

Monthly Indicators

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January 2024

U.S. existing-home sales slipped 1.0% month-over-month and were down 6.2% year-over-year as of last measure, while pending sales jumped 8.3% from the previous month, marking the largest gain since June 2020, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). Mortgage rates have dropped significantly from their peak last fall, and homebuyers are beginning to come out of the woodwork, with NAR forecasting a 13% increase in existing-home sales this year compared to 2023.

New Listings were up 5.1 percent for single-family homes and 13.1 percent for condominium properties. Closed Sales decreased 2.5 percent for single-family homes and 22.7 percent for condominium properties.

The Median Sales Price was up 9.6 percent to \$570,000 for single-family homes and 4.5 percent to \$520,000 for condominium properties. Months Supply of Inventory decreased 15.4 percent for single-family units and 12.5 percent for condominium units.

Despite tepid sales activity, the persistent shortage of housing supply has helped prop up home values nationwide, with the median existing-home price rising 4.4% year-over-year to \$382,600, according to NAR. Total unsold inventory was at 1 million units heading into January, an 11.5% decline from the previous month, for a 3.2 months' supply at the current sales pace. Nationally, listing activity has started to pick up, and with mortgage rates stabilizing and housing completions on the rise, inventory is expected to improve in the coming months.

Quick Facts

Closed Sales

2,209 828

Single-Family Only Condominium Only

- 2.5%

- 22.7%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

Median Sales Price

\$570,000

\$520,000

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 9.6%

+ 4.5%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

Homes for Sale

3,518

1.973

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

- 29.2%

- 22.4%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

New Listings

2,589

1.592

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 5.1%

+ 13.1%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change



Single-Family Market Overview



Key market metrics for the current month and year-to-date figures for Single-Family Homes Only.

Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	1-2023	1-2024	+/-	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	+/-
Closed Sales	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	2,266	2,209	- 2.5%	2,266	2,209	- 2.5%
Median Sales Price	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	\$520,000	\$570,000	+ 9.6%	\$520,000	\$570,000	+ 9.6%
Affordability Index	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	62	54	- 12.9%	62	54	- 12.9%
Homes for Sale	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	4,968	3,518	- 29.2%			
Months Supply	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	1.3	1.1	- 15.4%			
Final Days on Market	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	45	41	- 8.9%	45	41	- 8.9%
Cumulative Days on Market	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	47	44	- 6.4%	47	44	- 6.4%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	96.7%	98.2%	+ 1.6%	96.7%	98.2%	+ 1.6%
New Listings	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	2,463	2,589	+ 5.1%	2,463	2,589	+ 5.1%

Condominium Market Overview



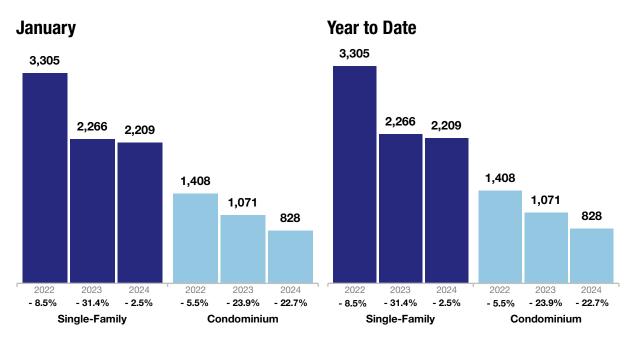
Key market metrics for the current month and year-to-date figures for Condominium Properties Only.

Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	1-2023	1-2024	+/-	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	+/-
Closed Sales	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	1,071	828	- 22.7%	1,071	828	- 22.7%
Median Sales Price	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	\$497,500	\$520,000	+ 4.5%	\$497,500	\$520,000	+ 4.5%
Affordability Index	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	65	59	- 9.2%	65	59	- 9.2%
Homes for Sale	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	2,542	1,973	- 22.4%			
Months Supply	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	1.6	1.4	- 12.5%			
Final Days on Market	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	45	49	+ 8.9%	45	49	+ 8.9%
Cumulative Days on Market	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	49	54	+ 10.2%	49	54	+ 10.2%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	98.4%	98.4%	0.0%	98.4%	98.4%	0.0%
New Listings	1-2021 1-2022 1-2023 1-2024	1,408	1,592	+ 13.1%	1,408	1,592	+ 13.1%

