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Monthly Indicators

July 2010

"Recovery loses steam." "Housing demand in a slump." "Tax credit leaves mess in its wake." We're bombarded with headlines like these every day. Some have merit, some don't. The truth is, the economy is now driving the housing market and not vice versa.

Pending Sales in the Sioux Falls region dropped by 36.7 percent from last July to arrive at 224 signed purchase agreements. New Listings decreased 11.6 percent since last July. Nonetheless, inventory dipped by 2.6 percent over last year.

Median Sales Price still managed to increase by 1.8 percent over last July to arrive at \$142,500. However, buyers were only willing to pay 93.4 percent of sellers' asking price and market times dropped by 2.9 percent over last year to arrive at just under three months.

Months Supply of Inventory declined by 7.4 percent to arrive at 8.3 months of housing supply, given current demand.

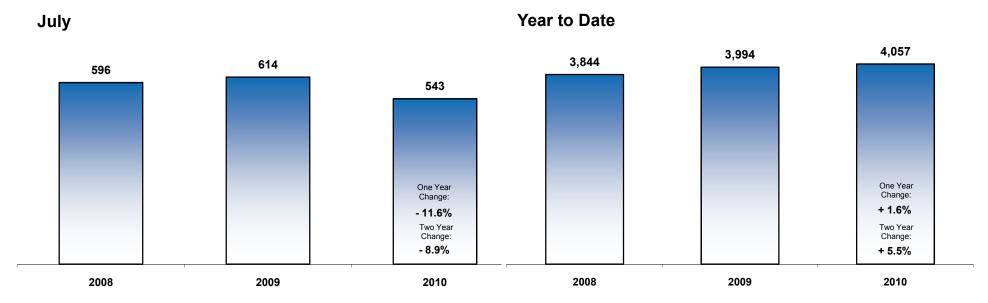
In sum, the housing market is trying to hold its ground until the job situation improves. Only after widespread, private-sector hiring will demand be restored to the market and prices continue to stabilize. Until then, it's a hurry up and wait game.

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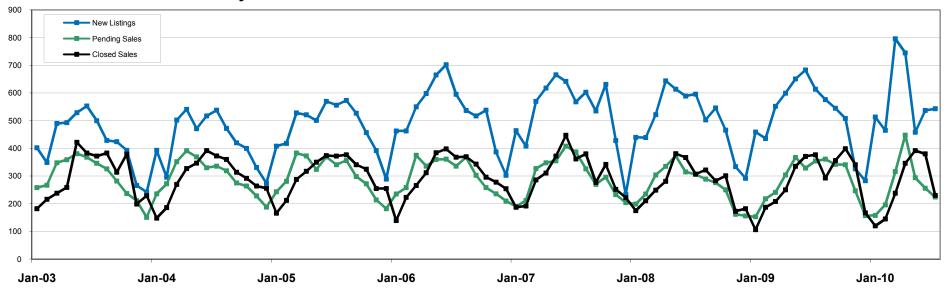
New Listings

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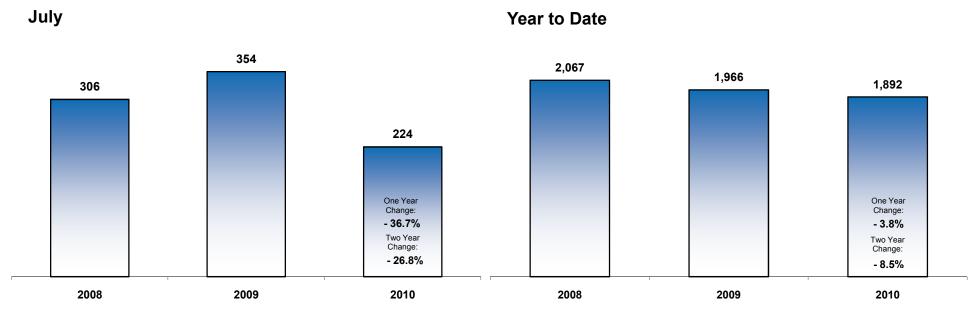
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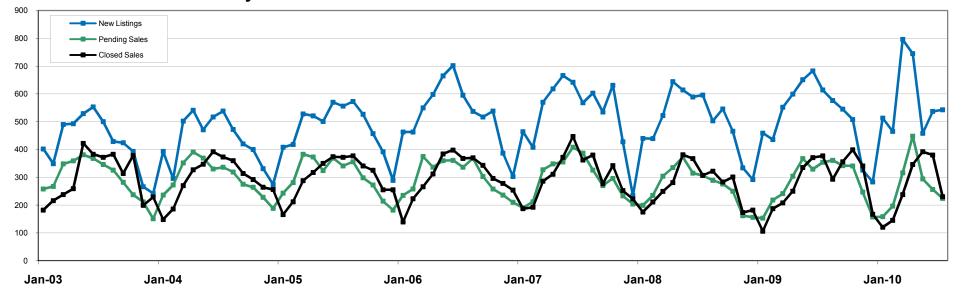
Pending Sales

