



USA Cabinet Store Announces 2026 Kitchen Remodeling Trends 2026 as Kitchen Footprints Increase

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USA Cabinet Store announces its response to significant shifts in home design as the National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) reports that 76 percent of industry professionals anticipate kitchen footprints will increase over the next three years.

The NKBA 2026 Kitchen Trends Report, based on a survey of 634 industry professionals, including designers, showroom professionals, remodelers, and architects, reveals that American homes are undergoing fundamental changes. Formal dining rooms are disappearing as kitchens expand to become multi-functional command centers, with 100 percent of survey respondents agreeing that lifestyle enhancements will be popular kitchen layout features.

As a kitchen remodeling contractor operating multiple showrooms in Northern Virginia, internal company data shows a 40 percent year-over-year increase in inquiries for expanded kitchen projects across its Northern

Virginia showrooms from 2024 to 2025. Fairfax County, with a median home price of \$775,000, has seen homeowners investing in home transformations rather than relocating, driven by locked-in low interest rates. Recent requests include forest green cabinets and multi-functional islands.

The report identifies five primary methods homeowners are using to increase kitchen space: physical home additions, eliminating formal dining rooms, claiming space from adjacent living areas, removing walls for open-concept layouts, and visual expansion through hidden storage and appliance concealment. Notably, 87 percent of designers report client demand for concealed pantries.

Generational differences are driving specific design choices for kitchen remodeling projects. Gen X households represent 35 percent of projects, while Boomers account for 32 percent, with both groups spending the most on renovations. Millennials without children seek more entertaining space, Boomers desire more accessible kitchens, and Gen X focuses on features that increase home value and support multi-generational living.

"The kitchen remodeling trends 2026 data confirms what we have been observing in our showrooms across Northern Virginia," said Emin Halac, President of USA Cabinet Store. "Homeowners are eliminating formal dining rooms, removing walls for open-concept layouts, and incorporating hidden storage solutions. Our team is helping families transform their spaces to support modern lifestyles while increasing home value."

In specific Northern Virginia neighborhoods, distinct patterns have emerged. McLean and Great Falls are seeing double islands and sculleries becoming standard in homes valued over two million dollars. Vienna and Reston families are requesting command centers with homework zones, while Fairfax Station and Burke homeowners are making forever-home investments leveraging existing equity.

The expansion of kitchen footprints requires cabinetry and design solutions built to support these new lifestyle demands. Projects now incorporate smart technology integration, wellness-focused spaces, and hybrid products that serve multiple functions.

The company has been providing kitchen remodeling services since 2011, serving more than 1,000 customers according to their trust index report. The company offers comprehensive design services, custom cabinet installations, and complete project management from initial consultation through final installation across locations in Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, Texas, New Jersey, Florida, and Tennessee.

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