Lynn at a Glance

Housing

The number of homes in Lynn has been increasing since the 2000s...

Since 2010, new housing production has shifted to include more market-rate rental apartments in larger multifamily buildings located closer to Downtown. Recent development is usually marketed as "luxury" to potential renters.

...But most of the city’s housing was built before 1940.

...But new development is bringing more larger multifamily buildings, as well as continued single-family home construction.

The most common houses in Lynn are single-family homes and apartments or condos in small multifamily buildings...

A majority (68%) of homes are detached single-family homes or in buildings with two-to-four housing units. Only 17% of homes are in buildings with 20 or more units.

Housing units by number of units in building

What kind housing do you live in?

Detached single-family home

Attached single-family home (townhome)

Building with 2-4 homes

Building with 5-20 homes

Attached single-family homes (townhomes)

Buildings with 2-4 units

Buildings with 5-9 units

Detached single-family homes

Buildings with 10-19 units

Buildings with 20-49 units

Buildings with 50 or more units

Most households in Lynn rent their homes.

Roughly 56% of Lynn households are renters, and the remaining 44% own their homes.

Housing vacancy has been trending down and is now below "healthy" vacancy rates.

An estimated 62% of Lynn's housing is in pre-war buildings, with another 25% of homes built between 1940 and 1980. Only 4% of the existing housing stock was built since 2000.

Source: US Decennial Census, 1990-2010

Source: American Community Survey, 2013-2017 5-year estimates

Source: American Community Survey, 2009-2018

Source: Lynn Assessors Office Data FY2010-FY2019; MAPC Analysis

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Visit mapc.org/housing-lynn for more details.

This analysis is the first step in a plan for inclusive growth in Lynn. For more analysis and discussion of Lynn’s housing, please attend the first Housing Lynn forum on January 28.