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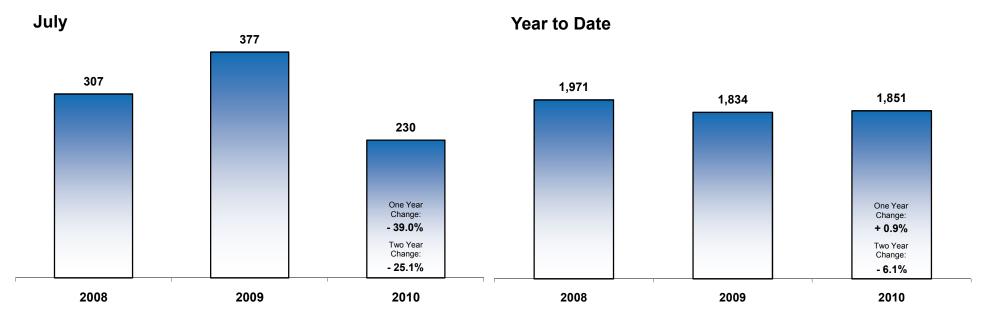
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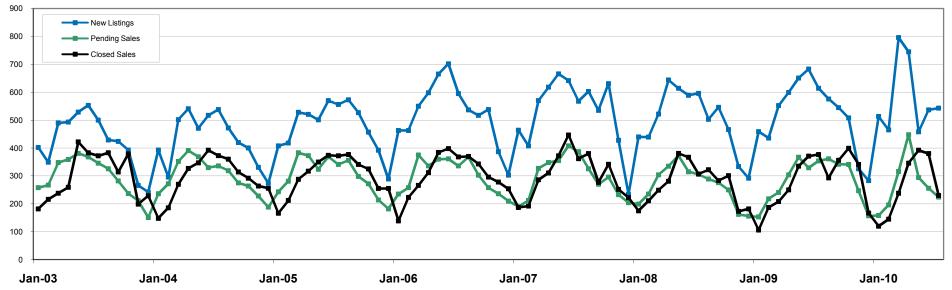
Closed Sales

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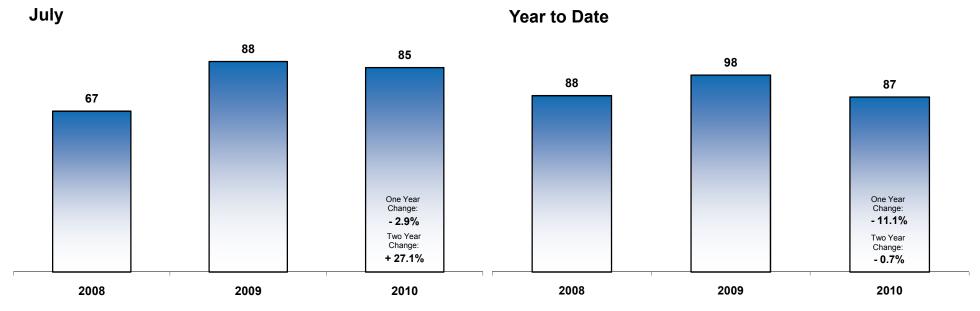
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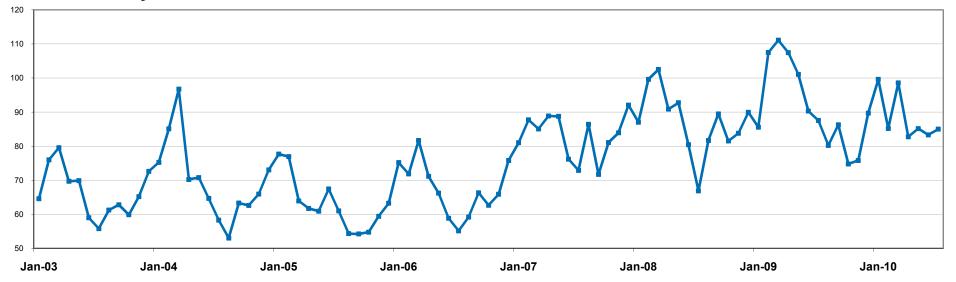
Days on Market Until Sale

