

# A Place to Call Home: Wasco County

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

## We have a serious shortage of affordable housing

For every 100 families with extremely low incomes, there are only 27 affordable units available.



475

units are needed to meet the need

1 out of 3



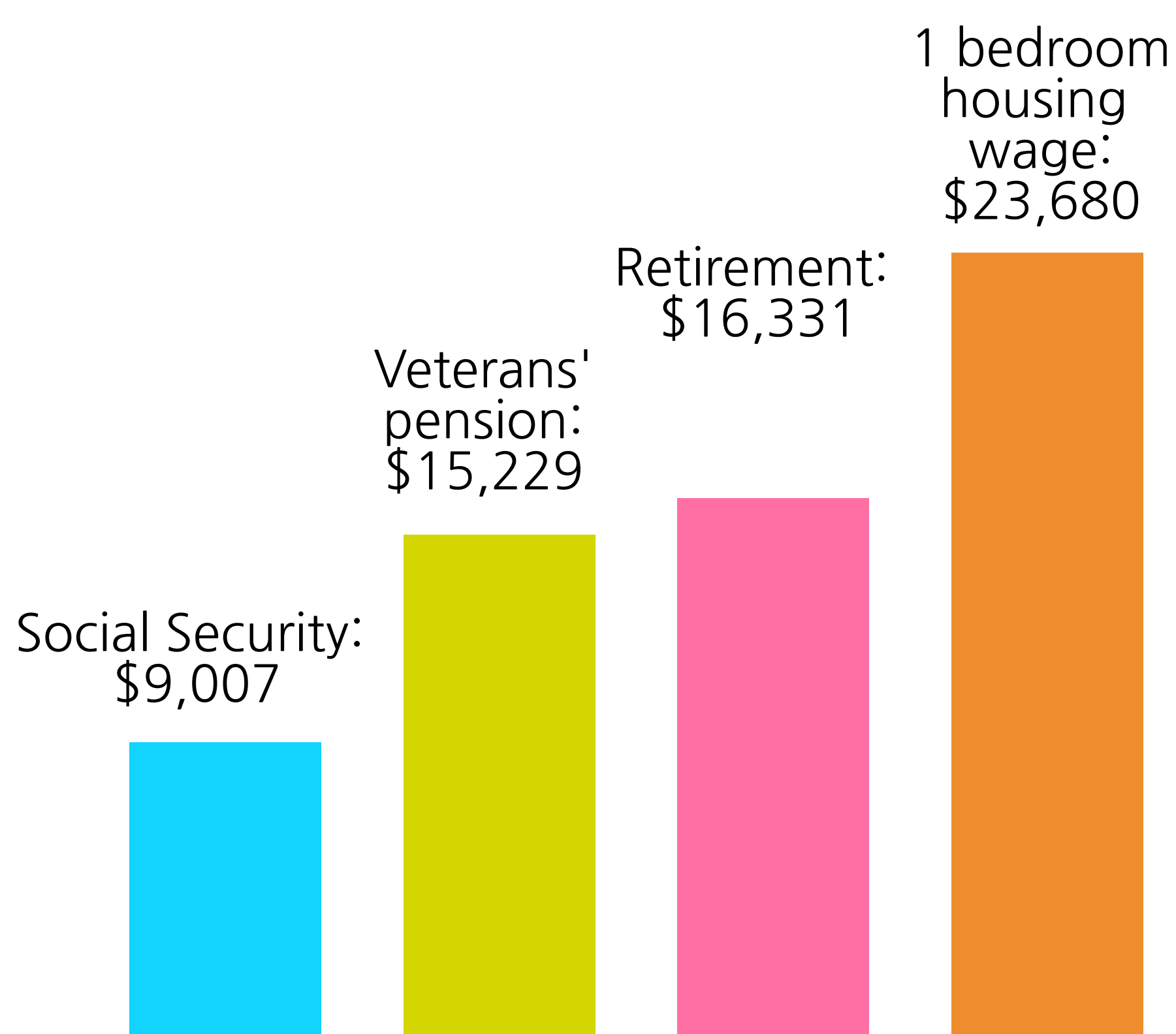
of all renters are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

