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Plymouth County Housing Profile

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Housing Access

In 2022, there were 10,819 housing units in Plymouth County. Of this total, 7,694 were owner-occupied, 2,520 were renter-occupied, and 605 were vacant. Fewer housing units were counted in Plymouth County in the 1940 Decennial Census than in the most recent American Community Survey estimate. The median year for which housing was built in Plymouth County is 1971. In Plymouth County, a majority of owner-occupied housing is of 1-unit structures. For renter-occupied housing, there is more housing of 1-unit structures than any other type. Seasonally vacant housing units were 7.1% of all vacant units.

Housing Characteristics, 2018-2022¹

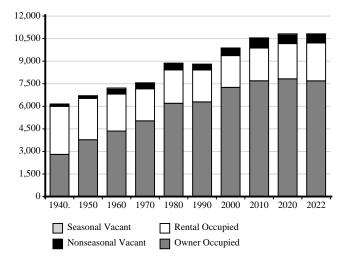
	Estimate	MOE
Total Housing Units	10,819	+/- 31
Vacant Units	605 (5.6%)	+/- 158 (1.5%)
Occupied Units	10,214 (94.4%)	+/- 159 (1.5%)
Owner-Occupied Units	7,694 (75.3%)	+/- 241 (2.5%)
Renter-Occupied Units	2,520 (24.7%)	+/- 265 (2.5%)
Median ^a Value ^b	\$199,800	+/- \$9,869
Median ^a Rent ^c	\$816	+/- \$42
Avg Household Size - Owner ^d	2.65	+/-0.06
Avg Household Size - Renter ^e	1.93	+/-0.12

^aMedian is the middle value of a distribution ^bMedian value of owner-occupied units, ^cMedian gross rent of renter-occupied units, ^dOwner-occupied units, ^eRenter-occupied units

Median^a Year Built by Tenure, 2018-2022¹

	Estimate	MOE
Median Year Built	1971	+/-3
Owner Occupied	1970	+/-3
Renter Occupied	1973	+/-4

Number of Housing Units, 1940-2022^{1,2}



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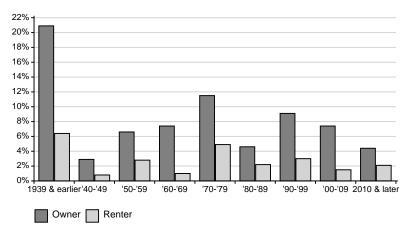
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Occupied Housing Units By Structure Type, 2018-2022¹

	Numb	er	Percent (%)	
	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Occupied Units	10,214	+/-159	NA	NA
Owner Occupied	7,694	+/-241	100.0	NA
1-Unit ^a	7,311	+/-290	95.0	+/-2.3
2 to 4 Unit	39	+/-30	0.5	+/-0.4
5 or More Units	37	+/-40	0.5	+/-0.5
Mobile Home	307	+/-107	4.0	+/-1.4
Boat, RV, Van etc.	0	+/-19	0.0	+/-0.2
Renter Occupied	2,520	+/-265	100.0	NA
1-Unit ^a	1,208	+/-195	47.9	+/-5.9
2 to 4 Unit	512	+/-159	20.3	+/-6.0
5 or More Units	688	+/-198	27.3	+/-7.3
Mobile Home	112	+/-95	4.4	+/-3.7
Boat, RV, Van etc.	0	+/-19	0.0	+/-0.8

^aIncludes Unattached and Attached Units

Percent of Housing Units by Year Built and by Tenure, 2018-2022¹



Housing Units by Number of Bedrooms and Tenure, 2018-2022¹

	Numl	Number		(%)
	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Occupied Units	10,214	+/-159	NA	NA
Owner Occupied	7,694	+/-241	100.0	NA
1 Bedroom ^a	151	+/-69	2.0	+/-0.9
2 Bedrooms	1,279	+/-179	16.6	+/-2.3
3 Bedrooms	3,294	+/-278	42.8	+/-3.4
4 or More	2,970	+/-253	38.6	+/-3.1
Renter Occupied	2,520	+/-265	100.0	NA
No Bedroom	84	+/-65	3.3	+/-2.6
1 Bedroom	424	+/-111	16.8	+/-4.0
2 Bedrooms	1,227	+/-230	48.7	+/-7.6
3 Bedrooms	578	+/-123	22.9	+/-4.2
4 or More	207	+/-73	8.2	+/-2.8

^aIncludes No Bedroom Units (e.g. studio apartments)

