Monthly Indicators

May 2026

U.S. existing-home sales edged up 0.2% from the previous month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.02 million, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR). Sales remained unchanged year-over-year. Regionally, existing-home sales rose in the Midwest and South, were flat in the Northeast, and declined in the West. Year-over-year, sales increased in the South, held steady in the West, and fell in the Northeast and Midwest.

New Listings were down 6.7 percent to 642. Pending Sales increased 2.1 percent to 572. Inventory shrank 5.1 percent to 2,093 units.

Median Sales Price was up 2.0 percent to $572,000. Days on Market increased 95.3 percent to 125 days. Months Supply of Inventory was down 11.5 percent to 4.6 months.

National inventory climbed 5.8% month-over-month and 1.4% year-over-year, with approximately 1.47 million properties listed for sale heading into May, NAR reported. At the current sales pace, that represents a 4.4-month supply, reflecting a modest improvement in inventory conditions compared to a year earlier. Homes spent a median of 32 days on the market, down from 41 days the previous month, while the median existing-home price increased to $417,700, up 0.9% from a year ago.

Quick Facts

- 4.5%	+ 2.0%	- 11.5%
One-Year Change in **Closed Sales**	One-Year Change in **Median Sales Price**	One-Year Change in **Months Supply**

A research tool provided by the Hilton Head Association of REALTORS®. Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures.

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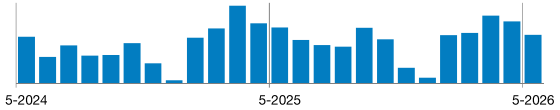
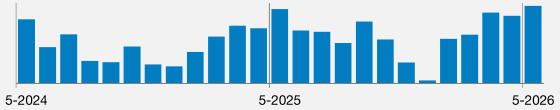
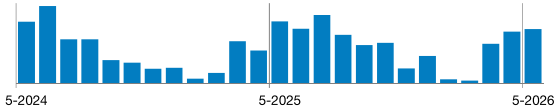
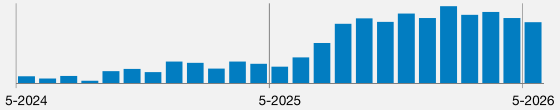
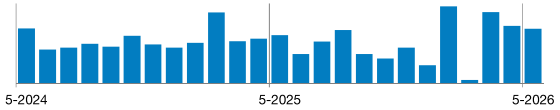
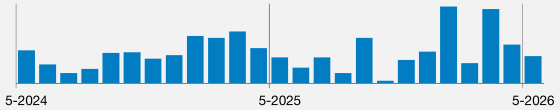
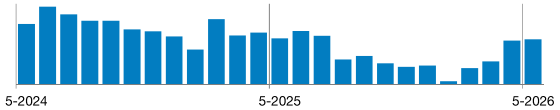
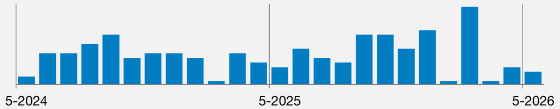
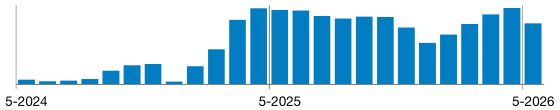
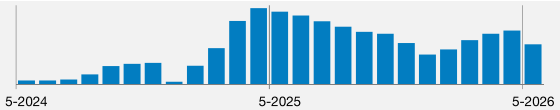
Market Overview

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

Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	05-2025	05-2026	Percent Change	YTD 2025	YTD 2026	Percent Change
New Listings		688	**642**	- 6.7%	3,532	**3,425**	- 3.0%
Pending Sales		560	**572**	+ 2.1%	2,383	**2,554**	+ 7.2%
Closed Sales		535	**511**	- 4.5%	2,180	**2,181**	+ 0.0%
Days on Market		64	**125**	+ 95.3%	67	**134**	+ 100.0%
Median Sales Price		$560,900	**$572,000**	+ 2.0%	$560,000	**$572,000**	+ 2.1%
Average Sales Price		$775,612	**$780,470**	+ 0.6%	$821,053	**$841,760**	+ 2.5%
Pct. of List Price Received		97.4%	**97.4%**	0.0%	97.5%	**97.0%**	- 0.5%
Housing Affordability Index		61	**60**	- 1.6%	62	**60**	- 3.2%
Inventory of Homes for Sale		2,205	**2,093**	- 5.1%	--	**--**	--
Months Supply of Inventory		5.2	**4.6**	- 11.5%	--	**--**	--

New Listings

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

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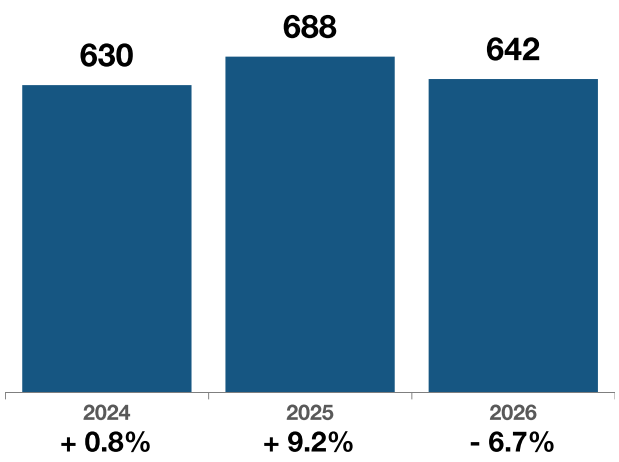

