2024 LAST WEEK IN RESEARCH

LATEST BHS MARKET REPORTS

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ECONOMIC HEADLINES

- The Nasdaq ended the week at a record high.
- Weekly jobless claims fell more than expected.
- Federal Reserve officials are asking for patience on the timing of rate cuts.
- <u>New orders for capital goods</u> rose more than expected in April.
- Americans are going into debt to buy groceries.
- Minutes from the last Fed meeting show worries over the lack of progress on inflation.
- The Biden administration is releasing 1 million barrels of gasoline from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to lower gas prices.
- According to a new Guardian/Harris poll, 56% of respondents said they believe the U.S. is in a recession.
- <u>\$7.7 billion in student loan debt</u> has been cancelled by the Biden administration.
- A recent Federal Reserve survey found that fewer parents of minors <u>said they were doing all right financially</u> in 2023 than 2022.
- Treasury Secretary Yellen said the U.S. will not support a global wealth tax on billionaires.
- To be "financially successful," <u>Americans say they need to be "living comfortably"</u> rather than becoming millionaires.
- New research from HR consulting firm Mercer finds that companies are planning to <u>spend less on pay and title</u> <u>bumps in 2024</u>.

HOUSING NEWS

- Mortgage rates <u>fell below 7%</u> for the first time in a month.
- Existing homes sales unexpectedly fell in April.
- New home sales fell more than expected in April.
- <u>Asia is driving gains in global luxury real estate prices</u> according to a new report by Knight Frank.
- One-third of single-family homes available for sale in the first quarter were newly built, according to Redfin.
- Falling mortgage rates have increased demand for refinance mortgages.
- <u>Here's where</u> rents are rising—and where they're falling.
- The decision to sell your home or rent it can be complicated, here's what you need to know.
- <u>Almost one-third of aspiring homebuyers</u> plan to take money out of their 401(k) plans to help with the cost of housing.

NEW YORK UPDATE

- Oxford Economics released its inaugural Global Cities Index, which rated New York as the world's top city.
- <u>NYC's tourism sector is approaching a full recovery</u>, according to a new report by NYS Comptroller DiNapoli.
- Rents in NYC are so high that only 5% are affordable to those making the average salary of just under \$89,000.
- A state appeals court has revived a lawsuit seeking to overturn Local Law 97.
- NYC's pension fund will invest as much as \$60 million to preserve nearly 35,000 rent-stabilized units.

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TOP MANHATTAN CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Condo	443 Greenwich Street	5A	\$20,700,000	5/15/2024
Со-Ор	88 Central Park West	8S	\$13,315,000	5/14/2024
Condo	111 West 67th Street	35DEF	\$13,000,000	5/17/2024
Со-Ор	925 Park Avenue	3/4A	\$13,000,000	5/20/2024
Condo	400 West 12th Street	12B	\$9,750,000	5/16/2024

TOP BROOKLYN CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	33 Montgomery Place	Townhouse	\$6,925,000	5/20/2024
Condo	30 Front Street	26b	\$6,700,000	4/11/2024
Townhouse	334 Carroll Street	Townhouse	\$5,625,000	5/10/2024
Condo	1 Clinton Street	28c	\$4,300,000	5/8/2024
Townhouse	103 Greene Avenue	Townhouse	\$4,100,000	5/14/2024

TOP QUEENS CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	150-20 28th Avenue	Townhouse	\$1,965,223	5/3/2024
Townhouse	58-20 255th Street	Townhouse	\$1,870,000	5/17/2024
Condo	23–15 44th Drive	4301	\$1,795,000	5/6/2024
Townhouse	21-41 75th Street	Townhouse	\$1,700,000	5/13/2024
Townhouse	73-20 Forest Avenue	Townhouse	\$1,680,000	5/6/2024

TOP BRONX CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	19 East 198th Street	Townhouse	\$2,117,452	5/10/2024
Townhouse	17 East 198th Street	Townhouse	\$1,862,053	5/10/2024
Townhouse	15 East 198th Street	Townhouse	\$1,515,495	5/10/2024
Condo	4465 Douglas Avenue	11L	\$1,450,000	5/9/2024
Townhouse	713 East 239th Street	Townhouse	\$1,168,000	5/10/2024

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