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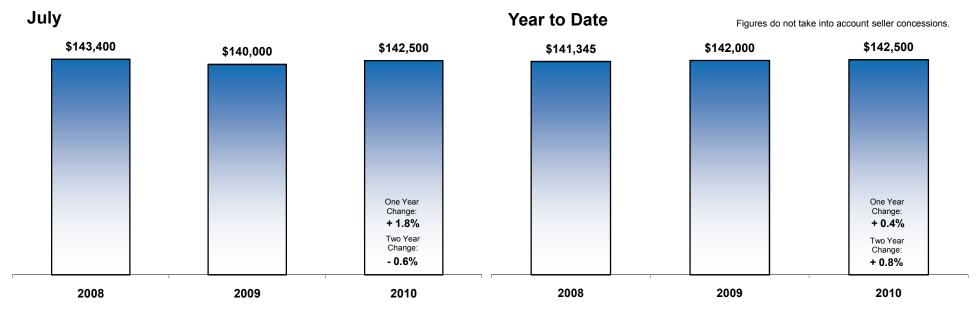
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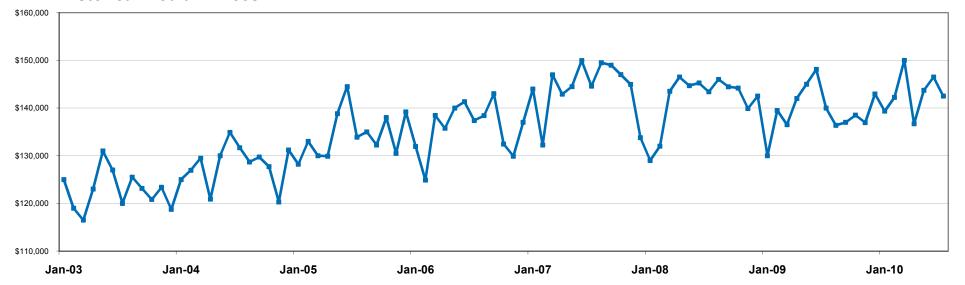
Median Sales Price

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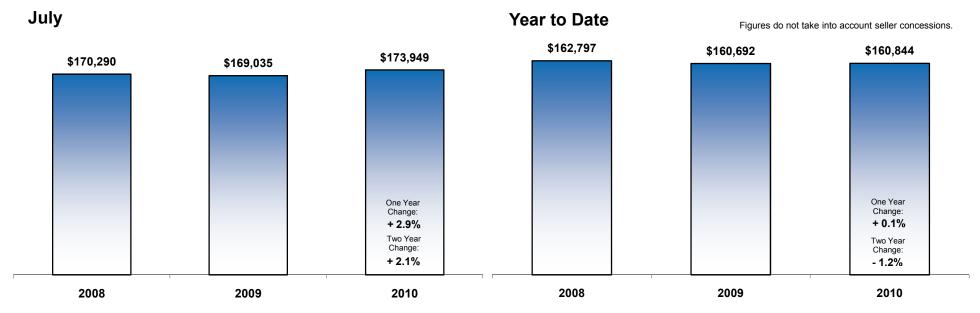
Historical Median Prices