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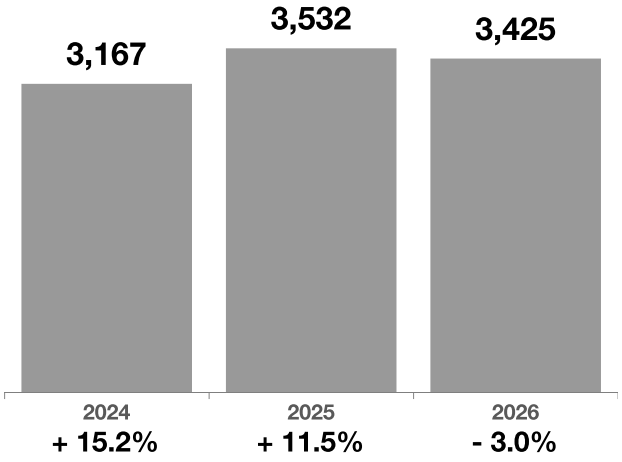
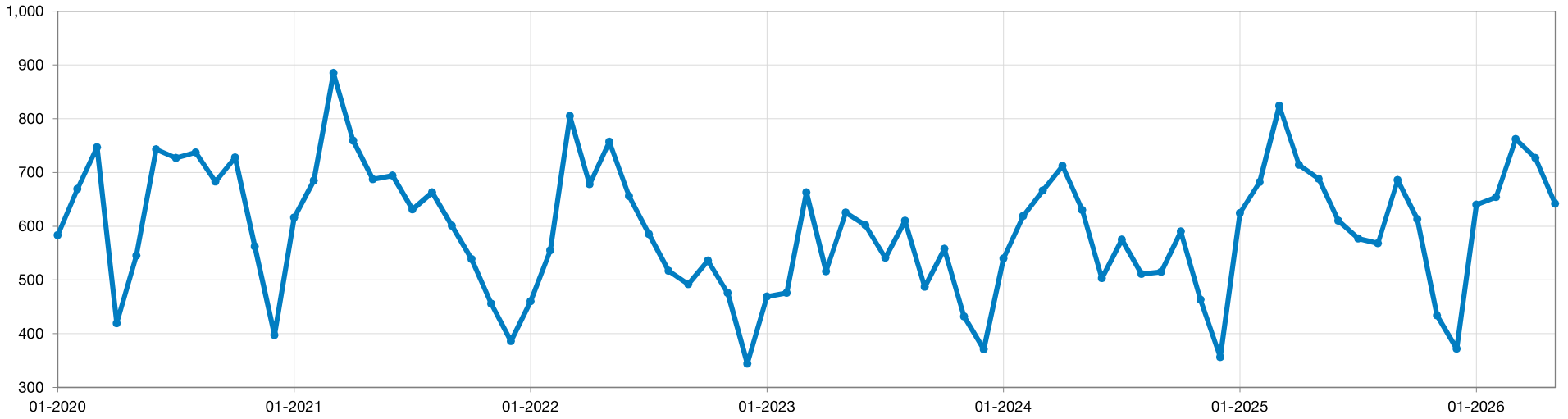


New Listings		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	610	503	+21.3%
July 2025	577	575	+0.3%
August 2025	568	511	+11.2%
September 2025	686	515	+33.2%
October 2025	613	590	+3.9%
November 2025	434	463	-6.3%
December 2025	372	356	+4.5%
January 2026	640	624	+2.6%
February 2026	654	682	-4.1%
March 2026	762	824	-7.5%
April 2026	727	714	+1.8%
May 2026	**642**	**688**	**-6.7%**
12-Month Avg	607	587	+3.4%

Historical New Listings by Month



Pending Sales

A count of the properties on which offers have been accepted in a given month.

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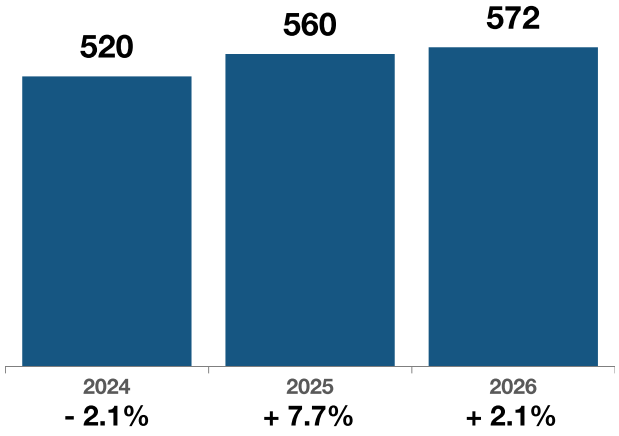

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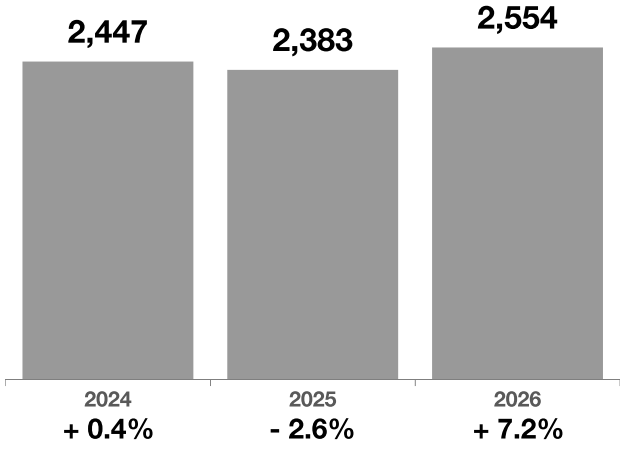
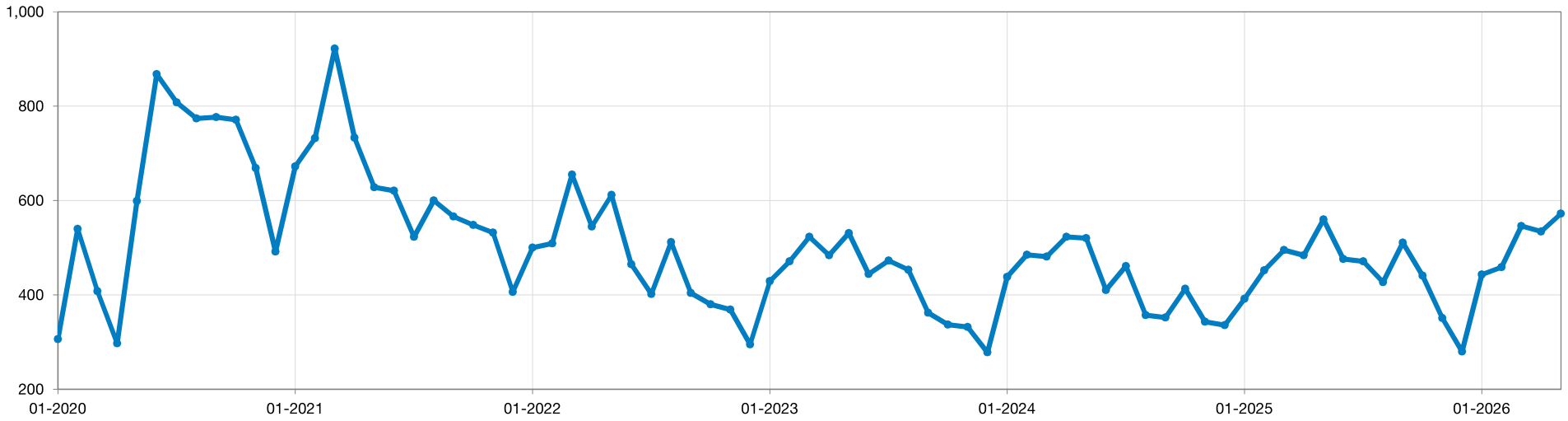


