# **Monthly Indicators**

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### September 2020

Strong buyer activity has continued into the fall, which is normally the start of the seasonal slowing of the housing market. With stronger buyer activity in the market this year and the continued constrained supply of homes for sale, speedy sales and multiple offers are likely to remain a common occurrence and will keep the housing market hot even when the weather is cooling.

New Listings in the Albany region increased 8.6 percent to 1,884. Pending Sales were up 27.3 percent to 1,371. Inventory levels fell 36.7 percent to 3,930 units.

Prices continued to gain traction. The Median Sales Price increased 13.7 percent to \$244,450. Days on Market was down 8.6 percent to 48 days. Sellers were encouraged as Months Supply of Inventory was down 39.7 percent to 3.5 months.

While mortgage rates remain near record lows, The Mortgage Bankers Association reports that lending standards are tightening, which makes it a bit more difficult for some buyers to qualify. At the same time, unemployment remains substantially higher than a year ago due to COVID-19. Despite all this, buyers are out in full force this fall, showing amazing resilience in the middle of a pandemic.

### **Quick Facts**

+ 27.3% + 13.7% - 36.7%

Change in Closed Sales	Change in  Median Sales Price	Change in <b>Inventory</b>
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Data is refreshed regularly to capture changes in market activity, so figures shown may be different than previously reported.

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## **Market Overview**

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

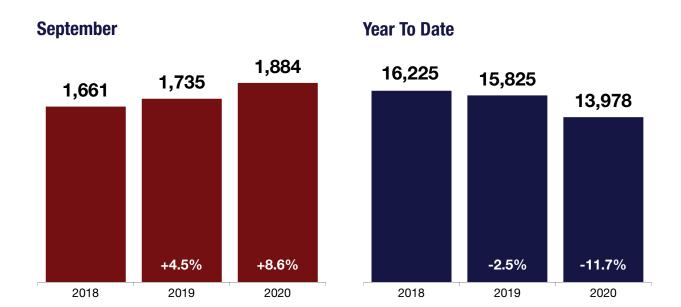


Key Metrics	Historical Sparklines	9-2019	9-2020	+/-	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	+/-
New Listings	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	1,735	1,884	+ 8.6%	15,825	13,978	- 11.7%
Pending Sales	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	1,077	1,371	+ 27.3%	10,242	11,006	+ 7.5%
Closed Sales	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	1,116	1,421	+ 27.3%	9,321	9,018	- 3.3%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	52	48	- 8.6%	61	63	+ 3.3%
Median Sales Price	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	\$215,000	\$244,450	+ 13.7%	\$215,000	\$225,000	+ 4.7%
Average Sales Price	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	\$245,634	\$279,687	+ 13.9%	\$244,197	\$260,482	+ 6.7%
Percent of Original List Price Received	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	95.2%	98.0%	+ 2.9%	95.4%	96.0%	+ 0.6%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	190	179	- 5.8%	190	194	+ 2.1%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	6,212	3,930	- 36.7%			
Months Supply of Homes for Sale	9-2017 9-2018 9-2019 9-2020	5.8	3.5	- 39.7%			

## **New Listings**

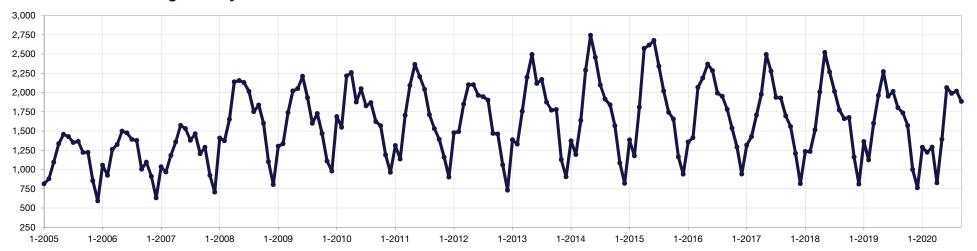
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





New Listings		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	1,572	1,676	-6.2%
November 2019	1,000	1,161	-13.9%
December 2019	763	810	-5.8%
January 2020	1,288	1,363	-5.5%
February 2020	1,224	1,124	+8.9%
March 2020	1,291	1,601	-19.4%
April 2020	827	1,961	-57.8%
May 2020	1,392	2,272	-38.7%
June 2020	2,064	1,952	+5.7%
July 2020	1,990	2,013	-1.1%
August 2020	2,018	1,804	+11.9%
September 2020	1,884	1,735	+8.6%
12-Month Avg	1,443	1,623	-11.1%

