

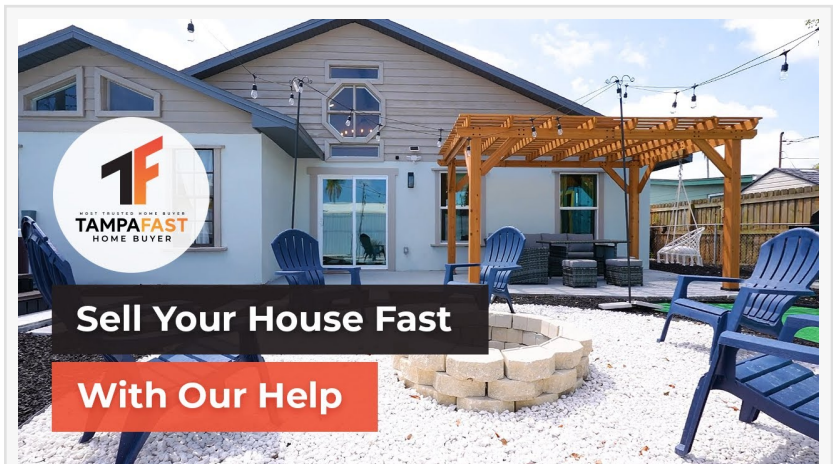
# Tampa Fast Home Buyer Tracks Cash Buyer Growth in Florida

*Tampa Fast Home Buyer tracks the growing demand for cash home buyers across Florida, highlighting market trends and fast, hassle-free selling solutions.*

TAMPA, FL, UNITED STATES, June 19, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Florida's residential real estate market has entered a period of structural adjustment, and [Tampa Fast Home Buyer](#) observes that cash and as-is buyers are playing an increasingly visible role in that transition. According to market analysis published in early 2026, cash buyers account for approximately 33% of residential transactions statewide, with that share rising to 67% or more in certain high-value submarkets such as Miami-Dade luxury properties. This press release provides an overview of the market conditions that appear to be contributing to that trend, drawing on publicly available data from real estate research firms, state industry associations, and federal housing indices.

## Market Overview

Florida's housing landscape has shifted considerably from the rapid appreciation cycle of 2020 through 2023. According to data from HouseCanary, Florida recorded 54,030 residential closings in Q1 2026, with a statewide inventory of 7.47 months of supply, conditions that give buyers more negotiating power while sellers face less pricing leverage than in prior years.



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According to Florida Realtors, the statewide median sale price for single-family homes stood at approximately \$411,105 in October 2025, reflecting a slight annual decline of about 0.9%. More recent data from HouseCanary puts the statewide median closed price at \$394,000 for Q1 2026, representing a 1.3% year-over-year decline compared to Q1 2025. While national home prices have continued to appreciate in most regions, Florida appears to be on a different trajectory in several key submarkets.

The FHFA House Price Index for Florida fell 2.3% year-over-year through Q3 2025, placing the state among only a handful in negative territory while the national index rose 2.2%.

### Key Trends: Cash and As-Is Buyer Activity

The presence of [cash buyers in Florida](#) is not a new development, but available data suggests their share of overall transaction volume has grown in proportion to broader market stress. According to MIAMI Realtors data, 37.1% of home sales in Miami were cash transactions in July 2025, a figure described as higher than regional norms.

Tampa Fast Home Buyer, which operates in this segment of the market, notes that certain seller circumstances, including inherited properties, deferred maintenance backlogs, and time-sensitive financial situations, are appearing more frequently as market conditions across Florida have tightened. Analysts and industry observers note that cash buyers continue purchasing homes across Florida regardless of broader market conditions, offering sellers speed and certainty without financing contingencies during periods when traditional sales can take considerably longer to complete.

As of Q1 2026, Florida listings totaled 118,603 active homes with a median of 84 days on market, a timeline that may factor into seller decisions when urgency is a primary concern.

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The divergence between Florida's regional markets is notable. Tampa's Case-Shiller index posted 13 consecutive months of annual price declines through November 2025, registering a 3.9% year-over-year decline, while Palm Beach County single-family median prices reached new highs, up 7.7%.

In Cape Coral, the typical single-family home sold for nearly 7% less in August 2025 compared to the prior year. Compared to the August 2022 pandemic-era peak, the median home sales price declined by over 13%, according to analysis from Realtor.com. North Port recorded an even sharper correction, with typical August 2025 sale prices approximately 20% below levels from three years prior.

These regional variations suggest that pricing pressure is not uniform across the state. In markets where values have softened most significantly, sellers may face a narrower gap between a conventional listing outcome and a direct as-is offer, particularly when repair costs and carrying expenses are factored in.

### Inventory Trends

According to Redfin data, Florida had approximately 212,904 homes listed for sale in March 2026, with 5 months of supply statewide. While inventory has expanded relative to 2023 and 2024 levels, the composition of that inventory matters. Distressed properties and those requiring significant repair investment are becoming a larger portion of what is available.

