## Monthly Indicators

## August 2019

As the summer draws to a close, multiple opposing factors and trends are competing to define the direction of the real estate market. After the Federal Reserve lowered its benchmark interest rate on July 31, 30-year mortgage rates continued to decline, approaching all-time lows last seen in 2016. Yet most experts agree these reductions are unlikely to bring sufficient relief, at least in the short term, for first-time home buyers. The lack of affordable inventory and the persistence of historically high housing prices continue to affect the housing market,leading to lower-than-expected existing home sales at the national level.

New Listings in the Sioux Falls region increased 1.2 percent to 679. Pending Sales were up 26.9 percent to 665 . Inventory levels fell 4.8 percent to 1,656 units.

Prices continued to gain traction. The Median Sales Price increased 8.5 percent to $\$ 216,900$. Days on Market was down 1.3 percent to 76 days. Sellers were encouraged as Months Supply of Homes for Sale was down 4.7 percent to 4.1 months.

As many homeowners refinanced their homes to take advantage of declining interest rates, consumer confidence in housing was reported to be at historically high levels. Even so, real estate professionals will need to monitor the market for signs of continued imbalances. Although the inventory of affordable homes at this point remains largely stable, it is stable at historically low levels, which may continue to push prices higher and affect potential buyers across the U.S.

Quick Facts

| $-5.2 \%$ | $+8.5 \%$ | $-4.8 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Change in <br> Closed Sales | Change in <br> Median Sales Price | Change in <br> Inventory |

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## Market Overview



## New Listings

August


Year to Date


| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | 562 | 624 | $+11.0 \%$ |
| October 2018 | 515 | 572 | $+11.1 \%$ |
| November 2018 | 398 | 390 | $-2.0 \%$ |
| December 2018 | 258 | 236 | $-8.5 \%$ |
| January 2019 | 435 | 441 | $+1.4 \%$ |
| February 2019 | 429 | 393 | $-8.4 \%$ |
| March 2019 | 576 | 550 | $-4.5 \%$ |
| April 2019 | 611 | 733 | $+20.0 \%$ |
| May 2019 | 735 | 816 | $+11.0 \%$ |
| June 2019 | 721 | 825 | $+14.4 \%$ |
| July 2019 | 702 | 737 | $+5.0 \%$ |
| August 2019 | $\mathbf{6 7 1}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 9}$ | $\mathbf{+ 1 . 2 \%}$ |
| 12-Month Avg | 551 | 583 | $+5.8 \%$ |

## Historical New Listing Activity



## Pending Sales



Historical Pending Sales Activity


Closed Sales

August


Year to Date


| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | 454 | 407 | $-10.4 \%$ |
| October 2018 | 397 | 440 | $+10.8 \%$ |
| November 2018 | 361 | 372 | $+3.0 \%$ |
| December 2018 | 344 | 256 | $-25.6 \%$ |
| January 2019 | 214 | 203 | $-5.1 \%$ |
| February 2019 | 226 | 201 | $-11.1 \%$ |
| March 2019 | 380 | 284 | $-25.3 \%$ |
| April 2019 | 404 | 329 | $-18.6 \%$ |
| May 2019 | 454 | 555 | $+22.2 \%$ |
| June 2019 | 600 | 523 | $-12.8 \%$ |
| July 2019 | 504 | 510 | $+1.2 \%$ |
| August 2019 | 524 | 497 | $-5.2 \%$ |
| 12-Month Avg | 405 | 381 | $-6.4 \%$ |

## Historical Closed Sales Activity



## Days on Market Until Sale

August


Year to Date


| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/ \mathbf{-}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | 77 | 76 | $-1.3 \%$ |
| October 2018 | 79 | 83 | $+5.1 \%$ |
| November 2018 | 82 | 80 | $-2.4 \%$ |
| December 2018 | 80 | 79 | $-1.3 \%$ |
| January 2019 | 101 | 96 | $-5.0 \%$ |
| February 2019 | 105 | 98 | $-6.7 \%$ |
| March 2019 | 95 | 96 | $+1.1 \%$ |
| April 2019 | 92 | 90 | $-2.2 \%$ |
| May 2019 | 88 | 83 | $-5.7 \%$ |
| June 2019 | 76 | 80 | $+5.3 \%$ |
| July 2019 | 72 | 71 | $-1.4 \%$ |
| August 2019 | 77 | 76 | $\mathbf{- 1 . 3 \%}$ |
| 12-Month Avg | 83 | 82 | $-1.2 \%$ |

