HENDERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING OVERVIEW

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2021 WESTERN NC HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT SCOPE OF WORK



Study Areas	18 Counties and a Tribal Reservation					
Demographic & Economic	 Population, Household and Income Trends through 2025 I0 Years of Economic & Employment Trends 					
Housing Supply	 Rental Housing Survey (Multifamily Apartments and Non-Conventional Rentals) For-Sale Housing, both Historical Sales and Active Listings 					
Other Housing Market Factors	 Access to Community Attributes Computer & High-Speed Internet Access Federal & State Program Eligibility Commuting and Migration Patterns 					
Community Input	• Online surveys of 139 stakeholders, 34 employers and 7 foundations throughout the region regarding housing issues/needs, barriers to development and possible solutions					
Special Needs Analysis	Evaluated Selected "Hard to House" Populations					
Housing Gap Estimates	Provided Estimated Number of Housing Units Needed by Tenure and Household Income by County					
Conclusions	Provided a General Action Plan for Future Housing Decisions					

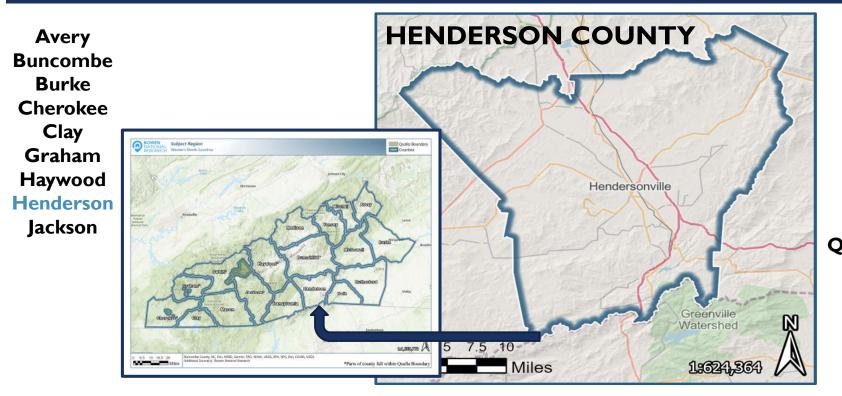
Study Disclaimers

- The study was conducted on a county level and did not evaluate individual communities
- > The study did not evaluate existing **government policies or programs**
- > The study did not provide **government-oriented strategies**
- The Housing Gap Estimates focused on demand for units affordable to households earning up to 120% of Area Median Household Income (Excluded higher end housing product)
- The study did not include other factors that can influence residential development:
 - Cost of Land
 - Availability of Infrastructure
 - Development Costs

- Available Sites
- School Quality

- Residential Blight
- Crime Trends
- Community Services

GEOGRAPHIC STUDY AREA – HENDERSON COUNTY



Macon Madison McDowell Mitchell Polk Rutherford Swain Transylvania Yancey Qualla Boundary

Overall Household Data

Henderson County experienced 2^{nd} greatest household growth rate (14.6%) b/w 2010-2020 and is projected to have the 2^{nd} greatest growth rate (6.7%) between 2020-2025

