# As Autumn Approaches, Our Torrid Home Sale Pace Shows Signs of Cooling

# Lafayette Parish Pending Home Sales Dip for Fifth-straight month

It's gotten so common that having a record monthly home sales tally has become almost expected. So, it will not elicit much surprise or fanfare that the 646 homes sold throughout our Acadiana region in August was a record for the month as was their \$155 million in reported dollar volume. It has been an unmatched year. How so?

In 2018, for the first time ever, Acadiana broke through 5,000 level of annual home sales with 5,268 reported for the year. That year's dollar volume of \$1.005 billion was also a record setter. 2019 established a new record with 5,595 sales reported totaling \$1.08 billion. Last year, the COVID-19 surge propelled our annual home sale tally to 6,178 with over \$1.3 billion in corresponding dollar volume.

When the clock strikes midnight ending this year, will we have achieved a fourth consecutive record? We think so. Here's why:

- With 5,004 sales reported for the first eight months of this year, the number of monthly sales needed to exceed 2020 is 1,175 or an average of 294 per month. The average per month for the first eight months has been 626. The lowest month of reported sales was 433 in January. There appears to be no impediment blocking a 2021 record number of sales.
- The \$1.15 billion of closed dollar volume reported through August is just some \$165 million shy of 2020's \$1.3 billion. Through the first eight months of 2021 the average per month in reported dollar volume is over \$143.5 million with the lowest monthly volume being January's \$96.2 million. With four months remaining in the year, there is scant chance that last year's record will remain intact.

It has been an unparalleled year!

Our latest market report and number of month's supply analysis is attached above. Here are the highlights:

• Reported closed sales for August were 10.24% ahead of last August, but down 3.44% form July. Sales outside of Lafayette Parish increased

by 2.0% over last August while Lafayette Parish's sales were up by 14.5% over August 2020 but down by 2.4% from last month.

- Cumulatively, the 5,004 sales reported through August is 27% ahead of the 3,939 sales tallied through August of last year. Sales outside Lafayette Parish are up 18.3% and are up 32% in Lafayette Parish.
- While the number of homes going under contract in August remained 15% ahead of August 2020, the unadjusted total of 639 contracts reported continues a five month drift downward in the monthly number of homes pended. While some of this slowdown can have a seasonal attribution, there are clear indications that some of the pent-up demand unleashed post-COVID lockdown last year has been satisfied.
- While the number of new listings has increased from last year (up 9.5% overall and up 13% in Lafayette Parish, the ratio of new listings to sales remains historically low at 1.12:1 and, although, active inventory remains down some 40% year over year, the number of month's supply has actually been ticking up in a number of price points over the past few months.



