

LOUISIANA

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In **Louisiana**, the Fair Market Rent (FMR) for a two-bedroom apartment is **\$920**. In order to afford this level of rent and utilities — without paying more than 30% of income on housing — a household must earn **\$3,065** monthly or **\$36,786** annually. Assuming a 40-hour work week, 52 weeks per year, this level of income translates into an hourly Housing Wage of:

\$17.69
PER HOUR
STATE HOUSING
WAGE

FACTS ABOUT LOUISIANA:

STATE FACTS	
Minimum Wage	\$7.25
Average Renter Wage	\$16.28
2-Bedroom Housing Wage	\$17.69
Number of Renter Households	584,328
Percent Renters	33%

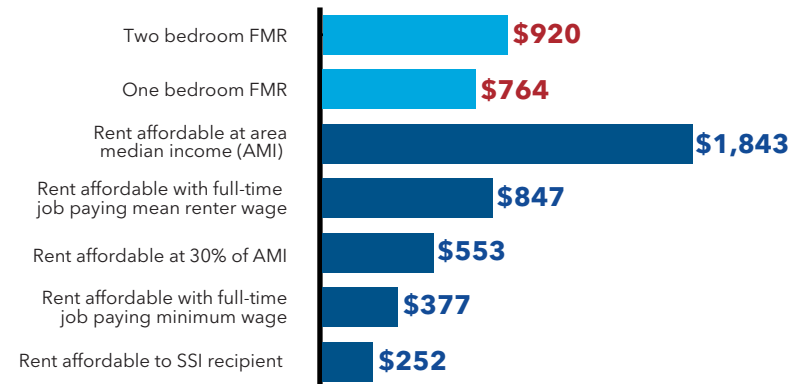
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Work Hours Per Week At
Minimum Wage To Afford a **2-Bedroom**
Rental Home (at FMR)

81
Work Hours Per Week At
Minimum Wage To Afford a **1-Bedroom**
Rental Home (at FMR)

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

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

MOST EXPENSIVE AREAS	HOUSING WAGE
New Orleans-Metairie HMFA	\$20.94
Vernon Parish	\$17.85
Baton Rouge HMFA	\$17.63
Hammond MSA	\$17.56
Shreveport-Bossier City MSA	\$17.25



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.

