New York Home Service Affordability Index

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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: 3

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Buffalo	$245	$53,292	0.46%	$1,162	21.08%	2025
Rochester	$205	$45,516	0.45%	$1,155	17.75%	2025
Yonkers	$220	$83,125	0.26%	$1,837	11.98%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Buffalo - House Cleaning
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3611000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3611000
Rochester - House Cleaning
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3663000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3663000
Yonkers - House Cleaning
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3684000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3684000

Roof Repair

Cities with comparable data: 1

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Buffalo	$625	$53,292	1.17%	$1,162	53.79%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Buffalo - Roof Repair
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3611000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3611000

Roof Replacement

Cities with comparable data: 3

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Rochester	$8,625	$45,516	18.95%	$1,155	746.75%	2025
Buffalo	$8,250	$53,292	15.48%	$1,162	709.98%	2025
Yonkers	$10,875	$83,125	13.08%	$1,837	592.00%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Buffalo - Roof Replacement
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3611000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3611000
Rochester - Roof Replacement
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3663000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3663000
Yonkers - Roof Replacement
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3684000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3684000

Metal Roofing

Cities with comparable data: 3

City	Cost midpoint (USD)	Annual income	Income share	Monthly rent	Rent share	ACS period
Rochester	$21,375	$45,516	46.96%	$1,155	1850.65%	2025
Buffalo	$21,750	$53,292	40.81%	$1,162	1871.77%	2025
Yonkers	$22,500	$83,125	27.07%	$1,837	1224.82%	2025

Guide and Census sources

Buffalo - Metal Roofing
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3611000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3611000
Rochester - Metal Roofing
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3663000
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B25064?g=160XX00US3663000
Yonkers - Metal Roofing
https://data.census.gov/table/ACSDT1Y2025.B19013?g=160XX00US3684000
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