

# 2026

## Texas REALTORS®

### International Residential Transactions

July 2026



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# About the Survey



## Objective

The objective of this survey is to gather information about international residential real estate transactions of Texas REALTORS® members during April 2025–March 2026. This period is referenced in the report as “2026” while the prior survey period is referred to as “2025”.



## Respondents

NAR sent out the survey to Texas REALTORS® from April 6 through 30, 2026, of which 1,627 members responded to the survey and 164 respondents reported working with an international client.

# Who is an International Client?

In this study, the term *international or foreign client* refers to two types of non-U.S. citizens:

**Non-resident (Type A):** non-U.S. citizens who primarily reside outside the U.S. and who don't stay in the U.S. year-round.

**Resident (Type B):** non-U.S. citizens who reside in the U.S. on non-immigrant visas (e.g., diplomats, foreign students, foreign workers) or recent immigrants who have been in the U.S. for less than two years as of the time of the transaction.

# 2026 Report Highlights

**\$4.0 Billion**

dollar volume of homes purchased by foreign buyers

2.3% of Texas REALTORS® sales transactions

7,780 foreign purchases

**62%**

of foreign buyers resided in the U.S. on visas or as recent immigrants

## Top foreign buyers

Mexico (35% of foreign buyers)

India (14%)

China (9%)

Nigeria (5%)

United Kingdom (5%)

**\$375,000**

median price of homes purchased

compared to \$333,600 median price of all Texas REALTORS® home sales

**38%**

paid all-cash

**57%**

of foreign buyers purchased a primary residence

**76%**

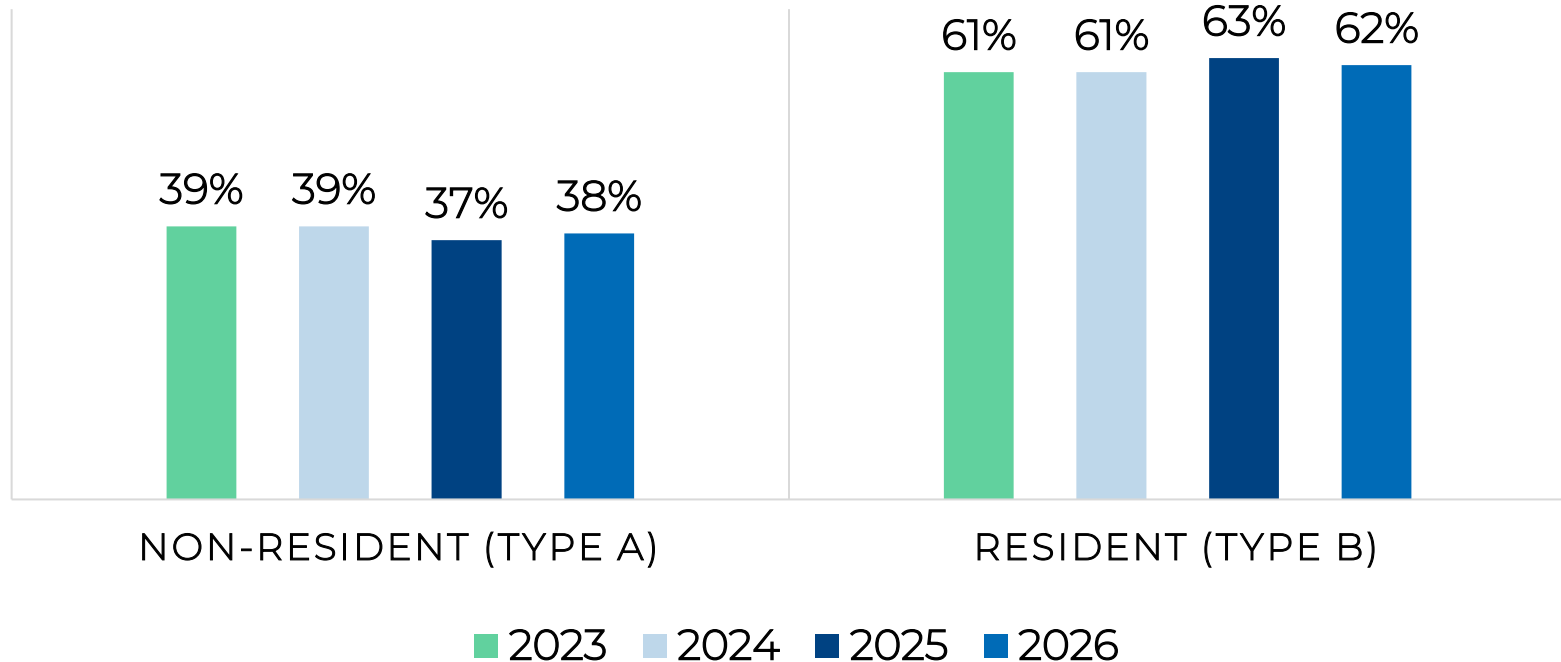
of international leads were from personal/business contacts

