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# Rhode Island

Like many other parts of the country, Rhode Island's growth has resulted in significant housing affordability challenges. Combatting housing affordability issues in the state will require holistic solutions that address the needs of all Rhode Island residents.



Rhode Island is home to over a million people.



More than 105,000 Rhode Islanders call an apartment home, with demand on the rise.



54% of low-income renters spend more than half of their income on housing.



Between now and 2030, Rhode Island will need to build 509 new apartment homes each year to keep up with demand.



## Legal Landscape

The state of Rhode Island does not have any legal framework surrounding rent control. The state neither preempts or promotes local municipalities from implementing rent control. It is imperative that preemption be introduced and passed to protect citizens from the ramifications of rent control.

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### REJECT PRICE CONTROLS

Lawmakers should reject price controls and, instead, pursue alternatives such as voucher-based rental assistance to better address housing affordability.