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# Faith in New Home Market at 18-Year High

Builder confidence shot up in December, reaching the **highest level** the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) has recorded **in 18 years**. NAHB said its Housing Market Index (HMI), which is cosponsored by Wells Fargo, gained 5 points to 74 from a downwardly revised (from 70) November reading.

The Index, which measures NAHB's new home builder-members confidence in the market for newly constructed homes, was last at this level in July 1999. NAHB has been conducting the monthly survey for more than 30 years.

NAHB asks builders for their perceptions of current single-family home sales and sales expectations for the next six months as "good," "fair" or "poor." The survey also asks builders to rate traffic of prospective buyers as "high to very high," "average" or "low to very low." Scores for each component are then used to calculate a seasonally adjusted index where any number over 50 indicates that more builders view conditions as good than poor.

All three HMI components registered gains in December. The component measuring **buyer traffic**, which has surpassed the 50-point mark in only a scattered few months since the early 2000s, jumped eight points to 58. The index gauging **current sales conditions** rose four points to 81 and the index charting **sales expectations** in the next six months increased three points to 79.

NAHB Chief Economist Robert Dietz said of the results, "The HMI measure of home buyer traffic rose eight points, showing that demand for housing is on the rise. With low unemployment rates, favorable demographics and a tight supply of existing home inventory, we can expect continued upward movement of the single-family construction sector next year."

Regional scores are presented as three-month moving averages. The **Midwest** climbed six points to 69, the **South** rose three points to 72, the **West** increased two points to 79 and **Northeast** inched up a single point to 54.

### National Average Mortgage Rates



	Rate	Change	Points	
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30 Yr. Fixed	6.89%	0.00	0.00	
15 Yr. Fixed	6.33%	+0.01	0.00	
30 Yr. FHA	6.33%	+0.01	0.00	
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.05%	0.00	0.00	
5/1 ARM	6.58%	0.00	0.00	
Freddie Mac				
30 Yr. Fixed	6.77%	-0.09	0.00	
15 Yr. Fixed	6.05%	-0.11	0.00	
Mortgage Bankers Assoc.				
30 Yr. Fixed	7.00%	-0.03	0.60	
15 Yr. Fixed	6.63%	+0.07	0.61	
30 Yr. FHA	6.87%	-0.03	0.92	
30 Yr. Jumbo	7.13%	+0.02	0.38	
5/1 ARM Rates as of: 7/22	6.22%	-0.16	0.60	

### **Recent Housing Data**

		Value	Change
Mortgage Apps	Jul 10	206.1	-0.19%
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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## **Housing News Update**

## Who is Mid Valley Financial?

**Builder Confidence** 

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+6.25% 51

Mid Valley Financial, located in Fresno, CA, is the Central Valley's premier destination for a wide range of residential and commercial real estate loans. Our commitment to excellence has made us a trusted partner for property buyers and investors seeking tailored financial solutions.

#### \*\*Why Choose Us:\*\*

With a track record spanning back to our inception in 1985, we have established ourselves as a reliable and innovative lender. We proudly serve properties exclusively within California, having funded loans in all 58 counties of the state. Our deep-rooted experience enables us to navigate complex loan scenarios with expertise and efficiency.

### \*\*Our Approach:\*\*

At Mid Valley Financial, we prioritize your financial goals. Whether you're a first-time homebuyer, envisioning your dream property, refinancing an existing mortgage, or looking to tap into your property's equity, our seasoned loan officers offer a wealth of knowledge and over 300 years of collective experience. We ensure that your funds are prepared when you need them, providing a smooth and swift loan process.

#### \*\*Unlocking Possibilities:\*\*

As one of California's leading direct lenders, we've streamlined the loan process, minimizing obstacles that often deter borrowers. Many of our clients receive approvals within an hour, showcasing our dedication to quick and hassle-free solutions.

### \*\*Your Journey with Us:\*\*

Contact the MVF team today and let us put your journey to property ownership on cruise control. Our mission is to empower borrowers while fostering enduring and meaningful relationships. With highly competitive rates, a commitment to transparency, and a dedication to your financial success, Mid Valley Financial is your partner in realizing your real estate aspirations.

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