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Housing Demand Study For The Next 5 Years



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Our Recommendations

For New Housing Needed Over the Next 5 Years

Minimum Houses Needed Over The Next 5 Years:

At a minimum Jackson County needs an additional 1,115 housing units added over the next 5 years: 820 for sale, 295 for rent.

Maximum Houses Needed Over The Next 5 Years:

However, in a chicken-or-the-egg scenario, were Jackson County to add the additional houses contained within this report, such houses would likely be desired as 23,000+ people per day drive into Jackson County to work from other counties.

At a maximum Jackson County needs an additional 3,389 housing units added over the next 5 years, 2500 for sale, 889 for rent.



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Minimum Number Needed:

50	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$200,000 - \$349,999	
25	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$1,100 - \$1,799/mo	

Maximum Number Needed:

188	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$200,000 - \$349,999	
101	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$1,100 - \$1,799/mo	

- According to ESRI, economic projections indicate the Jackson County, Michigan average household income bracket of \$100,000 to \$124,999 will grow by 542 households.
 - Note, not all these 542 households will be new to the county, some will be existing residents which moved up in income brackets.
- Jackson County, Michigan residents own homes 75% of the time and rent 25% of the time.
 - Therefore, a maximum of 406 homes for sale and 136 units for rent are needed for this demographic.
- According to the Federal Reserve's Household Debt by County data (Enhanced Financial Accounts), the average household in Jackson County, Michigan has a Debt-to-Income Ratio of approximately 1.4–1.6 (based on recent years' patterns for similar Midwest counties; exact latest figure requires checking the tool/CSV for Jackson County, MI).
 - This means total household debt is about \$1.40–\$1.60 for every \$1 of annual household income.
 - The Michigan statewide Debt-to-Income Ratio averages about 1.5–1.7.
- At the time of this study, 30-year mortgage rates with a 10% down payment are 6.75%.
 - Based on the math above, this household income demographic can afford a mortgage on a home priced between \$200,000 and \$349,999 or a rental unit priced between \$1,100 and \$1,799.
- 218 homes are currently for sale priced between \$200,000 and \$349,999, and 35 rental units are available priced between \$1,100 and \$1,799.
 - Therefore, Jackson County, Michigan needs a maximum of 188 new homes for sale between \$200,000 and \$349,999 and 101 new rental units priced between \$1,100 and \$1,799.
- Minimum: Applying a conservative trade-up rate to income mobility yields a lower estimate of 50 new homes for sale and 25 new rental units.
 - Minimum scenario applies a conservative trade-up rate consistent with National Association of Realtors data (34–46% of sellers trade up).

Our Recommendations

For New Housing Needed Over the Next 5 Years

Minimum Number Needed:

90	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$350,000 - \$419,999	
40	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$1,800 - \$1,999/mo	

Maximum Number Needed:

346	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$350,000 - \$419,999	
127	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$1,800 - \$1,999/mo	

- According to ESRI, economic projections indicate the Jackson County, Michigan average household income bracket of \$125,000 to \$149,999 will grow by 590 households.
 - Note, not all these 590 households will be new to the county, some will be existing residents which moved up in income brackets.
- Jackson County, Michigan residents own homes 75% of the time and rent 25% of the time.
 - Therefore, a maximum of 442 homes for sale and 148 units for rent are needed for this demographic.
- According to the Federal Reserve's Household Debt by County data (Enhanced Financial Accounts), the average household in Jackson County, Michigan has a Debt-to-Income Ratio of approximately 1.4–1.6 (based on recent years' patterns for similar Midwest counties; exact latest figure requires checking the tool/CSV for Jackson County, MI).
 - This means total household debt is about \$1.40–\$1.60 for every \$1 of annual household income.
 - The Michigan statewide Debt-to-Income Ratio averages about 1.5–1.7.
- At the time of this study, 30-year mortgage rates with a 10% down payment are 6.75%.
 - Based on the math above, this household income demographic can afford a mortgage on a home priced between \$350,000 and \$419,999 or a rental unit priced between \$1,800 and \$1,999.
- 96 homes are currently for sale priced between \$350,000 and \$419,999, and 21 rental units are available priced between \$1,800 and \$1,999.
 - Therefore, Jackson County, Michigan needs a maximum of 346 new homes for sale between \$350,000 and \$419,999 and 127 new rental units priced between \$1,800 and \$1,999.
- Minimum: Applying a conservative trade-up rate to income mobility yields a lower estimate of 90 new homes for sale and 40 new rental units.
 - Minimum scenario applies a conservative trade-up rate consistent with National Association of Realtors data (34–46% of sellers trade up).

