Pelican Rapids, Minnesota.

Current market data.

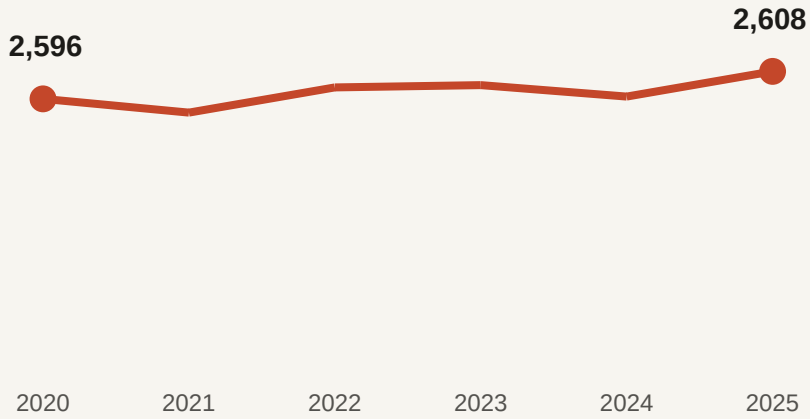
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

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

2,608

people, the 231st-largest of Minnesota's cities and towns.



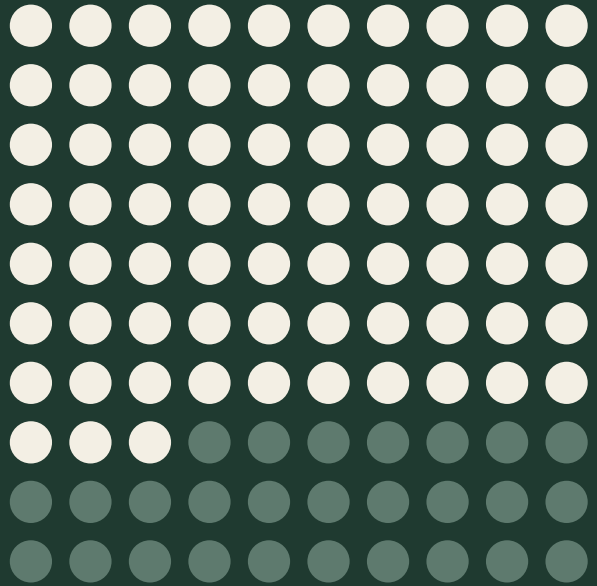
Source: Census Population Estimates, 2025

THE WORKDAY

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

73.0%

of 1,175 jobs located in Pelican Rapids are filled by in-commuters.



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

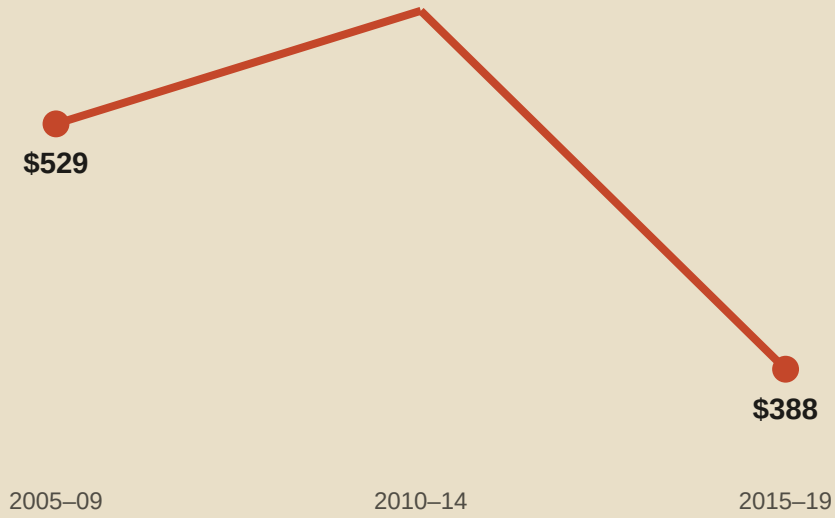
Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023

RENT

Median rent is down 27% since the 2005–2009 survey, before inflation.