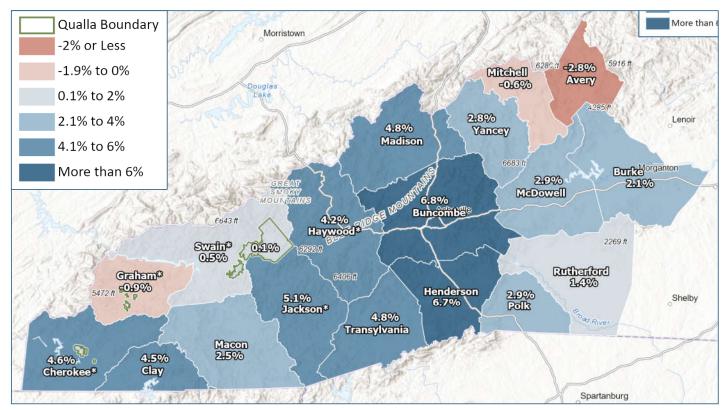
					Total Hous	seholds				
			Change 2	000-2010	2020	Change 2	010-2020	2025	Change 2	020-2025
	2000 Census	2010 Census	Number	Percent	Estimated	Number	Percent	Projected	Number	Percent
Avery	6,532	6,664	132	2.0%	6,493	-171	-2.6%	6,310	-183	-2.8%
Buncombe	85,771	100,412	14,641	17.1%	115,601	15,189	15.1%	123,472	7,871	6.8%
Burke	34,528	35,804	1,276	3.7%	37,653	1,849	5.2%	38,457	804	2.1%
Cherokee*	10,138	11,541	1,403	13.8%	12,598	1,057	9.2%	13,172	574	4.6%
Clay	3,847	4,660	813	21.1%	5,148	488	10.5%	5,378	230	4.5%
Graham*	3,190	3,514	324	10.2%	3,568	54	1.5%	3,535	-33	-0.9%
Haywood*	23,100	25,563	2,463	10.7%	27,839	2,276	8.9%	29,002	1,163	4.2%
Henderson	37,414	45,448	8,034	21.5%	52,097	6,649	14.6%	55,589	3,492	6.7%
Jackson*	12,075	15,120	3,045	25.2%	16,600	1,480	9.8%	17,452	852	5.1%
Macon	12,828	14,591	1,763	13.7%	15,749	1,158	7.9%	16,142	393	2.5%
Madison	8,005	8,494	489	6.1%	9,628	1,134	13.4%	10,086	458	4.8%
McDowell	16,604	17,838	1,234	7.4%	19,191	1,353	7.6%	19,740	549	2.9%
Mitchell	6,551	6,685	134	2.0%	6,660	-25	-0.4%	6,619	-41	-0.6%
Polk	7,908	8,989	1,081	13.7%	9,444	455	5.1%	9,716	272	2.9%
Qualla Boundary	2,946	3,373	427	14.5%	3,334	-39	-1.2%	3,336	2	0.1%
Rutherford	25,191	27,466	2,275	9.0%	28,243	777	2.8%	28,643	400	1.4%
Swain*	3,668	4,024	356	9.7%	4,219	195	4.8%	4,238	19	0.5%
Transylvania	12,320	14,394	2,074	16.8%	16,077	1,683	11.7%	16,850	773	4.8%
Yancey	7,472	7,644	172	2.3%	8,175	531	6.9%	8,402	227	2.8%
Region	320,087	362,224	42,137	13.2%	398,318	36,094	10.0%	416,139	17,821	4.5%
North Carolina	3,131,002	3,745,144	614,142	19.6%	4,215,474	470,330	12.6%	4,461,326	245,852	5.8%

Household Growth (Percent Change Between 2020-2025)

Projections for 2025 indicate the region will experience an overall growth rate of 4.5%, or an additional 17,821 households.

Greatest Projected Growth to Occur in Buncombe & **Henderson** and Other Central Counties

Henderson County projected to add 3,492 households between 2020-2025



Demographic Overview (Henderson County vs. Region & State)

US Census, ESRI &	County		Reg	ion	State		
Claritas Estimates	Population	Households	Population	Households	Population	Households	
2000 Census	89,173	37,414	778,617	320,087	8,049,282	3,131,002	
2010 Census	106,740	45,448	868,436	362,224	9,535,457	3,745,144	
Change 2000-2010	17,567	8,034	89,819	42,137	1,486,175	614,142	
Percent Change 2000-2010	19.70%	21.5%	11.5%	13.20%	18.5%	19.60%	
2020 Estimated	122,907	52,097	953,260	398,318	10,736,851	4,215,474	
Change 2010-2020	16,167	6,649	84,824	36,094	1,201,394	470,330	
Percent Change 2010-2020	15.1%	14.6%	9.8%	10.0%	12.6%	12.6%	
2025 Projected	131,318	55,589	994,947	416,139	11,357,274	4,461,326	
Change 2020-2025	8,411	3,492	41,687	17,821	620,423	245,852	
Percent Change 2020-2025	6.8%	6.7%	4.4%	4.5%	5.8%	5.8%	

- 2010-2020: County population (15.1%) & household (14.6%) growth rates are greater than Region and State
- 2020-2025: County population (6.8%) & household (6.7%) growth rates projected to outpace Region and State
- County expected to add an average of nearly 700 households annually, contributing to housing demand

Demographic Overview – Household Heads by Age: Henderson County

	Henderson County Household Heads by Age									
Year	<25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 74	75+			
2010	1,175	4,998	6,911	8,208	8,809	7,661	7,686			
	(2.6%)	(11.0%)	(15.2%)	(18.1%)	(19.4%)	(16.9%)	(16.9%)			
2020	1,224	5,287	7,112	8,176	10,083	10,332	9,883			
	(2.3%)	(10.1%)	(13.7%)	(15.7%)	(19.4%)	(19.8%)	(19.0%)			
2025	1,282	5,182	7,368	8,272	10,047	11,544	11,894			
2023	(2.3%)	(9.3%)	(13.3%)	(14.9%)	(18.1%)	(20.8%)	(21.4%)			
Change	58	-105	256	96	-36	1,212	2,011			
2020-2025	(4.7%)	(-2.0%)	(3.6%)	(1.2%)	(-0.4%)	(11.7%)	(20.3%)			

