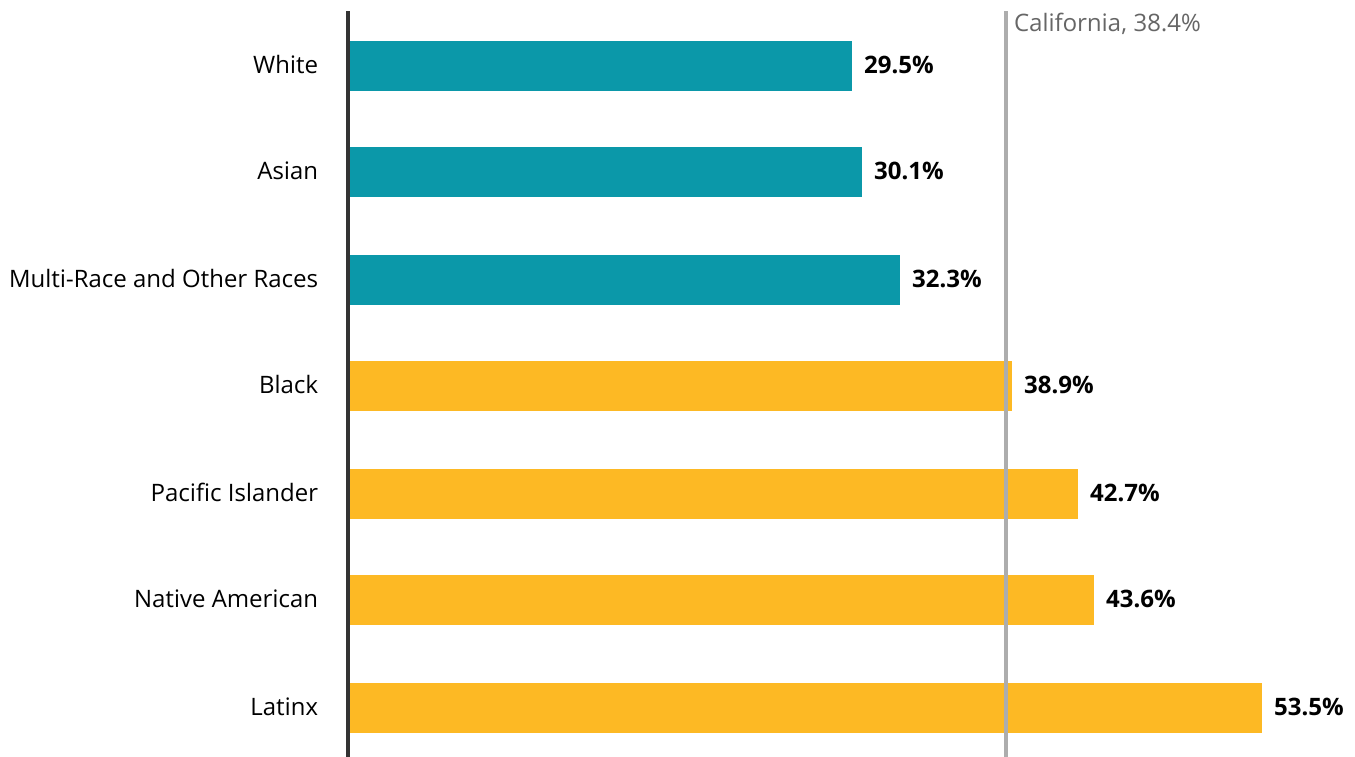




California Women's Well-Being Index Cost of Housing Fact Sheet

The California Women's Well-Being Index provides a comprehensive, composite measure of how women are faring in each of the state's 58 counties. The Index encompasses five "dimensions" – Health, Personal Safety, Employment & Earnings, Economic Security, and Political Empowerment – each of which is made up of six indicators. This fact sheet shows statewide data by race and ethnicity for the Cost of Housing Indicator, as well as the value and rank for all 58 counties.

Median Gross Rent as a Share of Women's Median Annual Earnings, 2018-2022



Note: "Gross rent" is defined as rent plus estimated average monthly utilities. Median annual earnings are for women age 16 and over who were employed full-time, year round in past 12 months. The ethnicity category ("Latinx") and the race categories are mutually exclusive. Individuals who identify as Latinx are included only in that category and are not reflected in any of the race categories.

Source: Budget Center analysis of US Census Bureau, American Community Survey data. Median earnings data by race and ethnicity are from public-use microdata downloaded from IPUMS USA (University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org).

Cost of Housing: County Figures and Rankings

Median Gross Rent as a Percentage of Women's Median Annual Earnings, 2018-2022

	VALUE	RANK 1=BEST		VALUE	RANK 1=BEST
California	38.4%		Orange	43.0%	54
Alameda	34.2%	38	Placer	30.6%	19
Alpine	30.7%	20	Plumas	29.0%	14
Amador	30.8%	22	Riverside	42.9%	53
Butte	32.1%	29	Sacramento	33.5%	35
Calaveras	39.7%	48	San Benito	44.3%	56
Colusa	29.8%	16	San Bernardino	40.5%	51
Contra Costa	36.2%	41	San Diego	40.8%	52
Del Norte	30.1%	17	San Francisco	28.1%	11
El Dorado	28.2%	12	San Joaquin	37.0%	43
Fresno	30.6%	18	San Luis Obispo	38.0%	45
Glenn	27.5%	7	San Mateo	37.8%	44
Humboldt	30.8%	21	Santa Barbara	44.1%	55
Imperial	26.6%	5	Santa Clara	38.3%	47
Inyo	27.7%	9	Santa Cruz	35.4%	40
Kern	33.4%	34	Shasta	29.5%	15
Kings	31.6%	26	Sierra	25.5%	2
Lake	30.9%	24	Siskiyou	25.9%	3
Lassen	27.3%	6	Solano	40.1%	50
Los Angeles	40.0%	49	Sonoma	38.2%	46
Madera	33.1%	33	Stanislaus	35.1%	39
Marin	32.7%	32	Sutter	32.3%	30
Mariposa	27.8%	10	Tehama	31.4%	25
Mendocino	31.7%	27	Trinity	26.0%	4
Merced	33.8%	37	Tulare	32.3%	31
Modoc	20.9%	1	Tuolumne	27.7%	8
Mono	30.8%	23	Ventura	44.8%	57
Monterey	45.4%	58	Yolo	33.6%	36
Napa	36.6%	42	Yuba	28.5%	13
Nevada	32.1%	28			

Note: "Gross rent" is defined as rent plus estimated average monthly utilities for units of all sizes. Gross rent was not available for Alpine County. Data for that county reflects the average median gross rent for the region, which includes the following counties: Alpine, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Tuolumne. Median annual earnings are for women age 16 and older who were employed full-time, year round in the past 12 months.

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Details on the methodology used in creating the Index are available at <https://calbudgetcenter.org/wwwbi>.