

# Housing Facts and Affordability Index

# Lincoln County - 2019

| Homeownership Affordability Index |             |              | Median<br>Home     | Median              | Income Needed<br>to Afford | Home Price<br>Affordable to |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Lincoln County                    | <u>Year</u> | <u>Index</u> | Price <sup>1</sup> | Income <sup>2</sup> | Median Home Price          | Median Income               |
|                                   | 2015        | 1.07         | \$179,000          | \$52,396            | \$48,954                   | \$191,587                   |
|                                   | 2016        | 1.04         | \$198,250          | \$56,403            | \$54,491                   | \$205,206                   |
|                                   | 2017        | 0.92         | \$215,000          | \$55,369            | \$59,925                   | \$198,652                   |
|                                   | 2018        | 0.81         | \$229,000          | \$54,417            | \$67,054                   | \$185,841                   |
|                                   | 2019        | 0.94         | \$226,250          | \$59,816            | \$63,751                   | \$212,286                   |
| Southport                         |             | 0.57         | \$444,000          | \$63,690            | \$111,010                  | \$254,737                   |
| Boothbay Harbor                   |             | 0.63         | \$274,411          | \$47,168            | \$75,176                   | \$172,175                   |
| Bremen                            |             | 0.70         | \$311,000          | \$61,500            | \$87,631                   | \$218,261                   |
| Westport                          |             | 0.72         | \$342,000          | \$64,286            | \$88,793                   | \$247,607                   |
| South Bristol                     |             | 0.74         | \$346,000          | \$64,216            | \$86,644                   | \$256,438                   |
| Damariscotta                      |             | 0.75         | \$249,250          | \$55,863            | \$74,026                   | \$188,094                   |
| Boothbay                          |             | 0.78         | \$317,500          | \$66,691            | \$85,381                   | \$248,000                   |
| Edgecomb                          |             | 0.82         | \$256,250          | \$61,913            | \$75,079                   | \$211,314                   |
| Whitefield                        |             | 0.88         | \$200,000          | \$50,543            | \$57,515                   | \$175,754                   |
| Maine                             |             | 0.90         | \$225,000          | \$59,575            | \$66,044                   | \$202,959                   |
| Bristol                           |             | 0.91         | \$270,000          | \$63,136            | \$69,762                   | \$244,354                   |
| Lincoln County                    |             | 0.94         | \$226,250          | \$59,816            | \$63,751                   | \$212,286                   |
| Nobleboro                         |             | 0.95         | \$222,400          | \$58,691            | \$61,517                   | \$212,185                   |
| Wiscasset                         |             | 0.96         | \$202,000          | \$58,807            | \$61,251                   | \$193,941                   |
| Alna                              |             | 0.99         | \$233,750          | \$69,952            | \$70,543                   | \$231,790                   |
| Newcastle                         |             | 1.02         | \$240,000          | \$73,902            | \$72,125                   | \$245,912                   |
| Waldoboro                         |             | 1.17         | \$160,000          | \$55,562            | \$47,514                   | \$187,102                   |
| Jefferson                         |             | 1.18         | \$183,500          | \$61,195            | \$51,672                   | \$217,317                   |
| Dresden                           |             | 1.29         | \$184,500          | \$71,100            | \$55,282                   | \$237,293                   |

