Cost-burdened renters pay 30% or more of their income on rent and an estimated 2,625 District 50B residents may have to sacrifice education, food, and medicine to afford a place to live. For highest cost burden, the district ranked 74th.

Median rent is an indicator of affordability. If rent is increasingly greatly, that can be an indicator of lack of affordability. In district 50B, rent increased 8% between 2013 and 2018. The district saw the 53rd highest rent increase out of 134 districts.

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 50B, renter income increased 17% between 2013 and 2018. The district ranked 43rd of 134 in terms of renter income increase.

The income needed to afford rent -- $43,680 -- is greater than the median renter income in the district. With a gap of $-2,570, rent in District 50B is affordable.

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.

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HOMEOWNER STATISTICS

MEDIAN HOME VALUE 2013 $236,520
MEDIAN HOME VALUE 2018 $237,100

In District 50B, median home values have stayed flat in the last 5 years. In terms of home value increase, 50B was ranked 99th out of 134.

MEDIAN OWNER INCOME 2013 $81,946
MEDIAN OWNER INCOME 2018 $87,567

Homeowner income has increased in the last 5 years. The district ranked 59th out of 134.

INCOME NEEDED TO AFFORD MEDIAN HOME: $71,130

10,656 OWNERS 63% OWNERS

COST BURDENED OWNERS
PERCENT COST BURDENED
CHANGE IN COST BURDEN

2,056 19% -27%

Cost-burdened owners pay 30% or more of their income on housing and an estimated 2,056 residents of District 50B may have to sacrifice education, food, and medicine to afford a place to live. For highest cost burden, the district ranked 64th.

COST BURDENED SENIORS
SENIOR COST BURDEN

995 27%

District 50B ranked 43rd out of 134 for the percentage of seniors struggling to afford their homes.

% OWNERS THAT ARE POCI
owners renters

9% 33%

People of color and indigenous people are less likely to own their home, a key to building wealth.

REGIONAL DATA

Top jobs & income in the Twin Cities Region

$43,680 income needed to afford median rent
$71,130 income needed to afford median home

Homelessness in the Twin Cities Region

Number of Homeless on a given night in 2018 6,763
Change in Homelessness 2015 to 2018 9%
# of homeless kids 2,277
# of homeless seniors 798

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.