

# **Monthly Indicators**

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### **April 2024**

U.S. existing-home sales recently fell from a one-year high, dropping 4.3% month-over-month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.19 million, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), as higher interest rates and rising sales prices continue to keep some prospective buyers on the sidelines. Average 30-year mortgage rates have topped 7% in recent weeks, while the median existing-home sales price hit \$393,500 as of last measure, a 4.8% increase from the previous month, according to NAR.

New Listings were up 22.3 percent for single-family homes and 18.4 percent for condominium properties. Closed Sales increased 8.0 percent for single-family homes and 11.0 percent for condominium properties.

The Median Sales Price was up 8.5 percent to \$635,000 for single-family homes and 1.9 percent to \$540,000 for condominium properties. Months Supply of Inventory decreased 6.7 percent for single-family units and 10.0 percent for condominium units.

Warmer temperatures appear to have helped bring some sellers back to the market, providing additional options to home shoppers during the spring buying season. Total inventory was up 4.7% month-over-month and 14.4% year-over-year, for a 3.2 months' supply at the current sales pace, according to NAR. Nevertheless, demand continues to outpace supply and properties are selling quickly, with the typical home spending 33 days on market nationwide, down from 38 days the month before.

### **Quick Facts**

#### **Closed Sales**

2,842

1.437

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 8.0%

+ 11.0%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **Median Sales Price**

\$635,000

\$540,000

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 8.5%

+ 1.9%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **Homes for Sale**

4,429

2.589

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

- 16.8%

- 14.9%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **New Listings**

4,960

2.354

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 22.3%

+ 18.4%

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	4-2023	4-2024	+/-	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	+/-
Closed Sales	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	2,631	2,842	+ 8.0%	9,389	9,470	+ 0.9%
Median Sales Price	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	\$585,000	\$635,000	+ 8.5%	\$550,000	\$600,000	+ 9.1%
Affordability Index	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	54	47	- 13.0%	57	49	- 14.0%
Homes for Sale	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	5,321	4,429	- 16.8%			
Months Supply	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	1.5	1.4	- 6.7%			
Final Days on Market	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	39	34	- 12.8%	45	41	- 8.9%
Cumulative Days on Market	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	41	36	- 12.2%	48	43	- 10.4%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	101.2%	101.9%	+ 0.7%	98.5%	99.9%	+ 1.4%
New Listings	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	4,054	4,960	+ 22.3%	12,955	13,980	+ 7.9%

## **Condominium Market Overview**



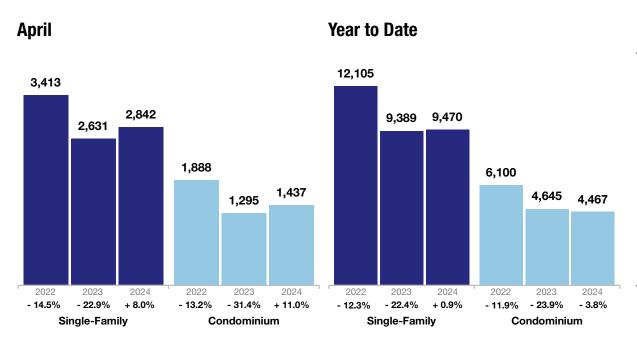
Key market metrics for the current month and year-to-date figures for Condominium Properties Only.

Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	4-2023	4-2024	+/-	YTD 2023	YTD 2024	+/-
Closed Sales	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	1,295	1,437	+ 11.0%	4,645	4,467	- 3.8%
Median Sales Price	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	\$530,000	\$540,000	+ 1.9%	\$505,000	\$534,775	+ 5.9%
Affordability Index	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	60	55	- 8.3%	63	55	- 12.7%
Homes for Sale	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	3,044	2,589	- 14.9%			
Months Supply	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	2.0	1.8	- 10.0%			
Final Days on Market	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	38	34	- 10.5%	44	40	- 9.1%
Cumulative Days on Market	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	41	38	- 7.3%	48	45	- 6.3%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	100.5%	100.9%	+ 0.4%	99.4%	99.9%	+ 0.5%
New Listings	4-2021 4-2022 4-2023 4-2024	1,988	2,354	+ 18.4%	7,039	7,427	+ 5.5%

