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NEFAR MLS (realMLS) · September 2026
Computed from closed records through 2026-10-07

MEDIAN SOLD · SF

\$394,100 +2.4%



monthly median

SAME-HOME APPRECIATION

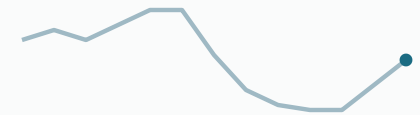
+1.6% /yr



same home, bought 1-3 yrs ago

DAYS ON MARKET

41 -8.9%



list → close, median

NEW CONTRACTS (SEPTEMBER)

1,384 -24.7%



pipeline thinning

MONTHS OF SUPPLY

3.6 SF

seller-leaning

SOLD OVER LIST

12% +38.3%



buyer competition

Balanced, soft · *Cooling*



A single 0-100 read of seller vs. buyer advantage, blending months of supply, days on market, the share selling over list, and the share of active listings cutting price. September: up 2.4% prices year over year, leading indicators softening. Down 2 points from August (47). *August is estimated from that month's closed sales with supply and price-cut inputs held at current readings; from next month, prior scores are the published ones.

Supply **68** Speed **65** Over-list **39** Price cuts **9**



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Executive summary

THE SIGNATURE FINDING

Fewer sales, prices up 2.4% — September in one line.

The median was \$394,100 (+2.4% YoY) and \$/sq ft +1.5%; same-home resales +1.6% a year. Closings down 9.4% YoY; new contracts down 24.7%.

\$394,100

Median price — **up 2.4% YoY**

-25%

New contracts vs a year ago — **the pipeline is thinning**

55%

Of **current active listings** have cut their price (point-in-time, as of 2026-10-07)

- Median up 2.4% YoY; **same-home appreciation was +1.6%/yr.**
- Homes sold in a median **41 days**; **12% sold over list**; supply **3.6 months**.
- Growth (YoY median) led by **Putnam +16.0%**, **Duval +4.5%**; Clay down 2.1%.
- **Momentum Market Score: 45/100 — Balanced, soft.** Prices up 2.4%, contracts down 24.7%.

Five biggest surprises

- **New contracts fell 25% YoY** — the sharpest cooling signal, hidden beneath the price headline.
- **55% of active listings have cut price** — a seller-market crack in plain sight.
- **36% of listings leaving the market failed to sell** (1,183 expired, withdrawn or canceled vs 2,140 closed).
- **Owners who bought 5+ years ago have averaged +6.3%/yr**; those who bought in the last 1-3 years are at +1.6%/yr — the easy money was pre-2022.
- **New construction was 24% of closings** — builders buying demand with incentives.

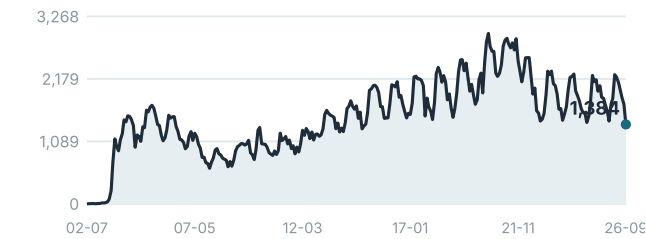
The market in eight charts

MEDIAN PRICE · 25 YEARS



\$394,100 — up 2.4% vs September 2025.

NEW CONTRACTS PER MONTH · LEADING INDICATOR



1,384 in September, -25% YoY — demand cooling before prices show it.

APPRECIATION — FOUR MEASURES



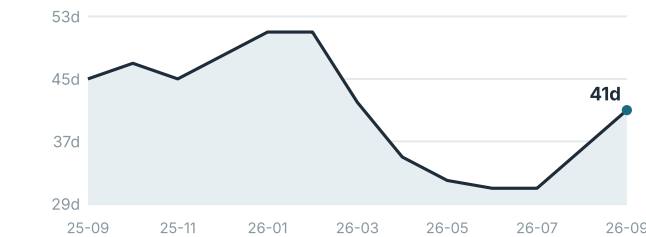
Same homes rose +1.6%, not the +2% median. The gap is mix.

MEDIAN PRICE CHANGE BY COUNTY · YOY



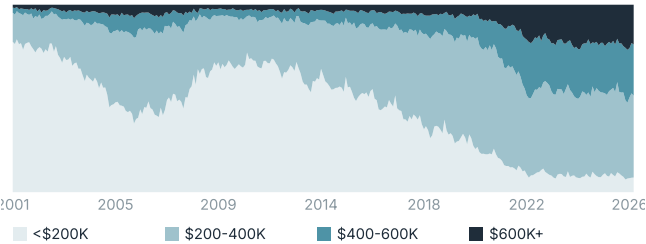
Duval leads on volume; Putnam leads on growth.