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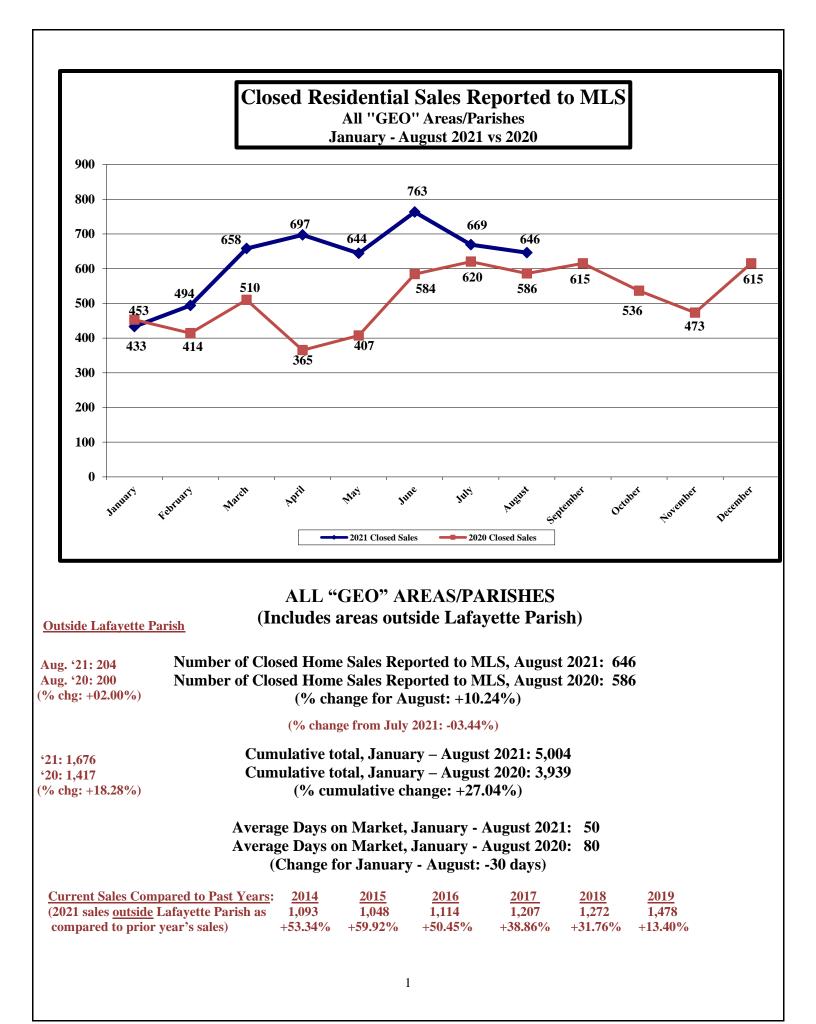
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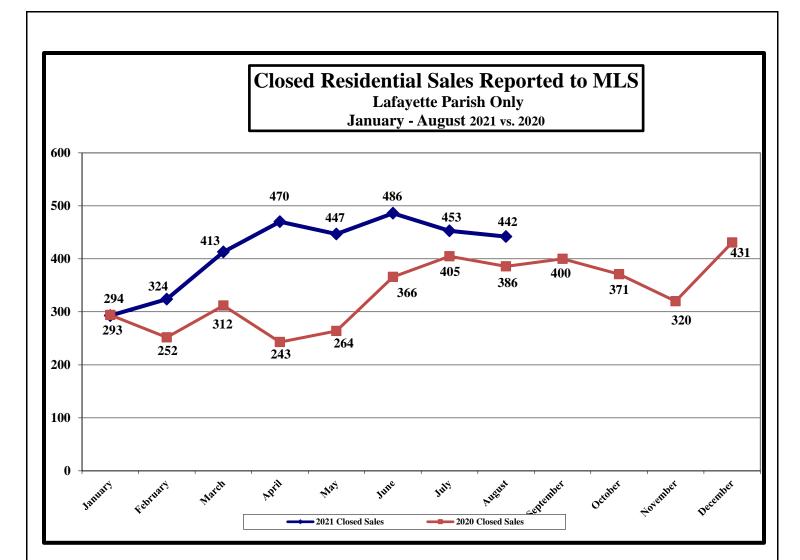


