The 2023 Housing Need in Wilkes County

23% of Wilkes County are cost-burdened
5,866 households

Renters who have difficulty affording their homes: 48% 2,812 households
Homeowners who have difficulty affording their homes: 15% 3,054 households

Families that spend more than 30% are considered cost-burdened, more than 50%, are considered severely cost-burdened.

$771 monthly Fair Market Rent*:
An income of $30,840 per year is needed to afford the Fair Market Rent.

$14.83 hour Housing Wage:
The hourly wage needed to afford a Fair Market Rent apartment.

Average Annual Salaries

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*Fair Market Rents, regularly published by HUD, represent the cost to rent a moderately-priced dwelling unit in the local housing market. The above FMR is for a two-bedroom unit.

When Housing Costs Too Much

42 families in Wilkes County faced a foreclosure this year...
1.38% of all cost-burdened homeowners.

370 families in Wilkes County faced an eviction filing this year...
13.16% of all cost-burdened renters.

Ranks

#47 for evictions among renter households.
(1 = highest and 100 = lowest)

The mission of the North Carolina Housing Coalition is to lead a movement to ensure that every North Carolinian has a home in which to live in dignity and opportunity.

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