

A Place to Call Home: Marion County

Homes give people an opportunity to build better lives and communities. But how do Marion County residents fare?

We have a serious shortage of affordable housing

For every 100 families with extremely low incomes, there are only 20 affordable units available.



7,215

units are needed to meet the need

1 out of 4



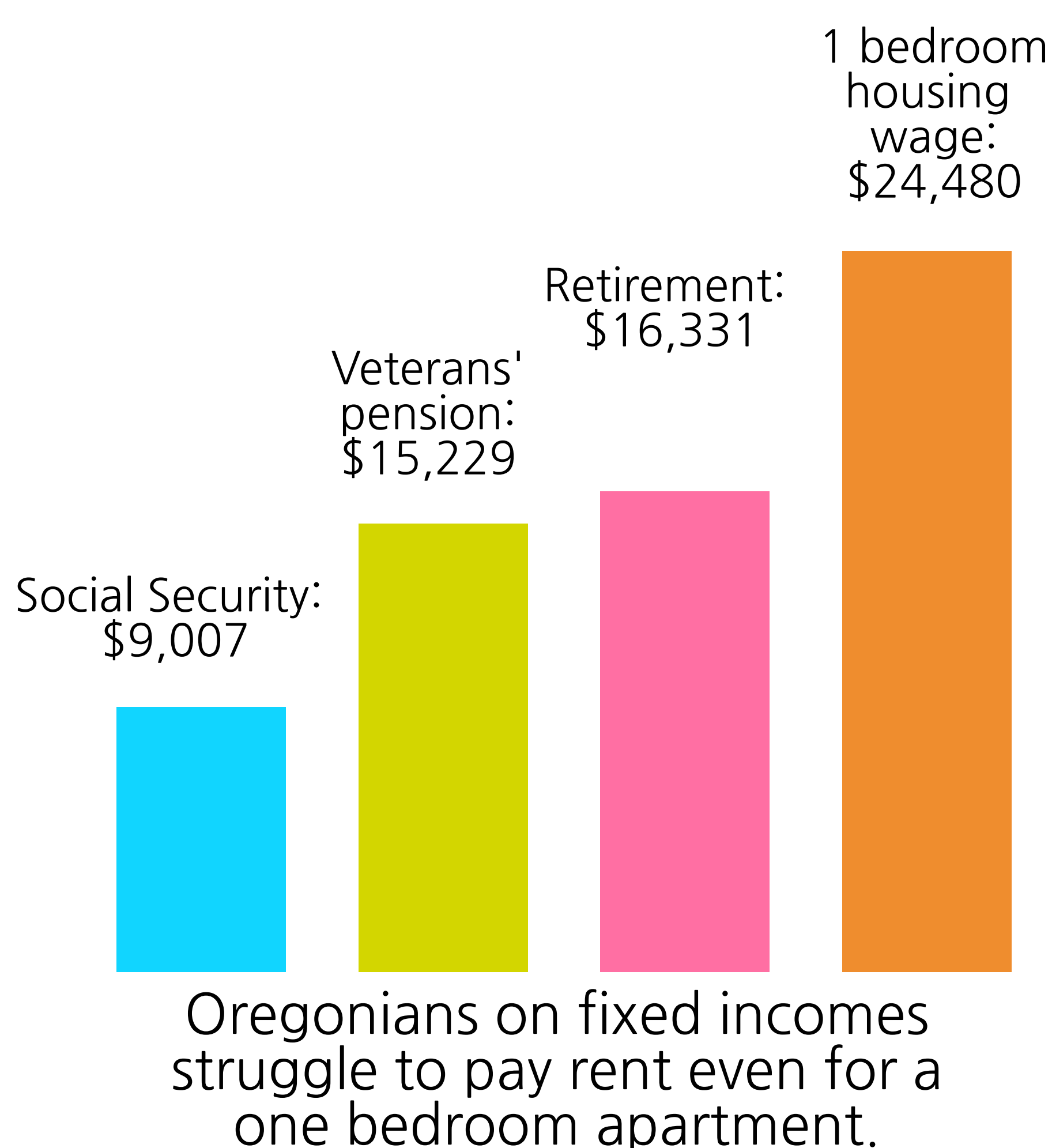
of all renters are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

