

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 27 affordable units available.



416

units are needed to meet the need

Almost 1 out of 4



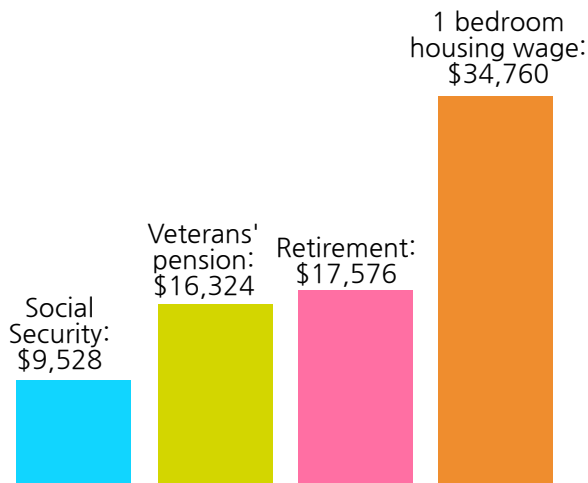
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More than 3 out of 4



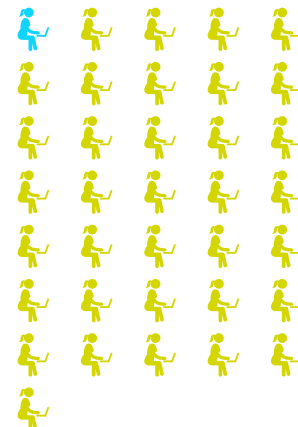
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Our neighbors are facing homelessness



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

1 in 36 students experienced homelessness in 2019-20



That's 99 students in Wasco County during the 2019-20 school year.

Workers can't afford rent

\$13.47

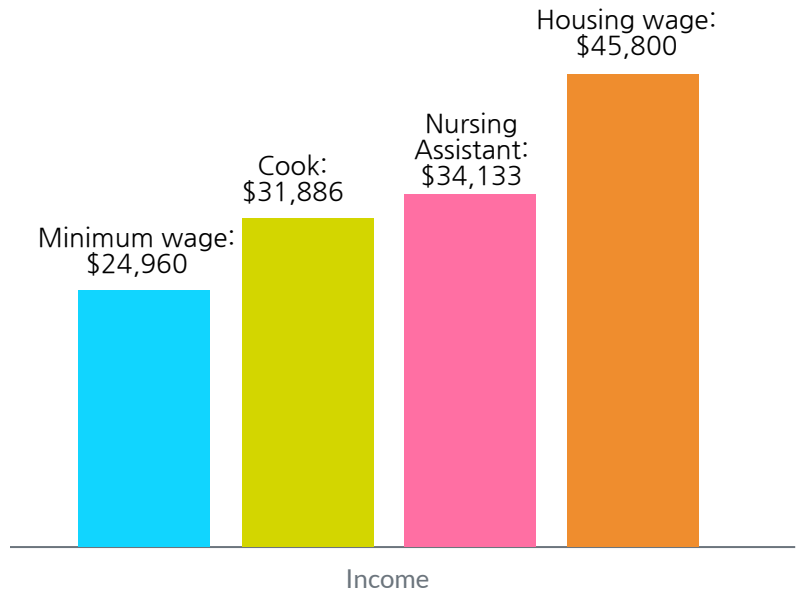


Mean renter wage



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

A household must earn at least \$45,800 to afford a 2 bedroom apartment at fair market rent.

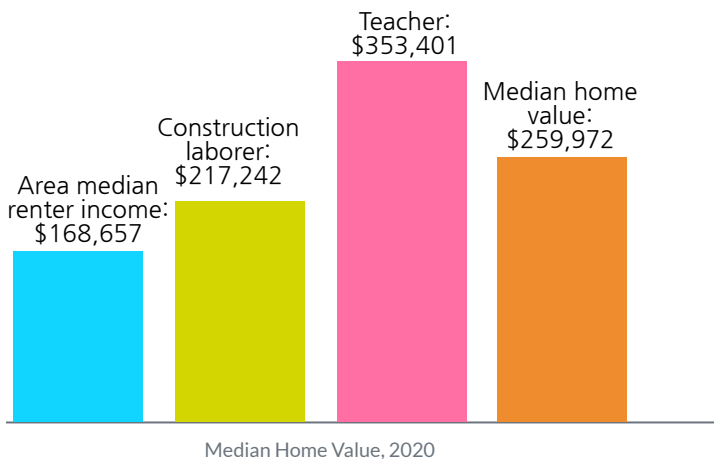


Homeownership is out of reach for many

Average home price someone can afford

\$259,972

median home value in 2020



...a 5.5% increase since 2019

