## Renters

### Median Rent

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Median rent is an indicator of affordability. If rent is increasingly greatly, that can be an indicator of lack of affordability. In district 1A, rent increased 17% between 2013 and 2018. The district saw the 10th highest rent increase out of 134 districts.

### Median Renter Income

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Median renter income is an indicator of what people can afford for rent. If incomes stay flat or decline, it can be an indication that cost burden is increasing. In District 1A, renter income increased 11% between 2013 and 2018. The district ranked 77th of 134 in terms of renter income increase.

### Income Needed to Afford Rent

- **Median Rent**: $577
- **Median Renter Income**: $28,049

**Income Needed to Afford Rent**: $27,040

The income needed to afford rent -- $27,040 -- is greater than the median renter income in the district. With a gap of $-4,076, rent in District 1A is affordable.

## Cost Burdened Renters

- **# Cost Burdened Renters**: 1,222
- **Percent Cost Burdened**: 33%
- **Change Since 2013**: -1%

Cost-burdened renters pay 30% or more of their income on rent and an estimated 1,222 District 1A residents may have to sacrifice education, food, and medicine to afford a place to live. For highest cost burden, the district ranked 121st.

## Cost Burdened Seniors

- **# Cost Burdened Seniors**: 498
- **Senior Cost Burden**: 50%

District 1A ranked 96th out of 134 for the percentage of seniors struggling to afford housing.

## Severe Cost Burden

- **Severe Cost Burden**: 15%

Severe cost burden means a family is paying 50% or more of their income on housing. District 1A was the 118th highest of 134.

## % Renters That Are POCI

- **Renters**: 9%
- **Owners**: 3%

People of color and indigenous people are more likely to be renters and less likely to own their own home. They are also much more likely to experience cost burden.

Sources:
- Renter households: Rent and income adjusted for inflation. U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2018, 5 year estimates
- Owner households: Home value and income adjusted for inflation. U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2018, 5 year estimates
- Cost burden: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2018, 5 year estimates
- Wages: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (MN DEED), Occupations in Demand, July 2019
- Homelessness: Wilder Research Center, 2019

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**HOMEOWNER STATISTICS**

**MEDIAN HOME VALUE 2013**
$101,520

**MEDIAN HOME VALUE 2018**
$117,500

16% 2013 vs 2018

In District 1A, median home values have increased in the last 5 years. In terms of home value increase, 1A was ranked 1st out of 134.

**MEDIAN OWNER INCOME 2013**
$61,643

**MEDIAN OWNER INCOME 2018**
$65,630

6% 2013 vs 2018

Homeowner income has increased in the last 5 years. The district ranked 64th out of 134.

**INCOME NEEDED TO AFFORD MEDIAN HOME:**
$35,250

**REGIONAL DATA**

**Top jobs & income in the Northwest Region**

- **Cashier:** $23,786
- **Personal Care Aide:** $25,859
- **Truck Driver:** $43,420
- **Registered Nurse:** $43,420
- **Nursing Assistant:** $33,025

**Homelessness in the Northwest Region**

- **Number of Homeless on a given night in 2018:** 368
- **Change in Homelessness 2015 to 2018:** -12%
- **# of homeless kids:** 129
- **# of homeless seniors:** 17

Without reliable shelter, productive work, progress at school and positive health outcomes are extremely difficult. Just a few decades ago, homelessness didn’t exist – and Minnesota has made strides in recent years, with a 9% reduction from 2012 to 2015.