State College, Pennsylvania.

Current market data.

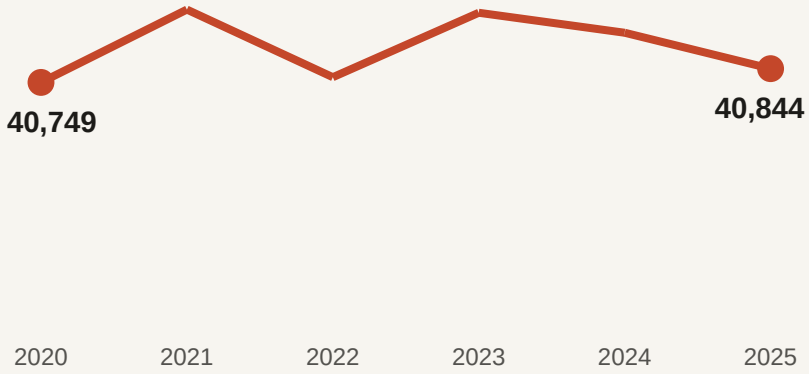
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 0.2% since 2020.

40,844

people, the 13th-largest of Pennsylvania's cities and towns.



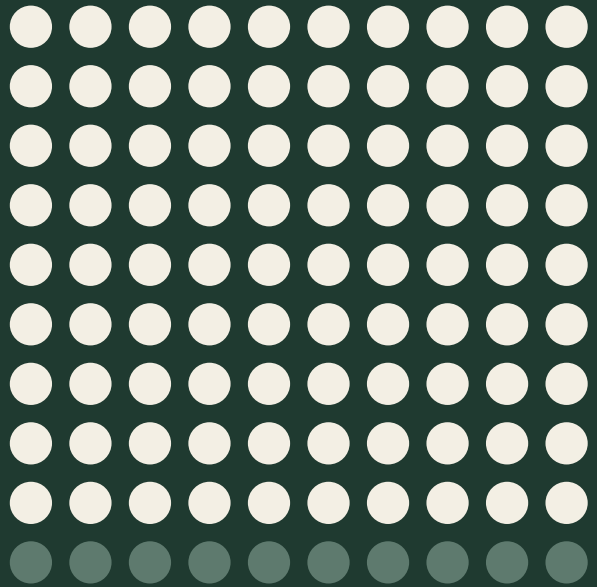
Source: Census Population Estimates, 2025

THE WORKDAY

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

90.3%

of 10,326 jobs located in State College are filled by in-commuters.



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

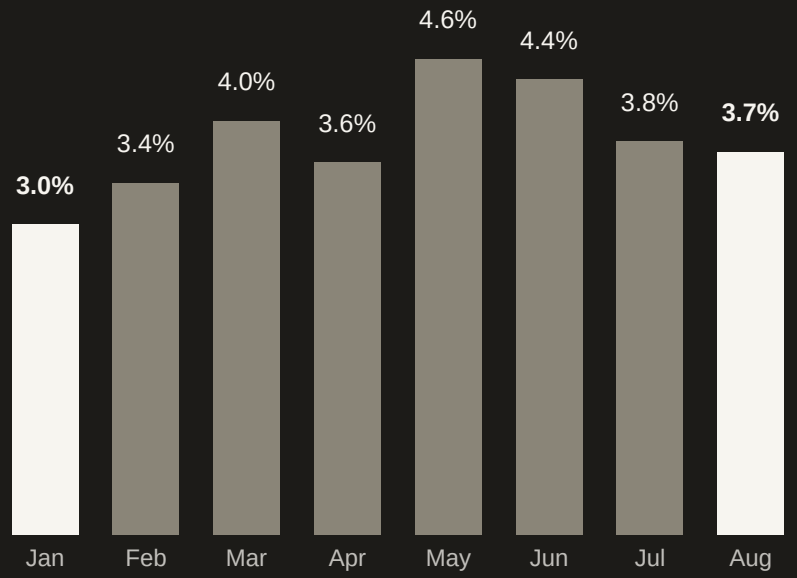
Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in January: 3.0%.

3.7%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 6.1%.



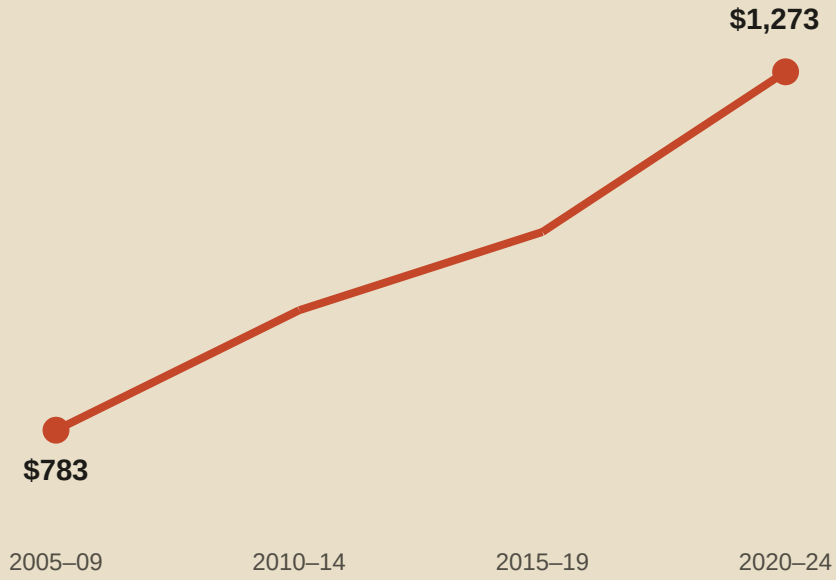
Source: BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2026-08

RENT

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

$1,273

a month. Pennsylvania's median is $1,209.

