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### Housing Starts Down Nearly 10% in April

The U.S. government is reporting that privately-owned housing starts in April were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,569,000, which is 9.5% lower than March's revised number. However, this figure is 67.3% higher than one year ago. [Click here to read more.](#)

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### Consumer Price Index Up 0.8% in March

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics is reporting that the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) was 0.8% in April, 2021. [Click here to read more.](#)

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## Regulatory Costs Add \$93k to New Home Prices

Just when you thought lumber prices were jacking up home prices, along comes a new study from the NAHB that says government regulations (imposed by all levels of gov't) account for \$93,870, or 23.8% of the current average sales price of a new single-family home (currently (\$397,300)). [Click here to read more.](#)

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## Why Finding a Tenant That Loves Your Property is Critical

On a recent episode of the Rent Perfect Podcast, David Pickron says being a successful landlord is more about managing your tenants than it is about managing your property. [Click here to read more.](#)

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## Mortgage Delinquencies Decrease in Q1 2021

According to Mortgage Bankers Association's First Quarter of 2021 National Delinquency Survey, the delinquency rate for mortgage loans on one-to-four-unit residential properties decreased to a seasonally adjusted rate of 6.38% of all loans outstanding. [Click here to read more.](#)

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## Local Market Monitor's National Economic Outlook for May

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.](#)

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## Top 10 U.S. Counties Where Homeownership Tenure Is Rising

According to ATTOM's recent Q1 2021 U.S. Sales Report, nationwide homeseller profit margins increased to 34.2% in Q1 2021, up from 30.8% in Q1 2020. Interestingly, the report also dug into homeownership tenure data which revealed the top 10 U.S. counties with the greatest year-over-year increases in average homeownership tenure. [Click here to read more.](#)

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## Demand for Second Homes Has More Than Doubled

Redfin says the rise in demand for second homes is more than twice the increase for primary homes, with the number of buyers who locked in mortgage rates for primary homes rising a whopping 178% from one year

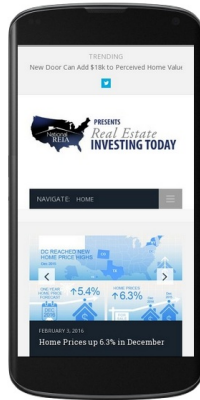
ago. [Click here to read more.](#)

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## We Are Rich Because We Are Free!

Infographic: Today's infographic, quite frankly, nails it. America is a rich country because we are free! They point out that the average American has more than one car, air conditioning, and eats out several times a week (pandemic aside). And we have free-market capitalism to thank. [Click here to read more.](#)

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