



Marion, North Carolina.

Current market data.

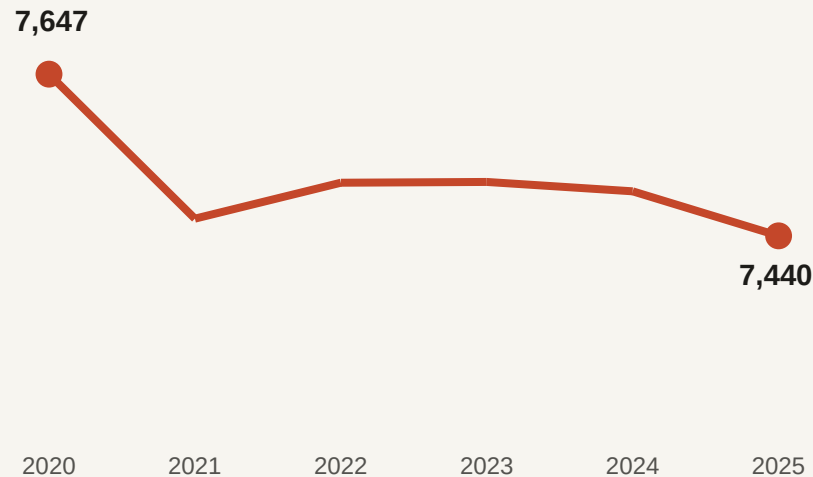
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Down 2.7% since 2020.

7,440

people, the 116th-largest of North Carolina's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

89.9%

of 7,949 jobs located in Marion are filled by in-commuters.



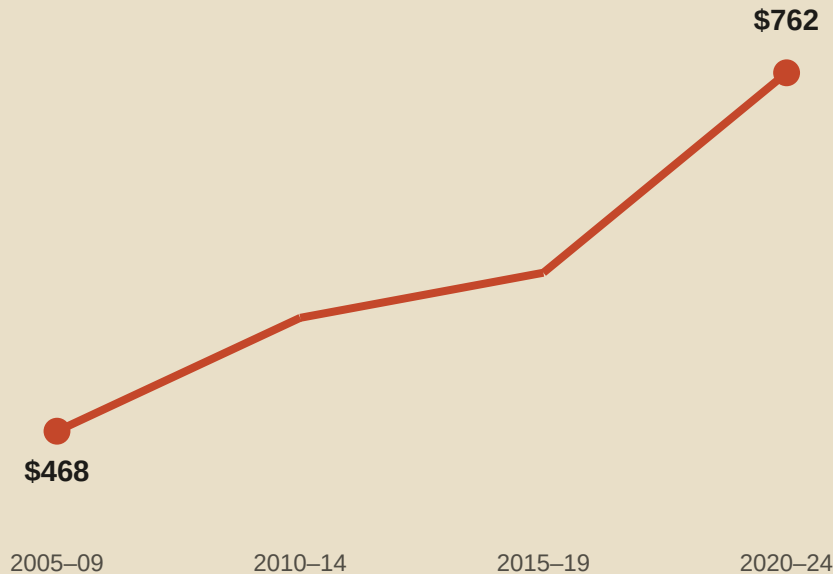
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 63%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$762

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$549 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in McDowell County.

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\$548

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\$1,097

ROOM TO BUILD

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



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

9

homes permitted, 2022–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

84%

of all homes were built before 2000



UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.5–2.4% to the 3,323 homes here.

15–79

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 43% less than North Carolina's.

\$163,500

median home value in Marion.

Marion



\$163,500

North Carolina



\$288,900

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS MARION'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/marion/

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