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renters with extremely low incomes are paying more than 50% of their income in rent

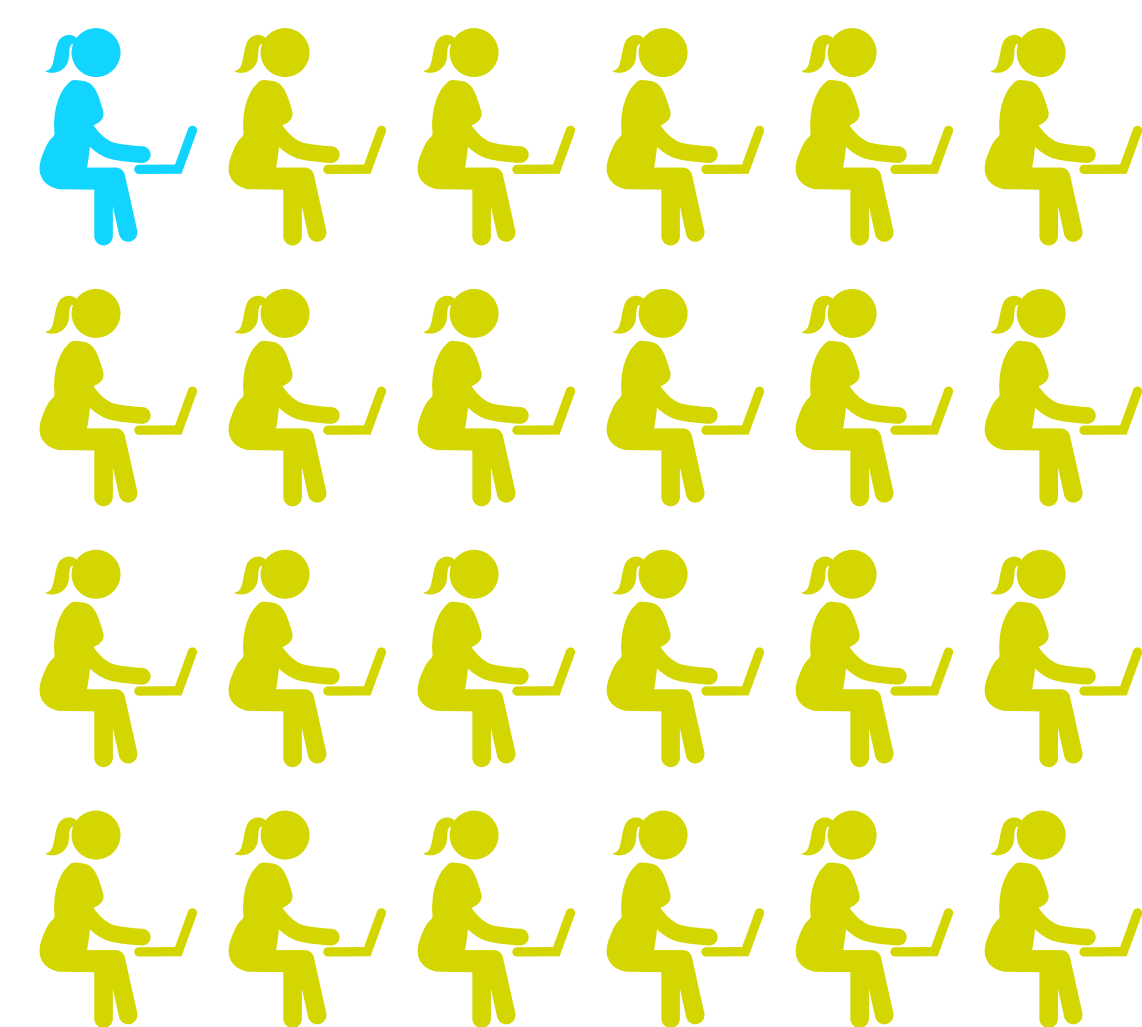
## Our neighbors are facing homelessness



Oregonians on fixed incomes struggle to pay rent even for a one bedroom apartment.

