Homeownership Affordability Index			Median Home	Median	Income Needed to Afford	Home Price Affordable to
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market	<u>Year</u>	<u>Index</u>	Price <sup>1</sup>	Income <sup>2</sup>	Median Home Price	Median Income
	2012	1.02	<b>\$135,35</b> 0	\$39,822	\$39,201	\$137,494
	2013	0.84	\$150,000	\$37,314	\$44,296	\$126,356
	2014	1.02	\$132,000	\$39,336	\$38,551	\$134,687
	2015	0.98	\$139,100	\$39,894	\$40,520	\$136,952
	2016	0.97	\$150,000	\$42,814	\$43,998	\$145,963
Belfast		0.67	\$184,600	\$37,770	\$56,481	\$123,445
Searsport		0.89	\$127,500	\$35,410	\$39,894	\$113,168
Swanville		0.90	\$133,750	\$36,082	\$40,080	\$120,407
Maine		0.97	\$184,000	\$50,990	\$52,545	\$178,552
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market		0.97	\$150,000	\$42,814	\$43,998	\$145,963
Liberty		0.99	\$135,000	\$39,113	\$39,499	\$133,682
Brooks		1.00	\$95,000	\$28,472	\$28,578	\$94,649
Unity		1.00	\$151,000	\$43,493	\$43,339	\$151,537
Northport		1.00	\$211,000	\$61,167	\$60,867	\$212,040
Jackson		1.02	\$144,900	\$44,828	\$43,788	\$148,341
Searsmont		1.03	\$150,000	\$46,600	\$45,423	\$153,886
Waldo		1.09	\$138,500	\$42,366	\$38,767	\$151,360
Belmont		1.10	\$155,000	\$47,907	\$43,702	\$169,914
Stockton Springs		1.19	\$147,250	\$53,804	\$45,298	\$174,900
Islesboro		1.44	<b>\$152,5</b> 00	\$59,073	\$40,996	\$219,746

The Homeownership Affordability Index is the ratio of Home Price Affordable at Median Income to Median Home Price. An index of less than 1 means the area is generally unaffordable - i.e., a household earning area median income could not cover the payment on a median priced home (30 year mortgage, taxes and insurance) using no more than 28% of gross income.



### Households Unable to Afford Median Home

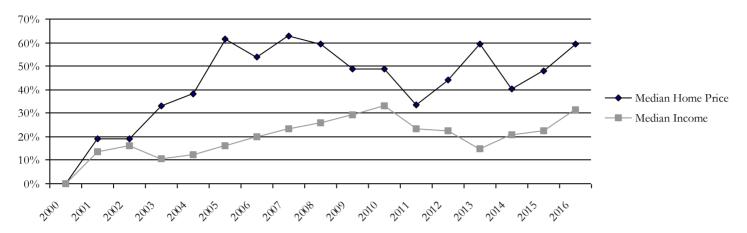
	Households					Income Needed	
	Unable to Afford					to Afford	
	Median Home		Total	Median	<u>Median</u>	<u>Home</u>	
Location	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Households</u>	Home Price <sup>1</sup>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>	
Belfast	63.3%	1,955	<b>3,</b> 090	\$184,600	\$56,481	\$27.15	
Swanville	54.5%	333	611	\$133,750	\$40,080	\$19.27	
Searsport	53.2%	632	1,187	\$127,500	\$39,894	\$19.18	
Maine	52.5%	296,838	564,989	\$184,000	\$52,545	\$25.26	
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market	51.0%	6,073	11,913	\$150,000	\$43,998	\$21.15	
Liberty	50.4%	206	408	\$135,000	\$39,499	\$18.99	
Brooks	50.1%	225	449	\$95,000	\$28,578	\$13.74	
Unity	49.9%	373	747	\$151,000	\$43,339	\$20.84	
Northport	49.8%	359	722	\$211,000	\$60,867	\$29.26	
Searsmont	49.0%	286	584	\$150,000	\$45,423	\$21.84	
Jackson	48.1%	119	248	\$144,900	\$43,788	\$21.05	
Belmont	46.9%	185	394	\$155,000	\$43,702	\$21.01	
Waldo	43.1%	169	392	\$138,500	\$38,767	\$18.64	
Stockton Springs	43.1%	307	712	\$147,250	\$45,298	\$21.78	
Islesboro	33.9%	91	267	\$152,500	\$40,996	\$19.71	