# The Acadiana Residential Real Estate Market Report

January – August 2021

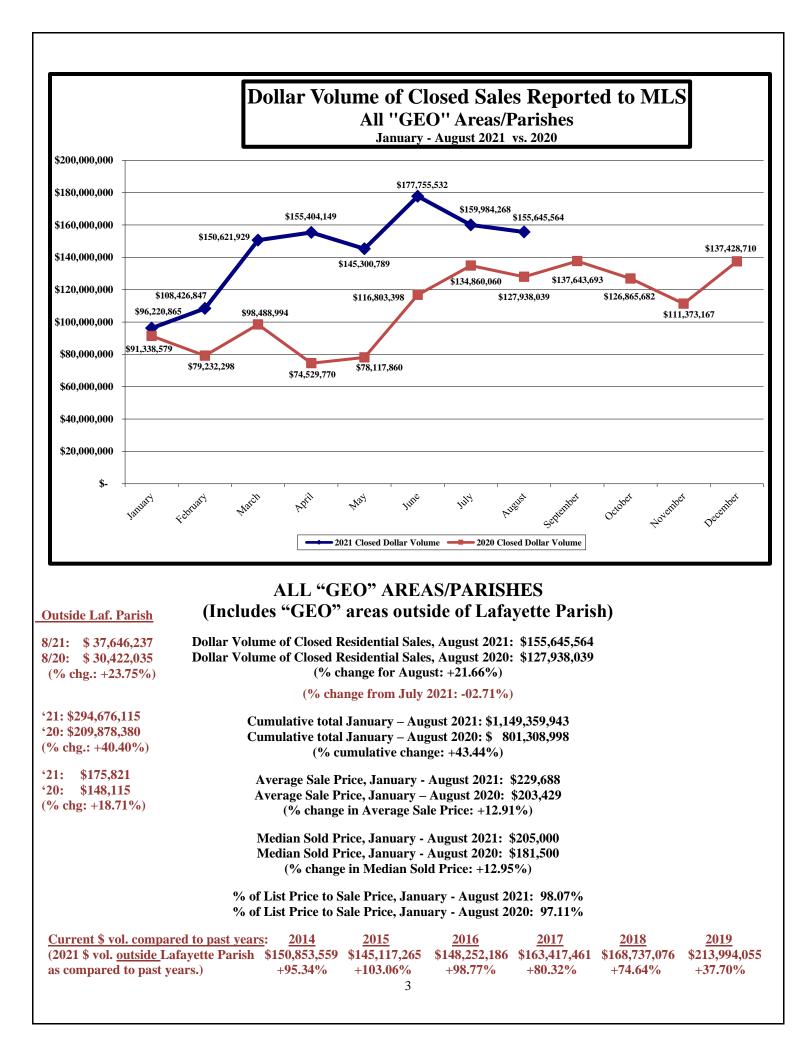
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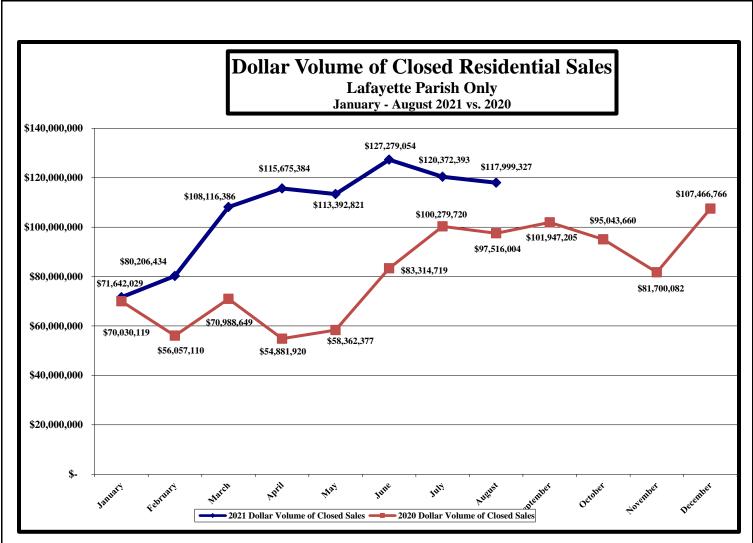




# LAFAYETTE PARISH (Excludes "GEO" areas outside Lafayette Parish)

<u>New Const.</u> 8/21: 112 8/20: 90 +24.44%	8/21: 112 330 Number of Closed Home Soles Dependented to MLS. August: 2021, 442								
New Const.	<b>Re-sales</b>		(% cha	inge from Ju	ly 2021: -02.4	43%)			
<sup>•</sup> 21: 775 <sup>•</sup> 20: 590 +31.36%	2,553 1,932 +32.14%	Cumulative total, January – August 2021: 3,328 Cumulative total, January – August 2020: 2,522 (% cumulative change: +31.96%)							
*21: 48 days *20: 95 days -47 days	36 days 75 days -39 days	Average Days on Market, January – August 2021: 39 Average Days on Market, January – August 2020: 80 (Change for January - August: -41 days)							
(2021 Lafaye	<u>s Compared to</u> tte Parish sale prior year's sa	s as	<u>2014</u> 2,167 53.58%	<u>2015</u> 2,310 +44.07%	<u>2016</u> 2,114 +57.43%	<u>2017</u> 2,178 +52.80%	<u>2018</u> 2,359 +41.08%	<u>2019</u> 2,299 +44.76%	