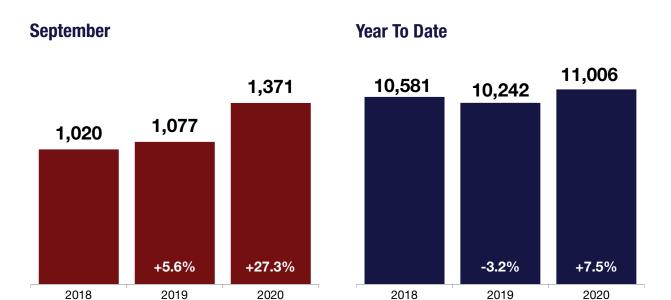
#### **Historical New Listing Activity**



## **Pending Sales**

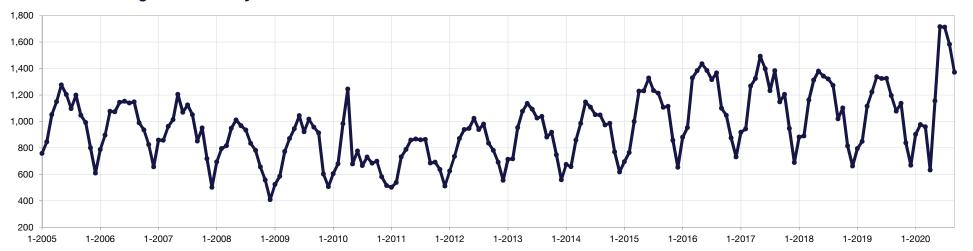
A count of the properties on which contracts have been accepted in a given month.





Pending Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	1,137	1,102	+3.2%
November 2019	838	815	+2.8%
December 2019	669	663	+0.9%
January 2020	902	795	+13.5%
February 2020	976	849	+15.0%
March 2020	959	1,115	-14.0%
April 2020	632	1,223	-48.3%
May 2020	1,155	1,337	-13.6%
June 2020	1,716	1,324	+29.6%
July 2020	1,712	1,326	+29.1%
August 2020	1,583	1,196	+32.4%
September 2020	1,371	1,077	+27.3%
12-Month Avg	1,138	1,069	+6.5%

### **Historical Pending Sales Activity**



## **Closed Sales**

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



### **September Year To Date** 1,421 9,904 9,321 9,018 1,144 1,116 -2.4% +27.3% -5.9% -3.3%

2018

Closed Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	1,280	1,248	+2.6%
November 2019	1,065	1,145	-7.0%
December 2019	1,085	965	+12.4%
January 2020	861	742	+16.0%
February 2020	691	681	+1.5%
March 2020	835	848	-1.5%
April 2020	818	930	-12.0%
May 2020	806	1,156	-30.3%
June 2020	871	1,139	-23.5%
July 2020	1,257	1,301	-3.4%
August 2020	1,458	1,408	+3.6%
September 2020	1,421	1,116	+27.3%
12-Month Avg	1,037	1,057	-1.2%

### **Historical Closed Sales Activity**

2019

2020

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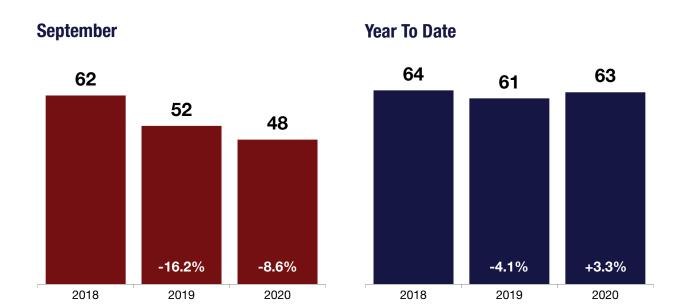
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## **Days on Market Until Sale**

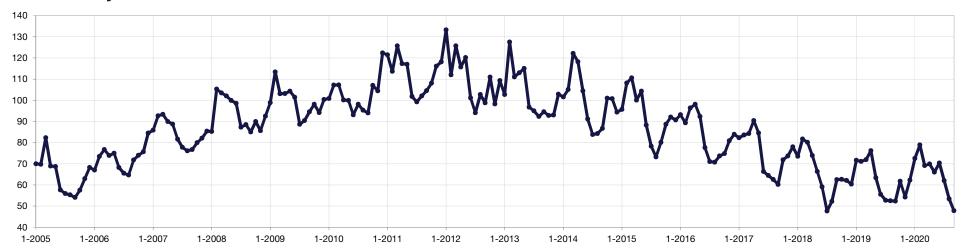
Average number of days between when a property is first listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.





