# **Monthly Indicators**



### November 2015

Residential real estate is experiencing its best year since the recession. Housing demand is healthy, and that is expected to continue until the end of the year. Home sales are actually set to have their best national showing since 2006. More of the same is anticipated in 2016, but inventory and affordability challenges coupled with mortgage rate increases will likely keep any sort of monster growth in check. This should be a good thing for keeping home prices from increasing too rapidly to maintain economic stability.

New Listings were down 4.6 percent to 433. Pending Sales decreased 44.2 percent to 148. Inventory shrank 11.7 percent to 2,850 units.

Prices moved higher as Median Sales Price was up 16.7 percent to \$154,400. Days on Market decreased 9.9 percent to 100 days. Months Supply of Inventory was down 19.8 percent to 8.1 months, indicating that demand increased relative to supply.

Unemployment rates across the nation changed little last month, which bodes well for an increase in buying activity. The national jobless rate was 5.0 percent in October, which was 0.7 percent lower than the year prior. Although housing and employment data are quite positive at this juncture, it is still certainly possible for listings and sales to be down in year-over-year comparisons. Bad weather and the mix of housing available to buyers tend to have a greater effect on trends at the end of the year than during the midsummer months.

### **Quick Facts**

- 8.9%	- 8.9% + 16.7%	
One-Year Change in	One-Year Change in	One-Year Change in
Closed Sales	Median Sales Price	Months Supply

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# **Market Overview**

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

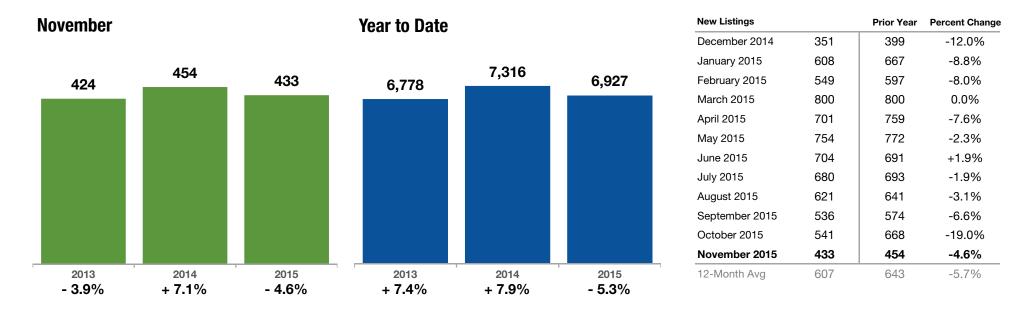


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	11-2014	11-2015	Percent Change	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	Percent Change
New Listings	_1,1,111111,_1,111111,.	454	433	- 4.6%	7,316	6,927	- 5.3%
Pending Sales		265	148	- 44.2%	3,650	3,982	+ 9.1%
Closed Sales		292	266	- 8.9%	3,504	4,006	+ 14.3%
Days on Market		111	100	- 9.9%	111	104	- 6.3%
Median Sales Price	In	\$132,250	\$154,400	+ 16.7%	\$137,000	\$149,900	+ 9.4%
Average Sales Price		\$166,420	\$216,004	+ 29.8%	\$178,876	\$194,750	+ 8.9%
Pct. of List Price Received	h	94.5%	94.7%	+ 0.2%	94.2%	95.0%	+ 0.8%
Housing Affordability Index	M.M	184	160	- 13.0%	178	164	- 7.9%
Inventory of Homes for Sale		3,228	2,850	- 11.7%			
Months Supply of Inventory		10.1	8.1	- 19.8%			

