Subscribers,

With us now ten months into this year's historic residential marketplace, here are October's highlights:

The 537 sales reported to the MLS in October continued Acadiana's four month slide in sales since June's 763 sale tally falling over 8% from last month and just one sale above last November's count. It was the 21% increase in sales outside Lafayette Parish that kept the month's sale pace even with last year with 200 sales reported this October as opposed to 165 reported in October 2020 – a 21% increase. Conversely, October's Lafayette Parish sales fell by nearly 9.5% from last year and were off by over 15% from October 2020. Last year's 536 sales reported set a record for October so this year's 537 sales is also a record setter albeit by only one transaction.

Lafayette Parish existing home sales tallied in October were down by nearly 10.5% from last October while new construction sales fell by 6.5%.

While the total number of October sales were essentially even with last year, the overall dollar volume of those sales rose by 3.3%, although the trend line has followed a similar decline as that of the number of sales – a monthly decline since June. The dollar volume of October home sales outside Lafayette Parish rose by 12.4% while Lafayette Parish's dollar volume was just slightly ahead of last October despite a nearly 10% decline in sales for the month. This is clearly indicative of the continuing rise in value of the homes being purchased.

- Cumulatively through October there have been 6,129 sales reported. For the entire year in 2020, a record setting 6,178 home sales were tallied, so while we haven't broken last year's record yet, with two months of sales still left in the tank, no doubt we will set another record and could very likely break the 7,000 mark in annual sales. The pace of dollar volume has already eclipsed last year's record with over \$1.42 billion in cumulative Acadiana dollar volume through October besting the \$1.31 billion record for the year set in 2020.
- In Lafayette Parish, yearly records have already been surpassed in the number of sales reported and dollar volume. With 4,062 sales reported through October as compared to 4,044 reported for the entire last year, Lafayette Parish has already amassed record breaking numbers with still two months of sales left to push the record even higher. As to dollar volume, Lafayette Parish had never broken the \$1 billion level in closed sale dollar volume...until October. With just over \$1.05 billion in cumulative 2021 dollar volume already on the books, we're nearly \$80,000,000 ahead of all of last year and headed higher.

- The torrid pace of home sales over the past two years has certainly positively impacted average and median sale prices. In Lafayette Parish, the average sale price for an existing home is up 10.3% over last year (\$260,208 versus \$239,425) and the median price has increased by 10.0% (\$215,000 versus \$195,500). As per newly constructed homes, the average sales price has increased just over 4% (\$269,533 versus \$258,903) while the median sale price has increased by 7.4% (\$237,975 versus \$221,647).
- Inventory constraints have been a factor in pushing values higher as an increasing number of buyers have been frustrated by the lack of supply of homes available for sale. Actually, the challenge has been the excessive and historic demand that we have seen, especially over the past two-three years. In reality, the 6,970 total number of new listings coming on the market this year throughout Acadiana is on pace to exceed the 8,351 record set in 2019. Ours is a short-term excess demand problem, not a long-term shortage of supply one. In Lafayette Parish, new listings through October are up by nearly 13.0% with existing home new listings up by over 7% and new construction listings up by over 32%.

In tracking the pace of our closed sales, since June the trajectory of our monthly sales has been declining. With interest rates slowly rising, COVID apparently on the wane, economic activity increasing, and people not stuck in their homes 24-7, is the future one of continuing declines in demand velocity? If one examines the pending home sale numbers for October, it appears that there is still significant and unseasonal demand remaining in our marketplace. After a downward trend in contract signings that began in April, there was a surprising rebound in October. Pending sales, considered a barometer of purchases that will take place in the next one to two months, were up by 30.0% throughout Acadiana in October and rose by 21.5% in Lafayette Parish. Of course, not all of these contracts will actually close, but still the strength of the market demand, especially at this time of the year, is quite encouraging.