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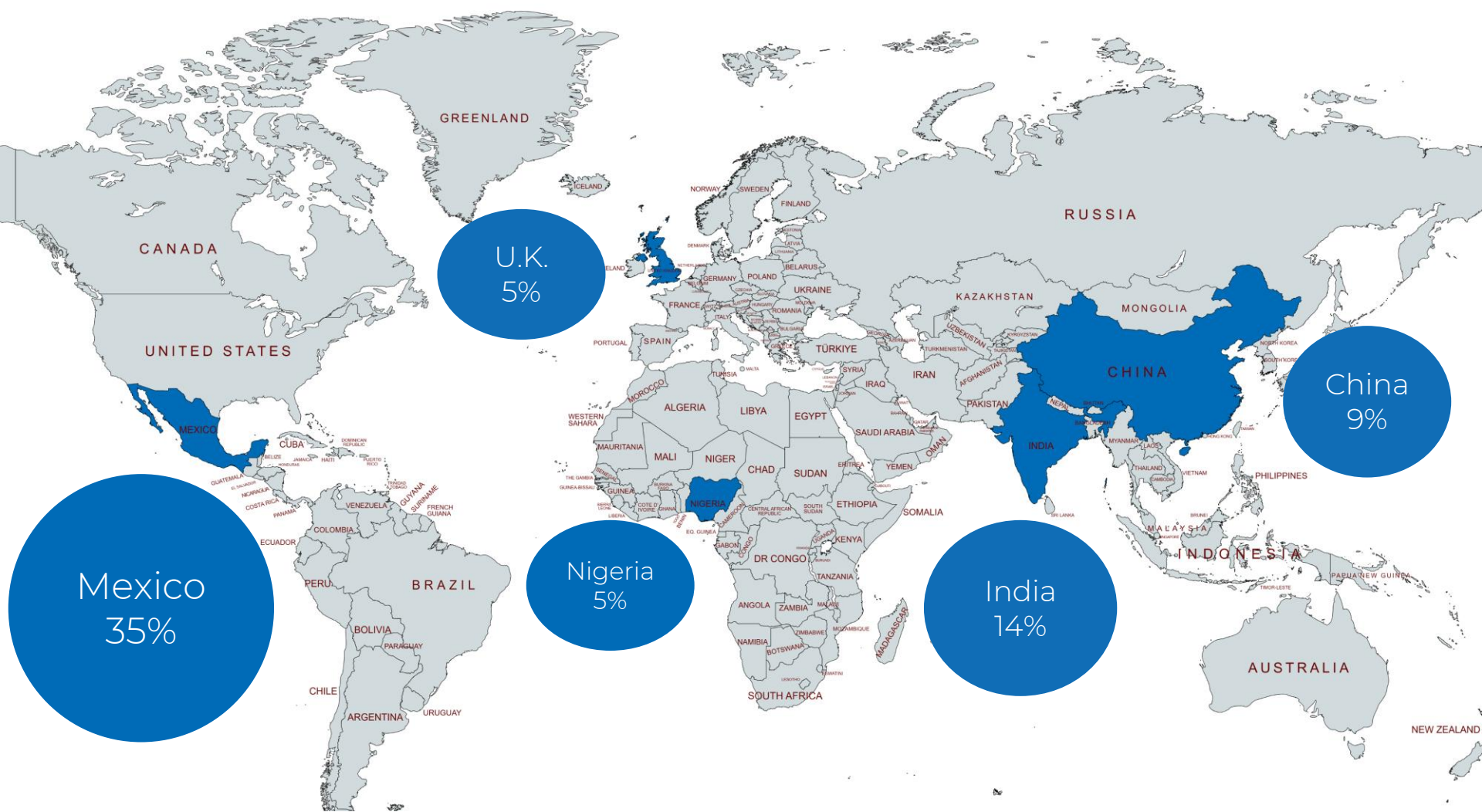
# INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL BUYERS