#### LAFAYETTE PARISH

(Excludes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

<u>New Const.</u>	<b>Re-sales</b>									
8/21: \$31,137,062	\$86,862,265	<b>Dollar Volume of Clo</b>	osed Residential Sales,	August 2021: \$	117,999,327					
8/20: \$22,597,648	\$74,918,356	<b>Dollar Volume of Clo</b>	ollar Volume of Closed Residential Sales, August 2020: \$ 97,516,004							
+37.79%	+15.94%	(% change	(% change for August: +21.01%)							
New Const.	<b>Re-sales</b>	(% change fi	com July 2021: -01.979	%)						
<b>'21: \$206,785,311</b>	\$647,898,517	Cumulative total J	January – August 202	1: \$854,683,828						
<b>'20: \$153,706,413</b>	\$437,724,205	Cumulative total January – August 2020: \$591,430,618								
+34.53%	+48.02%	(% cumulat	tive change: +44.51%)							
<b>'21: \$266,819</b>	\$253,779	Average Sale Price,	January - August 202	1: \$256,816						
<b>'20: \$260,519</b>	\$226,565	Average Sale Price, January - August 2020: \$234,508								
+02.42%	+12.01%	(% change in Av	verage Sale Price: +09	.51%)						
<b>'21: \$235,500</b>	\$214,200	Median Sold Price,	January – August 202	1: \$220,000						
<b>'20: \$223,200</b>	\$189,900	Median Sold Price, January – August 2020: \$200,000								
+05.51%	+12.80%	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	edian Sold Price: +10.	<i>'</i>						
<b>'21: 100.00%</b>	97.99%	% of List Price to S	ale Price, January - A	ugust 2021: 98.4	47%					
<b>'20: 99.63%</b>	96.92%		ale Price, January - A	0						
Current Sales Compa			<u>015</u> <u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>				
(2021 Lafayette Paris	h dollar volume	\$477,701,951 \$529,8	858,116 \$464,704,700	\$468,773,963	\$528,390,130	\$523,077,796				

