Monthly Indicators

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Home prices across the U.S. are reaching all-time highs, prompting worry over another boom-and-bust scenario like we experienced roughly ten years ago. Yet, as we glance across the state of residential real estate, what is clear compared to the last extended run of price increases is that lending standards are now much stronger than they were before. Incomes must be verified, a reasonable amount of money must be paid toward the home prior to purchase and a more stringent loan approval process is in place to prevent a repeat performance of the Great Recession.

New Listings in the Albany region decreased 2.9 percent to 1,626. Pending Sales were down 0.7 percent to 1,127. Inventory levels fell 17.3 percent to 5,826 units.

Prices were fairly stable. The Median Sales Price increased 3.3 percent to \$216,500. Days on Market was down 7.5 percent to 58 days. Sellers were encouraged as Months Supply of Inventory was down 18.1 percent to 5.9 months.

In addition to a stronger base upon which to conduct real estate transactions, the overall economy is in better shape than it was a decade ago. More jobs are available, unemployment is relatively low and workers have more faith in their wages and the potential for wage increases. Although we continue to battle an inventory shortage in much of the country, optimism remains high for a successful summer for buying and selling homes.

Quick Facts

- **18.3**% + **3.3**% - **17.3**%

Change in Change in Change in Closed Sales Median Sales Price Inventory

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Market Overview

Key market metrics for the current month and year-to-date figures.

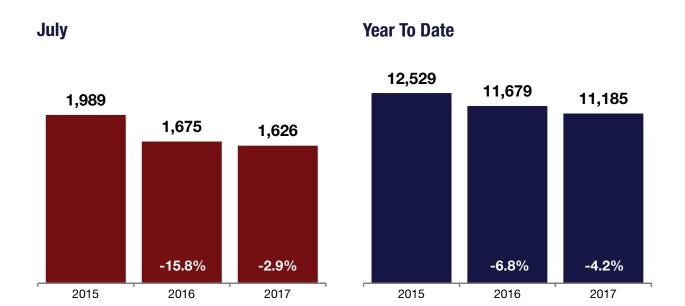


Key Metrics	Historical Sparklines	7-2016	7-2017	+/-	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	+/-
New Listings	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	1,675	1,626	- 2.9%	11,679	11,185	- 4.2%
Pending Sales	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	1,135	1,127	- 0.7%	7,542	7,497	- 0.6%
Closed Sales	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	1,215	993	- 18.3%	6,440	6,244	- 3.0%
Days on Market Until Sale	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	63	58	- 7.5%	79	71	- 10.4%
Median Sales Price	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	\$209,500	\$216,500	+ 3.3%	\$192,475	\$198,500	+ 3.1%
Average Sales Price	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	\$232,652	\$245,662	+ 5.6%	\$220,694	\$227,394	+ 3.0%
Percent of Original List Price Received	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	95.4%	96.4%	+ 1.0%	94.0%	95.0%	+ 1.1%
Housing Affordability Index	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	195	183	- 6.2%	212	200	- 5.7%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	7,043	5,826	- 17.3%			
Months Supply of Homes for Sale	7-2014 7-2015 7-2016 7-2017	7.2	5.9	- 18.1%			

New Listings

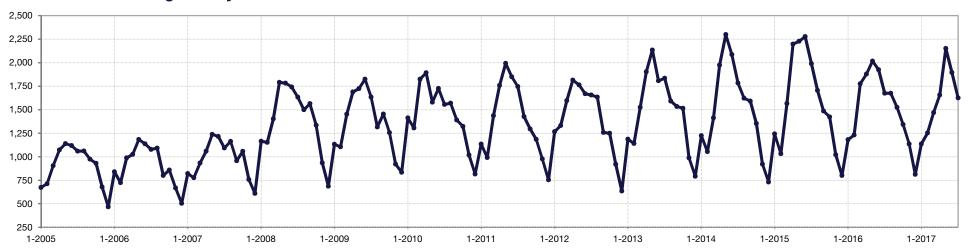
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	1,705	1,674	-1.8%
September	1,486	1,524	+2.6%
October	1,423	1,342	-5.7%
November	1,022	1,135	+11.1%
December	800	812	+1.5%
January	1,181	1,136	-3.8%
February	1,230	1,252	+1.8%
March	1,775	1,469	-17.2%
April	1,878	1,655	-11.9%
Мау	2,016	2,151	+6.7%
June	1,924	1,896	-1.5%
July	1,675	1,626	-2.9%
12-Month Avg	1,510	1,473	-2.4%