# Still Majority Resident Foreign Buyers (Type B) Accounted for 62% of Foreign Buyers

## TYPE OF FOREIGN RESIDENTIAL BUYER

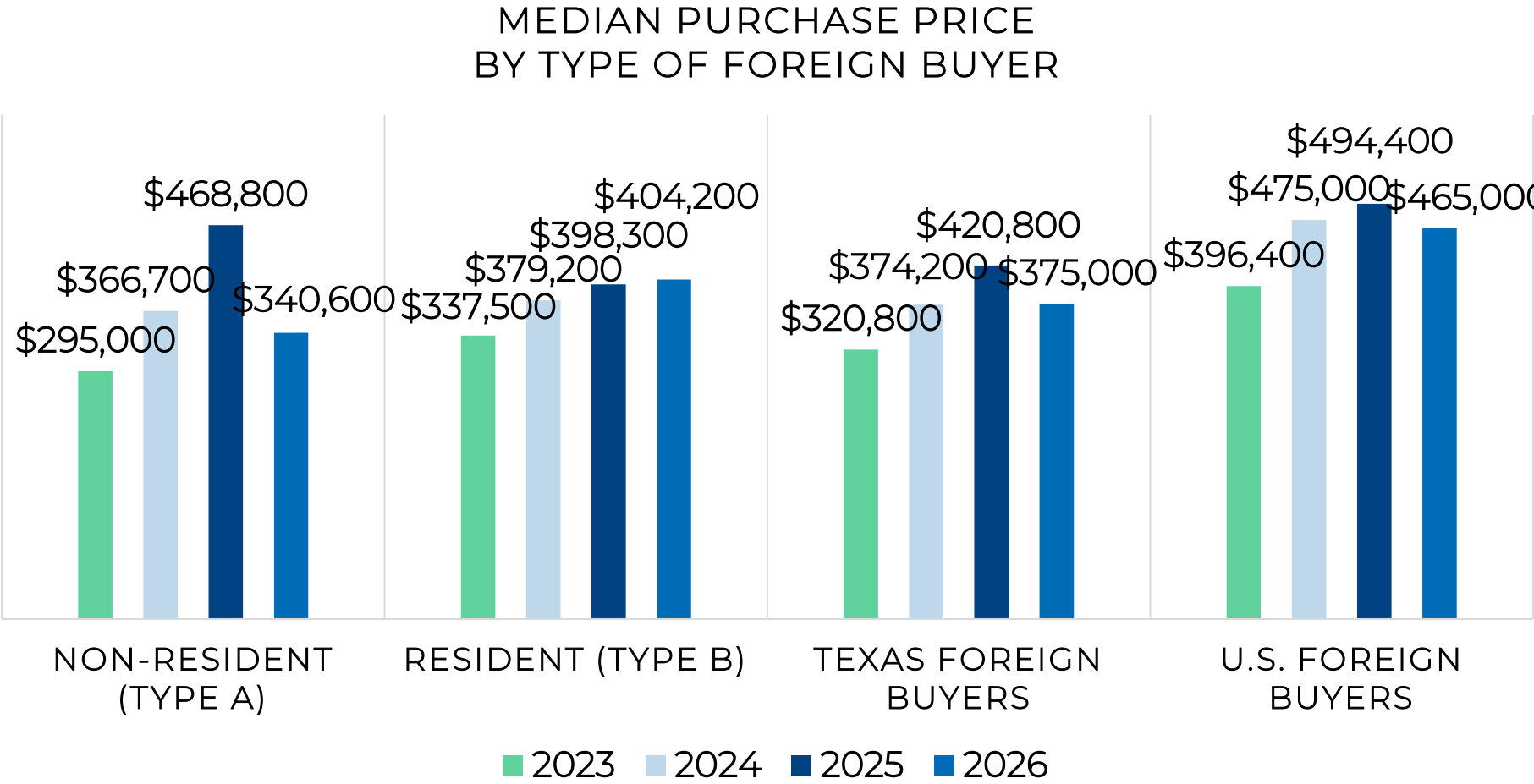


# Mexico, India, China: Top Foreign Buyers



# Foreign Buyer Median Price: \$375,000

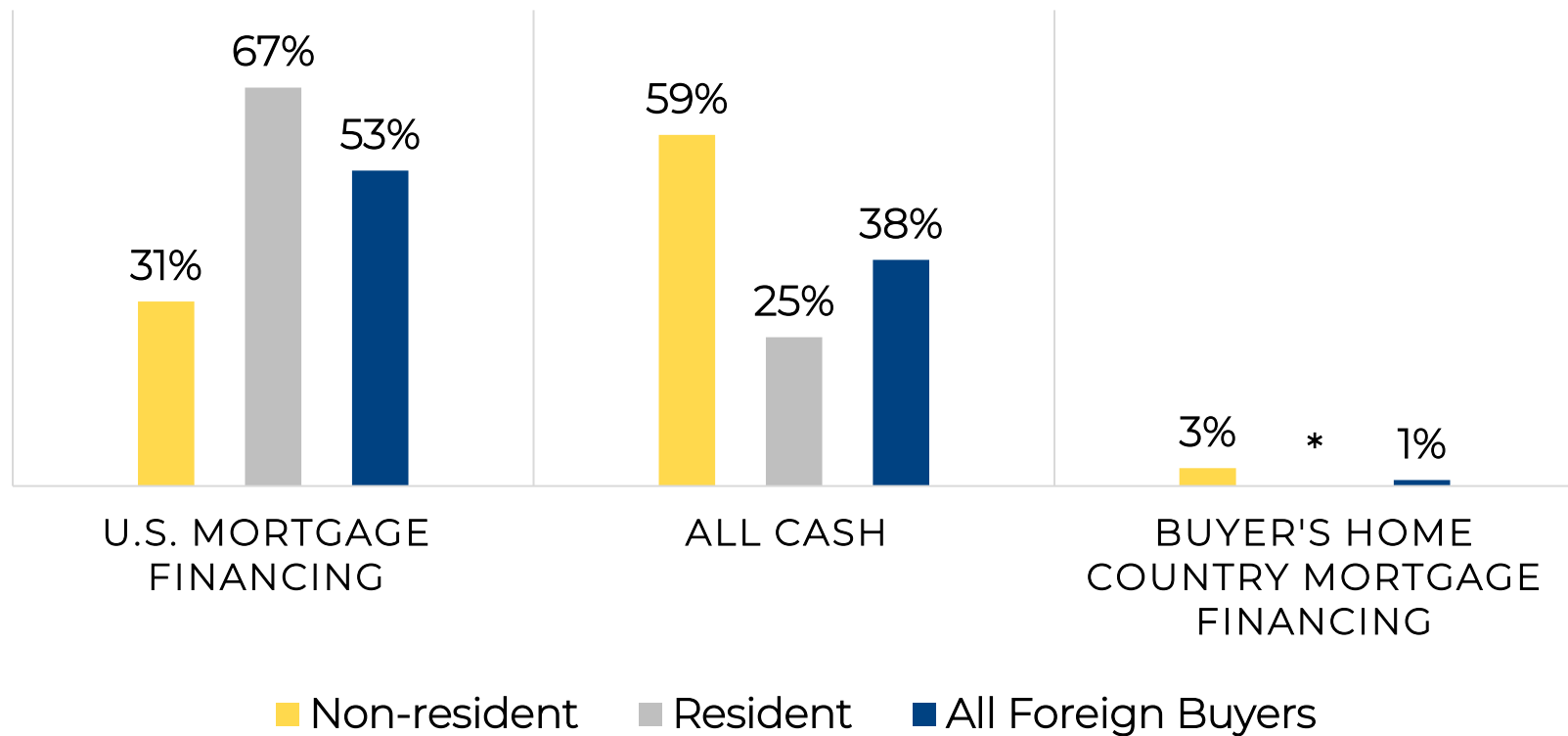
Lower than median of all U.S. foreign buyers (\$465,000)



