The 2019 Housing Need in Onslow 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.

29% of Onslow County are cost-burdened
18,047 households

Renters who have difficulty affording their homes:
37%
10,322 households

Homeowners who have difficulty affording their homes:
22%
7,725 households

Rental Market in Onslow County

To afford a modest two-bedroom apartment at:
$843/month

A family needs to earn:
$33,720/year

But the average renter can only afford a rent of:
$585/month

Average Annual Salaries

Childcare
$18,230

Food prep and service
$18,740

Retail sales
$25,620

Healthcare
$26,110

Construction
$27,440

Police officer
$44,540

$33,720 income needed to afford a two-bedroom apartment

$53,000 Area Median Income (AMI) for Onslow 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%

Onslow County Energy Burden

The average family spends:

- $170 each month on energy costs, or...
- 3.6% of their monthly income

Renters earning less than 50% AMI spend

- $123 average monthly amount spent on energy, or...
- 8.4% of household income

Homeowners earning less than 50% AMI spend

- $202 average monthly amount spent on energy, or...
- 14.5% 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.

- 2,391 families in Onslow County faced an eviction filing this year...
- 23.2% of all cost-burdened renters.

- 456 families in Onslow County faced a foreclosure this year...
- 5.9% of all cost-burdened homeowners.