# **Monthly Indicators**

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### **June 2016**

Halfway through 2016, residential real estate markets are performing as predicted at the beginning of the year. Sales and prices have been going up in most areas, while the number of homes for sale and total months' supply of inventory have been going down. Meanwhile, many sellers have been getting a higher percentage of their asking price, and supply continues to struggle to meet demand. The message may be repetitive, but it is largely positive.

New Listings were down 8.3 percent for single-family homes and 7.1 percent for condominium properties. Closed Sales increased 5.7 percent for single-family homes and 0.6 percent for condominium properties.

The Median Sales Price was up 2.1 percent to \$380,000 for single-family homes and 6.0 percent to \$349,900 for condominium properties. Months Supply of Inventory decreased 37.9 percent for single-family units and 36.1 percent for condominium units.

The national unemployment rate recently dropped 0.3 percent to 4.7 percent, but some states felt more of a pinch in their own figures. Similarly, the low inventory situation is showing signs of strain in markets where there are few homes for purchase. With an interest rate increase still in the cards this year, combined with the American political landscape and global economic events, a cooldown could occur by winter. Presently, however, summery growth prevails as many locales are reaching near-record prices not seen in more than a decade.

### **Quick Facts**

#### **Closed Sales**

6,740

2,646

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 5.7%

+ 0.6%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **Median Sales Price**

\$380,000

\$349,900

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

+ 2.1%

+ 6.0%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **Homes for Sale**

17,711

4.358

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

- 28.1%

- 28.5%

Year-Over-Year Change

- 20.5 70

Year-Over-Year Change

#### **New Listings**

8,612

2,816

Single-Family Only

Condominium Only

- 8.3%

- 7.1%

Year-Over-Year Change

Year-Over-Year Change



# **Single-Family Market Overview**





<b>Key Metrics</b> select the desired metric to jump to that page	Historical Sparkbars	6-2015	6-2016	+/-	YTD 2015	YTD 2016	+/-
Closed Sales	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	6,374	6,740	+ 5.7%	21,459	25,419	+ 18.5%
Median Sales Price	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	\$372,250	\$380,000	+ 2.1%	\$340,000	\$349,000	+ 2.6%
Affordability Index	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	109	109	0.0%	119	119	0.0%
Homes for Sale	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	24,649	17,711	- 28.1%			
Months Supply	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	5.8	3.6	- 37.9%			
Final Days on Market	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	56	51	- 8.9%	76	69	- 9.2%
Cumulative Days on Market	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	85	81	- 4.7%	110	102	- 7.3%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	97.2%	97.6%	+ 0.4%	95.3%	96.0%	+ 0.7%
New Listings	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	9,391	8,612	- 8.3%	43,078	43,122	+ 0.1%

### **Condominium Market Overview**



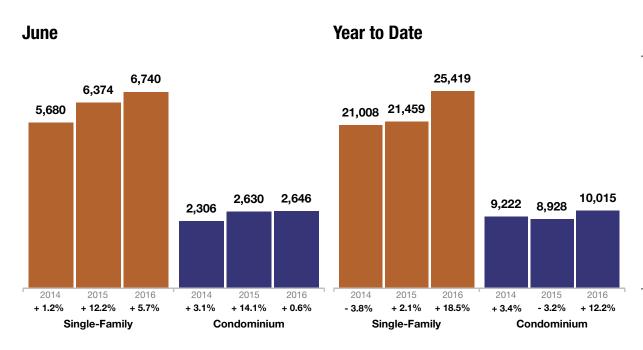


<b>Key Metrics</b> select the desired metric to jump to that page	Historical Sparkbars	6-2015	6-2016	+/-	YTD 2015	YTD 2016	+/-
Closed Sales	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	2,630	2,646	+ 0.6%	8,928	10,015	+ 12.2%
Median Sales Price	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	\$330,000	\$349,900	+ 6.0%	\$316,870	\$326,500	+ 3.0%
Affordability Index	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	123	119	- 3.3%	128	127	- 0.8%
Homes for Sale	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	6,095	4,358	- 28.5%			
Months Supply	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	3.6	2.3	- 36.1%			
Final Days on Market	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	43	40	- 7.0%	56	52	- 7.1%
Cumulative Days on Market	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	64	64	0.0%	80	76	- 5.0%
Pct. of Orig. Price Received	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	99.3%	99.6%	+ 0.3%	98.0%	98.5%	+ 0.5%
New Listings	6-2013 6-2014 6-2015 6-2016	3,031	2,816	- 7.1%	15,244	15,132	- 0.7%