Pending Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	476	410	+16.1%
July 2025	471	461	+2.2%
August 2025	427	357	+19.6%
September 2025	511	352	+45.2%
October 2025	441	413	+6.8%
November 2025	351	343	+2.3%
December 2025	280	336	-16.7%
January 2026	443	392	+13.0%
February 2026	459	452	+1.5%
March 2026	546	495	+10.3%
April 2026	534	484	+10.3%
May 2026	**572**	**560**	**+2.1%**
12-Month Avg	459	421	+9.0%

Historical Pending Sales by Month



Closed Sales

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

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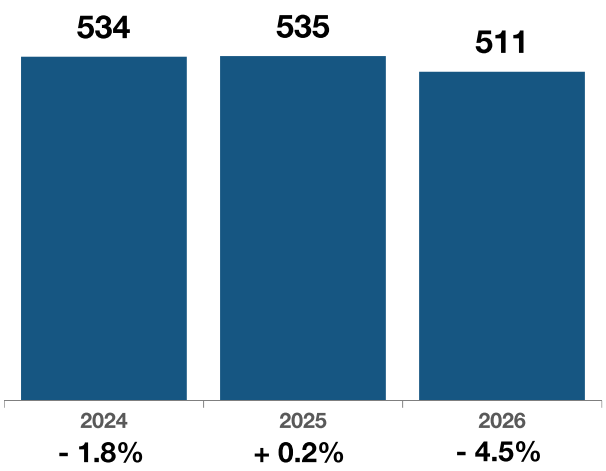

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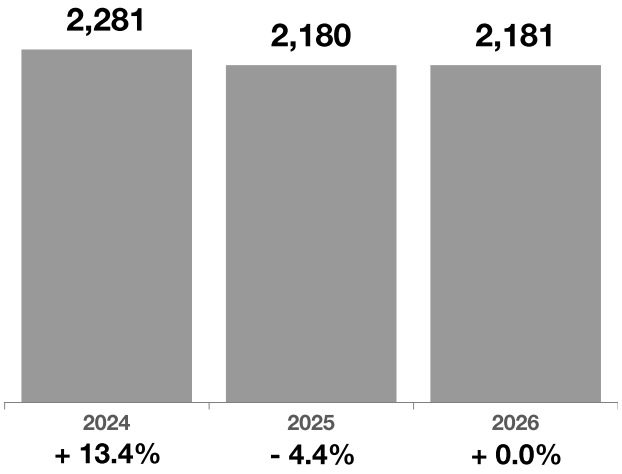
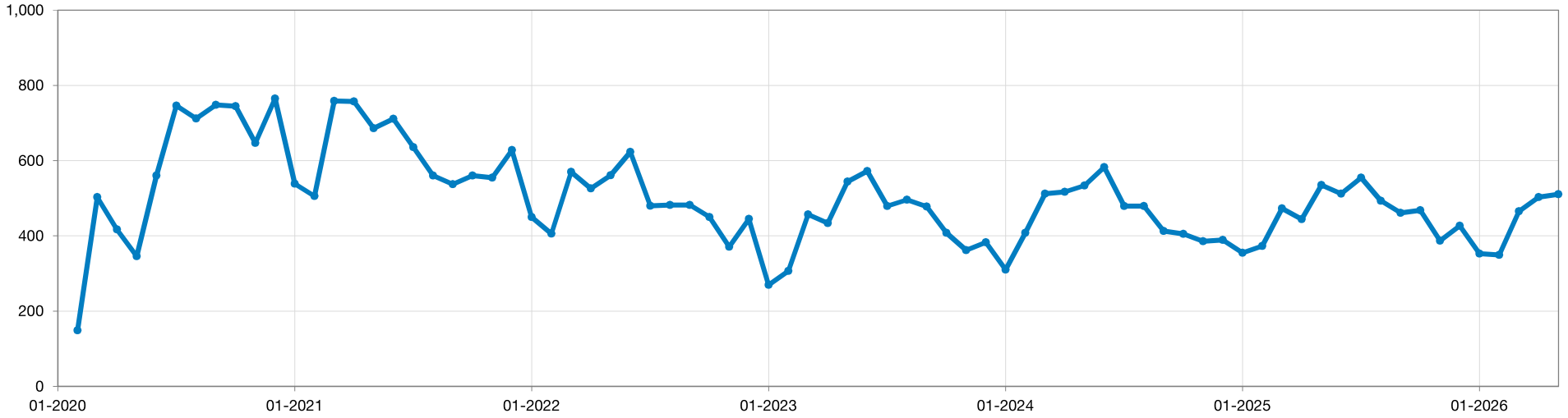


Closed Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	512	583	-12.2%
July 2025	555	479	+15.9%
August 2025	493	479	+2.9%
September 2025	461	413	+11.6%
October 2025	468	405	+15.6%
November 2025	387	386	+0.3%
December 2025	427	389	+9.8%
January 2026	353	355	-0.6%
February 2026	349	373	-6.4%
March 2026	465	473	-1.7%
April 2026	503	444	+13.3%
May 2026	**511**	**535**	**-4.5%**
12-Month Avg	457	443	+3.2%

Historical Closed Sales by Month



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Days on Market Until Sale

Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.