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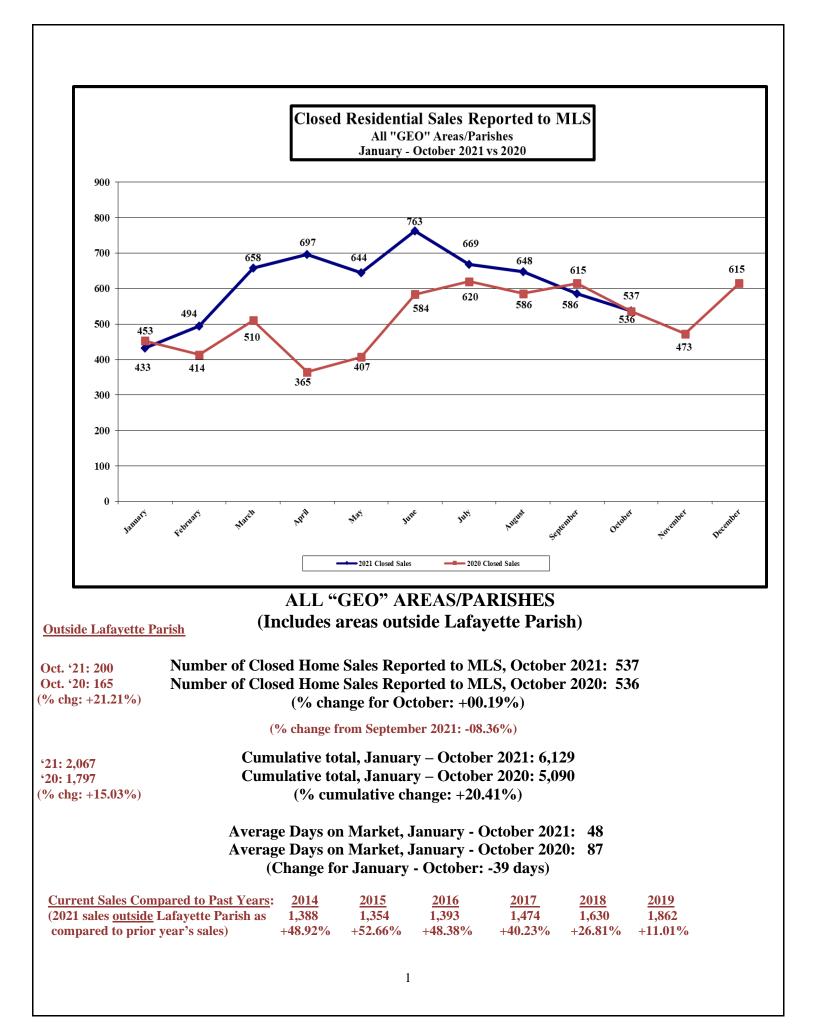
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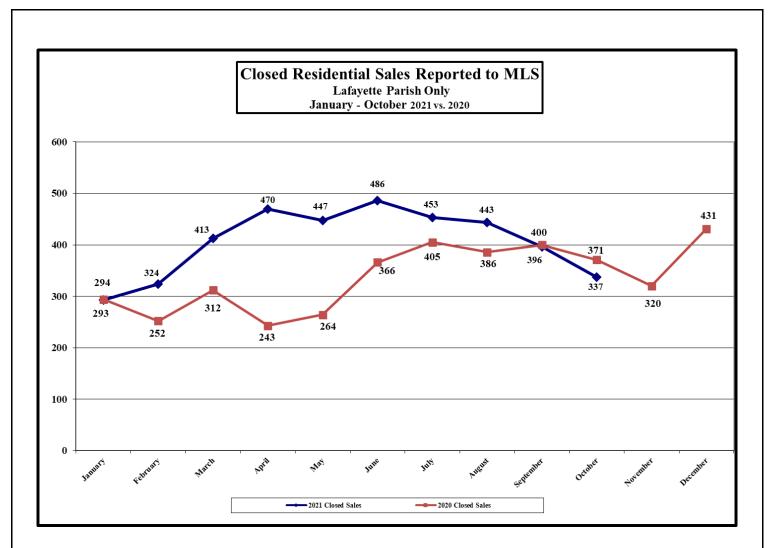


# The Acadiana Residential Real Estate Market Report

January – October 2021

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

<u>New Const.</u>	<b>Re-sales</b>					
10/21: 86 10/20: 92 -06.52%	250 279 -10.39%	Number of Closed Home Sales Reported to MLS, October: 2021: 337 Number of Closed Home Sales Reported to MLS, October: 2020: 371 (% change for October: -09.43%)				
		(% change from September 2021: -15.15%)				
<u>New Const.</u> '21: 943 '20: 778 +21.21%	<u>Re-sales</u> 3,119 2,515 +24.02%	Cumulative total, January – October 2021: 4,062 Cumulative total, January – October 2020: 3,293 (% cumulative change: +23.35%)				
<ul> <li>*21: 45 days</li> <li>*20: 94 days</li> <li>-49 days</li> </ul>	35 days 72 days -37 days	Average Days on Market, January – October 2021: 37 Average Days on Market, January – October 2020: 77 (Change for January - October: -40 days)				
Current Sales	s Compared t	<u>o Past Years: 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019</u>				

