

CENTRAL TEXAS HOUSING MARKET REPORT

October 2022

AUSTIN-ROUND ROCK MSA HOME PRICES STABILZING

October housing inventory gains inch region closer to a balanced housing market

AUSTIN, TX — According to the Austin Board of REALTORS® October 2022 Central Texas Housing Market Report, median home prices across the MSA continued their recent trend of more stable and sustainable appreciation even while hitting \$474,900—a record for the month of October. The data indicates the continued return to normal activity, with inventory also rising to 3.2 months of inventory, half the amount of housing inventory needed for a market to be considered balanced.

"Austin's housing market is still growing, just at a different pace," Cord Shiflet, 2022 ABoR president, said. "We're entering the time of year that is historically a quieter time for home sales. With more available inventory than our area has seen in a decade and price growth stabilizing, buyers have more options today than ever before. Now is the time for homebuyers to sit down with their REALTOR® and walk through all possible financing and down payment options."

Last month, sales dollar volume fell by 24.6% to \$1,346,229,031 as new listings declined 13.1% to 3,255 listings across the MSA. The median price increased by only 4.9% to \$474,990—setting a median price record for the month of October. Pending listings dropped by 40.0% to 2,141 listings and available inventory increased by 2.2 months to 3.2 months of inventory. Homes spent an average of 47 days on market, up 26 days from October 2021.

Dr. Jim Gaines, an economist at the Texas Real Estate Research Center, stated that the normalization of the Austin housing market was to be expected and is a similar trend happening across the nation.

"The 2021 housing market numbers we saw were an anomaly compared to previous years, so anything different from those numbers can appear significant. Homes that are coming on the market are

not staying active for long, but they are also not flying off the shelves or going into a bidding war like they used to. That previous, hectic pace of home sales has stopped."

Gaines added that Texas, specifically the Central Texas region, is well-positioned to weather any potential economic downturn.

"The desire to live in Central Texas remains high compared to other metropolitan areas in the state. The continued creation of jobs and influx of people moving to Austin coupled with companies relocating to the region place Austin in a unique position to weather any potential downturn."

Shiflet explained the additional ways a REALTOR® can help Central Texas home sellers sell their homes with confidence.

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- CORD SHIFLET
2022 ABOR & ACTRIS PRESIDENT

"From a seller's perspective, we're looking at a longer timeline to sell a home and more competition. This is where a REALTOR® will help develop a strong and tailored marketing strategy to make your home stand out. Through ABoR's MLS, they have real-time access to the most complete housing market data for our area and can give up-to-the-minute data on home sales and price trends for your neighborhood, so that you can be confident you're pricing your home competitively."

City of Austin

In October, home sales decreased 41.3% to 613 sales, while sales dollar volume decreased 34.7% to \$432,352,496. At the same time, median price rose 3.8% setting a record for the month of October of \$555,000 for the City of Austin. Last month, new listings slightly dropped 18.4% to 1,010 listings, active listings skyrocketed 139.1% to 2,613 listings as pending sales declined by 50.9% to 574 pending sales. Monthly housing inventory increased 1.8 months year over year to 2.8 months of inventory.

Travis County

In Travis County, home sales decreased 33.4% to 1,029 sales, while sales dollar volume decreased 28.0% to \$730,178,298. Last month, median price in Travis County rose 5.8% year over year to \$544,950 as new listings decreased 19.4% to 1,561 listings and active listings ballooned 147.7% to 4,431 listings year over year. Pending sales declined 47.7% to 949 pending sales as monthly housing inventory increased 2.1 months year over year to 3.1 months of inventory.

Williamson County

October home sales decreased 33.3% to 751 sales in Williamson County. Sales dollar volume declined 27.3% year over year to \$387,991,758. The median price increased 7.0% to \$460,000 as new listings dropped 12.8% to 1,079 listings. During the same period, active listings soared 245.9% to 3,210 listings while pending sales dropped 39.4% to 738 pending sales. Housing inventory rose 2.4 months to 3.2 months of inventory.

Hays County

In Hays County, October home sales decreased 13.5% to 309 sales and sales dollar volume also slightly decreased 12.7% to \$164,078,130. The median price for homes rose 1.4% to \$405,000. During the same period, new listings increased 2.6% to 389 listings, while active listings skyrocketed by 193.9% to 1,308 listings. Pending sales decreased 24.6% to 285 pending sales as housing inventory jumped by 2.4months to 3.5 months of inventory.

Bastrop County

Last month, Bastrop County home sales increased 8.2% year over year to 119 sales, while sales dollar volume also rose by 25.5% to \$51,072,224. Median price increased 10% to \$365,138 as new listings rose 12.5% to 171 listings. Active listings soared 144.8% to 492 listings as pending sales slightly increased 0.8% to 131 pending sales. Housing inventory increased 2.3 months to 3.8 months of inventory, the highest level of inventory across the MSA in October.

Caldwell County

In Caldwell County in October, home sales increased 9.1% to 36 home sales, and sales dollar volume dropped 12.2% to \$11,639,809. The median home price rose 9.8% year over year to \$319,000. At the same time, new listings increased by 34.2% to 55 listings as active listings skyrocketed 168.9% to 121 listings. Pending sales increased 35.7% to 38 pending sales, and housing inventory increased 1.4 months to 2.9 months of inventory.

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For additional housing market data, visit ABoR.com/MarketStatistics.

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AUSTIN-ROUND ROCK MSA

Median Sales Price



\$474,990 +4%





Closed Sales

Average Days on Market







New Listings



Active 180% Listings

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



Months of Inventory





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BASTROP COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$365,138





Closed Sales

119 18%

Average Days on Market

34 DAYS



19 DAYS

171

492

Active 144%

131

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$51 MILLION

125%

Months of Inventory





3.8
MONTHS

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CALDWELL COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$319,000 +9%





Closed Sales

Average Days on Market







New Listings



Active 168% Listings

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



12%

Months of Inventory





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CITY OF AUSTIN

Median Sales Price



\$555,000 +3%





Closed Sales

Average Days on Market







New Listings 18%

Active 139%

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume





Months of **Inventory**





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HAYS COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$405,000 1%



Closed Sales

309 13%

Average Days on Market

57 DAYS



38 DAYS

389

New Listings



1,308

Active 193%

285

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$164
MILLION

12%

Months of Inventory





3.5 MONTHS

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TRAVIS COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$544,950





Closed Sales

Average Days on Market







1,561

New Listings



19%

4,431

Active 147%

949

Pending **47%**

Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$730 MILLION

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Months of Inventory



2.1 MONTHS



3.1 MONTHS

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WILLIAMSON COUNTY

Median Sales Price



\$460,000



7%



Closed Sales

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33%

Average Days on Market

48 DAYS



129 DAYS

1,079

New Listings 12%

3,210

Active Listings 245%

738

Pending Sales



Total Sales Dollar Volume



\$387
MILLION

27%

Months of Inventory



2.4 MONTHS

3.2 MONTHS