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Home Buying 80% Higher than Three Years Ago Shows August's Real Estate Market Stats

Fort Myers and Cape Coral, FL – The U.S. housing market has continued to cool, as rising mortgage rates and record-high sales prices have stifled affordability, weakening demand, and pricing out a multitude of buyers. Nationally, median household income has failed to keep pace with increasing mortgage payments, with the costs of buying a home about 80% more expensive now than they were just three summers ago, according to the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR).

As more and more prospective buyers find their home purchase plans delayed, many are turning to the rental market, where competition has intensified due to increased demand.

New Listings increased 6.8% for Single Family homes but decreased 13.9% for Townhouse/Condo homes. Pending Sales increased 14.6% for Single Family homes but decreased 1.0% for Townhouse/Condo homes. Inventory increased 5.8% for Single Family homes but decreased 5.8% for Townhouse/Condo homes.

Median Sales Price increased 17.5% to \$422,900 for Single Family homes and 36.6% to \$334,500 for Townhouse/Condo homes. Days on Market increased 10.5% for Single Family homes but decreased 18.2% for Townhouse/Condo homes. Months' Supply of Inventory increased 15.8% for Single Family homes and 25.0% for Townhouse/Condo homes.

At a time of year when homebuying activity is typically very strong, soaring homeownership costs have caused home sales to decline nationwide for the fifth consecutive month, with existing-home sales falling 5.4% month-to-month and 14.2% year-over-year as of last measure, according to NAR.

But there is a bright spot. Inventory of existing homes has continued to climb this summer, with 1.26 million homes available at the beginning of July, equivalent to a 3 months' supply. And despite the summer slowdown, homes are still selling quickly, with the typical home staying on market an average of 14 days.

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Single Family Homes 2022

1110 **Closed Sales** -18.6%

Pending Sales 1269 -11.3% **¬**

Active Inventory 3217 +63.5%

\$422,545 +16.7% **Median Sales Price**

Days on Market 25 +38.9%

YEAR OVER YEAR **MARKET STATISTICS**

August 2022



Single Family Homes 2021

Closed Sales 1363

Pending Sales 1431

Active Inventory 1968

Median Sales Price \$362,000

Days on Market

18

Townhomes/Condos 2022

440 -29.1%

Pending Sales 483 -18.3%

Closed Sales

962 **Active Inventory** +64.2%

\$320,000 +23.1% **△** Median Sales Price

22 Days on Market +15.8%



621

591

Closed Sales

Pending Sales

Active Inventory

586

Median Sales Price

\$259,900

Days on Market

19



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