### **Closed Sales**

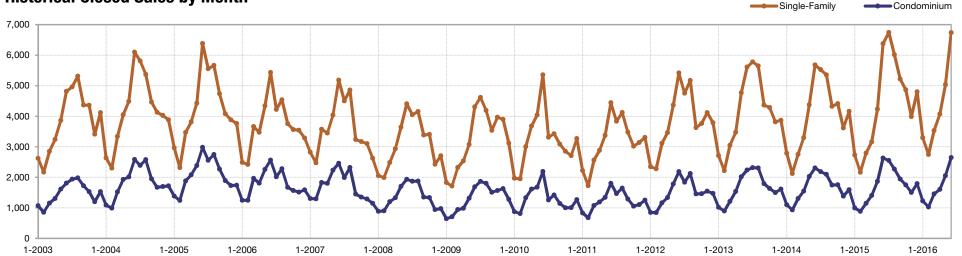
A count of the actual sales that closed in a given month.





		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
July 2015	6,745	+ 22.1%	2,554	+ 16.8%
August 2015	6,015	+ 12.3%	2,271	+ 8.5%
September 2015	5,217	+ 20.7%	1,946	+ 11.6%
October 2015	4,869	+ 10.3%	1,752	- 0.2%
November 2015	3,987	+ 10.2%	1,505	+ 8.8%
December 2015	4,800	+ 15.4%	1,795	+ 12.8%
January 2016	3,295	+ 20.7%	1,228	+ 23.5%
February 2016	2,745	+ 26.8%	1,026	+ 15.9%
March 2016	3,533	+ 26.5%	1,457	+ 27.0%
April 2016	4,070	+ 28.7%	1,603	+ 14.0%
May 2016	5,036	+ 18.9%	2,055	+ 10.1%
June 2016	6,740	+ 5.7%	2,646	+ 0.6%
Total	57,052	+ 16.8%	21,838	+ 10.9%

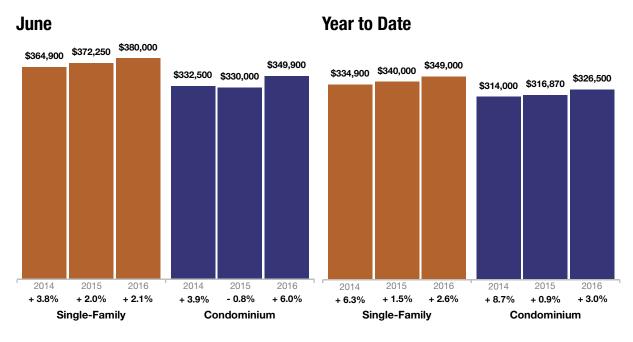
#### **Historical Closed Sales by Month**



