

# 2017 Housing Facts and Affordability Index for Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market



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## Homeownership Affordability Index

	<u>Year</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>Median Home Price<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Median Income<sup>2</sup></u>	<u>Income Needed to Afford Median Home Price</u>	<u>Home Price Affordable to Median Income</u>
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market	2013	1.38	\$90,000	\$36,399	\$26,317	\$124,480
	2014	1.58	\$89,500	\$40,650	\$25,712	\$141,496
	2015	1.72	\$87,100	\$42,477	\$24,697	\$149,805
	2016	1.61	\$88,250	\$41,268	\$25,626	\$142,120
	2017	1.44	\$100,000	\$42,794	\$29,657	\$144,299
Maine		0.93	\$197,000	\$53,190	\$57,089	\$183,546
Palmyra		1.25	\$122,000	\$45,037	\$36,067	\$152,344
Harmony		1.28	\$80,000	\$31,319	\$24,425	\$102,582
Hartland		1.44	\$71,750	\$32,010	\$22,257	\$103,189
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market		1.44	\$100,000	\$42,794	\$29,657	\$144,299
St. Albans		1.49	\$120,000	\$52,552	\$35,242	\$178,943
Pittsfield		1.93	\$87,250	\$51,009	\$26,484	\$168,046
Corinna		2.08	\$69,900	\$43,228	\$20,785	\$145,376

The Homeownership Affordability Index is the ratio of Home Price Affordable at Median Income to Median Home Price. An index of less than 1 means the area is generally unaffordable - i.e., a household earning area median income could not cover the payment on a median priced home (30 year mortgage, taxes and insurance) using no more than 28% of gross income.

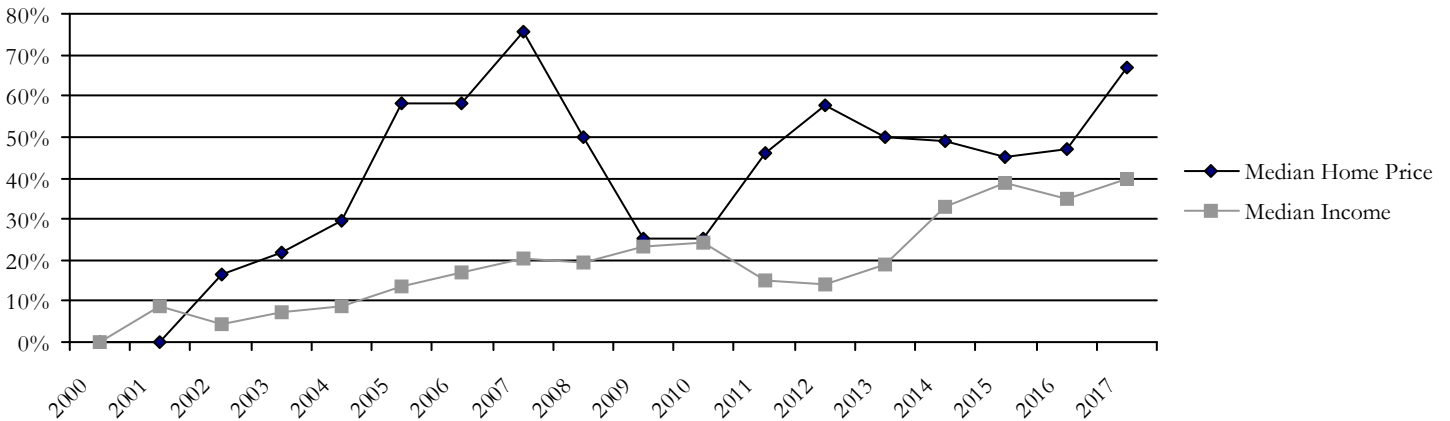
## Households Unable to Afford Median Home

<u>Location</u>	<u>Households Unable to Afford Median Home</u>		<u>Total Households</u>	<u>Median Home Price<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Income Needed to Afford Median Home</u>	
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>			<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
Maine	54.1%	305,534	565,115	\$197,000	\$57,089	\$27.45
Palmyra	40.7%	354	870	\$122,000	\$36,067	\$17.34
Harmony	36.5%	133	363	\$80,000	\$24,425	\$11.74
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market	36.5%	2,490	6,821	\$100,000	\$29,657	\$14.26
St. Albans	35.9%	300	835	\$120,000	\$35,242	\$16.94
Hartland	35.2%	260	740	\$71,750	\$22,257	\$10.70
Corinna	28.1%	261	929	\$69,900	\$20,785	\$9.99
Pittsfield	24.0%	380	1,586	\$87,250	\$26,484	\$12.73

## Unattainable Homes as a Percentage of Homes Sold

<u>Location</u>	<u>Percentage of Unattainable Homes</u>	<u>Affordable Homes Sold</u>	<u>Unattainable Homes Sold</u>
Maine	53.9%	9,513	11,139
Harmony	40.0%	6	4
Hartland	33.3%	14	7
Palmyra	29.2%	17	7
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market	22.0%	138	39
Pittsfield	14.0%	43	7
St. Albans	12.0%	22	3
Corinna	0.0%	21	0

