Port Arthur, Texas.

Current market data.

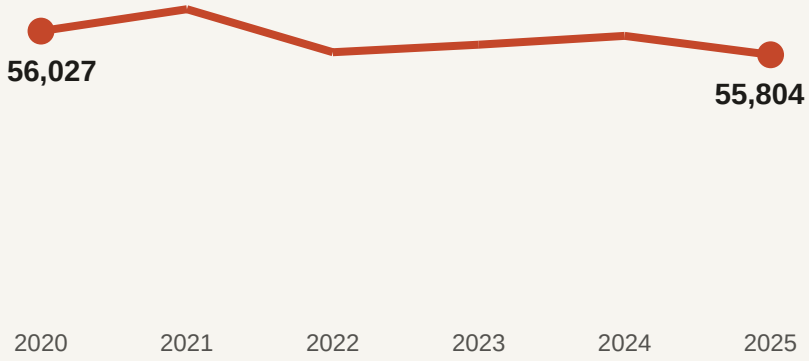
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

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

55,804

people, the 71st-largest of Texas's cities and towns.



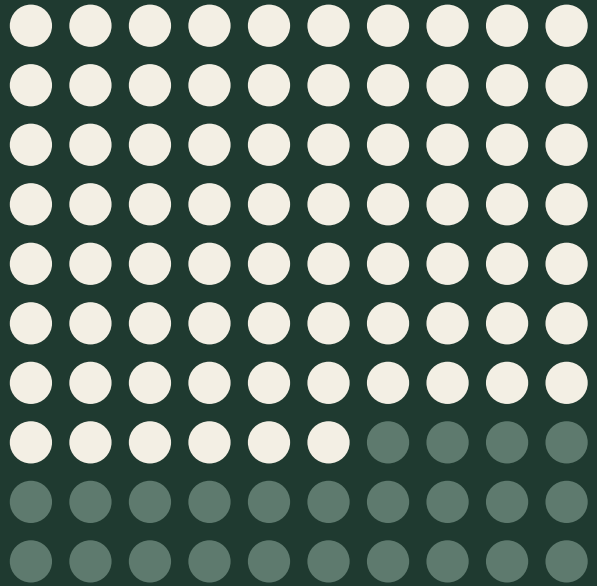
Source: Census Population Estimates, 2025

THE WORKDAY

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

76.5%

of 20,902 jobs located in Port Arthur are filled by in-commuters.



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

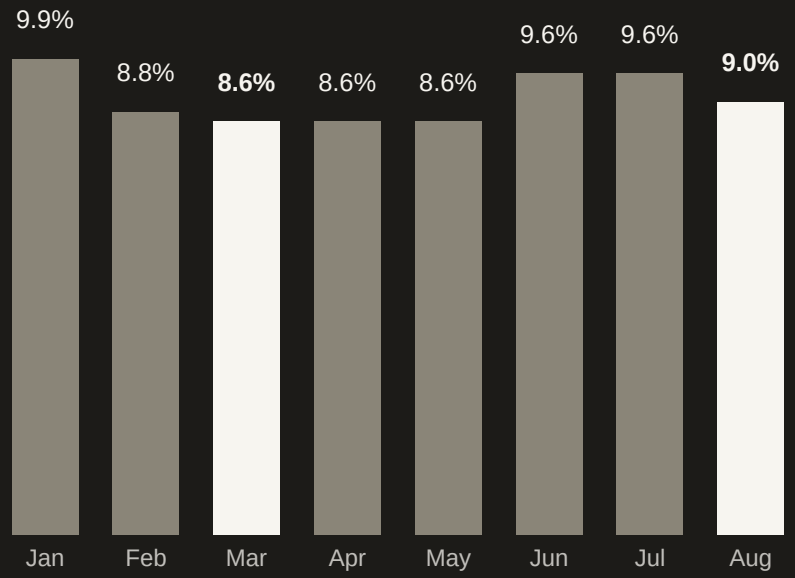
Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in March: 8.6%.

9.0%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 8.9%.



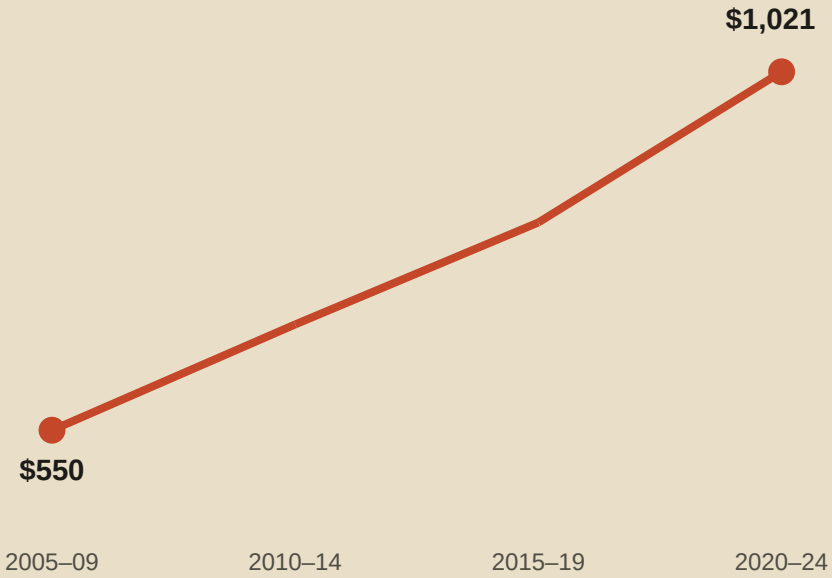
Source: BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics, 2026-08

RENT

Median rent is up 86% since the 2005–2009 survey, before inflation.

