# Home Building Trends: What to Expect in 2017

## What's Up in 2017?

Consumer spending:

3.6% increase



Residential construction:

10% increase

Single-family home construction:

18% increase

Home prices:



3-5% increase

#### What's Going Down?



Unemployment: Will drop to 4.7%

City living:

Only 17% of young buyers want urban homes

Home size:

Millennial homes average 1,720 square feet and cost \$187,400



Home maintenance:

3 in 4 younger

buyers want lowmaintenance homes

#### Millennials in the Market



35%

of home buyers are Millennials

**75%**of Americans
under 35 plan
to buy a home
within 5 years

Millennials want technology that makes their homes:





Customizable:

3 in 4

Energy efficient:

7 in 10

Time saving:

2 in 3

### Baby Boomers are an Untapped Demographic

Baby Boomer homes are typically worth

3.7 times what they paid

Boomers hold about

2/3 A A A A of the nation's home equity



Nearly 40%

of adults 50 to 70 years old plan on moving from their current homes

**75%** of Boomers prefer single-story homes