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## Preface

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#### Purpose

This report is intended to assist local and state agencies in better understanding the communities that we live in specifically in relation to housing. Many of the counties in Nevada are small populations, rural areas that do not have a large county government or their own economic development team. It can be a challenge for these counties to have in-depth quantitative analysis to use towards comprehensive planning strategies for the county and local communities.

The hope is that this report will be used as a tool for planning, aiming to assist the communities of Nevada. This report will lead readers to better understand their community's housing characteristics and needs moving forward.

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# Executive Summary - Lincoln County

<b>Demographics &amp; Economics</b>	Housin	g Supply	Н	ousing Demand	
<b>Population:</b> 4,600 (Stagnate to Declining)	Total Housing Units: 2,340Total Housing1,781 Single Family1,258 Own105 Multi-Family470 Rente		1,258 Owr	ing Units: 2,340 her Occupied rs Occupied t	
<i>Age:</i> Approximately 36% of population is 55 years and older, and 24% between the ages 35 and 54.	Subsidized Housing Units: 82 apartments units administered through 5 housing programs		65.7% hav 31.4% hav	<i>upied Bedrooms:</i> re 3+ bedrooms. re 2 bedrooms. 1 or fewer bedrooms.	
Households: 1,728 Families: 1,059 Household Size: 2.34	Housing Age: 41 built 1969 or earl	.7% of all housing ier.	70.9% hav	<i>upied Bedrooms:</i> re 2 bedrooms. re 1 or fewer bedrooms.	
<i>Home Ownership Rate:</i> 72.8% <i>Homeowners w/o Mortgage:</i> 45.4%	Housing Structure:Av74.5 % 1-Unit DetachedC10.4% Mobile Home PVC		Owner-Oc	<i>pusehold Size:</i> cupied = 2.54 cupied = 1.81	
Labor Force Participation Rate 45.7% Unemployment Rate: 4.0%			45% less tl 19% betwe	<i>Owner-Occupied Housing Value:</i> 45% less than \$150,000 19% between \$150k and \$199,999 36% greater than \$200,000	
<i>Total Employment:</i> 1,523 - largest industries include government, retail trade, Administrative & Waste Management, Accommodation & Food Service and Agriculture	<b>Building Permits:</b> In 2022, 23 single family building permits were issued. Since 2005, there haven't been any multi-family permits issued.		<i>Renter-Occupied Gross Rent:</i> 14% less than \$500 70% between \$500 and \$999 10% greater than \$1,000 6% no rent		
Median HH Income: \$62,164 Median Hourly Wage Rate: \$29.88 Average Hourly Wage Rate: \$28.50				<i>n:</i> cupied 14.8% at >30% cupied 16.5% at >30%	
	= \$160,600, Lincol ousehold Median In	come (HMI) = \$62,16	54		
Housing Affordability	7		Housing Uni		
Owner		Owner Annual HH Income		Sufficiency/(Deficiency)	
Affordable Home Pric	e	Less Than \$20,000		411 193	
50% HMI = $$68,954$		\$20,000 to \$34,999 \$35,000 to \$49,999		48	
				(190)	
		\$75,000 to \$99,999		(190)	
120/011111 \$207,570	\$100,000 or 1			(278)	
Renter		Renter Annual HH		Sufficiency/(Deficiency)	
Monthly Affordable Housing	Expense	Less Than \$2		(32)	
30% HMI =\$466			4,999	198	
50% HMI = \$777			9,999	40	
80% HMI = \$1,243		\$50,000 to \$7		(52)	
100% HMI = \$1,554		\$75,000 to \$9		(101)	
120% HMI = \$1,865		\$100,000 or 1	More	(53)	

# Executive Summary – Alamo

<b>Demographics &amp; Economics</b>	Housin	g Supply	He	ousing Demand
<i>Population:</i> 1,154 (25% of total Lincoln County).			<i>Total Housi</i> 311 Owner 108 Renter 84 Vacant	ing Units: 503 r Occupied rs Occupied
<i>Age:</i> Approximately 31.8% of population is 55 years and older, and 24.8% under the age of 14.	Subsidized Housing Units: 0 apartments units administered through 5 housing programs		53.7% hav 46.3% hav	<i>upied Bedrooms:</i> re 3+ bedrooms. re 2 bedrooms. 1 or fewer bedrooms.
Households: 419 Families: 330 Household Size: 2.75	built 1969 or earl		44.4% hav	upied Bedrooms: e 2 bedrooms. e 1 or fewer bedrooms.
<i>Home Ownership Rate:</i> 74.2% <i>Homeowners w/o Mortgage:</i> 47.9%	Housing Structur 67.0 % 1-Unit D 30.8% Mobile H 2.2% Duplex, N	etached Iome, RV	Owner-Oc	<i>cupied = 2.85</i> cupied = 2.48
Labor Force Participation Rate 53.9% Unemployment Rate: 0.00%			<i>Owner-Occupied Housing Value:</i> 64% less than \$150,000 19% between \$150k and \$199,999 18% greater than \$200,000	
<i>Total Employment:</i> 288 - largest industries include Administrative Support & Waste Management, Retail Trade, and Government			<i>Renter-Occupied Gross Rent:</i> 10.2% less than \$500 45.4% between \$500 and \$999 44.4% greater than \$1,000 0% no rent	
Median HH Income: \$60,647 Median Hourly Wage Rate: \$29.15 Average Hourly Wage Rate: \$27.99				<i>n:</i> cupied 2.6% at >30% cupied 0.0% at >30%
Housing Gap Analysis Home Value Estimates: ACS = \$120,300, Lincoln County Assessor = \$169,944, Zillow = \$211,078 Household Median Income (HMI) = \$60,647				
Housing Affordability			Housing Uni	it Gap
Owner		<b>Owner Annual HH</b>		Sufficiency/(Deficiency)
Affordable Home Pric	e	Less Than \$2		149
50% HMI = \$66,536	\$20,000 to \$3			23
$\frac{80\% \text{ HMI} = \$124,422}{100\% \text{ HMI} = \$162.070}$	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			(4)
100% HMI = \$162,970 120% HMI = \$201,518				(29) (72)
12070 111011 - \$201,510	8 \$75,000 to \$95 \$100,000 or N			(67)
Renter		Renter Annual HH		Sufficiency/(Deficiency)
Monthly Affordable Housing	Expense	Less Than \$2		11
30% HMI =\$455		\$20,000 to \$3	4,999	38
50% HMI = \$758		\$35,000 to \$4		0
80% HMI = \$1,213		\$50,000 to \$7		0
100%  HMI = \$1,516		\$75,000 to \$9	/	(49)
120% HMI = \$1,819		\$100,000 or 1	More	0

## Executive Summary – Caliente

<b>Demographics &amp; Economics</b>	Housing Supply	Housing Demand
<i>Population:</i> 686 (14.9% of total Lincoln County).	<i>Total Housing Units:</i> 459 365 Single Family 74 Multi-Family 20 Mobile Home, RV, etc	<i>Total Housing Units:</i> 459 221 Owner Occupied 148 Renters Occupied 90 Vacant
<i>Age:</i> Approximately 51.9% of population is 55 years and older, and 24.3% between the ages of 35 and 54.	<i>Subsidized Housing Units:</i> 50 apartments units administered through 4 housing programs	Owner-Occupied Bedrooms: 66.5% have 3+ bedrooms. 26.7% have 2 bedrooms. 6.8% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.
Households: 369 Families: 123 Household Size: 1.65	<i>Housing Age:</i> 59.3% of all housing built 1969 or earlier.	<i>Renter Occupied Bedrooms:</i> 54.1% have 2 bedrooms. 45.9% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.
<i>Home Ownership Rate:</i> 59.9% <i>Homeowners w/o Mortgage:</i> 68.8%	<i>Housing Structure:</i> 71.5 % 1-Unit Detached 4.3% Mobile Home, RV 24.2% Duplex, Multi-Family	Average Household Size: Owner-Occupied = 1.99 Renter-Occupied = 1.16
Labor Force Participation Rate 42.7% Unemployment Rate: 6.7%	<i>Households Income and Tenure:</i> 40.7% of owners and 80.1% of renters earn less than \$50,000.	<i>Owner-Occupied Housing Value:</i> 58% less than \$150,000 30.8% between \$150k and \$199,999 11.2% greater than \$200,000
<i>Total Employment:</i> 488 - largest industries include Government, Retail Trade, Accommodations & Food Service.		Renter-Occupied Gross Rent:           31.8% less than \$500           54.7% between \$500 and \$999           0.0% greater than \$1,000           13.5% no rent
Median HH Income: \$33,073 Median Hourly Wage Rate: \$15.90 Average Hourly Wage Rate: \$28.44		Cost Burden: Owner-Occupied 18.3% at >30% Renter-Occupied 39.3% at >30%
	Housing Gap Analysis	•

*Home Value Estimates:* ACS = \$134,400, Lincoln County Assessor = \$110,00, Zillow = \$185,579 Household Median Income (HMI) = \$33,073

Housing Affordability	Housing U	nit Gap
Owner	Owner Annual HH Income	Sufficiency/(Deficiency)
Affordable Home Price	Less Than \$20,000	97
50% HMI = \$22,645	\$20,000 to \$34,999	11
80% HMI = \$54,196	\$35,000 to \$49,999	12
100% HMI = \$75,315	\$50,000 to \$74,999	(20)
120% HMI = \$96,306	\$75,000 to \$99,999	(61)
	\$100,000 or More	(39)
Renter	<b>Renter Annual HH Income</b>	Sufficiency/(Deficiency)
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense	Less Than \$20,000	10
30% HMI =\$248	\$20,000 to \$34,999	13
50% HMI = \$413	\$35,000 to \$49,999	8
80% HMI = \$661	\$50,000 to \$74,999	(11)
100% HMI = \$827	\$75,000 to \$99,999	(20)
120% HMI = \$992	\$100,000 or More	0

# Executive Summary – Panaca

Demographics & Economics	Housin	g Supply	Housing Demand	
<i>Population:</i> 1,038 (22.6% of total Lincoln County).	<b>Total Housing U</b> 323 Single Fami 20 Multi-Famil 75 Mobile Hom	ily ly	<b>Total Housing Units:</b> 418 257 Owner Occupied 60 Renters Occupied 101 Vacant	
<i>Age:</i> Approximately 17.5% of population is 55 years and older, and 24.3% between the ages of 35 and 54.	Subsidized House apartments units a through 2 housing	administered	Owner-Occupied Bedrooms: 83.7% have 3+ bedrooms. 16.3% have 2 bedrooms. 0.0% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.	
Households: 317 Families: 277 Household Size: 3.27	Housing Age: 55 built 1969 or earli	.0% of all housing ier.	Renter Occupied Bedrooms: 85.0% have 2 bedrooms. 15.0% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.	
<i>Home Ownership Rate:</i> 81.1% <i>Homeowners w/o Mortgage:</i> 40.1%	Housing Structur 77.3 % 1-Unit D 17.9% Mobile H 4.8% Duplex, 1	Detached Iome, RV	Average Household Size: Owner-Occupied = 3.21 Renter-Occupied = 3.53	
Labor Force Participation Rate 58.9% Unemployment Rate: 0.0%	Households Inco 19.5% of owners renters earn less t	and 81.7% of	<i>Owner-Occupied Housing Value:</i> 35.2% less than \$150,000 8.5% between \$150k and \$199,999 56.3% greater than \$200,000	
<i>Total Employment:</i> 346 - largest industries include Government, Retail Trade, Utilities, and Construction			Renter-Occupied Gross Rent:           15.0% less than \$500           85.0% between \$500 and \$999           0.0% greater than \$1,000           0.0% no rent	
Median HH Income: \$81,875 Median Hourly Wage Rate: \$39.36 Average Hourly Wage Rate: \$30.93			Cost Burden: Owner-Occupied 6.8% at >30% Renter-Occupied 0.0% at >30%	
	Housing Gap Analysis Home Value Estimates: ACS = \$208,600, Lincoln County Assessor = \$229,577, Zillow = \$222,031 Household Median Income (HMI) = \$81,875			
Housing Affordability		() \$01,0	Housing Unit Gap	

