

Data Walk: Shawnee County HOUSING



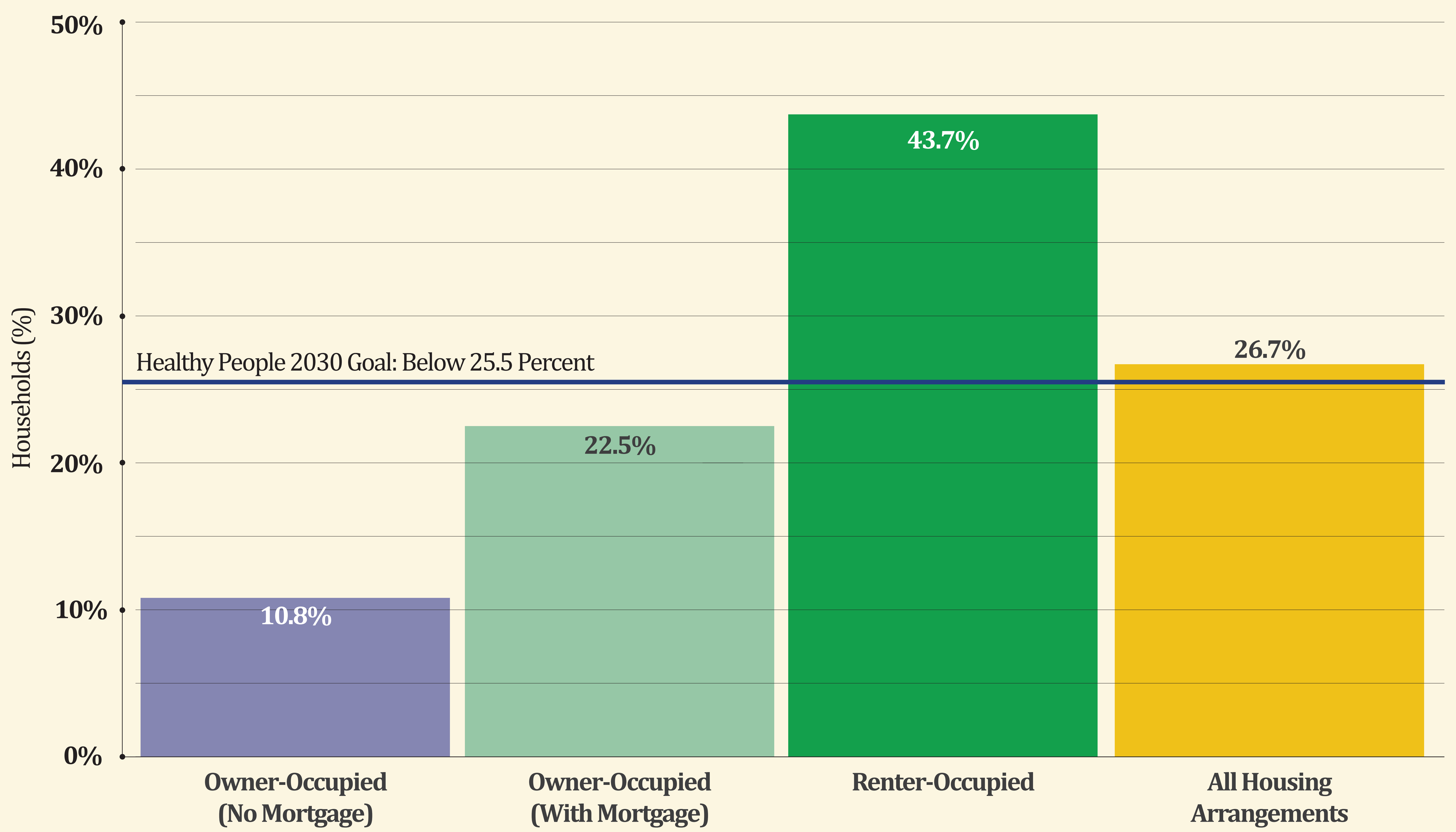
What This Measures:

The percent of households by type without affordable housing. Affordable housing is defined as spending no more than 30 percent of gross income on housing costs including utilities.

HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

Four in 10 renter-occupied households in Shawnee County do not have affordable housing.