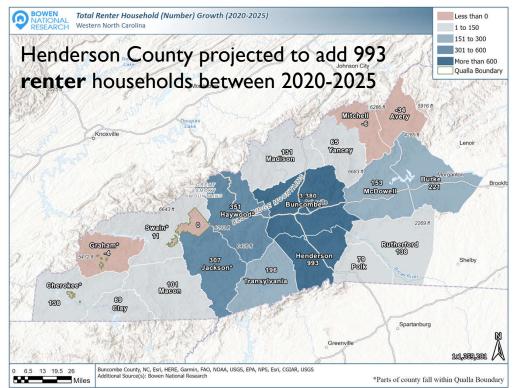
> The majority (58.2%) of county households are **age 55+** in 2020

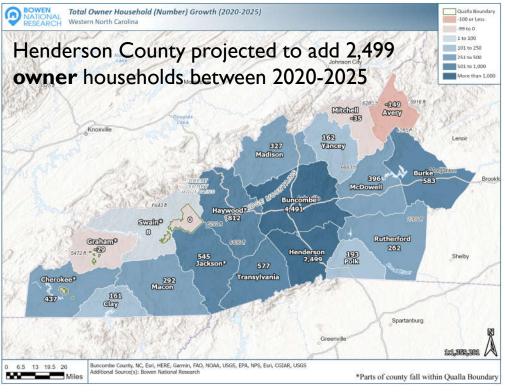
- Mirroring national trends, most county household growth between 2020-2025 is projected to occur among households ages 35 to 44 and ages 65+
- Housing demand will likely increase for units that meet the needs of older millennials and seniors/empty nesters

Renter & Owner Household Growth (2020-2025)

Renter Household Growth

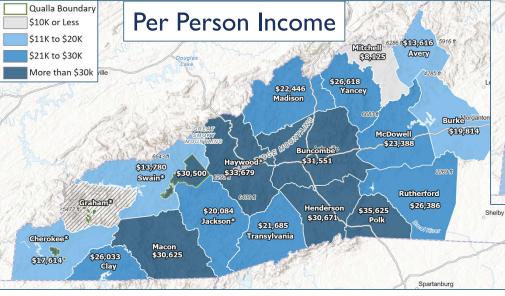
Owner Household Growth

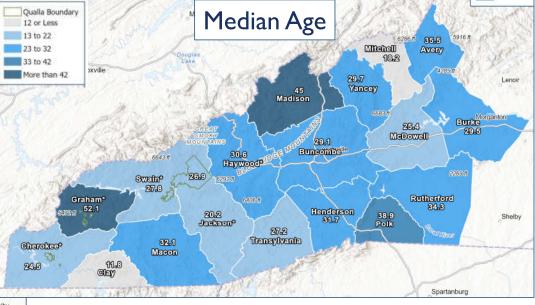




In-Migration by Per Person Annual Income and Median Age

The median <u>per-person</u> **income** of people migrating into Henderson County is just over **\$30,000**, fourth highest in the 18-county Region.

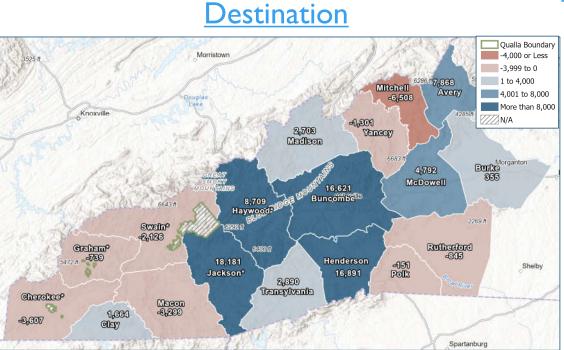




The **median** <u>age</u> of people migrating into Henderson County is **31.7**, seventh highest in the 18-county Region.

