# August 2024 Housing Market Report

Prepared by Bright Research

Data as of September 6, 2024

<b>Key Market Statistics</b>	Aug 2024	Aug 2023	Change	YTD 2024	YTD 2023	Change
Closed Sales	362	339	+6.8%	2,510	2,387	+5.2%
Median Sold Price	\$392,000	\$384,450	+2.0%	\$375,000	\$355,000	+5.6%
Median Days on Market	16 days	11 days	+5 days	14 days	12 days	+2 days
New Pending Sales	379	328	+15.5%	2,671	2,547	+4.9%
New Listings	350	355	-1.4%	3,456	3,173	+8.9%
Active Listings	885	745	+18.8%	885	745	+18.8%
Months of Supply	2.90	2.47	+0.43 mos.	2.90	2.47	+0.43 mos.
Showings	4,147	3,638	+14.0%	32,808	33,934	-3.3%

## **Housing Market Trends**

More inventory has led to more sales; declining rates could increase sales further. The number of active listings on the Maryland Eastern Shore has increased over the last year, with 13 months of year-over-year gains. Only Kent County, MD has fewer homes on the market at the end of August 2024 than last year.

New listings (+8.9% year-to-date) are being added at a faster rate than pending sales (+4.9% year-to-date) but both have improved in 2024. Closed sales increased 6.2% in August and were tracking 5.2% higher year-to-date. Sales were up in all counties, with Queen Anne's relatively flat (+0.9% year-to-date) and the strongest growth in Caroline County (+12.3% year-to-date).

The median price has risen as buyers still compete over a tight supply. Although active listings have increased, inventory at the end of August is only 43% of what it was in 2019. Prices ease seasonally in the fall, but the overall median price in 2024 will likely remain above 2023.

#### **Market Outlook**

Source: Freddie Mac

The Maryland Eastern Shore is one of the few places in the Mid-Atlantic where there were more showings in August 2024 than in August 2023. Buyers are interested and lower rates will bring more off the sidelines. Declining rates will ease affordability somewhat, though it will still be a challenge. Price pressure continues and the fall market will move quickly relative to times when inventory was more plentiful.

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#### **Median Days on Market** 16 days 80 days 70 days August 2024 60 days +5 days 50 days 40 days Aug '24 vs. Aug '23 (Aug '23: 11 days) 30 days 20 days +4 days 10 days Aug '24 vs. Jul '24 0 days 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 2019 (Jul '24: 12 days)

Aug '24 vs. Jul '24

(Jul '24: 344)