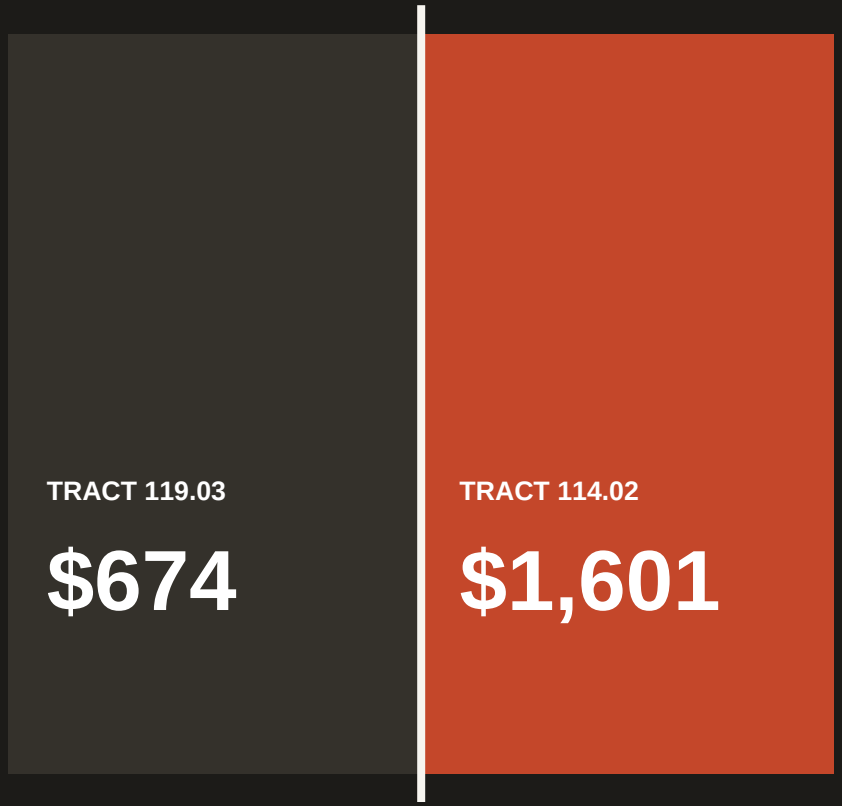


Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A $927 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Centre County.



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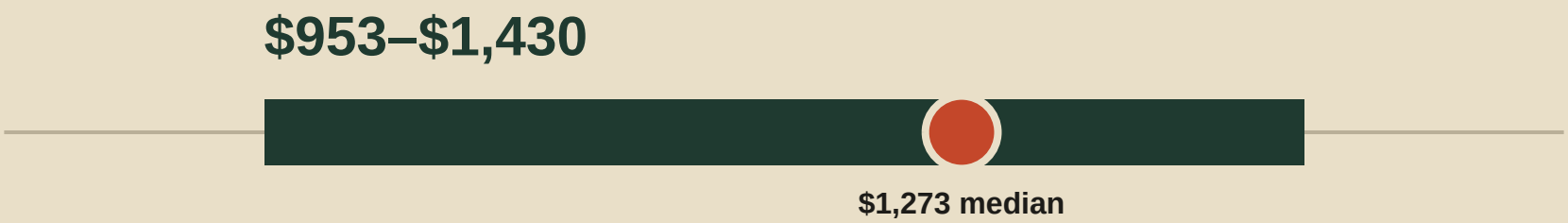
ROOM TO BUILD

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, 2020-2024

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

785

homes permitted, 2018–2025

90%

of those were in multifamily buildings

92%

of all homes were built before 2000

Source: Census Building Permits Survey, 2018-2025; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 1% to the 13,261 homes here.

103–150

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

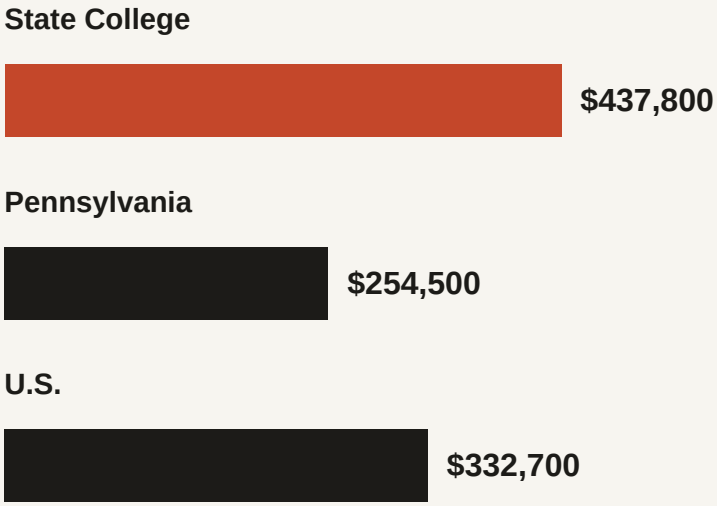
Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023

HOME VALUE

A median home costs 72% more than Pennsylvania's.

$437,800

median home value in State College.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THAT WAS STATE COLLEGE'S 2026

Every number came from a public source, with its date.

New Census data usually lands in December. The next Edition follows it.

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