



Salem, South Dakota.

Current market data.

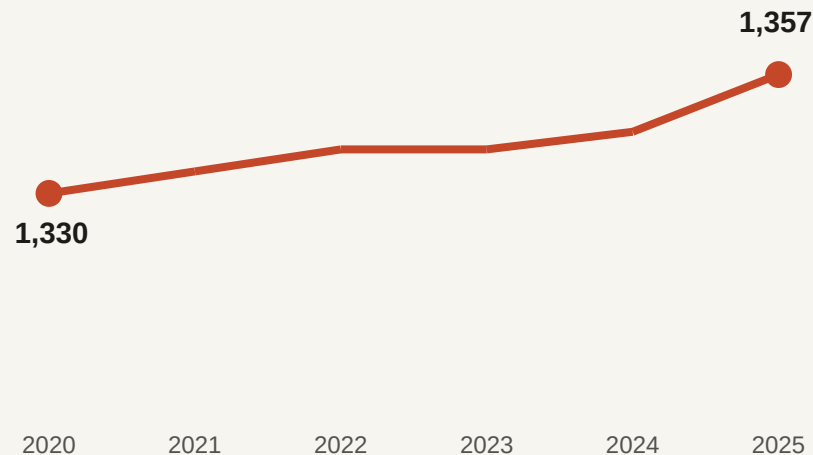
10 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 2.0% since 2020.

1,357

people, the 45th-largest of South Dakota's cities and towns.

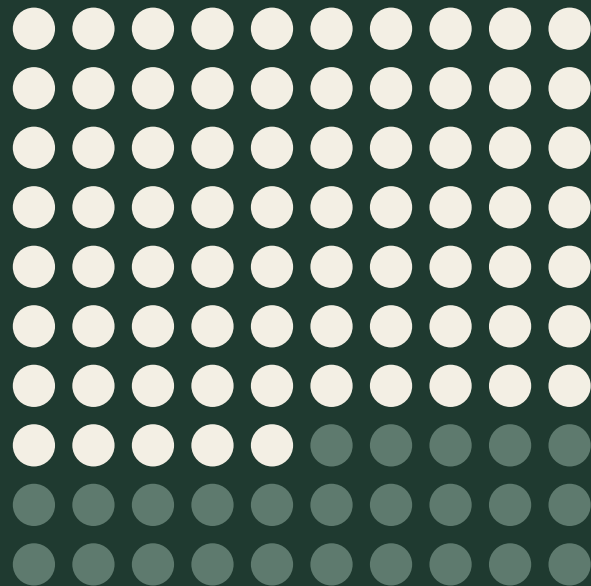


THE WORKDAY

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

74.5%

of 475 jobs located in Salem are filled by in-commuters.



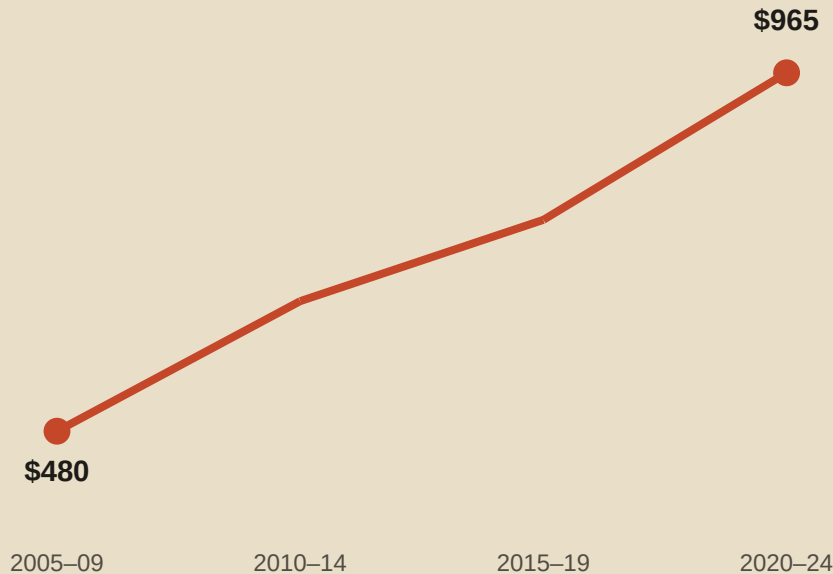
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 101%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$965

a month. South Dakota's median is \$946.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$144.

A \$144 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in McCook County.

TRACT 9647

\$825

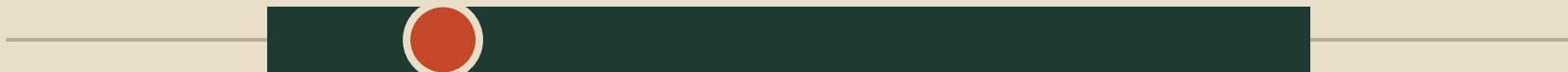
TRACT 9646

\$969

ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$890–\$1,334



\$965 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

Most of the housing here is older than 2000.

4

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 0.2–0.8% to the 627 homes here.

1–5

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 35% less than South Dakota's.

\$166,700

median home value in Salem.

Salem



\$166,700

South Dakota



\$257,400

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS SALEM'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/sd/salem/

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