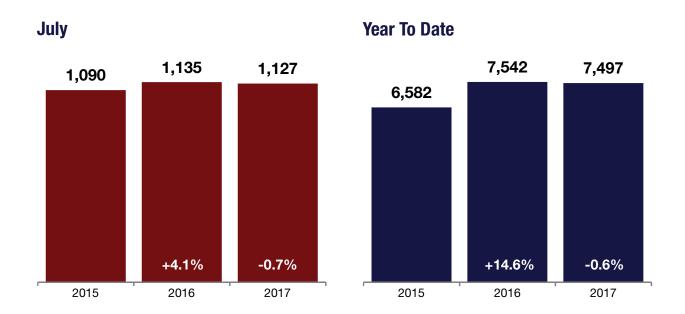
Historical New Listing Activity



Pending Sales

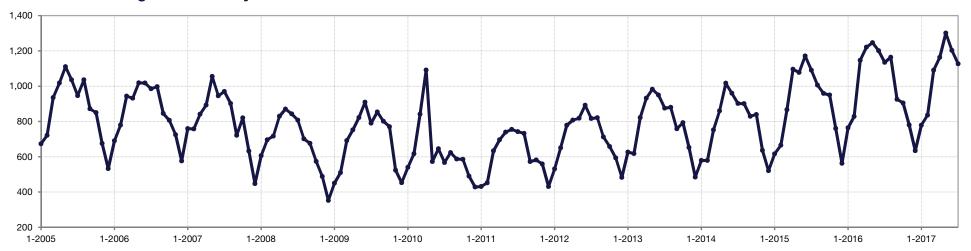
A count of the properties on which contracts have been accepted in a given month.





Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	1,006	1,164	+15.7%
September	959	925	-3.5%
October	950	904	-4.8%
November	760	780	+2.6%
December	562	634	+12.8%
January	764	778	+1.8%
February	828	835	+0.8%
March	1,147	1,090	-5.0%
April	1,221	1,163	-4.8%
May	1,246	1,301	+4.4%
June	1,201	1,203	+0.2%
July	1,135	1,127	-0.7%
12-Month Avg	982	992	+1.1%

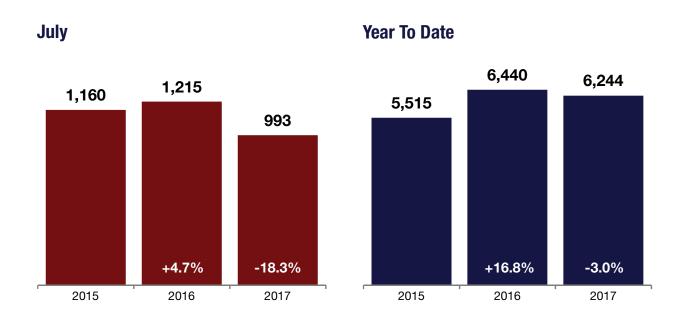
Historical Pending Sales Activity



Closed Sales

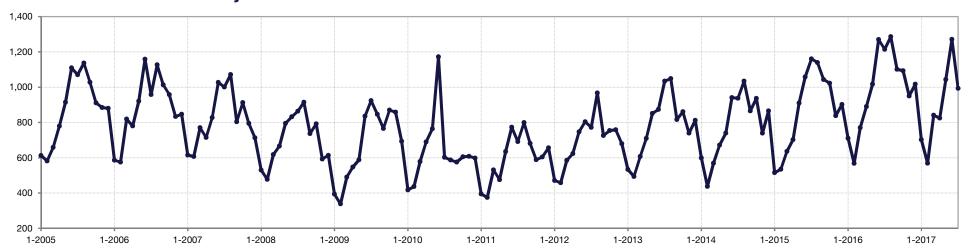
A count of the actual sales that have closed in a given month.





Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	1,139	1,286	+12.9%
September	1,043	1,101	+5.6%
October	1,022	1,093	+6.9%
November	838	950	+13.4%
December	902	1,017	+12.7%
January	710	702	-1.1%
February	568	569	+0.2%
March	770	841	+9.2%
April	890	825	-7.3%
May	1,017	1,043	+2.6%
June	1,270	1,271	+0.1%
July	1,215	993	-18.3%
12-Month Avg	949	974	+3.1%

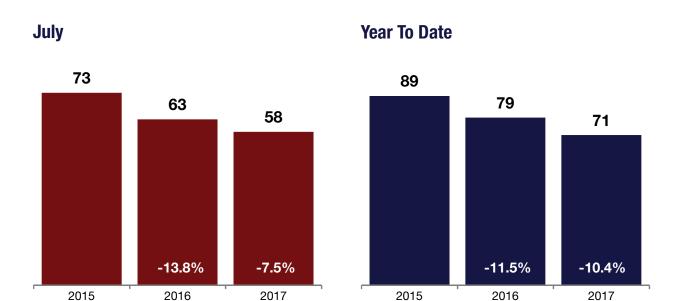
Historical Closed Sales Activity



Days on Market Until Sale

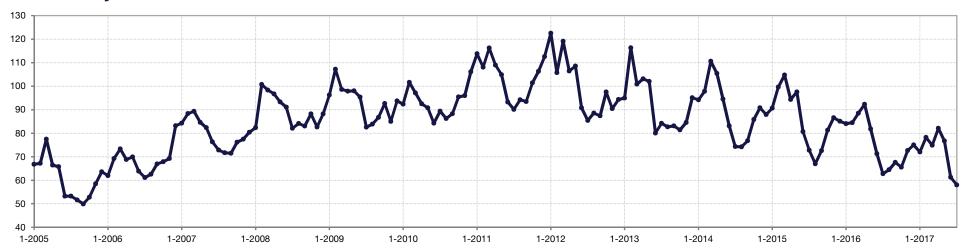






Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	67	64	-3.7%
September	73	68	-6.8%
October	81	66	-19.3%
November	87	73	-16.1%
December	85	75	-11.8%
January	84	72	-14.3%
February	84	78	-7.4%
March	88	75	-15.3%
April	92	82	-11.1%
May	82	77	-6.2%
June	71	61	-14.0%
July	63	58	-7.5%
12-Month Avg	78	70	-11.0%

Historical Days on Market Until Sale



Median Sales Price





Year To Date July \$216,500 \$211,500 \$209,500 \$198,500 \$194,000 \$192,475 -0.9% +3.3% -0.8% +3.1%

2015

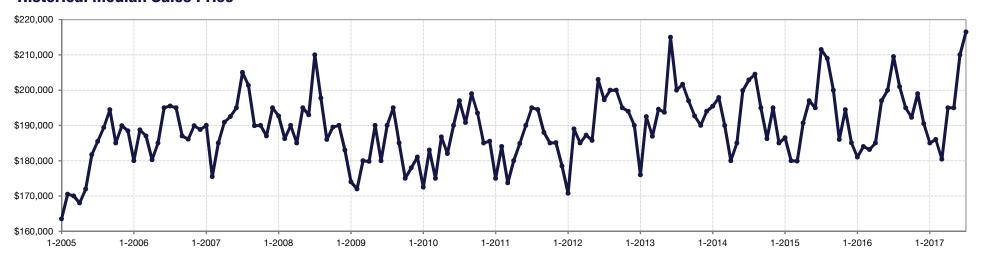
Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	\$209,000	\$201,000	-3.8%
September	\$200,000	\$195,000	-2.5%
October	\$186,000	\$192,250	+3.4%
November	\$194,450	\$199,000	+2.3%
December	\$185,050	\$190,500	+2.9%
January	\$181,000	\$185,000	+2.2%
February	\$184,000	\$186,000	+1.1%
March	\$183,170	\$180,450	-1.5%
April	\$185,000	\$195,000	+5.4%
May	\$197,000	\$195,000	-1.0%
June	\$200,000	\$210,000	+5.0%
July	\$209,500	\$216,500	+3.3%
12-Month Med	\$194,000	\$197,000	+1.5%

Historical Median Sales Price

2016

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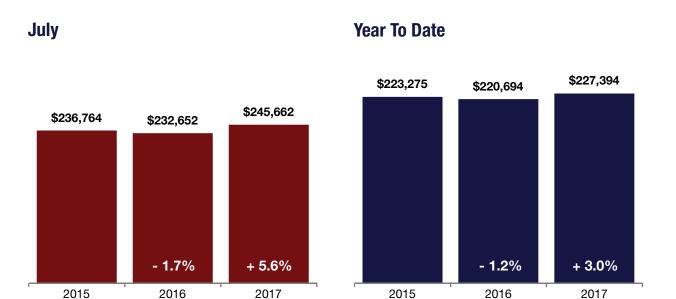
2016

