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Real Estate & Economic Outlook

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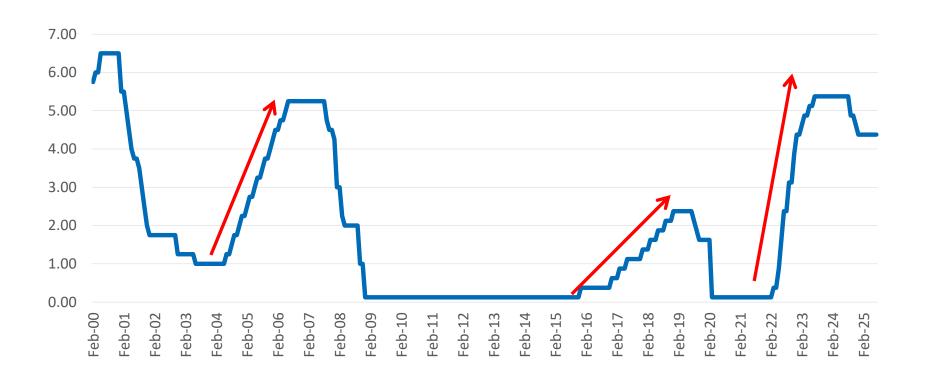
Federal Reserve Economic Forecast Downgraded for 2025

	Previous Forecast in 2024	Updated Forecast in March 2025
GDP	+2.1%	Lowered to +1.7%
Inflation	+2.5%	Raised to +2.7%

Source: Federal Reserve



Federal Reserve Fed Funds Rate



Source: Federal Reserve



10-year Treasury (green) and Mortgage Rates (red)



Source: Federal Reserve and Feddie Mac Mortgage Rate

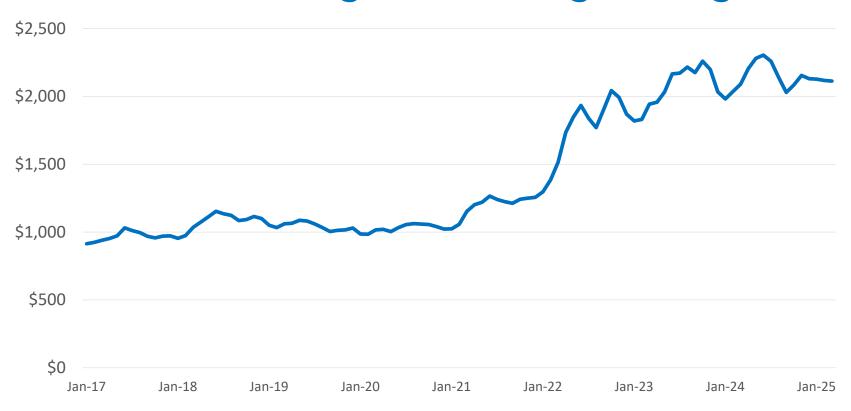


Spread 30-yr Mortgage and 10-yr Treasury





Median Monthly Mortgage Payment for Recent Buyers Tough but No Longer Rising



Source: NAR using only principal and interest of median priced home



When Will the Fed Cut Rates? Consumer Price Inflation at 2.3% in April, Still Above 2% Target



Source: BLS

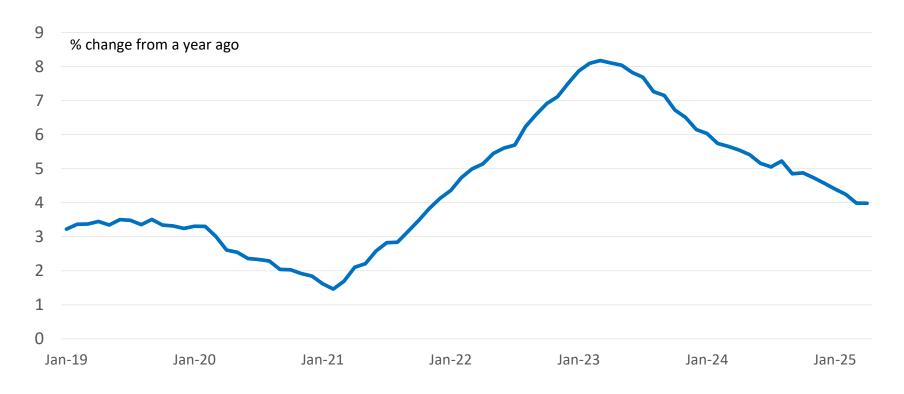


Fed Rate Cuts Once Inflation Under Control

- Tariff ... inflationary
- Shelter Cost ... disinflationary
- Deregulation ... disinflationary
- Oil ... disinflationary
- Reciprocal Tariff to zero ... disinflationary
- Weaker Economy ... disinflationary
- Dumping and Weaker Dollar ... inflationary
- Pharmaceutical Drugs ... disinflationary



Housing Shelter Inflation is Decelerating (Egg Price is Irrelevant)