1 in 24 students

experienced homelessness in 2016-2017



That's 155 students in Wasco County during the 2016-17 school year.

## Workers can't afford rent

**\$10.55**

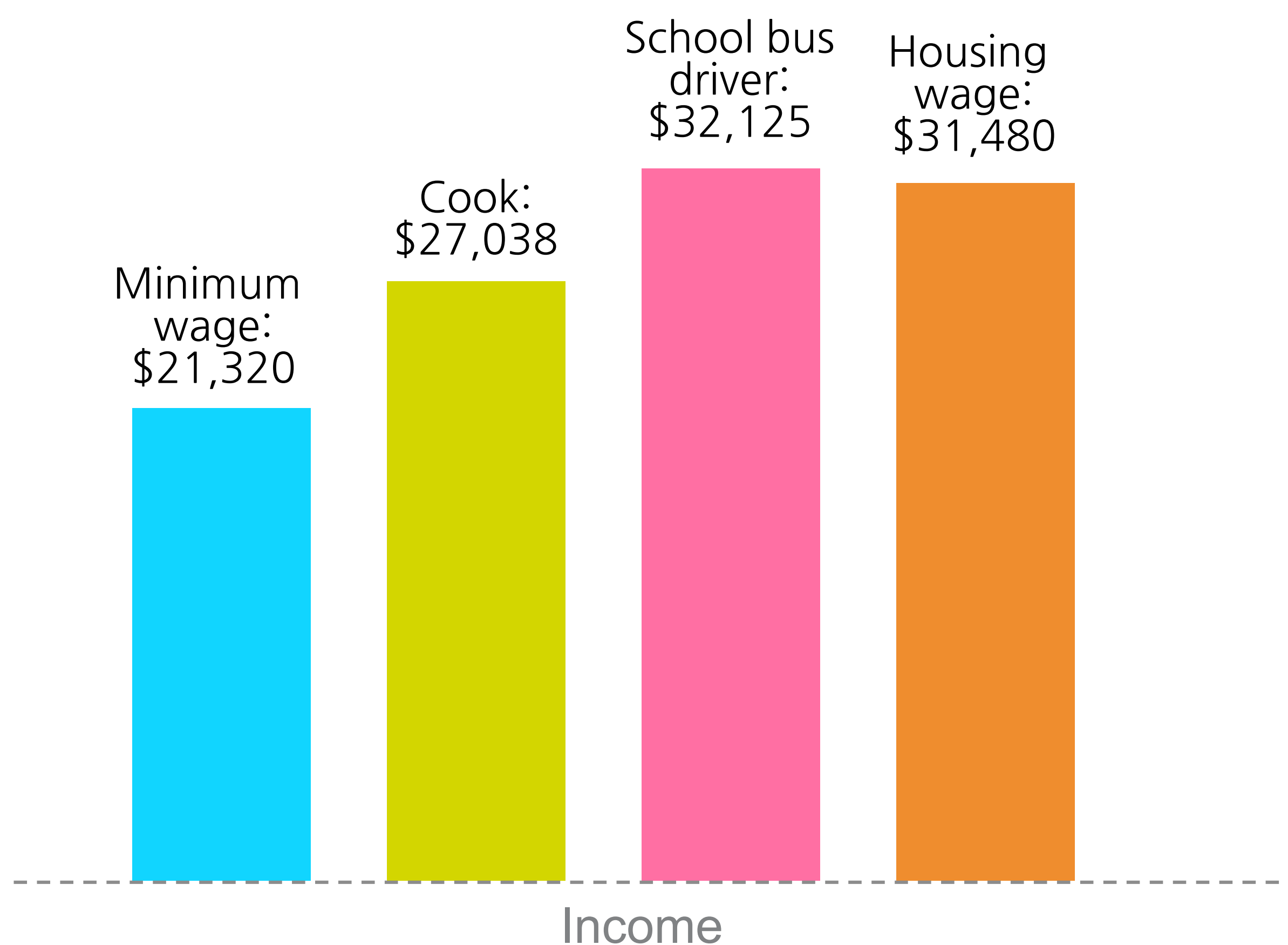


Mean renter wage



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

A household must earn at least \$31,480 to afford a 2 bedroom apartment at fair market rent.

