Too many Minnesotans are cost burdened—paying more than they can afford for housing.

The cost of housing is out of reach for many hard-working renters and homeowners.

There are significant racial disparities in who owns a home in Minnesota.

THE WAGES OF HIGH-DEMAND JOBS FALL SHORT

Salary needed to afford: median-priced home / 2-bedroom apartment

- $180K
- $160K
- $140K
- $120K
- $100K
- $80K
- $60K
- $40K
- $20K

Registered Nurses: $70,950
Truck Drivers: $35,400
Nursing Assistants: $35,400
Cashiers: $35,400
Home Health Aides: $35,400

INEQUITABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP RATE

White* Homeowners: 12,126
71%

BIPOC* Homeowners: 547
83%

*White = non-Hispanic white | *BIPOC = Black, Indigenous, and people of color. Due to the small size of some districts, we have aggregated counts for BIPOC homeownership.

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**Affordable Housing Definition and Sources**

*Affordable housing* is defined as housing that costs an owner or renter no more than 30% of household income. A unit is affordable and available if that unit is both affordable and vacant or is currently occupied by a household at the defined income threshold or below.

**Cost burden:** U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022, 5-year estimates | **Evictions:** Eviction Lab, Eviction Tracking System 2023 | **Homelessness:** Wilder Research Center, 2023 Minnesota Homeless Study | **ELI Units and Renters:** National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLICH), *The Gap* 2024 | **Homeownership:** U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2022, 1-year estimates | **In-demand jobs:** Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (MN DEED), Occupations in Demand, 2023.