Housing Affordability	Housing Unit Gap	
Owner	<b>Owner Annual HH Income</b>	Sufficiency/(Deficiency)
Affordable Home Price	Less Than \$20,000	38
50% HMI = \$100,250	\$20,000 to \$34,999	78
80% HMI = \$178,491	\$35,000 to \$49,999	28
100% HMI = \$230,524	\$50,000 to \$74,999	2
120% HMI = \$282,557	\$75,000 to \$99,999	(39)
	\$100,000 or More	(107)
Renter	<b>Renter Annual HH Income</b>	Sufficiency/(Deficiency)
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense	Less Than \$20,000	(22)
30% HMI =\$614	\$20,000 to \$34,999	40
50% HMI = \$1,023	\$35,000 to \$49,999	(7)
50% HMI = \$1,023 80% HMI = \$1,638	\$35,000 to \$49,999 \$50,000 to \$74,999	(7)
		<u> </u>
80% HMI = \$1,638	\$50,000 to \$74,999	0

# Executive Summary – Pioche

Demographics & Economics	Housing Supply	Housing Demand	
<i>Population:</i> 1,158 (25.2% of total Lincoln County).	<i>Total Housing Units:</i> 511 398 Single Family 0 Multi-Family 113 Mobile Home, RV, etc	<b>Total Housing Units:</b> 511 276 Owner Occupied 73 Renters Occupied 162 Vacant	
<i>Age:</i> Approximately 42.1% of population is 55 years and older, and 25.7% between the ages of 35 and 54.	<i>Subsidized Housing Units:</i> 12 apartments units administered through 1 housing program	Owner-Occupied Bedrooms: 61.2% have 3+ bedrooms. 38.8% have 2 bedrooms. 0.0% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.	
Households: 349 Families: 201 Household Size: 1.98	<i>Housing Age:</i> 39.5% of housing was built in 1969 or earlier	Renter Occupied Bedrooms: 100% have 2 bedrooms. 0.0% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.	
<i>Home Ownership Rate:</i> 70.4% <i>Homeowners w/o Mortgage:</i> 42.8%	Housing Structure: 77.9 % 1-Unit Detached 22.1% Mobile Home, RV 0.0% Duplex, Multi-Family	Average Household Size: Owner-Occupied = 2.24 Renter-Occupied = NA	
Labor Force Participation Rate 31.0% Unemployment Rate: 15.4%	<i>Households Income and Tenure:</i> 12.4% of owners and 0.0% of renters earn less than \$50,000.	<i>Owner-Occupied Housing Value:</i> 38.4% less than \$150,000 22.1% between \$150k and \$199,999 39.5% greater than \$200,000	
<i>Total Employment:</i> 338 - largest industries include Government, Retail Trade, and Accommodations & Food Service		<i>Renter-Occupied Gross Rent:</i> 0.0% less than \$500 100% between \$500 and \$999 0.0% greater than \$1,000 0.0% no rent	
Median HH Income: \$62,617 Median Hourly Wage Rate: \$30.10 Average Hourly Wage Rate: \$28.23		Cost Burden: Owner-Occupied 29.9% at >30% Renter-Occupied 0.0% at >30%	
Housing Gap Analysis Home Value Estimates: ACS = \$172,200, Lincoln County Assessor = \$172,500, Zillow = \$211,726 Household Median Income (HMI) = \$62,617			

Housing Affordability	Housing Unit Gap		
Owner	<b>Owner Annual HH Income</b>	Sufficiency/(Deficiency)	
Affordable Home Price	Less Than \$20,000	88	
50% HMI = \$69,717	\$20,000 to \$34,999	75	
80% HMI = \$129,383	\$35,000 to \$49,999	0	
100% HMI = \$169,203	\$50,000 to \$74,999	(137)	
120% HMI = \$206,249	\$75,000 to \$99,999	12	
	\$100,000 or More	(38)	
Renter	<b>Renter Annual HH Income</b>	Sufficiency/(Deficiency)	
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense	Less Than \$20,000	0	
30% HMI =\$470	\$20,000 to \$34,999	73	
50% HMI = \$783	\$35,000 to \$49,999	0	
80% HMI = \$1,252	\$50,000 to \$74,999	(41)	
100% HMI = \$1,565	\$75,000 to \$99,999	(32)	
120% HMI = \$1,879	\$100,000 or More	0	

## Executive Summary – Rest of County

Please note that this data was calculated by the authors when available, so certain characteristics, such as income, home value, and average household size are not available.

Demographics & Economics	Housing Supply	Housing Demand
Population: 564	<i>Total Housing Units:</i> 449 358 Single Family 0 Multi-Family 91 Mobile Home, RV, etc	<i>Total Housing Units:</i> 449 193 Owner Occupied 81 Renters Occupied 175 Vacant
<i>Age:</i> Approximately 46.3% of population is 55 years and older, and 31.6% between the ages of 35 and 54.	Subsidized Housing Units: 0	<i>Owner-Occupied Bedrooms:</i> 66.3% have 3+ bedrooms. 22.3% have 2 bedrooms. 11.4% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.
Households: 274 Families: 128 Household Size: N/A	<i>Housing Age:</i> 74.8% of housing was built between 1970 and 2009	Renter Occupied Bedrooms: 100% have 2 bedrooms. 0.0% have 1 or fewer bedrooms.
<i>Home Ownership Rate:</i> 70.4% <i>Homeowners w/o Mortgage:</i> 25.4%	Housing Structure: 79.7 % 1-Unit Detached 20.3% Mobile Home, RV 0.0% Duplex, Multi-Family	Average Household Size: Owner-Occupied = N/A Renter-Occupied = N/A
Labor Force Participation Rate 48.4% Unemployment Rate: 0.0%	<i>Households Income and Tenure:</i> 5.2% of owners earn less than \$50,000.	<i>Owner-Occupied Housing Value:</i> 21.7% less than \$150,000 15.3% between \$150k and \$199,999 63.0% greater than \$200,000
<i>Total Employment:</i> 63 total jobs		<i>Renter-Occupied Gross Rent:</i> 0.0% less than \$500 90.1% between \$500 and \$999 0.0% greater than \$1,000 9.0% no rent
<i>Median HH Income:</i> N/A <i>Median Hourly Wage Rate:</i> N/A <i>Average Hourly Wage Rate:</i> N/A		Cost Burden: Owner-Occupied 19.6% at >30% Renter-Occupied 33.3% at >30%

#### **Housing Gap Analysis**

	Housing U	Housing Unit Gap	
	Owner Annual HH Income Sufficiency/(Defic		
	Less Than \$20,000	39	
	\$20,000 to \$34,999	6	
	\$35,000 to \$49,999	12	
	\$50,000 to \$74,999	(6)	
This data was not available	\$75,000 to \$99,999	(24)	
For owner- and renter-occupied housing	\$100,000 or More	(27)	
In the rest-of-county- region	Renter Annual HH Income	Sufficiency/(Deficiency	
	Less Than \$20,000	(31)	
	\$20,000 to \$34,999	34	
	\$35,000 to \$49,999	39	
	\$50,000 to \$74,999	0	
	\$75,000 to \$99,999	0	
	\$100,000 or More	(42)	

# **Introduction**

## Purpose

Access to adequate and affordable housing is crucial for communities and economic development. When families spend too much of their income on housing, they often need help to pay for food, health care, transportation, education, and other basic needs. Housing stability leads to a stronger workforce and community.

Housing data is often scattered through many sources of varying reliability and consistency and can be difficult to navigate. The two reports, "Housing Data Profile" and this one, collect data and analyze to present the current housing situation in Lincoln County.

## Layout

The Housing Needs Assessment includes data for Lincoln County and the communities of Alamo, Caliente, Panaca, and Pioche. To be as comprehensive as possible, estimates are made for 'Rest of County' when data is available. The report is organized into five main sections:

- **Executive Summary and Introduction.** The Executive Summary gives a brief review of the findings of this report. The Introduction includes pertinent details regarding the process, data, and analysis used throughout.
- **Demographic and Economic Characteristics**. The following section outlines the demographic and economic data that shape the housing situation in Lincoln County. It considers the population and economy of Lincoln County, including age, poverty, labor force, industry, and income.
- **Housing Supply.** The section covers the county's housing inventory, such as its age, growth, prices, housing structure types, and tenure.
- **Housing Demand.** This section analyzes the current population and economic data to determine what sort of housing is required in the region.
- **Housing Gap.** This section assesses the supply and demand of affordable housing in the region. It studies how income levels affect the availability of affordable housing. By analyzing housing gaps, we can determine shortages and surpluses for different income groups.

## Terminology

The report will use two key terms throughout: Affordable Housing and Area Median Income (AMI).

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Regardless of income level, housing is considered "affordable" if households **spend no more than 30 percent** of their gross income on owner housing costs or gross rent

*Owner Housing Cost* include mortgage payments + real estate taxes + home insurance + homeowner association fees (if applicable) + utilities.

*Gross Rent Cost* is the contract rent + utilities.

Households are considered **"cost-burdened"** if they are spending more than 30% of their income on housing (owner or rental) costs; and **"severely cost-burdened"** if they are spending 50% or more of income on housing costs.

#### Area Median Income (AMI)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) uses the American Community Survey's "median family income" for areas throughout the United States.

HUD takes this data and adjusts for inflation, family size, and other local variations. This is then referred to as "Area Median Income" (AMI.)

*Extremely Low Income* are households earning no more than 30% of AMI.

*Very Low Income* are households earning at least 30%, but no more than 50% of AMI.

*Low Income* are households earning at least 50% of AMI, but no more than 80% of AMI.

### Data

The "Housing Data Profile" gives a detailed analysis of the data used, including its sources.

#### **Data Sources and Limitations**

The report predominantly uses the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey's (ACS) most recent 5-year data estimates (2018-2022). Data for smaller areas (less than 20,000 residents) may have higher error ranges because of limited sampling. Using ACS, most current 5-year estimates versus single year estimates provide better statistical reliability.

Other sources include the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) from HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R), Lightcast (formally EMSI), Environmental System Research Institute (ESRI), Nevada Division of Housing, Nevada Rural Housing, Zillow Housing Research Group, Nevada State Apartment Association and the National Association of Realtors.

Best efforts were made to validate our data and align them with current home sales values, rental rates, housing stocks, and existing inventories in the each of the counties. This was done by directly engaging with local contacts that include the county assessors, adult and human services departments, city and county planning departments, community & business development organizations, local and online realtors and property management companies that are operating in the area.

#### **Commonly Used Numbers**

Lincoln County's annual income limit and monthly affordable housing cost calculations determine eligibility for housing assistance programs, and the tables below show how they are used by HUD. Tables 1 and 2 reports the annual income limits and monthly affordable housing costs limits for 30%, 50%, and 80% of area median income (AMI). For example, a family of four with 30% of AMI, or \$30,000 annually, would have a monthly affordability housing cost limit of \$750 (owner or renter).