2,832

+43.43%

2,781

+46.06%

(2021 Lafayette Parish sales as

compared to prior year's sales)

2,643

+53.69%

2,719

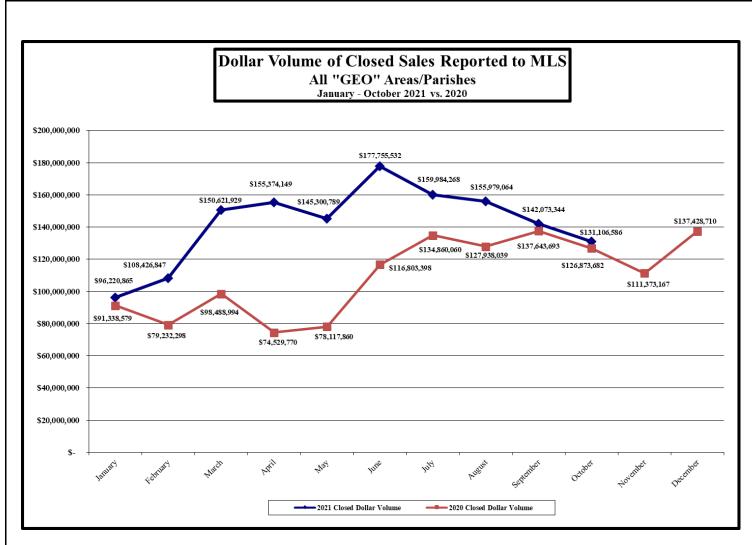
+49.39%

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+41.04%

2,895

+40.31%

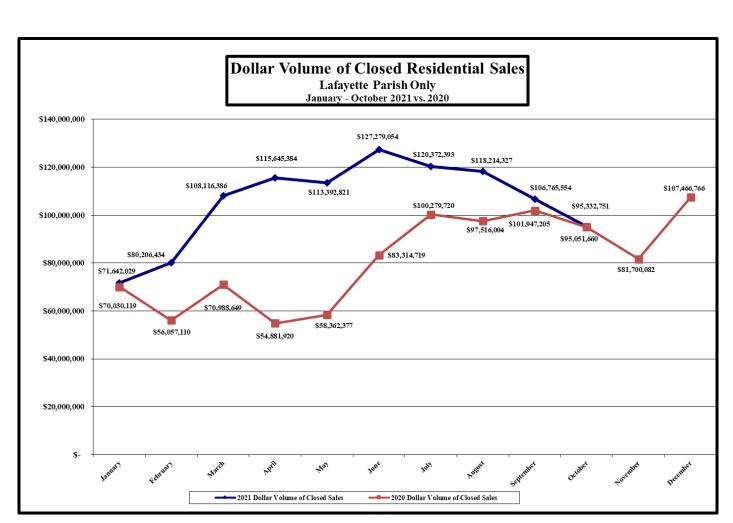


#### **Outside Laf. Parish**

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

Dollar Volume of Closed Residential Sales, October 2021: \$131,106,586 10/21: \$35,773,835 Dollar Volume of Closed Residential Sales, October 2020: \$126,873,682 10/20: \$31,822,022 (% change for October: +03.34%) (% chg.: +12.42%) (% change from September 2021: -08.36%) **'21: \$365,876,240** Cumulative total January - October 2021: \$1,422,843,373 **'20: \$277,396,890** Cumulative total January - October 2020: \$1,065,826,373 (% chg.: +31.90%) (% cumulative change: +33.50%) **'21:** \$177,008 Average Sale Price, January - October 2021: \$232,149 **'20:** \$154,367 Average Sale Price, January – October 2020: \$209,396 (% chg: +14.67%) (% change in Average Sale Price: +10.87%) Median Sold Price, January - October 2021: \$208,000 Median Sold Price, January - October 2020: \$185,000 (% change in Median Sold Price: +12.43%) % of List Price to Sale Price, January - October 2021: 98.01% % of List Price to Sale Price, January - October 2020: 97.14% **Current \$ vol. compared to past years:** 2016 2017 2014 2015 2018 (2021 \$ vol. <u>outside</u> Lafayette Parish \$191,429,700 \$184,914,772 \$187,310,007 \$199,588,902 \$215,891,531 \$269,785,234 as compared to past years.) +91.13% +97.86% +95.33% +83.31% +69.47% +35.62%

