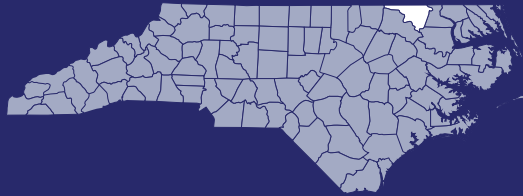


# The 2019 Housing Need in Northampton County

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**.



## 36%

of Northampton County are **cost-burdened**

**3,097 households**

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



## 60%

**1,400 households**

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



## 29%

**1,697 households**

### Rental Market in Northampton County



To afford a modest two-bedroom apartment at:

## \$683/month



A family needs to earn:

## \$27,320/year



But the average renter can only afford a rent of:

## \$531/month

### Average Annual Salaries

**\$27,320** income needed to afford a two-bedroom apartment



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



Healthcare  
**\$23,120**



Childcare  
**\$23,900**



Retail sales  
**\$23,990**



Construction  
**\$26,930**



Police officer  
**\$39,660**

**\$39,000** Area Median Income (AMI) for Northampton County

## 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: 

### Renters



### Homeowners



## Northampton County Energy Burden

 **The average family spends:** **\$268** each month on energy costs, or...  
**7.3%** of their monthly income

### Renters earning less than 50% AMI spend

 **\$261** average monthly amount spent on energy, or...  
**18.9%** of household income

**SEVERELY UNAFFORDABLE**

### Homeowners earning less than 50% AMI spend

 **\$282** average monthly amount spent on energy, or...  
**21.2%** of household income

**SEVERELY UNAFFORDABLE**

## 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.



**106** families in Northampton County faced an eviction filing this year...  
**7.6%** of all cost-burdened renters.



**18** families in Northampton County faced a foreclosure this year...  
**1.1%** 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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