

Oldest Housing Stock in Austin MSA — ALEX Intelligence 2026

Lockhart Has Austin's Oldest Housing Stock

38 years old — a data-driven edge in the Austin MSA

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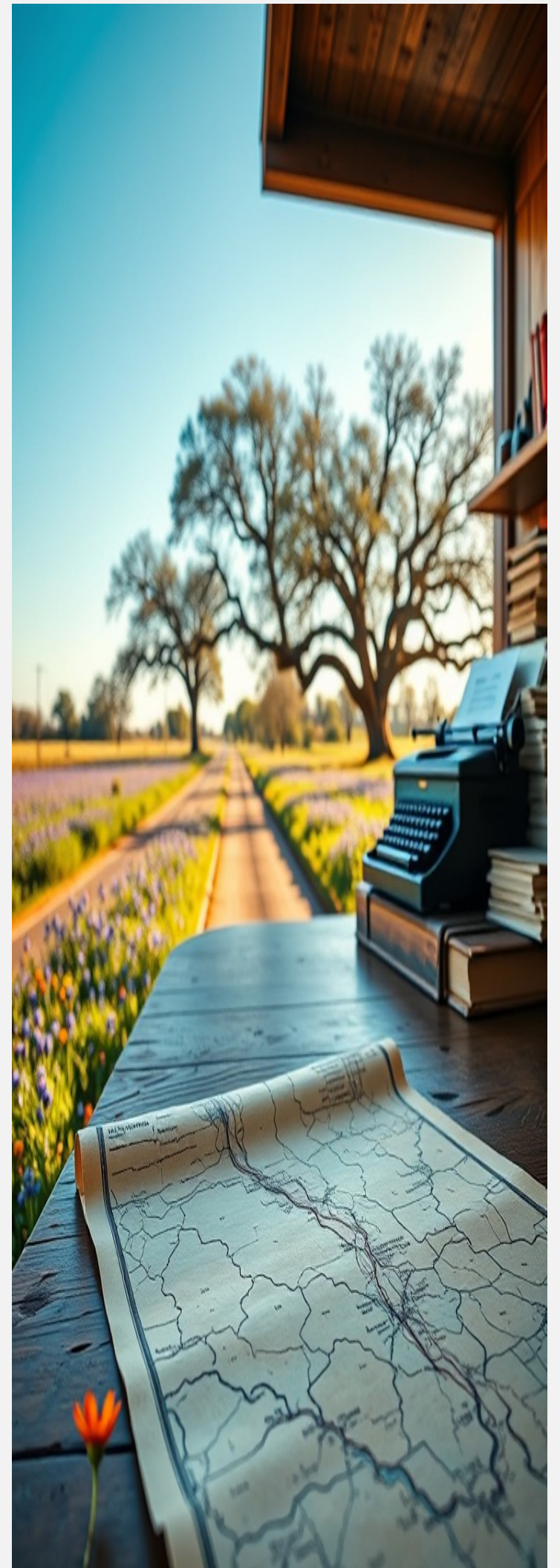
Median Home Age (2024)

Lockhart has the oldest housing stock in the Austin MSA, according to the latest ALEX Intelligence data.

This figure, derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024, reflects decades of stable residential development in Lockhart. Unlike newer suburban enclaves, Lockhart's housing stock represents a long-term investment in community continuity and architectural character. The age of homes here suggests a mature, established neighborhood with proven resilience to market shifts.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024 • ALEX Intelligence computation

<https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-09-28-austin-msa-median-home-age-place-mkt>



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Older homes = lower entry barriers

In a market where median home prices in central Austin continue to rise, Lockhart's 38-year-old homes offer a rare affordability advantage. The long depreciation cycle means many of these homes are already past their peak value appreciation phase, reducing capital gains pressure. This creates a unique opportunity for buyers seeking long-term ownership with lower upfront cost, especially for first-time buyers and investors seeking stable, low-turnover properties.



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Heritage value drives resilience

Homes that have stood for 38 years in Lockhart have weathered multiple market cycles, including the 2008 downturn and the 2020 pandemic. Their enduring presence reflects strong neighborhood cohesion, mature infrastructure, and consistent maintenance. This structural resilience translates into lower vacancy risk and stronger long-term rental demand, particularly for buyers prioritizing stability over rapid appreciation. In a market obsessed with new construction, Lockhart's age is not a flaw — it's a competitive edge.

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