

Out of Reach: Minnesota

Relevant excerpts from a report by the National Low Income Housing Coalition, 2022



Affordable Rent for Low Income Households

Minimum Wage Worker

\$537/mo

Household at 30% of Area Median Income

\$792/mo

Household at 50% of Area Median Income

\$1,319/mo



Fair Market Rent

1-Bedroom Fair Market Rent

\$937/mo

2-Bedroom Fair Market Rent

\$1,165/mo

Working at minimum wage

\$10.33/hr

Each week you have to work

70 HOURS

To afford a modest 1 bedroom rental home at Fair Market Rent

Number of Households	
TOTAL	2,207,988
RENTER	619,377
PERCENT RENTERS	28%
Hourly Wage Needed to Afford Rent	
ZERO-BEDROOM	\$15.76
ONE-BEDROOM	\$18.02
TWO-BEDROOM	\$22.41
THREE-BEDROOM	\$30.86
FOUR-BEDROOM	\$35.96
Annual Income Needed to Afford Rent	
ZERO-BEDROOM	\$32,772
ONE-BEDROOM	\$37,473
TWO-BEDROOM	\$46,616
THREE-BEDROOM	\$64,181
FOUR-BEDROOM	\$74,791

Work Hours/Week at Minimum Wage	
ZERO-BEDROOM	61
ONE-BEDROOM	70
TWO-BEDROOM	87
THREE-BEDROOM	119
FOUR-BEDROOM	139
Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Payment	
SSI MONTHLY PAYMENT	\$922
RENT AFFORDABLE TO SSI RECIPIENT	\$277
Income Levels	
30% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI)	\$31,663
50% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI)	\$52,772
MEDIAN RENTER HOUSEHOLD INCOME	\$46,313
Rent Affordable at Different Income Levels	
30% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI)	\$792
50% AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI)	\$1,319
MEDIAN RENTER HOUSEHOLD INCOME	\$1,158

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Occupation in Minnesota (Largest occupations)	Total # Employed	Median Hourly Wage
WAITERS AND WAITRESSES	32,510	\$13.18
FAST FOOD AND COUNTER WORKERS	56,700	\$14.11
CASHIERS	61,520	\$14.39
HOME HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE AIDES	108,890	\$14.91
RETAIL SALESPERSONS	71,830	\$14.92
STOCKERS AND ORDER FILLERS	36,800	\$15.68
JANITORS AND CLEANERS, EXCEPT MAIDS AND HOUSEKEEPING CLEANERS	41,700	\$17.25
COOKS, RESTAURANT	21,410	\$17.67
One-Bedroom Rental Housing Wage		\$18.02
TEACHING ASSISTANTS, EXCEPT POSTSECONDARY	32,680	\$18.68
NURSING ASSISTANTS	25,440	\$18.71
MISCELLANEOUS ASSEMBLERS AND FABRICATORS	36,010	\$19.10
LABORERS AND FREIGHT, STOCK, AND MATERIAL MOVERS, HAND	44,640	\$19.12
OFFICE CLERKS, GENERAL	52,900	\$19.47
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES	49,920	\$20.43
Two-Bedroom Rental Housing Wage		\$22.41
SECRETARIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE, EXCEPT LEGAL, MEDICAL, AND EXECUTIVE	30,730	\$23.51
CONSTRUCTION LABORERS	18,200	\$23.75
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORKERS, GENERAL	24,520	\$24.08
BOOKKEEPING, ACCOUNTING, AND AUDITING CLERKS	24,790	\$24.14
ALL OCCUPATIONS	2,735,060	\$24.21
HEAVY AND TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCK DRIVERS	36,460	\$25.36
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS, EXCEPT SPECIAL EDUCATION	22,680	\$31.61
FIRST-LINE SUPERVISORS OF OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT WORKERS	20,940	\$31.68
SALES REPS, WHOLESALE AND MANUFACTURING, EXCEPT TECH. AND SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTS	28,610	\$31.91
BUSINESS OPERATIONS SPECIALISTS, ALL OTHER	19,600	\$32.07
SALES REPS OF SERVICES, EXCEPT ADVERTISING, INSURANCE, FINANCIAL SERVICES, AND TRAVEL	20,460	\$32.34
ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS	27,490	\$38.89
MARKET RESEARCH ANALYSTS AND MARKETING SPECIALISTS	20,180	\$39.13
REGISTERED NURSES	69,000	\$40.24
GENERAL AND OPERATIONS MANAGERS	63,290	\$43.53
MANAGEMENT ANALYSTS	18,790	\$48.77
SOFTWARE DEVELOPERS	36,860	\$52.36