### **Median Sales Price**

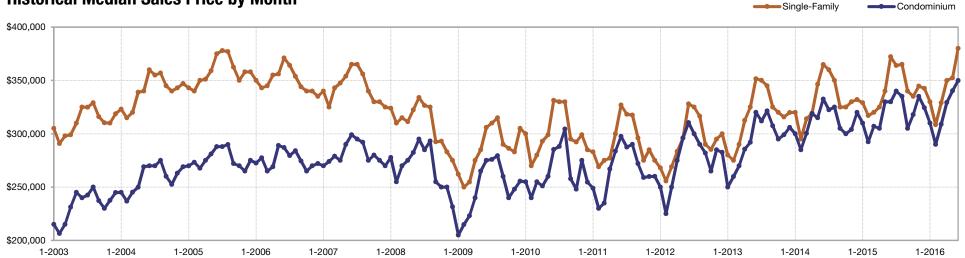






		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
July 2015	\$364,000	+ 1.1%	\$340,000	+ 5.4%
August 2015	\$365,000	+ 4.3%	\$335,000	+ 3.1%
September 2015	\$340,000	+ 4.6%	\$305,000	0.0%
October 2015	\$335,000	+ 3.1%	\$318,000	+ 6.0%
November 2015	\$344,700	+ 4.5%	\$335,000	+ 10.2%
December 2015	\$342,500	+ 3.2%	\$324,417	+ 1.4%
January 2016	\$329,900	+ 0.3%	\$310,000	0.0%
February 2016	\$308,500	- 2.7%	\$289,999	- 0.9%
March 2016	\$329,000	+ 2.8%	\$309,000	+ 0.7%
April 2016	\$349,900	+ 7.7%	\$329,314	+ 8.0%
May 2016	\$352,500	+ 3.7%	\$340,225	+ 3.1%
June 2016	\$380,000	+ 2.1%	\$349,900	+ 6.0%
Median	\$349,900	+ 2.9%	\$326,000	+ 3.5%

#### **Historical Median Sales Price by Month**

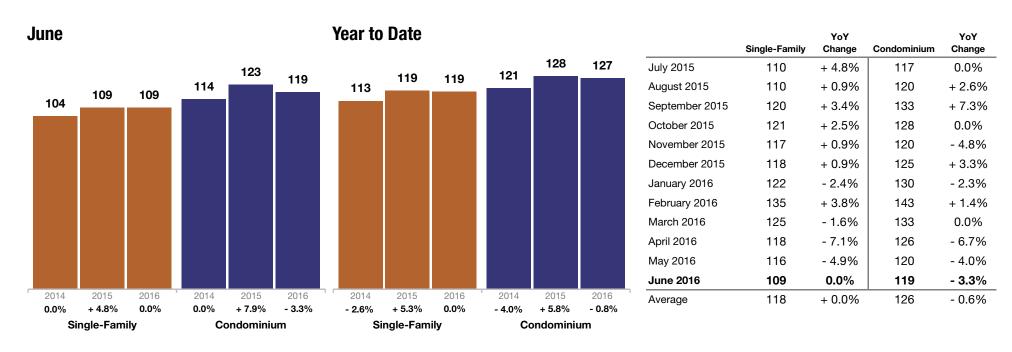


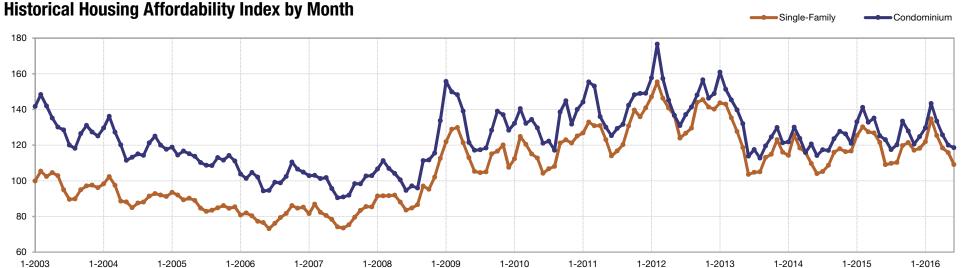
## **Housing Affordability Index**



This index measures housing affordability for the region. An index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.

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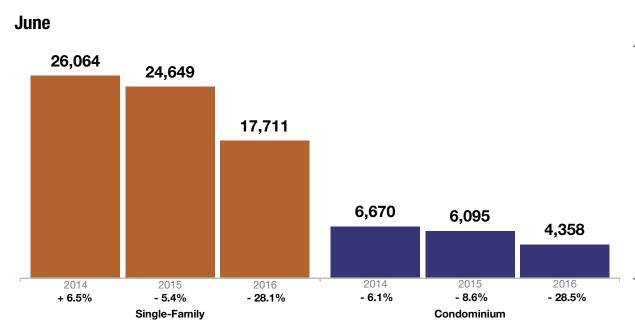