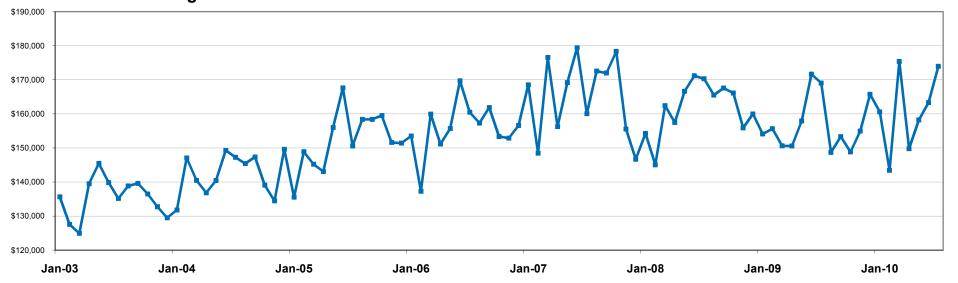
Average Sales Price

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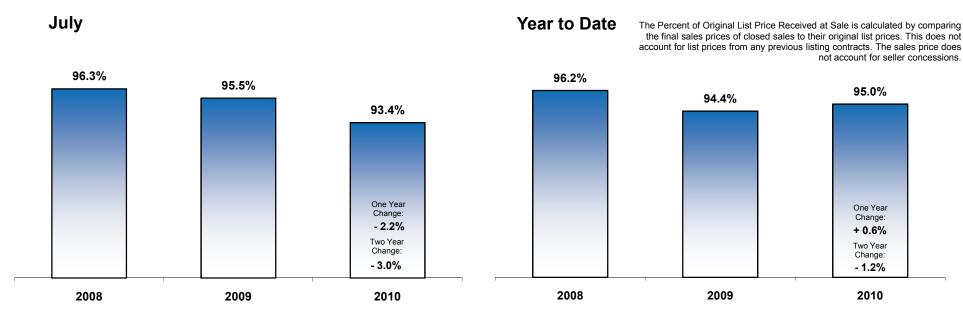
Historical Average Prices



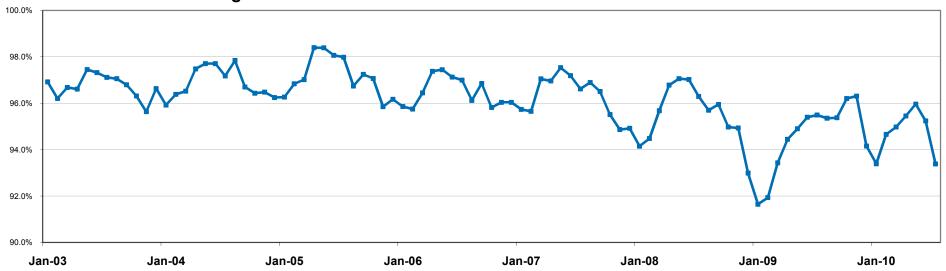
Percent of Original List Price Received at Sale

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Historical Percent of Original List Price Received at Sale



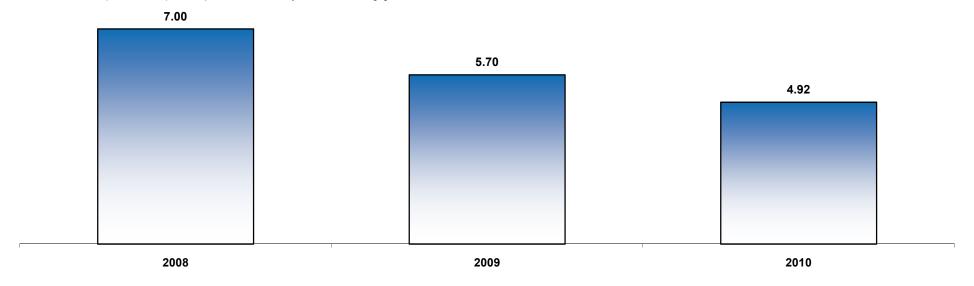
Mortgage Rates

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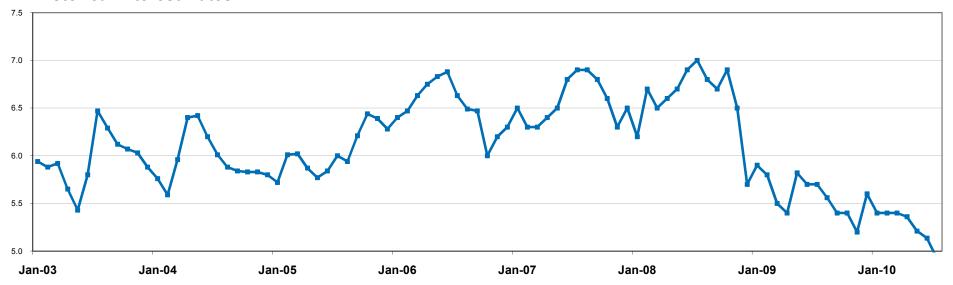


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Mortgage rate information is gathered from HSH Associates Financial Publishers, Inc (www.hsh.com). Data represents national 30-year fixed-rate mortgages.