Source: BLS



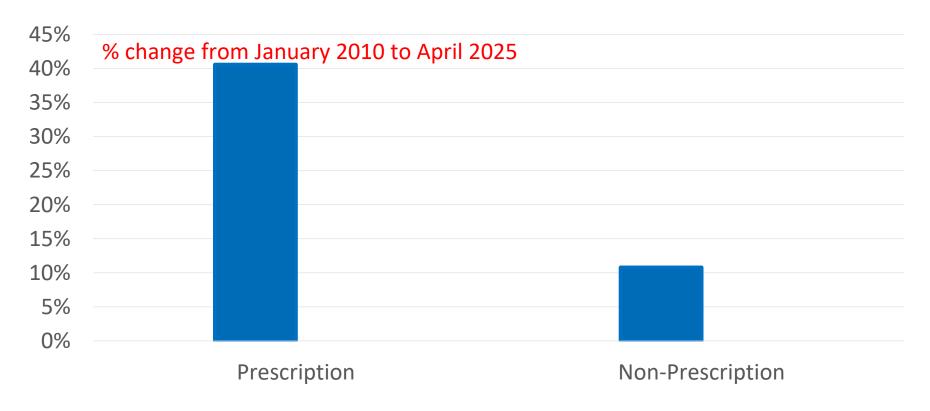
Gasoline Price per Gallon Moving Towards Pre-COVID Prices



Source: Energy Information Administration



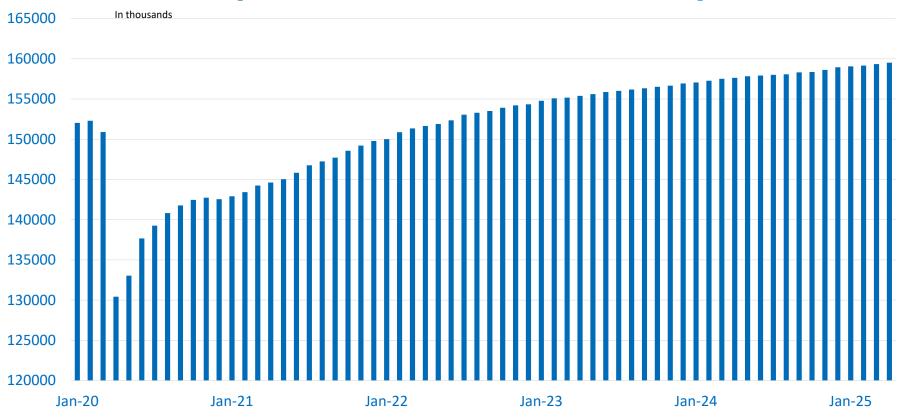
Prescription and Non-Prescription Drug Price Inflation: Future Pricing Impact?



Source: BLS



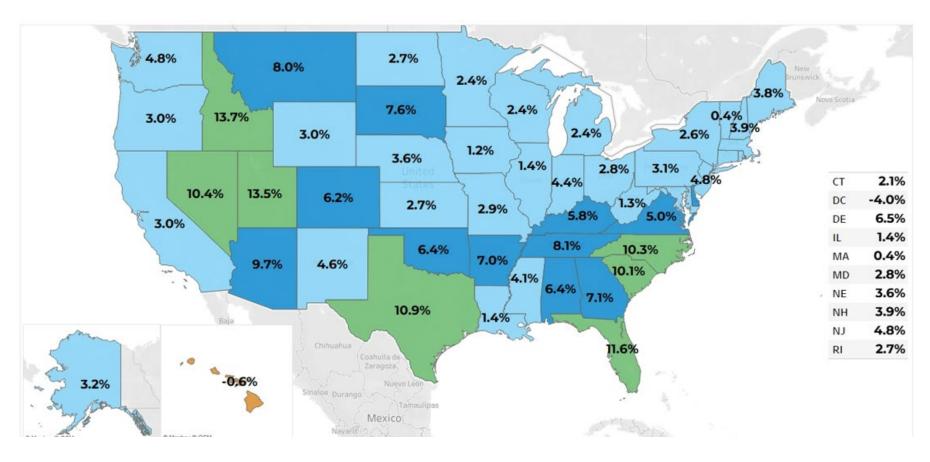
Total Payroll Jobs (+7 Million from Pre-COVID)



Source: BLS



Job Gains Since Pre-COVID Record High Payroll Employment % change from March 2020 to April 2025