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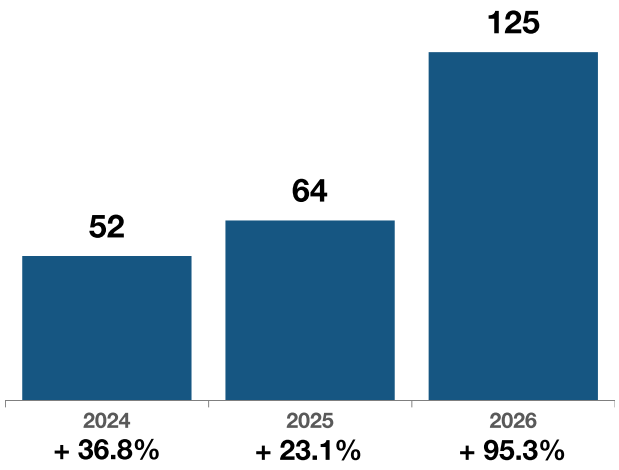

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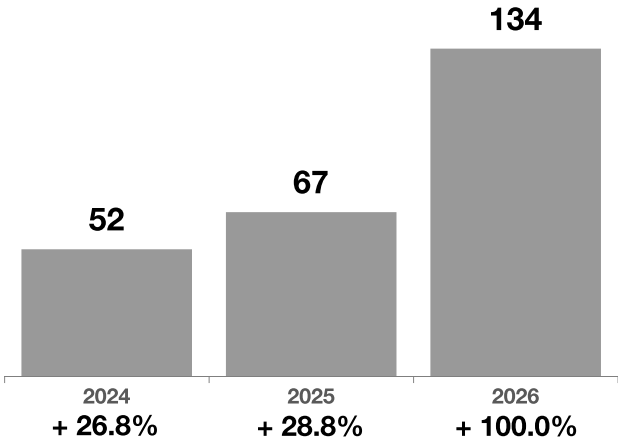
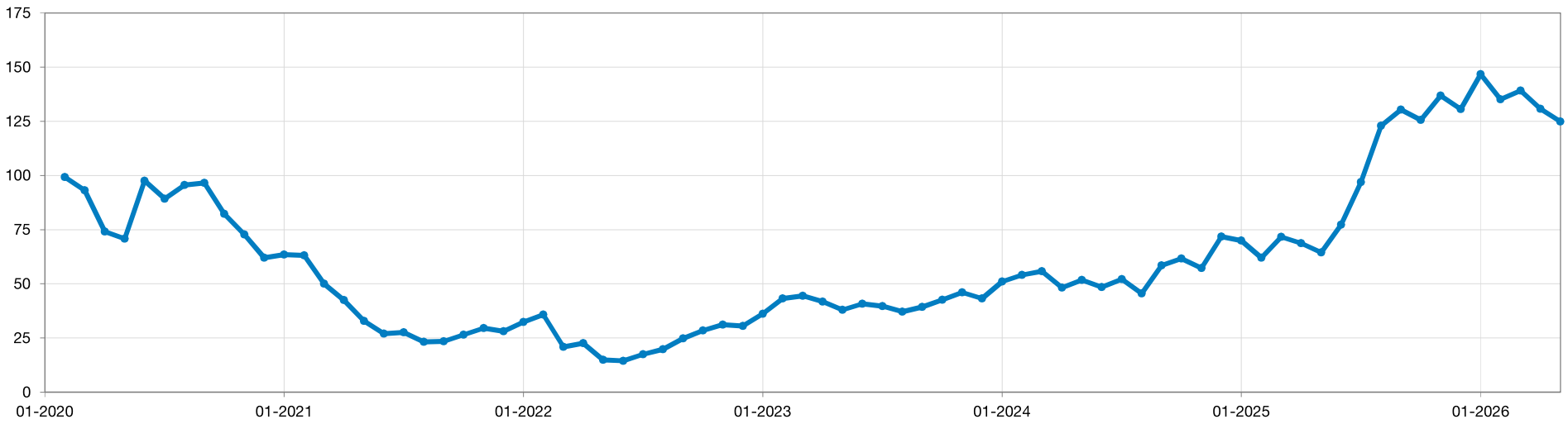


Days on Market		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	77	48	+60.4%
July 2025	97	52	+86.5%
August 2025	123	45	+173.3%
September 2025	130	58	+124.1%
October 2025	126	62	+103.2%
November 2025	137	57	+140.4%
December 2025	131	72	+81.9%
January 2026	147	70	+110.0%
February 2026	135	62	+117.7%
March 2026	139	72	+93.1%
April 2026	131	69	+89.9%
May 2026	**125**	**64**	**+95.3%**
12-Month Avg*	123	60	+105.0%

* Average Days on Market of all properties from June 2025 through May 2026. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Days on Market Until Sale 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.

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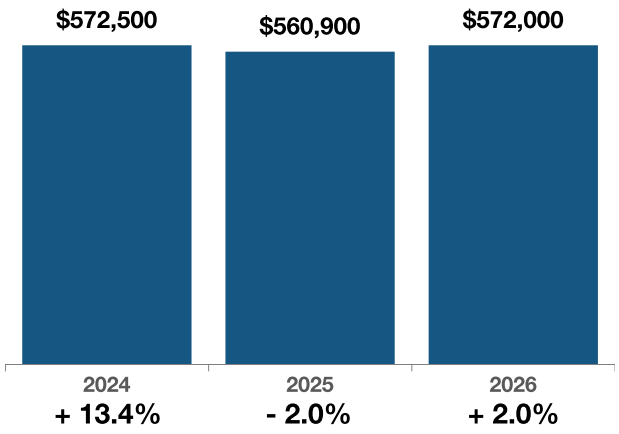

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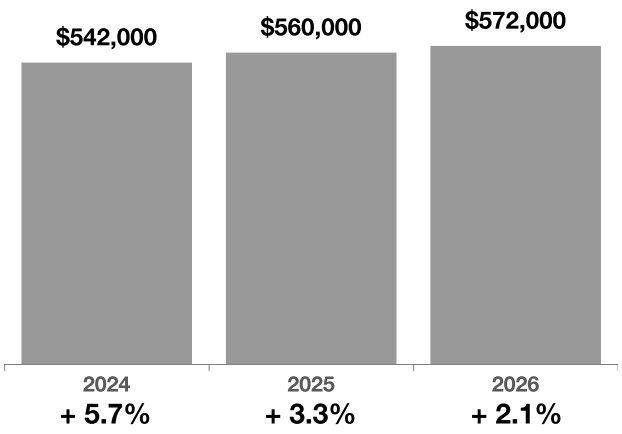
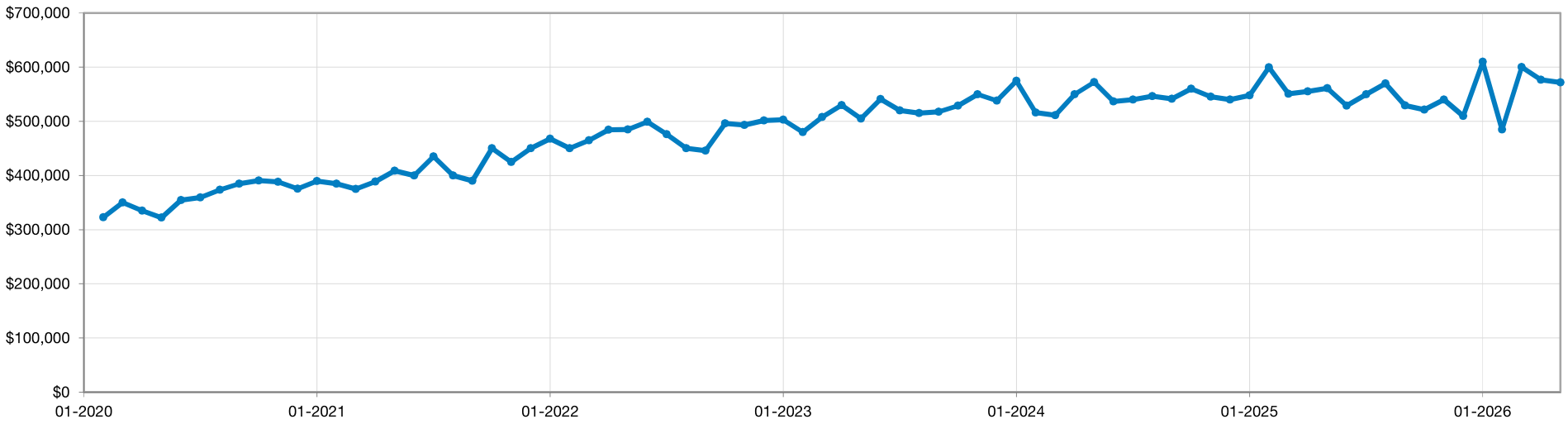


