



ZIP 51242, Lester, Iowa.

Current market data.

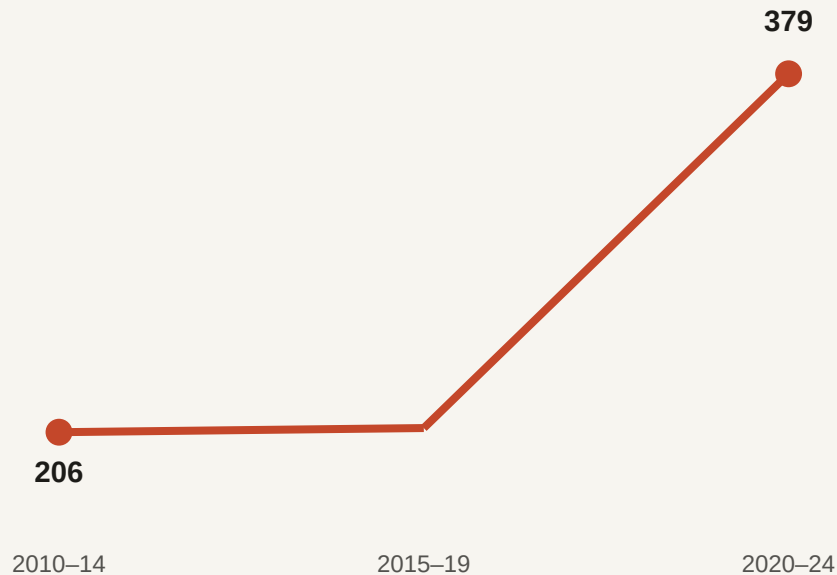
8 cards. Every number sourced and dated. Data as of Oct 30, 2026.

POPULATION

379 people call ZIP 51242 home.

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people.





RENT

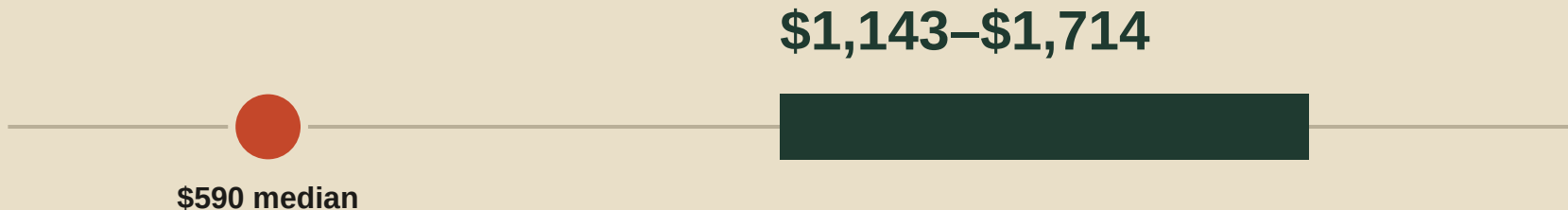
Median rent is \$590 a month.

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a month. Iowa's median is \$972.

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.

84%

of all homes were built before 2000



UNITS NEEDED

Closing the gap would add 0–2% to the 132 homes here.

0–2

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



HOME VALUE

A median home costs 8% less than Iowa's.

\$190,900

median home value in ZIP 51242.

ZIP 51242



\$190,900

Iowa



\$208,000

U.S.



\$332,700

THAT WAS ZIP 51242'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/zip/51242/

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