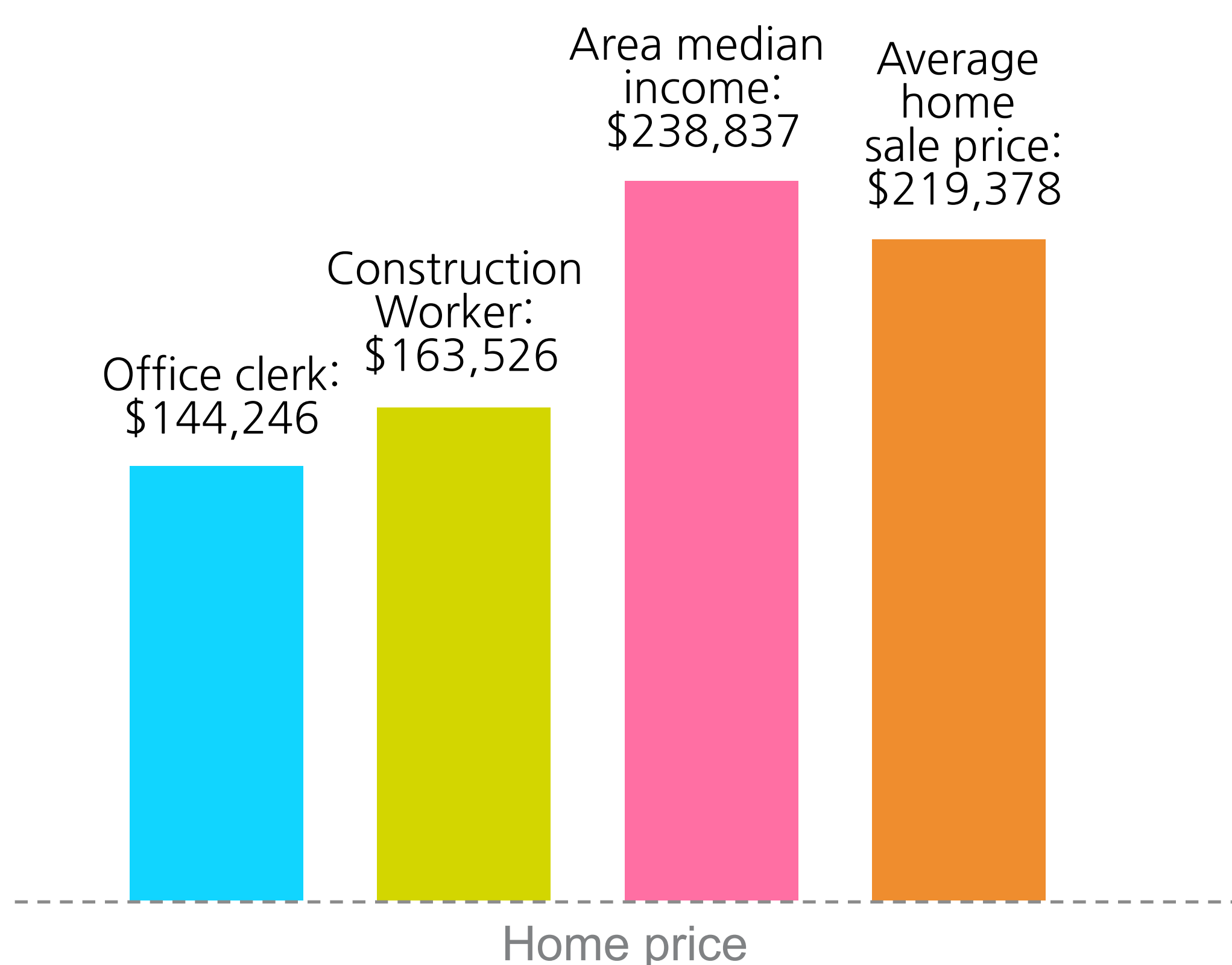


## Homeownership is out of reach for many

Average home price an individual can afford

**\$219,378**

average home sale price in 2017



...a 9.9% increase in the last year