$388

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

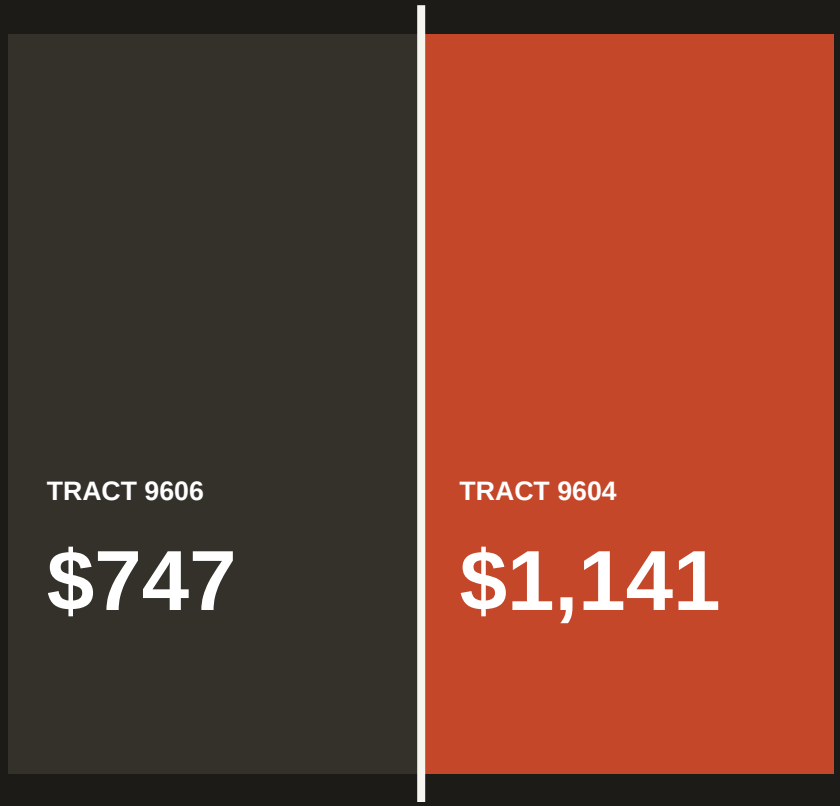


Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2015-2019

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps $394.

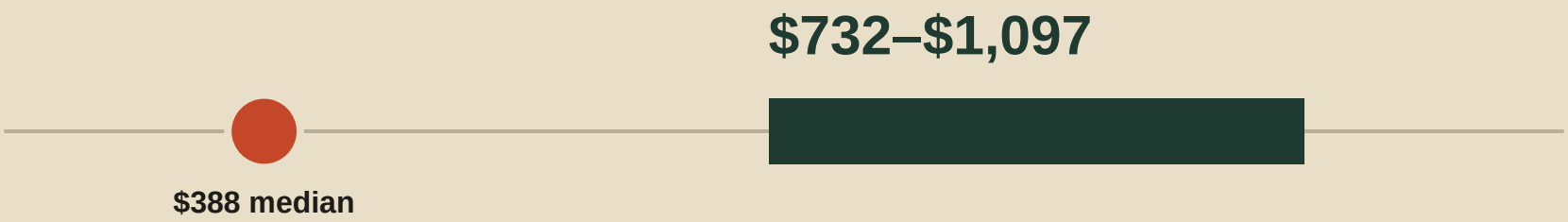
A $394 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Otter Tail County.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

ROOM TO BUILD

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



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023; Census ACS 5-year, 2015-2019

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

84

homes permitted in ten years, 2016–2025

89%

of those were in multifamily buildings

75%

of all homes were built before 2000

Source: Census Building Permits Survey, 2016-2025; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–1.2% to the 1,042 homes here.

2–12

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

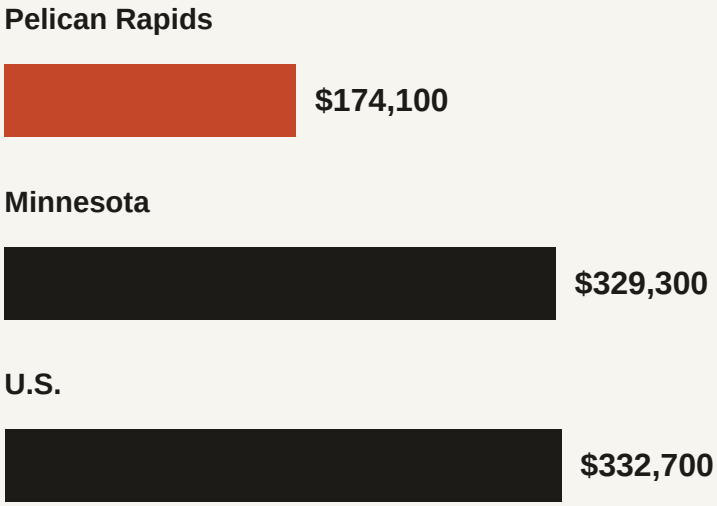
Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023

HOME VALUE

A median home costs 47% less than Minnesota's.

$174,100

median home value in Pelican Rapids.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THAT WAS PELICAN RAPIDS'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/mn/pelican-rapids/**