# 38% of Foreign Buyers Paid All-Cash

48% among all U.S. foreign buyers nationally

## FINANCING BY TYPE OF FOREIGN BUYER

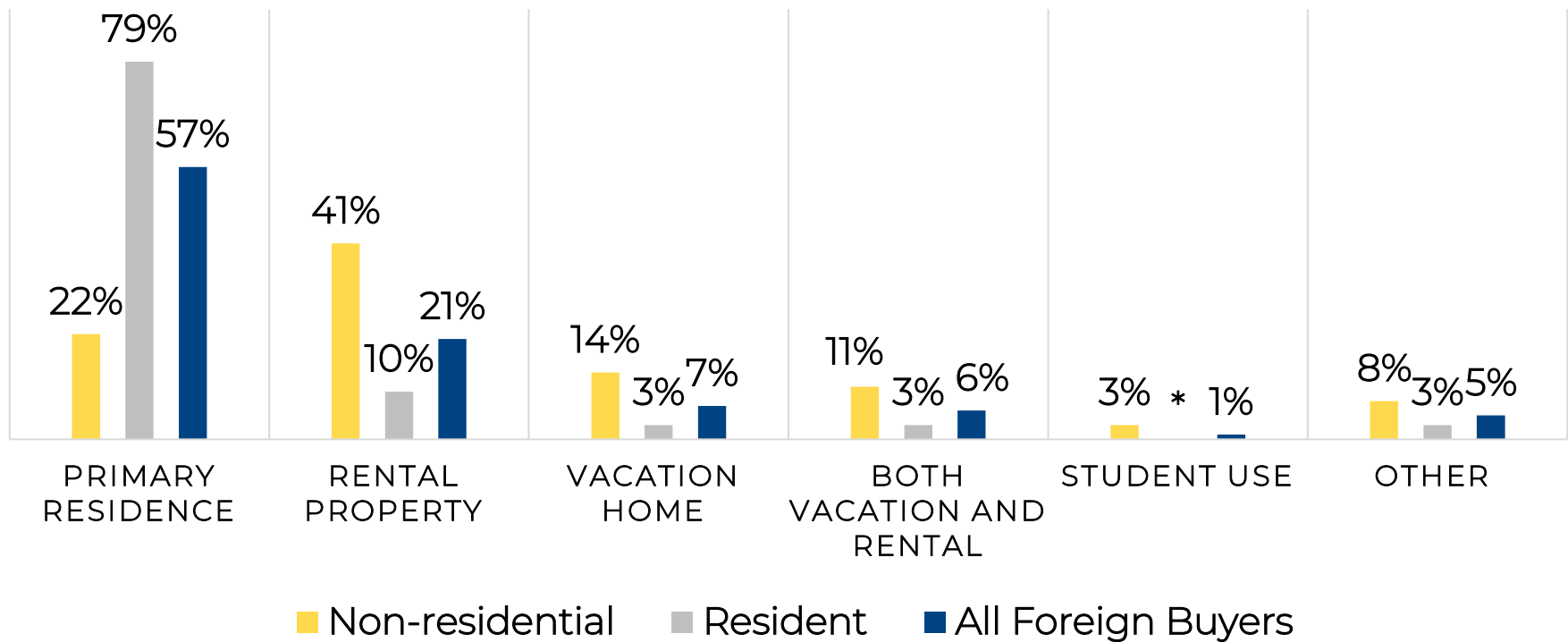


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# 57% Purchased a Primary Residence

Higher share among resident buyers (79%)

