

CENTRAL TEXAS HOUSING MARKET REPORT

July 2023

AUSTIN-ROUND ROCK MSA HOUSING MARKET DEMONSTRATES RESILIENCE DESPITE HIGH INTEREST RATES

AUSTIN, TX — According to the Austin Board of REALTORS® July 2023 Central Texas Housing Market Report, closed listings increased 0.6% year-over-year to 2,815 closed sales across the Austin-Round Rock MSA. When considering July 2022 is when the market initially began to stabilize, and when combined with pending sales rising 14.5% to 2,892 pending sales, the housing market is poised for a strong finish to 2023.

"July's housing market activity underscores the resiliency within the MSA's market," Ashley Jackson, 2023 ABoR president, said. "We now have a direct year-over-year comparison of when our market began stabilizing, and the big fluctuations we've previously seen have started to even out. Potential buyers who have been on the fence about purchasing a home should know interest rates are settling, and now is the time to act. Working with an experienced REALTOR® is the best thing you can do because they can help you make quick and confident decisions."

In July across the Austin-Round Rock MSA, sales dollar volume dropped 7.2% to \$1,668,708,916, while homes spent an average of 59 days on the market, up 37 days from July 2022. The median price also dropped 10.3% to \$462,000 and new listings fell 23.7% to 3,884 listings. Active listings increased 12.8% to 9,663 active listings while housing inventory increased 1.0 months to 3.7 months of inventory.

Clare Losey, Ph.D., housing economist for ABoR, weighed in on the recent rise in sales and provided an update on what is expected for the latter half of the year.

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- ASHLEY JACKSON 2023 ABOR & ACTRIS President

"With a rise in pending sales and closed sales remaining consistent, this further indicates that buyers are becoming more accustomed to the higher interest rate environment and understand that elevated mortgage rates may continue. We are seeing a year-over-year decline in median sales prices, as buyers cannot afford the same price points with these higher rates. Looking ahead, the odds of Central Texas experiencing a recession continue to decline with each passing month. Despite mortgage rates rising, Austin's economy–which is fueled by a strong labor market–continues to outperform national expectations."

Losey added that although the market is steady, affordability remains a constraint.

"In 2023, the median family income in the Austin-Round Rock MSA is \$122,300. This means buyers generally can afford a home priced between \$300,000 to \$400,000, however, less than 40% of homes sold in the Austin-Round Rock MSA in July of this year alone fall into this price range. ABoR's July housing market data stresses not only the strong, ongoing housing demand in our region, but also the critical need for more housing stock at all price points."

Jackson added that recent resolutions passed by Austin City Council are a step in the right direction but there is still more work that needs to be done.

"The recent resolutions passed by Council is the start of a community conversation on housing solutions that can help address Austin's long standing affordability issues. Our community must continue to come together to meet our region's housing challenge, and we must approve meaningful changes so that anyone who wants to buy a home in Austin can do so at a price point they can afford."

City of Austin

- 837 Residential homes sold, 1.3% more than July 2022.
- \$550,000 Median price for residential homes, 12.0% less than July 2022.
- 1,224 New home listings on the market, 22.6% less than July 2022.
- **2,881** Active home listings on the market, 20.0% more than July 2022.
- **847** Pending sales, 13.2% more than July 2022.
- 3.9 Months of inventory, 1.5 months more than July 2022.
- \$588,966,529 Total dollar volume of homes sold, 5.4% less than July 2022.

Travis County

- 1,344 Residential homes sold, 5.5% more than July 2022.
- \$545,000 Median price for residential homes, 9.2% less than July 2022.
- 1,836 New home listings on the market, 26.7% less than July 2022.
- **4,697** Active home listings on the market, 15.8% more than July 2022.
- 1,314 Pending sales, 13.7% more than July 2022.
- 4.0 Months of inventory, 1.4 months more than July 2022.
- \$948,942,496 Total dollar volume of homes sold, 3.0% less than July 2022.

