

# 2025 LAST WEEK IN RESEARCH

#### LATEST BHS MARKET REPORTS

<u>Manhattan Weekly Contract Signed</u> / <u>Episode 209 of Crossing the Line</u> / <u>Manhattan New Rental Listings Manhattan Rental Concessions</u>

#### **ECONOMIC HEADLINES**

- Here is the latest on proposed and enacted tariffs.
- President Trump has signed a 6-month government funding bill.
- Consumer prices rose less than expected in February.
- According to the February CPI report, housing costs rose at their slowest pace in over three years.
- Producer prices were flat last month, beating the estimate of a 0.3% increase.
- The Dow had its worst week since 2023.
- Initial jobless claims fell by 2,000 to 220,000.
- The stock market <u>has lost \$5 trillion in value</u> the past three weeks.
- Gold prices have passed \$3,000 an ounce for the first time ever.
- U.S. household worth hit a record high in the fourth quarter of 2024.
- Consumer sentiment fell more than expected in March.
- President Trump warned that a transition period for the economy is likely, and we can't rule out a recession.
- President Trump said he's 'not going to bend at all' on his tariff plans.
- Treasury Secretary Bessent said the <u>White House is focused on the 'real economy</u>' and not concerned about 'a little' market volatility.
- Traders believe the Fed is ready to <u>deliver rapid-fire rate cuts</u> if an economic downturn happens.
- Goldman Sachs has lowered its forecast for economic growth in 2025.
- The U.S. budget deficit rose by \$307 billion in February and is already <u>over the \$1 trillion mark</u> for the current fiscal year.
- Women will get most of the \$124 trillion 'great wealth transfer' according to Cerulli Associates.
- The number of job openings rose to 7.74 million in January.
- Consumers owed a total of \$5 trillion as of January, according to the Federal Reserve.
- Airlines are cutting their first-quarter profit and sales estimates, warning that a <u>weaker economic backdrop is</u> weighing on travel demand.
- Small business owners <u>were feeling uncertain about the future in February</u> as they continue to deal with lingering inflation and labor challenges.

### HOUSING NEWS

- $\underline{\text{Mortgage applications rose 11.2\%}}$  in the week ending March 7.
- The average 30-year conforming mortgage rate was virtually unchanged from the previous week.
- The math on renting versus buying a home has gotten more complex since the 1960s.
- The housing supply gap in the U.S. <u>reached nearly 4 million in 2024</u> according to realtor.com.
- According to home remodeling site Fixr.com, these are the worst home colors for selling in 2025.

#### **NEW YORK UPDATE**

- More NYC residents <u>now support congestion pricing</u> than oppose it.
- Moody's is warning that if congestion pricing goes away the MTA's credit rating could be downgraded.
- The NYC Comptroller's Office has issued their Monthly Economic and Fiscal Outlook for March.
- Billions are at risk for New York under Trump's pause of Inflation Reduction Act grants.
- Some landlords are opting for fines over Local Law 97 retrofits.



### TOP MANHATTAN CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

TYPE	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Со-ор	88 Central Park West	4N/5W	\$18,000,000	3/5/2025
Condo	535 West End Avenue	16	\$15,550,000	3/5/2025
Condo	217 West 57th Street	91W	\$15,315,500	3/3/2025
Со-ор	65 Central Park West	PH/North	\$14,500,000	3/10/2025
Со-ор	1185 Park Avenue	PHA	\$14,000,000	3/5/2025

### TOP BROOKLYN CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

TYPE	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	17 Montgomery Place	Townhouse	\$7,200,000	2/28/2025
Townhouse	240 Berkeley Place	Townhouse	\$6,262,800	2/28/2025
Townhouse	927 East 9th Street	Townhouse	\$6,000,000	2/27/2025
Townhouse	1931 Ocean Parkway	Townhouse	\$5,500,000	3/5/2025
Condo	9 College Place	5A	\$3,995,000	3/4/2025

## TOP QUEENS CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

TYPE	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	181 Beach 145th Street	Townhouse	\$7,625,000	3/6/2025
Townhouse	28-43 216th Street	Townhouse	\$2,200,000	3/3/2025
Townhouse	33-23 161st Street	Townhouse	\$2,200,000	3/7/2025
Townhouse	142-09 Negundo Avenue	Townhouse	\$2,110,000	2/24/2025
Condo	23-15 44th Drive	5901	\$2,082,045	3/3/2025

### TOP BRONX CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

TYPE	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	2758 Morris Avenue	Townhouse	\$3,125,000	3/10/2025
Townhouse	2115 Matthews Avenue	Townhouse	\$1,600,000	3/5/2025
Townhouse	1343 Bristow Street	Townhouse	\$1,185,000	2/28/2025
Townhouse	1158 Leland Avenue	Townhouse	\$995,000	2/28/2025
Townhouse	3055 Perry Avenue	Townhouse	\$990,000	3/5/2025

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