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When we look at the amount of backyard chicken owners within each living situation, there are some surprises. Among homeowners, a whopping 15% say they own backyard chickens. Even more interesting, while the incidence of those who live in a condo/co-op is small overall, among that group almost a quarter of folks own backyard chickens! Additionally, almost 10% of renters say they have backyard chickens. (Most of these condo/co-ops are in urban areas with populations over 2.5 million).

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