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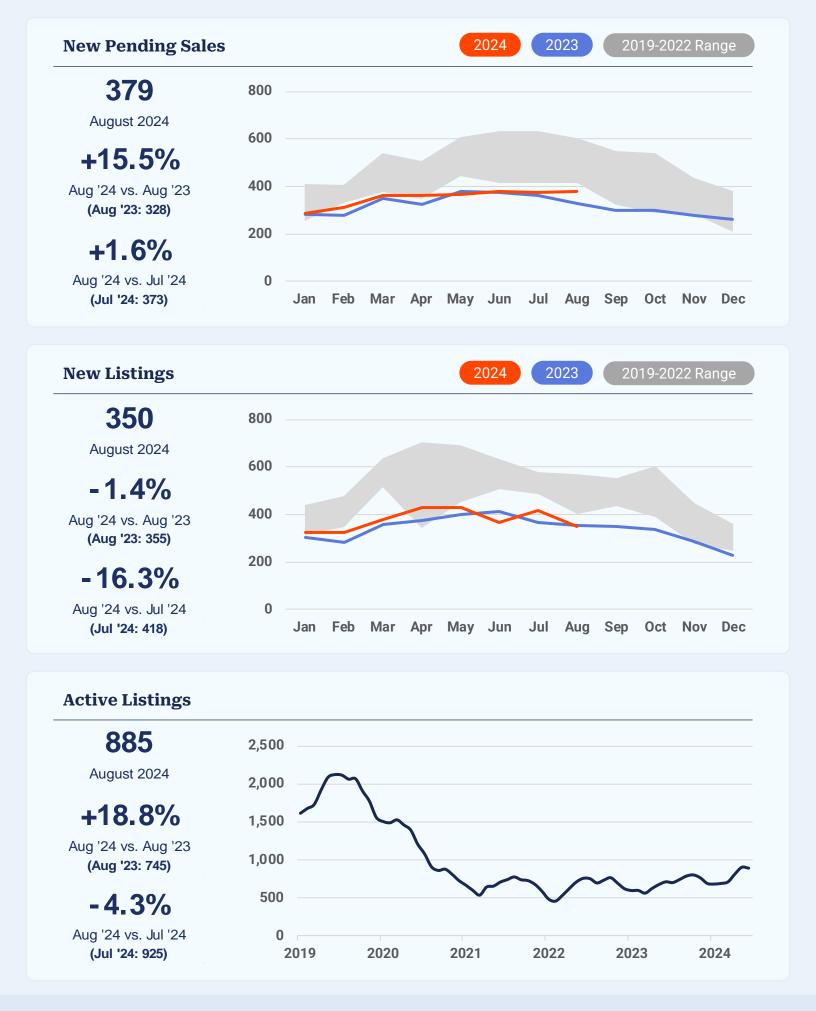
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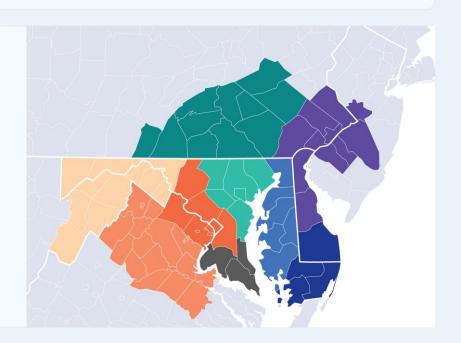
	Closed Sales		Median Sales Price		Median Days on Market	
<b>Local Markets</b>	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23
MD Eastern Shore	362	+6.8%	\$392,000	+2.0%	16 days	+5 days
Caroline County, MD	34	+17.2%	\$318,999	+3.6%	20 days	+9 days
Cecil County, MD	114	+10.7%	\$371,750	+3.3%	10 days	+4 days
Dorchester County, MD	40	-18.4%	\$268,950	-3.1%	68 days	+41 days
Kent County, MD	24	-29.4%	\$412,500	+33.1%	13 days	-12 days
Queen Anne's County, MD	90	+34.3%	\$526,250	-1.1%	13 days	-3 days
Talbot County, MD	60	+5.3%	\$450,000	-9.1%	20 days	+8 days

New Pending Sales		New Listings		Showings	
Aug '24	vs. Aug '23	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23
379	+15.5%	350	-1.4%	4,147	+14.0%
33	-10.8%	28	-34.9%	377	+9.0%
115	+12.7%	103	+0.0%	1,298	+15.0%
53	+1.9%	47	-6.0%	457	+4.6%
33	+10.0%	30	-28.6%	410	+28.5%
96	+39.1%	87	+24.3%	942	+27.3%
49	+28.9%	55	+17.0%	663	-0.6%
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	Active	Listings	Months of Supply		
<b>Local Markets</b>	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23	Aug '24	vs. Aug '23	
MD Eastern Shore	885	+18.8%	2.90	+0.43 months	
Caroline County, MD	80	+3.9%	2.96	+0 months	
Cecil County, MD	214	+15.7%	2.30	+0.33 months	
Dorchester County, MD	147	+1.4%	3.27	+0.18 months	
Kent County, MD	75	-3.8%	2.88	-0.37 months	
Queen Anne's County, MD	200	+42.9%	2.99	+0.8 months	
Talbot County, MD	169	+40.8%	3.84	+1.17 months	

# **Local Market Map**





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