



Merkel, Texas.

Current market data.

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

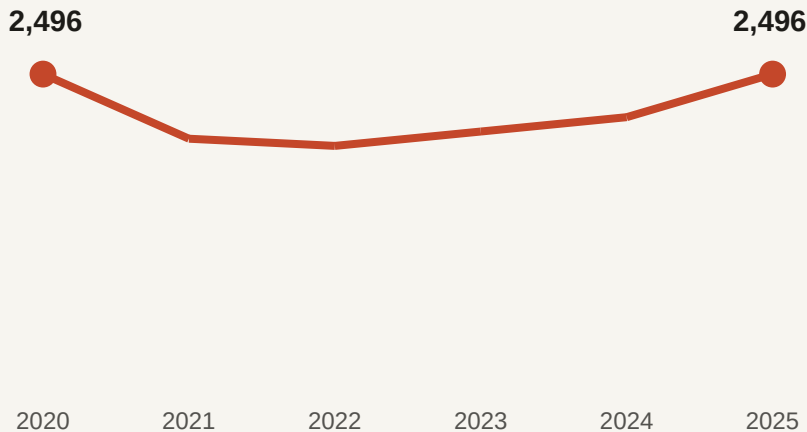


POPULATION

Down 0.0% since 2020.

2,496

people, the 543rd-largest of Texas's cities and towns.

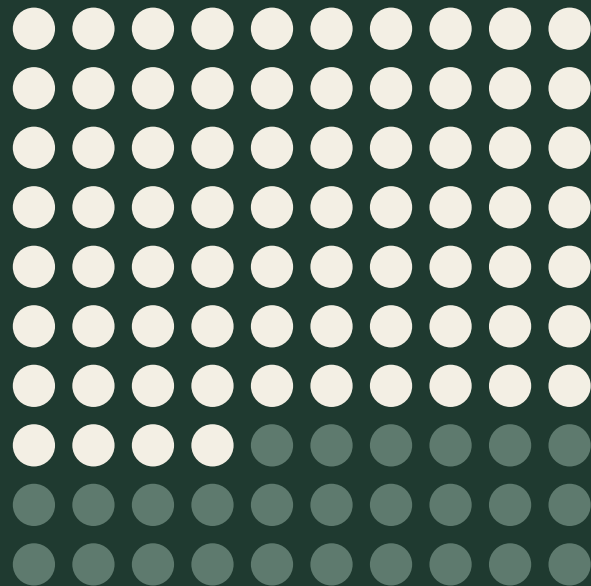


THE WORKDAY

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

74.4%

of 926 jobs located in Merkel are filled by in-commuters.



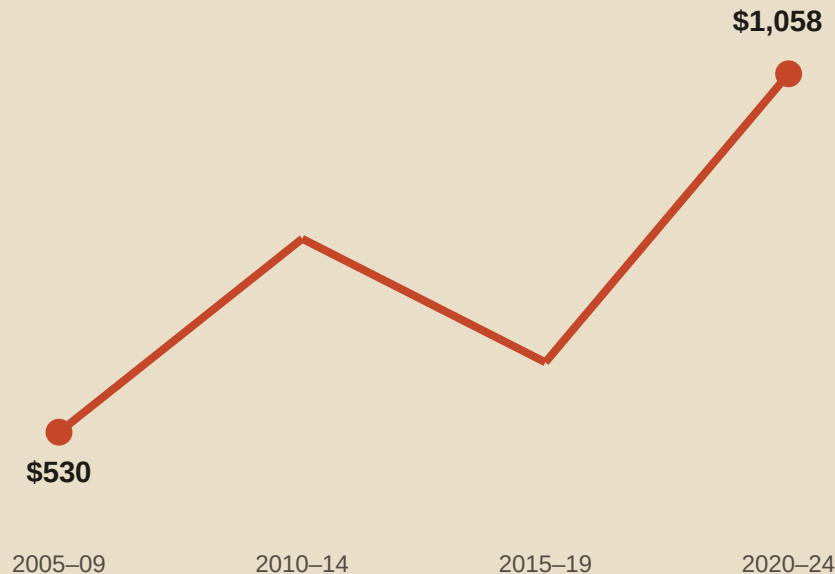
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

RENT

Median rent is up 100%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,058

a month. Texas's median is \$1,403.





THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$891.

A \$891 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Taylor County.

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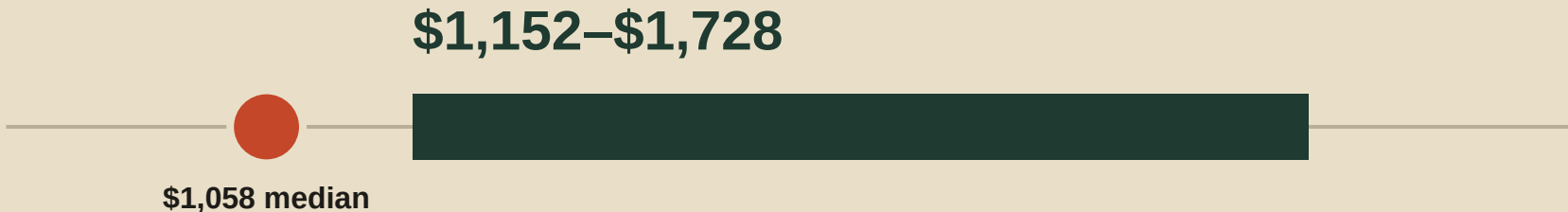
\$1,143

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\$2,034

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.

6

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

0%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

91%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.2–0.8% to the 1,139 homes here.

2–9

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 59% less than Texas's.

\$115,100

median home value in Merkel.

Merkel



\$115,100

Texas



\$283,800

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS MERKEL'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/tx/merkel/

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