Median Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	$529,000	$536,755	-1.4%
July 2025	$550,000	$540,000	+1.9%
August 2025	$570,000	$546,386	+4.3%
September 2025	$529,165	$541,500	-2.3%
October 2025	$521,500	$560,000	-6.9%
November 2025	$540,000	$545,195	-1.0%
December 2025	$510,000	$540,000	-5.6%
January 2026	$609,900	$547,900	+11.3%
February 2026	$485,000	$599,725	-19.1%
March 2026	$600,000	$550,665	+9.0%
April 2026	$576,700	$555,000	+3.9%
May 2026	**$572,000**	**$560,900**	**+2.0%**
12-Month Med*	$549,035	$549,990	-0.2%

* Median Sales Price of all properties from June 2025 through May 2026. This is not the median of the individual figures above.

Historical Median Sales Price by Month



Average Sales Price

Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.

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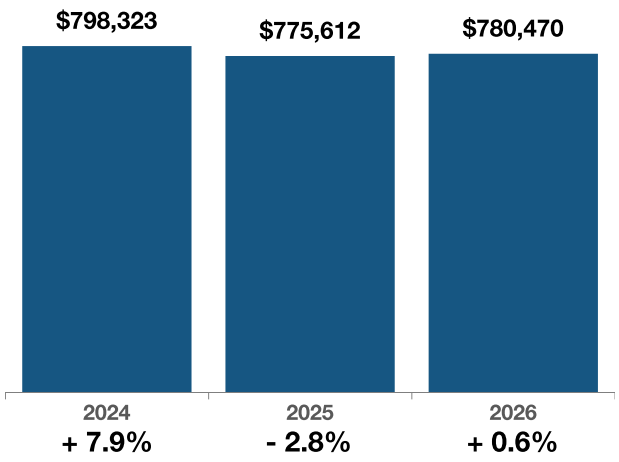

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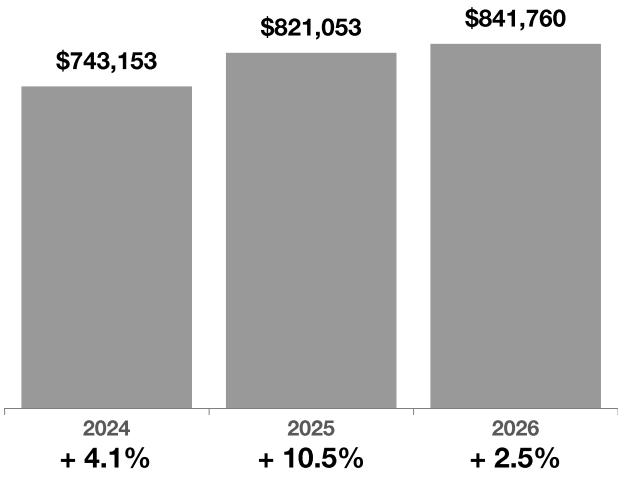

Avg. Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	$743,553	$753,700	-1.3%
July 2025	$775,783	$726,965	+6.7%
August 2025	$726,522	$739,625	-1.8%
September 2025	$837,328	$790,472	+5.9%
October 2025	$702,780	$791,894	-11.3%
November 2025	$768,034	$772,131	-0.5%
December 2025	$794,399	$783,354	+1.4%
January 2026	$935,301	$843,279	+10.9%
February 2026	$758,228	$837,616	-9.5%
March 2026	$927,965	$857,753	+8.2%
April 2026	$816,643	$805,061	+1.4%
May 2026	**$780,470**	**$775,612**	**+0.6%**
12-Month Avg*	$797,251	$789,788	+0.9%

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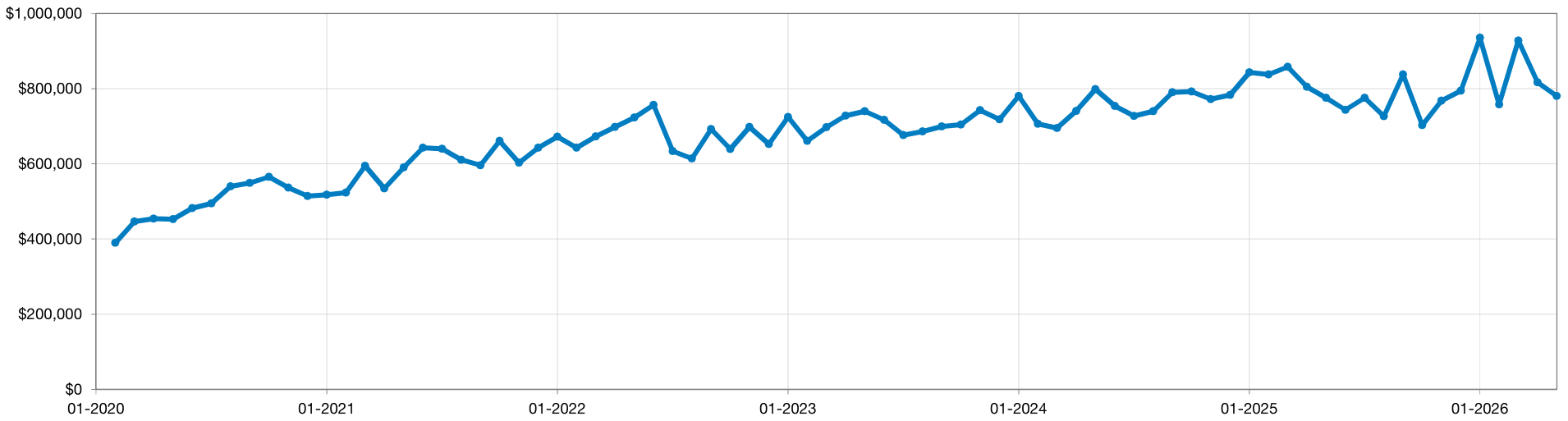
Historical Average Sales Price by Month



