

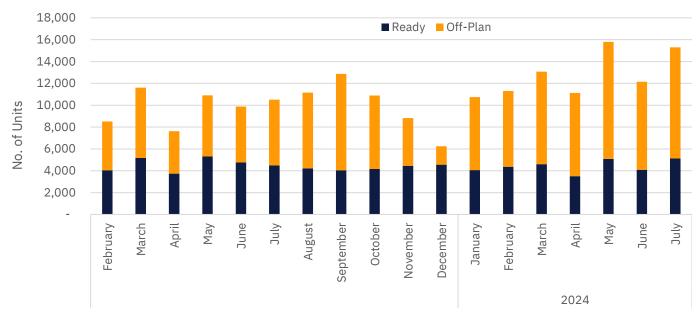
# **Residential Market Monthly**

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Residential demand has picked-up in July with more than 15,300 units transacted across the city. Activity levels have increased by 26% m/m after a relatively slow June where 12,150 units were sold. When compared to July 2023, transaction volumes are up by 46% y/y, signaling a continued expansion in activity levels across the city.

Residential properties worth AED 40.5bn were transacted in July. In terms of the total value of units sold, Dubai Hills Estate with 1,200 property transactions worth AED 3.62bn, led the overall demand in July. This was followed by Palm Jumeirah where properties worth AED 2.57bn were sold across 187 transactions. Business Bay with 1,050 transactions worth AED 2.09bn, Dubai Creek Harbour with 699 transactions worth AED 1.87bn and Dubai South which saw properties worth AED 1.81bn sold across 516 transactions made up the top five markets in-terms of the total value of units sold in July.

Demand for off-plan units has remained strong. Transactions in July mirror the demand trend we have been noticing since the start of the year. A total of 10,160 under construction units were sold in July, representing 66% of the demand. Off plan transaction activity was led by Dubai Hills Estate.



# Monthly residential transaction trend

Source: Reidin, ENBD Research



The majority of the transaction activity in the micro-market was concentrated across the Park Lane and Parkland Buildings which were launched in Q4 2023. On average 1Bed apartments in these two projects were transacted at AED 1.8mn while the 3Beds unit were transacted for AED 3.8mn. These are average transaction prices and individual transaction rates have varied based on the specification of the units.

Demand for off-plan properties was also strong across Jumeirah Village Circle (JVC). The micro-market has been consistently ranked among the top three in terms of overall demand in 2024. In July, the micro-market saw a total of 1,320 transactions, out of which 1,082 were off plan. Business Bay and Dubai Creek Harbour were the other markets with high demand for off plan units. Both these markets have seen a steady launch of new projects in the last six months. Business Bay, for example, has seen the introduction of more than 4,700 new units since the start of 2024.

#### Apartment units were the most in-demand.

Primary sales (units sold for the first time) constituted 63% of the overall transactions. It's share in overall demand has increased from an average 49% in 2023.

Out of the 15,300 units sold in July, 12,400 or 81% were apartments. JVC witnessed the highest number of apartment transaction with more than 1,260 registered sales. This was followed by Dubai Hills Estate (1,150 units), Business Bay (1,050 units), and Dubai Creek Harbour (700 units). At a project level, the recently launched Arlo at Dubai Creek Harbour saw the highest number of transactions. More than 370 transactions were recorded in July and as per the developer's website, the project currently has only 14 units left to be sold.

Demand for villa and townhouse developments has remained stable. A total of 2,800 units were sold, marginally lower than the 2,900 units sold in June, but 5% higher y/y compared to the 2,700 units sold in July 2023.

In line with what we had reported in our last report, Dubai South has emerged as a hotspot for transaction activity over the last few months. The highest number of villa transaction in July was observed in this market. More than 330 units were sold. Damac Hills 2, saw the second highest number of villa transactions in July. More than 275 units were sold across the development across communities such as Zinnia, Victoria, Park Greens, and Natura, among others.



#### Demand across apartments and villas



Source: Reidin, ENBD Research

# JVC has been the most active market this year.

Close to 10% of the approx. 90,000 units sold across Dubai to date has been across developments in JVC. The micro-market has been a preferred location for both end-users and investors due to the relatively affordable ticket prices. It is also a preferred location for renting as it offers easy access to two key highway networks, the E44 and E311, and availability of retail and hospitality projects within the community. The upcoming Dubai Metro extensions, which plans to connect JVC to other sub-markets within Dubai, is likely to further add to the micro-markets appeal.

## Project launches remain active.

The city has now seen the addition of 77,800 new units since the start of the year. This is the highest number of units launched across Dubai in seven months. It is also 113% more than the 36,500 units launched in six years in Dubai from 2014 to 2019. As developer launches remain stable, it is projected that the total supply for 2024 could exceed the approx. 107,000 units launched in 2023. This makes Dubai one of the few cities globally to witness more than 100,000 new unit launches annually. For context, the city of Mumbai witnessed 92,500 unit launches in 2023 as per Knight Frank India.

Fairmont Residences Solara Tower, a branded residential project by Sol Properties at Downtown Dubai offering close to 250 units and Altus 1 and 2 by



Emaar Properties in Dubai Creek Harbour were among the notable developments launched in July. Grove by Binghatti Properties (414 units) and One Sky Park (581 units) by Iman Developers at JVC were among the other notable project launches.