Our Recommendations

For New Housing Needed Over the Next 5 Years

Minimum Number Needed:

280	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$420,000 - \$549,999	
100	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$2,000 - \$2,199/mo	

Maximum Number Needed:

819	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$420,000 - \$549,999	
286	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$2,000 - \$2,199/mo	

- According to ESRI, economic projections indicate the Jackson County, Michigan average household income bracket of \$150,000 to \$199,999 will grow by 1,165 households.
 - Note, not all these 1,165 households will be new to the county, some will be existing residents which moved up in income brackets.
- Jackson County, Michigan residents own homes 75% of the time and rent 25% of the time.
 - Therefore, a maximum of 874 homes for sale and 291 units for rent are needed for this demographic.
- According to the Federal Reserve's Household Debt by County data (Enhanced Financial Accounts), the average household in Jackson County, Michigan has a Debt-to-Income Ratio of approximately 1.4–1.6 (based on recent years' patterns for similar Midwest counties; exact latest figure requires checking the tool/CSV for Jackson County, MI).
 - This means total household debt is about \$1.40–\$1.60 for every \$1 of annual household income.
 - The Michigan statewide Debt-to-Income Ratio averages about 1.5–1.7.
- At the time of this study, 30-year mortgage rates with a 10% down payment are 6.75%.
 - Based on the math above, this household income demographic can afford a mortgage on a home priced between \$420,000 and \$549,999 or a rental unit priced between \$2,000 and \$2,199.
- 55 homes are currently for sale priced between \$420,000 and \$549,999, and 5 rental units are available priced between \$2,000 and \$2,199.
 - Therefore, Jackson County, Michigan needs a maximum of 819 new homes for sale between \$420,000 and \$549,999 and 286 new rental units priced between \$2,000 and \$2,199.
- Minimum: Applying a conservative trade-up rate to income mobility yields a lower estimate of 280 new homes for sale and 100 new rental units.
 - Minimum scenario applies a conservative trade-up rate consistent with National Association of Realtors data (34–46% of sellers trade up).

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For New Housing Needed Over the Next 5 Years

Minimum Number Needed:

400	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$550,000+	
130	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$2,200+/mo	

Maximum Number Needed:

1,147	NEW HOMES NEEDED FOR SALE
\$550,000+	
375	NEW UNITS NEEDED FOR RENT
\$2,200+/mo	

- According to ESRI, economic projections indicate the Jackson County, Michigan average household income bracket of \$200,000+ will grow by 1,620 households.
 - Note, not all these 1,620 households will be new to the county, some will be existing residents which moved up in income brackets.
- Jackson County, Michigan residents own homes 75% of the time and rent 25% of the time.
 - Therefore, a maximum of 1,215 homes for sale and 405 units for rent are needed for this demographic.
- According to the Federal Reserve's Household Debt by County data (Enhanced Financial Accounts), the average household in Jackson County, Michigan has a Debt-to-Income Ratio of approximately 1.4–1.6 (based on recent years' patterns for similar Midwest counties; exact latest figure requires checking the tool/CSV for Jackson County, MI).
 - This means total household debt is about \$1.40–\$1.60 for every \$1 of annual household income.
 - The Michigan statewide Debt-to-Income Ratio averages about 1.5–1.7.
- At the time of this study, 30-year mortgage rates with a 10% down payment are 6.75%.
 - Based on the math above, this household income demographic can afford a mortgage on a home priced at \$550,000+ or a rental unit priced at \$2,200+.
- 68 homes are currently for sale priced at \$550,000+, and 30 rental units are available priced at \$2,200+.
 - Therefore, Jackson County, Michigan needs a maximum 1,147 new homes for sale \$550,000+ and 375 new rental units priced at \$2,200+.
- Minimum: Applying a conservative trade-up rate to income mobility yields a lower estimate of 400 new homes for sale and 130 new rental units.
 - Minimum scenario applies a conservative trade-up rate consistent with National Association of Realtors data (34–46% of sellers trade up).