#### Table 1. Lincoln County, Income Limits by Persons in Family, FY 2023

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Extremely Low-Income Limits (30% AMI)	\$18,200	\$20,800	\$24,860	\$30,000	\$35,140	\$40,280
Very Low-Income Limits (50% AMI)	\$30,350	\$34,650	\$39,000	\$43,300	\$46,800	\$50,250
Low-Income Limits (80% AMI)	\$48,550	\$55,450	\$62,400	\$69,300	\$74,580	\$80,400

Source: HUD, Office of Policy Development and Research, Income Limits Briefing Materials, FY 2023 Median Family Income = \$82,500

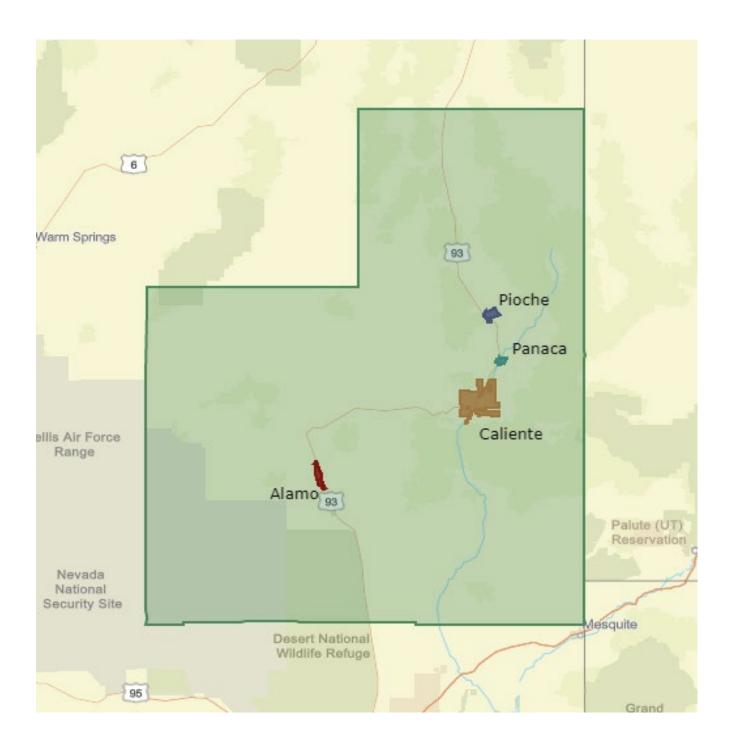
Table 2. Lincoln County, Monthly Affordable Housing Cost Limits by Persons in Family, FY2023

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Extremely Low-Income Limits (30% AMI)	\$455	\$520	\$622	\$750	\$879	\$1,007
Very Low-Income Limits (50% AMI)	\$759	\$866	\$975	\$1,083	\$1,170	\$1,256
Low-Income Limits (80% AMI)	\$1,214	\$1,386	\$1,560	\$1,733	\$1,865	\$2,010

Source: HUD Office of Policy Development and Research, Income Limits Briefing Materials, FY 2023

## **Lincoln County**

Lincoln County is the third-largest county in Nevada and the seventh-largest county in the U.S. by acreage and has over 96% public land. Situated between Utah and southern Nevada, this county offers the best of both worlds for tourists and residents. Lincoln County is a rural county that has had population fluctuations because of agriculture, railroads, and tourism. Four major communities are along U.S. 95, including the communities of Alamo, Caliente, Panaca and Pioche.



## **Demographic and Economic Characteristics**

Demographic and economic data provides a good gauge for defining a community's housing market. Demographic characteristics describe the population, age, race & ethnicity, poverty, and educational attainment. Economic characteristics are centered on income, employment, and occupations. These traits can help us grasp the housing availability and affordability in a certain Lincoln County community. Basic demographic and housing characteristics for Lincoln County and its communities are presented in Table 3.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County			
Population	4,600	1,154	686	1,038	1,158	564			
Households	1,728	419	369	317	349	274			
Families	1,059	330	123	277	201	128			
Average Household Size	2.34	2.75	1.65	3.27	1.98	N/A			
Single-Person Households	31.8%	14.3%	66.7%	12.6%	35.2%	N/A			
Households with Children	25.5%	44.2%	10.0%	35.1%	43.8%	9.5%			
Home Ownership Rate	72.8%	74.2%	59.9%	81.1%	59.7%	70.4%			
Age 55+	35.9%	31.8%	51.9%	17.5%	42.1%	46.3%			

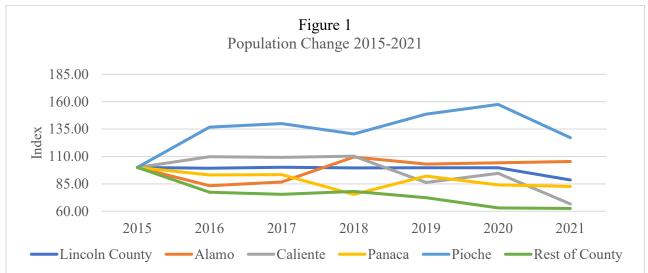
Table 3 Lincoln County and Communities, Basic Demographics: Indictors of Housing Demand, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S1101

#### **Population**

Overall, Lincoln County's population declined by 11.4%, because of significant population losses in Caliente (-33.3%), Panaca (-17.4%) and Rest of County (-37.4%). Alamo and Pioche realized an increase in population of 5.4% and 27.1%, respectively.

Figure 1. Lincoln County and Communities, Population Change, 2015 to 2021



In 2021, Lincoln County residents ages 55 and over represent 35.9% of Lincoln County population. This age range is also the largest group for each community except for Panaca, which has approximately 45% of the county's population ages 14 and younger. Caliente has nearly 52% of their population 55 years and older.

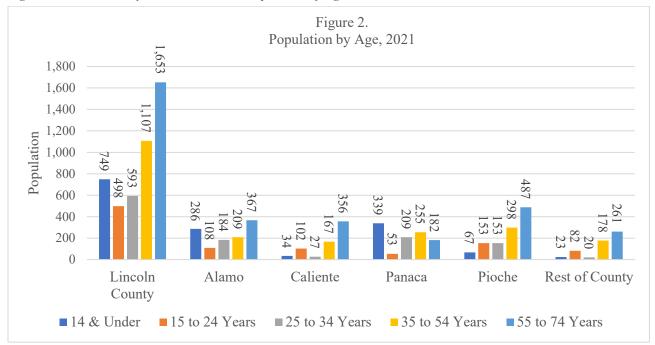


Figure 2. Lincoln County and Communities, Population by Age, 2021

#### Veterans

Approximately 12 percent of Lincoln County are veterans. The largest concentrations of veterans are in Alamo (12.9%), Pioche (10.7%), and rural Lincoln County. Most Lincoln County veterans are male and over the age of 55 (Table 4).

Table 4. Lincoln County and Communities, Veterans by Gender and Age, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Civilian Population 18+</b>	3,688	829	583	660	1,091	525
Veteran Population 18+	444	107	42	24	171	100
Male	374	78	42	24	148	82
Female	70	29	0	0	23	18
18 to 34 years	29	29	0	0	0	0
35 to 54 years	54	0	0	0	54	0
55 to 64 years	66	0	9	0	39	18
65 to 74 years	203	59	23	14	25	82
75 years and older	92	19	10	10	53	0

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S2101

### **Race and Ethnicity**

Table 5 summarizes Lincoln County's race and ethnicity breakdown. In 2021, the Lincoln County population is predominately white and nearly 8 percent identify as Hispanic Origin. Pioche reports the most diverse population, with nearly 74 percent of the population identifying as White and over 17 percent Black. Alamo and Pioche have a highly concentrated population of Hispanic Origin at 13.9% and 13.1%, respectively.

Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
89.60%	98.90%	93.60%	95.90%	73.80%	89.10%
5.20%	0.00%	4.30%	0.00%	17.30%	0.40%
2.80%	1.10%	0.00%	4.10%	0.80%	10.50%
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
0.10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.30%	0.00%
2.30%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.30%	0.00%
7.90%	13.90%	3.40%	0.00%	13.10%	5.10%
	County 89.60% 5.20% 2.80% 0.00% 0.10% 2.30%	County         Alamo           89.60%         98.90%           5.20%         0.00%           2.80%         1.10%           0.00%         0.00%           0.10%         0.00%           2.30%         0.00%	Alamo         Caliente           89.60%         98.90%         93.60%           5.20%         0.00%         4.30%           2.80%         1.10%         0.00%           0.00%         0.00%         0.00%           0.10%         0.00%         0.00%           2.30%         0.00%         0.00%	County         Alamo         Caliente         Panaca           89.60%         98.90%         93.60%         95.90%           5.20%         0.00%         4.30%         0.00%           2.80%         1.10%         0.00%         4.10%           0.00%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%           2.80%         1.10%         0.00%         0.00%           0.00%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%           0.10%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%           2.30%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%	County         Alamo         Caliente         Panaca         Pioche           89.60%         98.90%         93.60%         95.90%         73.80%           5.20%         0.00%         4.30%         0.00%         17.30%           2.80%         1.10%         0.00%         4.10%         0.80%           0.00%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%           0.10%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%         0.30%           2.30%         0.00%         0.00%         0.00%         0.30%

Table 5. Lincoln County and Communities, Race and Ethnicity, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021; 5-Year Estimates, DP04

#### **Poverty**

The overall poverty rate for Lincoln County is 5.6 percent, which is half of Nevada's poverty rate of 10.7 percent. Caliente and Pioche report the highest levels of poverty, of 12.1 percent and 9.4 percent, respectively (Table 6).

#### Table 6. Lincoln County and Communities, Poverty, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Population that Poverty Status is Determined	4,056	1,154	610	1,038	691	563
Population Below Poverty Level	227	0	74	46	65	42
Population Percent Below Poverty Level	5.6%	0.0%	12.1%	4.4%	9.4%	7.5%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S1701

### Education

Table 7 reports Lincoln County and Communities' educational attainment of the population ages 25 and older. Nearly 87 percent of Lincoln County residents have at least a high school diploma and over 46 percent have gained post high school education. Alamo reports the highest levels of education, while rural Lincoln County has the least.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	2.7%	1.4%	1.1%	0.0%	2.1%	11.3%
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade to 12 <sup>th</sup> No Diploma	10.5%	8.8%	9.3%	0.0%	21.6%	7.0%
High School Grad. & GED	40.6%	55.1%	36.4%	40.2%	35.1%	33.3%
Some College, No Degree	24.8%	28.2%	26.2%	27.4%	19.0%	25.5%
Associate Degree	6.3%	0.0%	9.5%	9.0%	8.3%	5.0%
Bachelor's Degree	8.9%	0.0%	9.6%	10.8%	11.7%	13.9%
Grad or Professional Degree	6.3%	6.4%	8.0%	12.5%	2.1%	3.9%

Table 7. Lincoln County and Communities, Population Age 25+ Educational Attainment, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S1501

## Labor Force and Unemployment

Lincoln County labor force participation rate is 45.7%, which could show a large percentage of retirees. The county has a strong job market, with an overall unemployment rate of 4.0% and some communities reporting full employment. Unfortunately, Pioche is the outlier and has a high unemployment rate at 15.4% (Table 8).

Table 8. Lincoln County and Communities, Labor Force and Unemployment, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Population 16+	3,813	868	630	699	1,091	525
In Labor Force	1,741	468	269	412	338	254
Employed	1,671	468	251	412	286	254
Unemployed	70	0	18	0	52	0
Not In Labor Force	2,072	400	361	287	753	271
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%	15.4%	0
Percent Population Not in Labor Force	54.3%	46.1%	57.3%	41.1%	69.0%	51.6%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP03

### **Industry and Occupation Employment**

Table 9 summarizes Lincoln County's employment distribution by economic sector. In 2022, four sectors make up 85% of Lincoln County's total employment and are well represented in individual communities. The agriculture sector has a larger presence in Caliente and Pioche while mining is concentrated in Panaca.

Table 10 reports occupational employment for Lincoln County and individual communities. More than half of the work is in white-collar jobs, and the rest is equally divided between service and blue-collar jobs.

