In 2016, **more than two-thirds** of low-income residents of Greater Montreal were living in housing that was considered unaffordable. 
**Source:** Statistics Canada, Census 2016

For 21% of Montrealers with low incomes, housing costs represent **more than 80%** of their income. 
**Source:** Statistics Canada, Census 2016

In 2016, **36% of renters** in the Greater Montreal area lived in housing that was considered unaffordable. 
**Source:** Statistics Canada, Census 2016

When it comes to affordability, single-parent families and people living alone, visible minorities and immigrants, particularly non-permanent residents, face the greatest housing challenges. 
**Source:** Statistics Canada, Census 2016

In 2016, **24% of Montreal residents** lived in unaffordable housing, compared to 17% in Laval and 14% on the South Shore. 
**Source:** Statistics Canada, Census 2016

The number of newly completed and unoccupied units in Greater Montreal is at its lowest level **in 30 years.** 
**Source:** Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
Households wishing or needing to move are unable to find housing at the same price and have to pay increasingly higher costs to relocate.

Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

The increase in the average rent for studios (+21.7%) and one-bedroom units (+21.3%) was the fastest over the past five years in Greater Montreal, affecting people who live alone.

Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Between 2016 and 2021 in Greater Montreal, the average rent for occupied units increased by $150, or 19.7%, and the average rent for unoccupied units increased by $226, or 29.2%.

Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Between 2016 and 2021, average rents have increased faster in the suburbs than on the island of Montreal.

Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

In Greater Montreal, the average rent for two-bedroom unoccupied units increased the most between 2016 and 2021, by 39.4%.

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In 2021, the average vacancy rate was 3% in Greater Montreal. It is even lower for affordable housing and for two- and three-bedroom units.

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Between 2018 and 2021 across Greater Montreal, the number of households living in a dwelling requiring major repairs increased by almost 25%, and the number of households living in too-small housing increased by more than 15%.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Housing Survey

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