Closed Sales

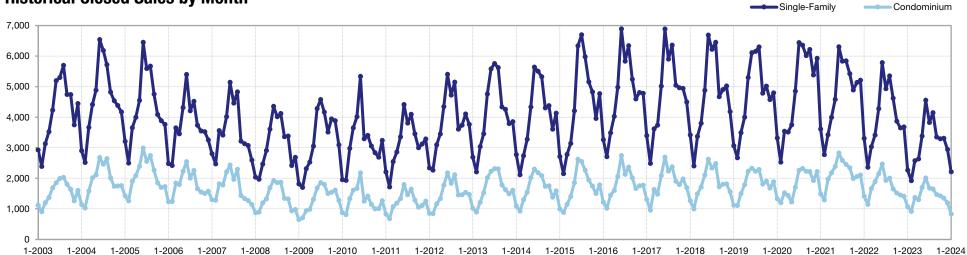
A count of the actual sales that closed in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	1,917	- 18.7%	912	- 20.1%
March 2023	2,575	- 15.0%	1,367	- 17.8%
April 2023	2,631	- 22.9%	1,295	- 31.4%
May 2023	3,380	- 20.9%	1,697	- 20.8%
June 2023	4,551	- 21.3%	2,007	- 18.5%
July 2023	3,823	- 22.5%	1,679	- 13.0%
August 2023	4,147	- 22.5%	1,646	- 17.7%
September 2023	3,349	- 27.5%	1,470	- 11.0%
October 2023	3,293	- 14.8%	1,422	- 6.3%
November 2023	3,305	- 9.3%	1,345	- 7.0%
December 2023	2,947	- 19.9%	1,193	- 15.0%
January 2024	2,209	- 2.5%	828	- 22.7%
Total	38,127	- 19.2%	16,861	- 17.0%

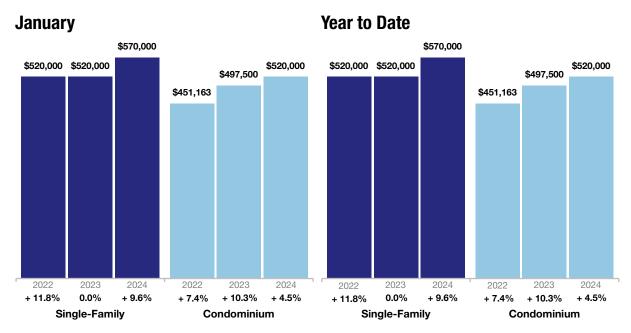
Historical Closed Sales by Month



Median Sales Price

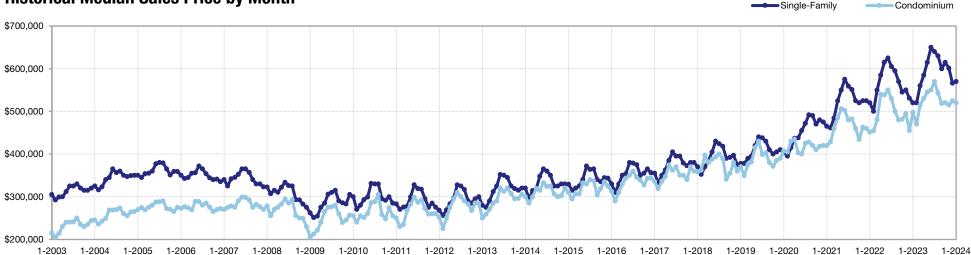


Point at which half of the sales sold for more and half sold for less, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	\$520,000	+ 4.0%	\$469,950	+ 3.4%
March 2023	\$560,000	+ 1.8%	\$515,000	+ 7.3%
April 2023	\$585,000	0.0%	\$530,000	- 1.9%
May 2023	\$615,000	0.0%	\$545,000	+ 1.2%
June 2023	\$650,000	+ 4.0%	\$550,000	0.0%
July 2023	\$640,000	+ 5.8%	\$569,950	+ 7.5%
August 2023	\$630,000	+ 5.9%	\$542,500	+ 8.5%
September 2023	\$600,000	+ 5.3%	\$518,400	+ 8.0%
October 2023	\$615,000	+ 12.8%	\$520,250	+ 8.0%
November 2023	\$601,000	+ 9.3%	\$515,000	+ 4.0%
December 2023	\$566,000	+ 6.6%	\$525,000	+ 15.4%
January 2024	\$570,000	+ 9.6%	\$520,000	+ 4.5%
Median	\$600,000	+ 4.3%	\$530,000	+ 5.0%