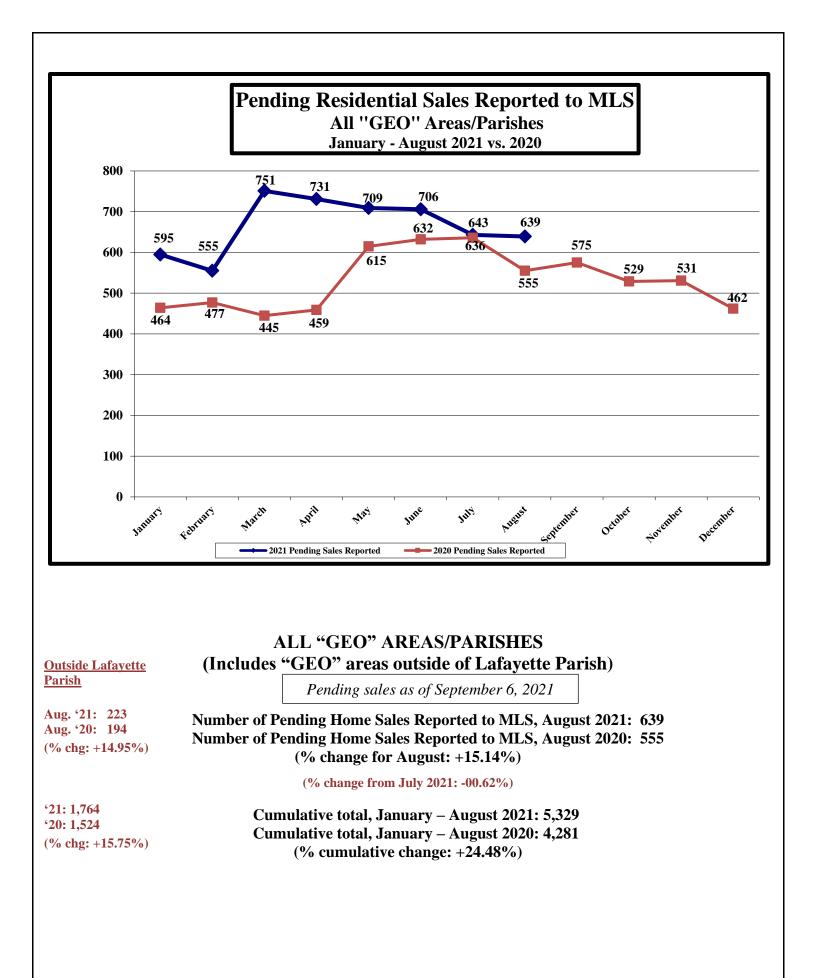
+83.92%

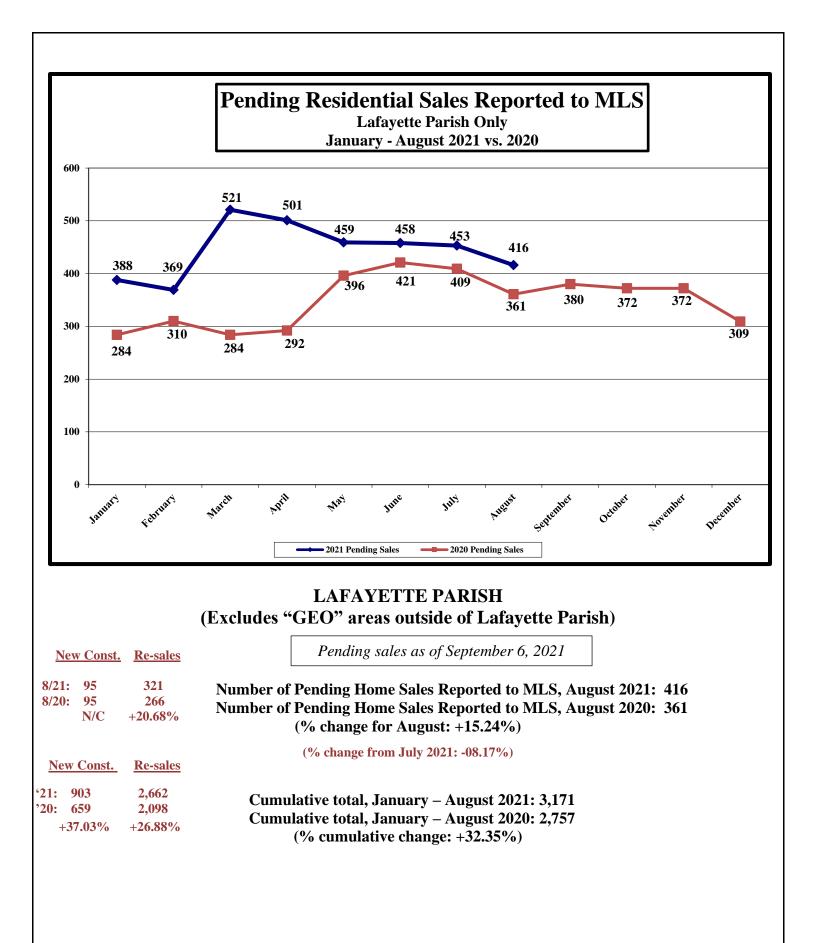
+82.32% +61.75%

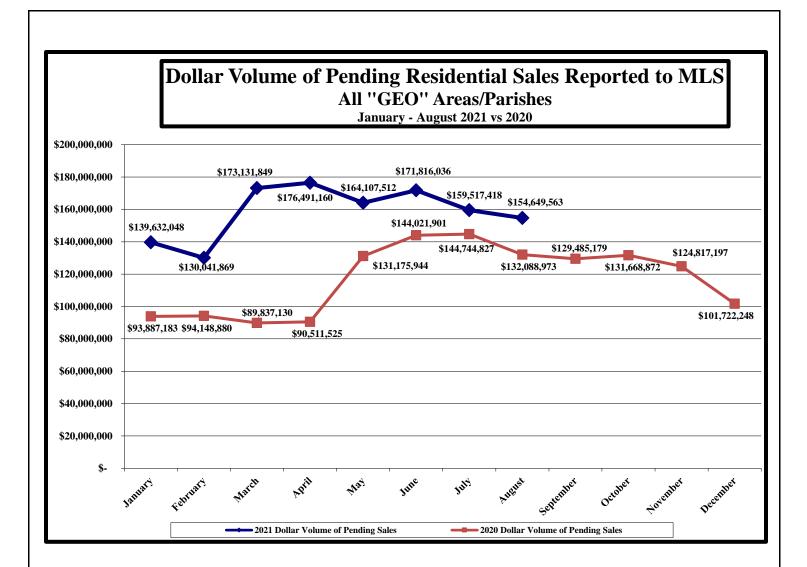
+63.40%

+61.30%

+78.92%







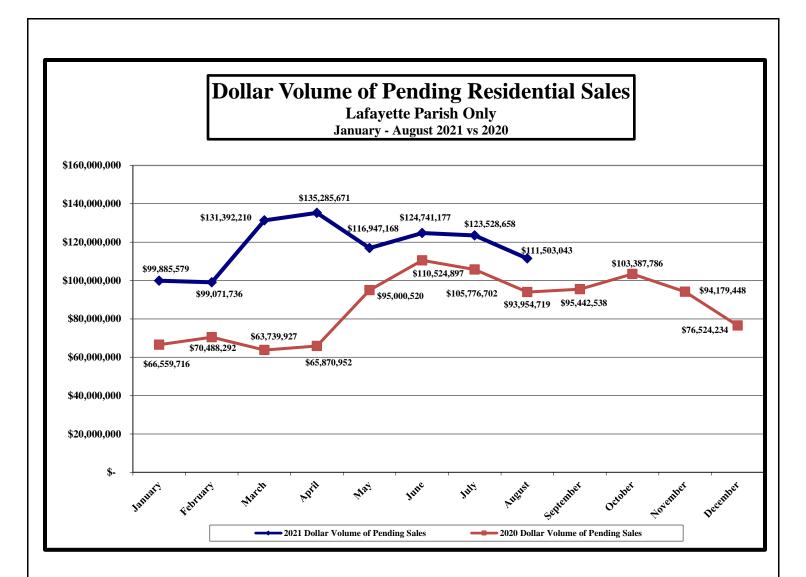
## ALL "GEO" AREAS/PARISHES (Includes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

Pending sale dollar volume as of September 6, 2021

Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, August 2021: \$154,649,563 Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, August 2020: \$132,088,973 (% change for August: +17.08%)

(% change from July 2021: -03.05%)

Cumulative total, January – August 2021: \$1,269,387,455 Cumulative total, January – August 2020: \$920,187,463 (% cumulative change: +37.95%)



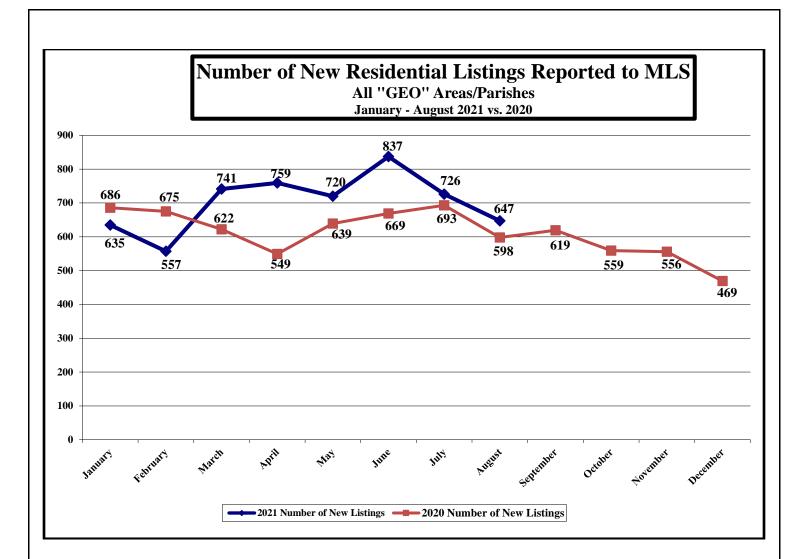
## LAFAYETTE PARISH (Excludes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

