

Study: Calif. second least affordable state for renters

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California renters must earn more than triple the minimum wage to afford a two-bedroom apartment, underscoring a housing shortage throughout the state, a report said.

A worker earning the minimum wage – \$8 per hour in California – would have to toil away for 130 hours a week to afford a two-bedroom, the National Low Income Housing Coalition said Monday.

Across the nation, minimum wage workers can't afford a one- or two-bedroom apartment at fair market rent, the group said. The coalition's president, Sheila Crowley, said raising the federal minimum wage would ease the burden.

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