Florida's condominium market is under particular pressure, with 13.2 months of supply statewide, prices down 6.1% year over year, and approximately 92% of major condo markets declining. An estimated 40% of condo owners have faced special assessments in the past three years, with some buildings assessed between \$134,000 and \$400,000 per unit, a situation that has prompted some owners to pursue expedited sales rather than absorb those costs.

### External Factors: Insurance Costs and Mortgage Rates

Insurance costs represent one of the most frequently cited contributors to financial strain among Florida homeowners. Insurify's 2026 home insurance report placed Florida's average annual premium at \$8,292 in 2025, an 18% increase over the prior year, while cumulative statewide rate increases have reached approximately 30% since 2022, and approximately 40% in Central Florida, according to data cited by CMS Law Group.

Florida's insurance premiums are currently estimated at 181% above the national average. For homeowners whose monthly carrying costs have increased materially as a result, the financial calculus around continuing to hold a property may be shifting.

On the mortgage side, conditions have shown modest improvement. Current average 30-year mortgage rates of approximately 6.06% represent a decline from 7.04% a year earlier, with some

forecasts suggesting rates could approach or fall below 6% by late 2026. Realtor.com's 2026 Housing Forecast projects the average 30-year mortgage rate will hold near 6.3% through the year. While lower rates may gradually support buyer demand in the conventional market, the timeline for their full effect on seller behavior remains uncertain.

## Foreclosure Activity and Distressed Seller Context

Foreclosure data provides additional context for the conditions in which cash and as-is buyers operate. According to ATTOM's October 2025 U.S. Foreclosure Market Report, Florida posted the nation's highest foreclosure rate at that time, one in every 1,829 homes, and Tampa ranked first among large metro areas, with one in every 1,373 housing units facing a filing.

Florida led the nation with 0.44% of homes receiving foreclosure filings in 2025, with 4,962 filings recorded in January 2026 alone. Analysts at CNBC noted that states where home prices have been falling while insurance premiums have been rising, Florida in particular, are seeing an uptick in mortgage defaults. Industry observers have described Florida as a market that tends to surface distress earlier than slower-moving states, making its foreclosure data a useful leading indicator rather than a lagging one.

It is within this context that Tampa Fast Home Buyer observes an expanding range of seller situations in the Tampa Bay area and surrounding markets, including homeowners navigating pre-foreclosure timelines, estate-related transfers, and properties with deferred maintenance that complicate conventional financing.

## Regional Analysis

Florida's housing conditions vary considerably by geography, and cash buyer activity reflects that variation. Tampa, as noted, carries the highest foreclosure filing rate among major metro areas. Gulf Coast markets such as Cape Coral face a combination of rising insurance costs tied to hurricane and flood exposure, alongside price corrections and elevated foreclosure activity, according to ATTOM Q3 2025 data.

South Florida, particularly Miami-Dade, represents a different dynamic, where cash transactions remain elevated as a share of overall volume, with buyers from domestic and international markets sustaining demand in certain price tiers. Realtor.com projects that active listings will rise 8.9% year over year nationally in 2026, marking the third consecutive year of inventory gains, a trend that may gradually shift negotiating leverage further toward buyers in Florida's more competitive markets.

## Tampa Fast Home Buyer's Position in This Market

Tampa Fast Home Buyer operates within the direct-purchase segment of Florida's residential real estate market and observes trends related to distressed property transactions, as-is sales, and

time-sensitive seller situations. Its activity reflects a portion of the broader housing landscape, particularly in transactions involving inherited properties, financial hardship, deferred maintenance, and pre-foreclosure circumstances, property types and seller scenarios that have grown more common across several Florida counties given current market conditions.

## Market Outlook

NAR Chief Economist has forecast a 14% nationwide increase in home sales for 2026, with national median prices expected to rise approximately 4%, supported by job growth and persistent supply shortages. Whether Florida tracks that national trajectory will depend in part on how insurance reforms, interest rate movements, and distressed inventory absorption play out across the state's diverse regional markets.

By the end of 2026, for-sale inventory nationally is expected to sit approximately 12% below pre-2020 norms, an improvement from the 19% gap observed in 2025. For Florida specifically, the path toward balance will likely be shaped by the resolution of insurance affordability issues, the pace at which foreclosure inventory enters and clears the market, and the degree to which cash buyers continue to absorb properties that fall outside the conventional financing model.

## About Tampa Fast Home Buyer

Tampa Fast Home Buyer is a real estate investment company and cash home buyer based in Tampa Bay, Florida. Founded in 2016, the company purchases residential properties directly from homeowners across the state of Florida in all conditions, including inherited homes, properties with deferred maintenance, pre-foreclosure situations, and other distressed circumstances where sellers prefer a direct transaction over a traditional listing. The company's team holds over 43 years of combined real estate experience spanning acquisitions, repairs, and property disposition. Tampa Fast Home Buyer services the Tampa Bay area and the broader state of Florida.

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