Historical Interest Rates



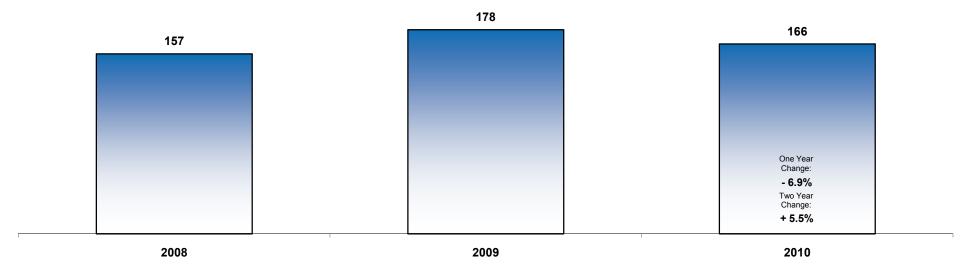
Housing Affordability Index

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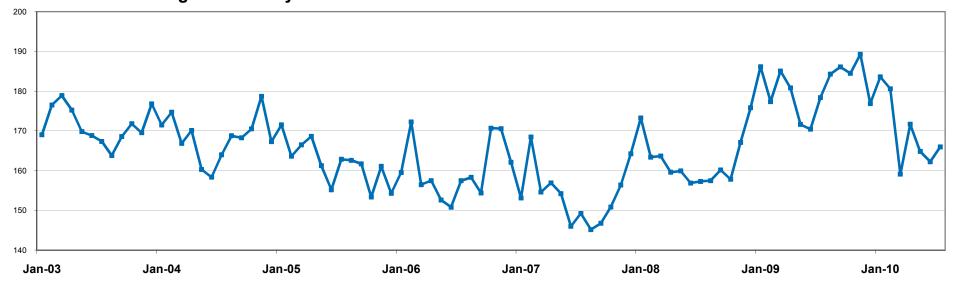


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The HAI formula measures housing affordability for the Sioux Falls Housing Market. An HAI of 120 would mean the median family income is 120% of the necessary income to qualify for the median priced home using 20% downpayment, 30-year fixed rate mortgage.



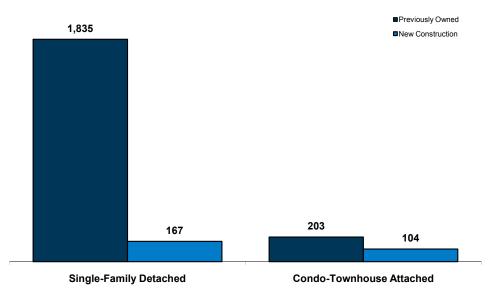
Historical Housing Affordability Index

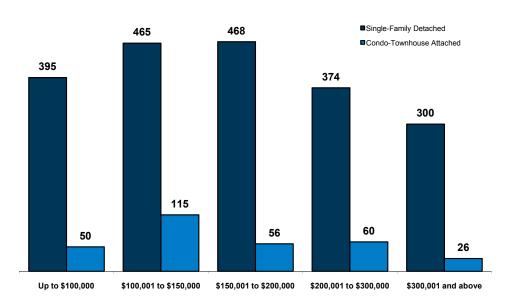


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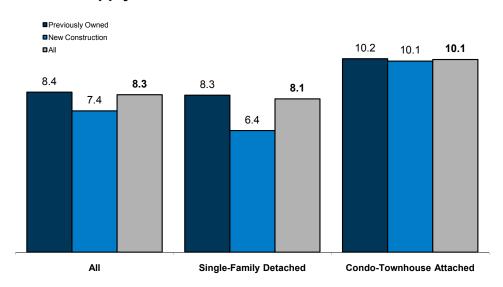


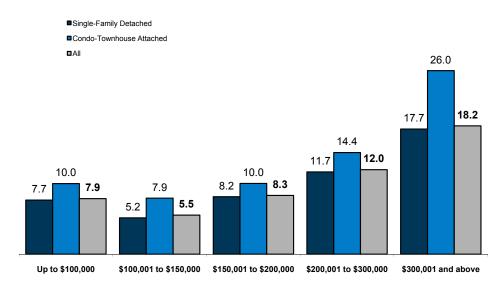
Inventory of Active Listings





Months Supply



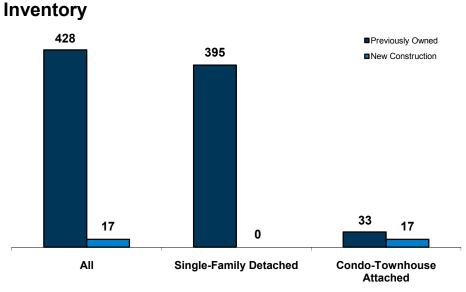


A market is considered balanced between buyers and sellers when there is roughly a 5- to 6-month supply of homes available for purchase.

