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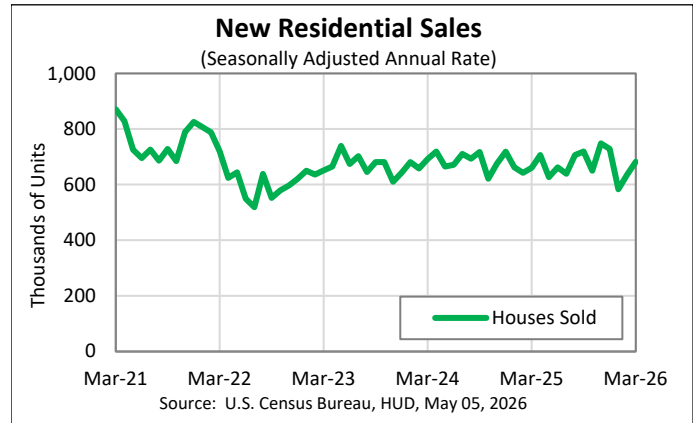
## MONTHLY NEW RESIDENTIAL SALES, MARCH 2026

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**Special Notice:** The March New Residential Sales release also contains initial estimates for the month of February. Additional text has been added to highlight the month-to-month change from February to March.

**May 05, 2026** - The U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development jointly announced the following new residential sales statistics for March 2026:

NEW RESIDENTIAL SALES MARCH 2026	
New Houses Sold <sup>1</sup> :	682,000
New Houses For Sale <sup>2</sup> :	481,000
Median Sales Price:	\$387,400
Next Release: May 28, 2026	
<sup>1</sup> Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate (SAAR)	
<sup>2</sup> Seasonally Adjusted	
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, HUD, May 05, 2026	



### New Home Sales

Sales of new single-family houses in March 2026 were at a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 682,000, according to estimates released jointly today by the U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This is 7.4 percent ( $\pm 15.5$  percent)\* above the February 2026 rate of 635,000, and is 3.3 percent ( $\pm 16.2$  percent)\* above the March 2025 rate of 660,000.

Sales of new single-family houses in February 2026 were at a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 635,000. This is 8.9 percent ( $\pm 21.1$  percent)\* above the January 2026 rate of 583,000

### For Sale Inventory and Months' Supply

The seasonally-adjusted estimate of new houses for sale at the end of March 2026 was 481,000. This is 0.4 percent ( $\pm 1.5$  percent)\* below the February 2026 estimate of 483,000, and is 4.6 percent ( $\pm 4.6$  percent) below the March 2025 estimate of 504,000.

This represents a supply of 8.5 months at the current sales rate. The months' supply is 6.6 percent ( $\pm 11.7$  percent)\* below the February 2026 estimate of 9.1 months, and is 7.6 percent ( $\pm 15.6$  percent)\* below the March 2025 estimate of 9.2 months.

### Sales Price

The median sales price of new houses sold in March 2026 was \$387,400. This is 5.3 percent ( $\pm 4.4$  percent) below the February 2026 price of \$409,000, and is 6.2 percent ( $\pm 7.2$  percent)\* below the March 2025 price of \$412,900. The average sales price of new houses sold in March 2026 was \$503,100. This is 3.4 percent ( $\pm 7.9$  percent)\* below the February 2026 price of \$521,000, and is 1.2 percent ( $\pm 8.2$  percent)\* below the March 2025 price of \$509,200.

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The April report is scheduled for release on May 28, 2026. View the full schedule in the Economic Briefing Room: [www.census.gov/economic-indicators/](http://www.census.gov/economic-indicators/). The full text and tables for this release can be found at [www.census.gov/construction/nrs/](http://www.census.gov/construction/nrs/).