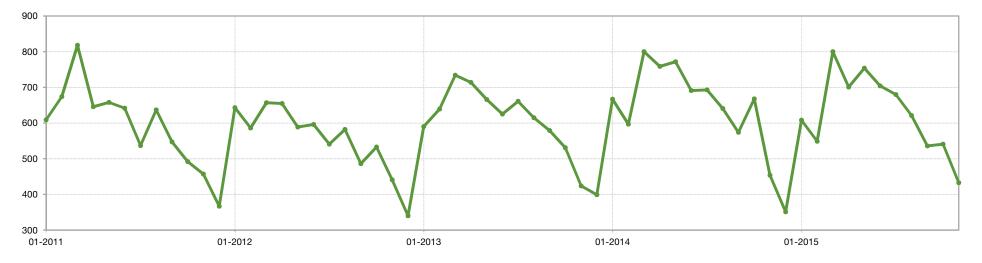
# **New Listings**

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





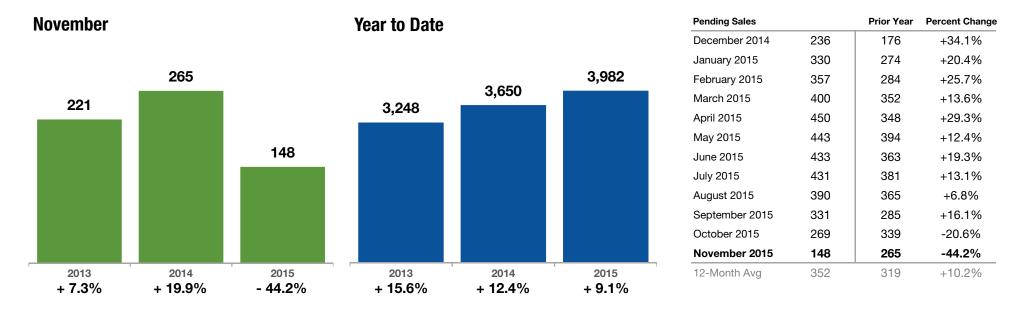
#### **Historical New Listings by Month**



