

2025 State of Home Affordability in Maine

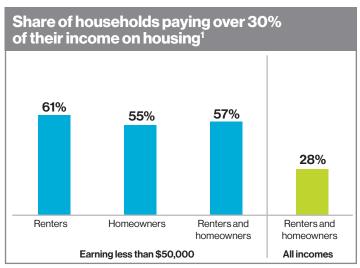
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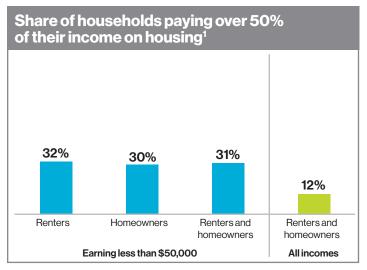


1 IN 8 HOUSEHOLDS

spend more than half of their income on housing.

Lower-income households are especially likely to have unaffordable housing costs, requiring more than 30% of their income.





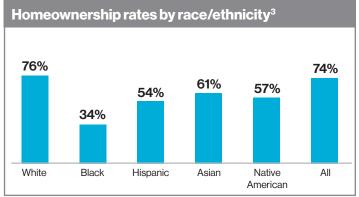
Increasingly, the typical renter can't afford to buy a home in Maine.

Income needed to purchase a median-priced home

\$101,163 per year²

Median renter income \$40,000 per year³

The underproduction of housing is driving up unaffordability and impeding efforts to close racial and ethnic gaps in homeownership.





Sources:

- 1. IPUMS (2022 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates).
- 2. Assumes a 10% down payment, 28% payment-to-income ratio, 5.3% interest (median in 2022), nationally typical mortgage insurance and homeowner insurance, and state-specific taxes (Sources: Freddie Mac, National Association of Home Builders Priced-Out Estimates for 2022, Census Bureau's 2022 and 2021 ACS 1-Year estimates, Zillow Home Value Index).
- ${\it 3. IPUMS (2022 ACS 1-Year Estimates)}. \ Note: Limited sample size may impact the precision of the results.$
- 4. Up for Growth (2024 Housing Underproduction $^{\mathtt{m}}$ in the U.S.).





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