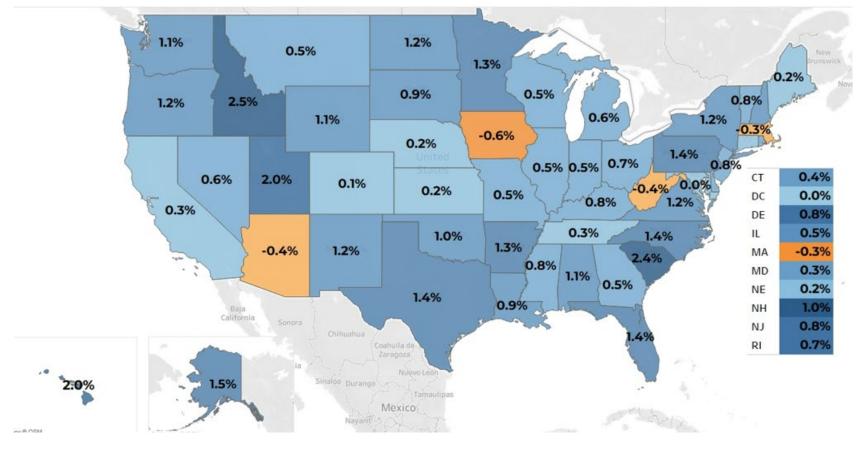


Source: NAR Analysis of BLS data



Job Gains Over One Year - to Assess Recent Momentum

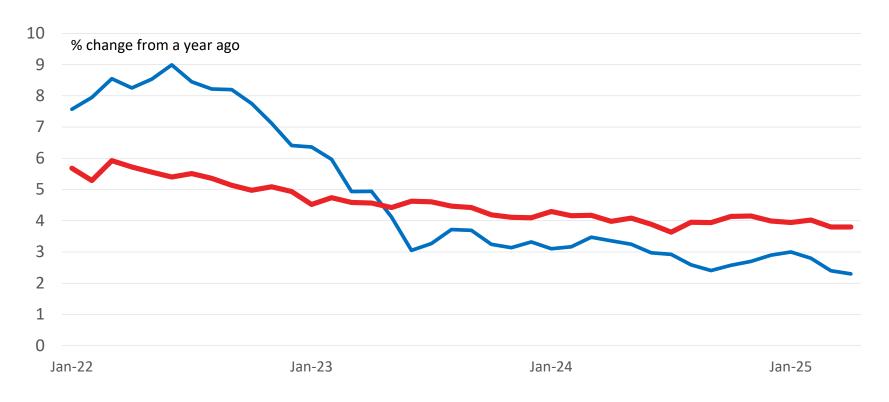
% change from April 2024 to April 2025



Source: NAR Analysis of BLS data



Wage Growth (red) 3.8% Outpacing Consumer Price (blue) at 2.3%



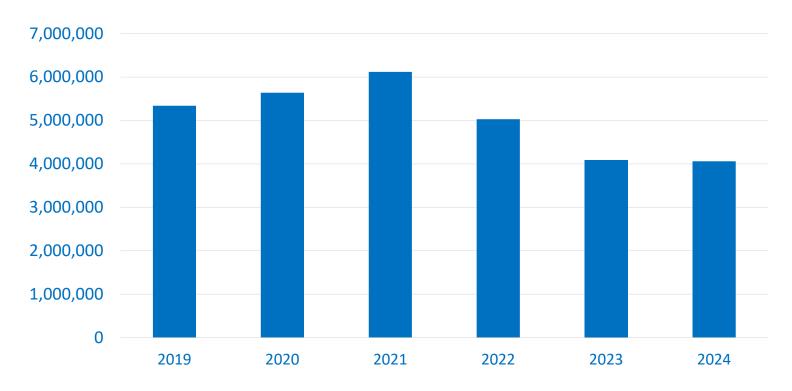
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Residential Real Estate

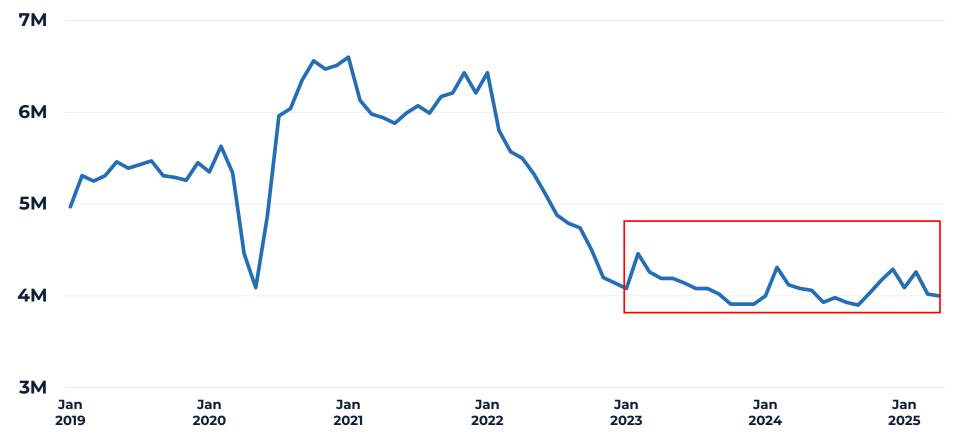


Existing-Home Sales ... Two of the Most Difficult Years





Recent Monthly Existing-Home Sales Show No Recovery (seasonally adjusted annualized rate)



