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Summary: The median household net worth of older millennials, born in the 1980s, rose to \$130,000 in 2022 from \$60,000 in 2019, according to inflation-adjusted data from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. Median wealth more than quadrupled to \$41,000 for Americans born in the 1990s, which includes the generation's youngest members, born in 1996. In early 2024, millennials and older members of Gen Z had, on average and adjusting for inflation, about 25% more wealth than Gen Xers and baby boomers did at a similar age, according to a St. Louis Fed analysis. In the first quarter of 2024, the collective wealth of millennials and older Gen Z stood at \$14.2 trillion, up from \$4.5 trillion four years earlier, according to the Federal Reserve. The biggest driver of that increase was real estate. Millennials' housing wealth grew \$2.5 trillion, after accounting for the additional mortgage debt they took on.

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