DAYS ON MARKET · 12 MONTHS



41 days — faster 8.9% than a year ago.

SHARE OF SALES BY PRICE TIER · 25 YEARS



\$600K+ is 21% of sales — the upmarket shift that moves the median.

AFFORDABILITY · MONTHLY PAYMENT FOR THE MEDIAN HOME



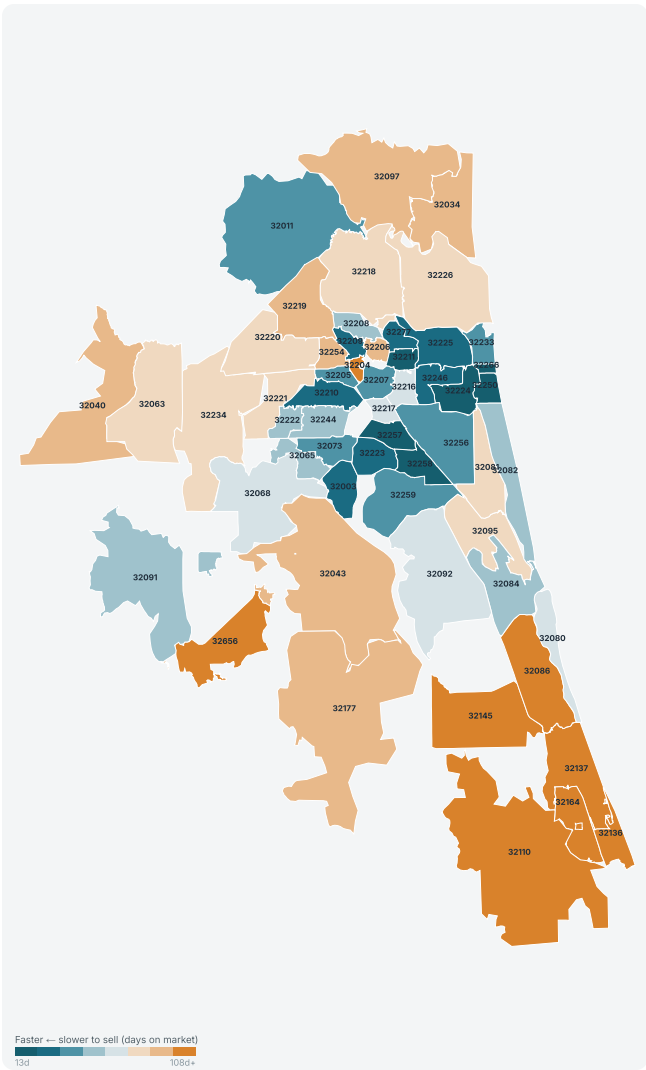
\$2,087/mo at 6.95% (20% down, 30-yr), +2.4% YoY.

SHARE OF CLOSINGS OVER LIST PRICE · 25 YEARS



12% of September closings sold over the original asking price.

Nighborhood heat map (by ZIP)



WHERE HOMES SELL FASTEST · SINGLE-FAMILY, JULY 2026–SEPTEMBER 2026

Every ZIP in the NEFAR MLS (realMLS) footprint with 15+ single-family closings in the last three months, shaded by **days on market** — deep teal is fastest, amber slowest. **Jacksonville** ZIPs run hot; **Flagler Beach** is the slow end.

HOTTEST — FASTEST & MOST COMPETITIVE

ZIP · CITY	SALES	DOM	OVER	MEDIAN
32257 · Jacksonville	71	13	23%	\$375,000
32224 · Jacksonville	141	15	16%	\$626,025
32250 · Jacksonville Beach	83	15	13%	\$765,000
32266 · Neptune Beach	20	18	10%	\$863,000
32258 · Jacksonville	75	18	21%	\$440,000
32211 · Jacksonville	83	19	12%	\$285,000
32225 · Jacksonville	149	20	14%	\$399,900

COOLEST — SLOWEST TO SELL

ZIP · CITY	SALES	DOM	OVER	MEDIAN
32136 · Flagler Beach	26	108	0%	\$525,495
32110 · Bunnell	16	78	19%	\$295,745
32164 · Palm Coast	101	77	8%	\$338,000
32145 · Hastings	18	74	22%	\$315,990
32656 · Keystone Heights	34	68	6%	\$300,000
32137 · Palm Coast	82	67	10%	\$378,682
32086 · St. Augustine	60	64	5%	\$417,000

ZIP boundaries: U.S. Census ZCTA. Tables cover ZIPs with ≥15 single-family closings in the trailing three months.

