

Huntsville — #4 of 10: Home Value to Income Ratio

Home Value to Income Ratio: 3.4x

Based on 2024 data from ALEX Intelligence

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Home Value to Income Ratio (2024)

Huntsville's ratio is among the lowest in Alabama, indicating relatively stronger affordability.

This ratio reflects how many years of median household income it takes to buy a median-priced home. A lower ratio signals better affordability. Huntsville's 3.4x places it in the top quartile of Alabama metros, despite rising prices and strong demand.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024 • ALEX Intelligence computation
<https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-10-20-huntsville-standing-value-to-income-msa>

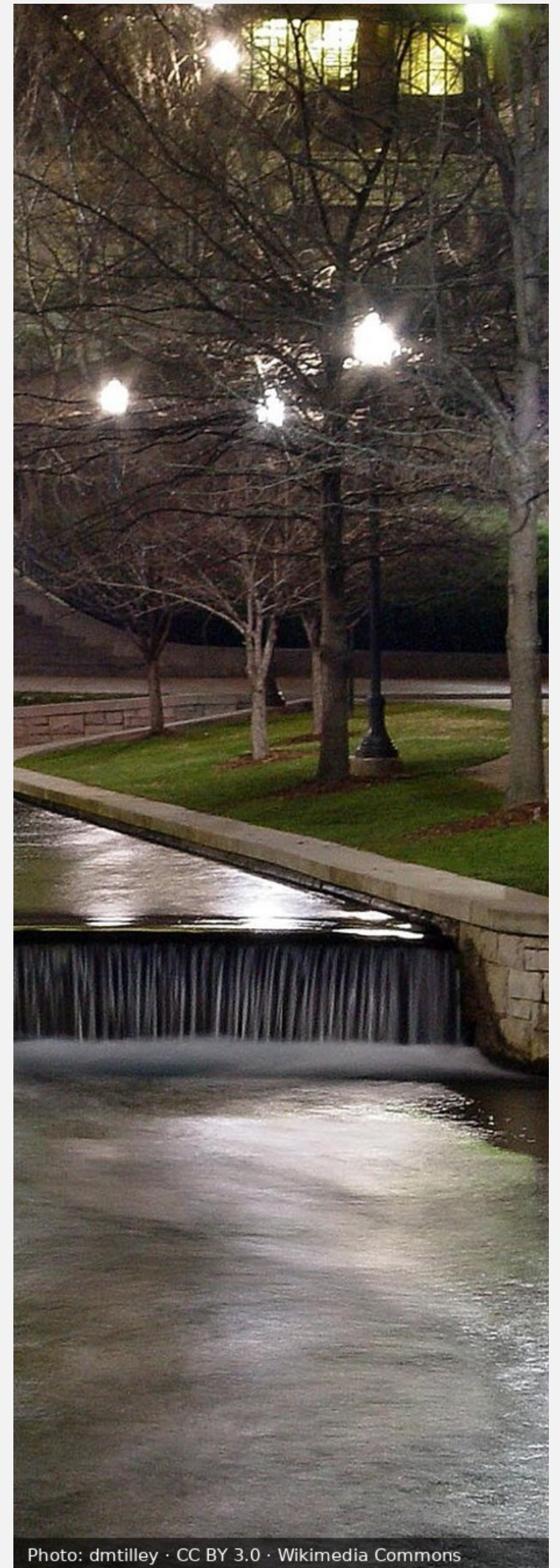


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A background photograph of a park scene. In the foreground, there is a grassy area. A wooden bridge with a railing spans a body of water in the middle ground. Several people are walking on the bridge. In the background, a tall, modern building with a unique architectural design is visible against a clear blue sky. There are trees with green and yellow leaves around the building and bridge.

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Affordability attracts in-movers

This dynamic suggests that affordability is not a temporary anomaly but a structural advantage, rooted in regional economic strength and limited supply, making Huntsville a destination for skilled workers who seek balance between income growth and housing cost.

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Affordability masks underlying stress

This means that even though Huntsville is more affordable than Daphne or Auburn, the cost of entry is still rising quickly. The market's resilience is not due to low prices but to high demand and strong job growth—making it a competitive, high-pressure environment for first-time buyers and moderate-income households.



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