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### Housing Affordability Challenges in the Sacramento Metro Area

- In the Sacramento metro area, 152,979 households, or 19% of households, spend at least half of their income on housing costs. Nationwide, 16% of all households are severely cost burdened.
- Renters are more likely to be severely housing cost burdened than owners, with 29% of renters spending at least half their income on housing.
- Median household income in the Sacramento metro area is \$56,774, compared to the median U.S. household income of \$51,015.
- Among low- and moderate-income working households, 28% of households spend at least half of their income on housing costs.

#### Sacramento Metro Area Households: 2012 Total households 786.864 than half their income on Renters make up 41% of households housing Owners make up 59% of households Median household income is \$56,774 Owner households Median monthly owner housing cost is \$1,010 spending at least half their

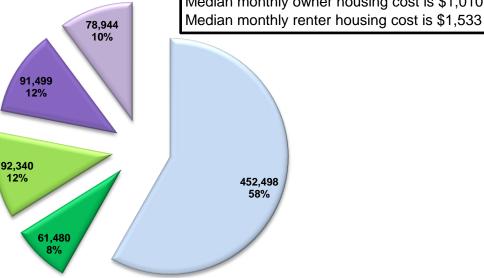
Owner households spending between 30% & 50% of their income on housing

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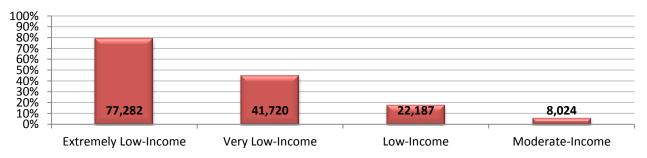
Households with a Severe Housing Cost Burden

Renter households spending at least half their income on housing

■ Renter households spending between 30% & 50% of their income on housing

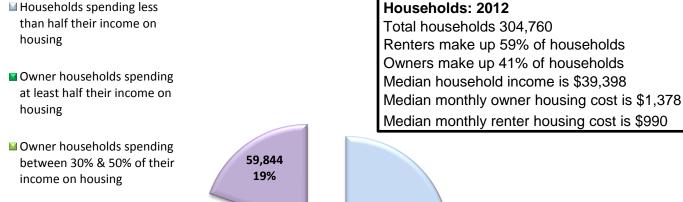


### Percentage of Households with a Severe Housing Cost Burden by Income



## Low- and Moderate-Income Working Households in the Sacramento Metro Area Face Affordability Challenges

### Working Households with a Severe Housing Cost Burden



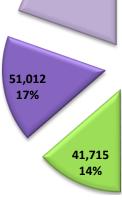
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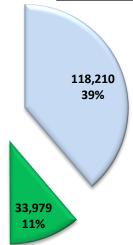
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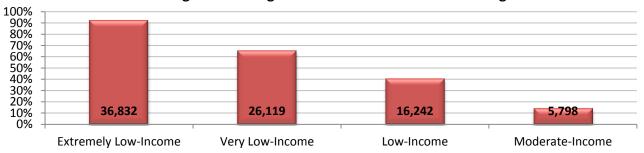
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Sacramento Metro Area Working

### Percentage of Working Households with a Severe Housing Cost Burden



### Definitions

**Severely Housing Cost Burdened**: Households who spend at least half of their income on housing costs.

Extremely Low-Income: Households who earn 30 percent or less than the median income for households in their area (AMI).

**Very Low-Income**: Households who earn between 31 and 50 percent of AMI.

**Low-Income**: Households who earn between 51 and 80 percent of AMI.

Moderate-Income: Households who earn between 81 and 120 percent of AMI.

Working: Households whose members work a total of at least 20 hours a week on average.

Metro Area: Metropolitan area defined by the Office of Management and Budget.

### Data Notes

Data are from Center for Housing Policy tabulations of the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey 2012 Public-Use Microdata Sample (PUMS) files. More detailed information is available in *Housing Landscape 2014* at www.nhc.org.

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