



Plainfield, New Jersey.

Current market data.

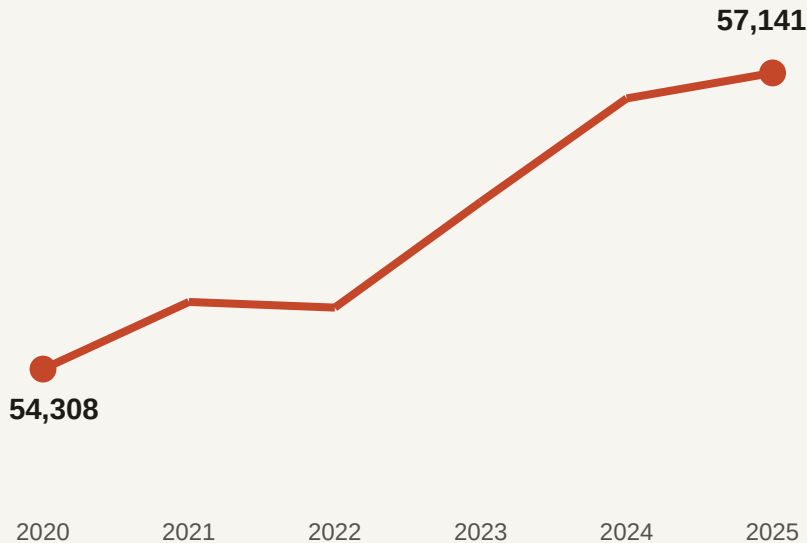
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 5.2% since 2020.

57,141

people, the 14th-largest of New Jersey's cities and towns.

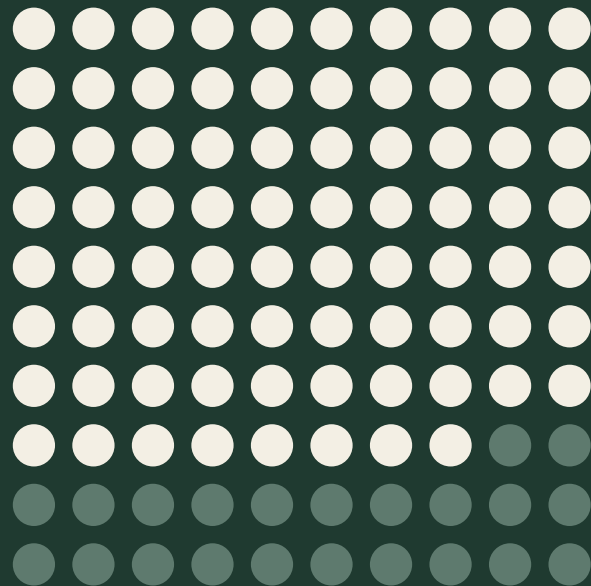


THE WORKDAY

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

78.1%

of 6,848 jobs located in Plainfield are filled by in-commuters.



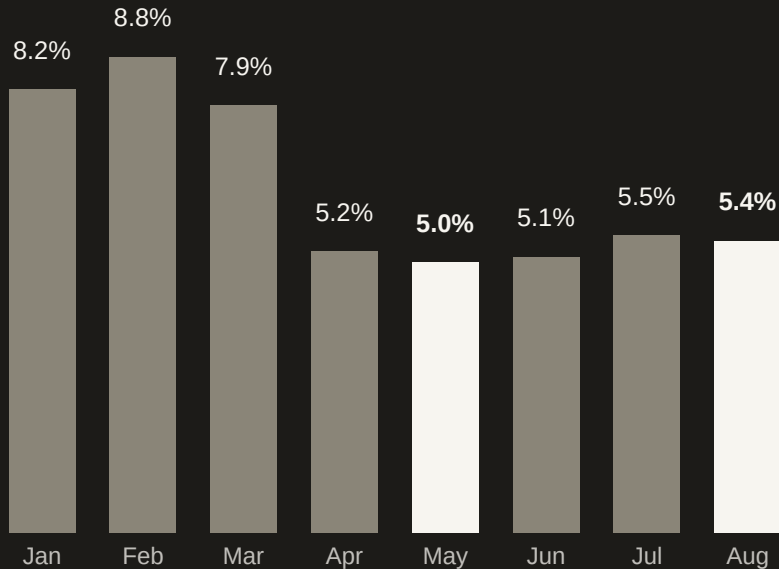
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in May:
5.0%.

5.4%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 7.0%.



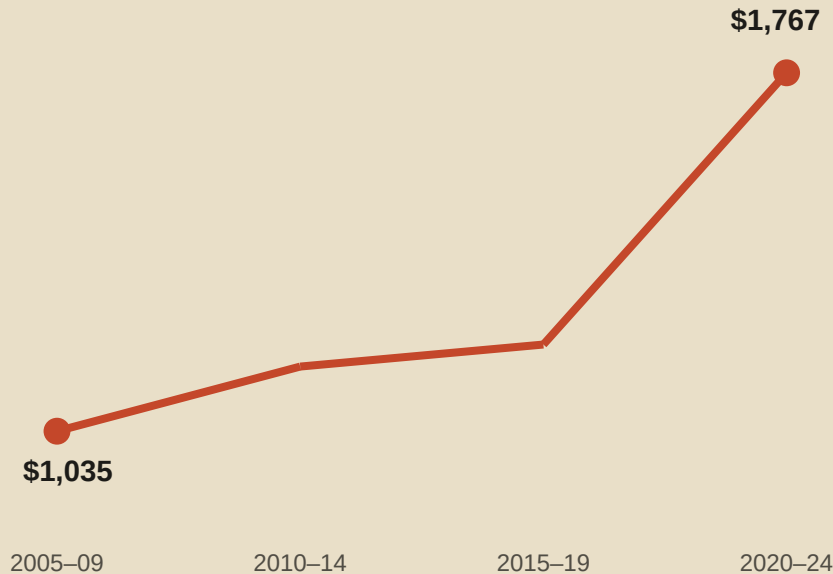


RENT

Median rent is up 71%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,767

a month. New Jersey's median is \$1,720.



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$2,103 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Union County.

TRACT 371

\$976

TRACT 364

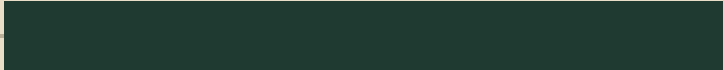
\$3,079



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent is above what local wages can carry.

\$1,002–\$1,503



\$1,767 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

1,693

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

98%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

93%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.4–0.9% to the 16,712 homes here.

68–153

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 10%
less than New Jersey's.

\$410,800

median home value in Plainfield.

Plainfield



\$410,800

New Jersey



\$454,400

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS PLAINFIELD'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/nj/plainfield/

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