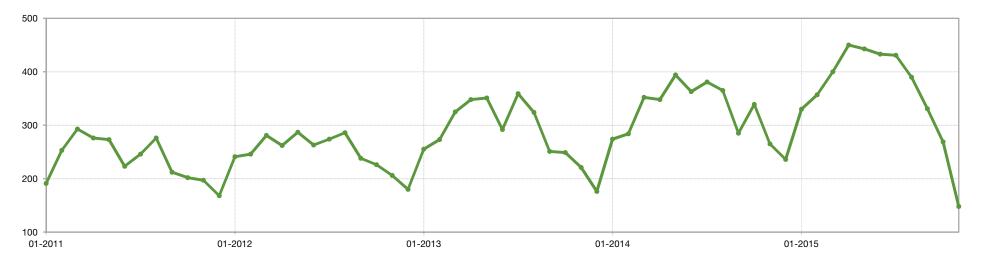
# **Pending Sales**

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





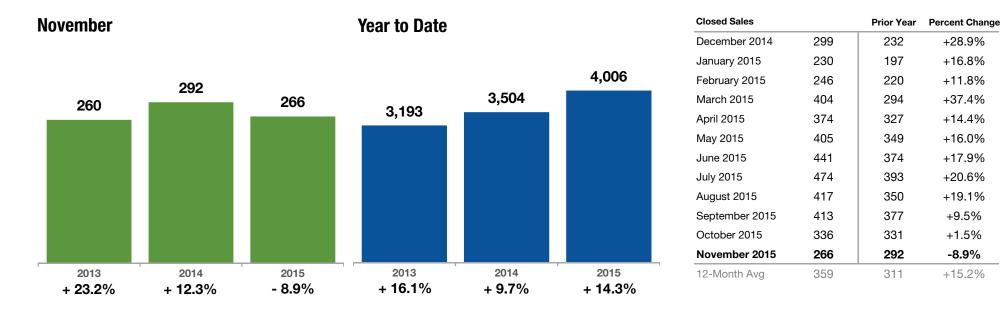
#### Historical Pending Sales by Month



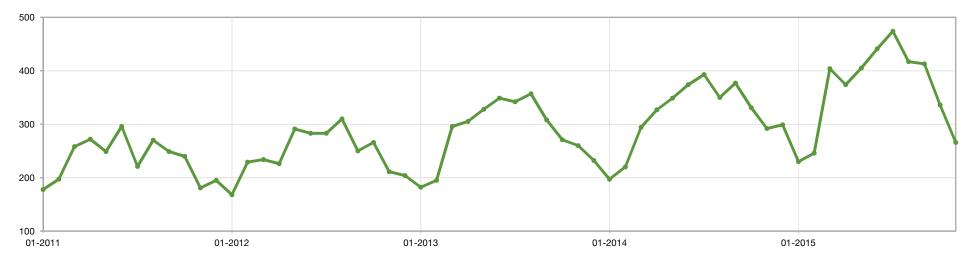
# **Closed Sales**

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





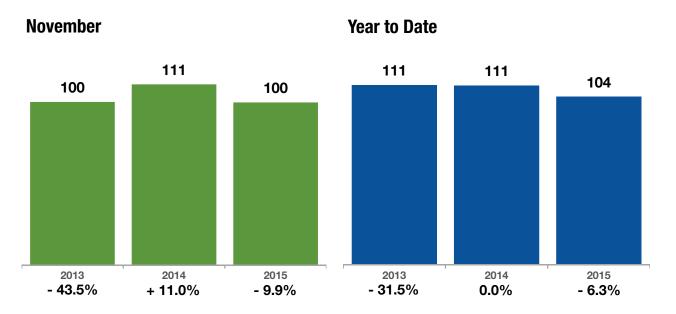
### **Historical Closed Sales by Month**



# **Days on Market Until Sale**

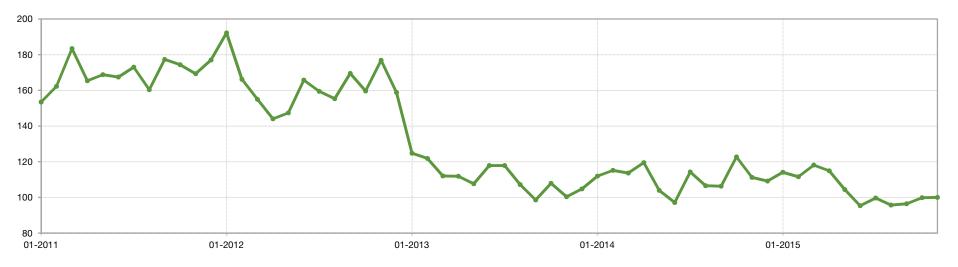
Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.





Days on Market		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	109	105	+3.8%
January 2015	114	112	+1.8%
February 2015	112	115	-2.6%
March 2015	118	114	+3.5%
April 2015	115	120	-4.2%
May 2015	104	104	0.0%
June 2015	95	97	-2.1%
July 2015	100	114	-12.3%
August 2015	96	107	-10.3%
September 2015	96	106	-9.4%
October 2015	100	123	-18.7%
November 2015	100	111	-9.9%
12-Month Avg*	104	110	-5.5%

\* Average Days on Market of all properties from December 2014 through November 2015. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



### Historical Days on Market Until Sale by Month

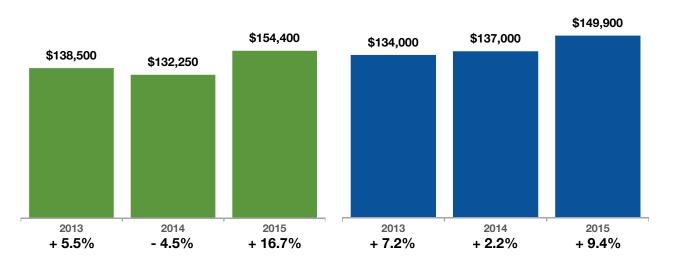
# **Median Sales Price**

Point at which half of the sales sold for more and half sold for less, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



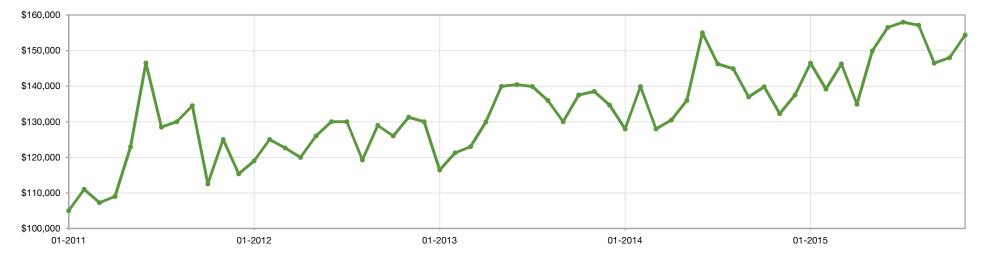
#### November

#### Year to Date



Median Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	\$137,500	\$134,700	+2.1%
January 2015	\$146,450	\$128,000	+14.4%
February 2015	\$139,200	\$139,900	-0.5%
March 2015	\$146,250	\$128,000	+14.3%
April 2015	\$134,900	\$130,450	+3.4%
May 2015	\$149,900	\$136,000	+10.2%
June 2015	\$156,500	\$155,000	+1.0%
July 2015	\$158,000	\$146,250	+8.0%
August 2015	\$157,148	\$144,900	+8.5%
September 2015	\$146,485	\$137,000	+6.9%
October 2015	\$148,000	\$139,800	+5.9%
November 2015	\$154,400	\$132,250	+16.7%
12-Month Med*	\$149,000	\$136,900	+8.8%