Williamson County

- 895 Residential homes sold, 5.4% less than July 2022.
- \$428,350 Median price for residential homes, 11.7% less than July 2022.
- 1,247 New home listings on the market, 28.1% less than July 2022.
- 2,788 Active home listings on the market, 2.1% less than July 2022.
- 937 Pending sales, 5.6% more than July 2022.
- 3.1 Months of inventory, 0.5 months more than July 2022.
- \$445,147,628 Total dollar volume of homes sold, 14.5% less than July 2022.

Hays County

- 400 Residential homes sold, 0.3% less than July 2022.
- \$405,243 Median price for residential homes, 10.5% less than July 2022.
- 522 New home listings on the market, 10.8% less than July 2022.
- 1,493 Active home listings on the market, 31.1% more than July 2022.
- 439 Pending sales, 27.3% more than July 2022.
- 4.1 Months of inventory, 1.1 months more than July 2022.
- **\$207,159,668** Total dollar volume of homes sold, 7.1% less than July 2022.

Bastrop County

- 132 Residential homes sold, 9.1% more than July 2022.
- \$349,995 Median price for residential homes, 15.7% less than July 2022.
- 210 New home listings on the market, 1.9% less than July 2022.
- **545** Active home listings on the market, 25.6% more than July 2022.
- **143** Pending sales, 40.2% more than July 2022.
- 4.6 Months of inventory, 1.2 months more than July 2022 and the highest inventory in the MSA.
- \$53,217,578 Total dollar volume of homes sold, 0.9% less than July 2022.

Caldwell County

- 44 Residential homes sold, 22.8% less than July 2022.
- \$298,048 Median price for residential homes, 20.2% less than July 2022.
- 69 New home listings on the market, 38.0% more than July 2022.
- 140 Active home listings on the market, 55.6% more than July 2022.
- 59 Pending sales, 68.6% more than July 2022.
- 3.4 Months of inventory, 1.1 months more than July 2022.
- \$13,797,745 Total dollar volume of homes sold, 41.0% less than July 2022.

For additional housing market data, visit

These statistics are for single-family homes, condos, and townhomes, compared year-over-year.

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AUSTIN-ROUND ROCK MSA

Median Sales Price



\$462,000 +10%



Closed Sales

2,815 1<1%

Average Days on Market

59 DAYS



37
DAYS



New Listings 2 9,663

Active 12%

2,892

Pending 14%

Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$1.66 BILLION

-7%

Months of Inventory





3.7
MONTHS

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BASTROP COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$349,995 \ 15%



Closed Sales

132 19%

Average Days on Market

86 DAYS

2022

61 DAYS

210

New Listings

10/

545

Active Listings **25%**

143

Pending Sales

40%

Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$53
MILLION



Months of Inventory





4.6
MONTHS

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CALDWELL COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$298,048 - 20%



Closed Sales

22%

Average Days on Market





New Listings



40

Active Listings



Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



3.7 + 41%



Months of Inventory



1.1 MONTHS



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CITY OF AUSTIN

Median Sales Price



\$550,000 _12%





Closed Sales

Average Days on Market







New Listings >

2,881

Active



Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume





Months of Inventory





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HAYS COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$405,243 \ \ 10%



Closed Sales

400 + <1%

Average Days on Market







522

New Listings



1,493

Active 131%

439

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$207
MILLION

-7%

Months of Inventory





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MONTHS

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TRAVIS COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$545,000



Closed Sales

1,344

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Average Days on Market







1,836

New Listings **26**%

4,697

Active Listings 15% 1,314

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$948
MILLION



Months of Inventory





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MONTHS

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WILLIAMSON COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$428,350





Closed Sales

895



Average Days on Market







1,247

New Listings 28%

2,788

Active Listings



937

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$445
MILLION

14%

Months of Inventory



🔷 0.5 MONTHS

3.1 MONTHS