

NEW HOUSING NUMBERS

Good news for garage door installers

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HOUSES COMPLETED



970,000 is the number of new single-family houses that were completed in 2021. That is a 6% increase from the number of houses built in 2020. However, that number more than doubles the 447,000 total from a decade ago. After hitting a peak of 1,654,000 houses in 2006, the numbers bottomed out at 447,000 in 2011 and have been gradually recovering ever since.

THREE-CAR OR MORE GARAGES



21% of all new single-family houses completed in 2021 featured a three-or-more-car garage, up slightly from 18% in 2020. The percentage of houses built in all four regions (Midwest, Northeast, South, and West) with a two-car or three-or-more-car garage jumped from 85% to 92% in 2021.

43% of new homes in the Midwest were built with a garage for three or more cars. The Midwest continues to lead all other regions with a greater percentage of new homes being built with three-car garages. Bigger garages mean more garage doors. ■

HOUSES COMPLETED

2005	1,636,000
2006	1,654,000
2007	1,218,000
2008	819,000
2009	520,000
2010	496,000
2011	447,000
2012	483,000
2013	569,000
2014	620,000
2015	648,000
2016	738,000
2017	795,000
2018	840,000
2019	903,000
2020	912,000
2021	970,000

Source: U.S. Census, Annual 2021 Characteristics of New Housing

THREE-OR-MORE-CAR GARAGES

2005	20%
2006	19%
2007	19%
2008	19%
2009	17%
2010	16%
2011	18%
2012	19%
2013	21%
2014	23%
2015	24%
2016	22%
2017	20%
2018	21%
2019	19%
2020	18%
2021	21%

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