### **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

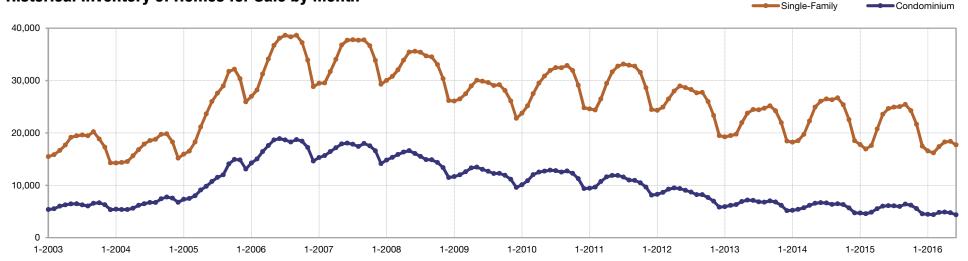
The number of properties available for sale in an active status at the end of a given month.





		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
July 2015	24,921	- 5.9%	6,061	- 8.4%
August 2015	25,027	- 5.0%	5,947	- 6.3%
September 2015	25,443	- 4.7%	6,410	- 1.0%
October 2015	24,266	- 4.4%	6,188	- 2.3%
November 2015	21,653	- 4.0%	5,551	- 2.2%
December 2015	17,463	- 5.6%	4,552	- 4.0%
January 2016	16,564	- 6.9%	4,447	- 5.3%
February 2016	16,182	- 4.3%	4,406	- 4.0%
March 2016	17,368	- 1.3%	4,835	- 0.1%
April 2016	18,278	- 11.8%	4,879	- 11.7%
May 2016	18,398	- 21.9%	4,745	- 21.2%
June 2016	17,711	- 28.1%	4,358	- 28.5%
Average	20,273	- 9.0%	5,198	- 8.2%

### **Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month**

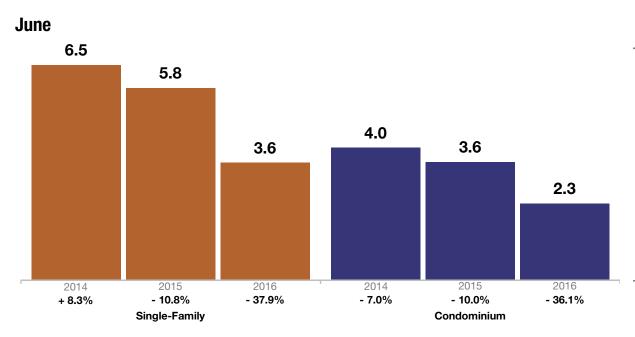


## **Months Supply of Inventory**



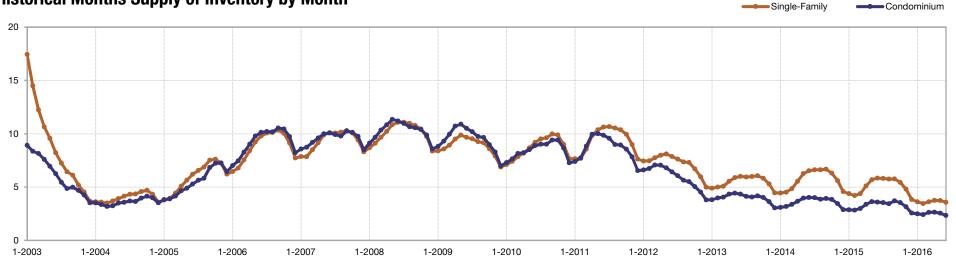
The inventory of homes for sale at the end of a given month, divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.





		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
July 2015	5.8	- 12.1%	3.5	- 12.5%
August 2015	5.7	- 13.6%	3.4	- 12.8%
September 2015	5.8	- 13.4%	3.7	- 5.1%
October 2015	5.4	- 14.3%	3.5	- 7.9%
November 2015	4.8	- 14.3%	3.2	- 8.6%
December 2015	3.8	- 17.4%	2.6	- 10.3%
January 2016	3.6	- 18.2%	2.5	- 13.8%
February 2016	3.5	- 16.7%	2.4	- 14.3%
March 2016	3.6	- 18.2%	2.6	- 13.3%
April 2016	3.8	- 25.5%	2.6	- 23.5%
May 2016	3.7	- 35.1%	2.5	- 30.6%
June 2016	3.6	- 37.9%	2.3	- 36.1%
Average	4.4	- 19.4%	2.9	- 15.2%