\* Median Sales Price of all properties from December 2014 through November 2015. This is not the median of the individual figures above.



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

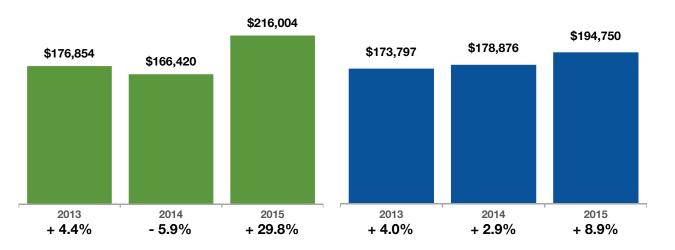
# **Average Sales Price**

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



November

#### Year to Date



Avg. Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	\$174,932	\$181,612	-3.7%
January 2015	\$196,427	\$174,392	+12.6%
February 2015	\$173,500	\$163,704	+6.0%
March 2015	\$179,771	\$158,875	+13.2%
April 2015	\$187,935	\$177,717	+5.7%
May 2015	\$194,051	\$177,766	+9.2%
June 2015	\$192,130	\$192,543	-0.2%
July 2015	\$207,714	\$186,764	+11.2%
August 2015	\$207,297	\$189,328	+9.5%
September 2015	\$191,810	\$173,957	+10.3%
October 2015	\$192,059	\$192,353	-0.2%
November 2015	\$216,004	\$166,420	+29.8%
12-Month Avg*	\$192,803	\$177,953	+8.3%

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### **Historical Average Sales Price by Month**

# **Percent of List Price Received**

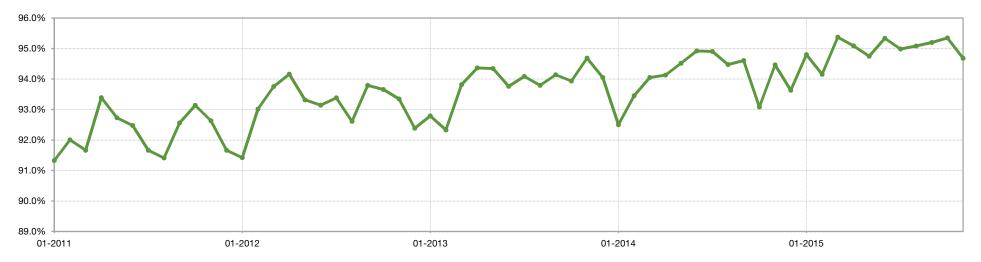
Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its most recent list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



November Year to Date 94.7% 94.5% 94.7% 95.0% 94.2% 93.9% 2013 2014 2015 2013 2014 2015 + 1.5% - 0.2% + 0.2% + 0.6% +0.3%+ 0.8%

Pct. of List Price Received		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	93.6%	94.1%	-0.5%
January 2015	94.8%	92.5%	+2.5%
February 2015	94.2%	93.5%	+0.7%
March 2015	95.4%	94.0%	+1.5%
April 2015	95.1%	94.1%	+1.1%
May 2015	94.7%	94.5%	+0.2%
June 2015	95.3%	94.9%	+0.4%
July 2015	95.0%	94.9%	+0.1%
August 2015	95.1%	94.5%	+0.6%
September 2015	95.2%	94.6%	+0.6%
October 2015	95.3%	93.1%	+2.4%
November 2015	94.7%	94.5%	+0.2%
12-Month Avg*	94.9%	94.2%	+0.7%

\* Average Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from December 2014 through November 2015. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



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



November Year to Date 184 185 179 178 164 160 2013 2014 2015 2013 2014 2015 + 2.8% - 3.8% - 7.9% - 9.6% - 13.0% - 11.1%