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

These statistics are estimated from sample surveys. They are subject to sampling variability as well as nonsampling error including bias and variance from response, nonreporting, and undercoverage. Estimated average relative standard errors of the preliminary data are shown in the tables. Whenever a statement such as “2.5 percent ( $\pm 3.2\%$ ) above” appears in the text, this indicates the range (-0.7 to +5.7 percent) in which the actual percent change is likely to have occurred. All ranges given for percent changes are 90-percent confidence intervals and account only for sampling variability. If a range does not contain zero, the change is statistically significant. If it does contain zero, the change is not statistically significant; that is, it is uncertain whether there was an increase or decrease. The same policies apply to the confidence intervals for percent changes shown in the tables. Changes in seasonally adjusted statistics often show irregular movement. It takes 3 months to establish a trend for new houses sold. Preliminary new home sales figures are subject to revision due to the survey methodology and definitions used. The survey is primarily based on a sample of houses selected from building permits. Since a “sale” is defined as a deposit taken or sales agreement signed, this can occur prior to a permit being issued. An estimate of these prior sales is included in the sales figure. On average, the preliminary seasonally adjusted estimate of total sales is revised about 5.0 percent. Changes in sales price data reflect changes in the distribution of houses by region, size, etc., as well as changes in the prices of houses with identical characteristics. Explanations of confidence intervals and sampling variability can be found on our website.

[www.census.gov/construction/soc/methodology.html](http://www.census.gov/construction/soc/methodology.html)

The Census Bureau has reviewed SOC monthly and quarterly tables to ensure appropriate access, use, and disclosure avoidance protection of the confidential source data (Disclosure Review Board (DRB) approval number: CBDRB-FY25-0286).

## API

The Census Bureau’s application programming interface lets developers create custom apps to reach new users and makes key demographic, socio-economic and housing statistics more accessible than ever before.

[www.census.gov/developers/](http://www.census.gov/developers/)

## FRED Mobile App



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\* The 90 percent confidence interval includes zero. In such cases, there is insufficient statistical evidence to conclude that the actual change is different from zero.

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## New Privately-Owned Houses Sold and For Sale

(Thousands of Units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.)

**Table 1a - Seasonally adjusted**

Period	Sold during period <sup>1</sup>					For sale at end of period					Months' supply <sup>2</sup>	Median sales price (\$)	Average sales price (\$)
	United States	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	United States	North-east	Mid-west	South	West			
2025													
March . . . . .	660	26	68	408	158	504	X	X	X	X	9.2	X	X
April . . . . .	706	30	85	437	154	500	X	X	X	X	8.5	X	X
May . . . . .	627	27	80	379	141	504	X	X	X	X	9.6	X	X
June . . . . .	662	24	88	413	137	502	X	X	X	X	9.1	X	X
July . . . . .	639	21	79	405	134	496	X	X	X	X	9.3	X	X
August . . . . .	706	30	80	443	153	492	X	X	X	X	8.4	X	X
September . . . . .	719	29	99	418	173	486	X	X	X	X	8.1	X	X
October . . . . .	650	42	87	409	112	489	X	X	X	X	9.0	X	X
November (r) . . . . .	748	54	80	459	155	485	X	X	X	X	7.8	X	X
December (r) . . . . .	728	59	107	402	160	476	X	X	X	X	7.8	X	X
2026													
January (r) . . . . .	583	29	75	346	133	477	X	X	X	X	9.8	X	X
February (p) . . . . .	635	15	80	397	143	483	X	X	X	X	9.1	X	X
<b>March (p) . . . . .</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
Average RSE (%) <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	7	31	22	10	14	4	X	X	X	X	7	X	X
Percent Change <sup>4</sup>												Not adjusted change	
<b>Mar. 2026 from Feb. 2026 . . . . .</b>	<b>7.4%</b>	<b>80.0%</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>	<b>11.1%</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>-6.6%</b>	<b>-5.3%</b>	<b>-3.4%</b>
90 percent confidence interval <sup>5</sup> . . . . .	± 15.5	± 91.2	± 36.2	± 20.8	± 29.6	± 1.5	X	X	X	X	± 11.7	± 4.4	± 7.9
<b>Mar. 2026 from Mar. 2025 . . . . .</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>8.1%</b>	<b>-12.7%</b>	<b>-4.6%</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>-7.6%</b>	<b>-6.2%</b>	<b>-1.2%</b>
90 percent confidence interval <sup>5</sup> . . . . .	± 16.2	± 64.2	± 25.1	± 23.5	± 17.5	± 4.6	X	X	X	X	± 15.6	± 7.2	± 8.2

