



# Forest Lake, Minnesota.

Current market data.

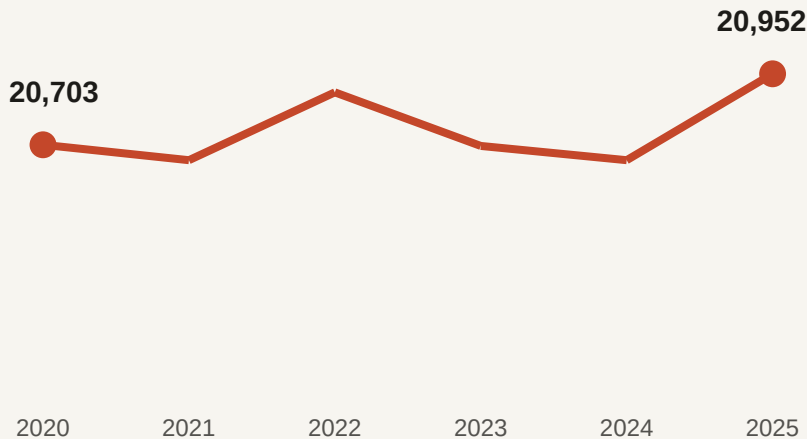
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 1.2% since 2020.

20,952

people, the 59th-largest of Minnesota's cities and towns.



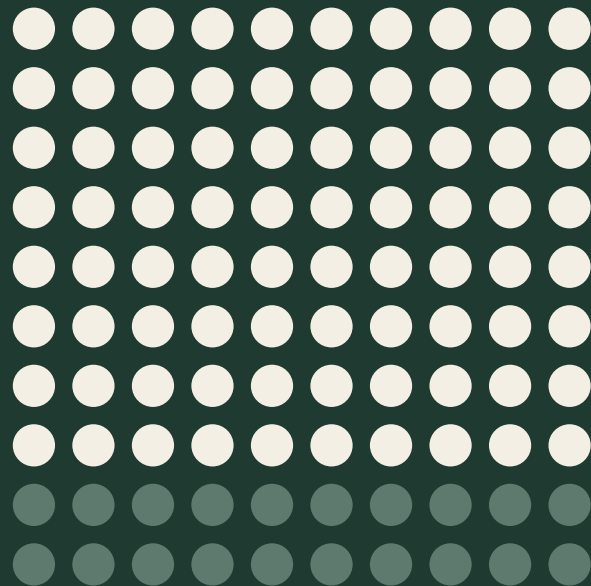
## THE WORKDAY

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

80.4%

of 7,913 jobs located in Forest Lake are filled by in-commuters.

Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023



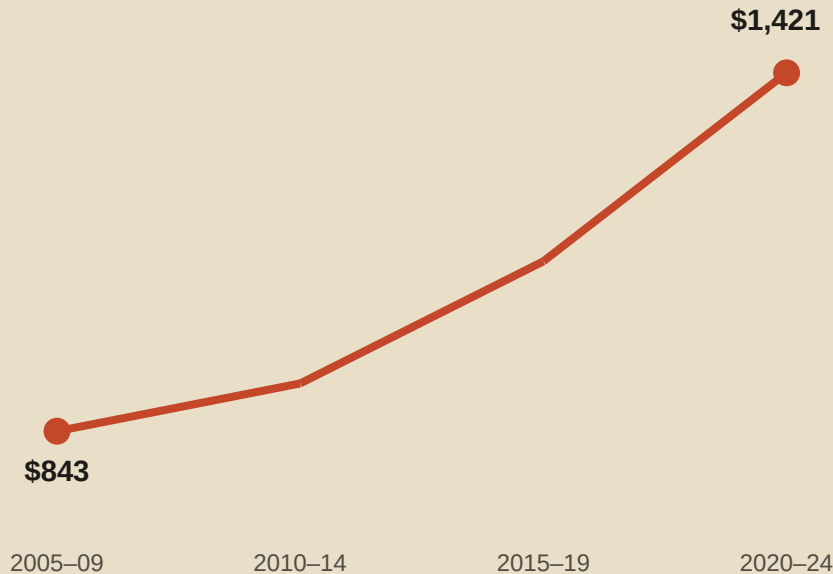
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 69%  
since the 2005–2009  
survey, before inflation.

**\$1,421**

a month. Minnesota's median is \$1,280.



## THE SEAM

# Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$2,102 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Washington County.

TRACT 709.10

**\$1,399**

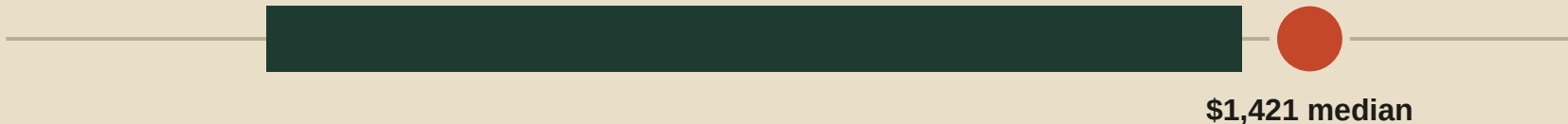
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**\$3,501**

ROOM TO BUILD

# The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

**\$926–\$1,389**



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

**65% of the housing here was built before 2000.**

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**1,294**

homes permitted in ten years,  
2016–2025

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**69%**

of those were in multifamily  
buildings

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**65%**

of all homes were built before 2000

## UNITS NEEDED

**Closing the gap would add 0.3–0.9% to the 8,723 homes here.**

**24–79**

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



## HOME VALUE

A median home costs 19%  
more than Minnesota's.

**\$393,500**

median home value in Forest Lake.

Forest Lake



\$393,500

Minnesota



\$329,300

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS FOREST 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.

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