Status of Vacant Housing Units, 2018-2022¹

	Num	ber	Percent (%)
	Est	MOE	Est MOE
Total Vacant Units	605	+/-158	NA NA
For Rent	132	+/-116	21.8 +/-18.3
Rented, Not Occupied	51	+/-58	8.4 +/-9.3
For Sale	87	+/-83	14.4 +/-13.2
Sold, Not Occupied	25	+/-19	4.1 +/-2.9
Seasonal ^a	43	+/-50	7.1 +/-8.1
For Migrant Workers	0	+/-19	0.0 +/-3.1
Other	267	+/-113	44.1 +/-14.7

^aFor Seasonal, Recreational, or Occasional Use

Authorized Housing Construction Permits in Plymouth County, 1995-2021³

	Single Family	Duplex	Tri/Four-plex	Multi-Family		Per Unit V	aluation ⁺
Permit Year	Units	Units	Units	Units	Total Units	Single Family	Multi-Family
1995-1999	421	8	3	3	435	\$126,515	\$366,667
2000-2004	360	9	1	3	373	\$148,946	\$761,726
2005-2009	247	2	0	1	250	\$186,735	\$1,300,000
2010-2014	223	2	0	0	225	\$239,039	\$0
2015-2019	259	0	0	10	269	\$247,000	\$0
2020	48	0	0	0	48	\$288,307	\$0
2021	45	0	0	0	45	\$361,269	\$0

Housing Affordability

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The median value of owner-occupied housing in Plymouth County was \$199,800 in 2018-2022. Median rent was \$816. In 2022, 45 permits for housing construction were authorized in Plymouth County. In 2018-2022, the median household income for owner-occupied housing was higher than the median household income for renter-occupied units. It was estimated that 13.1% of owners and 22.3% of renters spent more than 30% of their household income on monthly owner or renter costs. Among owner-occupied units, more householders were age 45 to 64 than any other age group. For renter-occupied units, the most common age was under 35.

HUD Income Limits, 2022⁴

	2 Person Family	4 Person Family
Extemely Low Income	\$21,600	\$27,750
Very Low Income	\$35,950	\$44,900
Low Income	\$57,500	\$71,850

Percent of Households Spending 30% or More of Household Income on Monthly Owner or Renter Costs, 2018-2022¹

	Estimate	MOE
Owner Occupied Units	13.1%	NA
Renter Occupied Units	22.3%	NA

Median^a Household Income by Tenure 2018-2022¹

	Estimate	MOE
Median Household Income	\$79,963	+/-\$2,681
Owner Occupied	\$90,645	+/-\$4,887
Renter Occupied	\$53,855	+/-\$6,988
Median Family Income	\$94,094	+/-\$4,060

^aMedian is the middle value of a distribution

Monthly Housing Costs of Owner Occupied Units with Mortgage, without Mortgage and Renters, 2018-2022¹

without Mortgage and Kenters, 2016-2022					
	Num	ber	Percen	t (%)	
Occupied Units	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE	
Owner with Mortgage	4,264	+/-226	100.0	NA	
Less than \$399	11	+/-12	0.3	+/-0.3	
Between \$400 to \$599	0	+/-19	0	+/-0.6	
Between \$600 to \$799	46	+/-33	1.1	+/-0.8	
Between \$800 to \$999	305	+/-98	7.2	+/-2.3	
Between \$1,000 to \$1,499	408	+/-107	9.6	+/-2.5	
Between \$1,500 to \$1,999	1,694	+/-221	39.7	+/-4.6	
Between \$2,000 to \$2,499	943	+/-144	22.1	+/-3.1	
\$2,500 and above	678	+/-141	15.9	+/-3.2	
Owner without Mortgage	3,430	+/-243	100.0	NA	
Less than \$200	118	+/-70	3.4	+/-2	
Between \$200 and \$399	764	+/-130	22.3	+/-3.8	
Between \$400 and \$599	1,437	+/-221	41.9	+/-5.1	
Between \$600 and \$999	877	+/-160	25.6	+/-4.5	
\$1,000 and above	234	+/-75	6.8	+/-2.1	
Renter	2,520	+/-265	100.0	NA	
Less than \$300	137	+/-66	5.4	+/-2.5	
Between \$300 and \$499	153	+/-96	6.1	+/-3.8	
Between \$500 and \$799	776	+/-172	30.8	+/-6	
Between \$800 and \$999	735	+/-173	29.2	+/-6	
Between \$1,000 and \$1,499	427	+/-112	16.9	+/-4.4	
\$1,500 and above	21	+/-43	0.8	+/-1.7	

