

# February News Brief

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## Residential News

### NAR Pending Home Sales Report Shows 9.3% Decrease in December

By National Association of Realtors, January 21, 2026

Pending home sales in December decreased by 9.3% from the prior month and 3.0% year over year, according to the National Association of REALTORS® Pending Home Sales Report.

[Read the full article here](#)

### Zillow hit with another lawsuit over allegations of steering

By Dave Gallagher, realestatenews.com, January 20, 2026

A real estate agent in Washington state filed a class-action case claiming she and her team were penalized after refusing to refer clients to Zillow Home Loans.

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### Trump Says 'America Will Not Become a Nation of Renters' as He Touts Restrictions on Investor Homebuyers in Davos Speech

By Keith Griffith, realtor.com, January 21, 2026

President Donald Trump touted new restrictions on large investor homebuyers in a speech in Davos, as his administration focuses on the housing crisis ahead of the midterm elections.

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## Commercial News

### Here's what to expect for commercial real estate in 2026

By Diana Olick, cnbc.com, December 30, 2025

Experts and research firms forecast a year of stabilization and recovery for commercial real estate in 2026.

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### Coworking Footprint Grows, Office Vacancy Slips from Peaks of 2025

By Ioana Ginsac, commercialcafe.com, January 20, 2026

In 2025, the trend of vacancy rates rising sharply across most of the country began to break. Since peaking in March of last year, the national vacancy rate decreased 150 bps to reach 18.4% at the close of the year.

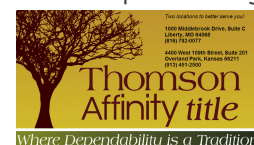
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### Americans are changing where they're moving. Here's how that could affect commercial real estate

By Diana Olick, cnbc.com, January 7, 2026

Americans are increasingly moving to smaller markets rather than urban cores as they seek cheaper housing and better quality of life.

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