

# **Monthly Indicators**

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### September 2024

U.S. existing-home sales slid 2.5% month-over-month and 4.2% year-over-year to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.86 million units, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). Meanwhile, home prices have continued to reach record heights nationwide, with NAR reporting a median sales price of \$416,700 as of last measure, a 3.1% increase from the same time last year and a new high for the month.

New Listings were up 20.7 percent for single-family homes and 16.9 percent for condominium properties. Closed Sales decreased 2.9 percent for single-family homes and 9.9 percent for condominium properties.

The Median Sales Price was up 4.8 percent to \$628,888 for single-family homes and 0.2 percent to \$520,000 for condominium properties. Months Supply of Inventory increased 5.0 percent for single-family units and 8.7 percent for condominium units.

Amid slower home sales, inventory has continued to grow across the country. According to NAR, there were 1.35 million units for sale heading into September. a 0.7% increase from the previous month and a 22.7% jump from the same time last year. And while monthly existing-home sales were lower than expected this period, NAR Chief Economist Lawrence Yun believes that the rise in inventory, along with lower mortgage rates, should help sales improve in the months ahead.

### **Quick Facts**

#### **Closed Sales**

3,254 1.325

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

- 2.9%

- 9.9%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **Median Sales Price**

\$628.888

\$520,000

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 4.8%

+ 0.2%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **Homes for Sale**

6.794

3,462

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 2.3%

Year-Over-Year Change

+ 3.6%

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **New Listings**

5.290

2.539

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 20.7%

+ 16.9%

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	9-2023	9-2024	+/-	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	+/-
Closed Sales	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	3,350	3,254	- 2.9%	28,650	29,056	+ 1.4%
Median Sales Price	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	\$600,000	\$628,888	+ 4.8%	\$600,000	\$640,750	+ 6.8%
Affordability Index	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	49	52	+ 6.1%	49	51	+ 4.1%
Homes for Sale	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	6,639	6,794	+ 2.3%			
Months Supply	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	2.0	2.1	+ 5.0%			
Final Days on Market	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	30	33	+ 10.0%	34	33	- 2.9%
Cumulative Days on Market	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	32	34	+ 6.3%	36	35	- 2.8%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	101.3%	99.8%	- 1.5%	101.2%	101.0%	- 0.2%
New Listings	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	4,384	5,290	+ 20.7%	35,246	38,464	+ 9.1%

### **Condominium Market Overview**



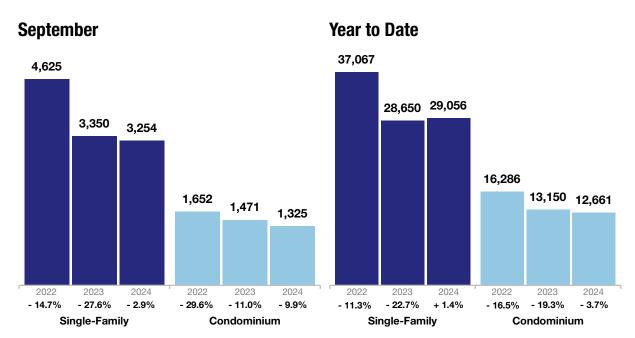
Key market metrics for the current month and year-to-date figures for Condominium Properties Only.

Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	9-2023	9-2024	+/-	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	+/-
Closed Sales	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	1,471	1,325	- 9.9%	13,150	12,661	- 3.7%
Median Sales Price	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	\$518,800	\$520,000	+ 0.2%	\$530,770	\$550,000	+ 3.6%
Affordability Index	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	57	63	+ 10.5%	55	59	+ 7.3%
Homes for Sale	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	3,341	3,462	+ 3.6%			
Months Supply	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	2.3	2.5	+ 8.7%			
Final Days on Market	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	33	38	+ 15.2%	36	36	0.0%
Cumulative Days on Market	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	34	40	+ 17.6%	39	39	0.0%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	100.9%	99.2%	- 1.7%	100.7%	100.2%	- 0.5%
New Listings	9-2021 9-2022 9-2023 9-2024	2,172	2,539	+ 16.9%	16,991	17,921	+ 5.5%