Louisiana	FY22 HOUSING WAGE				HOUSING COSTS				AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI)				RENTERS		
	Hourly wage necessary to afford 2 BR ¹ FMR ²	2 BR FMR	Annual income needed to afford 2 BR FMR	Full-time jobs at minimum wage needed to afford 2 BR FMR ³	Annual AMI ⁴	Monthly rent affordable at AMI ⁵	30% of AMI	Monthly rent affordable at 30% of AMI	Renter households (2016-2020)	% of total households (2016-2020)	Estimated hourly mean renter wage (2022)	Monthly rent affordable at mean renter wage	Full-time jobs at mean renter wage needed to afford 2 BR FMR		
Louisiana	\$17.69	\$920	\$36,786	2.4	\$73,725	\$1,843	\$22,117	\$553	584,328	33%	\$16.28	\$847	1.1		
Combined Nonmetro Areas	\$14.41	\$749	\$29,963	2.0	\$55,089	\$1,377	\$16,527	\$413	92,666	34%	\$13.20	\$686	1.1		
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>															
Acadia Parish HMFA	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$63,000	\$1,575	\$18,900	\$473	6,974	31%	\$9.20	\$478	1.5		
Alexandria MSA	\$15.73	\$818	\$32,720	2.2	\$63,800	\$1,595	\$19,140	\$479	19,249	34%	\$12.87	\$669	1.2		
Assumption Parish HMFA	\$14.19	\$738	\$29,520	2.0	\$66,700	\$1,668	\$20,010	\$500	2,006	22%	\$15.95	\$829	0.9		
Baton Rouge HMFA	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	89,491	31%	\$17.24	\$896	1.0		
Hammond MSA	\$17.56	\$913	\$36,520	2.4	\$69,700	\$1,743	\$20,910	\$523	14,415	30%	\$10.84	\$564	1.6		
Houma-Thibodaux MSA	\$17.12	\$890	\$35,600	2.4	\$69,400	\$1,735	\$20,820	\$521	20,122	26%	\$16.24	\$844	1.1		
Iberia Parish HMFA	\$15.92	\$828	\$33,120	2.2	\$60,000	\$1,500	\$18,000	\$450	8,611	32%	\$15.78	\$820	1.0		
Iberville Parish HMFA	\$14.27	\$742	\$29,680	2.0	\$63,600	\$1,590	\$19,080	\$477	2,792	25%	\$30.23	\$1,572	0.5		
Lafayette HMFA	\$17.12	\$890	\$35,600	2.4	\$84,400	\$2,110	\$25,320	\$633	34,873	31%	\$14.49	\$754	1.2		
Lake Charles MSA	\$17.00	\$884	\$35,360	2.3	\$75,000	\$1,875	\$22,500	\$563	25,049	31%	\$18.63	\$969	0.9		
Monroe HMFA	\$15.67	\$815	\$32,600	2.2	\$58,500	\$1,463	\$17,550	\$439	24,427	37%	\$12.08	\$628	1.3		
Morehouse Parish HMFA	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$47,300	\$1,183	\$14,190	\$355	3,223	33%	\$10.06	\$523	1.3		
New Orleans-Metairie HMFA	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	175,117	37%	\$18.71	\$973	1.1		
Shreveport-Bossier City MSA	\$17.25	\$897	\$35,880	2.4	\$65,500	\$1,638	\$19,650	\$491	58,106	37%	\$14.52	\$755	1.2		
St. James Parish HMFA	\$15.71	\$817	\$32,680	2.2	\$72,700	\$1,818	\$21,810	\$545	1,524	19%	\$16.61	\$864	0.9		
Vermilion Parish HMFA	\$14.04	\$730	\$29,200	1.9	\$70,500	\$1,763	\$21,150	\$529	5,683	26%	\$11.07	\$576	1.3		
<u>Counties</u>															
Acadia Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$63,000	\$1,575	\$18,900	\$473	6,974	31%	\$9.20	\$478	1.5		

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FY22 HOUSING WAGE

HOUSING COSTS

AREA MEDIAN INCOME (AMI)