More than 2 out of 3



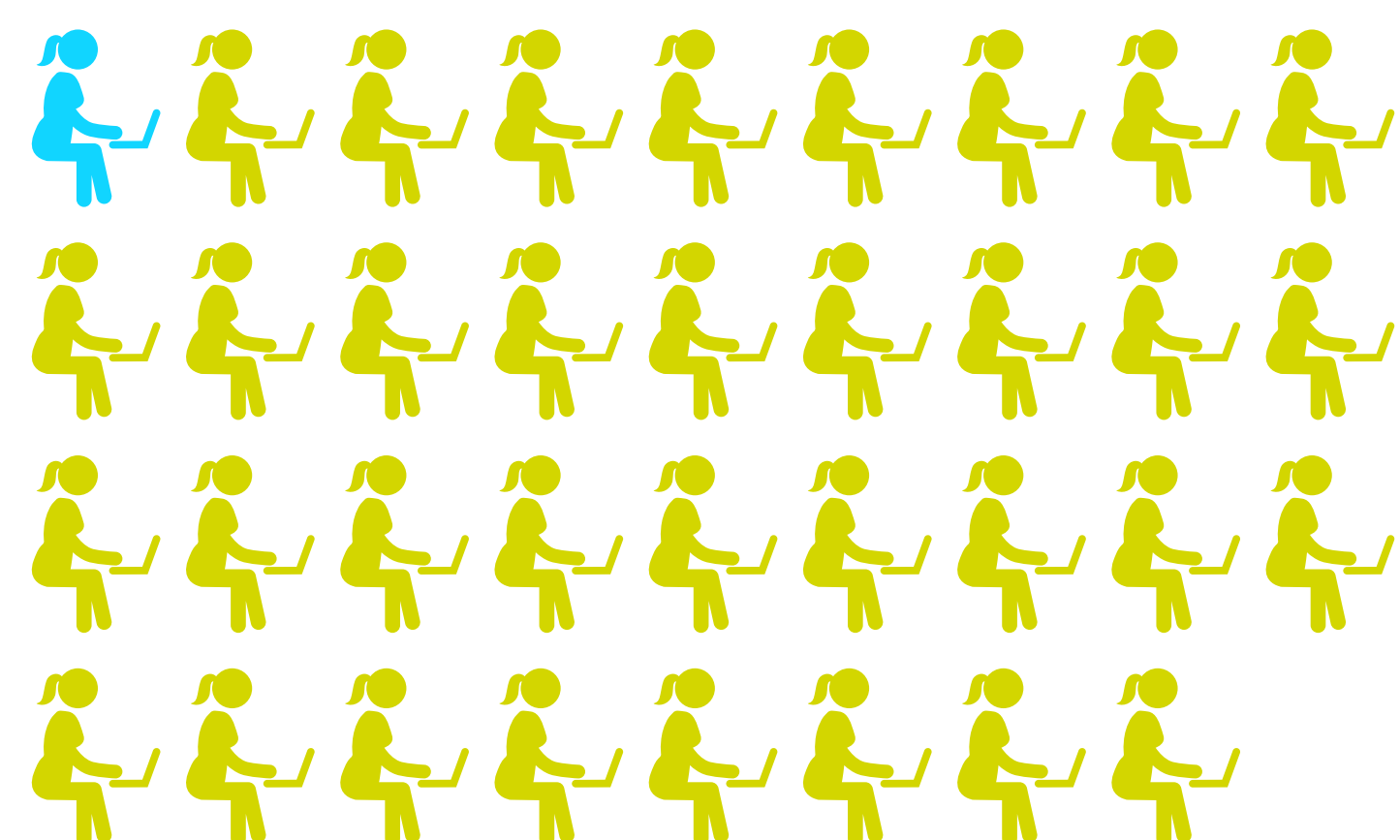
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Our neighbors are facing homelessness



1 in 35 students

experienced homelessness in 2016-2017



That's 1,758 children during the 2016-17 school year in Marion County.

