



Chester, West Virginia.

Current market data.

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

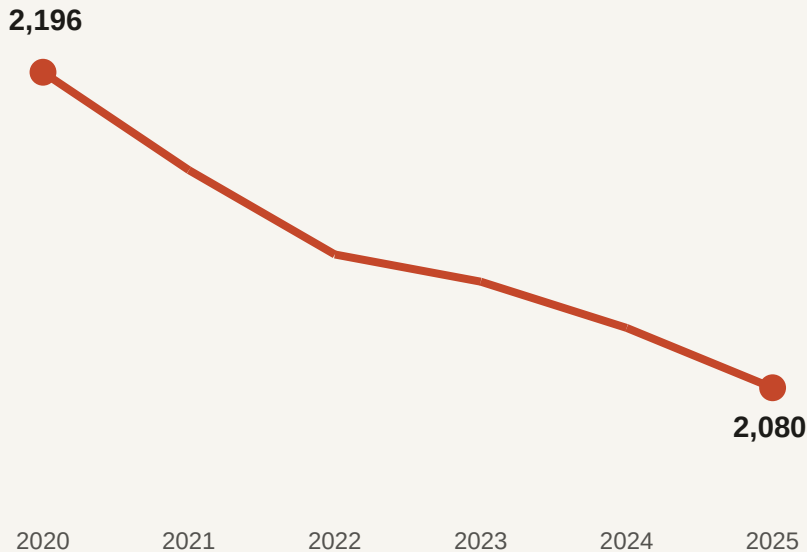


POPULATION

Down 5.3% since 2020.

2,080

people, the 57th-largest of West Virginia's cities and towns.



THE WORKDAY

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

85.5%

of 851 jobs located in Chester are filled by in-commuters.



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

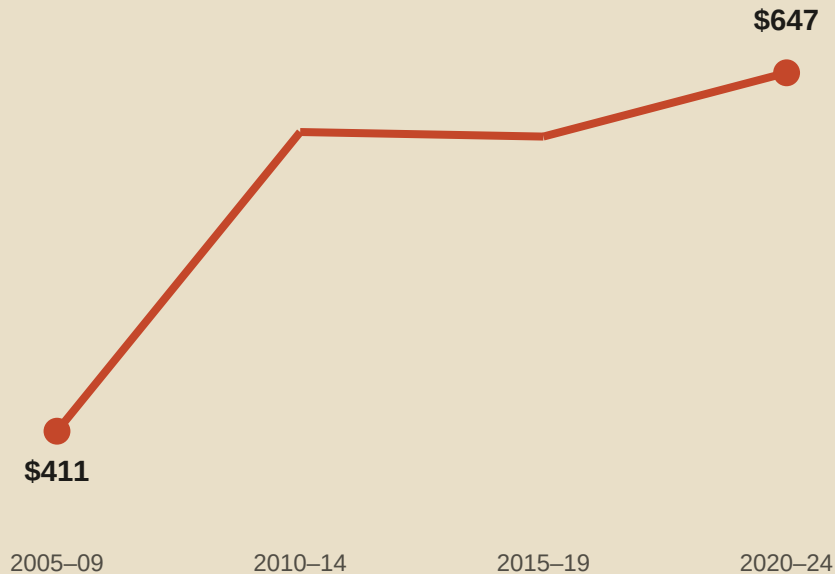


RENT

Median rent is up 57%
since the 2005–2009
survey, before inflation.

\$647

a month. West Virginia's median is \$872.



THE SEAM

Cross one tract line and median rent jumps \$388.

A \$388 gap between neighbors, the sharpest rent edge between adjacent tracts in Hancock County.

TRACT 211

\$549

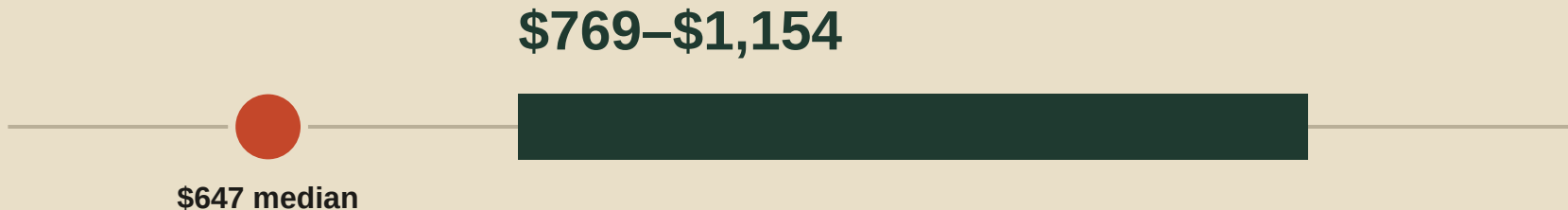
TRACT 212

\$937



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.

0

homes permitted, 2022–2025

98%

of all homes were built before 2000

UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0.1–0.7% to the 1,251 homes here.

1–9

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 31% less than West Virginia's.

\$112,000

median home value in Chester.

Chester



\$112,000

West Virginia



\$162,600

U.S.



\$332,700



THAT WAS CHESTER'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/wv/chester/

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