Massachusetts Home Service Affordability Index

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https://costinusa.com/affordability-index/ma/

Cost midpoint = (low + high) / 2. Income share = one service purchase / median annual household income × 100. Rent share = one purchase / median monthly gross rent × 100. Services and project scopes are compared separately. These are planning estimates.
Cities form a publication sample, equally weighted. Census ACS survey periods differ and margins of error can affect close rankings. Missing or annotated denominators are excluded. Project budgets may include materials.

House Cleaning

Cities with comparable data: 2

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Worcester	$210	$76,206	0.28%	$1,734	12.11%	2025
Boston	$240	$101,797	0.24%	$2,351	10.21%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Boston - House Cleaning
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2507000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2507000
Worcester - House Cleaning
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2582000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2582000

Roof Repair

Cities with comparable data: 1

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Worcester	$525	$76,206	0.69%	$1,734	30.28%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Worcester - Roof Repair
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2582000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2582000

Roof Replacement

Cities with comparable data: 2

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Worcester	$10,500	$76,206	13.78%	$1,734	605.54%	2025
Boston	$11,250	$101,797	11.05%	$2,351	478.52%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Boston - Roof Replacement
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2507000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2507000
Worcester - Roof Replacement
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2582000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2582000

Metal Roofing

Cities with comparable data: 2

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Worcester	$27,000	$76,206	35.43%	$1,734	1557.09%	2025
Boston	$30,750	$101,797	30.21%	$2,351	1307.95%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Boston - Metal Roofing
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2507000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2507000
Worcester - Metal Roofing
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US2582000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US2582000