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Consumer Price Index Up 0.6% in July

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics is reporting that the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) increased 0.6% in July (same as June). [Click here to read more.](#)

Fee Increases Will Make Refinancing More Expensive

The mortgage industry was recently thrown a curve when mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac announced they were adding a 0.5% fee on all refinancing loans. [Click here to read more.](#)

Home Builder Confidence Highest Since 1998

According to the latest National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo Housing Market Index (HMI), home builder confidence is at its highest level since 1998, coming in at 78 points in August. [Click here to read more.](#)

Housing Starts & Permits Jump in July

The U.S. government is reporting that privately-owned housing starts in July were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,496,000, which is 22.6% higher than June's revised number. July's rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 547k. [Click here to red more.](#)

Foreclosure Filings Down 83% from 2019

According to ATTOM Data's most recent U.S. Foreclosure Market Report, foreclosure filings in July were down 4% from June and 83% from one year ago. As of July, there were 8,892 properties across the country with foreclosure filings - with 4,530 starting the foreclosure process in July. [Click here to read more.](#)

Airbnb Property Manager Beaten & Shot Trying to Break Up Party

This story a good reminder to always do your due diligence with screening potential tenants (both short and long-term) as well as being aware of the potential dangers of renting your property to strangers. Recently an Airbnb property manager was beaten and shot by people at a party he was attempting to break up in Cincinnati, Ohio. [Click here to read more.](#)

Local Market Monitor's National Economic Outlook - August 2020

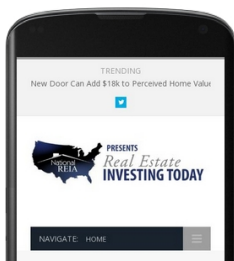
Local Market Monitor, a National REIA preferred vendor, recently released their monthly National Economic Outlook where they share their thoughts on developments taking place in the U.S. economy. [Click here to read more.](#)

2020's Top Metros for Apartment Construction

What are the top metros in the country where apartments are being built? According to RentCafé, the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex is set to complete nearly 20k apartments by the end of the year - topping their chart for 3 years in a row. [Click here to read more.](#)

Mortgage Rates by Decade

Infographic: Just last month we posted about mortgage interest rates hitting an all-time low. Today's infographic from Keeping Current Matters puts interest rates into perspective over the last 50 years. [Click here to read more.](#)



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