Demand & the contract pipeline

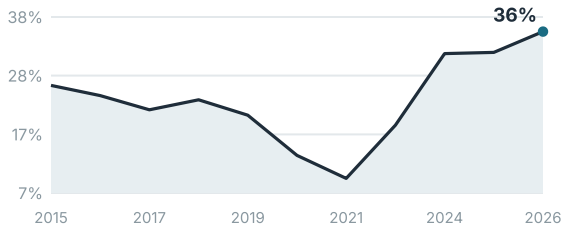
Active-under-contract and pending are tracked **separately** — AUC deals are contingent and can fall through; pending have cleared contingencies. The leading signal, new contracts, is **down 24.7% YoY**. And **55% of active listings have already cut price**, a softening signal beneath the price headline.

SINGLE-FAMILY PIPELINE, SEPTEMBER 2026

STAGE	COUNT	WHAT IT MEANS
Active (available)	6,613	Listed, not under contract
Active under contract	1,064	Contingent — still taking backups
Pending	2,131	Contingencies cleared — headed to closing
New under contract in September	1,384	By contract date — down 24.7% YoY
Months of supply	3.6	Active ÷ monthly closings — seller-leaning

Listings failing to sell — over time

PULL RATE — % OF LISTINGS EXPIRED OR WITHDRAWN · BY YEAR



Share of listings leaving the market without closing.

In September, **1,183 listings expired, were withdrawn or canceled** against **2,140 closings** — roughly a **36% pull rate**. Rising failed listings pair with new contracts down 24.7% and the 55% price-cut share: the market is asking sellers to price right the first time or sit.

Median vs. "sold twice" — what's the difference?

The **median** just averages whatever happened to sell that month: if a wave of larger, higher-end homes closes, it jumps even if no single house gained. **Sold twice** finds the identical house that sold 1-3 years ago and again in the last 12 months and compares the two prices — since it is the same home both times, and the hold is short, that gap is comparable with the 12-month median change. This month: median +2.4% YoY vs same-home +1.6%/yr across 1,436 short-hold pairs. Owners who bought 5+ years ago have averaged +6.3%/yr (5,398 pairs) — most of that came before 2022.

Rates & affordability

The 30-year fixed is about **6.95%** (latest rate carried on our county pages), which puts the payment on the median single-family home at **\$2,087/month** with 20% down, +2.4% from a year ago. Cash buyers were **22%** of September closings, 54% of condos.

Rate: the figure our county scorecards carry (Freddie Mac PMMS via the national data lane). Payment: principal and interest only, 20% down, 30-year fixed.

What this means — for buyers & sellers

If you're buying

- **Negotiate.** 55% of listings have cut price and contracts are down 24.7% — more leverage than the median suggests.
- **Ask for concessions** (rate buydowns, closing costs) — especially on new construction and condos.
- **Don't wait for a crash.** Same-home prices are still up ~2%; a softening, not a collapse.

If you're selling

- **Price correctly the first time.** Homes that cut price sit; well-priced homes still go under contract in ~41 days.
- **Expect negotiation.** 12% still sell over list, but the rest don't.
- **Condition matters more now.** With more choice, buyers pass on homes that need work.

By property type — and why condos lag

CLOSED SALES BY PROPERTY TYPE, SEPTEMBER 2026

TYPE	CLOSED	MEDIAN	YOY	\$/SQ FT	DOM	CASH
Single-family	1,699	\$394,100	+2.4%	\$206	41	22%
Townhouse	236	\$272,990	+1.5%	\$178	47	24%
Condominium	157	\$212,500	-7.4%	\$164	64	54%

Condos are softest (-7.4% YoY, 64 days) and most cash-reliant (54%). New construction was 24% of single-family closings.

New construction

NEW CONSTRUCTION · SHARE OF SINGLE-FAMILY SALES (12-MO ROLLING)



Now ~24% of single-family sales.

About **one in 4** single-family sales is a brand-new home. The engine is the **rate-lock**: owners holding low-rate mortgages won't sell, so resale supply stays choked and **builders fill the vacuum** — buying the demand with incentives. It is the mix-shift from another angle: the market is increasingly selling *newer* homes, not just bigger ones.

