

MAINE

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In **Maine**, the Fair Market Rent (FMR) for a two-bedroom apartment is **\$1,681**. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities – without paying more than 30% of income on housing – a household must earn **\$5,602** monthly or **\$67,224** annually. Assuming a 40-hour work week, 52 weeks per year, this level of income translates into an hourly Housing Wage of:

\$32.32
PER HOUR
STATE HOUSING WAGE

FACTS ABOUT MAINE:

STATE FACTS	
Minimum Wage	\$15.10
Average Renter Wage	\$18.29
2-Bedroom Housing Wage	\$32.32
Number of Renter Households	153,507
Percent Renters	26%

MOST EXPENSIVE AREAS	HOUSING WAGE
York-Kittery-South Berwick HMFA	\$42.35
Portland HMFA	\$40.96
Cumberland County (part) HMFA	\$35.25
York County (part) HMFA	\$33.00
Bangor HMFA	\$31.90

MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area; HMFA = HUD Metro FMR Area.

* Ranked from Highest to Lowest 2-Bedroom Housing Wage. Includes District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

86

Work Hours Per Week At
Minimum Wage To Afford a
2-Bedroom Rental Home (at FMR)

67

Work Hours Per Week At
Minimum Wage To Afford a
1-Bedroom Rental Home (at FMR)

2.1

Number of Full-Time Jobs At
Minimum Wage To Afford a
2-Bedroom Rental Home (at FMR)

1.7

Number of Full-Time Jobs At
Minimum Wage To Afford a
1-Bedroom Rental Home (at FMR)