Days on Market Until	Sale	Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	62	63	-1.5%
November 2019	54	62	-12.7%
December 2019	62	60	+3.2%
January 2020	73	72	+1.3%
February 2020	79	71	+11.0%
March 2020	69	72	-3.9%
April 2020	70	76	-8.2%
May 2020	66	63	+4.3%
June 2020	70	56	+26.7%
July 2020	62	53	+17.7%
August 2020	53	53	+1.6%
September 2020	48	52	-8.6%
12-Month Avg	62	61	+1.4%

#### **Historical Days on Market Until Sale**

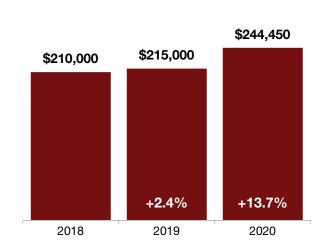


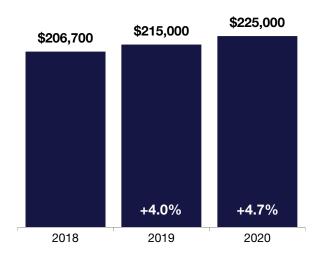
### **Median Sales Price**





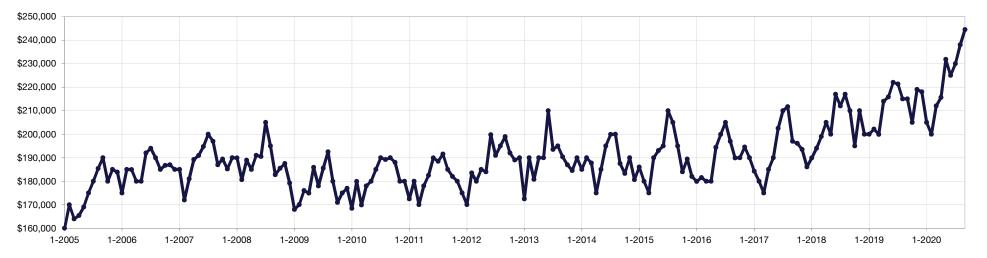
#### **September Year To Date**





Median Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	\$205,000	\$195,000	+5.1%
November 2019	\$219,000	\$210,000	+4.3%
December 2019	\$218,000	\$200,000	+9.0%
January 2020	\$205,000	\$200,000	+2.5%
February 2020	\$200,000	\$202,127	-1.1%
March 2020	\$212,000	\$199,900	+6.1%
April 2020	\$215,650	\$214,000	+0.8%
May 2020	\$231,820	\$215,800	+7.4%
June 2020	\$225,000	\$222,000	+1.4%
July 2020	\$230,000	\$221,347	+3.9%
August 2020	\$238,000	\$215,000	+10.7%
September 2020	\$244,450	\$215,000	+13.7%
12-Month Med	\$222,000	\$210,500	+5.5%

#### **Historical Median Sales Price**

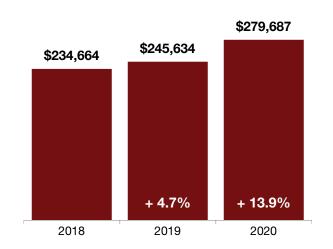


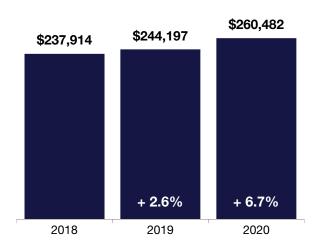
## **Average Sales Price**

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



### September Year To Date





Average Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	\$234,682	\$229,408	+2.3%
November 2019	\$240,071	\$249,287	-3.7%
December 2019	\$251,990	\$235,849	+6.8%
January 2020	\$238,350	\$232,625	+2.5%
February 2020	\$229,602	\$228,751	+0.4%
March 2020	\$243,894	\$234,234	+4.1%
April 2020	\$235,677	\$238,735	-1.3%
May 2020	\$251,285	\$247,527	+1.5%
June 2020	\$256,190	\$254,204	+0.8%
July 2020	\$271,753	\$253,379	+7.3%
August 2020	\$290,738	\$246,908	+17.8%
September 2020	\$279,687	\$245,634	+13.9%
12-Month Avg	\$255,356	\$242,567	+5.3%