### **Closed Sales**

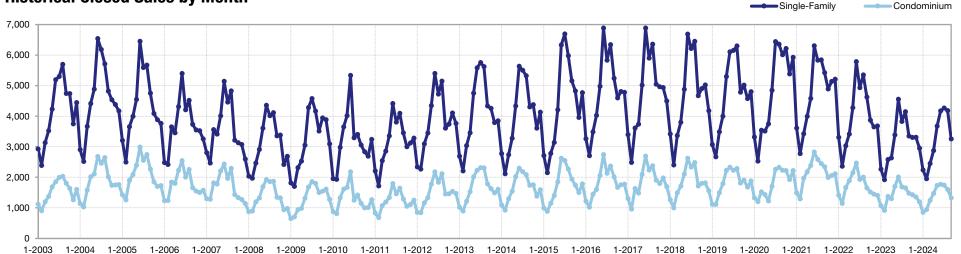
A count of the actual sales that closed in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
October 2023	3,300	- 14.6%	1,425	- 6.1%
November 2023	3,308	- 9.3%	1,351	- 6.6%
December 2023	2,948	- 19.8%	1,195	- 14.9%
January 2024	2,239	- 1.2%	850	- 20.6%
February 2024	1,951	+ 1.8%	941	+ 3.2%
March 2024	2,449	- 5.0%	1,240	- 9.3%
April 2024	2,872	+ 9.1%	1,468	+ 13.4%
May 2024	3,672	+ 8.4%	1,727	+ 1.7%
June 2024	4,172	- 8.3%	1,768	- 11.9%
July 2024	4,267	+ 11.6%	1,741	+ 3.6%
August 2024	4,180	+ 0.8%	1,601	- 2.9%
September 2024	3,254	- 2.9%	1,325	- 9.9%
Total	38,612	- 3.1%	16,632	- 5.1%

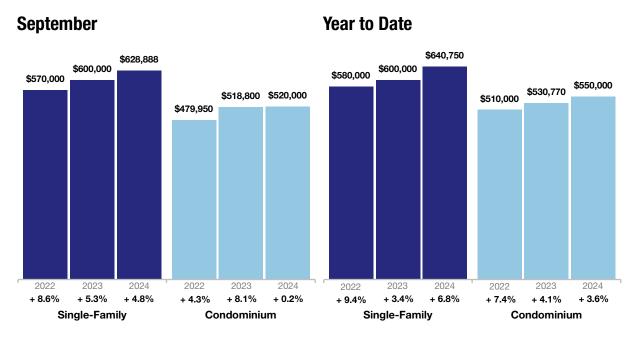
#### **Historical Closed Sales by Month**



### **Median Sales Price**

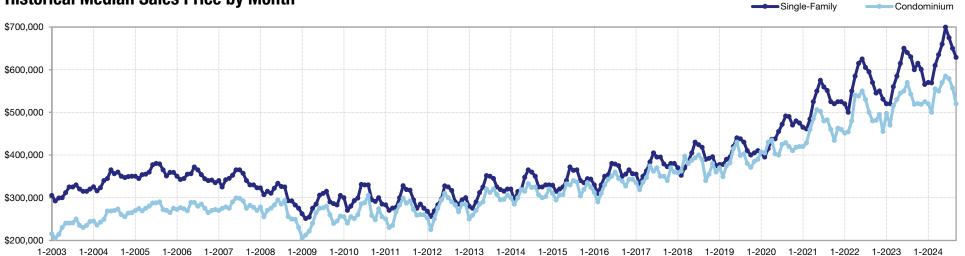


Point at which half of the sales sold for more and half sold for less, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
October 2023	\$615,000	+ 12.8%	\$520,500	+ 8.1%
November 2023	\$600,500	+ 9.2%	\$519,000	+ 4.8%
December 2023	\$565,500	+ 6.5%	\$525,000	+ 15.4%
January 2024	\$570,000	+ 9.6%	\$520,000	+ 4.5%
February 2024	\$569,000	+ 9.4%	\$500,000	+ 6.4%
March 2024	\$610,000	+ 8.9%	\$555,000	+ 7.8%
April 2024	\$635,000	+ 8.5%	\$550,000	+ 3.8%
May 2024	\$660,000	+ 7.3%	\$570,000	+ 4.6%
June 2024	\$699,450	+ 7.6%	\$585,000	+ 6.4%
July 2024	\$675,000	+ 5.5%	\$579,000	+ 1.6%
August 2024	\$650,000	+ 3.2%	\$557,250	+ 2.7%
September 2024	\$628,888	+ 4.8%	\$520,000	+ 0.2%
Median	\$630,000	+ 8.6%	\$545,000	+ 4.8%

