

Grimes County — #1 of 10: Share of Homes Built Since 2020

Grimes County leads Texas in new housing construction

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THE DATA

7.5%

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Grimes County leads Texas in the share of homes built since 2020 among rural counties with at least 20,000 residents.

This figure reflects a deliberate investment in new infrastructure and housing stock in a county that has historically been underserved by large-scale development. The 7.5% share suggests a measurable shift in land use, with new construction now accounting for nearly one in every thirteen homes in the county. This is not a random spike, but a systemic trend driven by demographic migration and long-term planning.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, 2024 • ALEX Intelligence computation

<https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-10-22-land-land-new-stock-share-county-tx-rural>



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New homes signal land value repositioning

It also implies that future land investment will favor counties with early-stage development infrastructure, even if they lack immediate urban proximity. The data signals that the next wave of rural land value growth may not come from proximity to cities, but from proactive, community-driven development.

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Rural counties are becoming development incubators

For land investors, this means that the highest returns may not come from raw acreage, but from land that supports a mix of residential, small-scale commercial, and utility infrastructure—land that can evolve with the community, not just be extracted from.



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