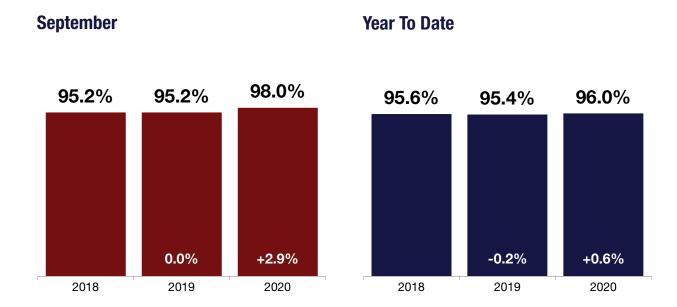
#### **Historical Average Sales Price**



## **Percent of Original List Price Received**

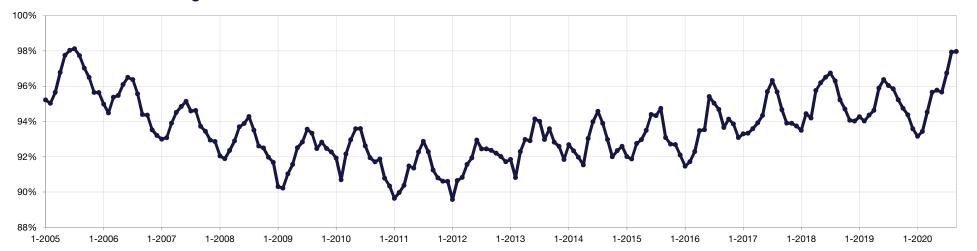


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



Pct. of Orig. List Price	Rec'd	Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	94.7%	94.7%	0.0%
November 2019	94.4%	94.1%	+0.3%
December 2019	93.6%	94.0%	-0.4%
January 2020	93.2%	94.3%	-1.2%
February 2020	93.4%	94.0%	-0.6%
March 2020	94.5%	94.4%	+0.1%
April 2020	95.7%	94.6%	+1.2%
May 2020	95.8%	95.9%	-0.1%
June 2020	95.7%	96.4%	-0.7%
July 2020	96.7%	96.0%	+0.7%
August 2020	97.9%	95.8%	+2.2%
September 2020	98.0%	95.2%	+2.9%
12-Month Avg	95.5%	95.1%	+0.4%

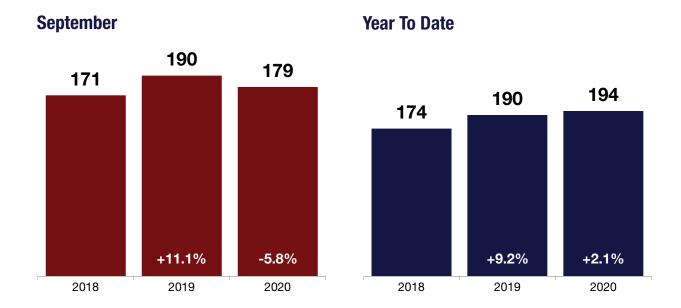
#### **Historical Percent of Original List Price Received**



## **Housing Affordability Index**

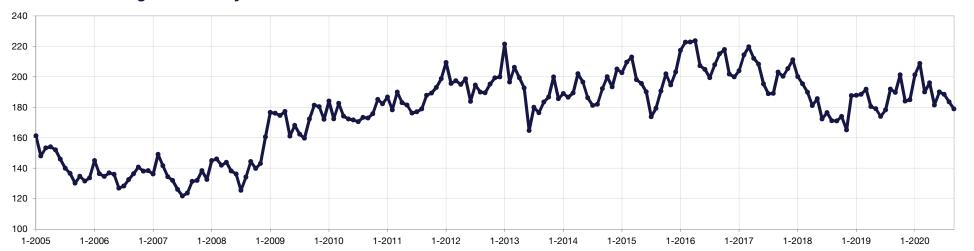


This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, an index of 120 means the median household income was 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