2017

Average Sales Price

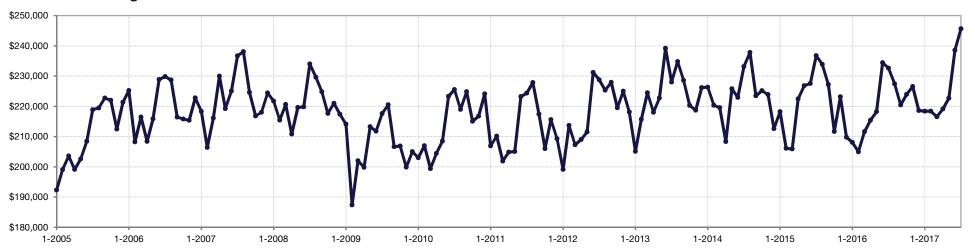
Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.





Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	\$233,875	\$227,422	-2.8%
September	\$227,216	\$220,478	-3.0%
October	\$211,651	\$223,970	+5.8%
November	\$223,179	\$226,547	+1.5%
December	\$209,768	\$218,586	+4.2%
January	\$208,045	\$218,392	+5.0%
February	\$204,960	\$218,397	+6.6%
March	\$211,622	\$216,561	+2.3%
April	\$215,387	\$219,145	+1.7%
May	\$218,240	\$222,692	+2.0%
June	\$234,441	\$238,543	+1.7%
July	\$232,652	\$245,662	+5.6%
12-Month Avg	\$221,111	\$225,588	+2.0%

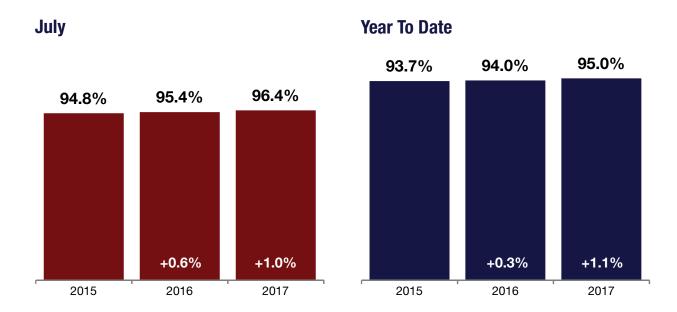
Historical Average Sales Price



Percent of Original List Price Received

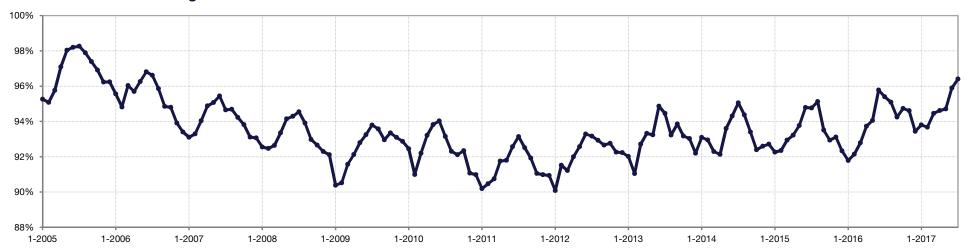


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	95.1%	95.1%	0.0%
September	93.5%	94.2%	+0.7%
October	92.9%	94.7%	+1.9%
November	93.1%	94.6%	+1.6%
December	92.3%	93.4%	+1.2%
January	91.8%	93.8%	+2.2%
February	92.1%	93.7%	+1.7%
March	92.8%	94.5%	+1.8%
April	93.7%	94.6%	+1.0%
May	94.1%	94.7%	+0.6%
June	95.8%	95.9%	+0.1%
July	95.4%	96.4%	+1.0%
12-Month Avg	93.8%	94.7%	+1.0%

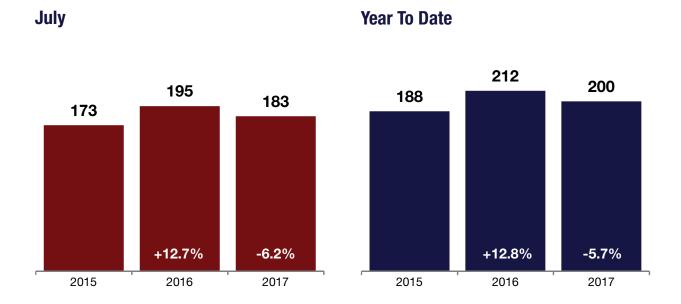
Historical Percent of Original List Price Received