**Table 1b - Not seasonally adjusted**

Period	Sold during period					For sale at end of period					Months' supply	Median sales price (\$)	Average sales price (\$)
	United States	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	United States	North-east	Mid-west	South	West			
2024 Annual . . . . .	686	34	80	413	158	491	28	47	300	116	X	420,300	514,500
2025 Annual (r) . . . . .	678	33	82	412	150	475	30	53	290	102	X	417,400	523,800
RSE (%) . . . . .	3	14	12	3	7	4	12	15	5	6	X	4	3
2025 Year to date . . . . .	175	8	18	106	43	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2026 Year to date . . . . .	166	7	20	103	37	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
RSE (%) . . . . .	5	23	14	7	11	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Year to date percent change<sup>4</sup> . . . . .</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>	<b>-17.6%</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>-2.6%</b>	<b>-14.0%</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
90 percent confidence interval <sup>5</sup> . . . . .	± 7.7	± 31.0	± 24.4	± 10.3	± 9.4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2025													
March . . . . .	63	3	7	38	15	496	30	48	303	114	7.9	412,900	509,200
April . . . . .	65	3	9	39	14	493	31	49	303	110	7.6	413,600	514,300
May . . . . .	56	2	7	33	13	502	31	49	311	110	9.0	424,800	514,800
June . . . . .	57	2	7	36	12	504	31	51	312	111	8.8	409,200	508,700
July . . . . .	53	2	8	33	11	504	32	50	312	110	9.4	397,300	482,800
August . . . . .	57	2	6	36	13	496	33	51	305	107	8.7	417,900	525,100
September . . . . .	58	2	7	34	14	492	33	53	303	104	8.5	416,800	506,800
October . . . . .	48	4	6	31	8	498	33	55	303	108	10.3	404,200	523,400
November (r) . . . . .	52	3	5	33	11	485	31	55	295	104	9.3	402,500	537,900
December (r) . . . . .	56	4	8	32	12	475	30	53	290	102	8.5	429,100	540,300
2026													
January (r) . . . . .	48	2	6	28	11	474	30	52	291	100	9.9	412,900	512,200
February (p) . . . . .	54	1	6	34	13	475	30	52	291	101	8.8	409,000	521,000
<b>March (p) . . . . .</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>387,400</b>	<b>503,100</b>
Average RSE (%) <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	7	31	22	10	14	4	10	15	5	6	7	3	5

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S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards

X Not applicable

<sup>1</sup> Seasonally-adjusted houses sold are published at annual rates

<sup>2</sup> Ratio of houses for sale to houses sold

<sup>3</sup> Average relative standard error for the latest 6-month period

<sup>4</sup> Computed using unrounded data

<sup>5</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90 percent confidence intervals

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, New Residential Sales, May 05, 2026.

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## New Privately-Owned Houses Sold, by Sales Price

(Thousands of Units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.)

**Table 2a - Number of Houses<sup>1</sup>**

Period	Total	Price Ranges						
		Under \$300,000	\$300,000 to \$399,999	\$400,000 to \$499,999	\$500,000 to \$599,999	\$600,000 to \$799,999	\$800,000 to \$999,999	\$1,000,000 and over
2024 Annual . . . . .	686	113	198	130	90	85	34	37
2025 Annual (r) . . . . .	678	119	192	125	85	85	28	44
RSE (%) . . . . .	3	11	8	9	23	24	12	12
<b>2025</b>								
March . . . . .	63	10	19	12	8	7	2	4
April . . . . .	65	10	21	12	8	8	3	4
May . . . . .	56	10	14	10	7	8	3	3
June . . . . .	57	9	18	10	7	7	2	3
July . . . . .	53	9	18	10	6	7	1	2
August . . . . .	57	10	16	11	7	6	2	4
September . . . . .	58	13	13	12	7	7	2	4
October . . . . .	48	10	13	8	6	6	1	4
November (r) . . . . .	52	11	15	9	5	7	2	4
December (r) . . . . .	56	10	14	11	7	7	2	5
<b>2026</b>								
January (r) . . . . .	48	8	14	9	6	7	2	3
February (p) . . . . .	54	9	16	12	6	5	3	3
<b>March (p) . . . . .</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
Average RSE (%) <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	7	19	14	15	27	24	27	21