In Migration (Interstate)

The Region has experienced **net migration growth** of approximately **62,000 people** between 2009 and 2018. Ten out of the 18 counties within the region exhibited positive net growth (eight declined), **Henderson County had positive net migration of 16,891 people.**



Driginatior	1	Regior Distribution	ı In-Migraı by Region/		ion	
	Divi	Division			Percent	
Northeast	New E	ngland	440		5.0%	
Northeast	Mid-A	tlantic	1,157		13.1%	
Midwest	West Nort	th Central	-191		-2.2%	
Iviidwest	East Nort	h Central	253		2.9%	
	South A	Atlantic	6,008		67.9%	
South	East Sout	h Central	-1,231		-13.9%	
	West Sout	th Central	523		5.9%	
XX7 4	Mour	ntain	653		7.4%	
West	Pac	ific	1,234		13.9%	
					100.00%	
ŀ	Region In-Migrant	s: Top 15 Stat	tes of Origin	1		
State		Net Est	imate	Perc	ent of Total Net	
Florida		/	3,589		40.3%	
Californ		/	1,150		12.9%	
North Care		1,11	-	12.5%		
New Yo	rk	892	2		10.0%	
Colorad	0	64	640		7.2%	
Georgi		64	*		7.2%	
Virgini		482			5.4%	
South Card	olina	23:			2.6%	
Texas	Texas				2.5%	
Oregor	192 182	193		2.2%		
<u> </u>	Michigan			2.1%		
Massachus	Massachusetts				2.0%	
Pennsylva	nia	18	180		2.0%	
Puerto R	co	17	1	1.9%		
Connecti	cut	13	9		1.6%	

Demographic Overview – Households by Income and Tenure

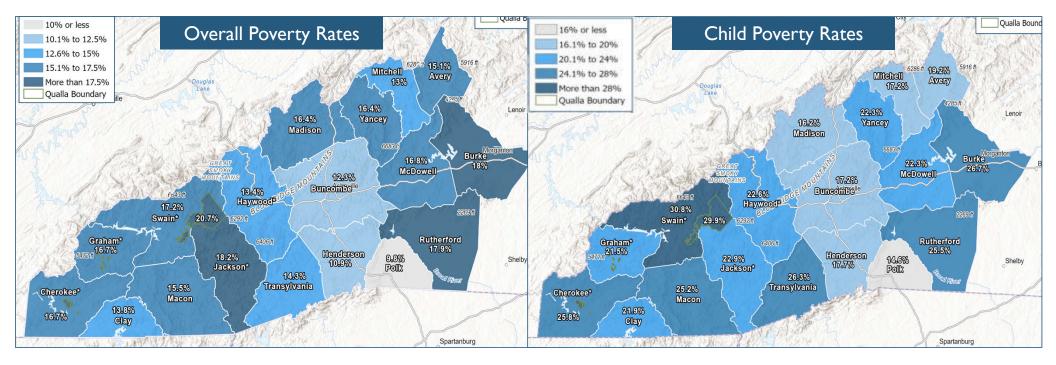
			Henderson	County - House	holds by Incom	e & Tenure			
			\$10,000 -	\$20,000 -	\$30,000 -	\$40,000 -	\$50,000 -	\$60,000 -	
Tenure	Year	<\$10,000	\$19,999	\$29,999	\$39,999	\$49,999	\$59,999	\$99,999	\$100,000+
	2010	1,541	2,537	1,980	1,540	1,284	730	1,409	285
	2010	(13.6%)	(22.4%)	(17.5%)	(13.6%)	(11.4%)	(6.5%)	(12.5%)	(2.5%)
	2020	1,191	2,694	2,513	2,140	1,527	1,140	2,675	1,153
Renter	2020	(7.9%)	(17.9%)	(16.7%)	(14.2%)	(10.2%)	(7.6%)	(17.8%)	(7.7%)
Kenter	2025	1,070	2,544	2,269	2,068	1,559	1,237	3,435	1,844
	2025	(6.7%)	(15.9%)	(14.2%)	(12.9%)	(9.7%)	(7.7%)	(21.4%)	(11.5%)
	Change 2020-	-121	-150	-244	-72	32	97	760	690
	2025	(-10.2%)	(-5.6%)	(-9.7%)	(-3.4%)	(2.1%)	(8.5%)	(28.4%)	(59.9%)
	2010	1,865	3,725	3,619	3,578	4,219	3,099	9,046	4,991
	2010	(5.5%)	(10.9%)	(10.6%)	(10.5%)	(12.4%)	(9.1%)	(26.5%)	(14.6%)
	2020	1,043	2,674	3,358	3,601	2,739	3,080	9,373	11,196
Owner	2020	(2.8%)	(7.2%)	(9.1%)	(9.7%)	(7.4%)	(8.3%)	(25.3%)	(30.2%)
Owner	2025	910	2,476	3,014	3,264	2,375	2,817	9,594	15,113
	2025	(2.3%)	(6.3%)	(7.6%)	(8.3%)	(6.0%)	(7.1%)	(24.2%)	(38.2%)
	Change 2020-	-133	-198	-344	-337	-364	-263	221	3,918
	2025	(-12.7%)	(-7.4%)	(-10.3%)	(-9.4%)	(-13.3%)	(-8.5%)	(2.4%)	(35.0%)

