

2023 DELAWARE HOUSING PROFILE

Across Delaware, there is a shortage of rental homes affordable and available to extremely low income households (ELI), whose incomes are at or below the poverty guideline or 30% of their area median income (AMI). Many of these households are severely cost burdened, spending more than half of their income on housing. Severely cost burdened poor households are more likely than other renters to sacrifice other necessities like healthy food and healthcare to pay the rent, and to experience unstable housing situations like evictions.

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KEY FACTS

29,007

OR

27%

Renter Households that are extremely low income

-21,197

Shortage of rental homes affordable and available for extremely low income renters

\$26,500

Maximum income of 4-person extremely low income households (state level)

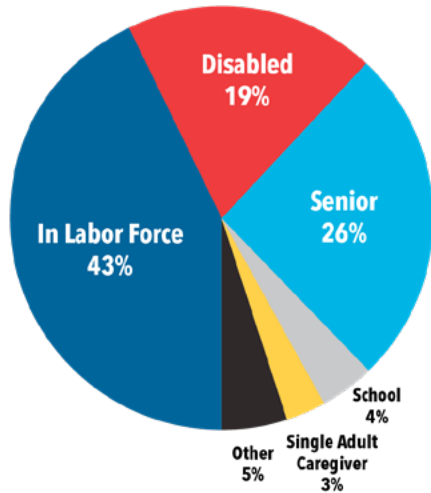
\$47,333

Annual household income needed to afford a two-bedroom rental home at HUD's Fair Market Rent.

77%

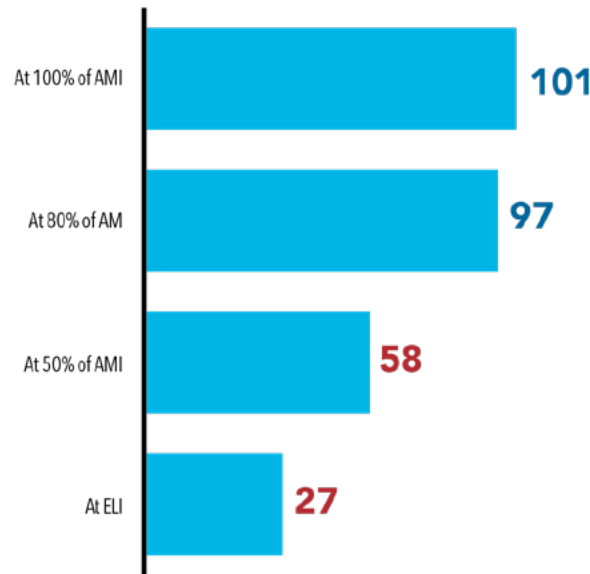
Percent of extremely low income renter households with severe cost burden

EXTREMELY LOW INCOME RENTER HOUSEHOLDS



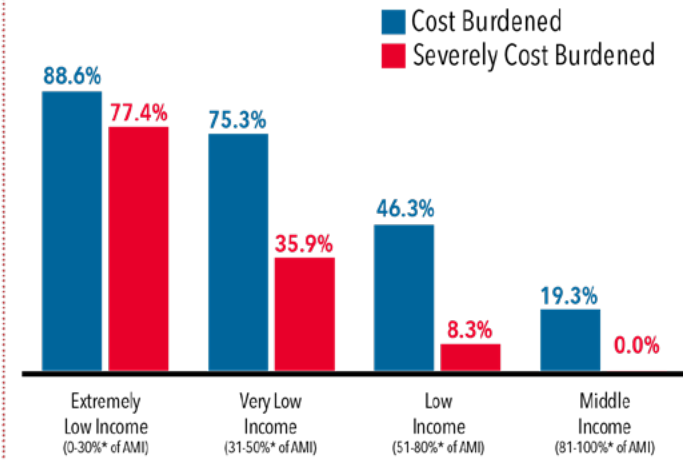
Note: Mutually exclusive categories applied in the following order: senior, disabled, in labor force, enrolled in school, single adult caregiver of a child under 7 or of a household member with a disability, and other. Nationally, more than 13% of extremely low-income renters are single-adult caregivers, one-quarter of whom work at least 40 hours per week, and another 24% typically work between 20 and 39 hours per week. Ten percent of extremely low-income renter households are enrolled in school, 47% of whom usually work at least 20 hours per week. Source: 2021 ACS PUMS.

AFFORDABLE AND AVAILABLE HOMES PER 100 RENTER HOUSEHOLDS



Source: 2021 ACS PUMS.

HOUSING COST BURDEN BY INCOME GROUP



Note: Renter households spending more than 30% of their income on housing costs and utilities are cost burdened; those spending more than half of their income are severely cost burdened. Source: 2021 ACS PUMS.