**Table 2b - Percent Distribution**

Period	Total	Price Ranges						
		Under \$300,000	\$300,000 to \$399,999	\$400,000 to \$499,999	\$500,000 to \$599,999	\$600,000 to \$799,999	\$800,000 to \$999,999	\$1,000,000 and over
2024 Annual . . . . .	100	16	29	19	13	12	5	5
2025 Annual (r) . . . . .	100	18	28	18	12	13	4	6
SE (%) . . . . .	X	2	2	1	3	3	(A)	1
<b>2025</b>								
March . . . . .	100	16	31	19	13	11	3	6
April . . . . .	100	16	32	18	13	12	4	6
May . . . . .	100	19	25	18	13	15	5	5
June . . . . .	100	16	31	18	12	13	3	6
July . . . . .	100	17	33	19	12	13	2	3
August . . . . .	100	18	28	19	13	11	4	7
September . . . . .	100	23	23	20	12	12	4	6
October . . . . .	100	20	28	17	12	13	3	7
November (r) . . . . .	100	21	28	16	10	13	4	8
December (r) . . . . .	100	18	25	20	12	12	4	9
<b>2026</b>								
January (r) . . . . .	100	17	28	19	12	14	4	6
February (p) . . . . .	100	17	29	22	11	10	5	6
<b>March (p) . . . . .</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>
SE (%) . . . . .	X	4	3	2	3	3	1	1

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A Represents an RSE or SE that is greater or equal to 100 percent or could not be computed

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X Not applicable      Z Less than 500 units or less than 0.5 percent

<sup>1</sup> Houses for which sales price was not reported have been distributed proportionally to those for which sales price was reported

<sup>2</sup> Average relative standard error for the latest 6-month period

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, New Residential Sales, May 05, 2026.

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## New Houses Sold and For Sale by Stage of Construction and Median Number of Months on Sales Market

(Thousands of Units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.)

**Table 3a - Seasonally adjusted**

Period	Sold during period <sup>1</sup>				For sale at end of period				Median months for sale <sup>2</sup>
	Total	Not started	Under construction	Completed	Total	Not started	Under construction	Completed	
<b>2025</b>									
March . . . . .	660	65	204	391	504	104	286	114	X
April . . . . .	706	72	223	411	500	107	278	115	X
May . . . . .	627	65	186	376	504	104	281	119	X
June . . . . .	662	76	211	375	502	102	282	118	X
July . . . . .	639	54	209	376	496	97	280	119	X
August . . . . .	706	62	217	427	492	96	274	122	X
September . . . . .	719	73	217	429	486	104	261	121	X
October . . . . .	650	62	197	391	489	105	259	125	X
November (r) . . . . .	748	54	228	466	485	104	257	124	X
December (r) . . . . .	728	86	234	408	476	101	248	127	X
<b>2026</b>									
January (r) . . . . .	583	64	176	343	477	100	250	127	X
February (p) . . . . .	635	53	186	396	483	109	250	124	X
<b>March (p)</b> . . . . .	<b>682</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>X</b>
<i>Average RSE (%)</i> <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	7	10	10	9	4	8	5	6	X

**Table 3b - Not seasonally adjusted**

Period	Sold during period				For sale at end of period				Median months for sale <sup>2</sup>
	Total	Not started	Under construction	Completed	Total	Not started	Under construction	Completed	
2024 Annual . . . . .	686	95	242	350	491	94	280	118	2.6
2025 Annual (r) . . . . .	678	67	215	396	475	98	244	134	2.8
<i>RSE (%)</i> . . . . .	3	14	6	5	4	9	5	7	8
<b>2025</b>									
March . . . . .	63	6	19	38	496	105	278	113	2.8
April . . . . .	65	7	20	37	493	108	274	112	2.6
May . . . . .	56	6	17	33	502	106	281	115	2.4
June . . . . .	57	6	19	32	504	102	290	112	2.6
July . . . . .	53	4	19	30	504	97	291	116	2.6
August . . . . .	57	5	18	34	496	96	277	123	2.4
September . . . . .	58	6	18	34	492	102	269	121	2.4
October . . . . .	48	4	14	30	498	109	261	128	2.6
November (r) . . . . .	52	3	14	35	485	99	259	128	2.8
December (r) . . . . .	56	6	15	35	475	98	244	134	2.8
<b>2026</b>									
January (r) . . . . .	48	6	14	27	474	98	245	132	3.0
February (p) . . . . .	54	5	16	33	475	107	241	126	3.3
<b>March (p)</b> . . . . .	<b>64</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<i>Average RSE (%)</i> <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	7	10	10	9	4	8	5	6	6

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X Not applicable

<sup>1</sup> Seasonally-adjusted houses sold are published at annual rates

<sup>2</sup> Median number of months for sale since completion

<sup>3</sup> Average relative standard error for the latest 6-month period

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