



Bellingham, Washington.

Current market data.

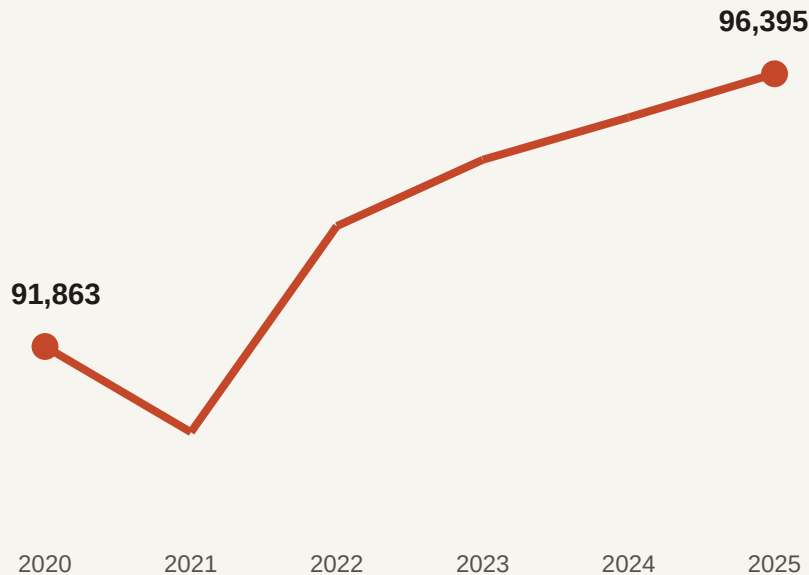
11 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

Growing. Up 4.9% since 2020.

96,395

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



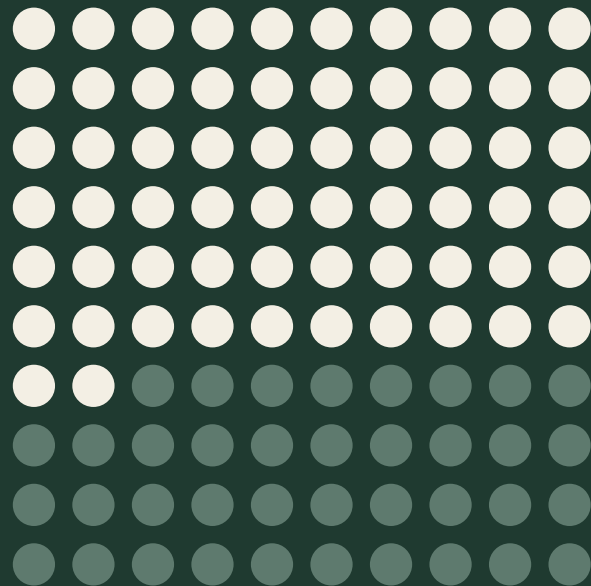
THE WORKDAY

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

62.0%

of 52,978 jobs located in Bellingham are filled by in-commuters.

Source: Census LEHD LODES, 2023



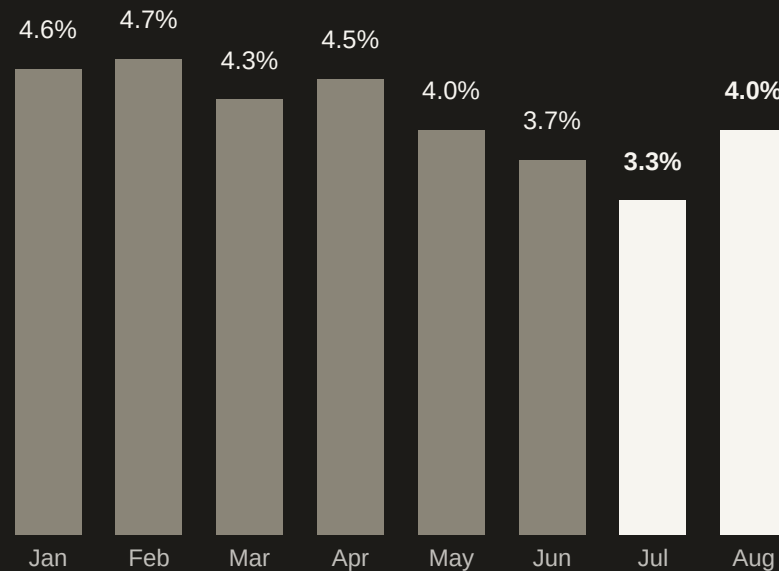
Each dot is 1% of jobs. Filled: held by in-commuters.

UNEMPLOYMENT, 2026

The low came in July:
3.3%.

4.0%

in August 2026, the latest month released. A year earlier it was 4.3%.

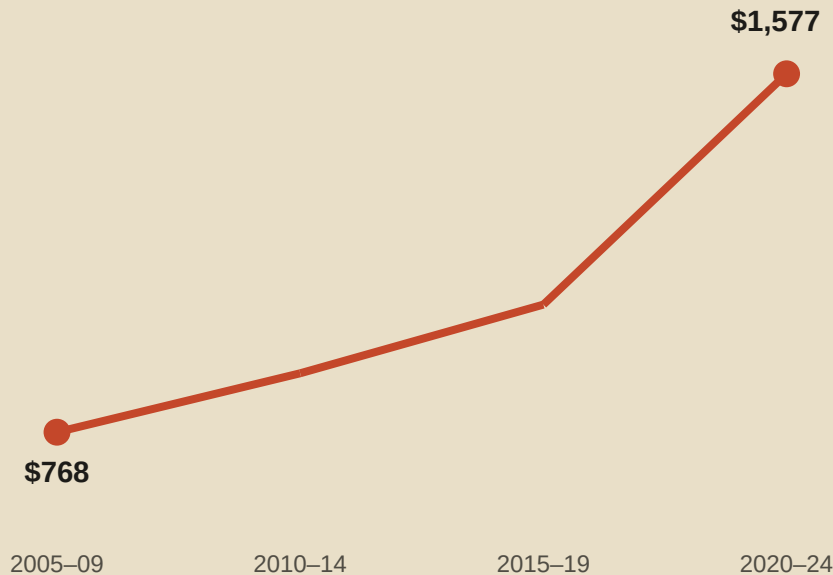


RENT

Median rent is up 105%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$1,577

a month. Washington's median is \$1,760.



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent doubles.

A \$1,318 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Whatcom County.

TRACT 1.01

\$1,193

TRACT 8.04

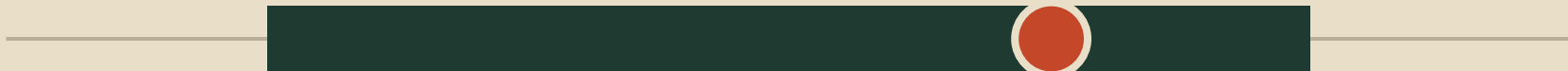
\$2,511



ROOM TO BUILD

The median rent sits inside what local wages can carry.

\$1,146–\$1,719



\$1,577 median

is the monthly rent range local workforce wages support.

BUILDING

69% of the housing here was built before 2000.

7,166

homes permitted in ten years,
2016–2025

73%

of those were in multifamily
buildings

69%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 1% to the 43,792 homes here.

222–530

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

HOME VALUE

A median home costs 11% more than Washington's.

\$627,500

median home value in Bellingham.

Bellingham



Washington



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THAT WAS BELLINGHAM'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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