County breakdown

SINGLE-FAMILY BY COUNTY — "YOY" = YEAR-OVER-YEAR CHANGE IN MEDIAN PRICE

COUNTY	CLOSED	MEDIAN	YOY	VS 2022 PEAK	DOM	CASH
Duval	832	\$345,000	+4.5%	-1.4%	34	20%
St. Johns	391	\$572,500	+2.2%	-0.3%	44	27%
Clay	220	\$357,500	-2.1%	-7.1%	56	17%
Nassau	96	\$496,500	+4.5%	+18.2%	44	29%
Flagler	77	\$366,997	-0.0%	-13.6%	90	31%
Putnam	33	\$297,500	+16.0%	+10.6%	62	24%
Baker	12	\$378,450	+18.3%	+3.7%	68	8%
Bradford	11	\$357,000	+62.3%	+17.0%	49	45%
Alachua	5	\$289,000	+12.3%	—	13	40%

Median-price YoY swings on low volume in small counties. "vs 2022 peak" compares this month's median to each county's highest 2022 month.

Price-band breakdown — sold, pending, active & new

All residential (single-family, condo & townhouse), NEFAR MLS (realMLS) region, computed from individual records. **Sold** is bucketed by closed price; **pending** counts listings still under contract by the month they went under contract (by list price); **active** and **new listings** are the current snapshot by list price.

SOLD LISTINGS — THIS MONTH & YEAR-TO-DATE

PRICE BAND	2026	2025	%CHG	YTD	YTD-1	%CHG
Under 100,000	47	67	-29.9%	591	554	+6.7%
100,000-119,999	30	32	-6.2%	241	278	-13.3%
120,000-139,999	34	29	+17.2%	344	327	+5.2%
140,000-159,999	27	44	-38.6%	394	439	-10.3%
160,000-179,999	58	63	-7.9%	485	508	-4.5%
180,000-199,999	73	62	+17.7%	549	550	-0.2%
200,000-249,999	201	247	-18.6%	2003	2267	-11.6%
250,000-299,999	270	298	-9.4%	2838	2740	+3.6%
300,000-399,999	536	623	-14.0%	5316	5381	-1.2%
400,000-499,999	327	346	-5.5%	3124	3032	+3.0%
500,000-749,999	325	338	-3.8%	3445	3233	+6.6%
750,000-999,999	116	121	-4.1%	1139	1134	+0.4%
1,000,000+	127	143	-11.2%	1223	1177	+3.9%
Totals	2171	2413	-10.0%	21692	21620	+0.3%

PENDING — CONTRACTS WRITTEN IN SEPTEMBER STILL OPEN

PRICE BAND	SEPTEMBER	SHARE
Under 100,000	16	2.0%
100,000-119,999	7	0.9%
120,000-139,999	7	0.9%
140,000-159,999	12	1.5%
160,000-179,999	16	2.0%
180,000-199,999	20	2.5%
200,000-249,999	46	5.8%
250,000-299,999	89	11.2%
300,000-399,999	238	30.0%
400,000-499,999	132	16.6%
500,000-749,999	120	15.1%
750,000-999,999	45	5.7%
1,000,000+	45	5.7%

ACTIVE LISTINGS — CURRENT FOR-SALE INVENTORY

PRICE BAND	COUNT	SHARE
Under 100,000	167	1.9%
100,000-119,999	113	1.3%
120,000-139,999	187	2.1%
140,000-159,999	180	2.0%
160,000-179,999	238	2.7%
180,000-199,999	280	3.2%
200,000-249,999	853	9.7%
250,000-299,999	1086	12.3%
300,000-399,999	2056	23.3%
400,000-499,999	1200	13.6%
500,000-749,999	1336	15.1%
750,000-999,999	521	5.9%
1,000,000+	614	7.0%

Snapshot as of 2026-10-07 — 8,831 active residential listings.

NEW LISTINGS — CAME ON MARKET IN SEPTEMBER (STILL LISTED)

PRICE BAND	COUNT	SHARE
Under 100,000	58	2.3%
100,000-119,999	31	1.2%
120,000-139,999	60	2.4%
140,000-159,999	45	1.8%
160,000-179,999	59	2.4%
180,000-199,999	83	3.3%
200,000-249,999	248	10.0%
250,000-299,999	301	12.1%
300,000-399,999	563	22.6%
400,000-499,999	379	15.2%
500,000-749,999	370	14.9%
750,000-999,999	131	5.3%
1,000,000+	163	6.5%

2,491 listings with a September on-market date still active at the snapshot.