Pending sale dollar volume as of September 6, 2021

Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, August 2021: \$111,503,043 Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, August 2020: \$93,954,719 (% change for August: +18.68%)

(% change from July 2021: -09.74%)

Cumulative total, January – August 2021: \$942,355,242 Cumulative total, January – August 2020: \$671,915,725 (% cumulative change: +40.25%)



# Outside LafayetteALL "GEO" AREAS/PARISHESOutside Lafayette(Includes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

New listing count as of September 6, 2021

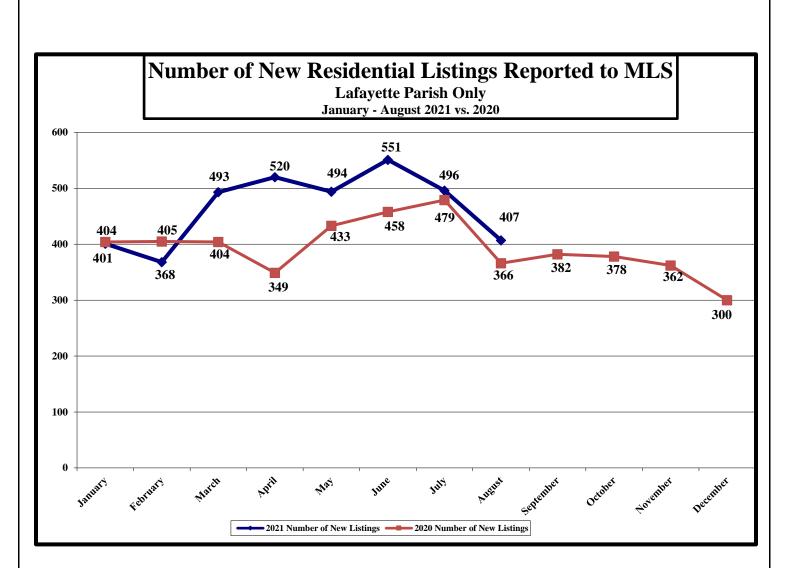
Aug. '21: 240 Aug. '20: 232 (% chg: +03.45%)

**Parish** 

Number of New Residential Listings Reported to MLS, August 2021: 647 Number of New Residential Listings Reported to MLS, August 2020: 598 (% change for August: (+08.19%)

(% change from July 2021: -10.88%)

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<b>'21: 1,892</b>	Cumulative total, January – August 2021: 5,622
<b>20:</b> 1,843	
,	Cumulative total, January – August 2020: 5,133
(% chg: +02.66%)	
	(% cumulative change: +09.53%)



# LAFAYETTE PARISH (Excludes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

New listing count as of September 6, 2021	
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<u>New Const.</u> 8/21: 110 8/20: 78 +41.03%	<u>Re-sales</u> 297 288 +08.13%	Number of New Residential Listings Reported to MLS, August 2021: 407 Number of New Residential Listings Reported to MLS, August 2020: 366									
*21: 909 *20: 720 +26.25%	2,821 2,579 +09.38%	Cumulative total, January – August 2021: 3,730 Cumulative total, January – August 2020: 3,299 (% cumulative change: +13.06%)									
<u>Comparison to H</u> #New Listings Ta # Sold Ratio: New Listin 2021 % +/- over	aken	<u>2014</u> 3,019 2,167 1.39:1 +23.55%	2015 3,221 2,310 1.39:1 +15.80%	<u>2016</u> 3,326 2,114 1.57:1 +12.15%	2017 3,487 2,178 1.60:1 +06.97%	2018 3,769 2,359 1.60:1 -01.03%	2019 3,345 2,299 1.45:1 +11.51%	2020 3,299 2,522 1.31:1 +13.06%	<u>2021</u> 3,730 3,328 1.12:1		