### **Closed Sales**

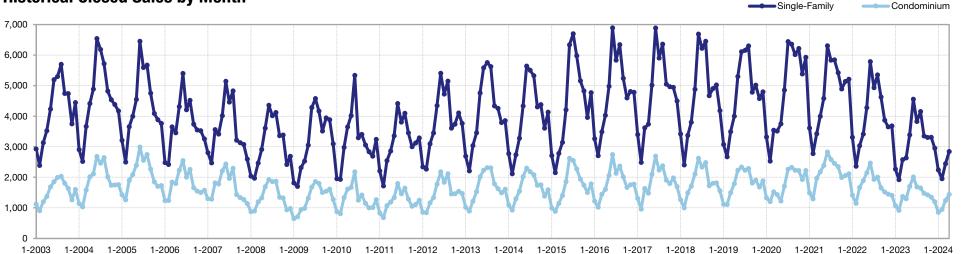
A count of the actual sales that closed in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
May 2023	3,383	- 20.8%	1,698	- 20.7%
June 2023	4,551	- 21.3%	2,007	- 18.5%
July 2023	3,824	- 22.4%	1,680	- 12.9%
August 2023	4,148	- 22.5%	1,648	- 17.6%
September 2023	3,350	- 27.6%	1,472	- 10.9%
October 2023	3,299	- 14.7%	1,422	- 6.3%
November 2023	3,308	- 9.2%	1,349	- 6.8%
December 2023	2,948	- 19.8%	1,197	- 14.7%
January 2024	2,239	- 1.2%	850	- 20.6%
February 2024	1,948	+ 1.6%	943	+ 3.4%
March 2024	2,441	- 5.2%	1,237	- 9.5%
April 2024	2,842	+ 8.0%	1,437	+ 11.0%
Total	38,281	- 15.9%	16,940	- 11.8%

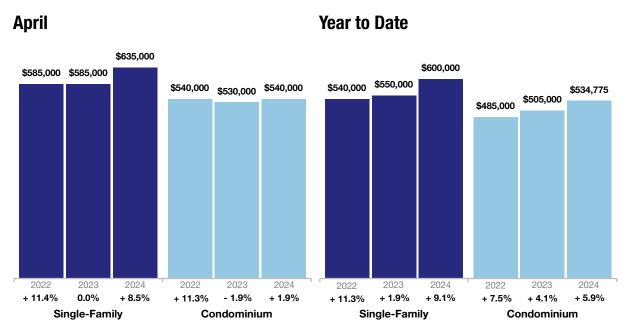
### **Historical Closed Sales by Month**