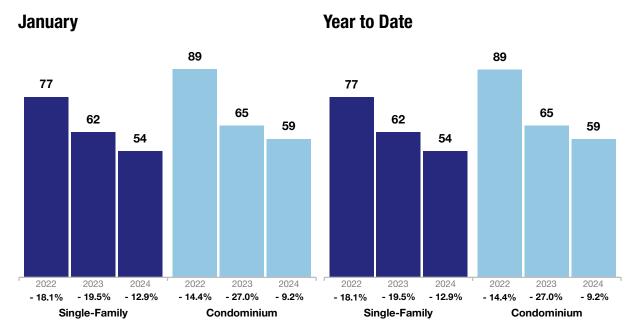
Historical Median Sales Price by Month



Housing Affordability Index

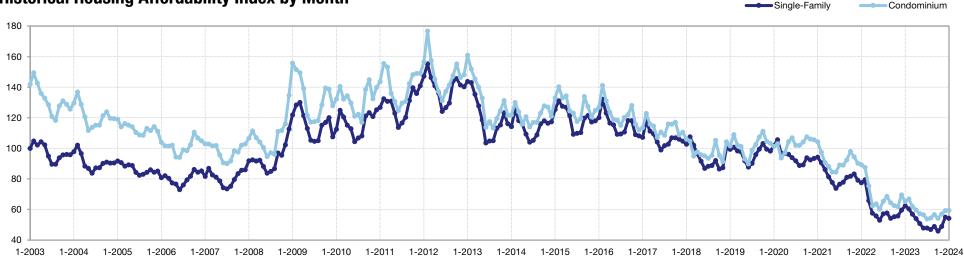


This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, an index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	60	- 24.1%	67	- 23.0%
March 2023	57	- 13.6%	62	- 17.3%
April 2023	54	- 6.9%	60	- 3.2%
May 2023	51	- 8.9%	57	- 10.9%
June 2023	48	- 9.4%	56	- 6.7%
July 2023	48	- 15.8%	54	- 16.9%
August 2023	47	- 19.0%	54	- 21.7%
September 2023	49	- 9.3%	57	- 10.9%
October 2023	46	- 16.4%	54	- 12.9%
November 2023	49	- 12.5%	57	- 8.1%
December 2023	55	- 8.3%	59	- 14.5%
January 2024	54	- 12.9%	59	- 9.2%
Average	51	- 13.4%	58	- 13.6%

Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month



Inventory of Homes for Sale



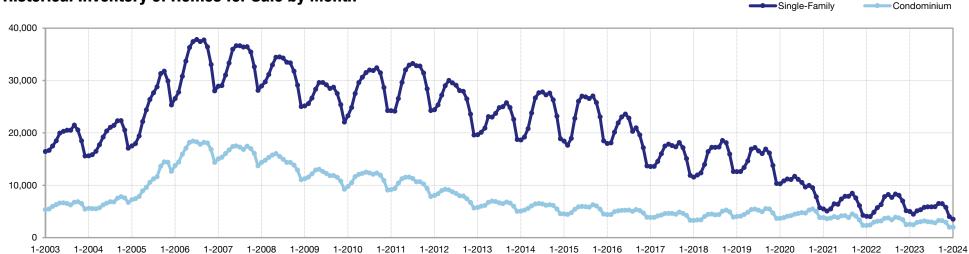


January 4,968 4,047 3,518 2,542 2,322 1,973 2023 2024 2022 2023 2024 2022 - 26.0% + 22.8% - 29.2% - 39.0% + 9.5% - 22.4%

	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	4,468	+ 11.7%	2,451	+ 1.8%
March 2023	5,101	+ 5.7%	2,887	- 1.5%
April 2023	5,303	- 7.0%	3,024	- 2.7%
May 2023	5,763	- 8.2%	3,185	+ 0.6%
June 2023	5,845	- 25.1%	3,019	- 17.7%
July 2023	5,854	- 28.8%	2,945	- 21.3%
August 2023	5,894	- 23.0%	2,815	- 16.5%
September 2023	6,494	- 21.7%	3,262	- 15.5%
October 2023	6,472	- 19.6%	3,235	- 14.1%
November 2023	5,774	- 17.5%	2,921	- 14.2%
December 2023	3,999	- 21.9%	1,975	- 19.7%
January 2024	3,518	- 29.2%	1,973	- 22.4%
Average	5,374	- 17.2%	2,808	- 12.3%

Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month

Single-Family

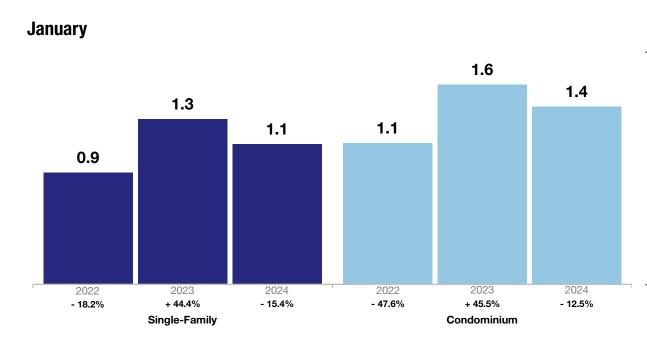


Condominium

Months Supply of Inventory



The inventory of homes for sale at the end of a given month, divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	1.2	+ 33.3%	1.5	+ 25.0%
March 2023	1.4	+ 27.3%	1.9	+ 35.7%
April 2023	1.5	+ 15.4%	2.0	+ 33.3%
May 2023	1.6	+ 14.3%	2.2	+ 37.5%
June 2023	1.7	- 5.6%	2.1	+ 10.5%
July 2023	1.7	- 10.5%	2.0	0.0%
August 2023	1.8	0.0%	2.0	+ 11.1%
September 2023	2.0	0.0%	2.3	+ 9.5%
October 2023	2.0	0.0%	2.3	+ 4.5%
November 2023	1.8	0.0%	2.1	+ 5.0%
December 2023	1.3	0.0%	1.4	- 6.7%
January 2024	1.1	- 15.4%	1.4	- 12.5%
Average	1.6	+ 3.1%	1.9	+ 10.5%

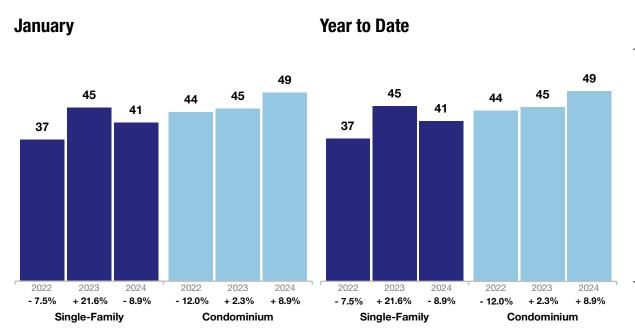
Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month



Final Days on Market

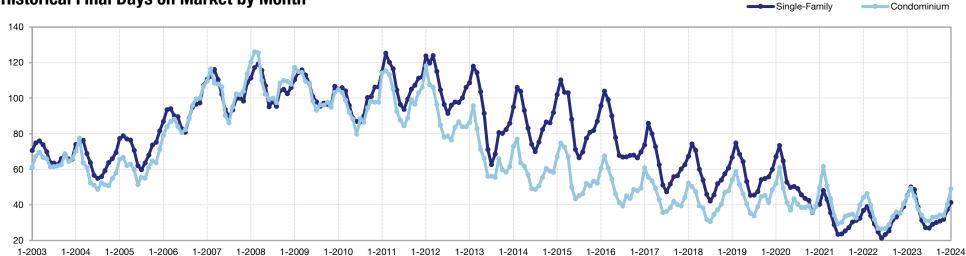






	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	50	+ 28.2%	49	+ 6.5%
March 2023	49	+ 44.1%	45	+ 12.5%
April 2023	39	+ 34.5%	38	+ 18.8%
May 2023	31	+ 24.0%	34	+ 25.9%
June 2023	27	+ 28.6%	31	+ 19.2%
July 2023	27	+ 17.4%	31	+ 14.8%
August 2023	29	+ 16.0%	33	+ 13.8%
September 2023	30	- 3.2%	33	0.0%
October 2023	31	- 6.1%	34	- 5.6%
November 2023	32	- 8.6%	34	- 2.9%
December 2023	37	- 5.1%	40	- 2.4%
January 2024	41	- 8.9%	49	+ 8.9%
Average	34	+ 11.9%	36	+ 9.2%

