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REALTORS® OPPOSE Rent Control

The Massachusetts Association of REALTORS® (MAR), a 99-year-old professional trade association with over 25,000 members, opposes rent control in all forms.

- **Massachusetts has a housing crisis caused by:**
 - **Significant shortfall in supply** due to stagnant housing production. This also results in old, and thus expensive to maintain, housing stock.
 - **Wages falling behind** consumer goods prices, especially at lower-income levels.
- **Rent control worsens the housing crisis** by further disincentivizing production and maintenance of multifamily housing.
- The state's housing crisis exists largely from **decades of municipal NIMBYism**, which put up roadblocks to multifamily housing production.
- **Solutions:**
 - **Stop discrimination** against multifamily housing production.
 - **Increase funding** for voucher programs to help those in need.



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