The 2019 Housing Need in Camden County

Housing is affordable when it comprises no more than **30% of the family’s budget**. Families that spend more than this on housing are **cost-burdened**.

**31%** of Camden County are **cost-burdened**

1,190 households

Renters who have difficulty affording their homes: **63%**

347 households

Homeowners who have difficulty affording their homes: **28%**

843 households

Rental Market in Camden County

To afford a modest two-bedroom apartment at: **$1,043/month**

A family needs to earn: **$41,720/year**

But the average renter can only afford a rent of: **$533/month**

Average Annual Salaries

Food prep and service: **$19,080**

Healthcare: **$23,120**

Childcare: **$23,900**

Retail sales: **$23,990**

Construction: **$26,930**

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**$74,300** Area Median Income (AMI) for Camden County

*Statistics from the American Community Survey, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the North Carolina Court System, the NLIHC 2018 Out of Reach report, and the U.S. Department of Energy.*

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North Carolina Energy Burden

According to the US Department of Health and Human Services, paying more than 6% of a household’s budget on energy is unaffordable.

Percentage of income spent on energy costs:

- > 8%
- 6% - 8%
- 3% - 6%
- < 3%

Renters

Homeowners

Camden County Energy Burden

The average family spends: $252 each month on energy costs, or... 4.4% of their monthly income

Renters earning less than 50% AMI spend:

- $179 average monthly amount spent on energy, or...
- 8.3% of household income

Homeowners earning less than 50% AMI spend:

- $258 average monthly amount spent on energy, or...
- 12.6% of household income

When Housing Costs Too Much

When housing costs become too much, a family can lose their home. This takes an incredible toll not only on a family, but also on the entire community.

- 33 families in Camden County faced an eviction filing this year...
- 9.5% of all cost-burdened renters.
- 13 families in Camden County faced a foreclosure this year...
- 1.5% of all cost-burdened homeowners.

Affordable communities are healthier communities with opportunity for all

The North Carolina Housing Coalition’s membership is comprised of organizations and individuals from across the state who make the creation and preservation of affordable housing their mission.

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