Holden Beach, North Carolina.

Current market data.

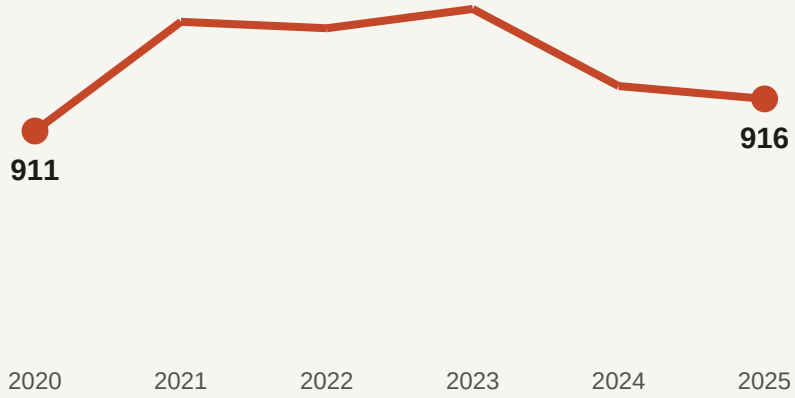
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 0.5% since 2020.

916

people, the 344th-largest of North Carolina's cities and towns.



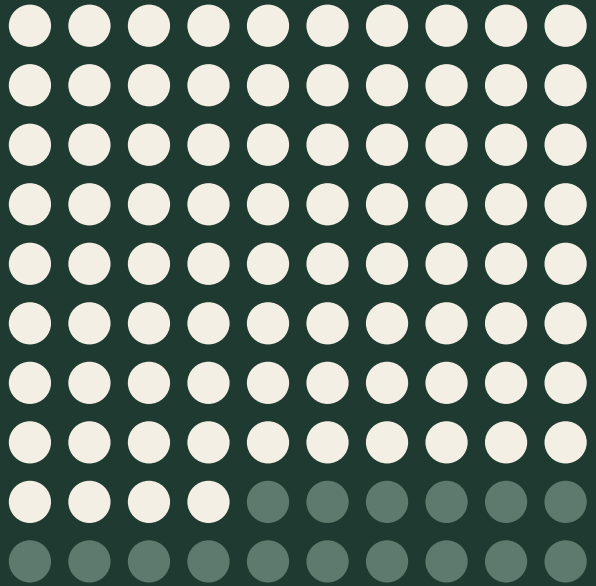
Source: Census Population Estimates, 2025

THE WORKDAY

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

84.3%

of 255 jobs located in Holden Beach are filled by in-commuters.



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

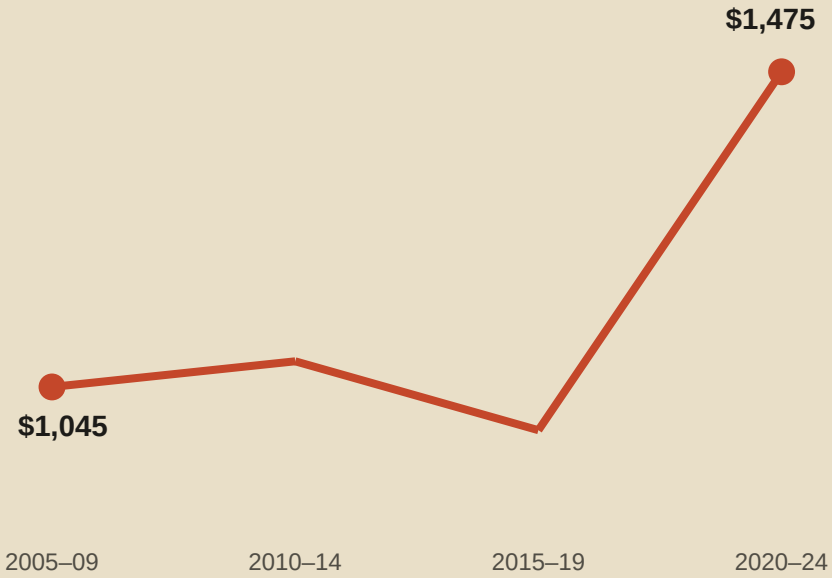
Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023

RENT

Median rent is up 41% since the 2005–2009 survey, before inflation.