$1,021

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

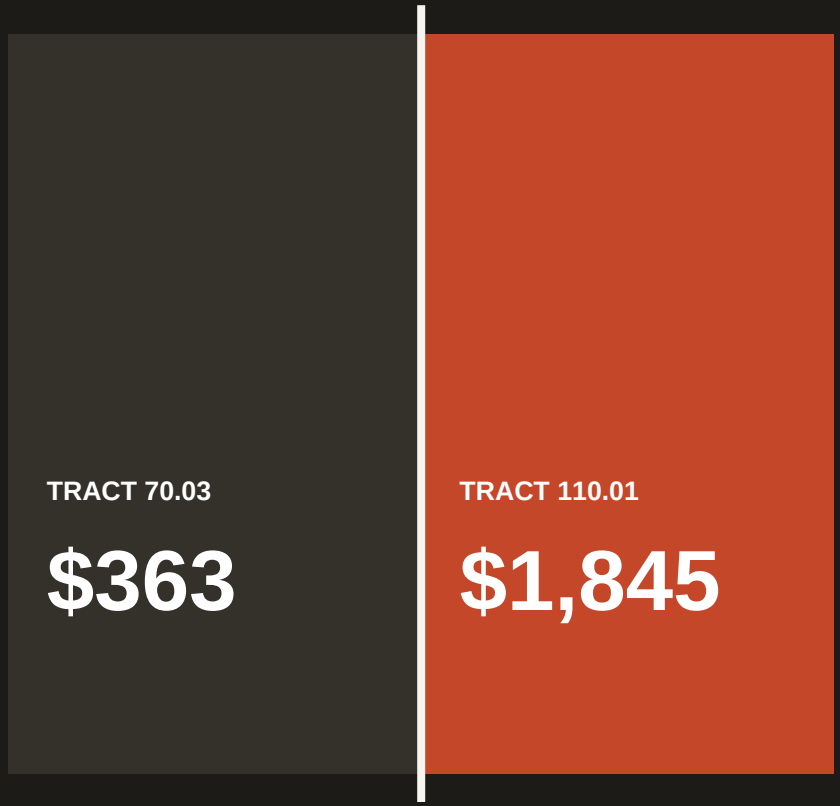


Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A $1,482 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Jefferson County.



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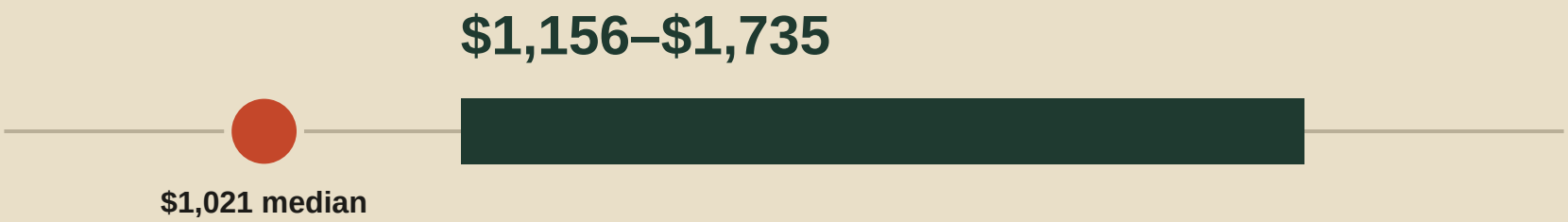
ROOM TO BUILD

Local wages can carry more rent than the median charged today.



is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

BUILDING

70% of the housing here was built before 2000.

1,403

homes permitted in ten years, 2016–2025

1%

of those were in multifamily buildings

70%

of all homes were built before 2000

Source: Census Building Permits Survey, 2016-2025; Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.4–0.8% to the 25,631 homes here.

97–209

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

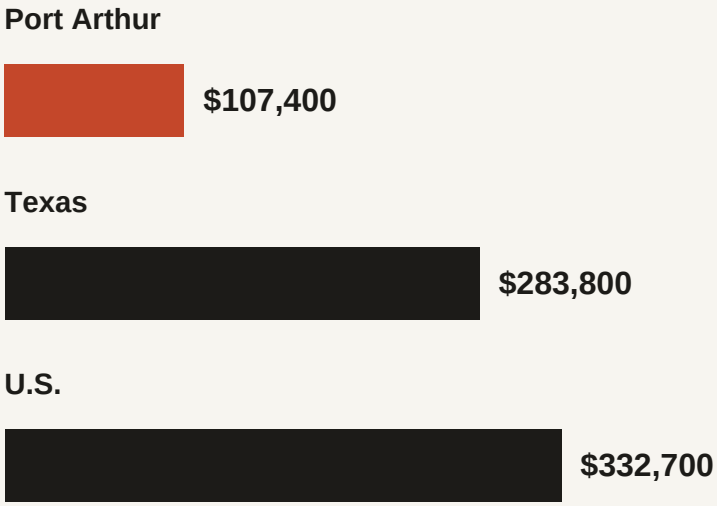
Source: Computed by the Almanac, 2023

HOME VALUE

A median home costs 62% less than Texas's.

$107,400

median home value in Port Arthur.



Source: Census ACS 5-year, 2020-2024

THAT WAS PORT ARTHUR'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/port-arthur/**