Industry	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	73	<10	14	<10	22	<17
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extract.	19	0	<10	15	<10	<10
Utilities	38	13	0	24	0	1
Construction	78	28	15	19	16	0
Manufacturing	23	<10	<10	14	0	<10
Wholesale Trade	11	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Retail Trade	196	49	70	41	36	0
Transportation and Warehousing	62	<10	17	12	26	<10
Information	25	<10	<10	<10	23	<10
Finance and Insurance	33	<10	24	0	<10	<10
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	17	<10	11	<10	<10	<10
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	27	<10	13	<10	<10	<10
Management of Companies and Enterprises	<10	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	107	81	14	<10	<10	<10
Educational Services	<10	<10	<10	<10	0	<10
Health Care and Social Assistance	52	<10	18	<10	<10	<10
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	<10	0	<10	<10	<10	<10
Accommodation and Food Services	92	18	40	<10	34	0
Other Services (except Public Administration)	41	11	16	<10	<10	<10
Government	612	47	223	180	162	0
Total	1,523	288	488	346	338	63

#### Table 9. Lincoln County and Communities, Industry Employment, 2022

Source: Lightcast 2023.3 – QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

Occupation	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Management	132	23	40	25	31	13
<b>Business and Financial Operations</b>	56	10	22	<10	14	<10
Computer and Mathematical	20	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Architecture and Engineering	17	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Life, Physical, and Social Science	23	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Community and Social Service	51	<10	15	<10	14	<10
Legal	14	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Educational Instruction and Library	121	<10	31	78	<10	<10
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media	11	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical	73	<10	55	<10	<10	<10
Healthcare Support	26	<10	16	<10	<10	<10
Protective Service	77	<10	17	14	37	<10
Food Preparation and Serving Related	93	11	39	11	33	0
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance	55	12	22	16	<10	<10
Personal Care and Service Occupations	23	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Sales and Related	141	36	46	27	31	1
Office and Administrative Support	179	39	63	37	37	3
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry	45	<10	<10	<10	14	<10
Construction and Extraction	94	27	19	26	21	1
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair	71	23	17	15	14	2
Production Occupations	57	17	<10	21	<10	<10
Transportation and Material Moving	138	44	32	27	32	3
Military-only occupations	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Total Jobs	1,523	288	488	346	338	63

#### Table 10. Lincoln County and Communities, Occupation Employment, 2022

Source: Lightcast 2023.3 – QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

#### **Household Income**

Table 11 summarizes the number of family wage earners per household. About 23% of families have no wage earners, possibly because of unemployment, disability, retirement, or caregiving. Family households with one wage earner and two wage earners account for 38.7 percent and 32.6 percent, respectively. Alamo has the largest percentage of single earner households (45.7%), while Panaca has 41.9 percent of two household wage earners.

Table 12 shows the household income distribution in Lincoln County and individual communities. The county median household income is \$62,164, Alamo's and Pioche's numbers are both close to that figure at \$60,647 and \$62,617 respectively. Panaca shows a substantially higher median household income at \$81,875 and Caliente considerably lower, at \$33,073.

Table 11. Lincoln County and Communities, Number of Family Wage Earners, 2021

Family Wage Earners	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
No Earners	243	89	33	47	50	24
1 Earner	410	151	42	84	79	54
2 Earners	345	90	48	116	72	19
3 Earners	61	0	0	30	0	31
Total	1,059	330	123	277	201	128

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, B19122

Household Income	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Less than \$10,000	3.5%	0.0%	13.6%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4.4%	0.0%	1.6%	6.9%	2.6%	NA
\$15,000 to \$24,999	8.1%	7.9%	26.6%	2.8%	0.0%	NA
\$25,000 to \$34,999	4.2%	2.6%	13.3%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
\$35,000 to \$49,999	12.9%	29.8%	1.4%	21.5%	7.2%	NA
\$50,000 to \$74,999	24.4%	14.8%	11.1%	11.7%	59.3%	NA
\$75,000 to \$99,999	20.7%	28.9%	22.0%	15.8%	20.1%	NA
\$100,000 to \$149,999	13.6%	11.5%	10.6%	26.8%	5.2%	NA
\$150,000 to \$199,999	5.6%	4.5%	0.0%	14.5%	5.7%	NA
\$200,000 or more	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	NA
Median Income	\$62,164	\$60,647	\$33,073	\$81,875	\$62,617	NA
Mean Income	\$74,183	\$38,952	\$48,218	\$88,402	\$73,900	NA
Total Households	1,728	419	369	317	349	274

#### Table 12. Lincoln County and Communities, Households by Income, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S1901

### **Industry Wages**

Table 13 summarizes Lincoln County and community's top 10 industry average hourly wage rates and represents over 85 percent of the county's total jobs. The average hourly wage rate was calculated by using the average annual earnings (including wages, salaries, benefits, and other compensation) divided by the number of jobs, and then divided by 2,080 hours (full-time equivalence).

The average hourly wage rate in Lincoln County is \$28.50, with government jobs paying \$36.84 per hour and accommodation and food service jobs paying \$10.91 per hour. The construction sector average hourly wage is 117% percent greater than the county's average hourly wage rate and accounts for 36 percent of total jobs. The average hourly wage rate in accommodation and food service is 38.3 percent of the county's average and represents almost 11 percent of all jobs.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche
Government	\$36.84	\$36.36	\$38.54	\$35.77	\$35.85
Retail Trade	\$12.27	\$12.56	\$12.02	\$11.88	\$12.72
Admin & Support & Waste Management.	\$30.57	\$34.13	\$20.15	NA	NA
Accommodation & Food Service	\$10.91	\$11.80	\$10.02	NA	\$11.38
Transportation. & Warehouse	\$30.34	NA	\$41.80	\$42.26	\$19.58
Ag/Forestry/Fishing	\$19.83	NA	\$19.29	NA	\$18.41
Construction	\$33.35	\$35.14	\$22.72	\$36.94	\$35.00
Health Care	\$17.04	NA	\$18.07	NA	NA
Finance/Insurance	\$30.68	NA	\$29.08	NA	NA
Utilities	\$36.20	\$36.25	NA	\$36.18	NA
Average Hourly Wage Rate All Industries	\$28.50	\$27.99	\$28.44	\$30.93	\$28.23
Median Hourly Wage Rate All Industries	\$29.88	\$29.15	\$15.90	\$39.36	\$30.10

Table 13. Lincoln County and Communities, Top 10 Industries Average Hourly Wage Rate, 2022

Source: Lightcast (formerly EMSI) for earnings estimates.

## **Housing Supply**

Lincoln County is losing its population. The county's population decreased from 5,060 in 2010 to 4,600 (-460) in 2022. Similarly, housing supply also declined during this period from 2,356 to 2,340 units. Without economic growth, Lincoln County may lose more people and homes. Population loss and changing housing needs might require more diverse housing options. This section examines Lincoln County's housing inventory.

#### **Housing Units**

Lincoln County housing units have declined by 16 between 2010 and 2021, however, these declines were not felt across each community. For example, Alamo and Pioche added housing units, +40 and +37, respectively. These border communities may be experiencing growth because of the proximity to growing urban populations and perceived affordability. As shown in Table 14, all other communities, including the Rest of County, are showing a decline between 4 and 9 percent of the total housing units.

Table 14. Lincoln County and Communities, Housing Units, 2010 to 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Total Housing Units 2010</b>	2,356	463	502	449	474	468
<b>Total Housing Units 2021</b>	2,340	503	459	418	511	449
Unit Change 2010-2021	-16	40	-43	-31	37	-19
Percent Change 2010-2021	-0.7%	8.6%	-8.6%	-6.9%	7.8%	-4.1%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2006-2010 and 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

## **Housing Structure Type**

Lincoln County has an inventory of about 2,340 housing units and over 76% (1,781 units) are singlefamily homes (Table 15). Out of the 454 mobile home and RV units, 34% are in Alamo, 25% in Pioche, 17% in Panaca, and 19% spread throughout the rest of the County. Only 105 multifamily units are available in Lincoln County, of which 70% are in Caliente.

Table 15. Lincoln County and	Communities, H	ousing Units by	y Structure Type, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Single Family Units	1,781	337	365	323	398	358
Multi-Family Units	105	11	74	20	0	0
Mobile Home, RV, Etc	454	155	20	75	113	91
Single Family Units (%)	76.1%	67.0%	79.5%	77.3%	77.9%	79.7%
Multi-Family Units (%)	4.5%	0.0%	16.1%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Mobile Home, RV (%)	19.4%	30.8%	4.2%	17.9%	22.1%	20.3%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

Table 16 shows the composition of the housing stock by structure type within each community as of 2021. Nearly 75% of Lincoln County housing is 1-unit detached, followed by almost 20% mobile home or RV. This is consistent across all communities except for a higher percentage of mobile homes and RVs in Alamo and Pioche. Caliente also reports over 24% 1-4 attached housing units.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Total Housing Units</b>	2,340	503	459	418	511	449
1-Unit Detached	74.5%	67.0%	71.5%	77.3%	77.9%	79.7%
1-Unit Attached	1.6%	0.0%	8.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Multi-Family 2+ Units	4.5%	2.2%	16.1%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Mobile Home, RV, etc	19.4%	30.8%	4.3%	17.9%	22.1%	20.3%

Table 16. Lincoln County and Communities, Type of Housing Structure, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

#### **Vacancy Status**

Lincoln County has a large percentage of housing units vacant. Of the 2,340 total housing units in the County, 612 are vacant. This 26.2% vacancy rate is significantly higher than the overall State average of 10.1%. Lincoln County's units show a vacancy status in two main categories, 'For Seasonal or Occasional Use' and 'Other Vacant'. The 333 units listed as Seasonal or Occasional Use are most often vacation homes, timeshares, and the like. The 233 Other Vacant units have a number of possibilities, however the most common reasons a unit would be classified here are due to Foreclosure, Needing Repairs, Abandonment, and to be Demolished or Condemned.<sup>1</sup>

Caliente and Rest of County have a large percentage of their units falling under Seasonal Use, with 70% and 84% respectively. Alamo, Panaca, and Pioche each have their highest share of vacant units as 'Other Vacant', at 70.2%, 49.5%, and 54.9% respectively.

Region	Total Vacant	For Rent	For Sale Only	For, seasonal or occasional use	For migrant workers	Other Vacant
Lincoln County	612	13	26	333	7	233
Alamo CDP	84	0	0	25	0	59
Caliente city	90	0	0	63	7	20
Panaca CDP	101	0	26	25	0	50
Pioche CDP	162	0	0	73	0	89
Rest of County	175	13	0	147	0	15

Table 17. Lincoln County and Communities, Vacancy Status, 2021

Source: American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2021, (B25004)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.census.gov/housing/hvs/definitions.pdf

## Age of Housing

The age of housing units can significantly affect the overall housing market and its ability to meet current day needs. Housing units built in 1969 or earlier account for over 41% of Lincoln County's housing. Caliente and Panaca have the highest percentage of housing structures built pre-1969 at 59% and 55%, respectively (Figure 3).

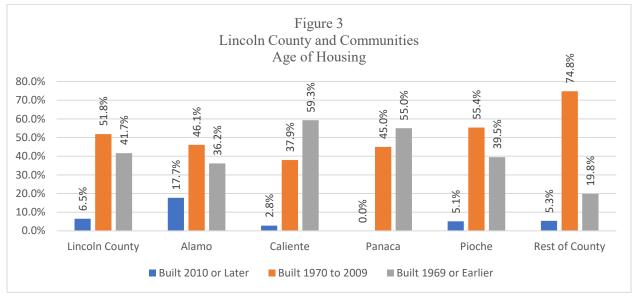


Figure 3. Lincoln County and Communities, Housing Age, 2021

## **Housing Tenure**

Despite having a small population and economy, Lincoln County has a competitive household income compared to the state. Evaluating household income by housing tenure reveals significant variations across the county. Table 18 shows that Lincoln County has 1,728 occupied housing units, with 73% occupied by the homeowners and 27% are renter occupied.

In Alamo, 45% of owners and renters earn an annual income of \$75,000 or more. However, 35% of the homeowners and 55% of renters earn less than \$50,000/year. The median income is \$60,647 for all Alamo households in 2021.

Similarly, Caliente has 46% of homeowners earning an annual income of \$75,000 or more. However, renters earn less with 63% having incomes below \$25,000 per year. The median income is \$33,073 for all Caliente households in 2021.

In Panaca, 81% of owners earn an annual income of at least \$50,000, but 66% earn \$75,000 per year or more. In contrast, 88% of Pioche homeowners earn at least \$50,000, but only 28% earn \$75,000 or more. All renters in Pioche earn at least \$50,000 with 44% earning at least \$75,000. In contrast, 82% of the renters in Panaca earn below \$50,000, with over 50% earning less than \$25,000 annually. The median income for Panaca and Pioche is \$81,875 and \$62,617 respectively.