$1,475

a month. North Carolina's median is $1,228.

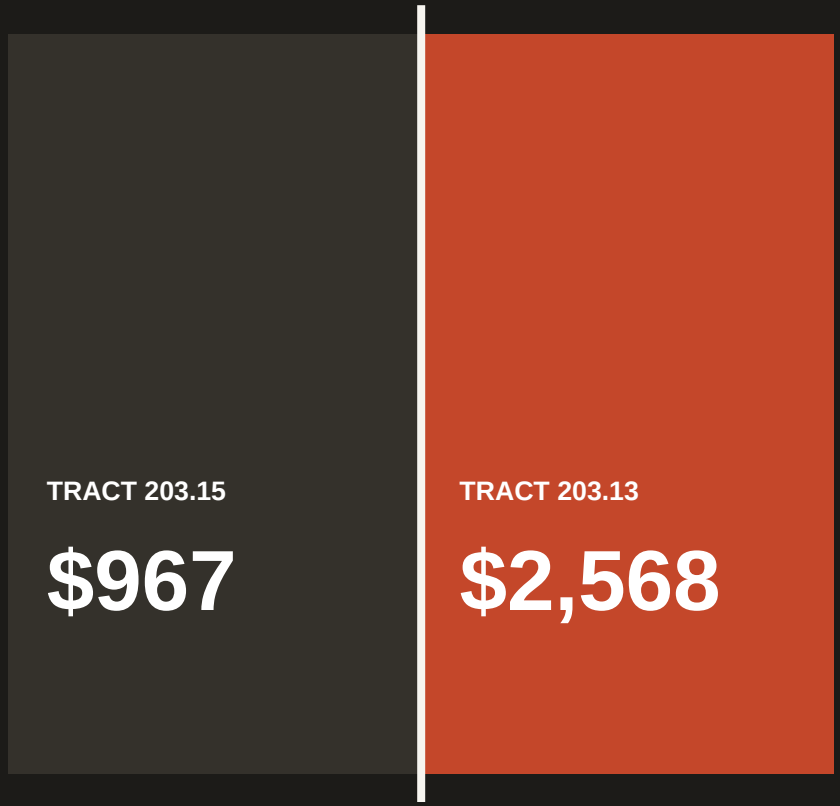


Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A $1,601 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Brunswick County.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

BUILDING

65% of the housing here was built before 2000.

117

homes permitted, 2022–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily buildings

65%

of all homes were built before 2000

Source: Census Building Permits Survey, 2022-2025; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–0.1% to the 2,486 homes here.

0–3

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

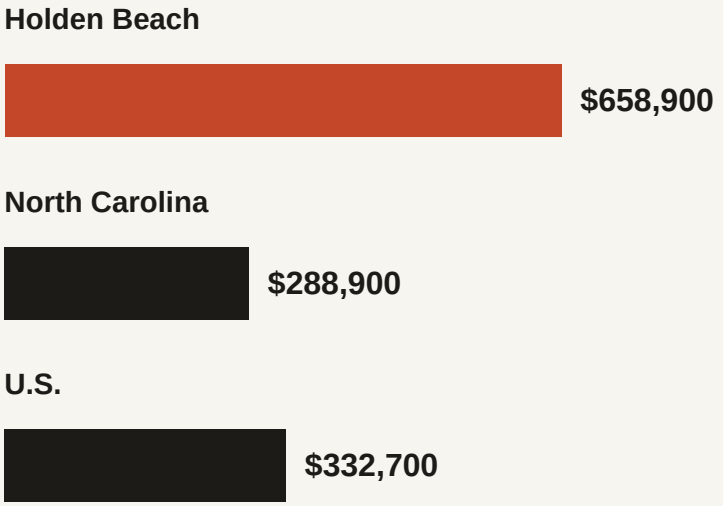
Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023

HOME VALUE

A median home costs 128% more than North Carolina's.

$658,900

median home value in Holden Beach.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THAT WAS HOLDEN BEACH'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/nc/holden-beach/**