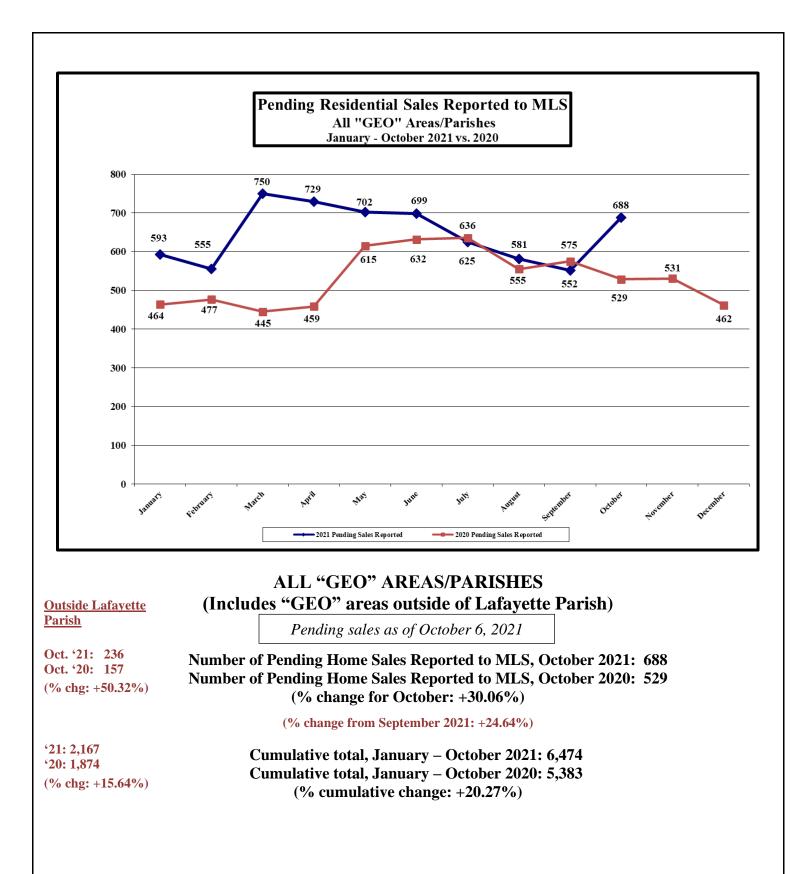
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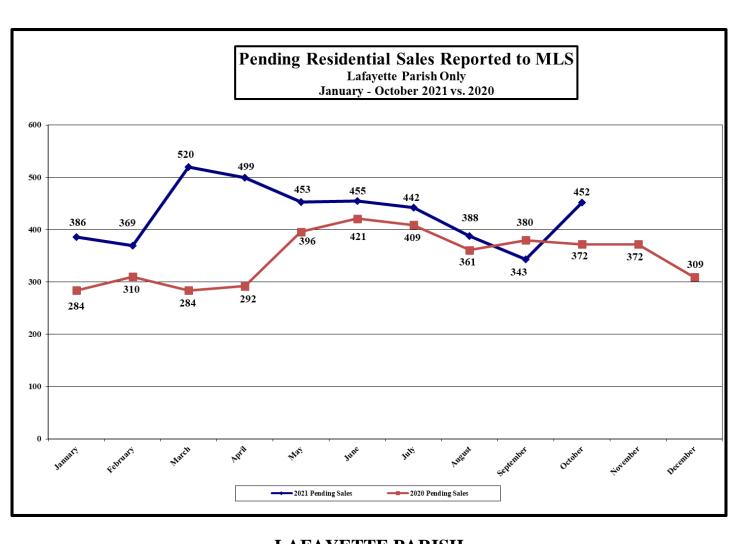