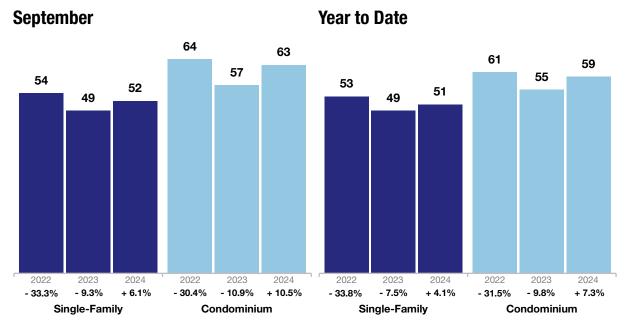
#### **Historical Median Sales Price by Month**



## **Housing Affordability Index**

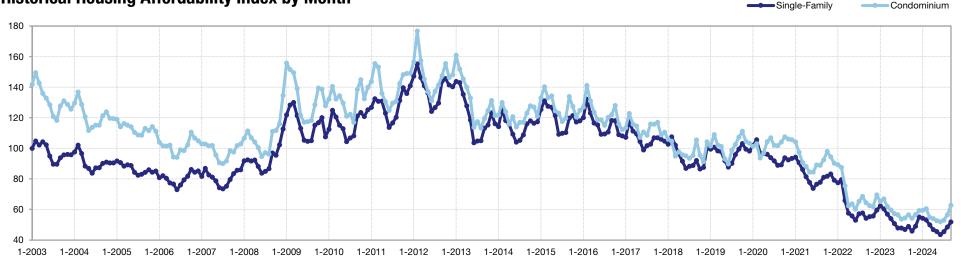


This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, an index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
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%
February 2024	53	- 11.7%	60	- 10.4%
March 2024	50	- 12.3%	55	- 11.3%
April 2024	47	- 13.0%	54	- 10.0%
May 2024	45	- 11.8%	53	- 7.0%
June 2024	43	- 10.4%	52	- 7.1%
July 2024	45	- 6.3%	53	- 1.9%
August 2024	48	+ 2.1%	57	+ 5.6%
September 2024	52	+ 6.1%	63	+ 10.5%
Average	49	- 8.9%	56	- 6.9%

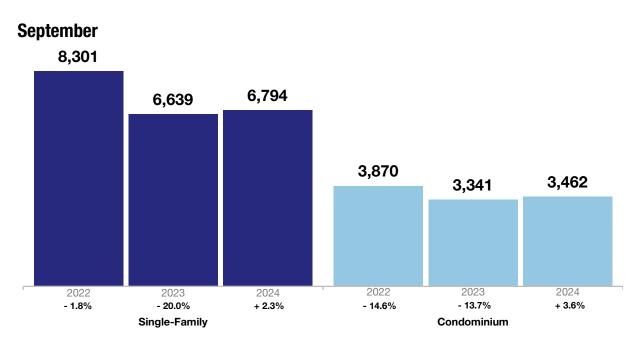
#### **Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month**



### **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

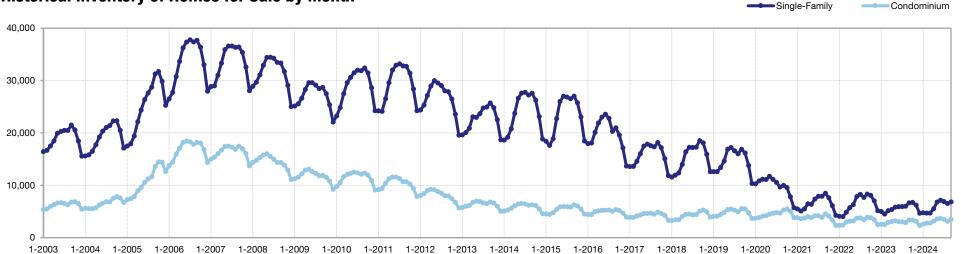






	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
October 2023	6,714	- 16.7%	3,340	- 11.6%
November 2023	6,187	- 11.8%	3,109	- 9.0%
December 2023	4,638	- 9.6%	2,272	- 8.1%
January 2024	4,739	- 4.9%	2,548	- 0.6%
February 2024	4,682	+ 4.4%	2,736	+ 10.7%
March 2024	4,659	- 9.0%	2,781	- 4.5%
April 2024	5,486	+ 2.9%	3,155	+ 3.4%
May 2024	6,781	+ 16.9%	3,543	+ 10.1%
June 2024	7,125	+ 20.8%	3,675	+ 20.2%
July 2024	6,869	+ 15.9%	3,472	+ 16.1%
August 2024	6,495	+ 8.5%	3,101	+ 7.9%
September 2024	6,794	+ 2.3%	3,462	+ 3.6%
Average	5,931	+ 1.1%	3,100	+ 2.9%