Percent of List Price Received

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

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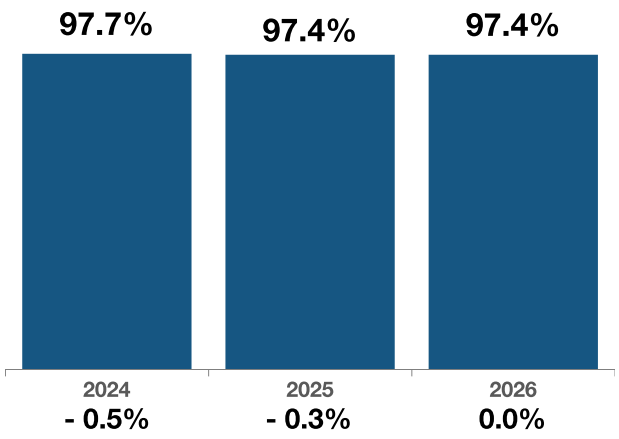
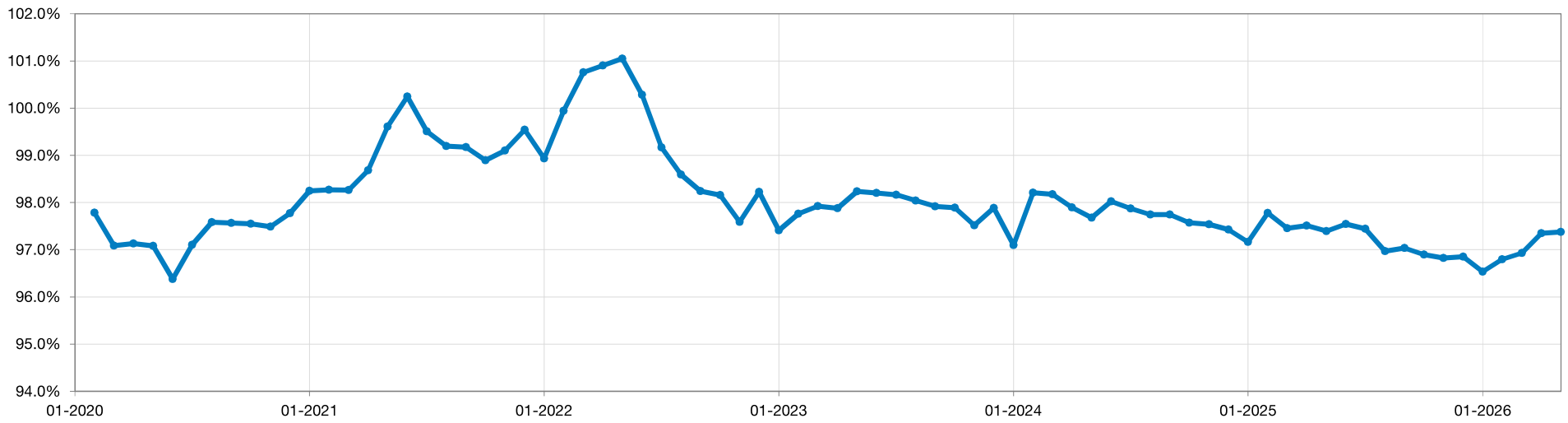


Year to Date

Pct. of List Price Received		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	97.5%	98.0%	-0.5%
July 2025	97.4%	97.9%	-0.5%
August 2025	97.0%	97.7%	-0.7%
September 2025	97.0%	97.7%	-0.7%
October 2025	96.9%	97.6%	-0.7%
November 2025	96.8%	97.5%	-0.7%
December 2025	96.9%	97.4%	-0.5%
January 2026	96.5%	97.2%	-0.7%
February 2026	96.8%	97.8%	-1.0%
March 2026	96.9%	97.5%	-0.6%
April 2026	97.4%	97.5%	-0.1%
May 2026	**97.4%**	**97.4%**	**0.0%**
12-Month Avg*	97.1%	97.6%	-0.5%

* Average Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from June 2025 through May 2026. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Percent of List Price Received 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.

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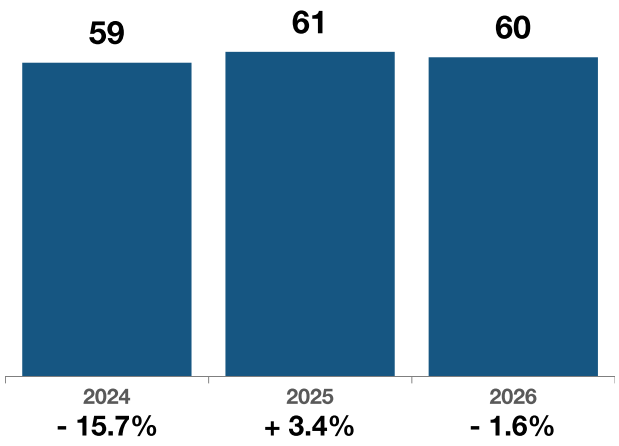