Affordability Index		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	179	176	+1.7%
January 2015	171	181	-5.5%
February 2015	180	168	+7.1%
March 2015	169	184	-8.2%
April 2015	185	180	+2.8%
May 2015	167	177	-5.6%
June 2015	157	155	+1.3%
July 2015	153	164	-6.7%
August 2015	155	167	-7.2%
September 2015	168	175	-4.0%
October 2015	167	174	-4.0%
November 2015	160	184	-13.0%
12-Month Avg	168	174	-3.5%

### Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month

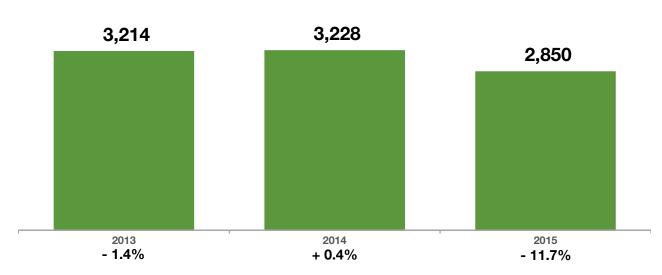


# **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

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



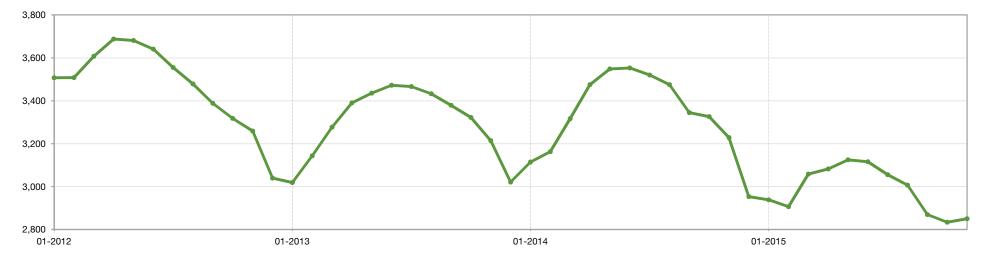
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Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	2,953	3,021	-2.3%
January 2015	2,938	3,114	-5.7%
February 2015	2,906	3,163	-8.1%
March 2015	3,058	3,316	-7.8%
April 2015	3,082	3,475	-11.3%
May 2015	3,125	3,548	-11.9%
June 2015	3,116	3,553	-12.3%
July 2015	3,055	3,520	-13.2%
August 2015	3,007	3,475	-13.5%
September 2015	2,870	3,345	-14.2%
October 2015	2,834	3,326	-14.8%
November 2015	2,850	3,228	-11.7%
12-Month Avg*	2,983	3,277	-9.0%

### Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month

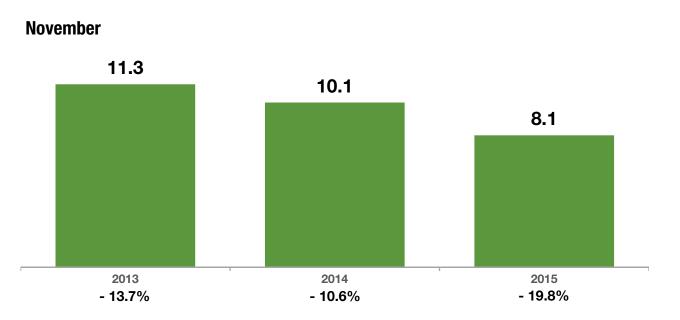
\* Homes for Sale for all properties from December 2014 through November 2015. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



# **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.





Months Supply		Prior Year	Percent Change
December 2014	9.1	10.6	-14.2%
January 2015	8.9	10.9	-18.3%
February 2015	8.7	11.0	-20.9%
March 2015	9.0	11.4	-21.1%
April 2015	8.9	12.0	-25.8%
May 2015	8.9	12.1	-26.4%
June 2015	8.7	11.9	-26.9%
July 2015	8.5	11.7	-27.4%
August 2015	8.3	11.4	-27.2%
September 2015	7.8	10.9	-28.4%
October 2015	7.8	10.6	-26.4%
November 2015	8.1	10.1	-19.8%
12-Month Avg*	8.6	11.2	-23.2%

### Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month

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