## HOW FOREIGN BUYER INTENDS TO USE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

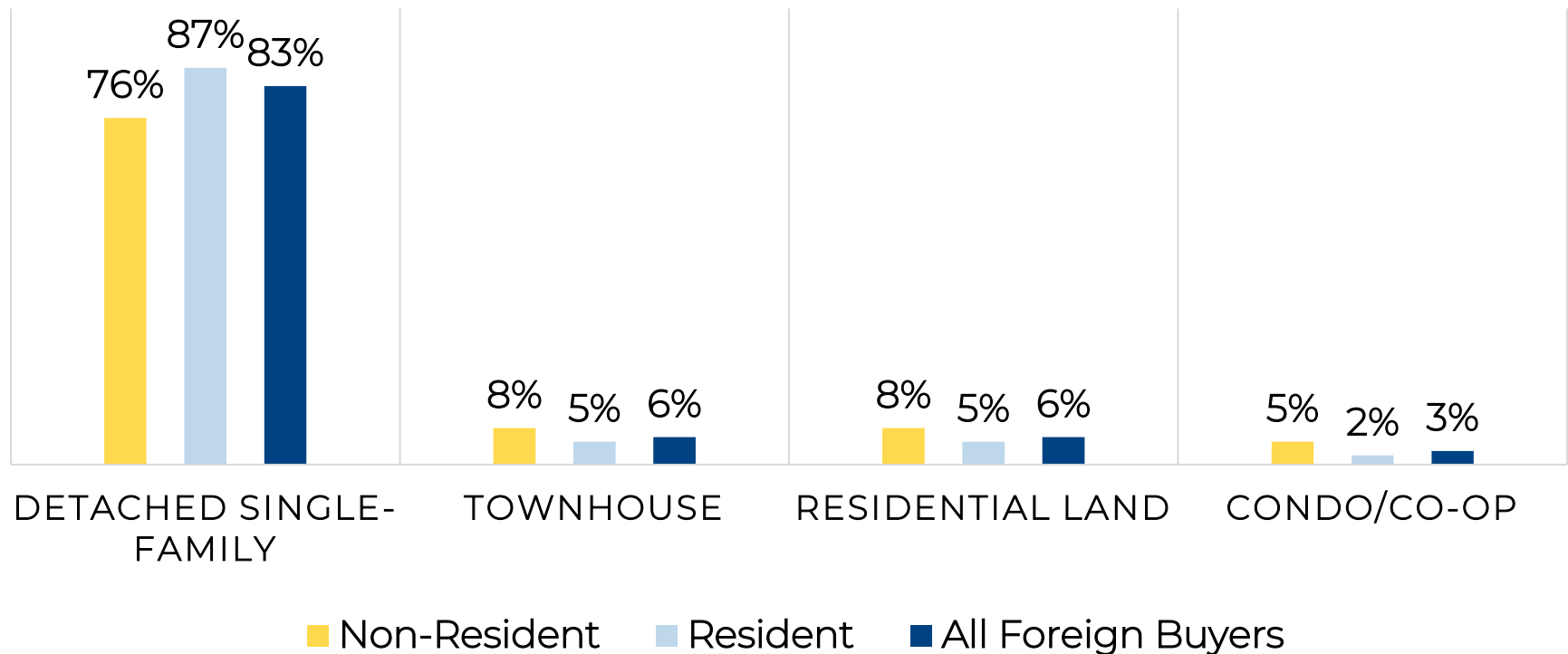


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# 83% Purchased Detached Single-family Homes