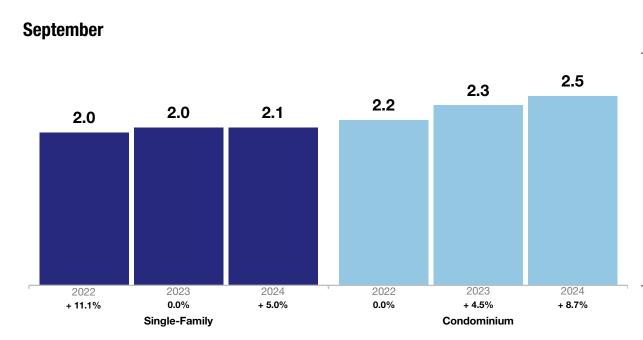
#### **Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month**



### **Months Supply of Inventory**

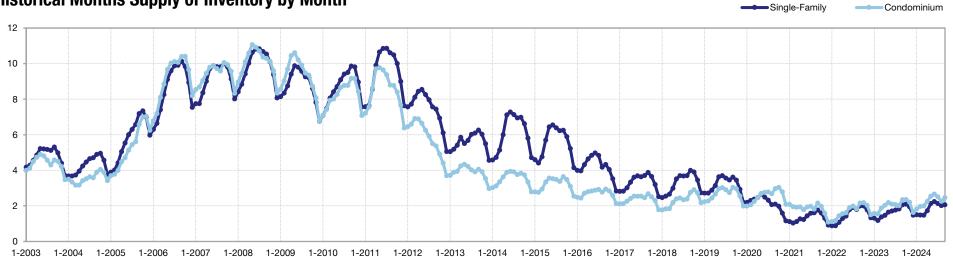


The inventory of homes for sale at the end of a given month, divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
October 2023	2.1	+ 5.0%	2.3	+ 4.5%
November 2023	1.9	+ 5.6%	2.2	+ 10.0%
December 2023	1.5	+ 15.4%	1.6	+ 6.7%
January 2024	1.5	+ 15.4%	1.8	+ 12.5%
February 2024	1.5	+ 25.0%	2.0	+ 33.3%
March 2024	1.5	+ 7.1%	2.0	+ 5.3%
April 2024	1.7	+ 13.3%	2.2	+ 10.0%
May 2024	2.1	+ 31.3%	2.5	+ 13.6%
June 2024	2.2	+ 29.4%	2.7	+ 28.6%
July 2024	2.1	+ 16.7%	2.5	+ 19.0%
August 2024	2.0	+ 11.1%	2.2	+ 10.0%
September 2024	2.1	+ 5.0%	2.5	+ 8.7%
Average	1.9	+ 14.7%	2.2	+ 13.9%

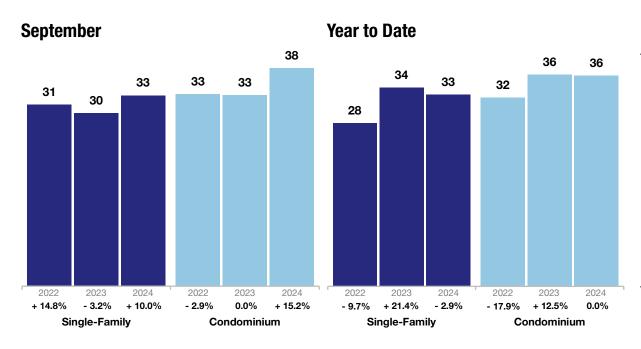
### **Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month**