Most Renter Households Earn b/w \$10k-\$40k, while Projected Growth to Occur Among Households Earning \$50k+
Most Owner Households Earn \$60k+ and Projected Growth to Occur Among Households Earning \$60k+

> Most **Owner** Households Earn \$60k+ and Projected Growth to Occur Among Households Earning \$60k+

Poverty Data: Henderson County and Region

- Over 125,000 (14.4%) People in the Region Live in Poverty (Henderson County = 12,408 people, 10.9%)
- Highest rates of Poverty in Qualla Boundary, Jackson, Burke and Rutherford (Henderson County 2nd Lowest)
- 34,670, or One in Five, Children under Age 18 in the Region Live in Poverty (Henderson County = 17.7%)



Housing Overview (Age & Condition): Henderson County

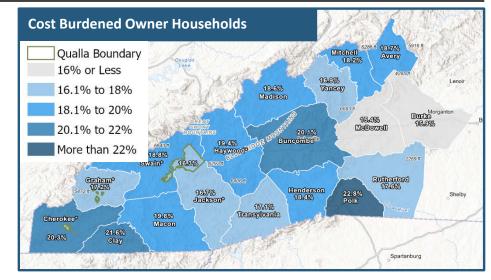
	Henderson County Housing Age and Conditions										
Pre-1970 Product					Overcrowded			Incomplete Plumbing or Kitchen			
Renter-C	Occupied	Owner-C	Occupied	Renter-Occupied		Owner-Occupied		Renter-Occupied		Owner-Occupied	
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
3,795	28.9%	6,713	18.6%	502	3.8%	659	1.8%	138	1.0%	224	0.6%

- > 1,161 households (502 renters & 659 owners) live in overcrowded housing
- 362 households (138 renters & 224 owners) live in units without complete kitchens/plumbing
- Housing renovations, rehabilitation, and preservation remain critical to local housing market

Household Income, Housing Costs & Affordability: Henderson County

	Henderson County - Household Income, Housing Costs and Affordability (Housing Cost Burden)									
	Median	Estimated		Share of Cost Burdened Share of Severe Co						
2020	Household	Median Home	Average	Households*		Burdened Households**				
Households	Income	Value	Gross Rent	Renter	Owner	Renter	Owner			
52,097	\$56,086	\$214,000	\$853	42.8%	18.4%	14.8%	7.0%			
*Paying more than 30	0% of income toward ho	ousing costs **Paying m	ore than 50% of income	toward housing costs						

Cost Burdened Renter Households 43.7% Mitchell Sil.3% Qualla Boundary 26% or Less 37% Yancey Lenoir 36.1% Madison 26.1% to 32% 32.1% to 38% Burke 36.8% 29.9% McDowell 38.1% to 44% Buncombells Haywood More than 44% 23.7% 42% Rutherford 39.5% Crehem^o 28.9% Henderson 42.8% 43.9% 38.3% Polk Shelby 37% Macon 26.9% 45.6% Clay Spartanburg



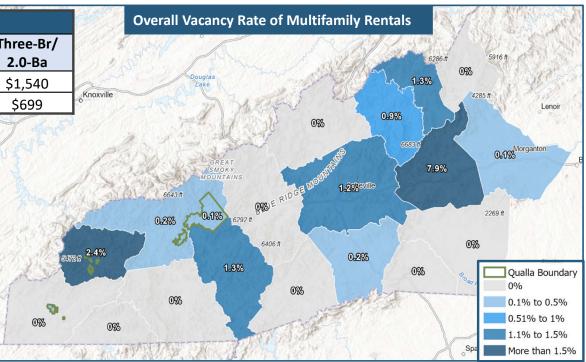
> 42.8% renters and 18.4% owners are housing cost burdened

Multifamily Rental Housing Overview: Henderson County

	Surveyed Multifamily Rental Housing Supply									
Projects	Total	Vacant	Overall	Vacancy Rate by Type			Wait Lists by Type (Households)			
Surveyed	Units	Units	Vacancy Rate	Market	Tax Credit	Subsidy	Market	Tax Credit	Subsidy	Total
34	2,744	6	0.2%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	131	158	164	453