Higher than 76% among all U.S. foreign buyers nationally

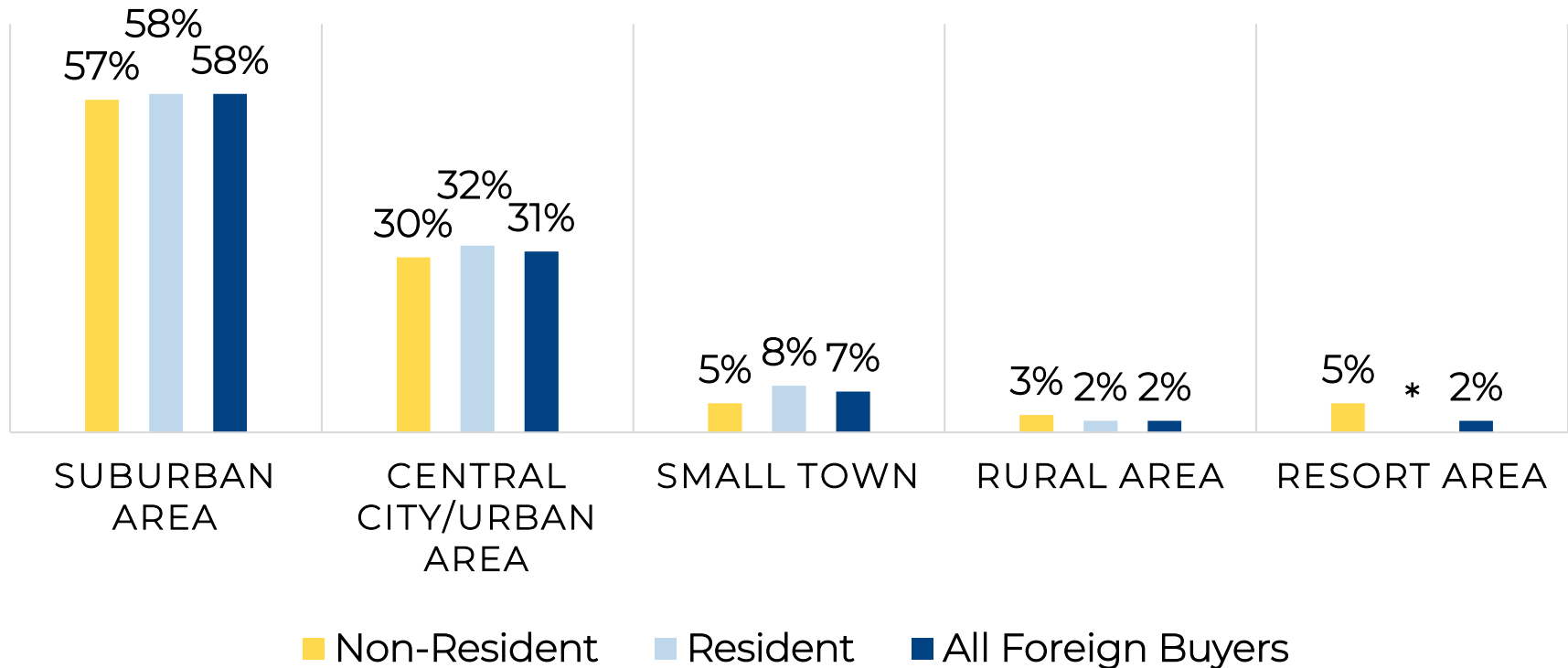
## TYPE OF PROPERTY PURCHASED BY FOREIGN BUYERS



# 58% Purchased Property in a Suburban Area

Higher than 44% among all U.S. foreign buyers nationally

TYPE OF AREA WHERE FOREIGN BUYERS  
PURCHASED PROPERTY



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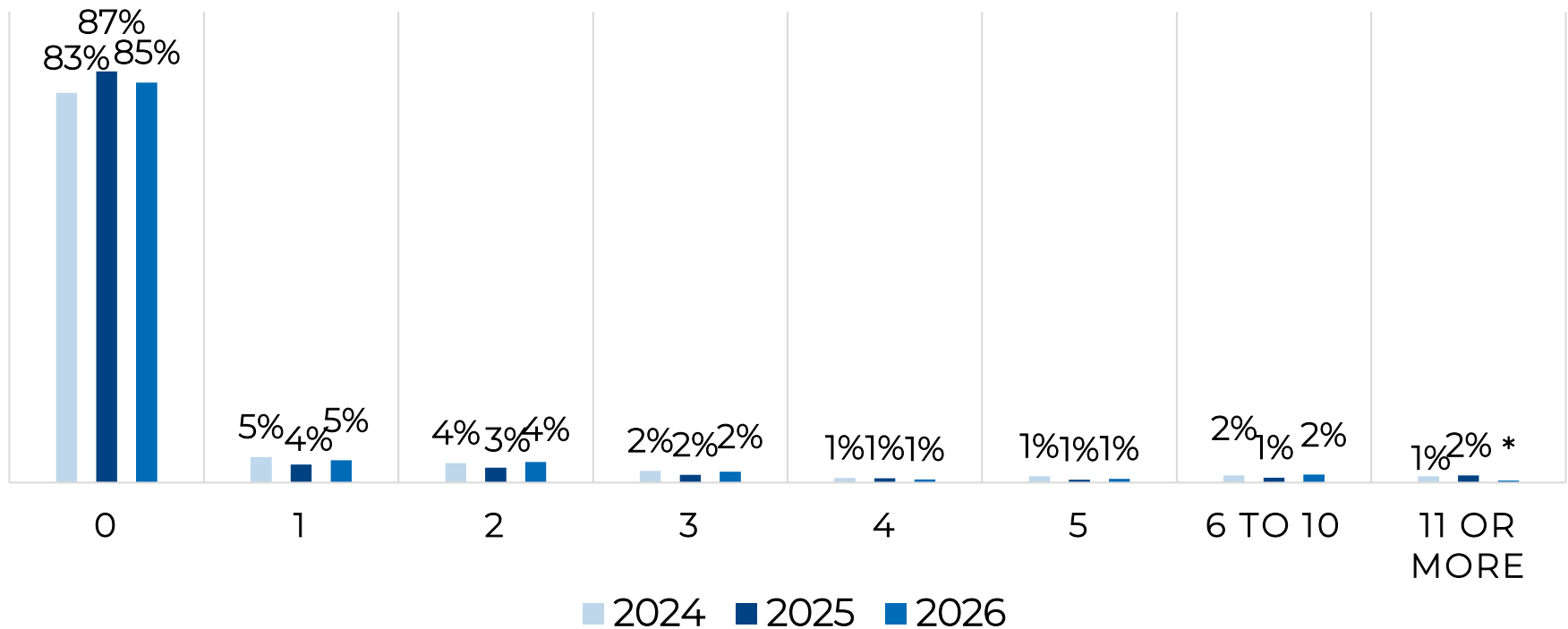
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# INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS TRENDS

# 15% of Respondents Worked with a Foreign Client

Up slightly from 13% last year

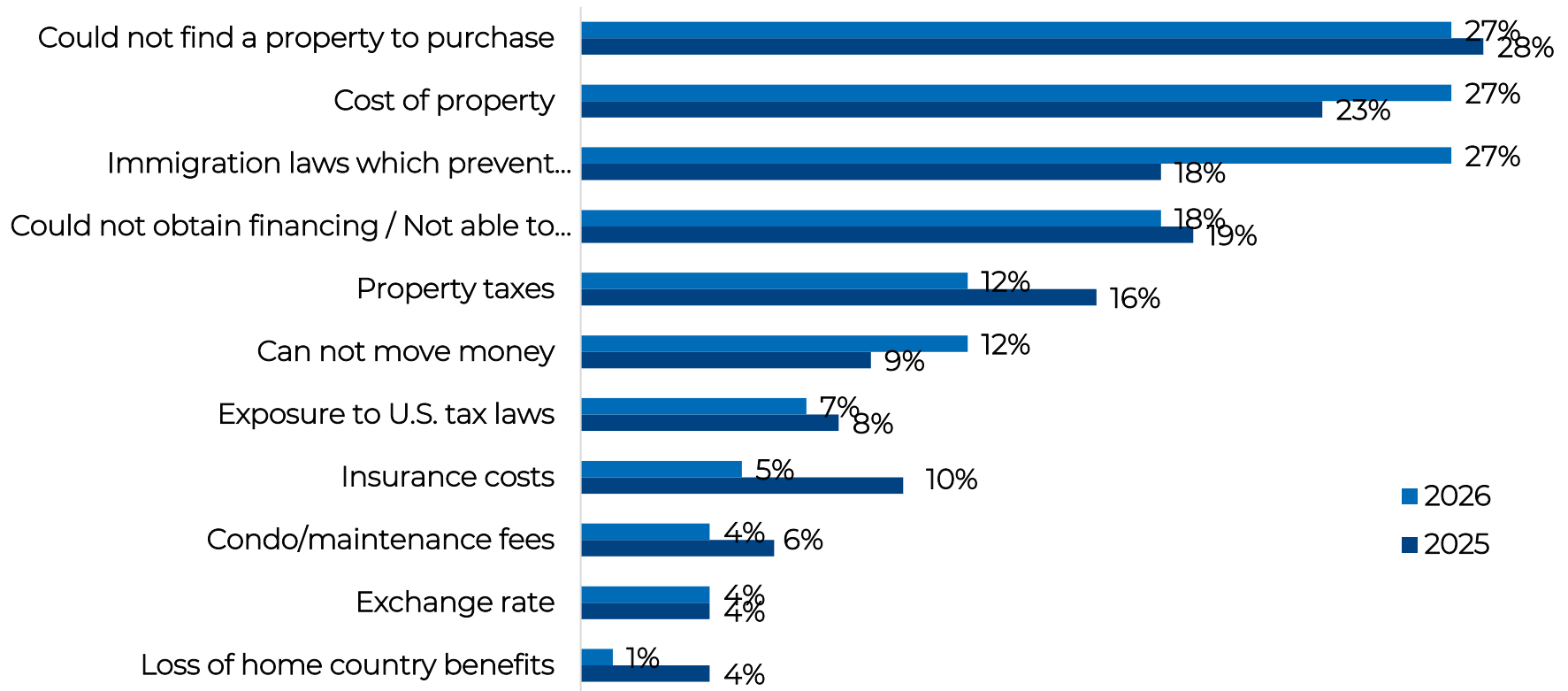
## NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL CLIENTS WHETHER OR NOT CLIENT PURCHASED A PROPERTY