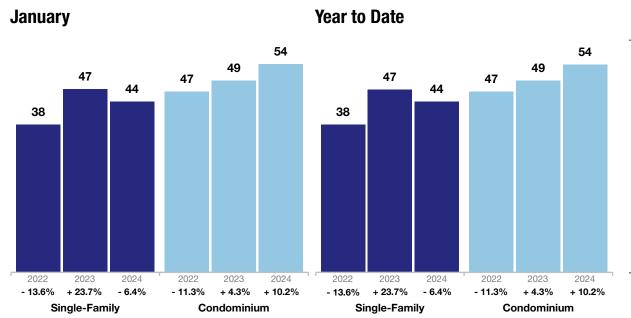
Historical Final Days on Market by Month



Cumulative Days on Market

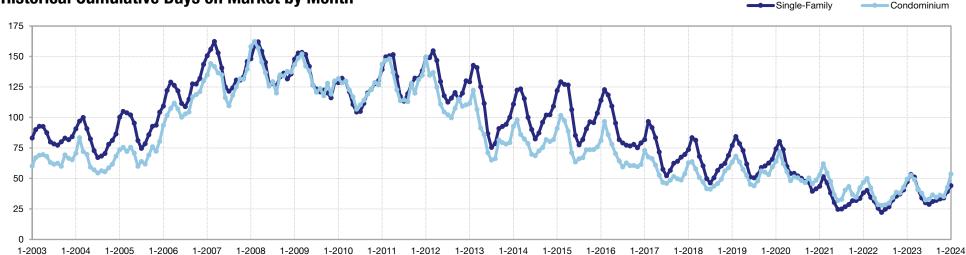


Average number of days between when a property is first listed and when the final offer is accepted before closing in a given month.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	53	+ 32.5%	52	+ 4.0%
March 2023	51	+ 50.0%	49	+ 16.7%
April 2023	41	+ 32.3%	41	+ 20.6%
May 2023	34	+ 30.8%	38	+ 35.7%
June 2023	30	+ 36.4%	32	+ 14.3%
July 2023	29	+ 16.0%	33	+ 17.9%
August 2023	31	+ 14.8%	36	+ 20.0%
September 2023	32	0.0%	34	0.0%
October 2023	33	- 5.7%	36	- 7.7%
November 2023	34	- 8.1%	35	- 7.9%
December 2023	39	- 2.5%	43	0.0%
January 2024	44	- 6.4%	54	+ 10.2%
Average	36	+ 14.3%	39	+ 10.2%

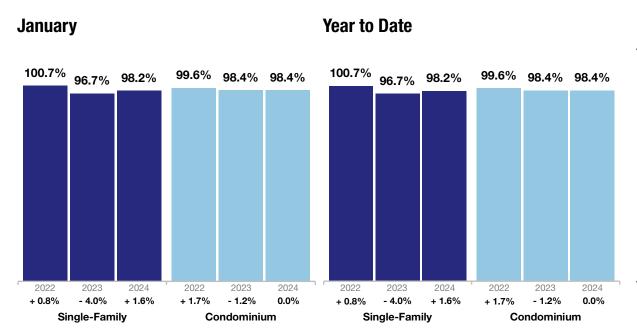
Historical Cumulative Days on Market by Month



Percent of Original List Price Received

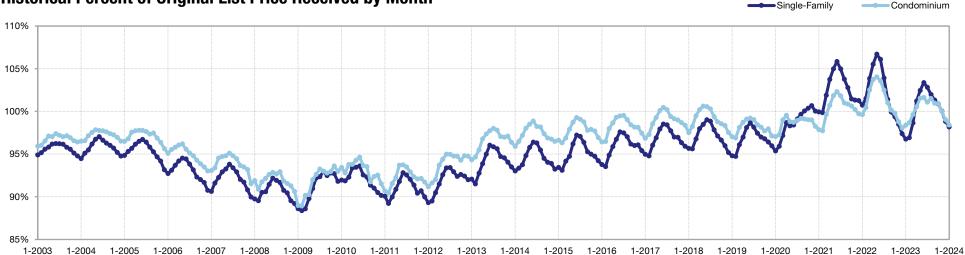


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	96.9%	- 4.5%	98.7%	- 1.7%
March 2023	98.6%	- 5.0%	99.6%	- 2.8%
April 2023	101.2%	- 4.1%	100.5%	- 3.1%
May 2023	102.4%	- 4.0%	101.6%	- 2.3%
June 2023	103.4%	- 2.5%	101.6%	- 1.9%
July 2023	102.8%	- 1.1%	101.1%	- 1.4%
August 2023	102.0%	+ 0.6%	101.5%	+ 0.5%
September 2023	101.3%	+ 1.4%	101.0%	+ 0.9%
October 2023	100.9%	+ 1.5%	100.9%	+ 1.1%
November 2023	100.0%	+ 1.5%	100.0%	+ 1.2%
December 2023	98.8%	+ 1.4%	99.0%	+ 1.0%
January 2024	98.2%	+ 1.6%	98.4%	0.0%
Average	100.9%	- 1.1%	100.6%	- 0.9%