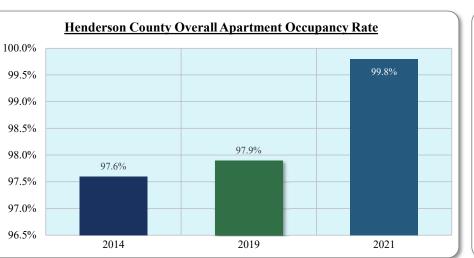
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	Median Rent by Bedroom/Bathroom Type								
Property	One-Br/	Two-Br/	Two-Br/	Three-Br/					
Туре	1.0-Ba	1.0-Ba	2.0-Ba	2.0-Ba					
Market-Rate	\$1,116	\$1,127	\$1,310	\$1,540					
Tax Credit	\$510	\$583	\$800	\$699					

- Only six of 2,744 apartment units are vacant, resulting in a low 0.2% vacancy rate
- No affordable (Tax Credit or Subsidized) units vacant
- Base market-rate rent of \$1,116 would require an income of around \$50,000 to afford



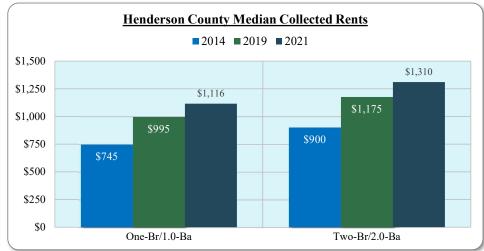
Multifamily Rental Housing Trends: Henderson County

Traditionally High Apartment Occupancy Rates have Reached Historically High Levels



Available Rental Units Declined from 44 in 2019 to 6 in 2021

Median Market-Rate Rents Continue to Increase Significantly



Median Rents Increased 45.6% Over Past Seven Years

Wait Lists of Multifamily Rentals: Henderson County vs. Counties

There are *approximately 5,547 households on the wait lists* for available multifamily rental housing in the region, illustrating pent-up demand among all affordability levels.

Surveyed M	Surveyed Multifamily Rental Housing Supply by Area								
	Wa	ait Lists by Ty	pe (Household	s)					
Market	Market	Tax Credit	Subsidy	Total					
Avery	0	5	37	42					
Buncombe	421	1,221	1,003	2,645					
Burke	446	100	223	769					
Cherokee	-	-	35	35					
Clay	0	-	119	119					
Graham	-	0	9	9					
Haywood	13	156	168	337					
Henderson	131	158	164	453					
Jackson	44	52	6	102					
Macon	0	102	80	182					
Madison	-	0	10	10					
McDowell	0	10	90	100					
Mitchell	-	-	118	118					
Polk	-	10	42	52					
Rutherford	100	45	151	296					
Swain	0	-	0	0					
Transylvania	155	0	42	197					
Yancey	-	-	81	81					
Region	1,310	1,859	2,378	5,547					

HENDERSON COUNTY

Approximately **453 households are on wait lists** for a variety of rental housing product, illustrating the pent-up demand that exists among all affordability levels.



Rental Housing – Non-Conventional Rentals

	Non-Conventional Rental Housing Supply								
		Total							
Total	Share of All	Available	Vacancy	Average					
Units	Rental Units	Units	Rate	Collected Rent					
10,697	81.6%	15	0.1%	\$935					

Non-Conventional rental typically consists of single-family home, duplex, mobile home, etc.

- Only 15 of 10,697 units are vacant, resulting in a low 0.1% vacancy rate
- Available units have average collected rent of \$935; Accounting for likely tenant-paid utilities (\$100/month) would require an income of around \$46,000 to afford typical non-conventional rental

Resident Voucher Acceptance & Use

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Resident Voucher Use							
	Estimated Unused Unused Voucher		ucher Annu	al Program			
HCV Issued	Vouchers	Share	Ξ	urnover	Wait List		
480	211	44%		47	495		
Project Voucher Acceptance and Use (Surveyed Non-Subsidized Multifamily Rental Housing Supply Only)							
Total	Number of						

Number of Non-	Projects	Share of Projects	Total Number	Total	Share of
Subsidized	Accepting	Accepting	of Units Eligible	Number	Vouchers
Projects	Vouchers	Vouchers	for Vouchers	of Vouchers in Use	in Use
30	17	56.7%	549	151	27.5%

- 480 Housing Choice Vouchers issued in county, wait list of 495 households
- 211 HCVs unused in county, 44% of HCVs unused
- I7 of 30 non-subsidized projects surveyed, 56.7% accept HCVs (over 40% do not accept HCVs)