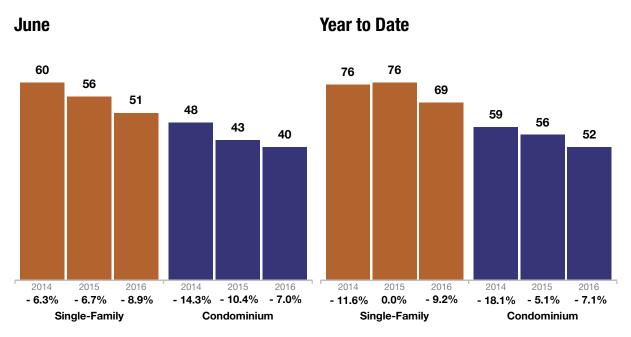
#### **Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month**



### **Final Days on Market**

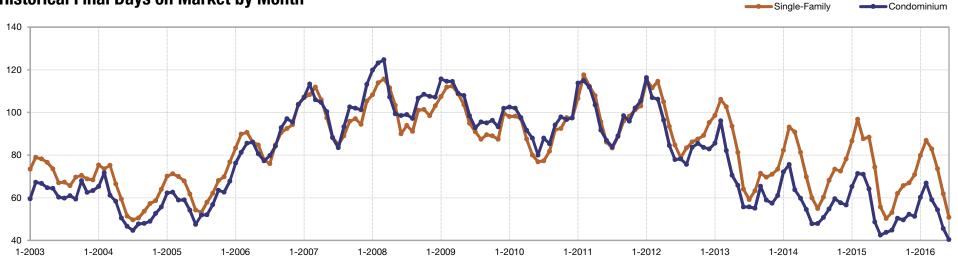
Average number of days between when a property is last listed and when the final offer is accepted in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
July 2015	50	- 9.1%	44	- 8.3%
August 2015	53	- 11.7%	45	- 11.8%
September 2015	62	- 8.8%	50	- 9.1%
October 2015	66	- 9.6%	50	- 15.3%
November 2015	67	- 6.9%	52	- 10.3%
December 2015	71	- 9.0%	51	- 10.5%
January 2016	80	- 8.0%	60	- 7.7%
February 2016	87	- 10.3%	67	- 5.6%
March 2016	83	- 5.7%	59	- 16.9%
April 2016	74	- 15.9%	54	- 15.6%
May 2016	62	- 16.2%	46	- 6.1%
June 2016	51	- 8.9%	40	- 7.0%
Average	64	- 9.8%	50	- 9.6%

### **Historical Final Days on Market by Month**

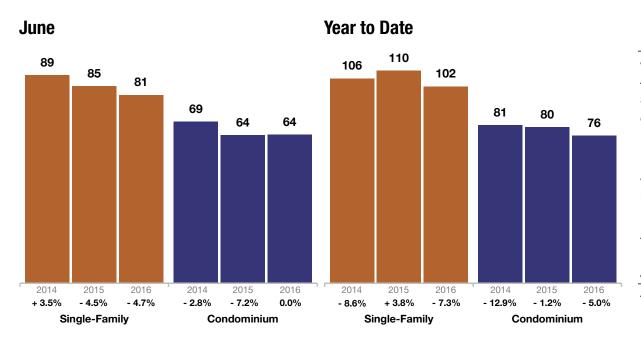


## **Cumulative Days on Market**



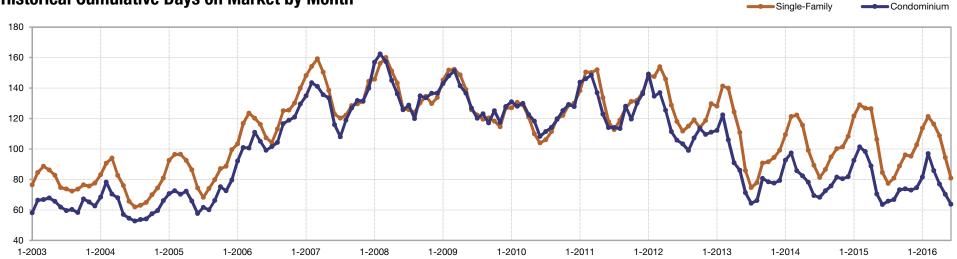
Average number of days between when a property is first listed and when the final offer is accepted before closing in a given month.

