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QUICK LOOK

AT THE NUMBERS

Digby County



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Digby County

Population:

17,062

↘ -1.5%



Population Distribution

0-14 YRS

12
percent

15-24 YRS

8
percent

25-64 YRS

50
percent

65 + YRS

30
percent

One-Parent Families

16
percent

of families in Digby County are one-parent families

Low Income (LIM-AT)

In 2021, approximately **3,660** people (22%) in Digby County were living in low income.

Compared to NS

22% vs **15%**

- Children 0-17 years . . . 25%
- Children 0-5 years . . . 30%
- Seniors 65 and over . . . 30%

Median Income

The median income is the income amount that divides a population into two equal groups; half having an income above and half having an income below that amount.

Household Income

\$55,600

One Person Income

\$29,000

Two or More Persons

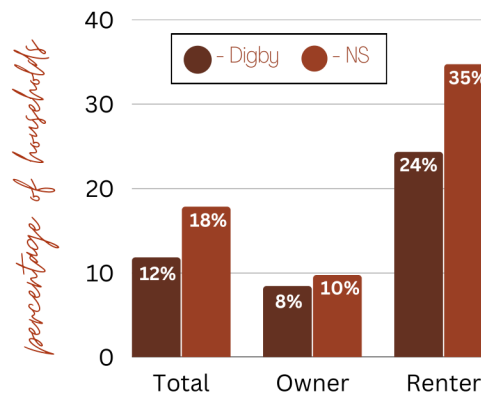
\$71,500

One-Parent Family

\$52,800

Housing Affordability

Spending More Than 30% on Shelter



Spending more than 30% of household income on shelter costs is an indicator of financial strain. It also increases the risk of having inadequate income for necessities such as food, clothing, and transportation.



RENTERS SPENDING > 30%

In Digby County, 14% of tenant households are in subsidized housing.

RENTERS

VS

OWNERS

Household Characteristics

private rented dwellings

21%

1,725 private households

private owned dwellings

78%

6,335 private households

Average Shelter Costs

\$724

Core Housing Need: **20%**

\$680

Core Housing Need: **7%**

A much larger proportion of renters spend more than 30% of household income on shelter costs and are in core housing need.

Overall, 1,000 households (12%) need major repair, and 42% (3,375) were built before 1960.

Educational Attainment

persons aged 25-64 years

22%

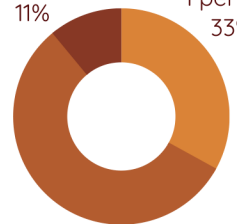
have no certificate, diploma or degree

Household Size

Average size: 2.1

4+ persons, 11%

1 person, 33%



2-3 persons, 56%

Food Insecurity

South West NS Quality of Life Survey



20% report eating less because there was not enough food or money at least once over the last year.

Town of Digby

Population:

2,001

↘ -2.9%



Population Distribution

0-14 YRS

11 percent

15-24 YRS

10 percent

25-64 YRS

46 percent

65 + YRS

34 percent

One-Parent Families

26 percent

of families in the Town of Digby are one-parent families

Low Income (LIM-AT)

In 2021, approximately 590 people (31%) in the Town of Digby were living in low income.

Compared to NS

34% vs 15%

- Children 0-17 years . . . 38%
- Children 0-5 years . . . 38%
- Seniors 65 and over . . . 34%

Median Income

The median income is the income amount that divides a population into two equal groups; half having an income above and half having an income below that amount.

Household Income

One Person Income

\$43,200

\$26,600

Two or More Persons

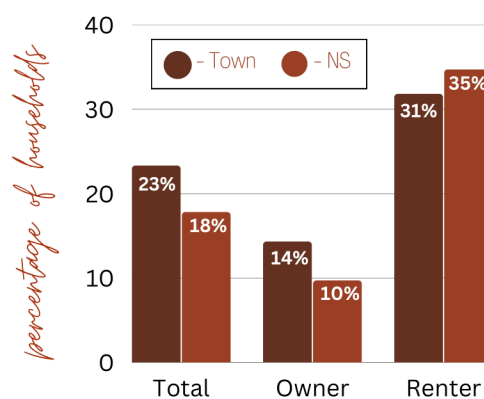
One-Parent Family

\$62,800

\$47,200

Housing Affordability

Spending More Than 30% on Shelter



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RENTERS SPENDING > 30%

In the Town of Digby, 17% of tenant households are in subsidized housing.

RENTERS

VS

OWNERS

Household Characteristics

private rented dwellings

59%

610 private households

private owned dwellings

41%

420 private households

Average Shelter Costs

\$780

Core Housing Need: 29%

\$765

Core Housing Need: 14%

A much larger proportion of renters spend more than 30% of household income on shelter costs and are in core housing need.

Overall, 100 households (10%) need major repair, and 44% (450) were built before 1960.

