



Valdese, North Carolina.

Current market data.

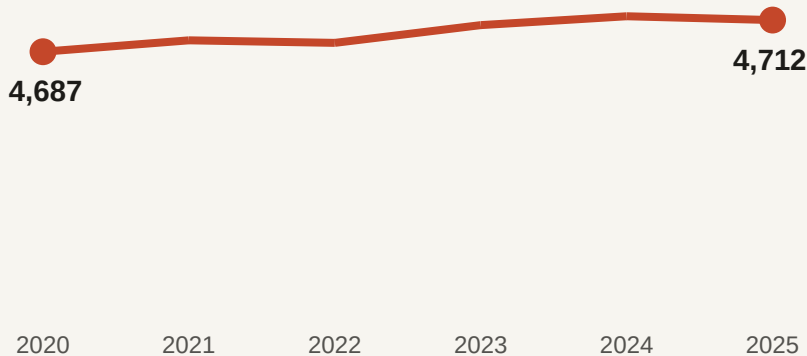
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

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

4,712

people, the 160th-largest of North Carolina's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

92.2%

of 2,514 jobs located in Valdese are filled by in-commuters.



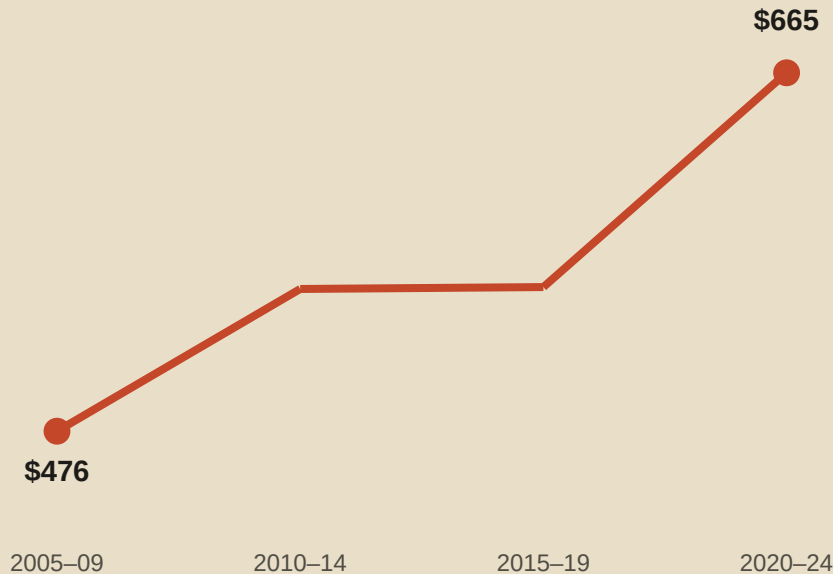
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 40%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$665

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





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$584.

A \$584 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Burke County.

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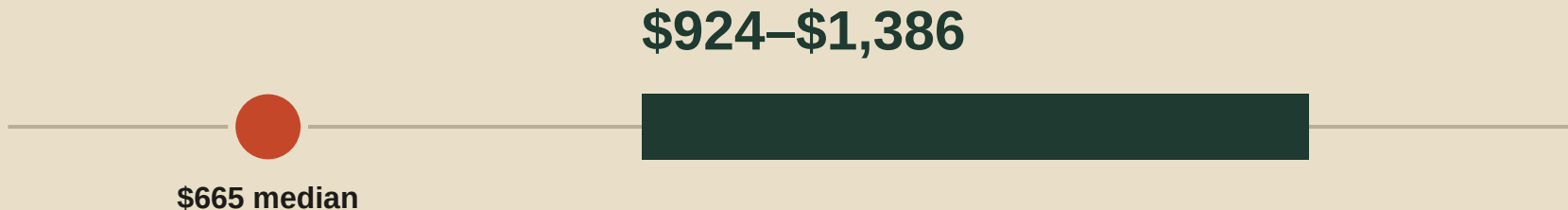
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\$1,274

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.

88%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.1–1.0% to the 2,427 homes here.

3–25

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 27%
less than North Carolina's.

\$209,800

median home value in Valdese.

Valdese



\$209,800

North Carolina



\$288,900

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS VALDESE'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/valdese/**](https://almanacdata.ai/e/nc/valdese/)

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