### **Median Sales Price**

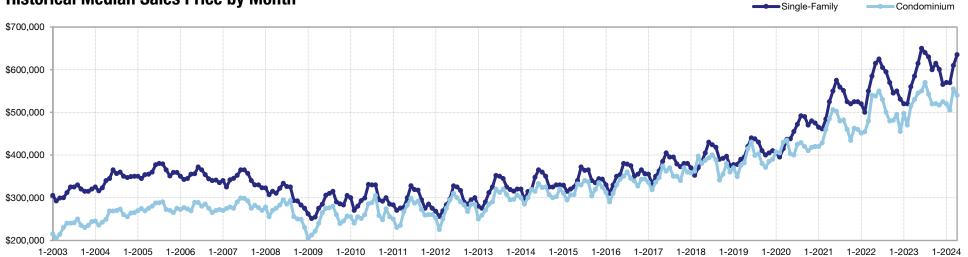


Point at which half of the sales sold for more and half sold for less, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
May 2023	\$615,000	0.0%	\$544,950	+ 1.2%
June 2023	\$650,000	+ 4.0%	\$550,000	0.0%
July 2023	\$640,000	+ 5.8%	\$570,000	+ 7.5%
August 2023	\$630,000	+ 5.9%	\$542,500	+ 8.5%
September 2023	\$600,000	+ 5.3%	\$519,400	+ 8.2%
October 2023	\$615,000	+ 12.8%	\$520,250	+ 8.0%
November 2023	\$600,500	+ 9.2%	\$517,000	+ 4.4%
December 2023	\$565,500	+ 6.5%	\$525,000	+ 15.4%
January 2024	\$570,000	+ 9.6%	\$520,000	+ 4.5%
February 2024	\$569,450	+ 9.5%	\$505,000	+ 7.5%
March 2024	\$610,000	+ 8.9%	\$555,000	+ 7.8%
April 2024	\$635,000	+ 8.5%	\$540,000	+ 1.9%
Median	\$612,000	+ 6.4%	\$536,000	+ 5.1%

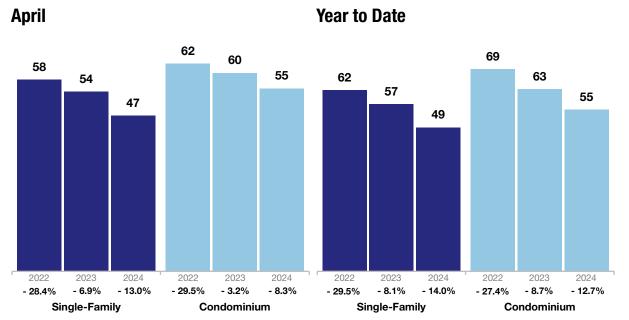
#### **Historical Median Sales Price by Month**



## **Housing Affordability Index**

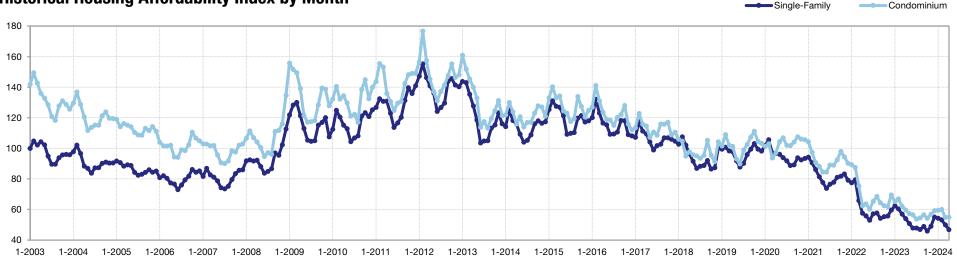


This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, an index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
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%	56	- 12.5%
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%	55	- 8.3%
Average	50	- 12.6%	56	- 11.9%

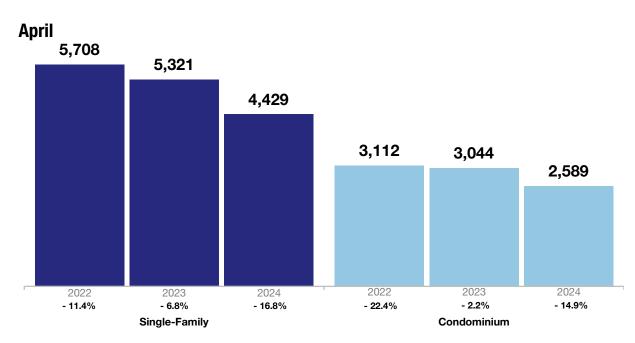
#### **Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month**