Housing Values for Owner Occupied Housing Units with Mortgage and without Mortgage, 2018-2022¹

	Num	ber	Percent (%)	
Owner Occupied Units	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
With Mortgage	4,264	+/-226	100.0	NA
Less than \$50,000	55	+/-28	1.3	+/-0.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	378	+/-106	8.9	+/-2.5
\$100,000 to \$299,999	2,585	+/-232	60.6	+/-4.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1,017	+/-184	23.9	+/-4
\$500,000 and above	229	+/-86	5.4	+/-2.0
Without Mortgage	3,430	+/-243	100.0	NA
Less than \$50,000	368	+/-111	10.7	+/-3.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	390	+/-90	11.4	+/-2.6
\$100,000 to \$299,999	1,705	+/-284	49.7	+/-7.9
\$300,000 to \$499,999	842	+/-188	24.5	+/-5
\$500,000 and above	125	+/-60	3.6	+/-1.7

Households and Families by Type by Tenure, 2018-2022¹

	Number		Percen	t (%)
	Estimate	MOE	Estimate	MOE
Total Households	10,214	+/-159	100.0	NA
Living Alone	2,719	+/-259	26.6	+/-2.5
Owner Occuppied	7,694	+/-241	100.0	NA
Family Households	6,016	+/-259	78.2	+/-2.3
Married-couple	5,413	+/-296	70.4	+/-3.2
Married-couple w/ Children ^a	2,154	+/-206	28.0	+/-2.5
Female Householder ^b	331	+/-120	4.3	+/-1.6
Female HH w/ Children a,b	147	+/-96	1.9	+/-1.2
Male Householder ^b	272	+/-76	3.5	+/-1.0
Male HH w/ Children a,b	190	+/-76	2.5	+/-1.0
Nonfamily Households ^c	1,678	+/-223	21.8	+/- 2.8
Renter Occuppied	2,520	+/-265	100.0	NA
Family Households	1,136	+/-201	45.1	+/-6.4
Married-couple	647	+/-159	25.7	+/-5.7
Married-couple w/ Children ^a	294	+/-112	11.7	+/-4.3
Female Householder ^b	330	+/-123	13.1	+/-4.7
Female HH w/ Children ^{a,b}	257	+/-100	10.2	+/-3.8
Male Householder ^b	159	+/-73	6.3	+/-2.8
Male HH w/ Children ^{a,b}	90	+/-53	3.6	+/-2.1
Nonfamily Households ^c	1,384	+/-212	54.9	+/- 6.1

^a with Own Children, ^b No Spouse Present,

Opportunity Zones & New Market Tax Credit Eligible Areas in Plymouth County^{5,6}

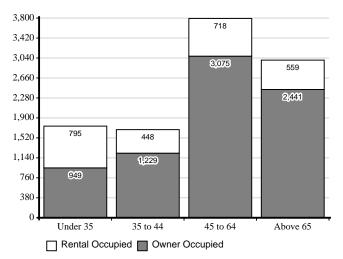
Opportunity Zones	1
New Market Tax Credit Areas	1

Place of Work and Travel Time to Work, 2018-2022¹

	Number		Percent (%)	
	Estimate	MOE	Est	MOE
Workers 16 years & over	13,441	+/-383	NA	NA
Worked in state ^a	12,846	+/-393	95.6	+/-0.9
Worked in county ^a	9,006	+/-479	67	+/-2.5
Worked outside county ^a	3,840	+/-301	28.6	+/-2.3
Worked outside state ^a	595	+/-124	4.4	+/-0.9
Travel Time to Work				
Less than 14 minutes	6,559	+/-527	48.8	+/-3.7
15 to 29 minutes	3,427	+/-373	25.5	+/-2.7
30 to 44 minutes	2,473	+/-346	18.4	+/-2.5
More than 45 minutes	995	+/-192	7.4	+/-1.4

^aof residence

Householder Age by Tenure, 2018-2022¹



Information in this document was derived from:

- ¹ U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey, 5-year Estimates (2018-2022)
- ² U.S. Census Bureau; Decennial Census (1940-2020)
- ³ U.S. Census Bureau; Building Permits Survey
- ⁴ Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); Income Limits
- ⁵ Internal Revenue Service (IRS) & U.S. Department of the Treasury, CDFI Fund; Qualified Opportunity Zones (QOZs)
- ⁶ U.S. Department of the Treasury, CDFI Fund; New Market Tax Credit (NMTC) Program
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