## Relative Increases in Income and Home Price <sup>3</sup>



## Rental Affordability Index

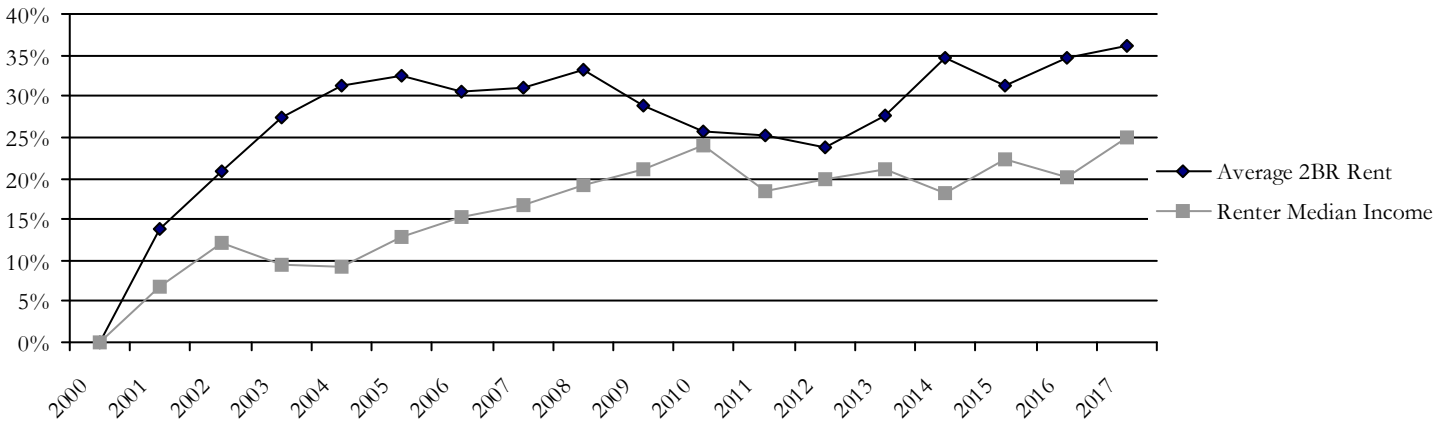
	<u>Year</u>	<u>Index</u>	<u>Average 2 BR Rent (with utilities)</u> <sup>4</sup>	<u>Renter Household Median Income</u> <sup>2</sup>	<u>Income Needed to Afford Average 2 BR Rent</u>	<u>2 BR Rent Affordable to Median Income</u>
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market	2014	0.74	\$775	\$23,033	\$31,002	\$576
	2016	0.82	\$732	\$24,044	\$29,298	\$601
	2017	0.84	\$735	\$24,825	\$29,406	\$621
Hartland		0.77	\$659	\$20,325	\$26,360	\$508
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market		0.84	\$735	\$24,825	\$29,406	\$621
Maine		0.88	\$880	\$30,804	\$35,181	\$770
Pittsfield		1.13	\$747	\$33,896	\$29,899	\$847

The Rental Affordability Index is the ratio of 2-Bedroom Rent Affordable at Median Renter Income to Average 2-Bedroom Rent. An index of less than 1 means the area is generally unaffordable – i.e., a renter household earning area median renter income could not cover the cost of an average 2-bedroom apartment (including utilities) using no more than 30% of gross income.

## Renter Households Unable to Afford Average 2 Bedroom Rent

<u>Location</u>	<u>Households Unable to Afford Average 2 BR Rent</u>		<u>Total Renter Households</u>	<u>Average 2 BR Rent (with utilities)<sup>4</sup></u>	<u>Income Needed to Afford Average 2 BR Rent</u>	
	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>			<u>Annual</u>	<u>Hourly</u>
Hartland	64.5%	109	169	\$659	\$26,360	\$12.67
Pittsfield, ME LMA Housing Market	56.4%	772	1,368	\$735	\$29,406	\$14.14
Maine	55.9%	90,353	161,746	\$880	\$35,181	\$16.91
Pittsfield	43.8%	196	447	\$747	\$29,899	\$14.37

## Relative Increases in Renter Income and Average 2BR Rent<sup>3</sup>



## Demographics

	<u>% Change 1990-2017</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Population	5.1%	15,546	16,373	16,503	16,440	16,269	16,340
Households	19.8%	5,694	6,711	6,823	6,823	6,778	6,821

## Endnotes

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<sup>2</sup>Source: Claritas

<sup>3</sup>The Y axis is an index defined as the ratio of the annual value to the year 2000 value.

<sup>4</sup>Source: MaineHousing Quarterly Rent Survey. All rent data reported adjusted to include the cost of utilities (heat, hot water, and electricity).