

Houston-Pasadena-The Woodlands, TX — #2 of 10: Residential Builders

Houston leads Texas in residential builders

Based on 2022 data from ALEX Intelligence

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2,659

Residential Builders (2022)

Houston-Pasadena-The Woodlands, TX ranks #2 of 26 Texas metros on residential builders, according to the U.S. Census Bureau's County Business Patterns 2022.

This level of construction activity reflects sustained demand for housing across the MSA, driven by population growth and job creation in energy, logistics, and healthcare. The number of active residential builders signals robust market confidence and a strong pipeline of new inventory.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, County Business Patterns 2022, NAICS 2361 (Residential building construction) · ALEX Intelligence computation

<https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-10-12-houston-msa-istand-2361-msa>



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A large, ornate, multi-story house with a red-tiled roof and several towers. A palm tree stands in front of the central tower. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent red rectangle containing text.

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Builders are outpacing housing demand

Houston's second-place ranking in residential builders—behind only Dallas—suggests a growing supply of new homes. This could temper price growth if absorption rates don't keep pace. The market may be entering a phase where inventory expansion begins to influence pricing dynamics, especially in submarkets with high development density.

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Industrial growth fuels housing expansion

The surge in construction is not isolated—it's tied to Houston's dominant energy and logistics sectors. As industrial and logistics real estate expands, it drives demand for housing in adjacent submarkets like Spring, Katy, and the Westside. This creates a feedback loop: job growth attracts workers, who in turn drive housing demand and construction.



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