



# FACTSHE ETTRHPA 5 - LAKE CHARLES

# **Lake Charles Region**

#### INTRODUCTION

This Fact Sheet displays important data on the state of housing within the five parishes in Regional Housing Planning Area 5. It includes affordability; previous investments; COVID-19 housing needs; homelessness; energy efficiency; and the population and households in each parish. Here at HousingLOUISIANA, we understand that safe, stable, and affordable housing is a human right. HousingLouisiana is holding a listening tour across the state to encourage community input, but most importantly, residents.

#### SOURCES

American Community Survey 5-year Estimates, 2017-2021 U.S. Census Building Permits, 2021

#### LIST OF PARISHES IN RHPA 5:

- Allen Parish
- Beauregard Parish
- Calcasieu Parish
- Cameron Parish
- Jefferson Davis Parish



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**LAKE CHARLES REGION** 



POPULATION **23,085** 



HOUSEHOLDS 7,687

#### RACE & ETHNICITY

WHITE 75%
BLACK 18%
NATIVE
AMERICAN 2%
ASIAN 1%
OTHER 1%

7% Hispanic or Latino 93% Not Hispanic or Latino



MEDIAN VALUE

MEDIAN RENT



76%

Owner Occupied 24%

Renter Occupied

#### **OCCUPANCY STATUS**

Occupied: 7,687 units Vacant: 1,845 units TOTAL: 9,532 units



► \$47,660 MEDIAN HH INCOME

18.10% Poverty Status



#### **COST BURDEN**



■ Owner: 11% ■ Renter: 34% Overall: 16%

HOUSING WAGE



### Beauregard

**POPULATION 36,417** 



HOUSEHOLDS 13,352

#### **RACE & ETHNICITY**

WHITE 82% BLACK 12% NATIVE AMERICAN 0% ASIAN 1% OTHER 1%

4% Hispanic or Latino 96% Not Hispanic or Latino



MEDIAN VALUE

MEDIAN RENT



81%

Owner Occupied 19% Renter Occupied

#### **OCCUPANCY STATUS**

Occupied: 13,352 units Vacant: 2,324 units TOTAL: 15,676 units



► \$57,130 MEDIAN HH INCOME

14.10% Poverty Status



#### **COST BURDEN**



■ Owner: 10% ■ Renter: 30% Overall: 14%

HOUSING WAGE



### Calcasieu

POPULATION **212,646** 



HOUSEHOLDS **76,829** 

#### **RACE & ETHNICITY**

WHITE 69% BLACK 25% NATIVE AMERICAN 0% ASIAN 1% OTHER 1%

4% Hispanic or Latino 96% Not Hispanic or Latino



MEDIAN VALUE

MEDIAN RENT



70%

Owner Occupied 30% Renter Occupied

#### **OCCUPANCY STATUS**

Occupied: 76,829 units Vacant: 15,373 units TOTAL: 92,202 units



► \$59,470 MEDIAN HH INCOME

16.40% Poverty Status



#### **COST BURDEN**



■ Owner: 14% ■ Renter: 42%

Renter: 42%
Overall: 22%

HOUSING WAGE



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### Cameron

POPULATION 5,650



HOUSEHOLDS 2,216

#### **RACE & ETHNICITY**

WHITE 93%
BLACK 1%
NATIVE
AMERICAN 2%
ASIAN 0%
OTHER 0%

5% Hispanic or Latino 95% Not Hispanic or Latino



MEDIAN VALUE

MEDIAN RENT



93%

Owner Occupied 7%

Renter Occupied

#### **OCCUPANCY STATUS**

Occupied: 2,216 units Vacant: 1,509 units TOTAL: 3,725 units



83% Poverty Status



#### **COST BURDEN**



■ Owner: 10% ■ Renter: 0% Overall: 9%

HOUSING WAGE



### Jefferson Davis

**POPULATION 32,370** 



HOUSEHOLDS 11,351

#### **RACE & ETHNICITY**

WHITE 78%
BLACK 16%
NATIVE
AMERICAN 1%
ASIAN 0%
OTHER 1%

2.5% Hispanic or Latino 97.5%Not Hispanic or Latino



MEDIAN VALUE

MEDIAN RENT



**75%** 

Owner Occupied 25% Renter Occupied

#### OCCUPANCY STATUS

Occupied: 11,351 units Vacant: 2,536 units TOTAL: 13,887 units



► \$45,578 MEDIAN HH INCOME

16.90% Poverty Status



#### **COST BURDEN**



■ Owner: 12% ■ Renter: 48%

Overall: 21%

HOUSING WAGE





Lake Charles Region







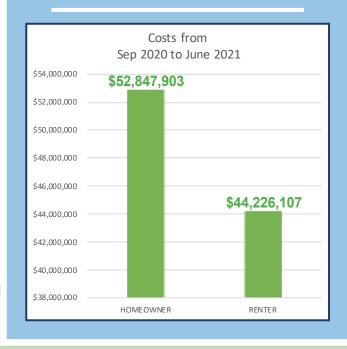




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# **COVID Housing Needs Estimate**



#### **SOURCES**

Enterprise and Urban Footprint Pulse Data



### **DISASTER RECOVERY**

	ENERGY EFFICIENCY DATA				
3	Allen	Beauregard	Calcasieu	Cameron	Jefferson Davis
2018 MONTHLY AVERAGE ENERGY COST	\$209	\$197	\$185	\$242	\$179