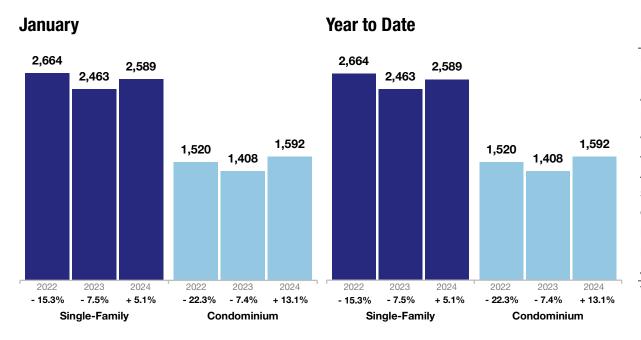
Historical Percent of Original List Price Received by Month



New Listings

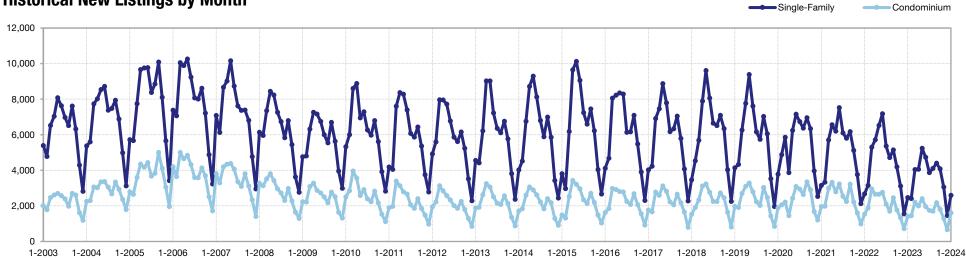
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
February 2023	2,405	- 23.5%	1,435	- 23.6%
March 2023	4,033	- 23.8%	2,201	- 25.3%
April 2023	4,056	- 29.0%	1,988	- 24.8%
May 2023	5,233	- 19.8%	2,393	- 9.7%
June 2023	4,727	- 34.1%	1,959	- 29.0%
July 2023	3,867	- 27.8%	1,734	- 17.2%
August 2023	4,096	- 13.0%	1,692	- 0.1%
September 2023	4,391	- 14.5%	2,170	- 11.5%
October 2023	4,076	- 2.7%	1,802	+ 2.1%
November 2023	3,055	- 1.6%	1,276	- 3.6%
December 2023	1,447	- 5.9%	653	- 8.5%
January 2024	2,589	+ 5.1%	1,592	+ 13.1%
Total	43,975	- 19.1%	20,895	- 14.1%

Historical New Listings by Month



Glossary of Terms

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Closed Sales	A measure of home sales that were closed to completion during the report period.
Median Sales Price	A measure of home values in a market area where 50% of activity was higher and 50% was lower than this price point.
Housing Affordability Index	A measure of how affordable a region's housing is to its consumers. A higher number means greater affordability. The index is based on interest rates, median sales price and average income by county.
Inventory of Homes for Sale	A measure of the number of homes available for sale at a given time. Once a listing goes pending, sold or is taken off the market, it is no longer considered "active." The availability of homes for sale has a big effect on supply-demand dynamics and home prices.
Months Supply of Inventory	The inventory of homes for sale (at the end of a given month) divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.
Final Days on Market Until Sale	A measure of how many calendar days pass between when a listing becomes active (not pending) for the last time to the last time it goes pending directly before it is sold. A pending sale is defined as something classified as Pending, Active with a Flag, Contingent or Under Agreement.
Cumulative Days on Market Until Sale	A measure of the average number of calendar days that pass from when a listing is first listed to when a property goes into the last pending status before it is sold.
Percent of Original List Price Received	This is calculated as Total Sold Dollars (all sold prices added together) divided by Total Original Price (all original list prices added together).
New Listings	A measure of how much new supply is coming onto the market from sellers. It is calculated by counting all listings with a list date in the reporting period.