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PD&R Publishes National Housing Market Indicators for March

HUD’s Office of Policy Development and Research ([PD&R](#)) has [published](#) its [national housing market indicators](#) for March 2025. According to the report, overall activity in the housing market improved. Trends in some of the top indicators for this month include:

- Purchases of new homes rose
- Existing home sales rose
- Construction of new homes rose
- Annual house price gains remained the same or accelerated slightly depending on the index referenced, with annual gains ranging from 4.7 to 4.8%
- The inventory of homes for sale rose for new and existing homes
- In the fourth quarter of 2024, homeowners’ equity declined slightly, and the number of underwater borrowers rose for a second consecutive quarter
- The rate of forbearance on mortgage loans declined for a third consecutive month
- Rates on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages (FRMs) remain below 7.0%



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