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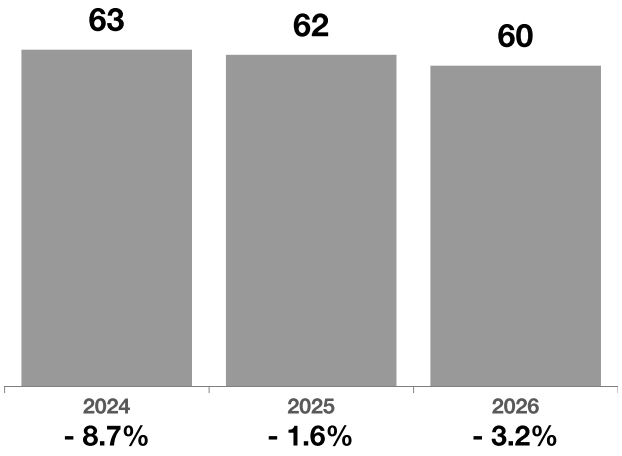
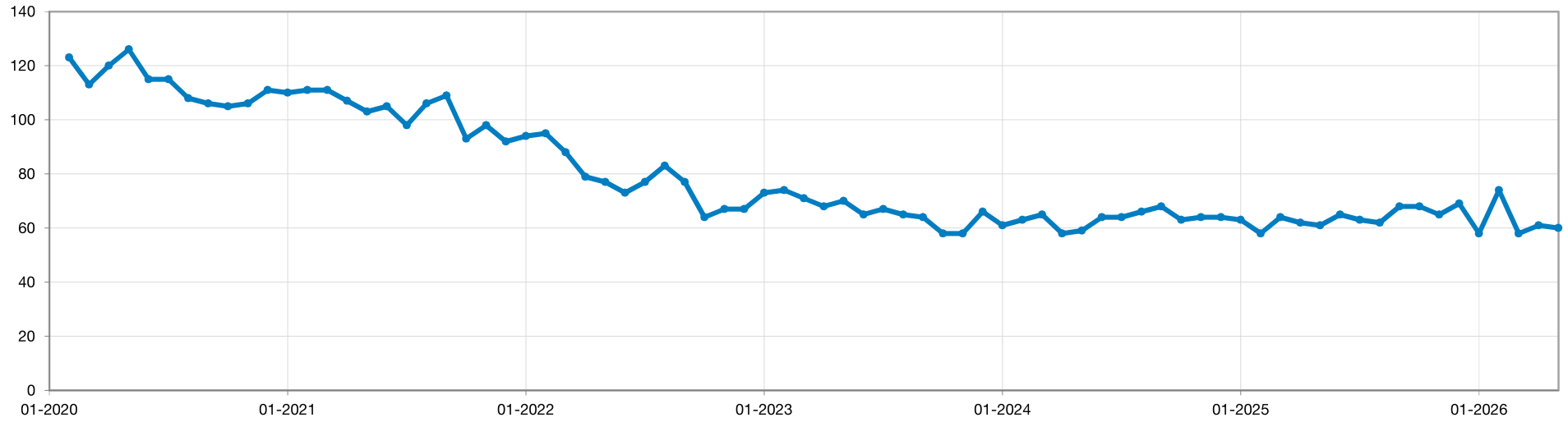


Affordability Index		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	65	64	+1.6%
July 2025	63	64	-1.6%
August 2025	62	66	-6.1%
September 2025	68	68	0.0%
October 2025	68	63	+7.9%
November 2025	65	64	+1.6%
December 2025	69	64	+7.8%
January 2026	58	63	-7.9%
February 2026	74	58	+27.6%
March 2026	58	64	-9.4%
April 2026	61	62	-1.6%
May 2026	**60**	**61**	**-1.6%**
12-Month Avg	64	63	+1.3%

Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month



Inventory of Homes for Sale

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

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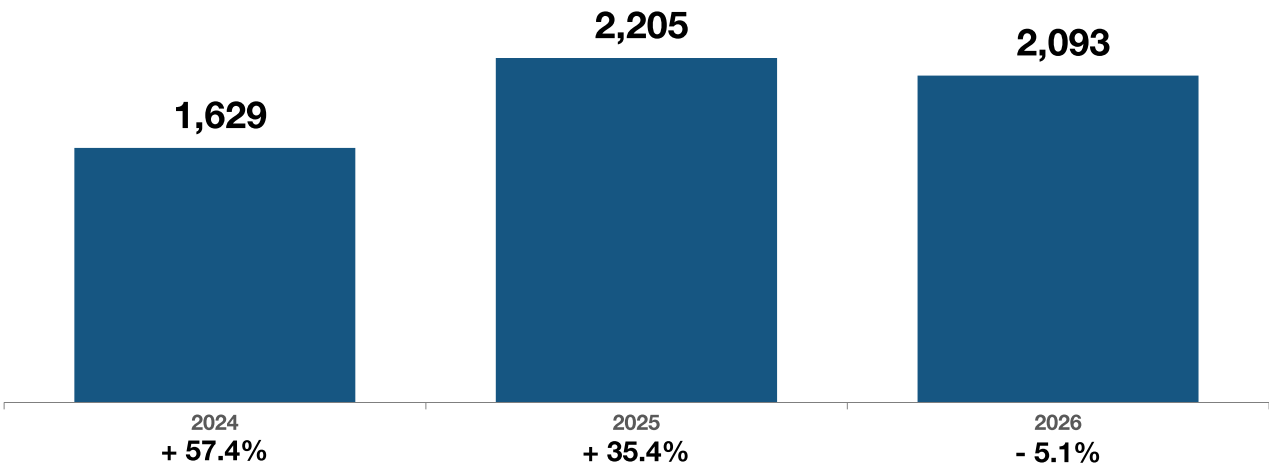
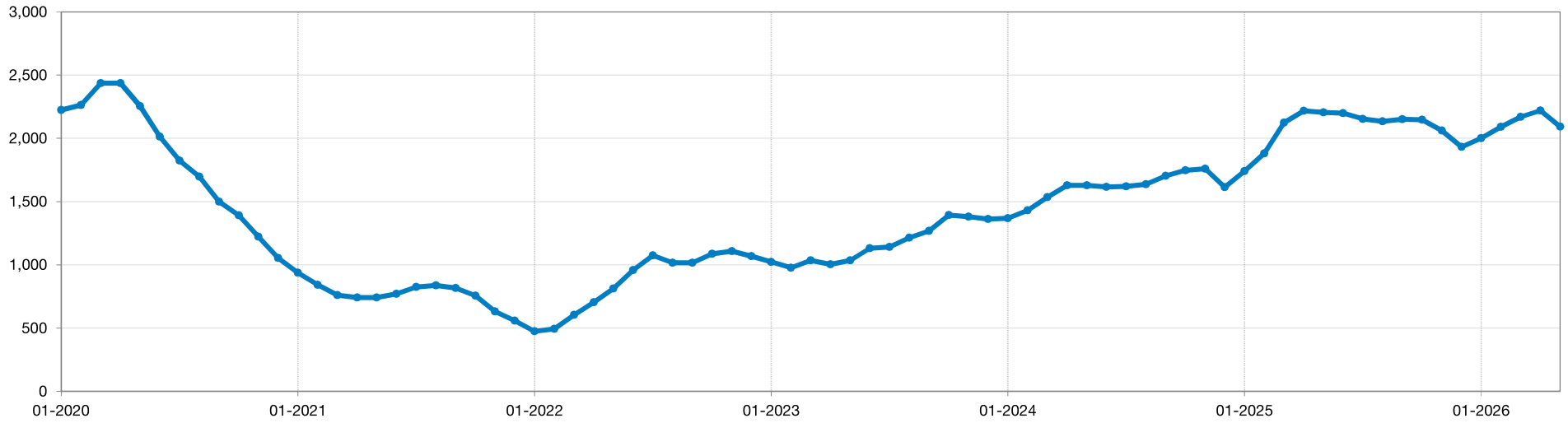


Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	2,199	1,616	+36.1%
July 2025	2,154	1,621	+32.9%
August 2025	2,134	1,636	+30.4%
September 2025	2,150	1,703	+26.2%
October 2025	2,146	1,748	+22.8%
November 2025	2,061	1,760	+17.1%
December 2025	1,933	1,614	+19.8%
January 2026	2,001	1,741	+14.9%
February 2026	2,090	1,881	+11.1%
March 2026	2,169	2,123	+2.2%
April 2026	2,220	2,217	+0.1%
May 2026	**2,093**	**2,205**	**-5.1%**
12-Month Avg*	2,113	1,822	+16.0%

* Homes for Sale for all properties from June 2025 through May 2026. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

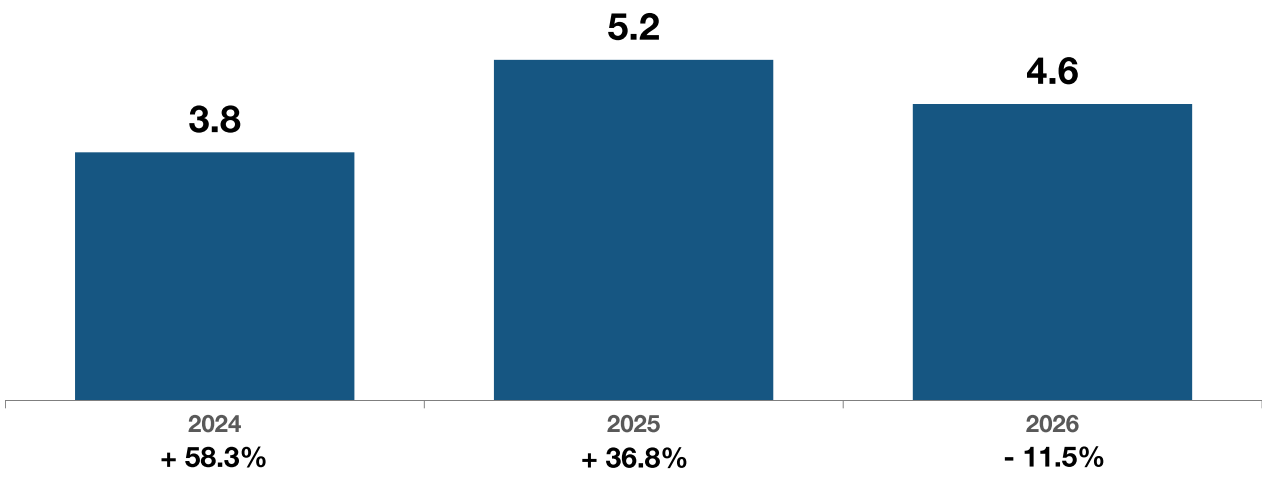
Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month



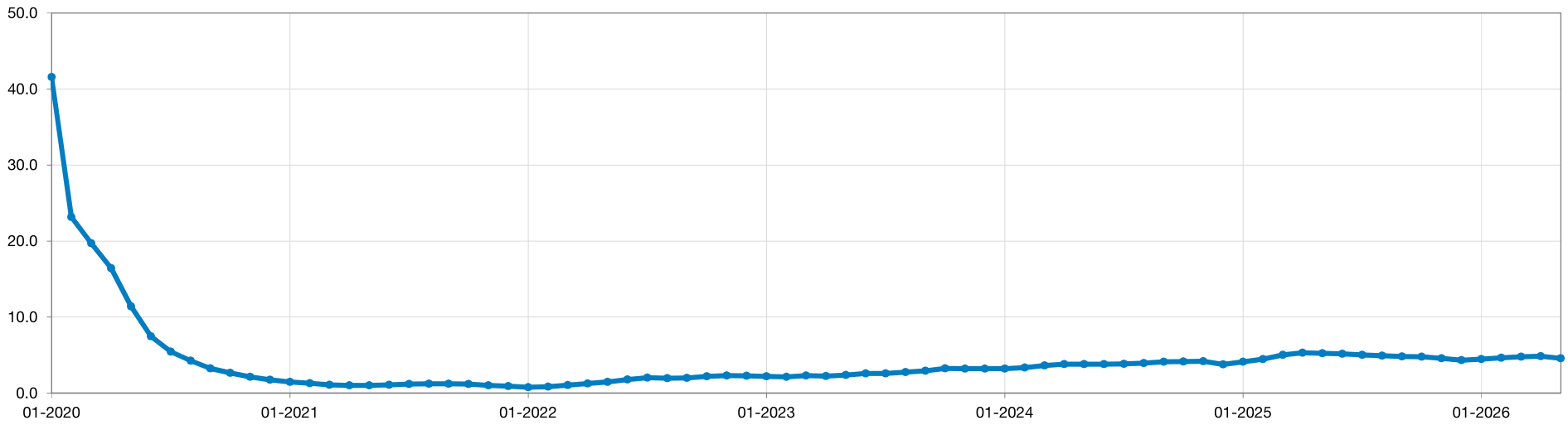
Months Supply of Inventory

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.

May



Months Supply		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2025	5.2	3.8	+36.8%
July 2025	5.0	3.8	+31.6%
August 2025	4.9	3.9	+25.6%
September 2025	4.8	4.1	+17.1%
October 2025	4.8	4.2	+14.3%
November 2025	4.6	4.2	+9.5%
December 2025	4.3	3.8	+13.2%
January 2026	4.5	4.1	+9.8%
February 2026	4.6	4.5	+2.2%
March 2026	4.8	5.0	-4.0%
April 2026	4.8	5.3	-9.4%
May 2026	**4.6**	**5.2**	**-11.5%**
12-Month Avg*	4.7	4.3	+9.3%

* Months Supply for all properties from June 2025 through May 2026. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month