### **Final Days on Market**

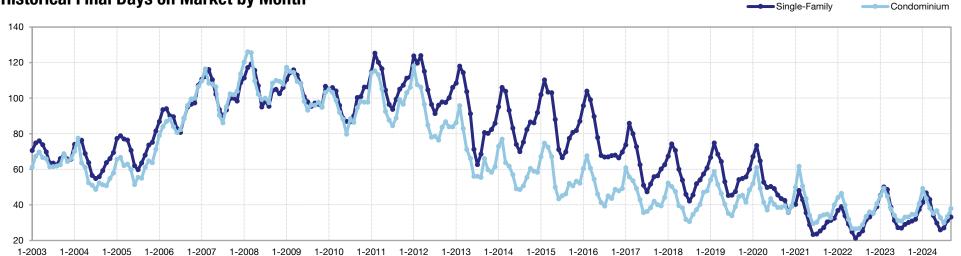






		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
October 2023	31	- 6.1%	35	- 2.8%
November 2023	32	- 8.6%	35	0.0%
December 2023	37	- 5.1%	41	0.0%
January 2024	41	- 8.9%	49	+ 8.9%
February 2024	47	- 6.0%	43	- 12.2%
March 2024	43	- 12.2%	38	- 15.6%
April 2024	34	- 12.8%	35	- 7.9%
May 2024	30	- 3.2%	37	+ 8.8%
June 2024	26	- 3.7%	33	+ 6.5%
July 2024	27	0.0%	30	- 3.2%
August 2024	31	+ 6.9%	33	0.0%
September 2024	33	+ 10.0%	38	+ 15.2%
Average	33	- 4.6%	36	- 0.9%

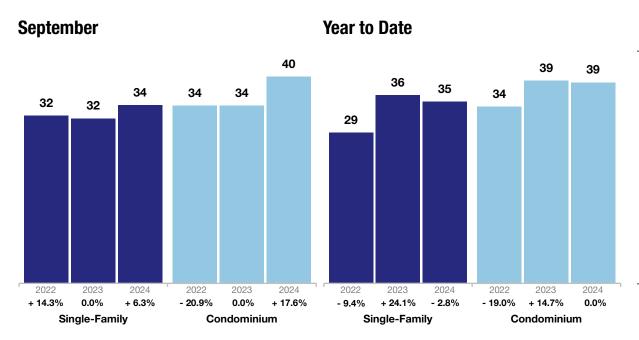
### **Historical Final Days on Market by Month**



### **Cumulative Days on Market**

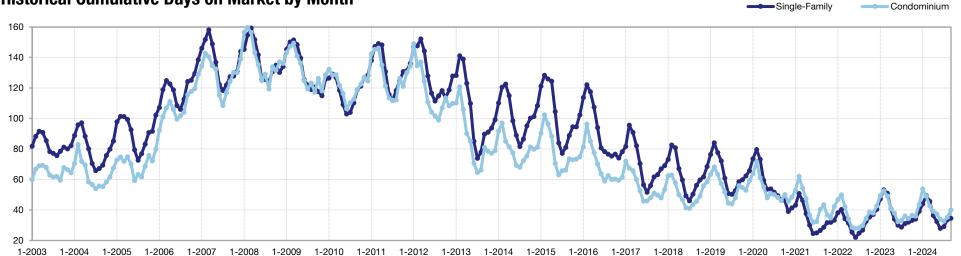


Average number of days between when a property is first listed and when the final offer is accepted before closing in a given month.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
October 2023	33	- 5.7%	36	- 7.7%
November 2023	34	- 8.1%	36	- 5.3%
December 2023	39	- 2.5%	43	0.0%
January 2024	44	- 6.4%	54	+ 10.2%
February 2024	49	- 7.5%	49	- 5.8%
March 2024	46	- 9.8%	43	- 12.2%
April 2024	36	- 12.2%	39	- 4.9%
May 2024	32	- 5.9%	37	- 2.6%
June 2024	28	- 6.7%	34	+ 6.3%
July 2024	29	0.0%	32	- 3.0%
August 2024	33	+ 6.5%	35	- 2.8%
September 2024	34	+ 6.3%	40	+ 17.6%
Average	35	- 4.2%	39	- 1.4%

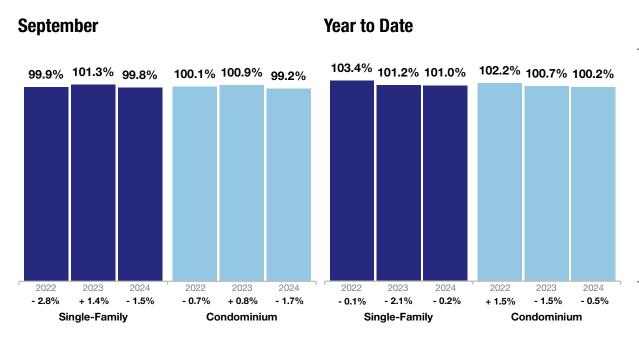
#### **Historical Cumulative Days on Market by Month**