RENTERS

	Hourly wage necessary to afford 2 BR ¹ FMR ²	2 BR FMR	Annual income needed to afford 2 BR FMR	Full-time jobs at minimum wage needed to afford 2 BR FMR ³	Annual AMI ⁴	Monthly rent affordable at AMI ⁵	30% of AMI	Monthly rent affordable at 30% of AMI	Renter households (2016-2020)	% of total households (2016-2020)	Estimated hourly mean renter wage (2022)	Monthly rent affordable at mean renter wage	Full-time jobs at mean renter wage needed to afford 2 BR FMR
Allen Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$63,700	\$1,593	\$19,110	\$478	1,978	24%	\$13.38	\$696	1.0
Ascension Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	7,725	18%	\$17.06	\$887	1.0
Assumption Parish	\$14.19	\$738	\$29,520	2.0	\$66,700	\$1,668	\$20,010	\$500	2,006	22%	\$15.95	\$829	0.9
Avoyelles Parish	\$13.63	\$709	\$28,360	1.9	\$54,900	\$1,373	\$16,470	\$412	4,614	30%	\$10.41	\$541	1.3
Beauregard Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$72,500	\$1,813	\$21,750	\$544	2,839	21%	\$15.90	\$827	0.8
Bienville Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$49,300	\$1,233	\$14,790	\$370	1,734	30%	\$13.56	\$705	1.0
Bossier Parish	\$17.25	\$897	\$35,880	2.4	\$65,500	\$1,638	\$19,650	\$491	18,014	36%	\$14.07	\$732	1.2
Caddo Parish	\$17.25	\$897	\$35,880	2.4	\$65,500	\$1,638	\$19,650	\$491	37,032	39%	\$14.66	\$762	1.2
Calcasieu Parish	\$17.00	\$884	\$35,360	2.3	\$75,000	\$1,875	\$22,500	\$563	24,714	32%	\$17.70	\$920	1.0
Caldwell Parish	\$15.62	\$812	\$32,480	2.2	\$54,000	\$1,350	\$16,200	\$405	1,114	29%	\$12.16	\$633	1.3
Cameron Parish	\$17.00	\$884	\$35,360	2.3	\$75,000	\$1,875	\$22,500	\$563	335	12%	\$29.48	\$1,533	0.6
Catahoula Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$66,300	\$1,658	\$19,890	\$497	691	20%	\$7.39	\$384	1.8
Claiborne Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$39,400	\$985	\$11,820	\$296	1,847	32%	\$11.94	\$621	1.1
Concordia Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$51,300	\$1,283	\$15,390	\$385	1,799	27%	\$12.04	\$626	1.1
De Soto Parish	\$17.25	\$897	\$35,880	2.4	\$65,500	\$1,638	\$19,650	\$491	3,060	28%	\$15.08	\$784	1.1
East Baton Rouge Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	65,633	40%	\$17.88	\$930	1.0
East Carroll Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$35,300	\$883	\$10,590	\$265	729	43%	\$10.87	\$565	1.2
East Feliciana Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	1,395	20%	\$12.39	\$644	1.4
Evangeline Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$47,400	\$1,185	\$14,220	\$356	4,713	38%	\$12.34	\$642	1.1
Franklin Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$47,500	\$1,188	\$14,250	\$356	2,078	28%	\$7.78	\$404	1.7
Grant Parish	\$15.73	\$818	\$32,720	2.2	\$63,800	\$1,595	\$19,140	\$479	1,679	24%	\$9.49	\$493	1.7
Iberia Parish	\$15.92	\$828	\$33,120	2.2	\$60,000	\$1,500	\$18,000	\$450	8,611	32%	\$15.78	\$820	1.0
Iberville Parish	\$14.27	\$742	\$29,680	2.0	\$63,600	\$1,590	\$19,080	\$477	2,792	25%	\$30.23	\$1,572	0.5
Jackson Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$57,200	\$1,430	\$17,160	\$429	1,793	31%	\$16.51	\$858	0.8
Jefferson Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	63,509	37%	\$18.80	\$978	1.1
Jefferson Davis Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$67,000	\$1,675	\$20,100	\$503	2,829	24%	\$10.73	\$558	1.2

