

## 42% of North American Homebuyers Worry They'll Never Be Able to Buy a Home, According to Zolo Survey

Millennials, Gen Z, and Gen X cite accumulating a down payment as the key barrier to homeownership. Boomers say it's the hot housing market.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA, May 24, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Do millennials and Gen Z's feel priced out of the housing market? Are boomers facing the same challenges as the rest of the population?

In a new survey released by <u>Zolo</u>, one of Canada's most popular real estate marketplaces, more than 3,000 prospective homebuyers shared their feelings about the current housing market and how it will impact their home-buying plans in 2022.

The results highlight generational differences in the barriers to homeownership and the fact that home buying anxiety runs high, with 42% of homebuyers worrying that they'll never be able to afford a home.

## For instance:

- Gen Z, millennials, and Gen X all struggle to save a down payment, with 32%, 29%, and 28%, respectively, saying coming up with the cash is the most significant barrier to homeownership
- 28% of baby boomers, on the other hand, cite a competitive housing market as their primary challenge
- Home buying anxiety was rampant among respondents, with 68% reporting they are worried about inflation impacting their ability to buy a home

## \*Home Buying Anxiety Runs Hot

It's no question that the ongoing pandemic had a big impact on housing prices in North America, and homebuyers are feeling the pinch. About 28% of respondents feel at least somewhat negative about the current real estate market. Although homebuyers are still hopeful about entering the market, 33% of respondents don't think they can afford to buy in 2022.



\*68% of Millennials Would Accept Financial Support from a Friend or Relative

With housing prices rising, more and more North Americans turn to families to boost their down payments. Most younger respondents favour accepting financial support from a friend or relative to buy a home. However, that number dwindles for older respondents.

- 74% of Gen Z said they would accept financial support
- 68% of millennials
- 62% of Gen X
- 49% of baby boomers

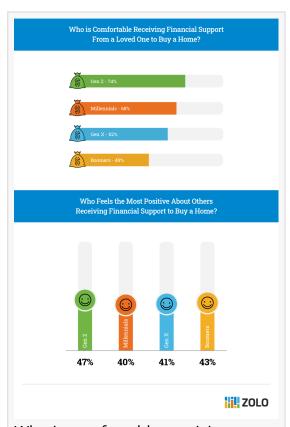
\*Homebuyers Still Consider Real Estate a Good Value Despite high anxiety and pessimism about affordability, 87% of respondents said they think a home is a good investment, and 82% think home prices will continue to rise in 2022.

## \*About Zolo

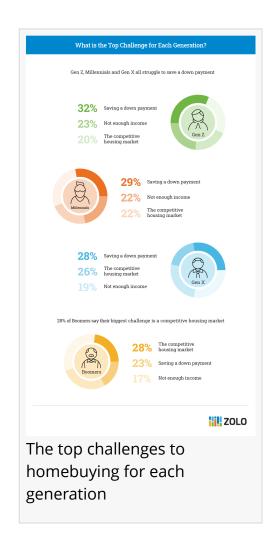
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Who is comfortable receiving financial support from a loved one to buy a home, and who feels most positively



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