## **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

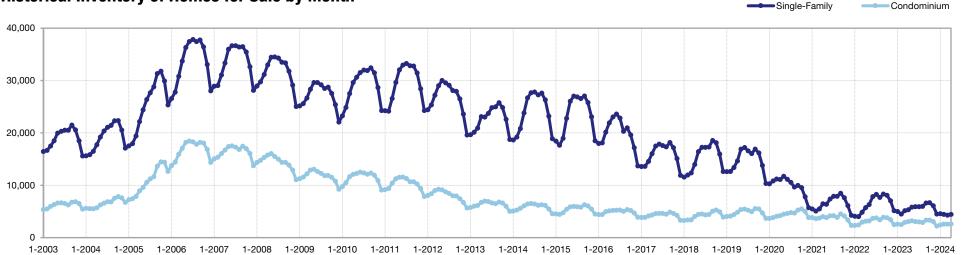
The number of properties available for sale in an active status at the end of a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
May 2023	5,788	- 7.9%	3,210	+ 1.2%
June 2023	5,883	- 24.7%	3,050	- 17.0%
July 2023	5,901	- 28.3%	2,978	- 20.6%
August 2023	5,957	- 22.2%	2,852	- 15.5%
September 2023	6,601	- 20.5%	3,313	- 14.3%
October 2023	6,652	- 17.4%	3,312	- 12.2%
November 2023	6,086	- 13.1%	3,055	- 10.5%
December 2023	4,491	- 12.4%	2,180	- 11.6%
January 2024	4,549	- 8.6%	2,421	- 5.3%
February 2024	4,422	- 1.2%	2,573	+ 4.3%
March 2024	4,264	- 16.6%	2,564	- 11.8%
April 2024	4,429	- 16.8%	2,589	- 14.9%
Average	5,419	- 17.0%	2,841	- 11.4%

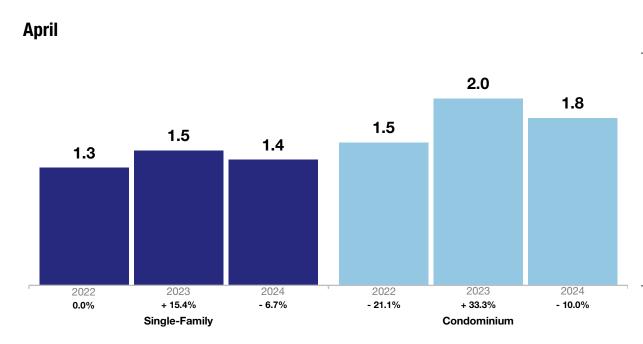
### **Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month**



## **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
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%	2.1	+ 5.0%
August 2023	1.8	0.0%	2.0	+ 11.1%
September 2023	2.0	0.0%	2.3	+ 9.5%
October 2023	2.1	+ 5.0%	2.3	+ 4.5%
November 2023	1.9	+ 5.6%	2.2	+ 10.0%
December 2023	1.4	+ 7.7%	1.6	+ 6.7%
January 2024	1.4	+ 7.7%	1.7	+ 6.3%
February 2024	1.4	+ 16.7%	1.8	+ 20.0%
March 2024	1.3	- 7.1%	1.8	- 5.3%
April 2024	1.4	- 6.7%	1.8	- 10.0%
Average	1.7	+ 3.1%	2.0	+ 7.8%

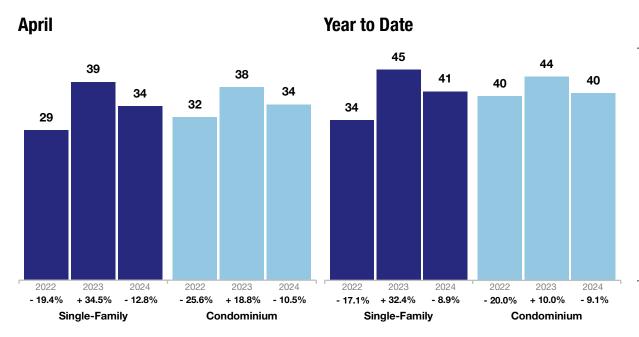
### **Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month**