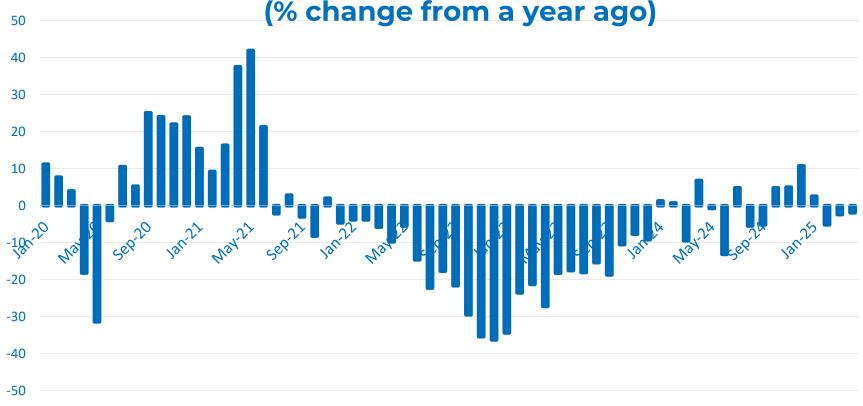
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Raw Existing-Home Sales, Not Seasonally Adjusted



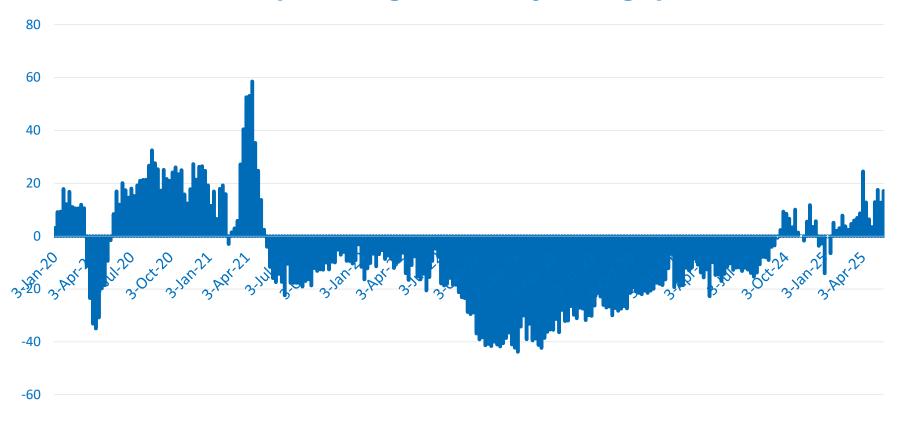


Raw Existing-Home Sales: Flickering of Light at the End of the Tunnel (% change from a year ago)





Light Showing on Mortgage Applications to Buy a Home (% change from a year ago)





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ECONOMIC REPORT

Buyers rushed into the market for new homes in April, pushing sales to highest level in three years



Higher incentives and lower prices boosted sales





Monthly New Home Sales (seasonally adjusted annualized rate)

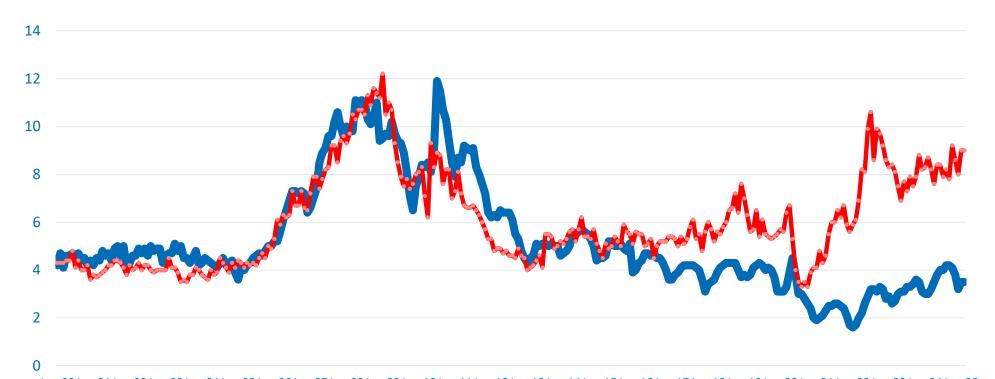


Source: HUD/Census



Months Supply of Inventory New Homes (red) and Existing Homes (blue)

(How many months to exhaust the current inventory at current sales pace)