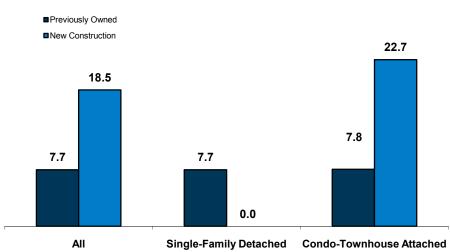
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Under \$100,000

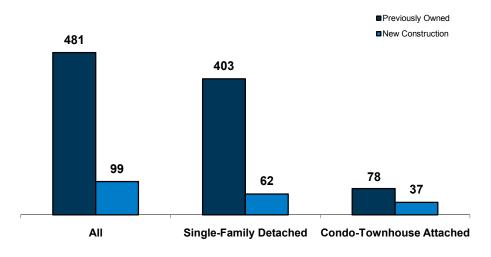


Months Supply

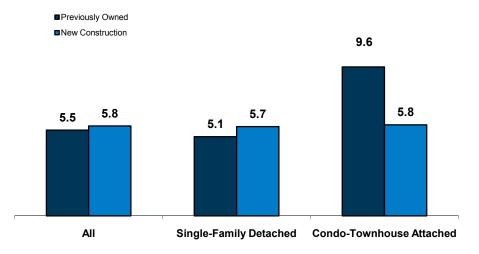


\$100,001 to \$150,000

Inventory



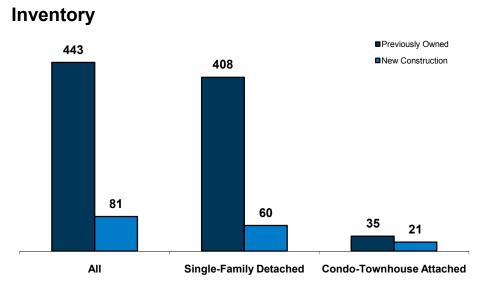
Months Supply



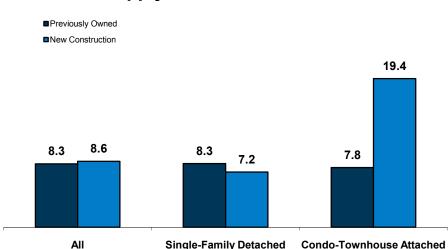
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\$150,001 to \$200,000