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		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
July 2015	77	- 4.9%	66	- 2.9%
August 2015	81	- 6.9%	67	- 8.2%
September 2015	89	- 6.3%	73	- 3.9%
October 2015	96	- 4.0%	74	- 8.6%
November 2015	95	- 5.9%	73	- 8.8%
December 2015	103	- 4.6%	75	- 8.5%
January 2016	114	- 6.6%	82	- 11.8%
February 2016	121	- 6.2%	97	- 4.0%
March 2016	116	- 8.7%	86	- 12.2%
April 2016	109	- 13.5%	77	- 13.5%
May 2016	94	- 11.3%	70	0.0%
June 2016	81	- 4.7%	64	0.0%
Average	95	- 6.4%	73	- 6.3%

### **Historical Cumulative Days on Market by Month**

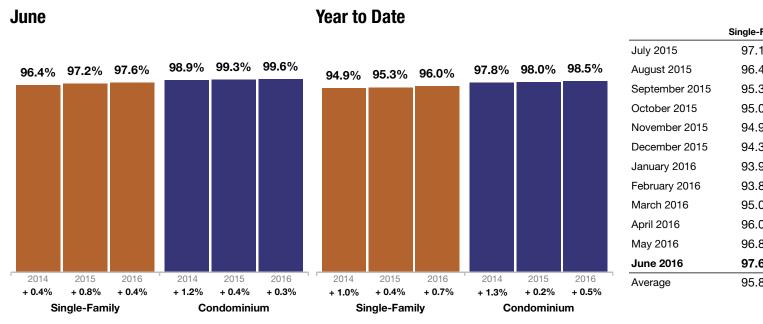


# **Percent of Original List Price Received**



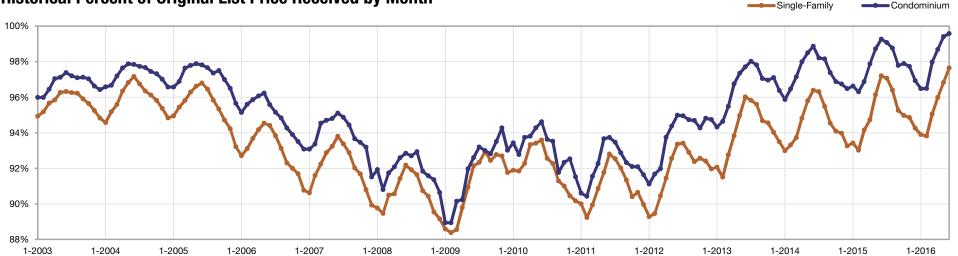
Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.





		YoY		YoY
	Single-Family	Change	Condominium	Change
July 2015	97.1%	+ 0.8%	99.1%	+ 0.9%
August 2015	96.4%	+ 0.9%	98.8%	+ 0.6%
September 2015	95.3%	+ 0.8%	97.8%	+ 0.4%
October 2015	95.0%	+ 1.0%	97.9%	+ 1.0%
November 2015	94.9%	+ 1.0%	97.7%	+ 1.0%
December 2015	94.3%	+ 1.1%	96.9%	+ 0.4%
January 2016	93.9%	+ 0.5%	96.5%	- 0.1%
February 2016	93.8%	+ 0.9%	96.5%	+ 0.2%
March 2016	95.0%	+ 1.0%	98.0%	+ 1.1%
April 2016	96.0%	+ 1.4%	98.7%	+ 0.8%
May 2016	96.8%	+ 0.7%	99.4%	+ 0.7%
June 2016	97.6%	+ 0.4%	99.6%	+ 0.3%
Average	95.8%	+ 0.8%	98.3%	+ 0.6%