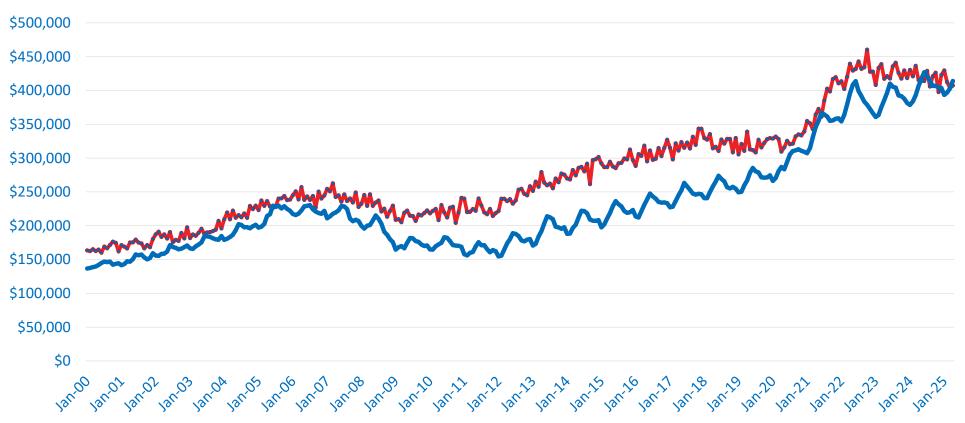


Jan-00 Jan-01 Jan-02 Jan-03 Jan-04 Jan-05 Jan-06 Jan-07 Jan-08 Jan-09 Jan-10 Jan-11 Jan-12 Jan-13 Jan-14 Jan-15 Jan-16 Jan-17 Jan-18 Jan-19 Jan-20 Jan-22 Jan-22 Jan-23 Jan-24 Jan-25 Jan-19 Jan-19

Source: NAR and Census



Median Home Price New vs. Existing



Source: NAR and Census

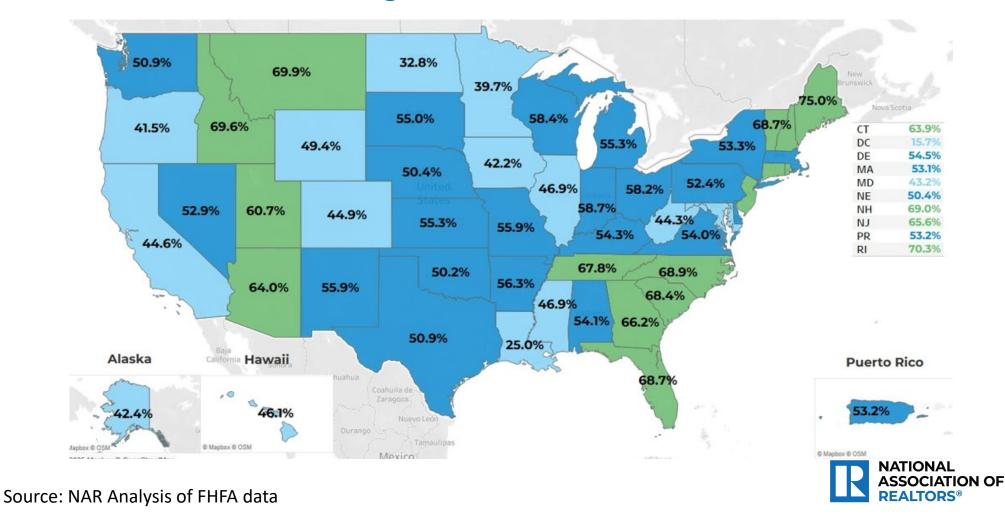


\$20,000 for Mortgage Rate Buydown or Reduction in Home Price

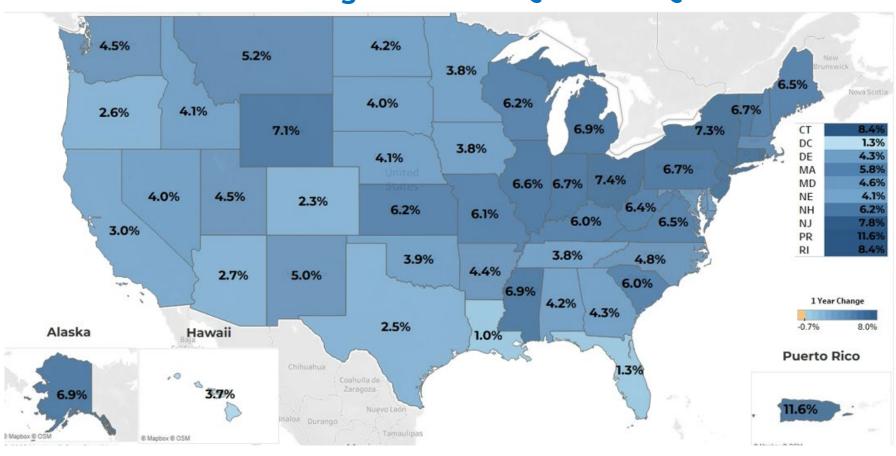
	5.75% rate	7% rate
Monthly Mortgage Payment \$400,000 loan	\$2334	
Monthly Mortgage Payment \$380,000 loan		\$2528