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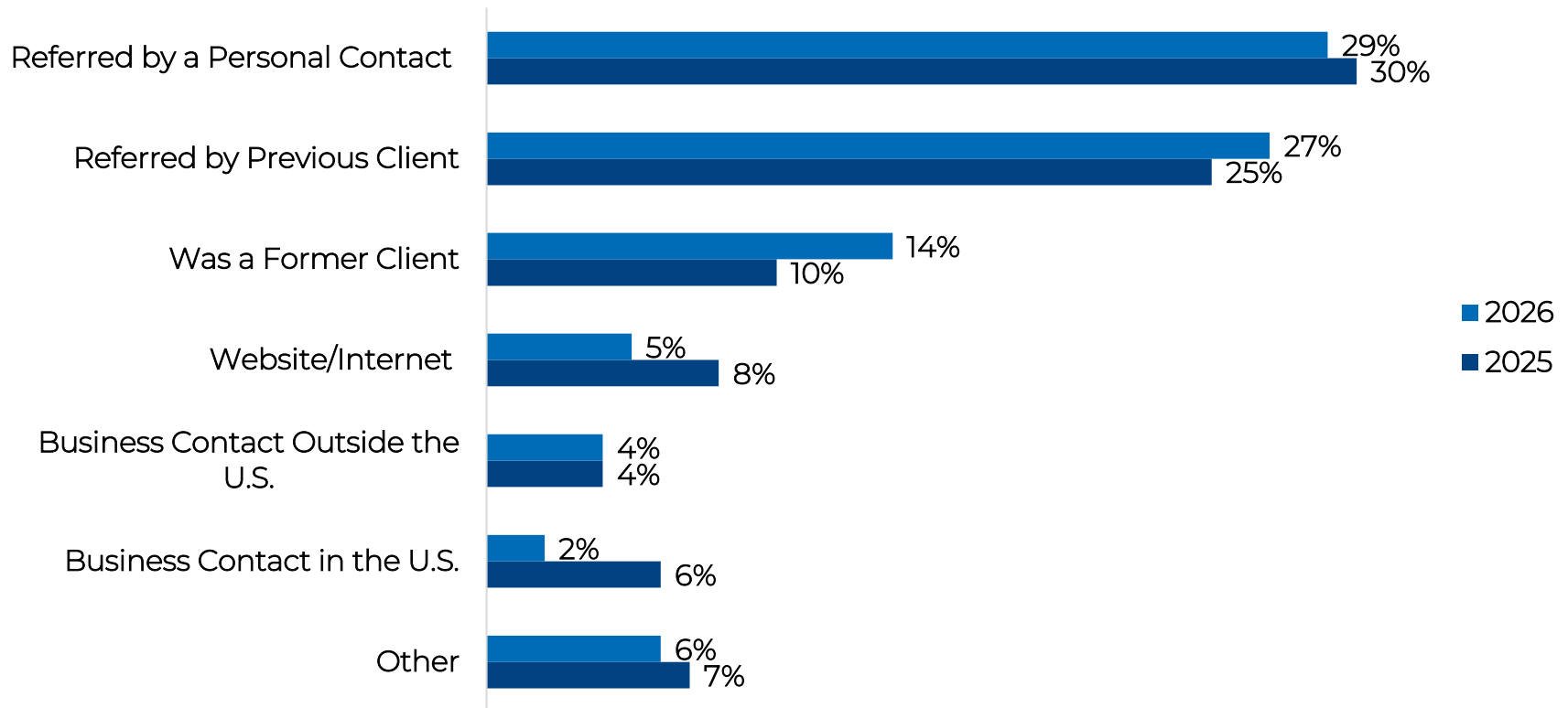
# Inventory, Property Costs, Immigration Laws: Main Reasons Client Decided Not to/Could Not Purchase U.S. Property