Local Wages and Rental Housing Affordability: Henderson County

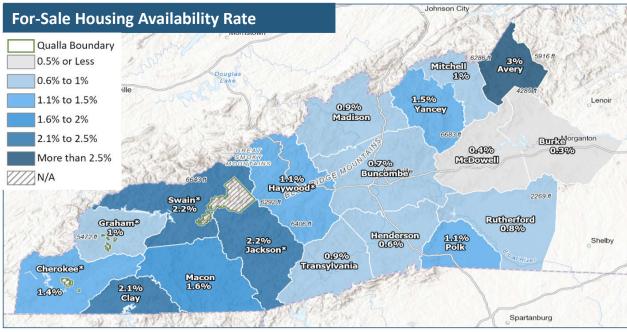
Henderson County Wages and Housing Affordability									
					Income Required to Afford Two-Bedroom FMR				
				Rent					Work
				Affordable			Work		Hours/
Estimated		Rent	Rent	with			Hours per	Number of	week at
Mean	Two-	Affordable	Affordable	Full-time Job			week at	Jobs at	Mean
Renter	Bedroom	at 60%	at 30%	Paying Mean		Housing	Minimum	Minimum	Renter
Wage	FMR	AMHI	AMHI	Renter Wage	Income	Wage	Wage	Wage	Wage
\$11.95	\$1,255	\$1,088	\$544	\$621	\$50,200	\$24.13	133	3.3	81
Source: National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) Out of Reach 2020									

- \$1,255 Two-bedroom Fair Market Rent (FMR)
- Person at <u>minimum wage</u> required to work
 133 hours (or have 3.3 jobs) to afford FMR
- At <u>mean wage of \$11.95</u>, would require 81
 hours work per week (or two full-time jobs)



Multiple wage earners required per household or single wage earner would need to work overtime to afford housing

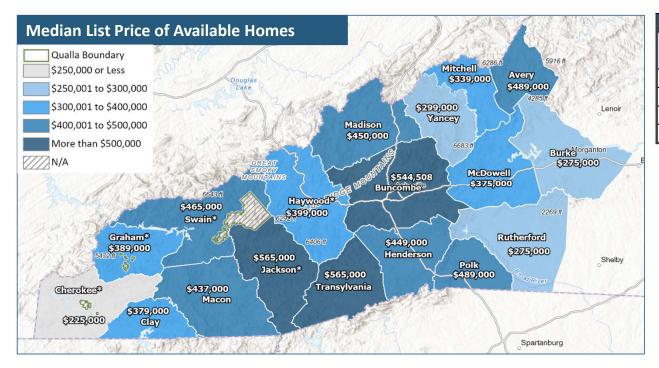




- Only 227 available homes, resulting in a very low
 0.6% availability rate (3rd lowest in Region)
- Median list price of \$449,000, requiring income of \$135k+
- Homes selling relatively fast (average 74 days)

For-Sale Housing – Available Homes: Henderson County

Henderson County Available For-Sale Housing Units by List Price									
<\$100,000 \$100,000 - \$199,999		\$200,000 - \$299,999		\$300,000 - \$399,999		\$400,000+			
Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
0	0.0%	17	7.5%	36	15.9%	50	22.0%	124	54.6%



Available For-Sale Housing Units by Bedroom Type							
	Number	Median					
Beds	(Share)	Price					
Studio/One-Br.	4 (1.8%)	\$149,000					
Two-Br.	41 (18.1%)	\$275,000					
Three-Br.	127 (55.9%)	\$399,999					
Four-Br.	55 (24.2%)	\$775,000					

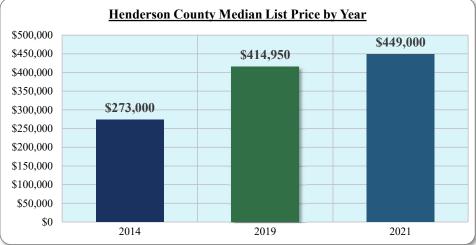
- Only I7 (7.5%) available homes priced below \$200k
- Only 53 (23.4%) available homes priced under \$300k
- Median price for three-bedroom is \$399,999

