TEXAS INTERNATIONAL HOMEBUYERS REPORT 2018 Edition
ABOUT THE TEXAS INTERNATIONAL HOMEBUYERS REPORT

The 2018 edition of the Texas International Homebuyers Report is based on survey data from the 2018 Profile of International Transactions in U.S. Residential Real Estate by the National Association of REALTORS®, the 2012 – 2016 American Community Survey by the U.S. Census Bureau and the 2016 Yearbook of Immigration Statistics by the Department of Homeland Security. The Texas Association of REALTORS® distributes insights about the Texas housing market each month, including quarterly market statistics, trends among homebuyers and sellers, luxury home sales, condominium sales and more.

ABOUT THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

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International homebuyers in the Texas real estate market added $10.89 billion to the Texas economy from April 2017 to March 2018. Texas ranked third among U.S. states for international home sales volume behind Florida and California respectively.

Texas dropped from second to third most popular state for international homebuyers, behind Florida and California and ahead of New York and Arizona. Texas accounted for 9 percent of all homes purchased by international homebuyers in the United States from April 2017 to March 2018, with 24,012 home sales out of 266,800 nationwide.

Six Texas metropolitan statistical areas (MSA) are in the top 50 MSAs nationwide for immigration according to the latest Yearbook of Immigration Statistics from the Department of Homeland Security, including:

No. 6 – Houston - Sugar Land - The Woodlands
No. 8 – Dallas - Fort Worth - Arlington
No. 26 – Austin - Round Rock - San Marcos
No. 28 – San Antonio - New Braunfels
No. 33 – El Paso
No. 48 – McAllen - Edinburg - Mission

Texas had the highest volume of homebuyers from Mexico of any state from April 2017 to March 2018, with 38 percent of Mexican homebuyers who purchased a home in the U.S. choosing Texas. The Lone Star State was also a top destination for homebuyers from China (7 percent), India (6 percent), the United Kingdom (5 percent) and Canada (3 percent).

Texas ranked third in the nation for home sold by international owners, behind Florida and California and above Arizona and New York. Texas accounted for 10 percent of all homes sold by international home sellers in the United States between April 2017 and March 2018.
Texas

$10.89 billion
Texas accounted for 9 percent of all dollar volume in homes purchased by international buyers.

24,012 sales
Texas accounted for 9 percent of all international home purchases in the U.S.

U.S.

$121 billion
International homebuyers’ total dollar volume decreased 21 percent in the U.S.

266,800 sales
International home purchases decreased 6 percent in the U.S.

Share of Home Purchases by International Homebuyers

- Florida: 19%
- California: 14%
- Texas: 9%
- New York: 5%
- Arizona: 5%
- Rest of U.S.: 5%

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No. 6 – Houston | Sugar Land | The Woodlands – 37,777
No. 8 – Dallas | Fort Worth | Arlington – 33,605
No. 26 – Austin | Round Rock | San Marcos – 8,336
No. 28 – San Antonio | New Braunfels – 6,462
No. 33 – El Paso – 5,082
No. 48 – McAllen | Edinburg | Mission – 3,308

Of all who immigrated to the U.S. in 2016 moved to Texas
Six Texas MSAs
Were in the top 50 MSAs nationwide for immigration

9.3 percent
TOP COUNTRIES FOR INTERNATIONAL HOMEBUYERS IN TEXAS

- Mexico – 38 Percent
- India – 6 percent
- United Kingdom – 5 percent
- Canada – 3 percent
- China – 7 percent
TOP COUNTRIES FOR INTERNATIONAL HOMEBUYERS VOLUME

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from China**
- California: 38%
- Florida: 6%
- Texas: 7%
- Washington: 5%
- Other: 40%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from Canada**
- Florida: 39%
- Arizona: 14%
- New York: 5%
- Nevada: 5%
- Other: 28%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from Mexico**
- Florida: 6%
- Texas: 38%
- Illinois: 6%
- Other: 24%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from India**
- Florida: 20%
- California: 19%
- Ohio: 11%
- Illinois: 9%
- Other: 34%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from The UK**
- Florida: 20%
- California: 19%
- Ohio: 11%
- New York: 5%
- Other: 34%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from Asia/Oceania**
- California: 15%
- Other: 20%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from Latin America/Caribbean**
- Florida: 10%
- Other: 20%

**Major destinations of foreign buyers from Europe**
- California: 5%
- Texas: 6%
- Connecticut: 6%
- Other: 7%

**Origin of International Homebuyers in the U.S.**
- Asia/Oceania: 32%
- Latin America/Caribbean: 20%
- Europe: 15%
- North America: 10%
- Africa: 2%
- Other: 20%
INTERNATIONAL HOME SELLERS: TEXAS VS. U.S.

Origin of international home sellers in the U.S.

Texas accounted for 10 percent of all sales by international homeowners in the U.S.