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Lafayette Parish	\$17.12	\$890	\$35,600	2.4	\$84,400	\$2,110	\$25,320	\$633	30,696	33%	\$14.64	\$761	1.2
Lafourche Parish	\$17.12	\$890	\$35,600	2.4	\$69,400	\$1,735	\$20,820	\$521	8,744	24%	\$14.54	\$756	1.2
La Salle Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$57,300	\$1,433	\$17,190	\$430	793	16%	\$10.09	\$525	1.3
Lincoln Parish	\$15.00	\$780	\$31,200	2.1	\$61,000	\$1,525	\$18,300	\$458	8,671	49%	\$12.24	\$636	1.2
Livingston Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	8,179	17%	\$13.23	\$688	1.3
Madison Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$40,300	\$1,008	\$12,090	\$302	1,642	44%	\$9.60	\$499	1.4
Morehouse Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$47,300	\$1,183	\$14,190	\$355	3,223	33%	\$10.06	\$523	1.3
Natchitoches Parish	\$15.60	\$811	\$32,440	2.2	\$54,000	\$1,350	\$16,200	\$405	7,168	50%	\$12.01	\$624	1.3
Orleans Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	77,760	50%	\$19.25	\$1,001	1.1
Ouachita Parish	\$15.67	\$815	\$32,600	2.2	\$58,500	\$1,463	\$17,550	\$439	22,796	40%	\$12.39	\$644	1.3
Plaquemines Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	2,325	27%	\$33.60	\$1,747	0.6
Pointe Coupee Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	2,167	24%	\$11.27	\$586	1.6
Rapides Parish	\$15.73	\$818	\$32,720	2.2	\$63,800	\$1,595	\$19,140	\$479	17,570	36%	\$13.01	\$676	1.2
Red River Parish	\$13.40	\$697	\$27,880	1.8	\$52,800	\$1,320	\$15,840	\$396	929	28%	\$10.92	\$568	1.2
Richland Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$49,600	\$1,240	\$14,880	\$372	2,595	34%	\$9.73	\$506	1.4
Sabine Parish	\$14.35	\$746	\$29,840	2.0	\$58,000	\$1,450	\$17,400	\$435	2,813	30%	\$10.72	\$558	1.3
St. Bernard Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	4,337	29%	\$18.70	\$973	1.1
St. Charles Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	3,769	20%	\$21.65	\$1,126	1.0
St. Helena Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	864	22%	\$17.69	\$920	1.0
St. James Parish	\$15.71	\$817	\$32,680	2.2	\$72,700	\$1,818	\$21,810	\$545	1,524	19%	\$16.61	\$864	0.9
St. John the Baptist Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	3,022	20%	\$21.75	\$1,131	1.0
St. Landry Parish	\$13.58	\$706	\$28,240	1.9	\$51,400	\$1,285	\$15,420	\$386	9,417	31%	\$11.65	\$606	1.2
St. Martin Parish	\$17.12	\$890	\$35,600	2.4	\$84,400	\$2,110	\$25,320	\$633	4,177	21%	\$12.73	\$662	1.3
St. Mary Parish	\$15.92	\$828	\$33,120	2.2	\$56,500	\$1,413	\$16,950	\$424	7,723	39%	\$21.26	\$1,105	0.7
St. Tammany Parish	\$20.94	\$1,089	\$43,560	2.9	\$81,900	\$2,048	\$24,570	\$614	20,395	21%	\$14.27	\$742	1.5
Tangipahoa Parish	\$17.56	\$913	\$36,520	2.4	\$69,700	\$1,743	\$20,910	\$523	14,415	30%	\$10.84	\$564	1.6

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Tensas Parish †	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$37,800	\$945	\$11,340	\$284	538	30%			
Terrebonne Parish	\$17.12	\$890	\$35,600	2.4	\$69,400	\$1,735	\$20,820	\$521	11,378	28%	\$17.37	\$903	1.0
Union Parish	\$15.67	\$815	\$32,600	2.2	\$58,500	\$1,463	\$17,550	\$439	1,631	19%	\$7.82	\$406	2.0
Vermilion Parish	\$14.04	\$730	\$29,200	1.9	\$70,500	\$1,763	\$21,150	\$529	5,683	26%	\$11.07	\$576	1.3
Vernon Parish	\$17.85	\$928	\$37,120	2.5	\$66,000	\$1,650	\$19,800	\$495	8,281	47%	\$17.51	\$911	1.0
Washington Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$52,100	\$1,303	\$15,630	\$391	5,137	29%	\$10.54	\$548	1.3
Webster Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$42,800	\$1,070	\$12,840	\$321	5,495	34%	\$14.37	\$747	0.9
West Baton Rouge Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	2,378	25%	\$18.17	\$945	1.0
West Carroll Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$55,600	\$1,390	\$16,680	\$417	931	23%	\$9.37	\$487	1.4
West Feliciana Parish	\$17.63	\$917	\$36,680	2.4	\$88,900	\$2,223	\$26,670	\$667	1,150	27%	\$14.58	\$758	1.2
Winn Parish	\$13.38	\$696	\$27,840	1.8	\$54,600	\$1,365	\$16,380	\$410	1,775	33%	\$13.78	\$717	1.0

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