Melstone, Montana.

Current market data.

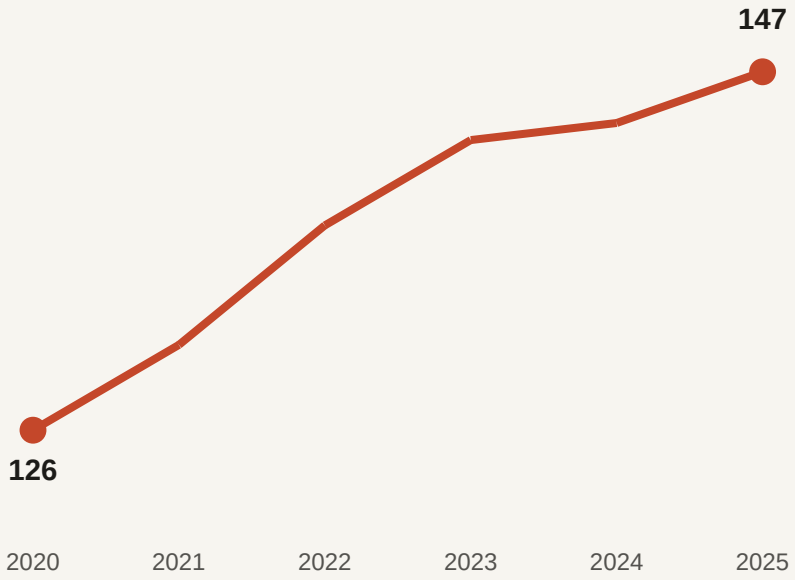
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 16.7% since 2020.

147

people, the 114th-largest of Montana's cities and towns.



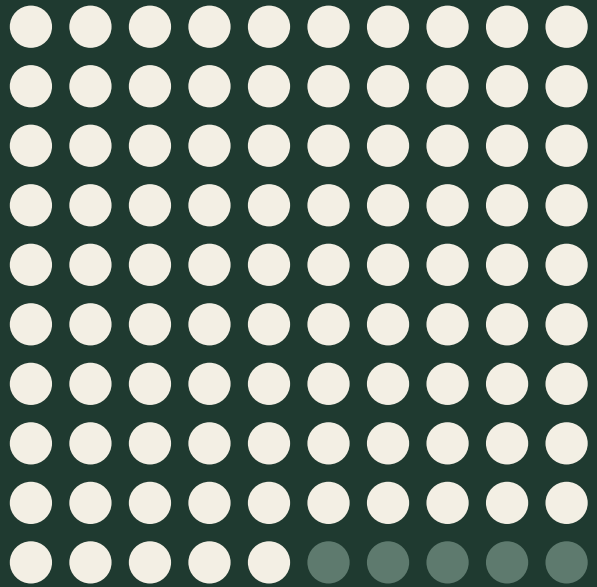
Source: Census Population Estimates, 2025

THE WORKDAY

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

94.6%

of 74 jobs located in Melstone 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 up 82% since the 2005–2009 survey, before inflation.

$615

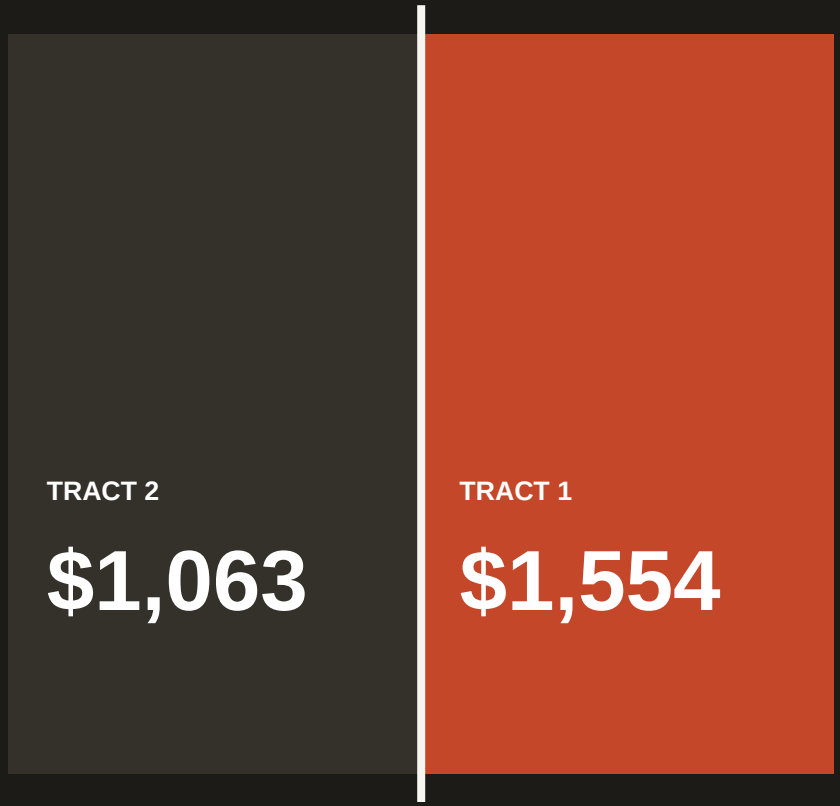
a month. Montana's median is $1,081.

Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2015-2019

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps $491.

A $491 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Musselshell County.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

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.

76%

of all homes were built before 2000

Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–3% to the 33 homes here.

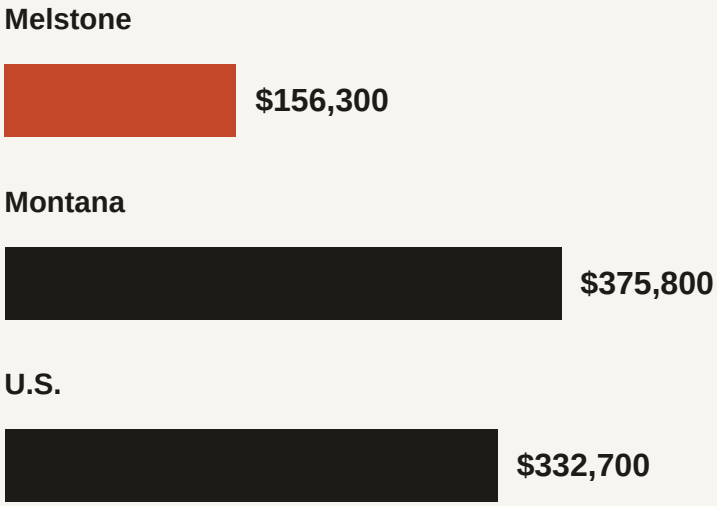
0–1

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 58% less than Montana's.



$156,300

median home value in Melstone.

Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THAT WAS MELSTONE'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/mt/melstone/**