Educational Attainment

persons aged 25-64 years

27%

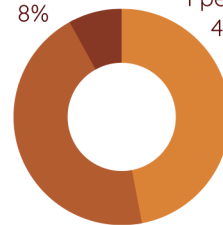
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Household Size

Average size: 1.8

4+ persons, 8%

1 person, 47%



2-3 persons, 45%

Food Insecurity

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Municipality of Clare

Population:

7,678

↘ -4.2%



Population Distribution

0-14 YRS

10
percent

15-24 YRS

8
percent

25-64 YRS

51
percent

65 + YRS

31
percent

One-Parent Families

15
percent

of families in the Municipality of Clare are one-parent families

Low Income (LIM-AT)

In 2021, approximately **1,310** people (18%) in Mun of Clare were living in low income.

Compared to NS

18% VS **15%**

Children 0-17 years . . . 17%
Children 0-5 years . . . 22%
Seniors 65 and over . . . 28%

Median Income

The median income is the income amount that divides a population into two equal groups; half having an income above and half having an income below that amount.

Household Income

One Person Income

\$61,600

\$32,400

Two or More Persons

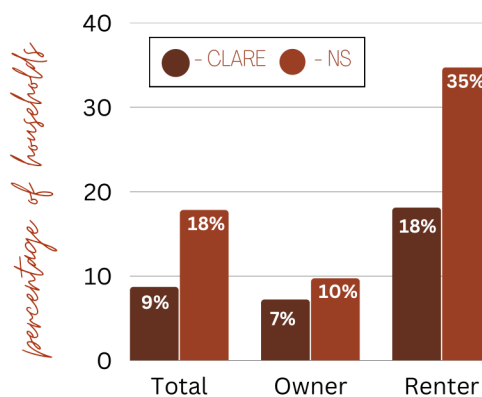
One-Parent Family

\$76,000

\$58,400

Housing Affordability

Spending More Than 30% on Shelter



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RENTERS SPENDING > 30%

In the Municipality of Clare, 19% of tenant households are in subsidized housing.

RENTERS

VS

OWNERS

Household Characteristics

private rented dwellings

13%

475 private households

private owned dwellings

87%

3,140 private households

Average Shelter Costs

\$664

Core Housing Need: **13%**

\$508

Core Housing Need: **5%**

A much larger proportion of renters spend more than 30% of household income on shelter costs and are in core housing need.

Overall, 355 households (10%) need major repair, and 39% (1390) were built before 1960.

Educational Attainment

persons aged 25-64 years

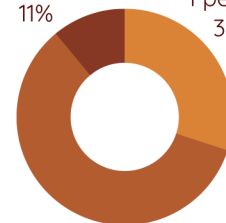
22%

have no certificate, diploma or degree

Household Size

Average size: 2.1

4+ persons, 11%
1 person, 30%



2-3 persons, 59%

Food Insecurity

South West NS Quality of Life Survey



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Municipality of the District of Digby

Population:

7,242

↑ 1.9%



Population Distribution

0-14 YRS

12 percent

15-24 YRS

8 percent

25-64 YRS

50 percent

65 + YRS

29 percent

One-Parent Families

15 percent

of families in the Municipality of Digby are one-parent families

Low Income (LIM-AT)

In 2021, approximately

1,695 people (24%)

in NAME County were living in low income.

Compared to NS

24% VS 15%

Children 0-17 years . . . 27%
Children 0-5 years . . . 33%
Seniors 65 and over . . . 32%

Median Income

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Household Income

One Person Income

\$54,000

\$28,200

Two or More Persons

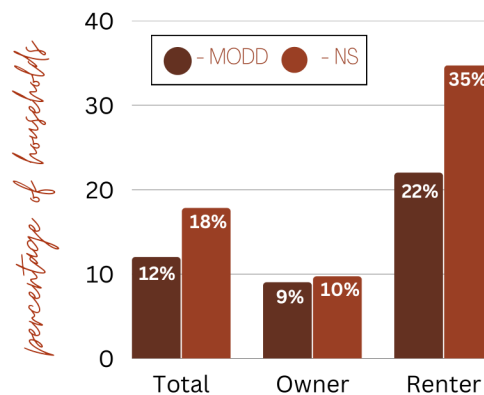
One-Parent Family

\$69,500

\$48,800

Housing Affordability

Spending More Than 30% on Shelter



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RENTERS SPENDING > 30%

In the Municipality of Digby, 8% of tenant households are in subsidized housing.

RENTERS

VS

OWNERS

Household Characteristics

private rented dwellings

19%

645 private households

private owned dwellings

81%

2,775 private households

Average Shelter Costs

\$716

Core Housing Need: 16%

\$516

Core Housing Need: 8%

A much larger proportion of renters spend more than 30% of household income on shelter costs and are in core housing need.

Overall, 540 households (16%) need major repair, and 45% (1,530) were built before 1960.

Educational Attainment

persons aged 25-64 years

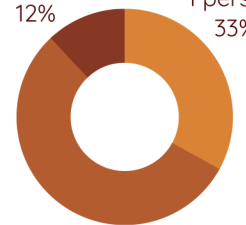
20%

have no certificate, diploma or degree

Household Size

Average size: 2.1

4+ persons, 12%
1 person, 33%



2-3 persons, 55%

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