

# U.S. Home-Builder Confidence Hits Near-Decade High

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WASHINGTON—A gauge of home-builder sentiment rose to its highest level since November 2005, reflecting growing confidence in a steadily improving U.S. housing market.

An index of builder confidence in the market for new single-family homes rose one point to a seasonally adjusted level of 61 in August, the National Association of Home Builders...