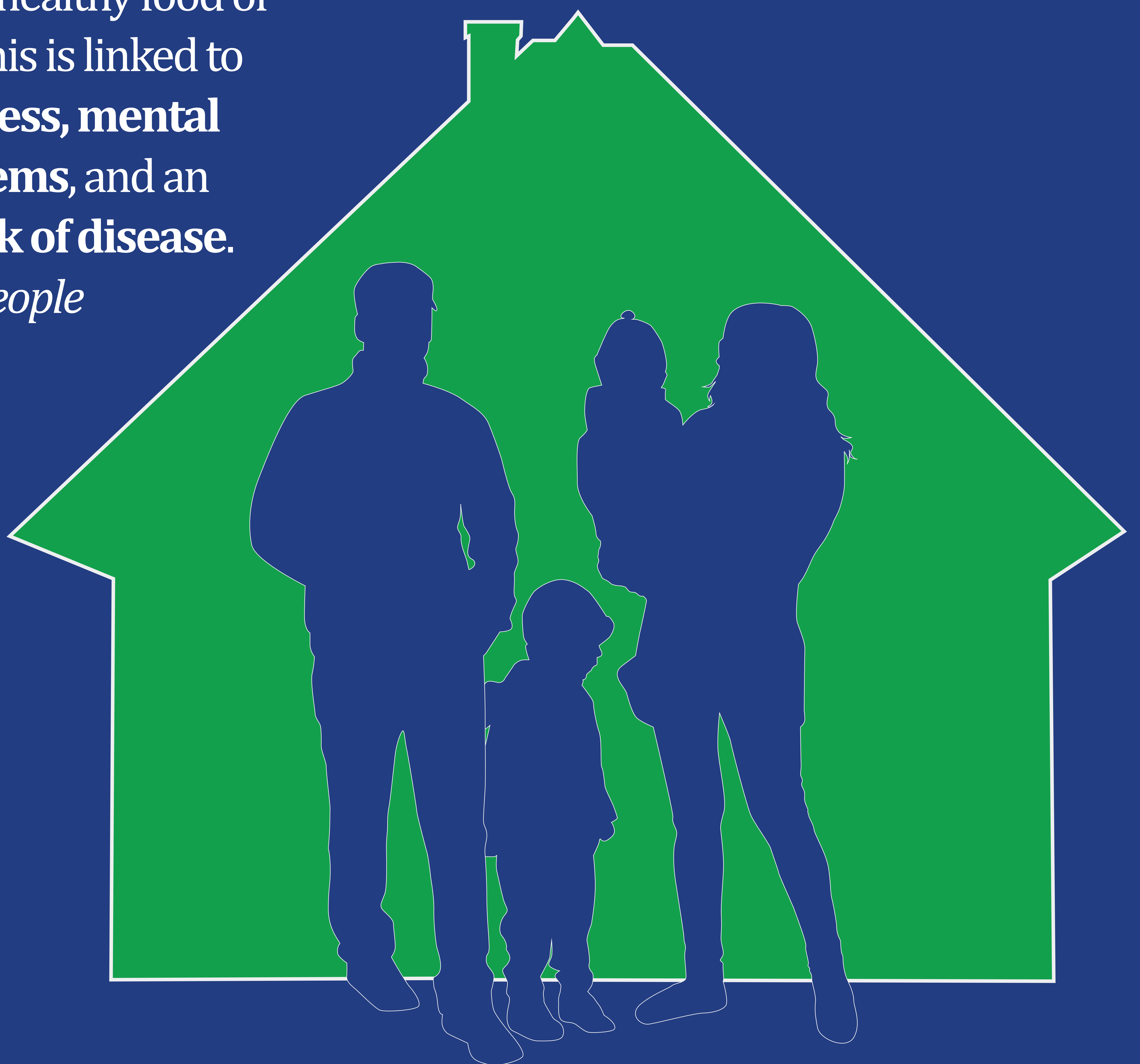
Percent of Shawnee County Residents Without Affordable Housing by Housing Arrangement, 2021



Note: Number of housing unit = 19,282 for owner-occupied (no mortgage), 29,563 for owner-occupied (with mortgage) and 25,276 for renter-occupied. Without affordable housing is calculated as the percent of households spending more than 30 percent of their gross income on housing costs (including utilities) by situation.
Source: Kansas Health Institute analysis of U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 2021 1-year estimate, Table DP04.

Why this is important: When families have to spend a large part of their income on housing, they may not have enough money to pay for things like healthy food or health care. This is linked to **increased stress, mental health problems, and an increased risk of disease.**

The Healthy People 2030 goal is to reduce the proportion of families without affordable housing to 25.5 percent.



(Source: Healthy People 2030)

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