### Unattainable Homes as a Percentage of Homes Sold

	Percentage of	Affordable	Unattainable
Location	<b>Unattainable Homes</b>	Homes Sold	<u>Homes Sold</u>
Belfast	77.8%	24	84
Searsport	65.8%	13	25
Liberty	53.8%	6	7
Brooks	52.9%	8	9
Maine	52.8%	9,555	10,689
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market	52.8%	187	209
Swanville	50.0%	8	8
Northport	50.0%	15	15
Jackson	45.5%	6	5
Belmont	45.5%	6	5
Unity	44.4%	10	8
Stockton Springs	41.7%	28	20
Searsmont	41.2%	10	7
Waldo	40.0%	6	4
Islesboro	35.7%	9	5



#### Relative Increases in Income and Home Price <sup>3</sup>



Rental Affordability Index				Renter		
•				Household	Income Needed	2 BR Rent
			2 BR Rent	Median	to Afford	Affordable to
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market	<u>Year</u>	<u>Index</u>	(with utilities) <sup>4</sup>	Income <sup>2</sup>	Average 2 BR Rent	Median Income
	2012	0.74	\$837	\$24,701	\$33,482	\$618
	2013	0.71	\$851	\$24,039	\$34,053	\$601
	2014	0.62	\$936	\$23,110	\$37,422	\$578
	2015	0.71	\$831	\$23,689	\$33,232	\$592
	2016	0.69	\$882	\$24,241	\$35,264	\$606
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market		0.69	\$882	\$24,241	\$35,264	\$606
Maine		0.85	\$872	\$29,588	\$34,873	\$740
Belfast		0.86	\$757	\$26,096	\$30,277	\$652

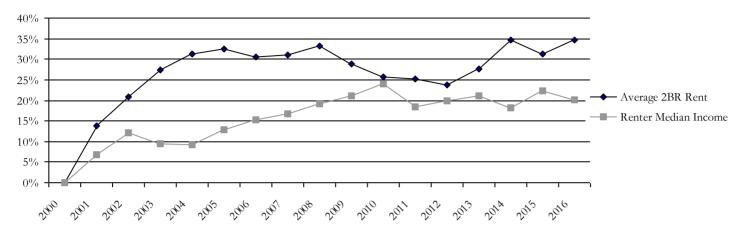
The Rental Affordability Index is the ratio of 2-Bedroom Rent Affordable at Median Renter Income to Average 2-Bedroom Rent. An index of less than 1 means the area is generally unaffordable – i.e., a renter household earning area median renter income could not cover the cost of an average 2-bedroom apartment (including utilities) using no more than 30% of gross income.

#### Renter Households Unable to Afford Average 2 Bedroom Rent

	House	eholds			Income Needed		
	Unable t	Unable to Afford		Average	to A	to Afford	
	Average 2	BR Rent	Renter	2 BR Rent	Average 2 BR Rent		
Location	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Households</u>	(with utilities) <sup>4</sup>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>	
Belfast, ME LMA Housing Market	67.3%	1,930	2,866	\$882	\$35,264	\$16.95	
Belfast	58.3%	697	1,196	\$757	\$30,277	\$14.56	
Maine	57.4%	92,705	161,601	\$872	\$34,873	\$16.77	



### Relative Increases in Renter Income and Average 2BR Rent<sup>3</sup>



#### **Demographics**

	% Change <u>1990-2016</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Population	15.8%	23,688	27,767	27,201	27,326	27,402	27,429
Households	32.3%	9,002	11,999	11,729	11,817	11,878	11,913

#### **Endnotes**



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Source: Claritas

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The Y axis is an index defined as the ratio of the annual value to the year 2000 value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Source: MaineHousing Quarterly Rent Survey. All rent data reported adjusted to include the cost of utilities (heat, hot water, and electricity).