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

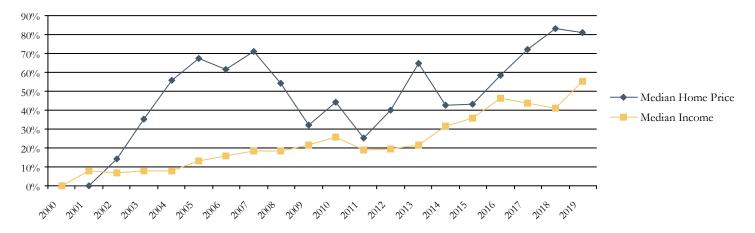
| Households Unable to Afford |  |         |            |              | Income Needed                   |               |
|-----------------------------|--|---------|------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
|                             | Unable to Afford<br><u>Median Home</u> Total |         |            | Median       | to Afford<br><u>Median Home</u> |               |
| Location                    | <u>Percent</u>                               | Number  | Households | Home Price 1 | <u>Annual</u>                   | <u>Hourly</u> |
| Southport                   | 70.8%  | 213     | 301        | \$444,000    | <b>\$111,</b> 010               | \$53.37       |
| Boothbay Harbor             | 70.2%  | 779     | 1,110      | \$274,411    | \$75,176                        | \$36.14       |
| Bremen                      | 68.7%  | 257     | 374        | \$311,000    | \$87,631                        | \$42.13       |
| Damariscotta                | 66.5%  | 696     | 1,046      | \$249,250    | \$74,026                        | \$35.59       |
| Westport                    | 65.7%  | 210     | 320        | \$342,000    | \$88,793                        | \$42.69       |
| Edgecomb                    | 64.8%  | 342     | 528        | \$256,250    | \$75,079                        | \$36.10       |
| Boothbay                    | 63.7%  | 881     | 1,384      | \$317,500    | \$85,381                        | \$41.05       |
| Maine                       | 62.2%  | 354,985 | 570,917    | \$225,000    | \$66,044                        | \$31.75       |
| South Bristol               | 60.2%  | 259     | 430        | \$346,000    | \$86,644                        | \$41.66       |
| Bristol                     | 56.3%  | 747     | 1,326      | \$270,000    | \$69,762                        | \$33.54       |
| Whitefield                  | 56.2%  | 525     | 935        | \$200,000    | \$57,515                        | \$27.65       |
| Alna                        | 53.8%  | 150     | 279        | \$233,750    | \$70,543                        | \$33.92       |
| Lincoln County              | 53.2%  | 8,203   | 15,424     | \$226,250    | \$63,751                        | \$30.65       |
| Nobleboro                   | 52.0%  | 371     | 713        | \$222,400    | \$61,517                        | \$29.58       |
| Wiscasset                   | 51.7%  | 771     | 1,490      | \$202,000    | \$61,251                        | \$29.45       |
| Newcastle                   | 50.8%  | 411     | 809        | \$240,000    | \$72,125                        | \$34.68       |
| Waldoboro                   | 43.7%  | 1,027   | 2,350      | \$160,000    | \$47,514                        | \$22.84       |
| Jefferson                   | 39.4%  | 421     | 1,068      | \$183,500    | \$51,672                        | \$24.84       |
| Dresden                     | 38.7%  | 269     | 697        | \$184,500    | \$55,282                        | \$26.58       |

## Unattainable Homes as a Percentage of Homes Sold

|                 | Percentage of             | Affordable | Unattainable      |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Location        | <u>Unattainable Homes</u> | Homes Sold | <u>Homes Sold</u> |
| Boothbay Harbor | 88.4%                     | 5          | 38                |
| Bremen          | 85.7%                     | 2          | 12                |
| Southport       | 75.0%                     | 4          | 12                |
| Damariscotta    | 74.1%                     | 7          | 20                |
| South Bristol   | 74.1%                     | 7          | 20                |
| Boothbay        | 69.0%                     | 18         | 40                |
| Bristol         | 60.3%                     | 27         | 41                |
| Nobleboro       | 59.4%                     | 13         | 19                |
| Whitefield      | 58.3%                     | 10         | 14                |
| Edgecomb        | 58.3%                     | 5          | 7                 |
| Wiscasset       | 56.9%                     | 25         | 33                |
| Maine           | 56.3%                     | 8,015      | 10,321            |
| Lincoln County  | 56.0%                     | 263        | 335               |
| Westport        | 55.6%                     | 8          | 10                |
| Alna            | 50.0%                     | 6          | 6                 |
| Newcastle       | 46.2%                     | 14         | 12                |
| Jefferson       | 32.2%                     | 40         | 19                |
| Waldoboro       | 30.9%                     | 56         | 25                |
| Dresden         | 29.4%                     | 12         | 5                 |



### Relative Increases in Income and Home Price



## **Demographics**

|            | % Change<br>1990-2019 | <u>1990</u> | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | 2019   |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Population | 13.0%                 | 30,357      | 33,957      | 34,130      | 33,812      | 34,261      | 34,306 |
| Households | 28.9%                 | 11,968      | 15,153      | 15,277      | 15,189      | 15,419      | 15,424 |

#### **Endnotes**

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Source: Claritas Current Year Household Income

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