	Total Units	Owner Occupied	Owner Occupied Percent	Renter Occupied	Renter Occupied Percent
Lincoln County					
Less Than \$14,999	136	37	2.9%	99	21.1%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	140	76	6.0%	64	13.6%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	295	194	15.4%	101	21.5%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	422	370	29.4%	52	11.1%
\$75,000+	735	581	46.3%	154	32.7%
Total	1,728	1,258	100.0%	470	100.0%
Alamo	-			-	
Less Than \$14,999	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	33	33	10.6%	0	0.0%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	195	77	24.7%	59	54.6%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	62	62	19.9%	0	0.0%
\$75,000+	237	139	44.8%	49	45.4%
Total	527	311	100.0%	108	100.0%
Caliente					
Less Than \$14,999	56	18	8.1%	38	25.7%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	98	43	19.0%	55	37.2%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	54	30	13.6%	24	16.2%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	41	30	13.6%	11	7.4%
\$75,000+	120	100	45.7%	20	13.5%
Total	369	221	100.0%	148	100.0%
Panaca					
Less Than \$14,999	22	0	0.0%	22	36.7%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	9	0	0.0%	9	15.0%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	68	50	19.5%	18	30.0%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	37	37	14.4%	0	0.0%
\$75,000+	181	170	66.1%	11	18.3%
Total	317	257	100.0%	60	100.0%
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Pioche	0	0	2.20/	0	0.00/
Less Than \$14,999	9	9	3.3%	0	0.0%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	25	25	9.1%	0	0.0%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	207	166	60.1%	41	56.2%
\$75,000+	108	76	27.5%	32	43.8%
Total	349	276	100.0%	73	100.0%
Rest of County					
Less Than \$14,999	49	10	5.2%	39	48.1%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	0	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	12	12	6.2%	0	0.0%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	75	75	38.9%	0	0.0%
\$75,000+	138	96	49.7%	42	51.9%
Total	274	193	100.0%	81	100.0%

#### Table 18. Lincoln County and Communities, Households by Income and Tenure, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S2503

### Age of Householder

Throughout Lincoln County nearly 60% of homeowners are 55 years and older. This is magnified in Caliente and Pioche, where over 72% of homeowners are 55 and older in each of the areas. The complete opposite is true in Alamo where nearly 35% of homeowners are under 34 years of age. Renters follow a similar age breakdown, with nearly 55% of the county's renters at 55 years and older. Again, Alamo has the largest younger breakout with 43% of renters 34 years and under.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Owner Occupied</b>	1,212	259	210	252	287	204
15 to 34 Years	8.3%	34.7%	0.0%	2.8%	0.0%	2.0%
35 to 54 Years	33.6%	38.6%	27.6%	44.4%	25.8%	30.9%
55 to 74 Years	46.8%	6.6%	55.7%	41.7%	74.2%	56.4%
75 Years and Over	11.3%	20.1%	16.7%	11.1%	0.0%	10.8%
<b>Renter Occupied</b>	433	119	138	97	30	49
15 to 34 Years	22.2%	43.7%	7.2%	35.1%	0.0%	0.0%
35 to 54 Years	23.6%	0.0%	37.7%	10.3%	0.0%	81.6%
55 to 74 Years	35.3%	45.4%	29.0%	20.6%	100.0%	18.4%
75 Years and Over	18.9%	10.9%	26.1%	34.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Table 19. Lincoln County and Communities, Tenure by Age of Householder, 2022

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2018-2022 5-Year Estimates, B25007

When looking solely at homeowners' mortgage status, the gap between age groups also widens. While just under 50% of homeowners 55 and older have a mortgage on their residence, 68% of those 55 and older own their house outright, without a mortgage. In Alamo less than 30% of those 55 years and older own their home outright.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Housing Units with a Mortgage	652	85	107	135	163	162
15 to 34 Years	10.4%	67.1%	0.0%	5.2%	0.0%	2.5%
35 to 54 Years	40.0%	10.6%	32.7%	59.3%	45.4%	38.9%
55 to 74 Years	42.6%	0.0%	53.3%	35.6%	54.6%	51.9%
75 Years and Over	6.9%	22.4%	14.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.8%
Housing Units without a Mortgage	560	174	103	117	124	42
15 to 34 Years	5.9%	19.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
35 to 54 Years	26.1%	52.3%	22.3%	27.4%	0.0%	0.0%
55 to 74 Years	51.6%	9.8%	58.3%	48.7%	100.0%	73.8%
75 Years and Over	16.4%	19.0%	19.4%	23.9%	0.0%	26.2%

Table 20. Lincoln County and Communities, Mortgage Status by Age of Householder, 2022

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2018-2022 5-Year Estimates, B25027

## **Housing Building Permits**

The rule in housing economics is that developers build more homes when there is demand or when housing prices are higher than construction costs. Developers' ability to produce a range of housing units, i.e., sizes, types, and prices, is influenced by the availability of developable land and land development policies.

Building permits for new single and multi-family homes are issued by Lincoln County's Planning and Building Department. Figure 4 depicts the historical records of building permits issued in Lincoln County from the year 2000 through 2022. It should be noted that the lasts permit issued for the development of a multi-family residential was in 2005 for 3 permits. Renovations are not considered a new construction unless it reaches a certain threshold outlined in their guideline and building code.

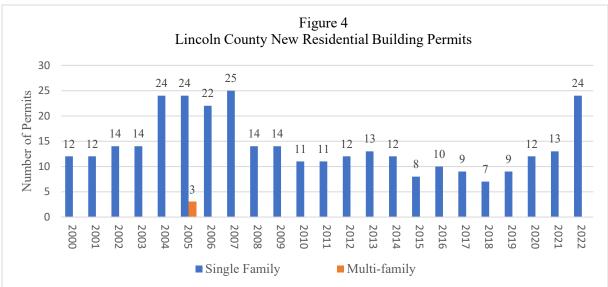


Figure 4. Lincoln County, Building Permits, 2000 to 2022

### **Affordable Housing Programs**

There are 82 subsidized housing units in Lincoln County that offer reduced rents to eligible households. Rental assistance programs support homes where households pay rent based on how much they earn. The following assistance programs are available in Lincoln County.

#### Section 8 Project–Based Rental Assistance (PBRA)

Tenants in the Section 8 program pay less than 30% of their income for rent.

#### Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC)

Households must earn either less than 50% or 60% of the area median income (depending on the set-aside option chosen by the property owner) to qualify for these units. Rents in these units are capped at a maximum of 30% of the set-aside area median income (adjusted for unit size). Some rental units in this property may not be subject to LIHTC and therefore have higher rents and no maximum household income requirement.

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HIPP)

In projects with five or more HOME-assisted units, at least 20% of these units must be occupied by families earning 50% or less of area median income (AMI). All other HOME-assisted units must be occupied by families earning 80% or less of AMI, but in practice most are reserved for families earning 60% or less AMI. Maximum monthly rent is capped with a Low HOME Rent for <50% AMI units and a High HOME Rent for the remaining HOME-assisted units.

#### Section 515 Rural Rental Housing

Very low-, low-, and moderate-income families, elderly persons, and persons with disabilities are eligible to live at this property. Persons or families living in substandard housing have priority for tenancy.

#### Section 521 USDA Rental Assistance

This rental subsidy, available only to USDA Section 514, 515 and 516 properties, ensures renters only pay 30% of their adjusted income towards rent. USDA Rural Development Rental Assistance may not be available for all units at this property.

Table 21 lists the subsidized housing units reported by the Nevada Housing Division. Lincoln County Assessor's and Planning Departments verified this data in July 2023. Around 3.5% of the total housing units in Lincoln County (82 units) are classified as subsidized units. Caliente has 50 units for assisted living, out of which 20 units may be available for low-income seniors or disabled individuals.

Housing Complex	Community	Address	Total Units	Low-Income Housing Programs
Caliente Apartments	Caliente	150 Minnie St.	30 (1 BRDM = 8) (2 BDRM = 16) (3 BDRM = 6)	PBRA LIHTC
Carefree Living	Panaca	236 S 4 <sup>th</sup> St.	20 (1 BDRM)	HIPP LIHTC
CI Caliente	Caliente	200 Miller Ln	20 (1 BDRM)	Section 515 Section 521
CI Pioche	Pioche	Main St.	12 (2 BDRM)	Section 515
Total			82	

Table 21. Lincoln County, Subsidized Housing Inventory, 2023

Source: Nevada Housing Division, accessed July 2023

The below table gives the maximum allowable AMI percentage of units within the subsidized units. If a property has ten units with five at 30% AMI and five at 50% AMI, five units must be rented to families at or under 30% AMI and five to families at or under 50% AMI.

Housing Complex	Total Units	30% AMI	35% AMI	40% AMI	45% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI
Lincoln Sr Pioche	12	4	0	4	0	4	0
Lincoln Sr. Caliente	20	5	0	11	0	4	0
Lincoln Sr. Panaca	20	4	0	11	0	5	0
Minnie St., Caliente Renaissance Apt.	30	8	0	14	0	8	0
Total	82	21	0	40	0	21	0

Table 22. Lincoln County, Subsidized Housing Inventory Income Restrictions, 2023

Source: Nevada Housing Division, accessed July 2023

## **Housing Demand**

Households of different sizes and income levels demand different types and sizes of housing. Availability of housing options in Lincoln County is crucial. Not all housing types are available equally in each community.

### **Housing Tenure**

Lincoln County's vacancy rate is 26%, as depicted in Table 23, which is substantially higher than the Nevada average of 10%. Vacant housing units are defined as homes that may be for sale or rent, seasonal, recreational or occasional use, or unoccupied homes, which are seen by owner and renter vacancy. Approximately 54% of all housing units in Lincoln County are owner occupied and 20% renter occupied. Alamo and Panaca have the highest homeownership rate of 61.8% and 61.5%, respectively. Caliente has the largest rental occupancy with 32.2% units.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Total Housing Units</b>	2,340	503	459	418	511	449
<b>Owner-Occupied</b>	1,258	311	221	257	276	193
<b>Renter-Occupied</b>	470	108	148	60	73	81
Vacant	612	84	90	101	162	175
<b>Owner Vacancy Rate</b>	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	9.2%	N/A	N/A
<b>Renter Vacancy Rate</b>	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

## **Length of Residency**

As mentioned earlier, builders constructed 45% of the housing units in Lincoln County before 1969, and Caliente and Panaca have the older homes. The ACS survey showed that most of the householders moved into their homes within the last 15 years, with almost half of them coming in between 2010 and 2018 (Table 24). Interestingly, 40% of households in Alamo moved in during the 2010-2014 timeframe.

Table 24. Lincoln County and Communities, Households by Move-in-Year, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Total Housing Units</b>	2,340	503	459	418	511	449
Moved-in 2019 or Later	3.4%	2.6%	3.8%	10.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Moved-in 2015 to 2018	30.4%	30.5%	24.9%	32.8%	23.5%	43.4%
Moved-in 2010 to 2014	18.0%	40.1%	13.3%	2.5%	18.3%	8.0%
2010 or Earlier	48.2%	26.8%	58.0%	54.3%	58.2%	48.5%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021; 5-Year Estimates, DP04

### **Bedrooms**

Bedroom

There are many 3+ bedroom homes in Lincoln County (Table 25), but Alamo and Pioche also have a fair number of 2-bedroom homes.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Owner Occupied	1,258	311	221	257	276	81
Percent Owned, 0-1 Bedrooms	2.9%	0.0%	6.8%	0.0%	0.0%	11.4%
Percent Owned, 2 Bedroom	31.4%	46.3%	26.7%	16.3%	38.8%	22.3%
Percent Owned, 3+ Bedroom	65.7%	53.7%	66.5%	83.7%	61.2%	66.3%

Table 25. Lincoln County and Communities, Owner-Occupied Housing Inventory by Bedrooms, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

Table 26 shows the distribution of occupied rental units in Lincoln County and communities by the number of bedrooms. Two-bedroom units are the most occupied rental units in Lincoln County. Alamo and Caliente have the same number of one and two-bedroom rentals, but most of Lincoln County has twobedroom rentals. Note Lincoln County does not show multi-family rental units greater than 2-bedroom.

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	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County	
Rental Units	470	108	148	60	73	81	
Percent Rental, 0-1 Bedrooms	29.1%	55.6%	45.9%	15.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Percent Rental, 2 Bedroom	70.9%	44.4%	54.1%	85.0%	100.0%	100.0%	
Percent Rental, 3+	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

Table 26. Lincoln County and Communities, Renter-Occupied Housing Inventory by Bedrooms, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

Tables 27 and 28 show the average household size for owner-occupied homes in Lincoln County is 2.54 compared to the state average of 2.72. However, the average rental occupancy for the county is at 1.81 vs 2.55 for the State. Caliente has smaller average household sizes, with less than two people for both owners and renters, compared to Panaca where the average household size is over three people for both owners and renters.