## Historical Days on Market Until Sale



## Median Sales Price



Historical Median Sales Price


## Average Sales Price

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Year to Date


| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | $\$ 213,186$ | $\$ 223,318$ | $+4.8 \%$ |
| October 2018 | $\$ 212,421$ | $\$ 237,940$ | $+12.0 \%$ |
| November 2018 | $\$ 216,254$ | $\$ 219,489$ | $+1.5 \%$ |
| December 2018 | $\$ 225,164$ | $\$ 225,657$ | $+0.2 \%$ |
| January 2019 | $\$ 215,868$ | $\$ 234,188$ | $+8.5 \%$ |
| February 2019 | $\$ 218,283$ | $\$ 219,659$ | $+0.6 \%$ |
| March 2019 | $\$ 219,601$ | $\$ 223,488$ | $+1.8 \%$ |
| April 2019 | $\$ 237,417$ | $\$ 232,423$ | $-2.1 \%$ |
| May 2019 | $\$ 235,308$ | $\$ 235,991$ | $+0.3 \%$ |
| June 2019 | $\$ 245,454$ | $\$ 255,908$ | $+4.3 \%$ |
| July 2019 | $\$ 234,279$ | $\$ 262,679$ | $+12.1 \%$ |
| August 2019 | $\$ 221,259$ | $\$ 256,562$ | $\mathbf{+ 1 6 . 0} \%$ |
| 12-Month Avg | $\$ 226,175$ | $\$ 238,782$ | $+5.6 \%$ |

## Historical Average Sales Price



## Percent of Original List Price Received <br> 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,

August
Year to Date



| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | $98.9 \%$ | $98.9 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| October 2018 | $99.0 \%$ | $98.7 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ |
| November 2018 | $98.2 \%$ | $98.7 \%$ | $+0.5 \%$ |
| December 2018 | $97.9 \%$ | $98.2 \%$ | $+0.3 \%$ |
| January 2019 | $98.5 \%$ | $97.6 \%$ | $-0.9 \%$ |
| February 2019 | $98.2 \%$ | $97.8 \%$ | $-0.4 \%$ |
| March 2019 | $98.4 \%$ | $98.2 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ |
| April 2019 | $99.2 \%$ | $99.2 \%$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| May 2019 | $99.3 \%$ | $99.0 \%$ | $-0.3 \%$ |
| June 2019 | $99.6 \%$ | $99.1 \%$ | $-0.5 \%$ |
| July 2019 | $98.9 \%$ | $99.2 \%$ | $+0.3 \%$ |
| August 2019 | $99.0 \%$ | $98.4 \%$ | $-\mathbf{0 . 6 \%}$ |
| 12-Month Avg | $98.9 \%$ | $98.7 \%$ | $-0.2 \%$ |

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.

August


Year to Date


| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | 175 | 151 | $-13.7 \%$ |
| October 2018 | 175 | 138 | $-21.1 \%$ |
| November 2018 | 177 | 151 | $-14.7 \%$ |
| December 2018 | 175 | 162 | $-7.4 \%$ |
| January 2019 | 169 | 155 | $-8.3 \%$ |
| February 2019 | 170 | 163 | $-4.1 \%$ |
| March 2019 | 159 | 165 | $+3.8 \%$ |
| April 2019 | 149 | 155 | $+4.0 \%$ |
| May 2019 | 149 | 155 | $+4.0 \%$ |
| June 2019 | 147 | 145 | $-1.4 \%$ |
| July 2019 | 152 | 148 | $-2.6 \%$ |
| August 2019 | $\mathbf{1 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 1}$ | $\mathbf{+ 2 . 5 \%}$ |
| 12-Month Avg | 163 | 154 | $-5.5 \%$ |

## Historical Housing Affordability Index



## Inventory of Homes for Sale



Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale


## Months Supply of Homes for Sale

## August



| Month | Prior <br> Year | Current <br> Year | $+/-$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 2018 | 4.4 | 4.4 | $0.0 \%$ |
| October 2018 | 4.3 | 4.3 | $0.0 \%$ |
| November 2018 | 3.8 | 3.9 | $+2.6 \%$ |
| December 2018 | 3.3 | 3.4 | $+3.0 \%$ |
| January 2019 | 3.4 | 3.5 | $+2.9 \%$ |
| February 2019 | 3.6 | 3.7 | $+2.8 \%$ |
| March 2019 | 3.8 | 4.1 | $+7.9 \%$ |
| April 2019 | 4.0 | 4.8 | $+20.0 \%$ |
| May 2019 | 4.5 | 4.9 | $+8.9 \%$ |
| June 2019 | 4.3 | 5.0 | $+16.3 \%$ |
| July 2019 | 4.4 | 4.8 | $+9.1 \%$ |
| August 2019 | 4.3 | 4.1 | $\mathbf{- 4 . 7 \%}$ |
| 12-Month Avg | 4.0 | 4.2 | $+5.0 \%$ |

## Historical Months Supply of Homes for Sale



## Annual Review

Closed Sales


## Median Sales Price



## Days on Market



Percent of Original List Price Received