## **Final Days on Market**

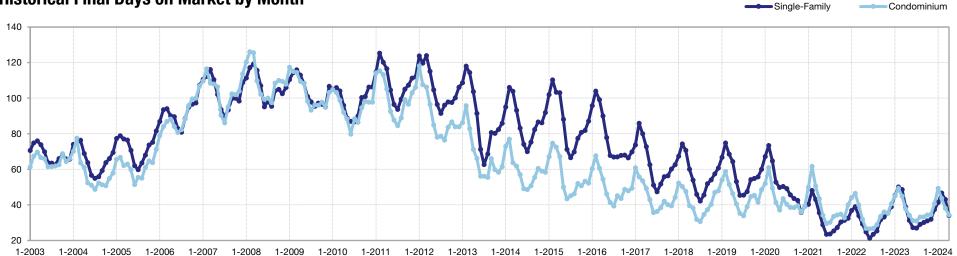






	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
May 2023	31	+ 24.0%	34	+ 25.9%
June 2023	27	+ 28.6%	31	+ 19.2%
July 2023	27	+ 17.4%	31	+ 14.8%
August 2023	29	+ 16.0%	33	+ 13.8%
September 2023	30	- 3.2%	33	0.0%
October 2023	31	- 6.1%	34	- 5.6%
November 2023	32	- 8.6%	34	- 2.9%
December 2023	37	- 5.1%	41	0.0%
January 2024	41	- 8.9%	49	+ 8.9%
February 2024	47	- 6.0%	44	- 10.2%
March 2024	43	- 12.2%	38	- 15.6%
April 2024	34	- 12.8%	34	- 10.5%
Average	33	+ 3.0%	35	+ 4.0%

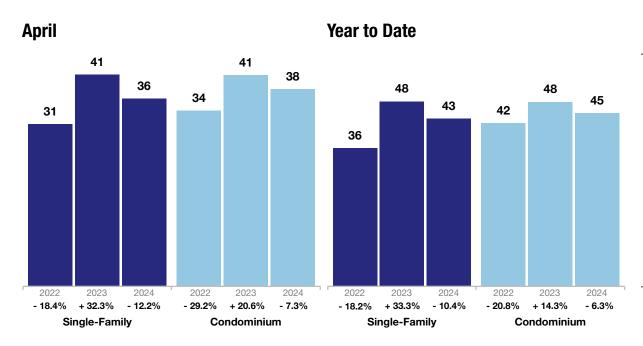
### **Historical Final Days on Market by Month**



## **Cumulative Days on Market**

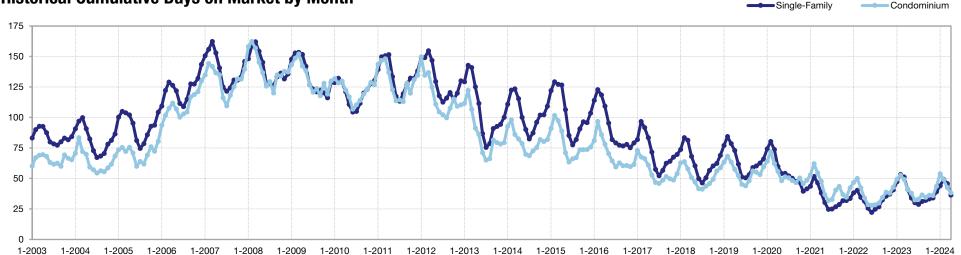


Average number of days between when a property is first listed and when the final offer is accepted before closing in a given month.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
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%	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%	42	- 14.3%
April 2024	36	- 12.2%	38	- 7.3%
Average	35	+ 5.1%	38	+ 5.5%

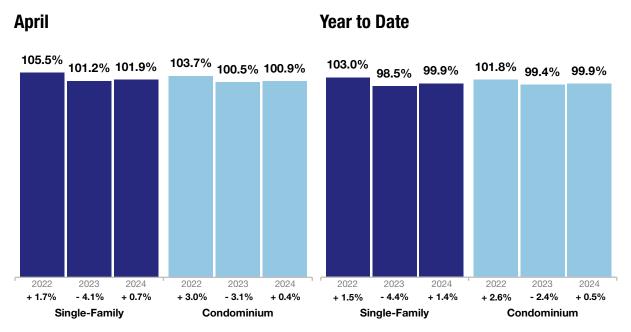
#### **Historical Cumulative Days on Market by Month**



