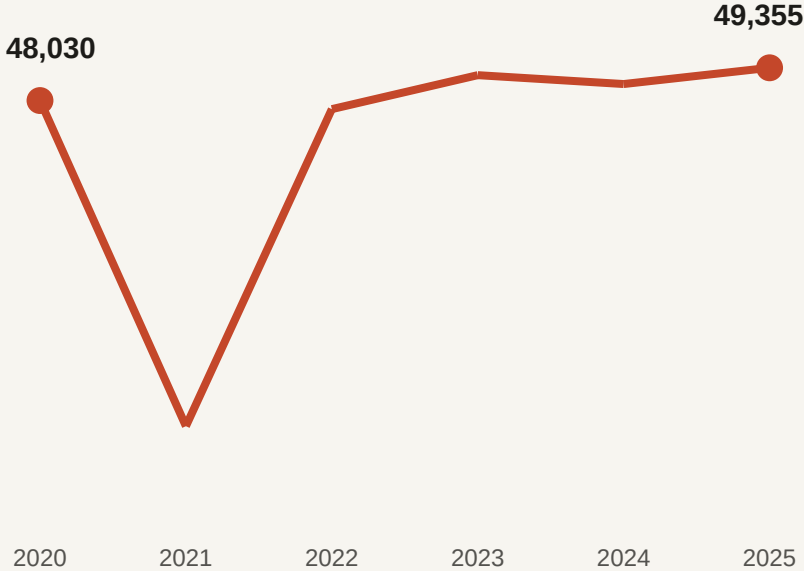
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 2.8% since 2020.

49,355

people, the 26th-largest of Michigan's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

92.8%

of 31,559 jobs located in East Lansing are filled by in-commuters.



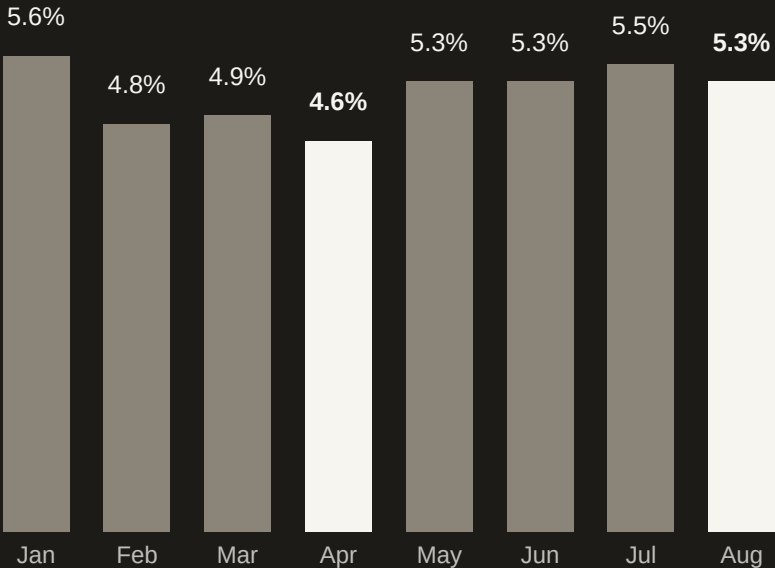
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in April:
4.6%.

5.3%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 5.7%.



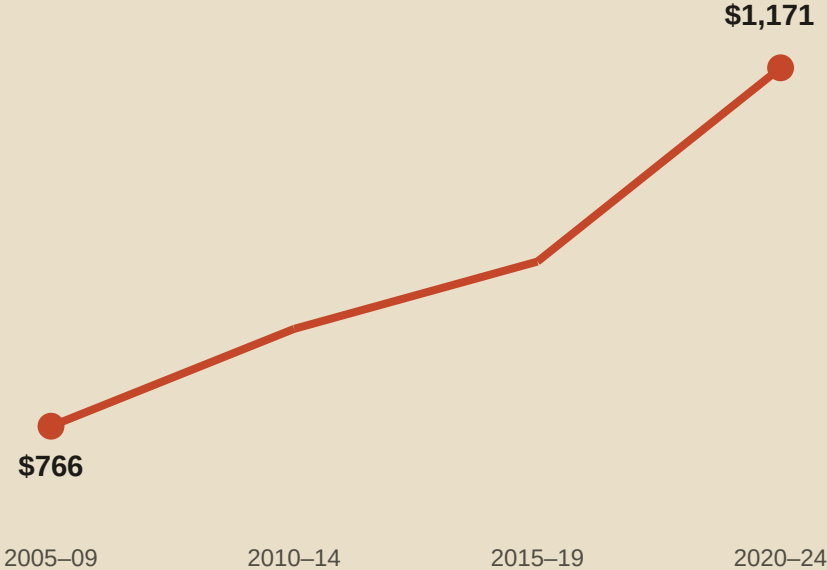
Source: BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2026-08

RENT

Median rent is up 53%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,171

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



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$1,380 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Ingham County.

TRACT 50.02

\$377

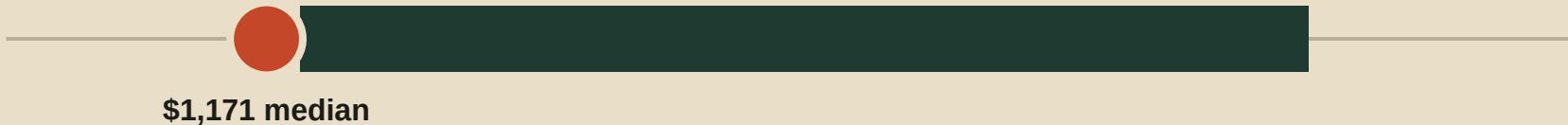
TRACT 50.03

\$1,757

ROOM TO BUILD

Local wages can carry more rent than the median charged today.

\$1,191–\$1,787



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

9

homes permitted, 2022–2025

22%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

79%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 1–2% to the 15,638 homes here.

126–316

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 17%
more than Michigan's.

\$270,800

median home value in East Lansing.

East Lansing



\$270,800

Michigan



\$231,600

U.S.



\$332,700



THAT WAS EAST LANSING'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/east-lansing/

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