## REASONS INTERNATIONAL CLIENT DECIDED NOT TO PURCHASE U.S. PROPERTY

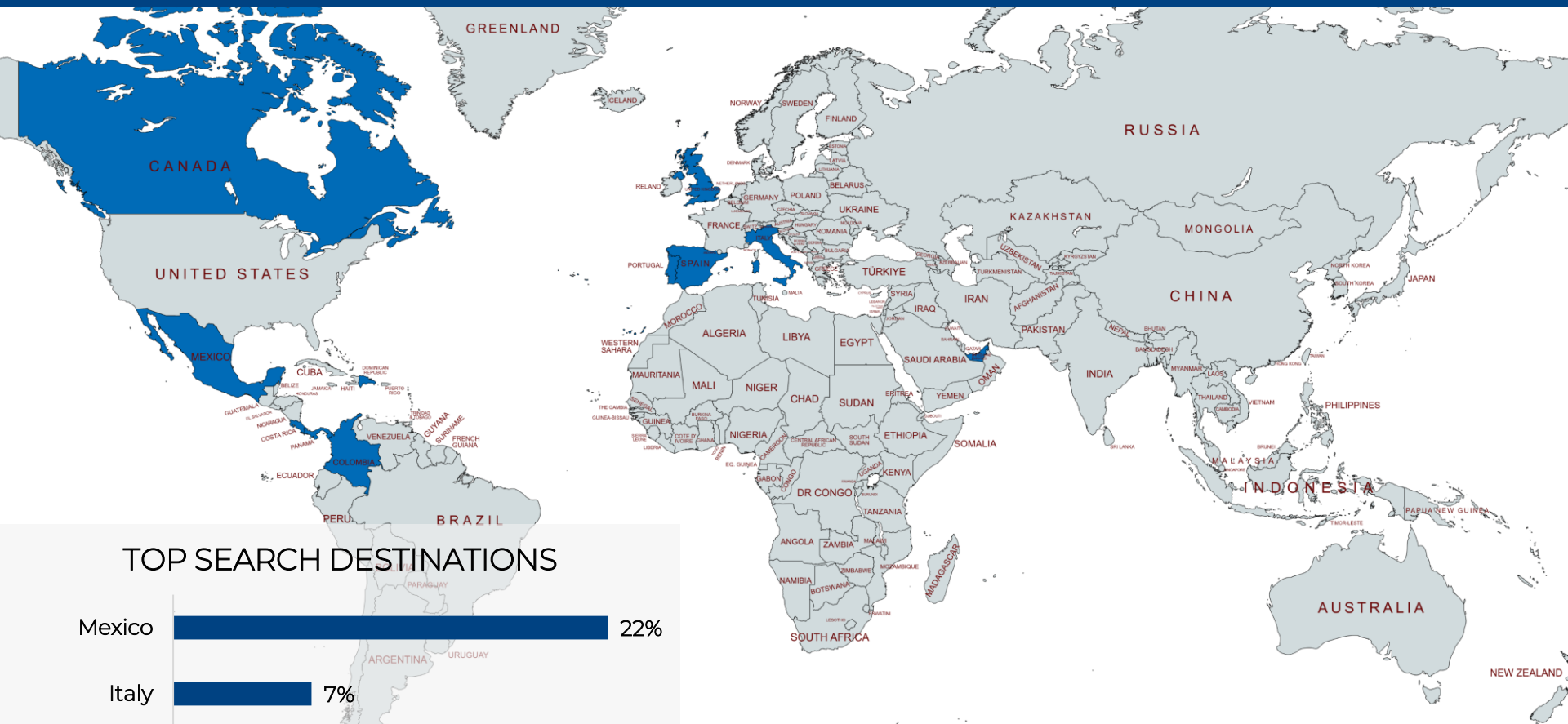


# 76% of Referrals Were From Personal/Business Contacts

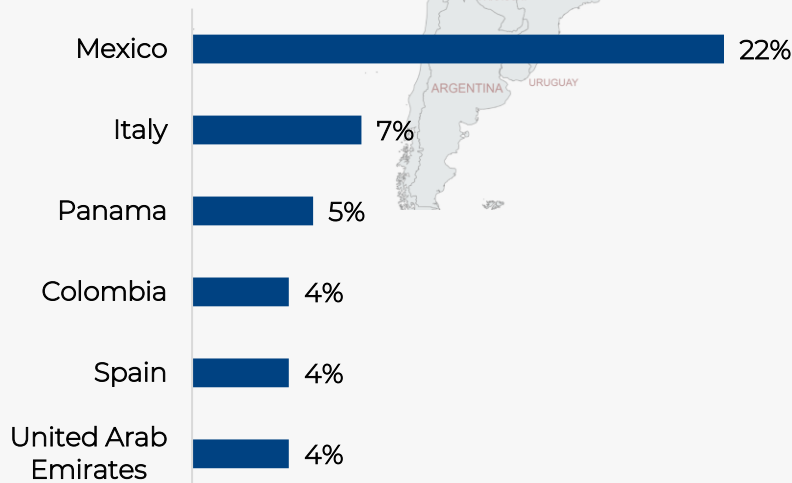
## SOURCE OF FOREIGN BUYER LEADS/REFERRALS



# Only 5% of Respondents Reported Buyers Searching for Property Abroad (Down from 36% last year)



## TOP SEARCH DESTINATIONS



# Appendix: Calculation of Foreign Buyer Purchases in Texas

| Estimation of Foreign Buyer Purchases in the state of Texas During April 2025-March 2026 |                                                                       |                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Line 1/1                                                                                 | Total foreign buyers who purchased property in the US                 | 67,100          |
| Line 2/1                                                                                 | Percent share of Texas to total foreign buyers purchasing US property | 11.6%           |
| Line 3                                                                                   | Foreign buyers who purchased property in the state of Texas           | 7,780           |
| Line 4                                                                                   | Non-resident foreign buyer (Type A) share                             | 38%             |
| Line 5                                                                                   | Resident foreign buyer (Type B) share                                 | 62%             |
| Line 6                                                                                   | Non-resident foreign buyer (Type A) homes purchased                   | 2,956           |
| Line 7                                                                                   | Resident foreign buyer (Type B) homes purchased                       | 4,824           |
| Line 8                                                                                   | Non-resident foreign buyer (Type A) average price                     | \$607,700       |
| Line 9                                                                                   | Resident foreign buyer (Type B) average price                         | \$450,000       |
| Line 10                                                                                  | Non-resident foreign buyer (Type A) dollar volume                     | \$1,796,604,280 |
| Line 11                                                                                  | Resident foreign buyer (Type B) dollar volume                         | \$2,170,620,000 |
| Line 12                                                                                  | Dollar volume of foreign buyer purchases in billion dollars           | \$4.0           |
| Line 13                                                                                  | Dollar volume of foreign buyer purchases as a percent of Texas market | 3.5%            |
| Line 14                                                                                  | Number of foreign buyer purchases as a percent of Texas home sales    | 2.3%            |
| Memo items                                                                               |                                                                       |                 |
|                                                                                          | Texas residential homes, condos, and villas sold                      | 336,143         |
|                                                                                          | Median sales price                                                    | \$333,600       |
|                                                                                          | Texas market in dollar volume in billion dollars                      | \$112           |

/1 Source: National Association of REALTORS® 2026 International Transactions in US Residential Real Estate



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