Most homeowners in Lincoln County are families (76%), which is similar to the state's homeowner profile. Apart from Caliente, Lincoln County's communities also have a high percentage of households with families. However, a third (77%) of the renters in the county are "non-family" householders and mostly live alone. This is more prominently shown in Caliente and Pioche, where 86% and 100%, respectively, of renters live alone.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Total Households	1,258	311	221	257	276	193
Average Household Size	2.54	2.85	1.99	3.21	2.24	NA
Families	75.8%	90.7%	46.2%	96.5%	72.8%	62.2%
Married Couples	59.9%	71.7%	32.1%	87.2%	46.0%	56.0%
Other Family	15.9%	19.0%	14.0%	9.3%	26.8%	6.2%
Non-Family	24.2%	9.3%	23.8%	3.5%	27.2%	37.8%
Living Alone	17.5%	0.0%	53.8%	3.5%	18.1%	21.8%
Not Living Alone	6.8%	9.3%	0.0%	0.0%	9.1%	16.1%

Table 27. Lincoln County and Communities, Owner-Occupied by Household Size and Type, 2021

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, B25011

Table 28. Lincoln County and Communities, Renter-Occupied by Household Size and Type, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Total Households	470	108	148	60	73	81
Average Household Size	1.81	2.48	1.16	3.53	N/A	N/A
Families	22.6%	44.4%	46.2%	48.3%	0.0%	9.9%
Married Couples	12.3%	0.0%	14.2%	48.3%	0.0%	9.9%
Other Family	10.2%	44.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Non-Family	77.4%	55.6%	85.8%	51.7%	100.0%	90.1%
Living Alone	70.2%	55.6%	85.8%	51.7%	100.0%	48.1%
Not Living Alone	7.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	42.0%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, B25011

## **Home Values**

Home values are market driven and vary by individual community. Table 29 below shows a distribution of home values of owner-occupied housing units in Lincoln County. The ACS 5-year estimates reveal that 20.1 percent of home values in Lincoln County fall above \$300,000, while almost two thirds of the values are below \$200,000. Out of the 300+ units, 24.2 percent of them have a value of less than \$100,000. Most of the housing units in Alamo and Caliente have lower values compared to Panaca and Pioche.

Table 29. Lincoln County and Communities, Owner-Occupied Housing Units by Value, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Less than \$100,000	24.2%	39.5%	29.9%	10.5%	21.0%	15.8%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	20.3%	23.5%	28.1%	24.7%	17.4%	5.9%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	19.1%	19.0%	30.8%	8.5%	22.1%	15.3%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	16.2%	0.0%	11.2%	24.7%	17.4%	34.5%
\$300,000+	20.1%	18.0%	0.0%	31.6%	22.1%	28.5%
<b>Owner-Occupied Units</b>	1,258	311	221	247	276	203
Median Value	\$160,600	\$120,300	\$134,400	\$208,600	\$172,200	N/A
% of Units w/ Mortgage	54.6%	52.1%	31.2%	62.3%	57.2%	70.9%
Median Value	\$180,200	\$169,700	\$154,400	\$230,900	\$177,000	N/A
% of Units w/o Mortgage	45.4%	47.9%	68.8%	41.7%	42.8%	24.1%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Occupied Rental Units</b>	470	108	148	60	73	81
Less than \$500	14.2%	10.2%	31.8%	15.0%	0.0%	0.0%
\$500 to \$999	69.6%	45.4%	54.7%	85.0%	100.0%	90.1%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	10.2%	44.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
\$1,500+	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
No Rent	6.0%	0.0%	13.5%	0.0%	0.0%	9.9%
Median Gross Rent	\$680	-	\$595	\$814	-	-

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Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, DP04

### **Cost Burden**

A household is classified as cost-burdened if they spend over 30 percent of their monthly income on housing, and "severely" cost-burdened if spending over 50 percent of income. Tables 31 and 32 below, use HUD's income limit classifications for households using a percentage of Area Median Income (AMI). A household that is earning less than or equal to 80% of AMI is considered "low income"; "very low income" if their income is less than or equal to 50% of AMI and "extremely low income" if they are earning less than or equal to 30% of AMI. Overall, about 14.8% of owners in Lincoln County are spending over 30% of income on housing costs and that 73% of those cost-burdened are low-income households (income <= 80% AMI).

- Only 4.4% of Alamo's homeowners are cost burdened however they are very low-income owners (Income <=50%) and are severely cost-burdened.
- About 18.3% of Caliente's owners are above spending limits, 46.3% of their low-income owners are cost burdened and more than half of them are severely cost-burdened.
- Panaca reported a small percentage (6.8%) cost-burdened homeowners but an even number of householders from both the low-income (income <=80%) and above median-income owners (income >100% of AMI) are spending more than 30% of their income on housing needs.
- More significantly, in Pioche the report shows that 56% of their low-income homeowners are spending over the limits and that 63.6% of their very Low-income are severely cost-burdened.
- Approximately 19.5% of homeowners in the Rest of the County are spending over the affordable standard; 25% of extremely Low-income homeowners in the Rest of the County are reported to be severely cost-burdened and 71% of middle-income owners (>80% but <=100% AMI) are still cost-burdened.

Lincoln County's rental cost burden is 16.5%, i.e., reported spending over the 30% AMI standard. Overall Caliente has 39.3% of renters in Caliente spending over standard but more specifically, over 50% of Caliente's low-income renters i.e., 75% of extremely low-income and 40% of the very low-income (income >30% to<=50% AMI) are severely cost-burdened.

Similarly, all Extremely Low-income renters (income <=30% AMI) in the Rest of the County have been identified to be severely cost-burdened.

Table 31. Lincoln County and Communities, Owner-Occupied Households by Income and Cost Burden, 2019

Income Level	Households	Cost Burdened >30%	Cost Burdened >50%	Not Cost Burdened
Lincoln County				
< 30% AMI	70	41.4%	35.7%	58.6%
>30% to <50% AMI	145	62.1%	37.9%	37.9%
>50% to <80% AMI	395	11.4%	0.0%	88.6%
>80% to <100% AMI	120	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%
>100% AMI	780	2.6%	0.0%	97.4%
Total	1,510	14.8%	5.3%	85.2%
Alamo				
< 30% AMI	0	-	-	-
>30% to <50% AMI	40	25.0%	25.0%	75.0%
>50% to <80% AMI	185	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	25	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>100% AMI	135	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	385	2.6%	2.6%	97.4%
Caliente				
< 30% AMI	30	63.3%	50.0%	36.7%
>30% to <50% AMI	50	50.0%	20.0%	50.0%
>50% to <80% AMI	15	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	15	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>100% AMI	130	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	245	18.0%	10.2%	82.0%
Panaca				
< 30% AMI	0	-	-	-
>30% to <50% AMI	0	-	-	-
>50% to <80% AMI	90	11.1%	0.0%	88.9%
>80% to <100% AMI	20	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>100% AMI	185	5.4%	0.0%	94.6%
Total	295	6.8%	0.0%	93.2%
Pioche				
< 30% AMI	0	-	-	-
>30% to <50% AMI	55	100.0%	63.6%	0.0%
>50% to <80% AMI	105	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%
>80% to <100% AMI	4	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>100% AMI	170	5.9%	0.0%	94.1%
Total	335	29.9%	10.4%	70.1%
Rest of County			2001/0	
< 30% AMI	40	25.0%	25.0%	75.0%
>30% to <50% AMI	0	-	-	-
>50% to <80% AMI	0	_	_	_
>80% to <100% AMI	56	71.4%	0.0%	28.6%
>100% AMI	160	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	250	20.0%	4.0%	80.0%
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Source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development, CHAS, 5-year 2015-2019

Note that due to the relative size of the population, sample sizes may be very small and produce data with large margins of error. Columns may not add up due to rounding.

Income Level	Households	Cost Burdened >30%	Cost Burdened >50%	Not Cost Burdened
Lincoln County				
< 30% AMI	105	71.4%	71.4%	28.6%
>30% to <50% AMI	40	25.0%	25.0%	75.0%
>50% to <80% AMI	135	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	45	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>100% AMI	190	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	510	16.7%	16.7%	83.3%
Alamo				
< 30% AMI	0	-	-	-
>30% to <50% AMI	0	-	-	-
>50% to <80% AMI	30	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	0	-	-	-
>100% AMI	50	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	80	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Caliente				
< 30% AMI	60	75.0%	75.0%	25.0%
>30% to <50% AMI	25	40.0%	40.0%	60.0%
>50% to <80% AMI	20	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	0	-	-	-
>100% AMI	35	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	145	37.9%	37.9%	62.1%
Panaca	110	01.970	011370	02.170
< 30% AMI	15	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>30% to <50% AMI	0	-	-	-
>50% to <80% AMI	45	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	0	-	-	-
>100% AMI	40	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	105	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Pioche	105	0.070	0.070	100.070
< 30% AMI	0			_
	0	-	-	-
>30% to <50% AMI		-	-	-
>50% to <80% AMI	35	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	45	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>100% AMI	25	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	105	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Rest of County				
< 30% AMI	30	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%
>30% to <50% AMI	15	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>50% to <80% AMI	5	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
>80% to <100% AMI	0	-	-	-
>100% AMI	40	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Total	75	40.0%	40.0%	60.0%

Table 32. Lincoln County and Communities, Renter-Occupied Households by Income and Cost Burden, 2019

Source: US Department of Housing and Urban Development, CHAS, 5-year 2015-2019

Note that due to the relative size of the population, sample sizes may be very small and produce data with large margins of error. Columns may not add up due to rounding. Also, through local sources, it is unlikely that each of Alamo, Panaca, and Pioche have 0% cost burdened populations.

# **Housing Gap**

A housing gap analysis is a method of assessing the supply and demand of affordable housing in an area. It studies how income levels affect the availability of affordable housing. By analyzing housing gaps, we can determine shortages or surpluses for different groups, which help with policy and planning. Specific data and analysis include:

- The area housing inventory and tenure.
- The number of households that can afford housing at different cost levels, using a standard affordability measure (like not spending more than 30% of income on housing).
- The number of housing units that are affordable and available to households at different income levels.

The comparison of the supply and demand of affordable housing for each income group, and calculating the gap or surplus of housing units. A negative gap shows a shortage of affordable housing, while a positive gap shows a surplus.

# Housing Tenure by Income

Housing tenure is a term that describes the legal and financial relationship between a person and their home. It determines how much control, security, and responsibility they have over their living space. There are different types of housing tenure, such as renting, owning, co-operating, or squatting. Each type has its own advantages and disadvantages, depending on the needs and preferences of the occupant.

Some factors that affect housing tenure are income, wealth, location, availability, affordability, and choice. Your housing tenure can influence your mobility, stability, community involvement, and access to services. Housing tenure is important in housing policy as it affects supply, demand, quality, diversity, and resident well-being.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
Owner-Occupied						
Less Than \$14,999	37	0	56	22	9	49
\$15,000 to \$24,999	76	33	98	9	0	0
\$25,000 to \$49,999	194	195	54	68	25	12
\$50,000 to \$74,999	370	62	41	37	207	75
\$75,000+	581	237	120	181	108	138
Total	1,258	527	369	317	349	274
Renter-Occupied						
Less Than \$14,999	99	0	38	22	0	39
\$15,000 to \$24,999	64	0	55	9	0	0
\$25,000 to \$49,999	101	59	24	18	0	0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	52	0	11	0	41	0
\$75,000+	154	49	20	11	32	42
Total	470	108	148	60	73	81

Table 33. Lincoln County and	Communities.	Household by	Income and To	enure. 2021
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Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021, 5-Year Estimates, S2503

# **Housing Affordability**

Housing affordability is determined by how easily households can afford their housing expenses. Housing affordability is influenced by factors such as income, supply and demand of housing, interest rates, and government policies. Examining housing affordability can expose differences in available and affordable housing for varying income groups and households.

