



MARKET INSIGHTS · LAST 12 MONTHS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

ZIP 27896 · Wilson

In Wilson's 27896, 1 in 5 Homes Didn't Sell

Over the last 12 months, 337 homes in ZIP 27896 wrapped up, and 264 of them sold. Typical sale took 29 days and closed at 97.5% of the first asking price, but homes priced wrong sat a lot longer and often got cut before they finally moved.



337
homes finished on the market

29
median days to sell
from the first day listed

264
sold

97.5%
sold vs. first asking price

73 (22%)
didn't sell

\$277,520
median sold price

Which pile do you want to be in?

Solid houses sold. Outlined houses expired, were withdrawn or were canceled.

What waiting costs

A typical \$277,520 home, per month

Mortgage (principal + interest)	\$1,482
Property taxes	\$138
Homeowners insurance	\$250
Upkeep	\$231
Utilities	\$250
Total	\$2,350

About \$2,350 every month the home sits.

Listings that didn't sell stayed on the market a median of 176 days — roughly \$13,600 in holding costs, and the home still didn't sell.

An example, not a quote: 20% down, 30-year fixed at 7.03% (Freddie Mac average, 2026-09-24); Wilson County rate 0.595 per \$100 (NC Department of Revenue, 2025-26 county rates); town taxes add more inside town limits; insurance, upkeep (1% of value a year) and utilities are typical estimates. If your home is paid off, the mortgage line drops out — the rest still adds up.

Priced right from day one vs. chasing the market

11

median days to sell when priced right
145 homes that sold at 97%+ of first asking

81

median days when price cuts were needed
119 homes · sold for 93.0% of first asking



What this means if you're selling

- Price it right from day one: homes priced right sold in a typical 11 days, needing-a-cut homes took 81 days
- The \$500-750K range struggled most, with a 36% didn't-sell rate, while Under \$300K did best at 16%
- Waiting has a cost: listings that never sold sat a median 176 days and still got a 2.8% price cut
- 16% of contracts fell apart before closing, most often inspection, appraisal or financing issues in general industry experience - be ready with paperwork and repairs upfront

Price range matters

Starting price	Finished	Sold	Didn't sell	Days to sell	vs. first ask
Under \$300K	180	152	16%	33	97.5%
\$300-400K	88	60	32%	23	97.9%
\$400-500K	34	27	21%	31	97.1%
\$500-750K	28	18	36%	31	97.7%

When contracts fall apart

16%

of contracts fell apart before closing
49 of about 315

65%

of those homes later sold

29%

never sold

93.8%

sold vs. first ask after a fall-through
vs. 97.8% on the first contract

76

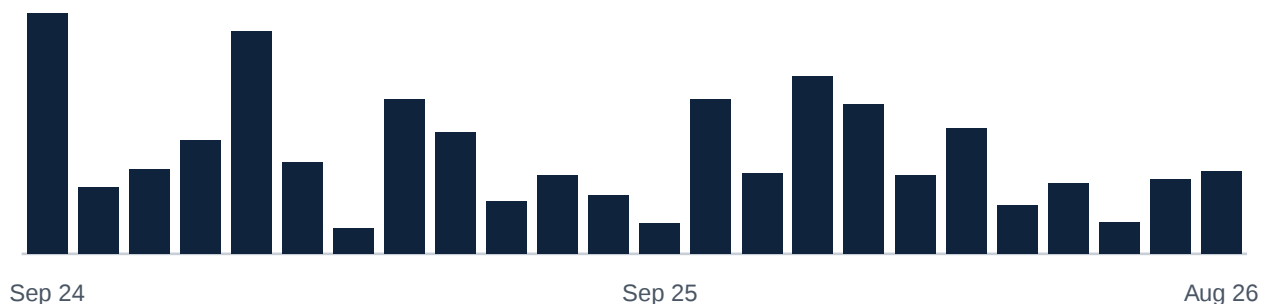
median days to sell after a fall-through
vs. 23 on the first contract

The MLS doesn't record why a contract ends. In our experience the most common reasons are home inspection findings, appraisals that come in below the price, and buyer financing — which is why preparing the home and pricing it to appraise matter before it goes on the market.

How buyers paid on closed sales: conventional loans 49% · cash 20% · VA 11% · FHA 16% · other 4%.

Share of listings that didn't sell, by month

Latest month: 19% didn't sell



What this means if you're buying

- 67% of homes in 27896 sold below the first asking price, so there's room to negotiate
- Contracts that fall apart aren't the end: 65% of those homes sold later, though it took a median 76 days
- Financing mix: 49% of buyers used conventional loans, 20% paid cash, 16% used FHA, and 11% used VA



Did you know?

- Homes priced right from the start sold in a typical 11 days versus 81 days for ones needing a price cut
- At a 7.03% mortgage rate, carrying a typical \$277,520 home runs about \$2,350 a month, or an estimated \$13,600 while it sits unsold
- When a first contract fell apart, homes that eventually sold still closed at 93.8% of asking, close to the 97.8% first-contract homes get

Want this for your street?

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How these numbers are counted

Homes only (single-family, townhomes and condos) in the last 12 months. "Didn't sell" means the listing expired, was withdrawn or was canceled; some owners take a home off the market for reasons that have nothing to do with the market. Days to sell count from the first day a home was listed, including relistings. "First asking" is the first list price. Contract fall-throughs are listings that came back on the market after going under contract. Source: Hive MLS data, compiled by the Buddy Blake Team. Information deemed reliable but not guaranteed.