

GBRAR Market Statistics for May 2024

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U.S. existing-home sales fell for the second month in a row, sliding 1.9% month-over-month and 1.9% year-over-year, according to the National Association of REALTORS[®] (NAR), with sales down in all four regions of the country. Higher borrowing costs and accelerating home prices continue to weigh on demand, pushing some prospective buyers to the sidelines and causing market activity to slump ahead of summer.

Home prices have continued to climb nationwide, despite an uptick in inventory this year. Nationally, the median existing-home price reached \$407,600 as of last measure, a 5.7% increase from the same period last year and a record high for the month, according to NAR. Meanwhile, total inventory heading into May stood at 1.21 million units, a 9% increase month-over-month and a 16.3% increase year-over-year, for a 3.5 month's supply at the current sales pace.

The Greater Baton Rouge Area posted a decrease in Closed Sales, Pending Sales, and an increase in New Listings. Buyers are beginning to see relief from the strong sellers' market with an increase in inventory. There was a slight increase in the Median Sales Price and a slight decrease in Percent of List Price Received, benefiting sellers and buyers respectively. The market begins to show signs of relief for buyers with homes having an increase in days on market. The Month's supply of inventory increased substantially.

New Listings increased 5.6% to 1,343 Pending Sales decreased 13.8% to 859 Closed Sales decreased 1.0% to 1,017 Median Sales Price increased 1.2% to \$260,000 Percent of List Price Received decreased 0.1% to 97.8% Days on Market Until Sale increased 21.1% to 69 Inventory of Homes for Sale increased 25.3% to 3,777 Months' Supply of Inventory increased 36.4% to 4.5 **East Baton Rouge Parish** posted an increase in Closed Sales and New Listings along with a decrease in Pending Sales. Buyers are beginning to see relief from the strong sellers' market with an increase in inventory. Buyers are beginning to benefit from a slight decrease in the Percent of List Price received. The market favors buyers with a decrease in Median sales price received. Days on Market increased benefitting buyers. Months' supply of inventory increased substantially.

New Listings increased 4.9% to 600 Pending Sales decreased 14.8% to 403 Closed Sales increased 9.7% to 511 Median Sales Price decreased 2.7% to \$265,000 Percent of List Price Received decreased 0.4% to 97.8% Days on Market Until Sale increased 14.3% to 64 Inventory of Homes for Sale increased 23.8% to 1,538 Months' Supply of Inventory increased 30.0% to 3.9

Ascension Parish posted a decrease in Pending Sales, Closed Sales, and an increase in New Listings. Market conditions were favorable for buyers as they benefitted from an increase in inventory. Percent of List Price Received decreased slightly. Months' Supply of Inventory increased substantially. The Median Sales Price increased as well. Days on Market increased significantly.

New Listings increased 3.0% to 170 Pending Sales decreased 3.4% to 114 Closed Sales decreased 16.1% to 120 Median Sales Price increased 7.5% to \$335,000 Percent of List Price Received decreased 0.5% to 98.5% Days on Market Until Sale increased 36.4% to 60 Inventory of Homes for Sale increased 12.1% to 353 Months' Supply of Inventory increased 32.0% to 3.3 **Livingston Parish** posted increases in Closed Sales, New Listings, and no change in Pending Sales. Buyers began to see relief with an increase in Inventory of Homes for Sale. The market benefited sellers with an increase in Median Sales Price and the higher Percent of List Price Received. Days on Market increased significantly as did the Months' supply of inventory.

New Listings increased 33.7% to 218 Pending Sales increased 0.0% to 145 Closed Sales increased 5.2% to 162 Median Sales Price increased 2.3% to \$242,933 Percent of List Price Received increased 0.1% to 98.8% Days on Market Until Sale increased 27.5% to 65 Inventory of Homes for Sale increased 52.5% to 559 Months' Supply of Inventory increased 62.5% to 3.9

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