#### Units launched across Dubai.

Source: Reidin, ENBD Research\*Only for July

# Villa and townhouse prices saw a marginal increase m/m.

On average, prices across apartments and villas have increased by 2% m/m. With the marginal increase in prices in July, annual price points across the city are 19% and 24% higher across apartments and villa developments respectively. The sustained increase in prices across Dubai has made apartments 42% more expensive and villas 81% more expensive when comparted to July 2019.

Apartment prices across Palm Jumeirah are now averaging at AED 2,840 /sq.ft. However, there have been new project launches in the micro-market which have touched AED 8,000 /sq. ft. or more. The micro-market continues to remain a preferred destination for HNIs, and the limited availability of land parcels for future developments have pushed prices higher. Prices have increased by 15% y/y and when compared to July 2019, prices have increased by an average 78% across apartment developments on the Palm. Dubai Marina (16% y/y), Downtown Dubai (12% y/y), and Business Bay (10% y/y) were among the other markets to witness healthy annual price growth.

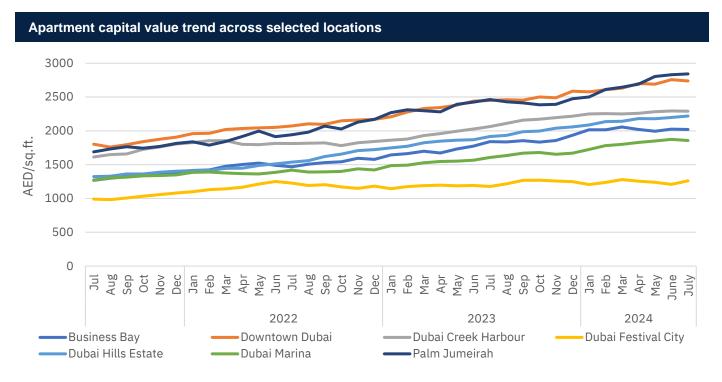


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#### Average capital value trend across apartments and villas

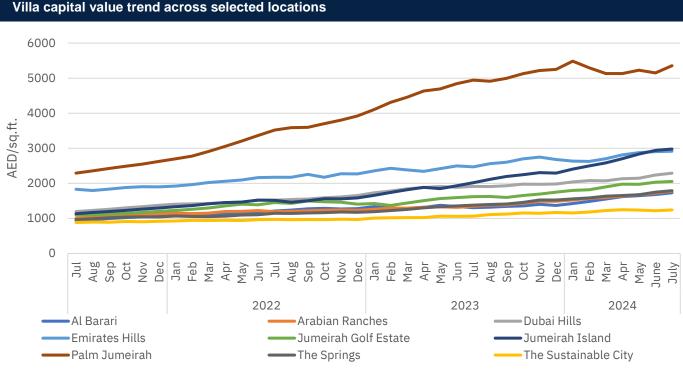
Source: Reidin. ENBD Research

Price increase across villa developments has been more pronounced. Average rates in Jumeirah Island have touched AED 3,000 /sq. ft, growing 47% y/y. Arabian Ranches (1,750/sq. ft), Dubai Hills (2,290/sq. ft.), Sustainable City (AED 1,240/sq. ft.), have all witnessed healthy 20% to 30% y/y increase in prices.



Source: Reidin, ENBD Research





### Villa capital value trend across selected locations

Source: Reidin, ENBD Research

# Significant number of unit handovers in the next 12 months.

Close to 14,100 units have been handed over across the city YTD. There are an additional 38,700 units due for completion by the end of the year. Business Bay has close to 4,090 units slated for completion throughout 2024, followed by JVC (3,900 units), Meydan and Damac Lagoons (3,800 units each) and Al Furjan (3,070 units).



#### **Residential unit handovers**



Source: Reidin, ENBD Research



Selected project launches in 2024.									
Project Name	Developer	Location	No. of units	Launch Timeline	Tentative completion timeline				
11 Park Hills	TownX Real Estate Development	Dubai Science Park	558	Q3 2024	Q3 2026				
Grove by Binghatti	Binghatti Properties	JVC	414	Q3 2024	Q3 2027				
Lagoon Views 11	Damac Properties	Damac Lagoons	322	Q3 2024	Q3 2027				
MAG 777	MAG Properties	Dubai Sports City	266	Q3 2024	Q3 2026				
Altus 1	Emaar Properties	Dubai Creek Harbour	183	Q3 2024	Q3 2028				

Source: Reidin, ENBD Research

Selected transactions in July 2024.									
Location	Property Name/Sub- market	Туре	No. of Beds	Price (AED)	Area (sq. ft.)	Transaction Type			
Emirates Hills	Emirates Hills – Sector E	Villa	4-Beds	40,00,000	11,000	Secondary			
Palm Jumeirah	Garden Homes – Frond N	Villa	5-Beds	35,00,000	5,081	Secondary			
Emaar South	Greenway	Villa	3-Beds	3,420,000	3,071	Primary			
Dubai Hills Estate	Parkland Building 1	Apartment	2-Beds	2,810,000	1,169	Primary			
Al Furjan	Azizi Pearl	Apartment	2-Beds	1,105,000	869	Primary			

Source: Reidin, ENBD Research, Secondary transactions indicate resale while primary transactions are units sold by the developer

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