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

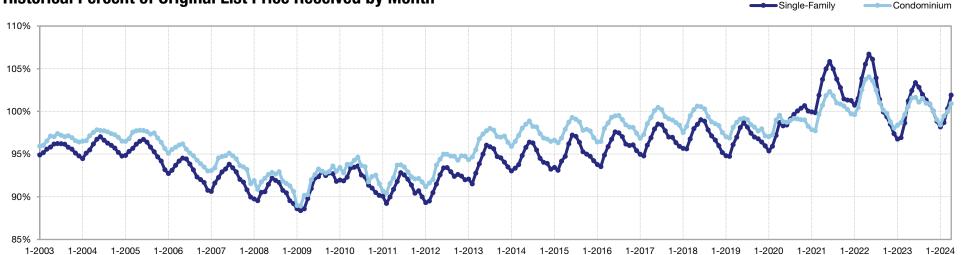


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
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%
February 2024	98.7%	+ 1.9%	99.4%	+ 0.7%
March 2024	100.3%	+ 1.7%	100.0%	+ 0.4%
April 2024	101.9%	+ 0.7%	100.9%	+ 0.4%
Average	101.2%	- 0.1%	100.7%	- 0.2%

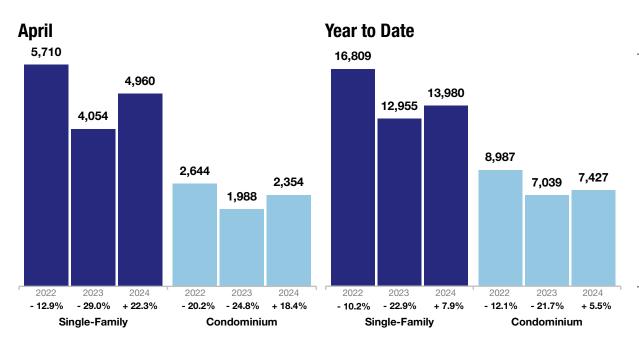
#### **Historical Percent of Original List Price Received by Month**



## **New Listings**

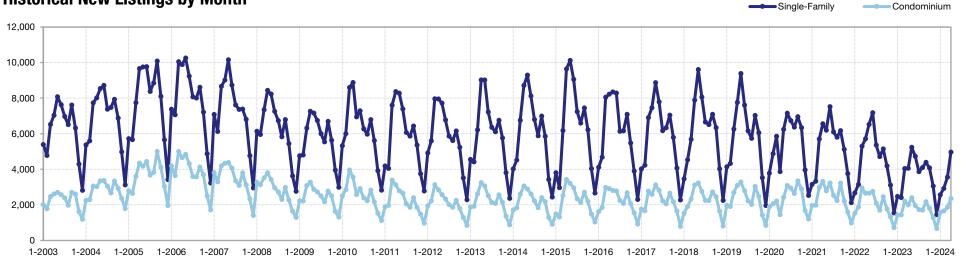
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
May 2023	5,230	- 19.8%	2,395	- 9.7%
June 2023	4,727	- 34.1%	1,958	- 29.0%
July 2023	3,865	- 27.9%	1,732	- 17.2%
August 2023	4,091	- 13.1%	1,696	+ 0.1%
September 2023	4,388	- 14.6%	2,171	- 11.5%
October 2023	4,074	- 2.7%	1,801	+ 2.0%
November 2023	3,051	- 1.8%	1,280	- 3.3%
December 2023	1,443	- 6.2%	654	- 8.4%
January 2024	2,559	+ 3.9%	1,571	+ 11.0%
February 2024	2,914	+ 21.2%	1,645	+ 14.7%
March 2024	3,547	- 12.1%	1,857	- 15.7%
April 2024	4,960	+ 22.3%	2,354	+ 18.4%
Total	44,849	- 11.5%	21,114	- 6.1%

#### **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.