5-year Home Price Gains Since Pre-COVID % change from 2020 Q1 to 2025 Q1



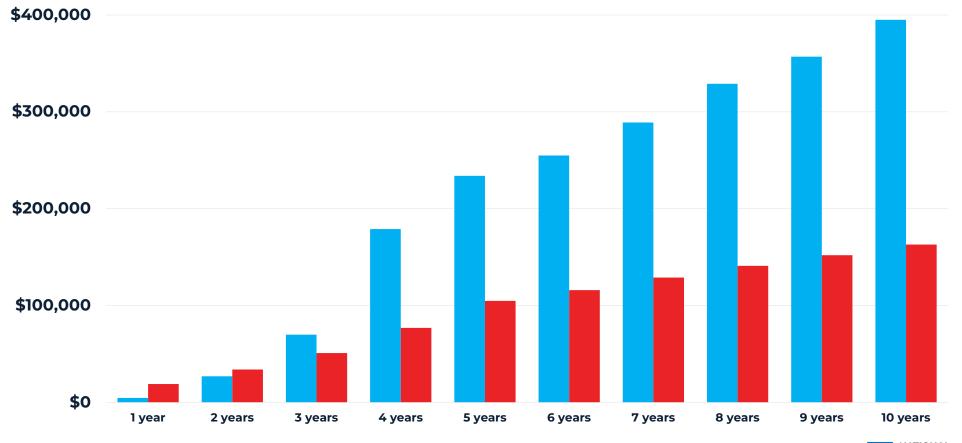
Recent 1-year Home Price Gains % change from 2024 Q1 to 2025 Q1



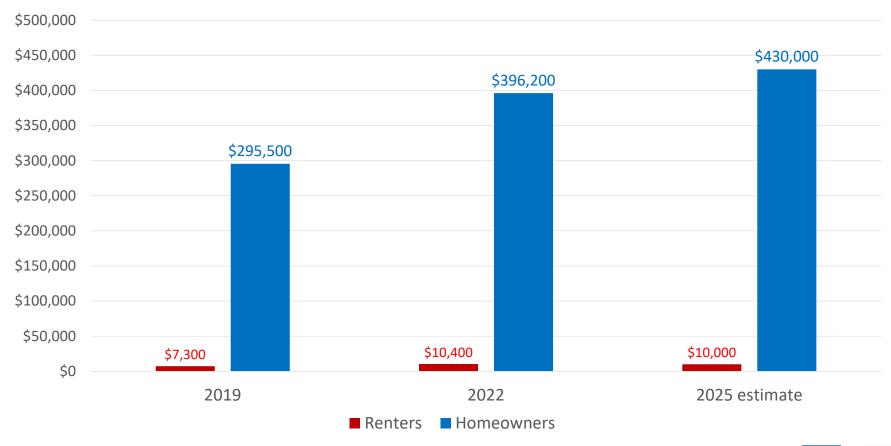
Source: NAR Analysis of FHFA data



Housing Equity Gain by Years of Ownership Denver ... Louisville



Median Net Worth Between Owners and Renters

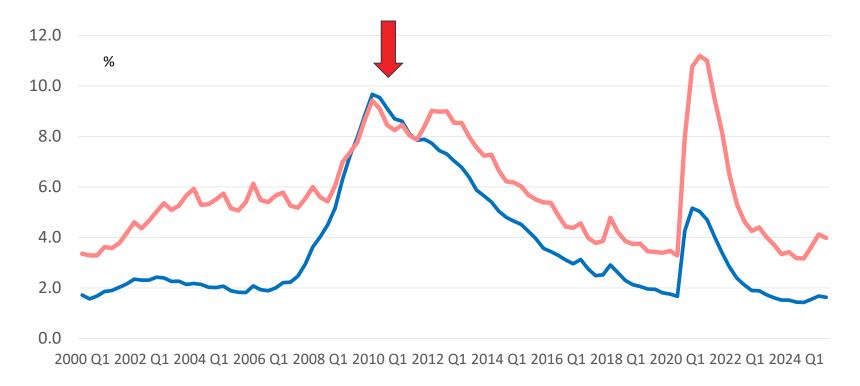


Source: Median Net Worth from Federal Reserve Survey of Consumer Finance



Mortgages in Seriously Delinquent Status All (blue) vs. FHA (pink)

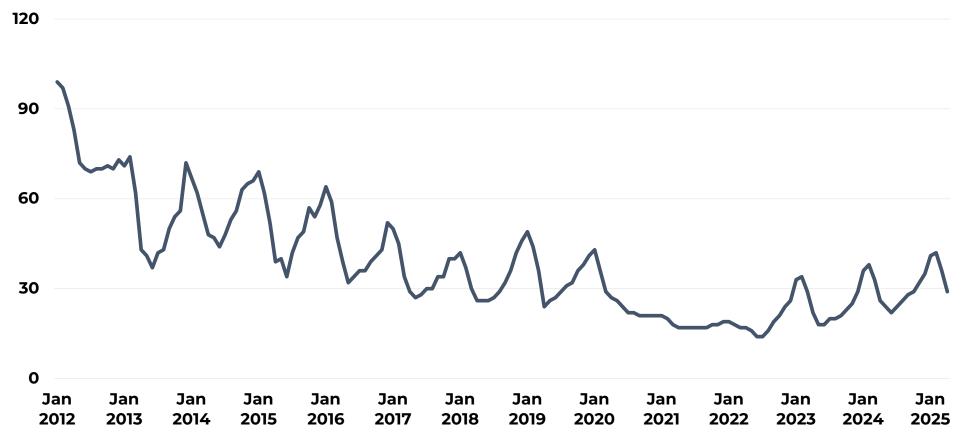
(3 months late or in foreclosure)