Housing Affordability	Index	Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	201	174	+15.5%
November 2019	184	165	+11.5%
December 2019	185	188	-1.6%
January 2020	201	188	+6.9%
February 2020	209	188	+11.2%
March 2020	190	192	-1.0%
April 2020	196	181	+8.3%
May 2020	181	179	+1.1%
June 2020	190	174	+9.2%
July 2020	188	178	+5.6%
August 2020	184	192	-4.2%
September 2020	179	190	-5.8%
12-Month Avg	191	182	+4.9%

#### **Historical Housing Affordability Index**

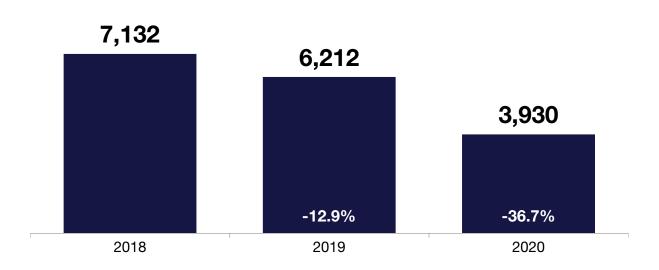


## **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

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

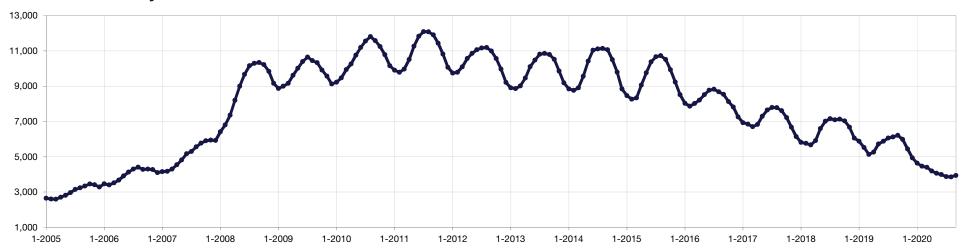


### **September**



Inventory of Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	5,981	7,025	-14.9%
November 2019	5,441	6,677	-18.5%
December 2019	4,933	6,059	-18.6%
January 2020	4,634	5,875	-21.1%
February 2020	4,458	5,522	-19.3%
March 2020	4,394	5,132	-14.4%
April 2020	4,186	5,263	-20.5%
May 2020	4,060	5,725	-29.1%
June 2020	3,992	5,878	-32.1%
July 2020	3,872	6,053	-36.0%
August 2020	3,855	6,117	-37.0%
September 2020	3,930	6,212	-36.7%
12-Month Avg	4,478	5,962	-24.8%

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

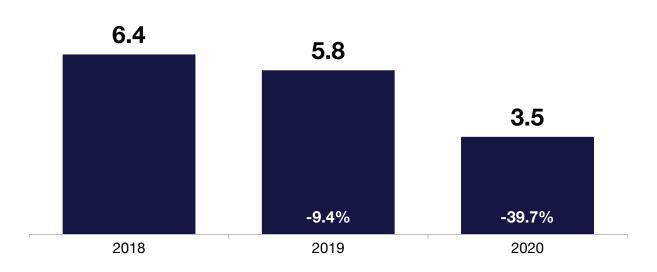


## **Months Supply of Inventory**





### **September**



Months Supply of Inventory		Prior Year	Percent Change
October 2019	5.6	6.3	-11.1%
November 2019	5.1	6.1	-16.4%
December 2019	4.6	5.5	-16.4%
January 2020	4.3	5.4	-20.4%
February 2020	4.1	5.1	-19.6%
March 2020	4.1	4.7	-12.8%
April 2020	4.1	4.9	-16.3%
May 2020	4.0	5.3	-24.5%
June 2020	3.8	5.5	-30.9%
July 2020	3.6	5.7	-36.8%
August 2020	3.5	5.8	-39.7%
September 2020	3.5	5.8	-39.7%
12-Month Avg	4.2	5.5	-23.6%

### **Historical Months Supply of Inventory**