The numbers — single-family reference

SEPTEMBER 2026 (NEFAR MLS (REALMLS) REGION)

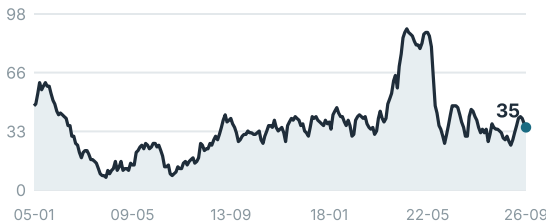
METRIC	SEPTEMBER 2026	VS. SEPTEMBER 2025	VS. AUGUST 2026
Median sale price	\$394,100	+2.4%	+2.4%
Average sale price	\$534,313	+8.4%	-0.3%
Closed sales	1,699	-9.4%	-8.6%
New contracts written	1,384	-24.7%	-20.4%
Median days on market	41	-8.9%	+13.9%
Median \$/sq ft	\$206	+1.5%	+0.3%
Received vs. original list	96.3%	+1.1%	-0.7%
Received vs. final list	98.9%	+0.6%	-0.1%
Closed over list price	11.6%	+38.3%	-3.8%
Cash share	22.4%	-10.0%	-3.1%

Single-family, NEFAR MLS (realMLS) region. Computed from 1,699 closed records, cleaned for entry errors. "New contracts" = closings by purchase-contract month plus contracts still pending. "Received vs. original list" vs the first asking price; the gap to final list is the pre-sale price cut.

Does the Score work? A 20-year back-test

We computed a closed-sales version of the **Momentum Market Score** every month back to 2005 (pace, over-list share and price-cut discipline), then measured what the median price actually did over the **next six months**. It bottomed at 7 in March 2008 and peaked at 90 in June 2021; today it reads 39.

MOMENTUM MARKET SCORE · 2005–2026



0 = deep buyer's market, 100 = frenzy.

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT · AVG 6-MO PRICE CHANGE BY SCORE TIER

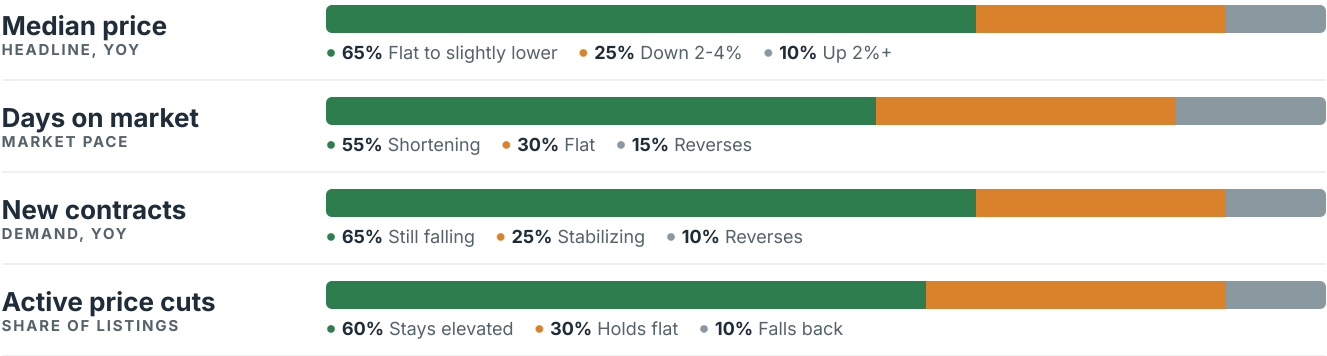


Higher Score → stronger forward price growth, tier by tier. Correlation **+0.31** across 256 monthly readings since 2005.

In seller-market months (Score 67+), the median rose +7.2% over the next six months on average; in buyer-market months (0-33) it moved +1.3%. The live cover Score also blends months of supply and the active price-cut share, so the two differ slightly. Past performance is not a guarantee of future results.

Momentum Forecast · next six months

Probability-weighted directional readings from this edition's leading indicators — new contracts (~24.7% YoY), active price cuts (55%), days on market (down 8.9% YoY) and months of supply (3.6). The weights follow a fixed rule: an indicator moving strongly in one direction (10%+ YoY) is given 65/25/10; a moderate move 55/30/15; a weak or absent move 45/35/20. Each row sums to 100%.



Most likely Alternative Tail risk Directional model for discussion — not investment advice.

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