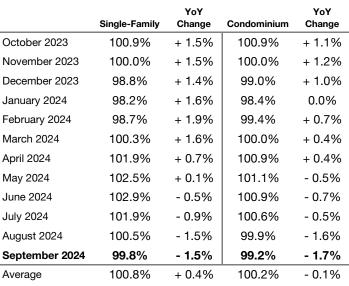


## **Percent of Original List Price Received**

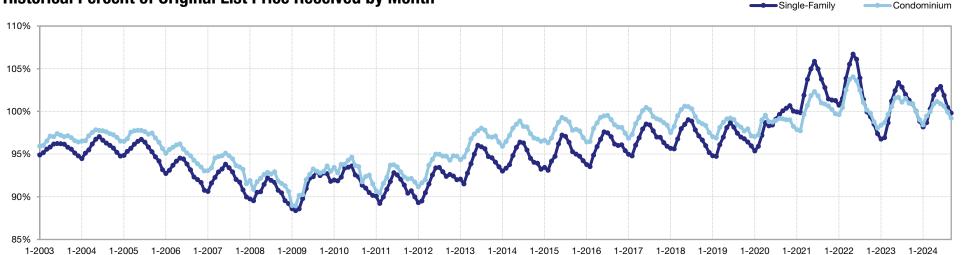


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.





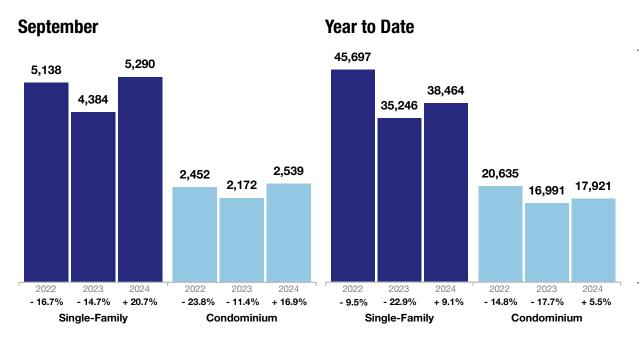
#### **Historical Percent of Original List Price Received by Month**



### **New Listings**

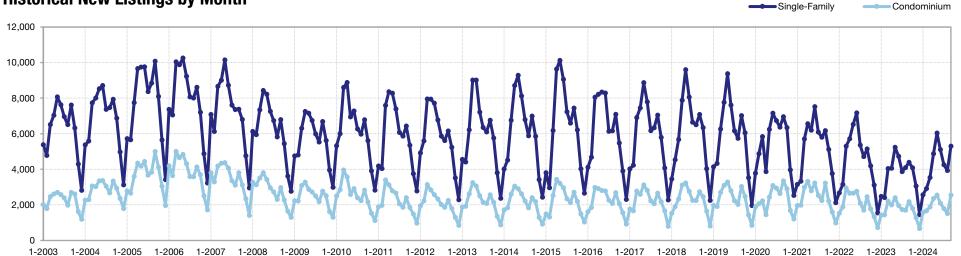
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
October 2023	4,076	- 2.7%	1,797	+ 1.8%
November 2023	3,049	- 1.8%	1,283	- 3.0%
December 2023	1,441	- 6.3%	658	- 7.8%
January 2024	2,556	+ 3.7%	1,573	+ 11.2%
February 2024	2,910	+ 21.0%	1,661	+ 15.8%
March 2024	3,531	- 12.4%	1,874	- 14.9%
April 2024	4,868	+ 20.1%	2,352	+ 18.3%
May 2024	6,032	+ 15.4%	2,537	+ 5.8%
June 2024	5,104	+ 8.0%	2,091	+ 6.9%
July 2024	4,246	+ 9.8%	1,787	+ 3.3%
August 2024	3,927	- 3.9%	1,507	- 11.2%
September 2024	5,290	+ 20.7%	2,539	+ 16.9%
Total	47,030	+ 6.7%	21,659	+ 4.2%

#### **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.