# 2017 Housing Facts and Affordability Index for Waterville Micropolitan Housing Market



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Homeownership Affordability Index			Median Home	Median	Income Needed to Afford	Home Price Affordable to	
Waterville Micropolitan Housing	<u>Year</u>	<u>Index</u>	Price <sup>1</sup>	Income <sup>2</sup>	Median Home Price	Median Income	
Market							
	2013	1.31	\$106,500	\$41,121	\$31,439	\$139,296	
	2014	1.31	\$110,000	\$41,876	\$31,915	\$144,333	
	2015	1.42	\$108,500	\$44,168	\$31,090	\$154,139	
	2016	1.27	\$112,000	\$41,300	\$32,513	\$142,269	
	2017	1.17	\$126,000	\$43,104	\$36,837	\$147,435	
Waterville		0.85	\$120,000	\$33,314	\$39,350	\$101,593	
Maine		0.93	\$197,000	\$53,190	\$57,089	\$183,546	
Waterville Micropolitan Housing Mar	ket	1.17	\$126,000	\$43,104	\$36,837	\$147,435	
Winslow		1.20	\$127,525	\$44,812	\$37,208	\$153,585	
Oakland		1.21	\$159,500	\$55,682	\$45,937	\$193,335	
Benton		1.28	\$113,500	\$41,522	\$32,439	\$145,280	
Clinton		1.32	\$111,500	\$44,387	\$33,664	\$147,018	
Albion		1.34	\$109,500	\$43,020	\$32,017	\$147,132	
Fairfield		1.40	\$118,250	\$51,813	\$36,884	\$166,115	

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.

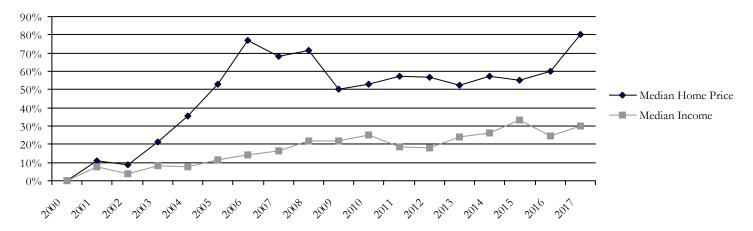
#### Households Unable to Afford Median Home

<u>Location</u>	Unable t	eholds o Afford <u>Home</u> <u>Number</u>	Total <u>Households</u>	Median <u>Home Price</u> 1	Income Needed to Afford <u>Median Home</u> <u>Annual Hourl</u> y	
Waterville	55.9%	3,530	6,309	\$120,000	\$39,350	\$18.92
Maine	54.1%	305,534	565,115	\$197,000	\$57,089	\$27.45
Waterville Micropolitan Housing Market	44.4%	8,050	18,140	\$126,000	\$36,837	\$17.71
Winslow	42.9%	1,385	3,228	\$127,525	\$37,208	\$17.89
Oakland	42.7%	1,093	2,561	\$159,500	\$45,937	\$22.09
Clinton	40.8%	559	1,370	\$111,500	\$33,664	\$16.18
Albion	38.6%	323	838	\$109,500	\$32,017	\$15.39
Benton	37.4%	398	1,064	\$113,500	\$32,439	\$15.60
Fairfield	34.4%	947	2,751	\$118,250	\$36,884	\$17.73

## Unattainable Homes as a Percentage of Homes Sold

	Percentage of	Affordable	Unattainable
Location	<u>Unattainable Homes</u>	<u>Homes Sold</u>	<u>Homes Sold</u>
Waterville	56.2%	71	91
Maine	53.9%	9,513	11,139
Oakland	31.8%	60	28
Waterville Micropolitan Housing Market	31.6%	362	167
Winslow	28.0%	90	35
Albion	28.0%	18	7
Clinton	26.5%	25	9
Fairfield	14.9%	57	10
Benton	14.3%	24	4

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



Rental Affordability Index						
•			Average	Household	Income Needed	2 BR Rent
			2 BR Rent	Median	to Afford	Affordable to
Waterville Micropolitan	<u>Year</u>	<u>Index</u>	(with utilities) <sup>4</sup>	Income <sup>2</sup>	Average 2 BR Rent	Median Income
Housing Market						
	2013	0.90	\$780	\$28,212	\$31,212	\$705
	2014	0.82	\$794	\$26,051	\$31,751	\$651
	2015	0.88	\$789	\$27,648	\$31,550	\$691
	2016	0.63	\$936	\$23,521	\$37,424	\$588
	2017	0.66	\$959	\$25,365	\$38,375	\$634
Winslow		0.42	\$1,657	\$27,740	\$66,287	\$694
Waterville		0.54	\$1,023	\$22,182	\$40,914	\$555
Waterville Micropolitan Housing Mar	ket	0.66	\$959	\$25,365	\$38,375	\$634
Maine		0.79	\$977	\$30,804	\$39,093	\$770
Clinton		0.87	\$763	\$26,606	\$30,539	\$665
Oakland		0.91	\$875	\$31,757	\$34,983	\$794
Fairfield		1.09	\$736	\$32,177	\$29,443	\$804

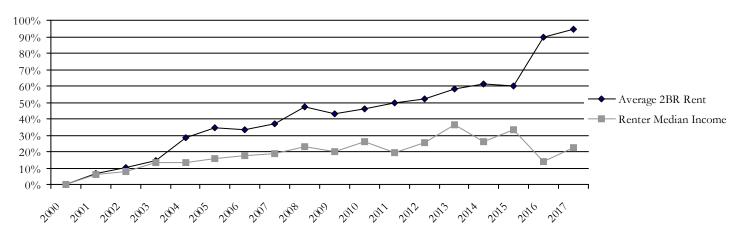
The Rental Affordability Index is the ratio of 2-Bedroom Rent Affordable at Median Renter Income to Average 2-Bedroom Rent. An index of less than 1 means the area is generally unaffordable - i.e., a renter household earning area median renter income could not cover the cost of an average 2-bedroom apartment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



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

	House	eholds			Income Needed	
	Unable to Afford		Total	Average	to Afford	
	Average 2 BR Rent		Renter	2 BR Rent	Average 2 BR Ren	
Location	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Households</u>	(with utilities) <sup>4</sup>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
Winslow	83.1%	635	764	\$1,657	\$66,287	\$31.87
Waterville	72.9%	2,416	3,312	\$1,023	\$40,914	\$19.67
Waterville Micropolitan Housing Market	67.4%	<b>4,</b> 007	5,945	\$959	\$38,375	\$18.45
Maine	59.6%	96,448	161,746	\$977	\$39,093	\$18.79
Clinton	58.7%	148	252	\$763	\$30,539	\$14.68
Oakland	56.7%	349	615	\$875	\$34,983	\$16.82
Fairfield	46.2%	337	729	\$736	\$29,443	\$14.16

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



## **Demographics**

	% Change <u>1990-2017</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Population	-2.8%	44,899	44,606	44,521	44,098	44,185	43,643
Households	7.8%	16,829	18,423	18,400	18,238	18,342	18,140

#### **Endnotes**



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 $<sup>^3</sup>$ 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).