Months Supply



\$200,001 to \$300,000

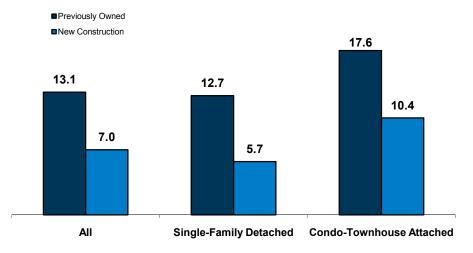
Inventory

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Single-Family Detached

Months Supply



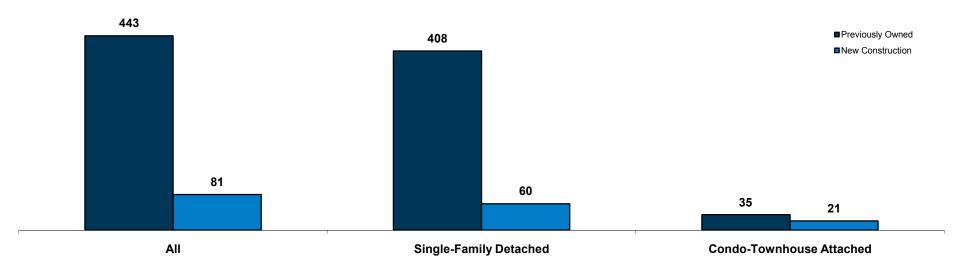
Condo-Townhouse Attached

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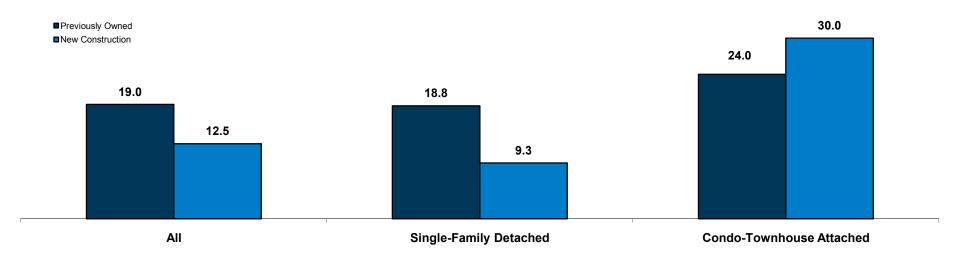


\$300,001 and above

Inventory



Months Supply



Market Overview



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July 2010		This Year	Last Year	Percent Change	5-Year Average	This Year Year-to- Date	Previous Year Year-to- Date	Percent Change	5-Year Year-to- Date Average
New Listings	May	458	651	- 29.6%	611	2,977	2,697	+ 10.4%	2,760
	Jun	537	683	- 21.4%	631	3,514	3,380	+ 4.0%	3,390
	Jul	543	614	- 11.6%	583	4,057	3,994	+ 1.6%	3,973
Pending Sales	May	294	367	- 19.9%	350	1,412	1,283	+ 10.1%	1,427
	Jun	256	329	- 22.2%	334	1,668	1,612	+ 3.5%	1,761
	Jul	224	354	- 36.7%	321	1,892	1,966	- 3.8%	2,083
Closed Sales	May	392	335	+ 17.0%	373	1,241	1,086	+ 14.3%	1,259
	Jun	380	371	+ 2.4%	393	1,621	1,457	+ 11.3%	1,652
	Jul	230	377	- 39.0%	329	1,851	1,834	+ 0.9%	1,981
Days on Market Until Sale	May	85	101	- 15.8%	87	88	104	- 15.0%	89
	Jun	83	90	- 7.7%	78	87	101	- 13.2%	87
	Jul	85	88	- 2.9%	73	87	98	- 11.1%	84
Median Sales Price	May	\$143,710	\$145,000	- 0.9%	\$143,582	\$141,000	\$140,900	+ 0.1%	
	Jun	\$146,500	\$148,100	- 1.1%	\$146,225	\$142,500	\$142,500	- 0.0%	
	Jul	\$142,500	\$140,000	+ 1.8%	\$141,576	\$142,500	\$142,000	+ 0.4%	
Average Sales Price	May	\$158,213	\$157,909	+ 0.2%	\$161,528	\$157,659	\$154,055	+ 2.3%	\$157,444
	Jun	\$163,313	\$171,644	- 4.9%	\$171,050	\$158,985	\$158,534	+ 0.3%	\$160,702
	Jul	\$173,949	\$169,035	+ 2.9%	\$166,767	\$160,844	\$160,692	+ 0.1%	\$161,654
Total Active Listings Available	May	2,322	2,265	+ 2.5%					
	Jun	2,270	2,320	- 2.2%					
	Jul	2,288	2,348	- 2.6%					
Percent of Original List Price	May	96.0%	94.9%	+ 1.1%	96.6%	95.2%	93.7%	+ 1.7%	95.2%
Received at Sale	Jun	95.2%	95.4%	- 0.2%	96.4%	95.2%	94.1%	+ 1.2%	95.2%
	Jul	93.4%	95.5%	- 2.2%	95.8%	95.0%	94.4%	+ 0.6%	95.0%
Mortgage Rates	May	5.2	5.8	- 10.5%	6.2				
	Jun	5.1	5.7	- 9.9%	6.3				
	Jul	4.9	5.7	- 13.7%	6.2				
Housing Affordability Index	May	165	172	- 4.0%	161				
	Jun	162	170	- 4.8%	157				
	Jul	166	178	- 6.9%	162				
Months Supply of Inventory	May	7.7	9.2	- 16.1%					
	Jun	7.9	9.2	- 14.3%					
	Jul	8.3	9.0	- 7.4%					

Annual Review

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