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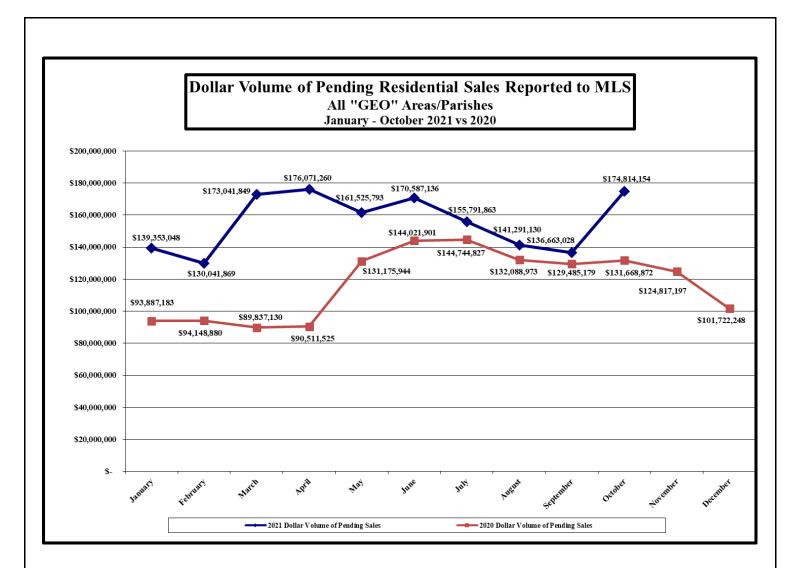
<u>New Const.</u> 10/21: \$25,548,338 10/20: \$22,696,261 +12.57%	<u>Re-sales</u> \$69,784,413 \$72,355,399 -03.55%	Dollar Volume of Closed Residential Sales, October 2021: \$95,332,751 Dollar Volume of Closed Residential Sales, October 2020: \$95,051,660 (% change for October: +00.30%)					
New Const.	<b>Re-sales</b>	(% change from September 2021: -10.71%)					
`21: \$254,188,709 `20: \$201,426,761 +26.19%	\$802,778,424 \$587,002,722 +36.76%	Cumulative total January – October 2021: \$1,056,967,133 Cumulative total January – October 2020: \$788,429,483 (% cumulative change: +34.06%)					
<ul> <li>*21: \$269,553</li> <li>*20: \$258,903</li> <li>+04.11%</li> </ul>	\$257,383 \$233,400 +10.28%	Average Sale Price, January - October 2021: \$260,208 Average Sale Price, January - October 2020: \$239,425 (% change in Average Sale Price: +08.68%)					
*21: \$237,975 *20: \$221,647 +07.37%	\$215,000 \$195,500 +09.97%	Median Sold Price, January – October 2021: \$224,561 Median Sold Price, January – October 2020: \$203,900 (% change in Median Sold Price: +10.13%)					
<ul><li>'21: 100.00%</li><li>'20: 99.71%</li></ul>	97.92% 96.94%	% of List Price to Sale Price, January - October 2021: 98.42% % of List Price to Sale Price, January - October 2020: 97.63%					
<u>Current Sales Compared to Past Years</u> : (2021 Lafayette Parish dollar volume as compared to prior years)		<u>2014</u> \$615,984,275 +71.59%	<u>2015</u> \$646,702,722 +63.44%	<u>2016</u> \$583,710,611 +81.08%	<u>2017</u> \$586,371,314 +80.26%	<u>2018</u> \$643,602,592 +64.23%	<u>2019</u> \$653,046,609 +61.85%





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

<u>New Const.</u>	<b>Re-sales</b>	Pending sales as of October 6, 2021
10/21: 146	306	Number of Pending Home Sales Reported to MLS, October 2021: 452
10/20: 94	278	Number of Pending Home Sales Reported to MLS, October 2020: 372
+55.32%	+10.07%	(% change for October: +21.51%)
<u>New Const.</u>	<u>Re-sales</u>	(% change from September 2021: +31.78%)
*21: 1,110	3,197	Cumulative total, January – October 2021: 4,307
*20: 857	2,652	Cumulative total, January – October 2020: 3,509
+29.52%	+20.55%	(% cumulative change: +22.74%)