This section emphasizes the importance of both housing affordability and availability, as they are interconnected. Household income and housing cost are the two major factors that influence one's decision to own or rent a home. Housing costs for homeowners include mortgage payments, property taxes, insurance, and utilities. For renters, housing cost comprises their monthly rent and utilities.

## **Owner-Occupied Housing Affordability**

Rising interest rates, inflationary pressures and not to mention the speculative nature of the housing market made homebuying more challenging today. It will cost you an additional \$500 per month on mortgage payment to buy a \$200,000 home compared to 2 years ago. Table 34 presents comparative home value estimates in Lincoln County and selected communities. This data includes standard ACS data and compared to Lincoln County Assessor data and online Zillow estimates.

- ACS survey, homes with mortgages have higher values because of recent revaluations required for new financing. It should be noted that 95% of the housing units in Lincoln County were built prior to 1980, but 52% of the occupants only moved in 2010 or later. Owner-occupied with mortgage would represent values with recent financing or refinancing.
- County Assessor is the median price or home value calculated from 2022-July 2023 recent sales transactions recorded by the Assessor's Office. Median value is the middle point when all data are arranged from highest to lowest and therefore is not skewed by significantly high or low data points.
- Zillow Estimate is the median value calculated from 2023 (January-June) monthly home value estimates by Zillow Research which represents the typical value of homes in the market.

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
ACS Data						
Owner-Occupied	\$160,600	\$120,300	\$134,400	\$208,600	\$172,200	NA
With Mortgage	\$180,200	\$169,700	\$154,400	\$230,900	\$177,000	NA
Without Mortgage	\$123,100	\$67,700	\$128,600	\$150,700	\$170,800	NA
County Assessor	\$168,307	\$169,944	\$110,000	\$229,577	\$172,500	NA
Zillow Estimate	\$208,680	\$211,078	\$185,579	\$222,031	\$211,726	NA
Median Household Income	\$62,164	\$60,647	\$33,073	\$81,875	\$62,617	NA
Monthly Household Income	\$5,180	\$5,054	\$2,756	\$6,823	\$5,218	NA
Average Hourly Wage Rate*	\$29.88	\$29.15	\$15.90	\$39.36	\$30.10	NA

Table 34. Lincoln County and Communities, Median Housing Values: ACS Data, Current Local Assessor Data, & Zillow Estimates

Source: Owner Occupied: 2017-2021 ACS : with Mortgage (S2506); without Mortgage (S2507); County Assessor: Data from Lincoln County Assessor's Office Zillow Estimate <u>https://www.zillow.com/research/data/</u> \*Assumes Full-Time Equivalent at 2,080 annual hours. **Owner Scenario**: Using our Monthly Affordable Housing Expense (MAHE) on a house affordability calculator (from <u>Calculator.net</u>) we estimated a housing price that will be affordable for each income scenario. To identify the housing gap, median estimated values reported by Zillow were used because they best reflect current market conditions.

Median Household Income	ACS 2017- 2021 Estimate (S1901)
Projected Annual Household Income (AHI)	@ 50%, 80%, 100%, 120% of Median Household Income
Monthly Household Income (MHI)	AHI divided by 12
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense (MAHE)	MHI times 30%
Estimated Annual Housing Expenses	
Homeowner Insurance	0.55% of the house price or value
Private Mortgage Insurance	0.50% of the loan amount
Property Tax	0.80% of the assessed value
Monthly Utility Allowance for Single Family (estimated using HUD Utility Schedule	\$235 = includes essential utilities: electricity, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) water and sewer
Mortgage Expense	
Mortgage Loan Term	30-year fixed conventional loan
Interest Rate	7.03%
Down Payment	5% or 95% loan to value

**Owner Affordable Housing Assumptions and Calculation** 

Table 35 summarizes housing affordability for Lincoln County and communities. Overall this analysis confirms the challenging nature of homeownership in Lincoln County. The analysis shows:

- *Lincoln County.* The median home price of \$208,680 is greater than the affordable housing expense at 50%, 80%, 100% and 120% of median income.
- *Alamo.* The median home price of \$211,078 is greater than the affordable housing expense at 50%, 80%, 100% and 120% of median income.
- *Caliente.* The median home price of \$185,579 is greater than the affordable housing expense at 50%, 80%, 100% and 120% of median income. With the lowest area median income and house prices in Lincoln County, the affordability gap is much greater.
- *Panaca*. The median home price of \$222,031 is greater than the affordable housing expense at 50%, 80%, and 100% of median income. Homeowner affordability can be achieved at 100% and 120% of median income.
- *Pioche.* The median home price of \$211,078 is greater than the affordable housing expense at 50%, 80%, 100% and 120% of median income

## Summary Housing Affordability Results: Owner-Occupied and Renters

The affordability data showed that 23% of homeowners and 33% of renters in Lincoln County are costburdened, i.e., spending over 30% of their income on housing costs. Approximately 46% of Lincoln County's homeowners earn \$75,000 or more, but almost a quarter of them earn less than \$50,000 per year. More than half of the renter households (56%) earn less than \$50,000. Households in the low-income category (i.e., earnings equal to or less than 80% of their Area Median Income) have a higher tendency to be cost-burdened. In Caliente, 59% of the homeowners are low income (i.e., with an annual income of less than or equal to 80% of the Area Median Income) and 68% of them are cost burdened. More than half of Caliente's low-income renters (55%) are severely cost-burdened. In Pioche, renters are not facing financial strain, but a significant portion of homeowners have low incomes. More than half of these homeowners are burdened by housing costs, with 29% of them being severely burdened and spending over 50% of their income on housing.

	Occupied Unit Median Income	50% Median Income	80% Median Income	100% Median Income	120% Median Income
Lincoln County	\$62,164	\$31,082	\$49,731	\$62,164	\$74,597
Monthly Household Income	\$5,180	\$2,590	\$4,144	\$5,180	\$6,216
% of Income for Housing		30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$777	\$1,243	\$1,554	\$1,865
Affordable Home Price		\$68,954	\$128,238	\$167,804	\$207,370
Median House Price (Zillow Estimate)		\$208,680	\$208,680	\$208,680	\$208,680
Affordable Price Difference		(\$139,726)	(\$80,442)	(\$40,876)	(\$1,310)
Alamo	\$60,647	\$30,324	\$48,518	\$60,647	\$72,776
Monthly Household Income	\$5,054	\$2,527	\$4,043	\$5,054	\$6,065
% of Income for Housing		30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$758	\$1,213	\$1,516	\$1,819
Affordable Home Price		\$66,536	\$124,422	\$162,970	\$201,518
Median House Price (Zillow Estimate)		\$211,078	\$211,078	\$211,078	\$211,078
Affordable Price Difference		(\$144,542)	(\$86,656)	(\$48,108)	(\$9,560)
Caliente	\$33,073	\$16,537	\$26,458	\$33,073	\$39,688
Monthly Household Income	\$2,756	\$1,378	\$2,205	\$2,756	\$3,307
% of Income for Housing		\$30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$413	\$661	\$827	\$992
Affordable House Price		\$22,645	\$54,196	\$75,315	\$96,306
Median House Price (Zillow Estimate)		\$185,579	\$185,579	\$185,579	\$185,579
Affordable Price Difference		(\$140,246)	(\$131,383)	(\$110,264)	(\$89,273)
Panaca	\$81,875	\$40,938	\$65,500	\$81,875	\$98,250
Monthly Household Income	\$6,823	\$3,411	\$5,458	\$6,823	\$8,188
% of Income for Housing		30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$1,023	\$1,638	\$2,047	\$2,456
Affordable House Price		\$100,250	\$178,491	\$230,524	\$282,557
Median House Price (Zillow Estimate)		\$222,031	\$222,031	\$222,031	\$222,031
Affordable Price Difference		(\$121,781)	(\$43,540)	\$8,493	\$60,526
Pioche	\$62,617	\$31,309	\$50,094	\$62,617	\$75,140
Monthly Household Income	\$5,218	\$2,609	\$4,174	\$5,218	\$6,262
% of Income for Housing		30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$783	\$1,252	\$1,565	\$1,879
Affordable House Price		\$69,717	\$129,383	\$169,203	\$206,249
Median House Price (Zillow Estimate)		\$211,076	\$211,076	\$211,076	\$211,076
Affordable Price Difference		(\$141,359)	(\$81,693)	(\$41,873	(\$4,827)

Table 35. Lincoln County and Communities, Homeowner Affordability Analysis, 2021

Sources: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S2503, S2506, S2507; Zillow Estimates

### Renter-Occupied Housing Affordability

**Renter Scenario**: Monthly affordable housing expenses for renter-occupied units are calculated similarly to the housing expenses for owner-occupied units. The largest change comes from including a 'household income' range at 30% in addition to the previously used 50%, 80%, 100%, and 120% to better align with income-based eligibility criteria for various government subsidy programs. The Monthly Rent used in the analysis is based on the prevailing market rate + utility allowance by bedroom size. A comparison with HUD's Fair Market Rent (FMR) is presented below. Note that FMR includes a utility allowance.

Table 36 shows a comparison of existing Renter-Occupied Average Rents in Lincoln County based on current Market Rate vs. past (3) years of Fair Market Rents (FMR) issued by HUD in Lincoln County. The Current Market Rate represents contract rent gathered from local verification with a multi-family unit in Lincoln County. It is assumed that the prevailing market rate is the same throughout the county given the relative proximity of the selected communities to each other. The annual Fair Market Rents are published by HUD annually and are used as set limits for rental subsidy programs. For the 2024 FMRs HUD's calculation used base rent data from 2017-2021 ACS survey, supplemented it with some private data and adjusted for inflation using Consumer Price Index. The review of the 5-year (2017-2021) ACS Estimates report on the distribution of monthly gross rent in Lincoln County showed that almost 80% of the renters paid between \$500-\$1000 per month; 48% pay \$500-799 and 21% pay \$800-\$999.

Table 36. Lincoln County, Renter-Occupied Average Rents Market Rate Compared to HUD Fair Market Rent (FMR), FY22 to FY24

	<b>One Bedroom</b>	Two Bedroom	Three Bedroom
Market Rate + Utilities	\$821	\$929	\$1,166
FY 2024 HUD FMR	\$892	\$1,001	\$1,411
FY 2023 HUD FMR	\$701	\$923	\$1,306
FY 2022 HUD FMR	\$660	\$868	\$1,213

Source: Market rate is based on contract rent information provided by local management company that owns an income based multi-family units in the county. Utility allowance estimated using HUD Utility Allowance Schedule. Fair Market Rents (FMRs) are annually published by HUD.

#### **Renter Affordable Housing Assumptions and Calculation**

Median Household Income	ACS 2017- 2021 Estimate (S1901)
Projected Annual Household Income (AHI)	@ 30%, 50%, 80%, 100%, 120% of Median
Tojected Annual Household Income (ATH)	Household Income
Monthly Household Income (MHI)	AHI divided by 12
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense (MAHE)	MHI times 30%
Monthly Gross Rent	Market Rate + Utilities (1-bedroom = \$75, 2-
Wolding Oross Kelli	bedroom=\$95, 3-bedroom=\$120)

The rental situation in Caliente is as expected. Based on the median household income in the area, renters below 100% of income will be borderline housing cost burdened. However, for the rest of the communities, 80% of household income puts them at the comfort level for an affordable rental in any bedroom size.