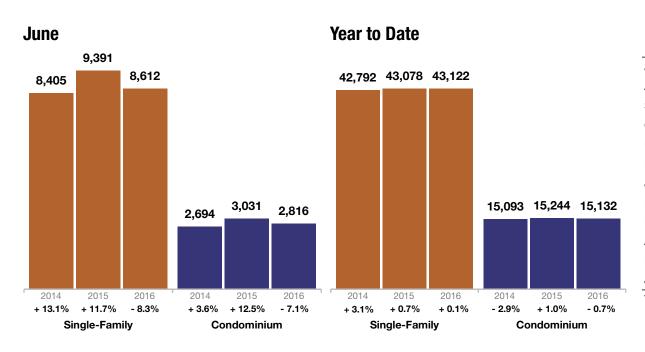
#### **Historical Percent of Original List Price Received by Month**



### **New Listings**

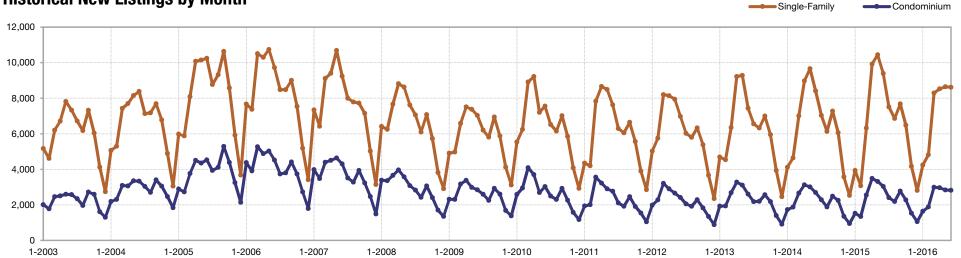
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





	Single-Family	YoY Change	Condominium	YoY Change
July 2015	7,505	+ 6.7%	2,403	+ 4.9%
August 2015	6,859	+ 11.9%	2,190	+ 16.2%
September 2015	7,679	+ 5.6%	2,778	+ 11.6%
October 2015	6,479	+ 6.9%	2,279	+ 1.0%
November 2015	4,168	+ 16.7%	1,529	+ 12.8%
December 2015	2,813	+ 11.0%	1,054	+ 11.1%
January 2016	4,237	+ 7.7%	1,643	+ 8.2%
February 2016	4,821	+ 57.0%	1,885	+ 40.1%
March 2016	8,289	+ 31.2%	2,988	+ 17.4%
April 2016	8,523	- 14.1%	2,961	- 15.1%
May 2016	8,640	- 17.3%	2,839	- 14.4%
June 2016	8,612	- 8.3%	2,816	- 7.1%
Total	78,625	+ 3.9%	27,365	+ 3.4%

### **Historical New Listings by Month**



# **Glossary of Terms**

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Closed Sales	A measure of home sales that were closed to completion during the report period.
Median Sales Price	A measure of home values in a market area where 50% of activity was higher and 50% was lower than this price point.
Housing Affordability Index	A measure of how affordable a region's housing is to its consumers. A higher number means greater affordability. The index is based on interest rates, median sales price and average income by county.
Inventory of Homes for Sale	A measure of the number of homes available for sale at a given time. Once a listing goes pending, sold or is taken off the market, it is no longer considered "active." The availability of homes for sale has a big effect on supply-demand dynamics and home prices.
Months Supply of Inventory	The inventory of homes for sale (at the end of a given month) divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.
Final Days on Market Until Sale	A measure of how many calendar days pass between when a listing becomes active (not pending) for the last time to the last time it goes pending directly before it is sold. A pending sale is defined as something classified as Pending, Active with a Flag, Contingent or Under Agreement.
Cumulative Days on Market Until Sale	A measure of the average number of calendar days that pass from when a listing is first listed to when a property goes into the last pending status before it is sold.
Percent of Original List Price Received	This is calculated as Total Sold Dollars (all sold prices added together) divided by Total Original Price (all original list prices added together).
New Listings	A measure of how much new supply is coming onto the market from sellers. It is calculated by counting all listings with a list date in the reporting period.