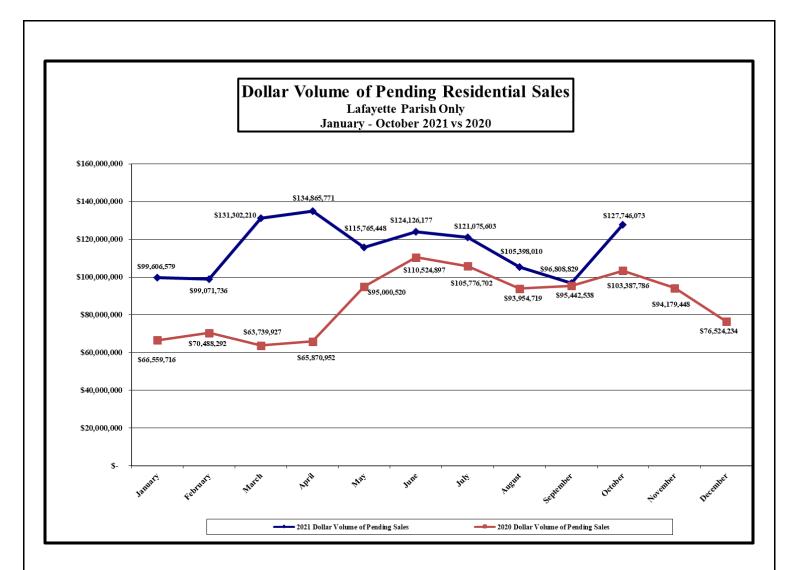
### ALL "GEO" AREAS/PARISHES (Includes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

Pending sale dollar volume as of October 6, 2021

Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, October 2021: \$174,814,154 Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, October 2020: \$131,668,872 (% change for October: +32.77%)

(% change from September 2021: +27.92%)

Cumulative total, January – October 2021: \$1,559,181,130 Cumulative total, January – October 2020: \$1,181,086,514 (% cumulative change: +32.01%)



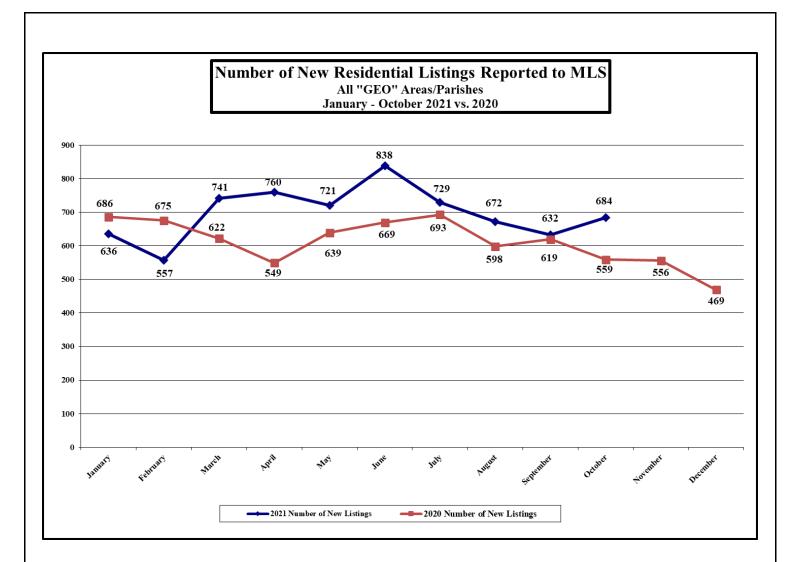
#### LAFAYETTE PARISH (Excludes "GEO" areas outside of Lafayette Parish)

Pending sale dollar volume as of October 6, 2021

Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, October 2021: \$127,746,073 Dollar Volume of Pending Home Sales, October 2020: \$103,387,786 (% change for October: +23.56%)

(% change from September 2021: +31.96%)

Cumulative total, January – October 2021: \$1,155,766,436 Cumulative total, January – October 2020: \$870,746,049 (% cumulative change: +32.73%)



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

New listing count as of October 6, 2021

Oct. '21: 248 Oct. '20: 181 (% chg: +37.02%)

**Parish** 

Number of New Residential Listings Reported to MLS, October 2021: 684 Number of New Residential Listings Reported to MLS, October 2020: 559 (% change for October: (+22.36%)

(% change from September 2021: +08.23%)

<b>'21: 2,393</b>	Cumulative total, January – October 2021: 6,970
<b>'20: 2,252</b>	Cumulative total, January – October 2020: 6,311
(% chg: +06.26%)	
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