	Median Household	30% HH	50% HH	80% HH	100% HH	120% HH
	Income	Income	Income	Income	Income	Income
Lincoln County	\$62,164	\$18,649	\$31,082	\$49,731	\$62,164	\$74,597
Monthly Household Income	\$5,180	\$1,554	\$2,590	\$4,144	\$5,180	\$6,216
% of Income for Housing	\$0,100	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$466	\$777	\$1,243	\$1,554	\$1,865
Monthly Rent (Market Rate)		4.00		4-)	+ - ,	+ = , = = =
1-Bedroom = \$821		(\$355)	(\$44)	\$422	\$733	\$1,044
2- Bedroom = \$929		(\$463)	(\$152)	\$314	\$625	\$936
3 Bedroom = \$1,166		(\$700)	(\$389)	\$77	\$388	\$699
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Alamo	\$60,647	\$18,194	\$30,324	\$48,518	\$60,647	\$72,776
Monthly Household Income	\$5,054	\$1,516	\$2,527	\$4,043	\$5,054	\$6,065
% of Income for Housing		30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$455	\$758	\$1,213	\$1,516	\$1,819
Monthly Rent (Market Rate)				. , -	. ,	. ,
1-Bedroom = \$821		(\$366)	(\$63)	\$392	\$695	\$998
2-Bedroom = \$929		(\$474)	(\$171)	\$284	\$587	\$890
3-Bedroom = \$1,166		(\$711)	(\$408)	\$47	\$350	\$653
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Caliente	\$33,073	\$9,922	\$16,537	\$26,458	\$33,073	\$39,688
Monthly Household Income	\$2,756	\$827	\$1,378	\$2,205	\$2,756	\$3,307
% of Income for Housing	4 )	30%	\$30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$248	\$413	\$661	\$827	\$992
Monthly Rent (Market Rate)		+		+ • • • -	+	***=
1-Bedroom = \$821		(\$573)	(\$408)	(\$160)	\$6	\$171
2-Bedroom = \$929		(\$681)	(\$516)	(\$268)	(\$102)	\$63
3-Bedroom = \$1,166		(\$918)	(\$753)	(\$505)	(\$339)	(\$174)
Panaca	\$81,875	\$24,563	\$40,938	\$65,500	\$81,875	\$98,250
Monthly Household Income	\$\$6,823	\$2,047	\$3,411	\$5,458	\$6,823	\$8,188
% of Income for Housing	,	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$614	\$1,023	\$1,638	\$2,047	\$2,456
Monthly Rent (Market Rate)						
1-Bedroom = \$821		(\$2097	\$202	\$817	\$1,226	\$1,635
2-Bedroom = \$929		(\$315)	\$94	\$709	\$1,118	\$1,527
3-Bedroom = \$1,166		(\$552)	(\$143)	\$472	\$881	\$1,290
Pioche	\$62,617	\$18,785	\$31,309	\$50,094	\$62,617	\$75,140
Monthly Household Income	\$5,218	\$1,565	\$2,609	\$4,174	\$5,218	\$6,262
% of Income for Housing		30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense		\$470	\$783	\$1,252	\$1,565	\$1,879
Monthly Rent (Market Rate)						
1-Bedroom = \$821		(\$351)	(\$38)	\$431	\$744	\$1,058
2-Bedroom = \$929		(\$459)	(\$146)	\$323	\$636	\$950
3-Bedroom = \$1,166		(\$696)	(\$383)	\$86	\$399	\$713

Table 37. Lincoln County and Communities, Renter Affordability Scenario, 2021

Sources: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021 5-Year Estimates, S2503; Market rate is based on contract rent information provided by a local management company that owns income based multi-family units in the county. Utility allowance estimated using HUD Utility Allowance Schedule. Fair Market Rents (FMRs) are annually published by HUD.

# **Housing Unit Gap**

This section shows the gap in housing units by household income levels for both homeowners and renters.

## Housing Unit Gap – Current Resident Costs

As discussed throughout the report, for housing to be affordable, it should not cost more than 30% of total household income. Household income includes the income of the householder and the income of all other individuals 15 years or older in the household.<sup>2</sup> This gives a total number of households for the region in specific income ranges. This is the demand for housing at these income ranges. From there the supply needs to be defined. This is done through looking at both renter-occupied and owner-occupied units. The data is gathered by total number of households at various spending levels.

Housing Unit Demand	
Households by Annual Household Income (AHI)	ACS Five-Year Estimates 2017-2021, B19001
Monthly Household Income (MHI)	AHI divided by 12
Monthly Affordable Housing Expense (MAHE)	MHI multiplied by 30%
Housing Unit Supply	
Renters – Households by Gross Rent	ACS Five-Year Estimates 2017-2021, B25063
Owners – Households by Selected Monthly Owner Costs	ACS Five-Year Estimates 2017-2021, B25094

#### Housing Unit Sources and Assumptions for Current Residents

Gross Rent includes the contract rent amount plus utilities, including electricity, gas, water, sewer, and heating fuels. Selected Monthly Owner Costs include the sum of payments for mortgages, real estate taxes, homeowners' insurance, and utilities, including electricity, gas, water, sewer, and heating fuels.<sup>3</sup>

This data represents the costs of current homeowners, which includes those homes without mortgages and those who purchased at a time with lower home values or lower interest rates. The costs to purchase a home at the time of writing this report are likely higher than are shown in this sub-section and is discussed in more detail in the following sub-section.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/tech\_docs/subject\_definitions/2021\_ACSSubjectDefinitions.pdf</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/acs/tech\_docs/subject\_definitions/2021\_ACSSubjectDefinitions.pdf</u>

## **Owner Gap Analysis**

Table 38 summarizes the owner-occupied housing unit demand and supply for Lincoln County and communities. Overall, Lincoln County reports a deficiency of owner-occupied housing units of 73 units. This is mainly because of the high number of units supplied for homeowners making less than \$50,000 per year and the low number of units supplied for homeowners making more than \$50,000 per year. The combination of older homes, older populations that have probably been living in the same home for a long period of time, and the lack of new home construction. This trend is consistent across individual communities, except for Pioche that recently has built new homes with higher price points and has a surplus of occupied homes for households with an annual income between \$75,000 and \$99,999.

## **Renter Gap Analysis**

Table 39 summarizes the renter housing unit trends for Lincoln County and communities. The number of rental units demanded and supplied is adequate, but not across household income levels. There is a deficiency of available units for households with annual incomes below \$20,000 of 32 units. These unit shortages are in Panaca and the reset of county, 22 units and 31 units respectively.

	Affordable Monthly Housing Cost	Owner Number of Units Demand	Owner Number of Units Supplied	Sufficiency/ (Deficiency)
Lincoln County	Liousing cool	20111111	~ uppneu	
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	43	454	411
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	107	300	193
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	157	205	48
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	370	180	(190)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	257	73	(184)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	324	46	(278)
Total		1,258	1,258	0
Alamo		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	0	149	149
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	33	56	23
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	77	73	(4)
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	62	33	(29)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	72	0	(72)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	67	0	(67)
Total	+_,- + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	311	311	0
Caliente		•••	••••	Ŭ
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	24	121	97
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	62	73	11
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	5	17	12
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	30	10	(20)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	61	0	(61)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	39	0	(39)
Total	\$2,500 and 00070	221	221	0
Panaca		221		Ū
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	0	38	38
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	0	78	78
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	50	78	28
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	37	39	20
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	50	11	(39)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	120	13	(107)
Total	\$2,500 and above	257	257	0
Pioche		201	251	U
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	9	97	88
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	0	75	75
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	25	25	0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	166	29	(137)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	38	50	12
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	38	0	(38)
Total	\$2,500 and above	276	276	0
Rest of County		270	270	U
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	10	49	39
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	10	18	6
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$300 to \$874 \$875 to \$1,249	0	18	12
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	75	69	(6)
/ /		36	12	
\$75,000 to \$99,999 \$100,000 or More	\$1,875 to \$2,499	60	33	(24)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above			(27)
Total		193	193	0

Table 38. Lincoln County, Owner-Occupied Demand and Supply Imbalance, Current Residents, 2021

Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates (2017 – 2021) reports B19001, B25063, B25094

Annual Household Income	Affordable Monthly Housing Cost	Renter Number of Units Demand	Renter Number of Units Supplied	Sufficiency/ (Deficiency)
Lincoln County				
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	127	95	(32)
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	71	269	198
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	66	106	40
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	52	0	(52)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	101	0	(101)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	53	0	(53)
Total		470	470	0
Alamo				
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	0	11	11
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	11	49	38
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	48	48	0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	0	0	0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	49	0	(49)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	0	0	0
Total		108	108	0
Caliente				·
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	57	67	10
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	60	73	13
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	0	8	8
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	11	0	(11)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	20	0	(20)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	0	0	0
Total		148	148	0
Panaca		-		-
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	31	9	(22)
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	0	40	40
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	18	11	(7)
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	0	0	0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	0	0	0
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	11	0	(11)
Total		60	60	0
Pioche				
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	0	0	0
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	0	73	73
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	0	0	0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	41	0	(41)
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	32	0	(32)
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	0	0	0
Total		73	73	0
Rest of County	· ·			-
Less Than \$20,000	Less than \$500	39	8	(31)
\$20,000 to \$34,999	\$500 to \$874	0	34	34
\$35,000 to \$49,999	\$875 to \$1,249	0	39	39
\$50,000 to \$74,999	\$1,250 to \$1,874	0	0	0
\$75,000 to \$99,999	\$1,875 to \$2,499	0	0	0
\$100,000 or More	\$2,500 and above	42	0	(42)
Total		81	81	0

Table 39. Lincoln County, Renter Housing Unit Demand and Supply Imbalance, Current Residents, 2021

Source: American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates (2017 – 2021) reports B19001, B25063, B25094

# Appendix

For accessibility purposes, below are tables with the data relating to the figures throughout this document.

## *Figure 1 Table 40. Lincoln County and Communities, Population Change, 2015 to 2021, Index 2015 = 100*

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
2015	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
2016	99.25	83.29	109.72	93.08	136.77	77.38
2017	100.17	86.67	109.23	93.40	140.07	75.39
2018	99.61	109.50	110.30	75.34	130.52	78.05
2019	99.73	103.01	86.30	92.04	148.63	72.39
2020	99.67	104.29	94.66	84.09	157.52	63.08
2021	88.56	105.39	66.67	82.58	127.11	62.53
2022	86.77	93.06	81.63	82.66	121.95	55.21

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021; 5-Year Estimates, DP05 Data in this table relates to Figure 1

### Figure 2

Table 41. Lincoln County and Communities, Population by Age Group, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
19 & Under	22.1%	30.4%	16.6%	36.4%	8.5%	13.1%
20 to 34 Years	17.9%	19.7%	7.1%	21.5%	23.7%	9.0%
35 to 54 Years	24.1%	18.1%	24.3%	24.6%	25.7%	31.6%
55 to 74 Years	28.3%	23.4%	33.4%	16.6%	33.9%	42.4%
75 Years and Older	7.6%	8.4%	18.5%	1.0%	8.1%	3.9%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021; 5-Year Estimates, DP05 Data in this table relates to Figure 2

## Figure 3

Table 42. Lincoln County and Communities, Age of Housing, 2021

	Lincoln County	Alamo	Caliente	Panaca	Pioche	Rest of County
<b>Built 1969 or Earlier</b>	41.7%	36.2%	59.3%	55.0%	39.5%	19.8%
Built 1970 to 2009	51.8%	46.1%	37.9%	45.0%	55.4%	74.8%
Built 2010 or Later	6.5%	17.7%	2.8%	0.0%	5.1%	5.3%

Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2017-2021; 5-Year Estimates, DP04 Data in this table relates to Figure 3

### Figure 4

Due to the length of the dataset, Figure 4 is broken into three tables.

#### Table 43. Lincoln County, Building Permits, 2000 to 2009

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total Units	12	12	14	14	24	27	22	25	14	14
Units in Single-Family Structures	12	12	14	14	24	24	22	25	14	14
Units in All Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Units in 2-unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Units in 3- and 4-unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Units in 5+ Unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: SOCDS Building Permits Database, Accessed December 2023

#### Table 44. Lincoln County, Building Permits, 2010 to 2019

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Units	11	11	12	13	12	8	10	9	7	9
Units in Single-Family Structures	11	11	12	13	12	8	10	9	7	9
Units in All Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Units in 2-unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Units in 3- and 4-unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Units in 5+ Unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: SOCDS Building Permits Database, Accessed December 2023

#### Table 45. Lincoln County, Building Permits, 2020 to 2022

	2020	2021	2022	
Total Units	12	13	24	
Units in Single-Family Structures	12	13	24	
Units in All Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	
Units in 2-unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	
Units in 3- and 4-unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	
Units in 5+ Unit Multi-Family Structures	0	0	0	

Source: SOCDS Building Permits Database, Accessed December 2023