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## A Profile of Bermuda's Housing Stock

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### PRIVATE DWELLING UNITS

#### OVER 50% OF PRIVATE HOMES ARE SINGLE OR TWO-APARTMENT DWELLINGS

The number of occupied private dwelling units in Bermuda rose by 12%. There were 22,061 households in 1991 and 24,763 in 2000. Single-unit homes and two-apartment houses represented over half the private housing stock, a total of 15,396. (See Table 1.)

**Table 1**  
Distribution of Households by Type of Dwelling Unit, 2000 and 1991

Type of Dwelling Unit <sup>1</sup>	Number		Percentage Distribution*		Percentage Change
	2000	1991	2000	1991	2000 - 1991
Total	24,763	22,061	100	100	+12%
Single Dwelling Unit	6,717	6,764	27	31	-1%
Two-Unit Dwelling	8,679	7,952	35	36	+9%
Three-Unit Dwelling	4,396	3,236	18	15	+36%
Apartment Building	4,580	3,655	18	17	+25%
Other & Not Stated	391	454	2	2	-14%

<sup>1</sup>Excludes Group Dwellings.

\*Percentages may not add up due to rounding.

### HOUSING DENSITY

#### PEMBROKE PARISH - THE MOST CROWDED

Bermuda's housing density increased from 4.8 dwellings per hectare in 1991 to 5.3 dwellings per hectare in 2000. Pembroke had the highest density of 8.7 dwellings per hectare. Warwick followed with 6.9 dwellings per hectare. The parishes of Hamilton and St. George's continued to have the lowest housing density of 4.1 and 4.0 dwellings, respectively.

### NUMBER OF BEDROOMS

#### TWO-BEDROOM APARTMENTS DOMINATED IN 2000

Two-bedroom units were still the most commonly constructed type of dwellings. There were 8,964 in 2000. Studio apartments increased more than any other dwelling type between 1991 and 2000. They grew by 46%, from 814 in 1991 to 1,188 in 2000. (See Table 2.)

**Table 2**  
Household by Number of Bedrooms, 2000 and 1991

Number of Bedrooms	Number		Percentage Distribution*		Percentage Change
	2000	1991	2000	1991	1991 - 2000
Total	24,763	22,061	100	100	+12%
Studio	1,188	814	5	4	+46%
One	6,385	5,858	26	27	+9%
Two	8,964	7,991	36	36	+12%
Three	6,866	6,120	28	28	+12%
Four or More	1,319	1,259	5	6	+5%
Not Stated	41	19	**	**	

\*\*less than 1%

### TENURE

#### MORE BERMUDIANS OWN THEIR HOMES

Fifty-three percent of Bermudian households occupied their own homes in 2000. (See Table 3.) This represented a 2 percentage-point rise over the 1991 level.

In 2000, almost half of black Bermudian households lived in their own homes. In contrast, 62% of white Bermudian households were owner-occupiers. Persons of mixed and other races were just as likely to be owning their home as to be renting.

**Table 3**  
Percentage Distribution of Bermudian Dwellings by Type of Tenure and Race of Household Reference Person, 2000 and 1991<sup>1</sup>

Type of Tenure	Total <sup>2</sup>	Race		
		Black	White	Mixed & Other
2000				
Total	100	100	100	100
Owner-occupied	53	49	62	51
Rented <sup>3</sup>	47	51	38	49
1991				
Total	100	100	100	100
Owner-occupied	51	47	61	45
Rented <sup>3</sup>	49	53	39	55

<sup>1</sup>Excludes Group Dwellings

<sup>2</sup>Includes 32 households for whom type of tenure was not stated

<sup>3</sup>Includes 56 households for whom type of tenure was not stated

### MONTHLY RENT

#### RENTS ON THE RISE

The median monthly rent for private dwelling units increased by 28%, from \$797 to \$1,021 between 1991 and 2000. After adjusting for the rate of inflation or price increases, median rent increased from \$913 to \$1,021, a 12% increase. (See Table 4.)

**Table 4**  
Rented Private Dwellings by Median Monthly Rent and Number of Bedrooms, 2000 and 1991

Year	Total	Studio	One	Two	Three +
2000 (\$)	1,021	716	872	1,185	1,841
1991 (Unadjusted) (\$)	797	608	726	899	1,173
% Change (Unadjusted)	28%	18%	20%	32%	57%
1991 (Adjusted) (\$)	913	696	831	1,029	1,343
% Change (Adjusted)	12%	3%	5%	15%	37%

Households headed by Bermudians typically paid lower rents than non-Bermudians. In 2000, the median rent for Bermudian households was \$928, compared with \$1,404 for non-Bermudian households.

N.B.: The term 'median' is a measure of 'average' and refers to all household types.

**Note:** Copies of the Report on the 2000 Census of Population & Housing can be obtained from the Department of Statistics or from the Phoenix Store in Hamilton at a cost of \$20.

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