#### **HURRICANE DAMAGE 2021** Jefferson Allen Calcasieu Beauregard Cameron **Davis** Total Number **Total Number Total Number HURRICANE** of Damaged or Destroyed Homes **LAURA** 4,768 9,406 81,357 3,760 5,626 IDA 0 0 0 0 0 ZETA 0 0 0 0 0 19,555 602 889 898 1,831 **DELTA** TOTAL COST \$84,320,000 \$192,049,000 \$4,037,196,000 \$504,670,000 \$67,651,500 TO REPAIR

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#### SOURCES

- Energy Efficiency: LEAD
- Hurricane Damage Data: FEMA

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#### The American Rescue Plan (ARP)

The American Rescue Plan is a \$1.9 trillion federal response to the economic devastation and public health crisis caused by the COVID-19 global pandemic. These funds give the state, cities and parishes resources that can be used to close budget holes and spur recovery. Funds are to be used for expenses from 2021 to 2024, and must be expended by 2026 for public health, replacing lost tax revenue, economic relief, and addressing inequities in infrastructure. Louisiana received \$5.18 billion.

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#### Restore Louisiana

The State of Louisiana Office of Community Development created the Restore Louisiana program to help homeowners recover from federally declared disasters. As of now, there are \$2.25 billion allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery program for Restore Louisiana.

### The Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA)

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill or BIL) is a congressional law that provides \$550 billion for U.S. infrastructure over the next five years. This means each year Louisiana will receive additional funds from the Federal Government for things like transportation, energy/power, broadband access, water quality/storage, resilience and environmental remediation. Parishes and municipalities must write grants for projects they want, and these can be opportunities for local community leaders to inform government decision-makers what projects make the most sense for their local communities for each year. Without

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#### Louisiana Watershed Initiative (LWI)

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The Louisiana Watershed Initiative is a coordinated, interagency effort focused on reducing flood risk and increasing resilience throughout Louisiana. Through this Initiative, the state is working toward the coordination of floodplain management responsibilities in Louisiana based on watershed boundaries, in close collaboration and partnership with local jurisdictions, to achieve long-term outcomes for flood risk reduction and resilience. As of March 2022, about \$1.2million has been allocated for Appropriations and Allocations (2020) for local and regional watershed projects and programs. As of March 2022, \$570,666,243 were allocated with none spent to date, and another \$312,757,590 allocated for housing and infrastructure, which currently has \$226,792,443 that has yet to be obligated to a project. This means there are opportunities for local

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#### **Insurance Fortify Program**

"The Louisiana State Legislature passed a law in 2022 that provides funds for the Louisiana Fortify Homes Program, with revenues generated by the Louisiana Department of Insurance, not to exceed \$10,000,000 in any fiscal year, beginning January 2023. The program will provide up to \$10K grants to homeowners with homestead exemptions for the purposes of fortifying roofs. This law provides that the commissioner of insurance may make financial grants to retrofit insurable property with a homestead exemption to resist loss and meet or exceed the fortified home standards of the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety. Funds not expended in the fiscal year for which appropriated shall remain in the fund for distribution in subsequent fiscal years."





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