

Fact Sheet: Tenants & Rental Housing in Ottawa

1.8%

Vacancy Rate

131,730 households are renters -> **33%** of the total population.

43% live on **\$40,000** or less a year.

42% pay unaffordable rents.

Nearly a **quarter** of the renter population are a visible minority.

Almost **3 in 10** renter families are lone-parents.

Almost **1 in 20** renter households are Indigenous.

Most renters living on lower incomes rent their home from private landlords.

63% of renters making less than \$20,000 a year live in private market rentals.

78% of renters making \$20,000 - \$40,000 a year live in private market rentals.

From January 2020 to October 2020, **unemployment rate grew** from **4.2%** to **8.2%**, impacting many sectors where tenants work.