Multifamily Rental Housing Overview: Henderson County

Available For-Sale Housing Inventory Shrinking at All Ranges



Median List Price Escalating Significantly Over Past Several Years



Available Inventory Shrunk from 1,005 Units in 2014 to 227 in 2021

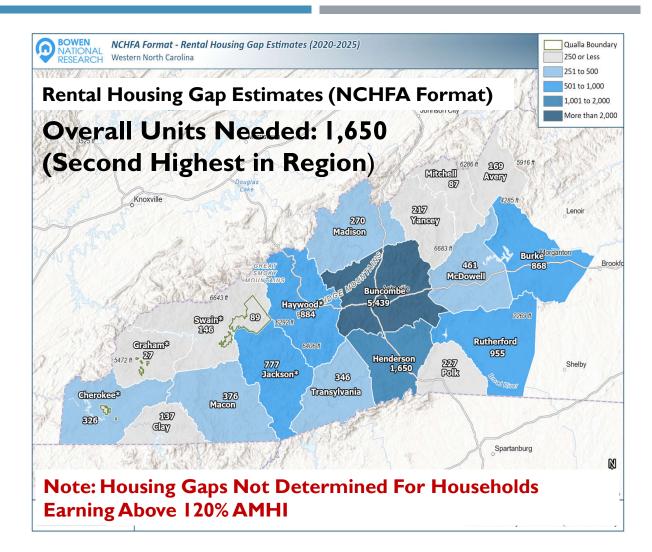
Median List Price Increased by \$176,000 between 2014 and 2021, Representing a 64.5% Increase (9.2% Annually)

Henderson County Rental Housing Gap

AMHI: <u><</u> 50% Income: <\$37,000 Rent: \$1,050 *Units*: 1,149

AMHI: 51%-80% Income: \$37,000-\$60,000 Rent: \$1,051-\$1,750 Units: 240

AMHI: 81%-120% Income: \$60,000-\$90,000 Rent: \$1,501-\$2,600 Units: 261

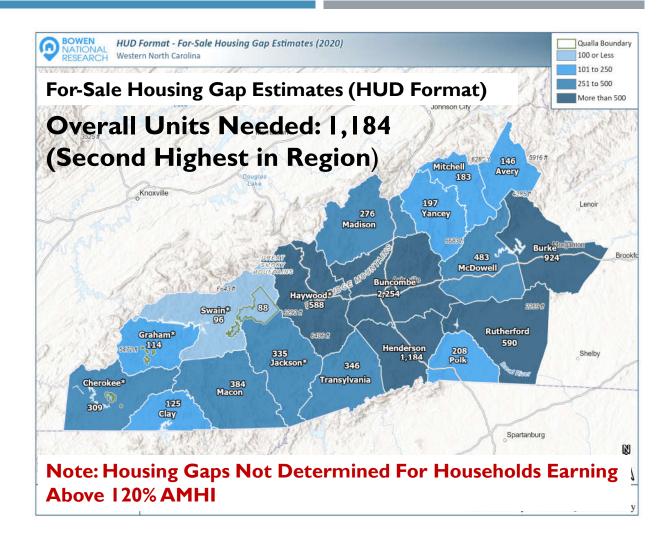


Henderson County For-Sale Housing Gap

AMHI: <u><</u> 50% Income: <\$37,000 Price: \$125,000 Units: 490

AMHI: 51%-80% Income: \$37,000-\$60,000 Price: \$125,001-\$200,000 Units: 336

AMHI: 81%-120% Income: \$60,000-\$90,000 Price: \$201,000-\$300,000 Units: 358



Case Studies of Best Practices

Henderson County can Benefit from Learning of the Housing Efforts made by Other Communities, Including Programs, Initiatives and Incentives to Address Housing

- Asheville, NC
- Beaufort County, SC
- Charleston County, SC
- New Hanover County, NC





Landlord Incentive Program for Homeless Individuals

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in an effort to assist our commanity partners specialitying in homeless housing service a that they serve, the City of Morganitown created the Landlord Incentive Program for eras individuals, or UP. The UP can get people off the streets, out of unders and into a place to call hores.

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Charleston, WV

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Press release from the City of Asheville:

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For more information, call 828-232-4505

- Morgantown, WV
- Franklin County, VA



Final Thoughts

- Availability, Affordability and Quality of Housing Remain Greatest Challenges to Area Residents
- Market Imbalance Exists Between Household Income Levels and the Housing that is Affordable to Them
- > Housing Costs Outpacing Income Growth, Widening the Gap in Housing Needs
- Challenges Greatest Among Lower Income Individuals that Typically Must Work Excessive Hours to Afford Housing
- Housing Choice Voucher Acceptance and Usage are Low, Costing Region Substantial Loss in Federal Assistance
- Large Network of Regional Entities Poised and Willing to Help be Part of Housing Solutions