Housing Affordability Index

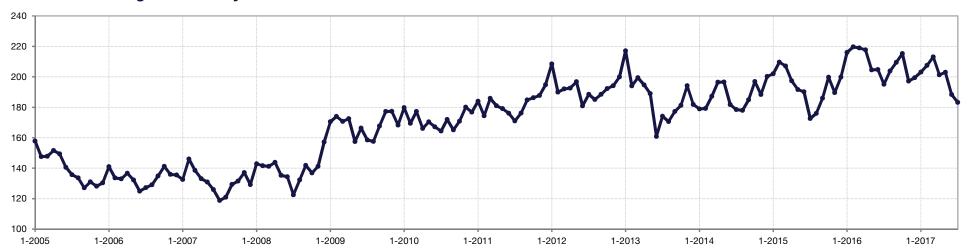


This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, an index of 120 means the median household income was 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	176	204	+15.9%
September	186	209	+12.4%
October	200	215	+7.5%
November	190	197	+3.7%
December	200	199	-0.5%
January	216	203	-6.0%
February	220	207	-5.9%
March	219	213	-2.7%
April	218	201	-7.8%
May	205	203	-1.0%
June	205	188	-8.3%
July	195	183	-6.2%
12-Month Avg	202	202	0.0%

Historical Housing Affordability Index

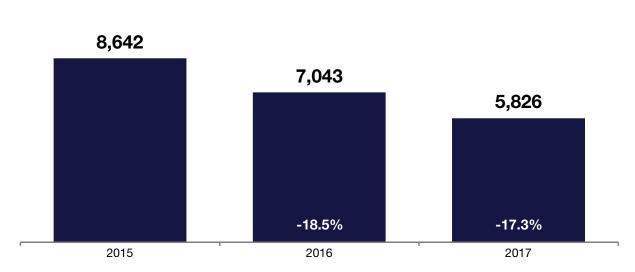


Inventory of Homes for Sale

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

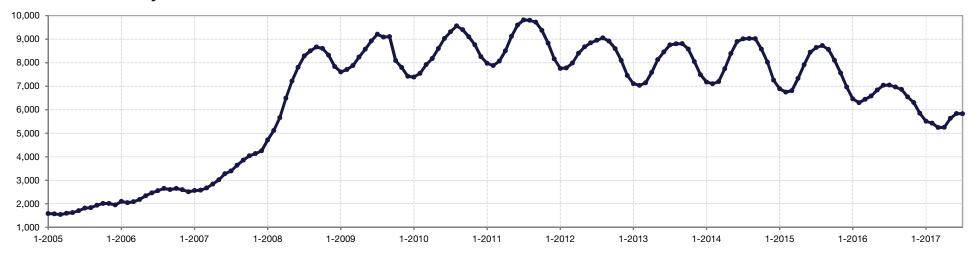






Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	8,726	6,963	-20.2%
September	8,564	6,860	-19.9%
October	8,103	6,540	-19.3%
November	7,562	6,306	-16.6%
December	6,963	5,845	-16.1%
January	6,460	5,509	-14.7%
February	6,295	5,423	-13.9%
March	6,441	5,242	-18.6%
April	6,579	5,248	-20.2%
May	6,834	5,627	-17.7%
June	7,041	5,832	-17.2%
July	7,043	5,826	-17.3%
12-Month Avg	7,218	5,935	-17.6%

Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale

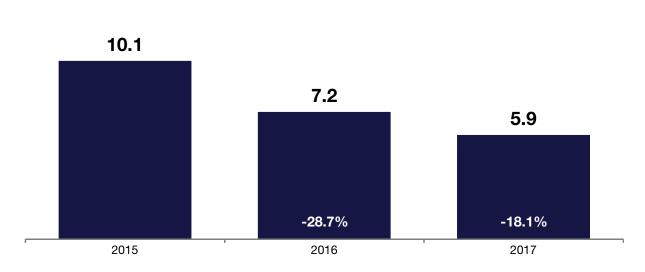


Months Supply of Inventory









Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+/-
August	10.1	7.0	-30.7%
September	9.7	6.9	-28.9%
October	9.1	6.6	-27.5%
November	8.4	6.4	-23.8%
December	7.7	5.9	-23.4%
January	7.1	5.5	-22.5%
February	6.8	5.4	-20.6%
March	6.8	5.3	-22.1%
April	6.8	5.3	-22.1%
May	7.0	5.7	-18.6%
June	7.2	5.9	-18.1%
July	7.2	5.9	-18.1%
12-Month Avg	7.8	6.0	-23.1%

Historical Months Supply of Inventory