Workers can't afford rent

\$12.08

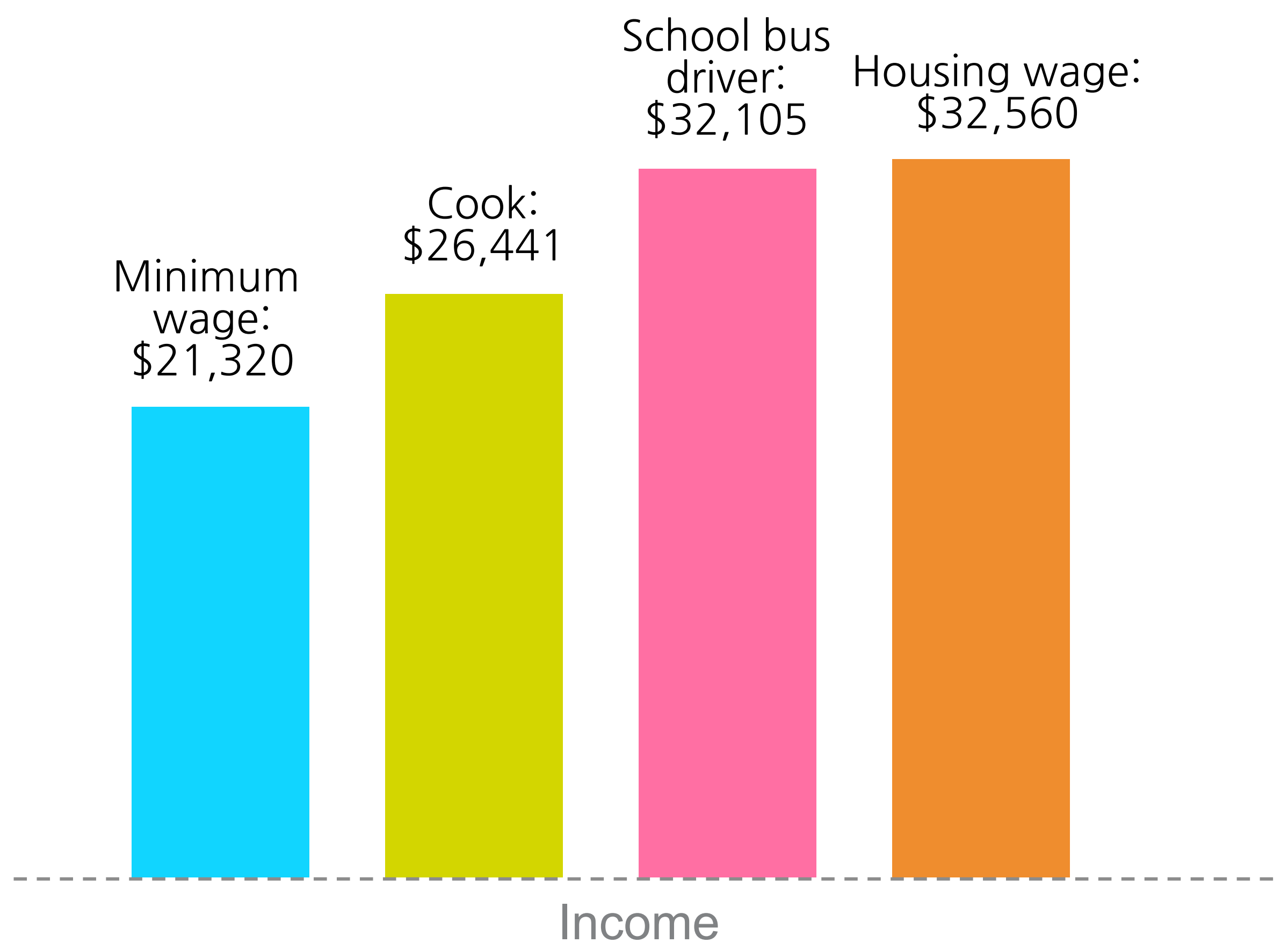


Mean renter wage



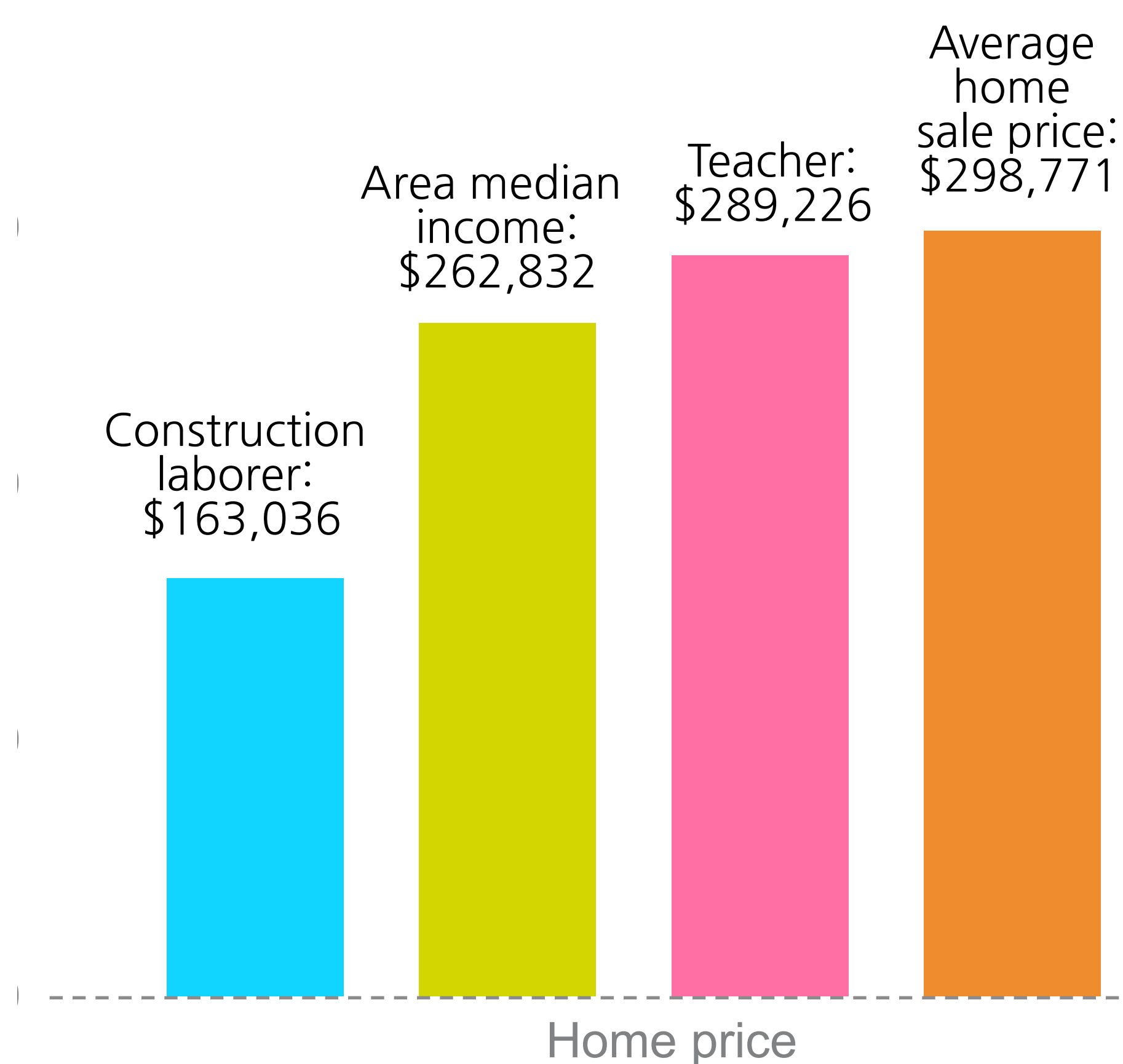
Number of hours per week at minimum wage needed to afford a 2 bedroom apartment

A household must earn at least \$32,560 to afford a 2 bedroom apartment at fair market rent.



Homeownership is out of reach for many

Average home price an individual can afford



\$298,771

average home sale price in 2017



...up 13.3% from 2016

