

28% of North Carolina is **cost-burdened**.

1,138,293 households

Renters
who have difficulty affording their homes:



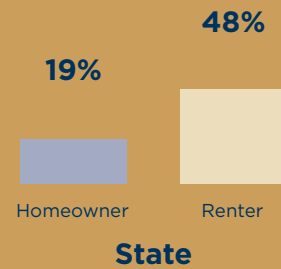
48%
615,581 households

Homeowners
who have difficulty affording their homes:



19%
522,712 households

Homeowner/Renter Cost Burdened 2025



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

Average Annual Salaries



Teacher
\$50,200



Childcare
\$29,100



Firefighter
\$35,650

\$22.28 hour
Housing Wage:

The hourly wage needed to afford a Fair Market Rent apartment.

\$1158 monthly
Fair Market Rent*:

An income of **\$46,340 per year** is needed to afford the Fair Market Rent.

**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. Visit nchousing.org/county-fact-sheets for complete annual salary data.*

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.



11,394
families faced a foreclosure this year...



194,526
families faced an eviction filing this year...