Source: Mortgage Bankers Association

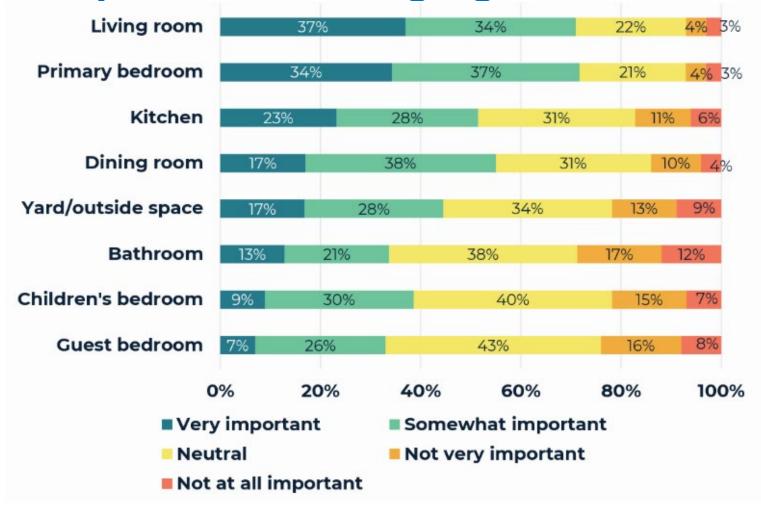


Days on Market (From Listing to Pending Contract)





Importance of Staging from NAR Study

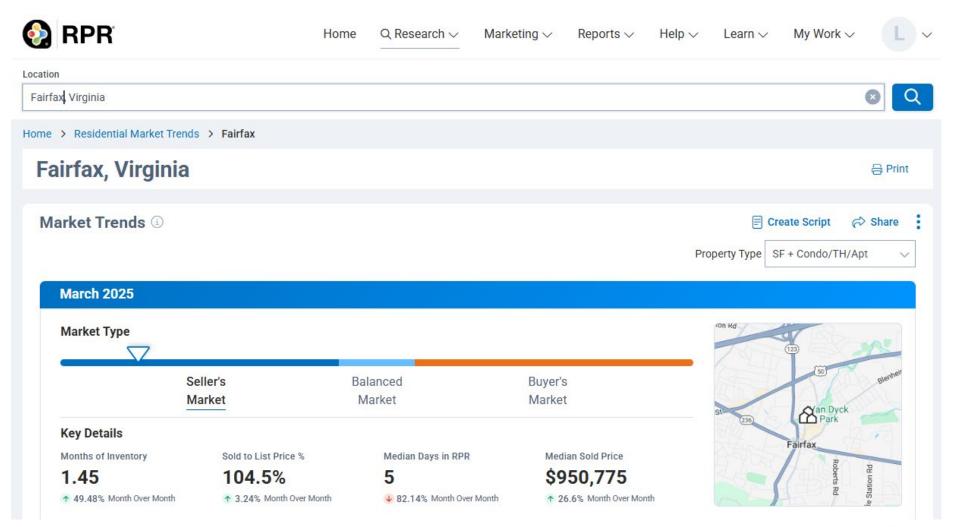




Price Cuts from Lengthening Days on Market

DOM	April and May 2025	April 2019
0 to 7	4.9%	4.4%
8 to 14	5.3%	4.9%
15 to 21	6.0%	5.3%
22 to 30	6.5%	5.6%
31 to 60	7.7%	6.6%
61 to 90	9.9%	8.1%
91 to 120	11.6%	9.3%
+120	14.2%	11.8%







Forecast and Risk

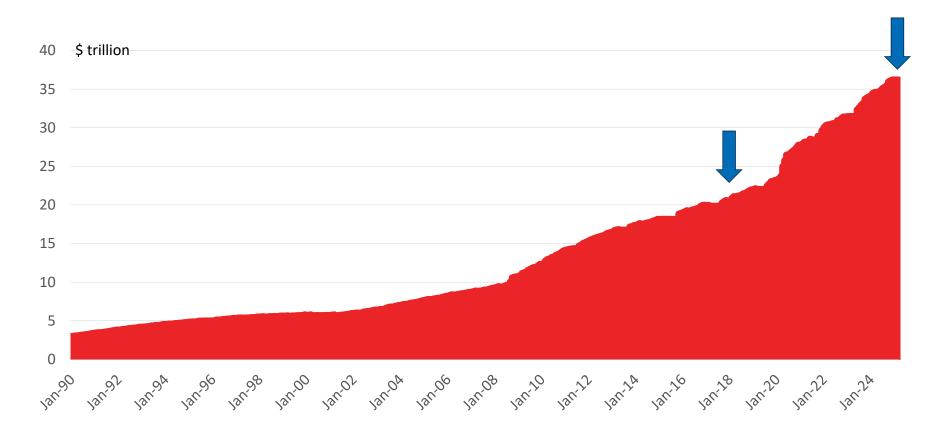


Nationwide Forecast

	2025	2026
Existing-Home Sales	+6%	+11%
New Home Sales	+10%	+5%
Median Home Price	3%	4%
Mortgage Rate	6.4%	6.1%
Job Gains	1.6 million	2.4 million



