### **Housing News Update**



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## Existing Home Sales Modestly Higher in May

Existing Home Sales were slightly stronger than expected in May, according to the National Association of Realtors. Here are the preliminary newswires with a full story to follow shortly:

- U.S. MAY EXISTING HOME SALES 5.62 MLN UNIT RATE (CONSENSUS 5.55 MLN), VS APRIL 5.56 MLN (PREV 5.57 MLN)-NAR
- U.S. MAY EXISTING HOME SALES +1.1 PCT VS APRIL -2.5 PCT (PREV -2.3 PCT)-NAR
- U.S. MAY INVENTORY OF HOMES FOR SALE 1.96 MLN UNITS, 4.2 MONTHS' WORTH
- MAY NATIONAL MEDIAN HOME PRICE FOR EXISTING HOMES RECORD HIGH \$252,800, +5.8 PCT FROM MAY 2016
- NAR SAYS 5 PCT OF U.S. MAY EXISTING HOME SALES WERE DISTRESSED VERSUS 5 PCT IN APRIL, 6 PCT IN MAY 2016

#### National Average Mortgage Rates



	Rate	Change	Points
Mortgage News I	Daily		
30 Yr. Fixed	6.43%	+0.02	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	5.95%	0.00	0.00
30 Yr. FHA	5.82%	+0.02	0.00
30 Yr. Jumbo	6.62%	0.00	0.00
5/1 ARM	6.28%	-0.01	0.00
Freddie Mac			
30 Yr. Fixed	6.35%	-0.51	0.00
15 Yr. Fixed	5.51%	-0.65	0.00
Mortgage Banker	rs Assoc.		
30 Yr. Fixed	6.44%	-0.06	0.54
15 Yr. Fixed	5.88%	-0.16	0.68
30 Yr. FHA	6.36%	-0.06	0.85
30 Yr. Jumbo	6.75%	+0.07	0.39
5/1 ARM Rates as of: 8/30	5.98%	-0.27	0.65

#### **Recent Housing Data**

		Value	Change
Mortgage Apps	Aug 28	226.9	+0.49%
Building Permits	Mar	1.46M	-3.95%
Housing Starts	Mar	1.32M	-13.15%
New Home Sales	Mar	693K	+4.68%
Pending Home Sales	Feb	75.6	+1.75%
Existing Home Sales	Feb	3.97M	-0.75%

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Value Change

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