Our Approach

For New Housing Needed Over the Next 5 Years

Assumptions made for these Recommendations:

- State: Michigan
- Loan Term: 30-year, fixed
- Interest Rate: 6.75%
- Down Payment: 10%
- Monthly Debts: ~\$1.40-\$1.60 for every \$1 of annual household income
- Payment Being No More Than 35% of Monthly Gross Income

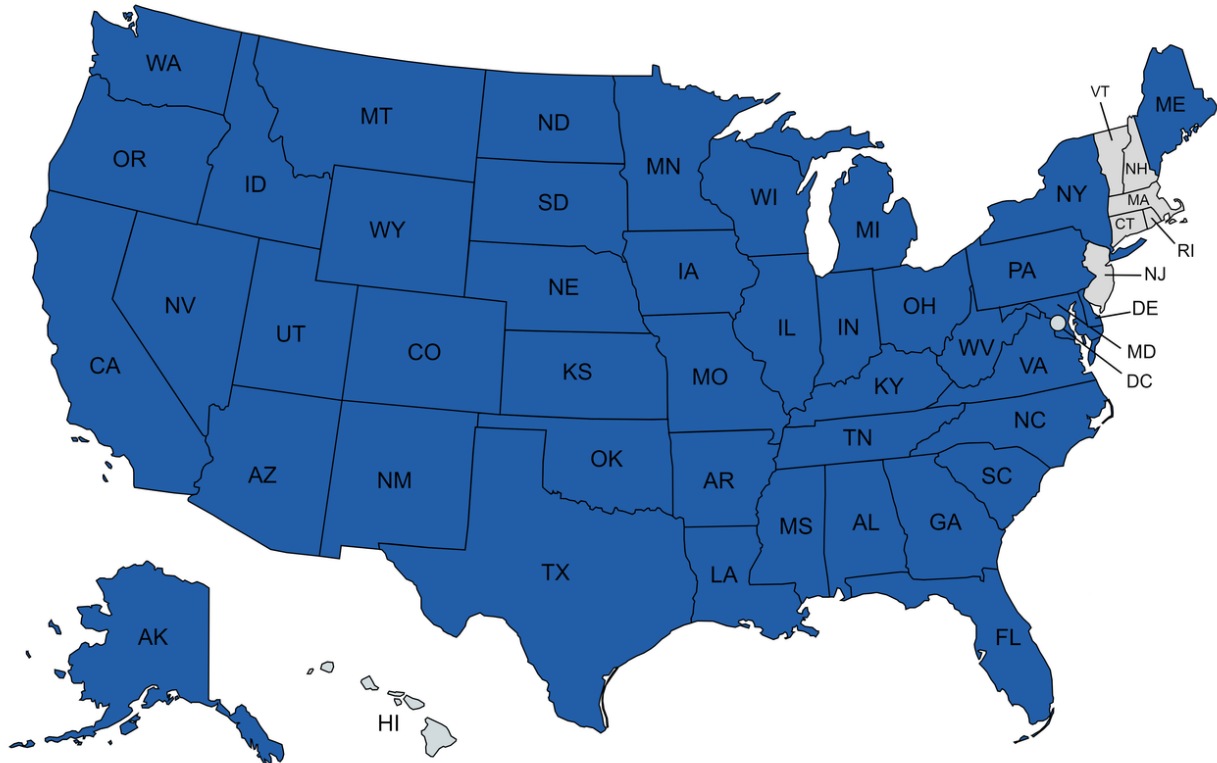
Sources Used for these Recommendations:

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- USDA Economic Research Service
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