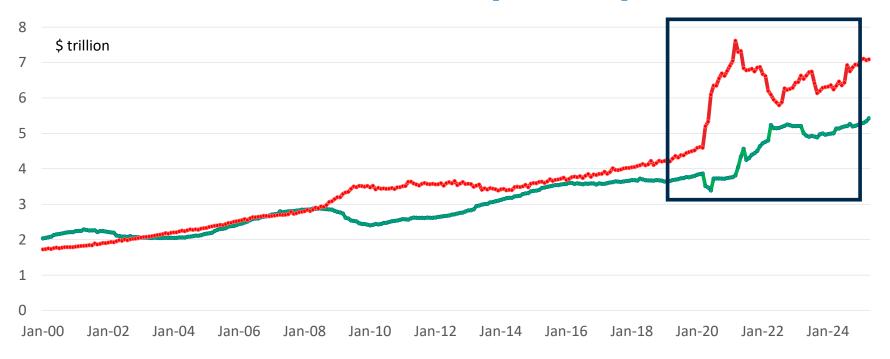
Risk from National Debt



Source: U.S. Treasury



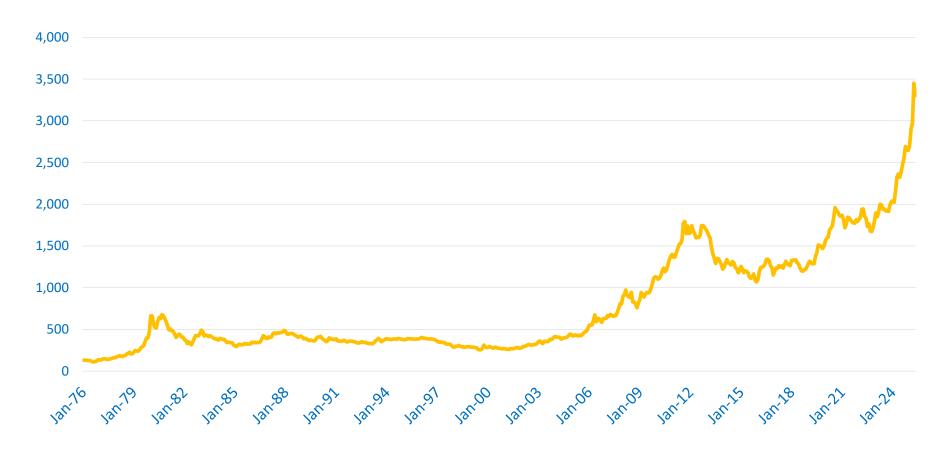
Government Outlay (Red) and Tax Revenue (Green)



Source: U.S. Treasury



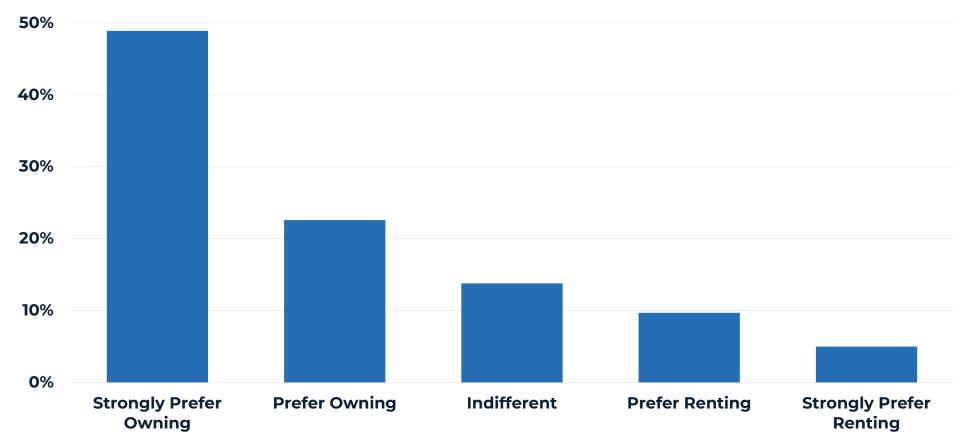
Gold Price - Reflection of Great Uncertainty



Source: Wall Street Journal



Renter Survey about Homeownership



Source: NY Federal Reserve Survey of Consumer Expectations (February 2025)



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