# **Monthly Indicators**

NORTH PALM BEACH COUNTY



#### August 2018

Rising home prices, higher interest rates and increased building material costs have pressured housing affordability to a ten-year low, according to the National Association of Home Builders. Keen market observers have been watching this situation take shape for quite some time. Nationally, median household income has risen 2.6% in the last 12 months, while home prices are up 6.0%. That kind of gap will eventually create fewer sales due to affordability concerns, which is happening in several markets, especially in the middle to high-middle price ranges.

New Listings decreased 10.9 percent for Single Family homes and 12.8 percent for Townhouse/Condo homes. Pending Sales decreased 18.8 percent for Single Family homes and 9.5 percent for Townhouse/Condo homes. Inventory decreased 5.1 percent for Single Family homes and 5.3 percent for Townhouse/Condo homes.

Median Sales Price increased 1.3 percent to \$356,000 for Single Family homes and 3.0 percent to \$184,950 for Townhouse/Condo homes. Median Time to Contract decreased 3.0 percent for Single Family homes and 2.9 percent for Townhouse/Condo homes. Months Supply of Inventory increased 2.0 percent for Single Family homes but decreased 4.0 percent for Townhouse/Condo homes.

While some are starting to look for recessionary signs like fewer sales, dropping prices and even foreclosures, others are taking a more cautious and research-based approached to their predictions. The fact remains that the trends do not yet support a dramatic shift away from what has been experienced over the last several years. Housing starts are performing admirably if not excitingly, prices are still inching upward, supply remains low and consumers are optimistic. The U.S. economy is under scrutiny but certainly not deteriorating.

#### **Quick Facts**

- 6.1%	+ 2.8%	- 5.2%	
Change in	Change in	Change in	
Closed Sales	Median Sales Price	Homes for Sale	
All Properties	All Properties	All Properties	
	Closed Sales	Change in Change in Closed Sales Median Sales Price	Change in Change in Change in Closed Sales Median Sales Price Homes for Sale

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## **Single Family Market Overview**

Key metrics by report month and for year-to-date (YTD) starting from the first of the year. Single Family properties only.



Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	8-2017	8-2018	% Change	YTD 2017	YTD 2018	% Change
Closed Sales	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	679	646	- 4.9%	5,481	5,268	- 3.9%
Median Sales Price	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$351,500	\$356,000	+ 1.3%	\$350,000	\$373,000	+ 6.6%
Average Sales Price	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$548,565	\$551,717	+ 0.6%	\$569,692	\$649,513	+ 14.0%
Dollar Volume of Closed Sales (in millions)	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$372	\$356	- 4.3%	\$3,120	\$3,414	+ 9.4%
Percent of Original List Price Received	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	93.6%	94.0%	+ 0.4%	93.6%	93.6%	0.0%
Housing Affordability Index	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	94	86	- 8.5%	94	82	- 12.8%
Median Time to Contract	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	33	32	- 3.0%	36	33	- 8.3%
Pending Sales	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	643	522	- 18.8%	5,639	5,363	- 4.9%
New Listings	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	1,102	982	- 10.9%	8,501	8,420	- 1.0%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	3,220	3,056	- 5.1%	_	_	_
Months Supply of Inventory	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	4.9	5.0	+ 2.0%	_	_	_

#### **Townhouse/Condo Market Overview**

Key metrics by report month and for year-to-date (YTD) starting from the first of the year. Townhouse/Condo properties only.

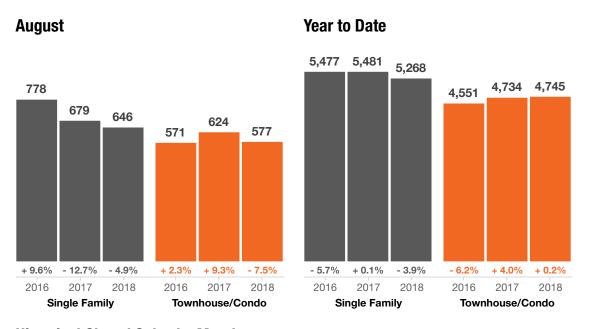


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	8-2017	8-2018	% Change	YTD 2017	YTD 2018	% Change
Closed Sales	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	624	577	- 7.5%	4,734	4,745	+ 0.2%
Median Sales Price	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$179,500	\$184,950	+ 3.0%	\$172,250	\$188,000	+ 9.1%
Average Sales Price	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$243,778	\$288,394	+ 18.3%	\$253,926	\$299,213	+ 17.8%
Dollar Volume of Closed Sales (in millions)	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$152	\$166	+ 9.2%	\$1,200	\$1,417	+ 18.1%
Percent of Original List Price Received	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	93.3%	93.9%	+ 0.6%	92.8%	93.3%	+ 0.5%
Housing Affordability Index	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	183	166	- 9.3%	191	163	- 14.7%
Median Time to Contract	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	34	33	- 2.9%	35	37	+ 5.7%
Pending Sales	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	550	498	- 9.5%	4,899	4,843	- 1.1%
New Listings	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	929	810	- 12.8%	7,258	7,192	- 0.9%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	2,819	2,671	- 5.3%	_	_	_
Months Supply of Inventory	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	5.0	4.8	- 4.0%	_	_	_

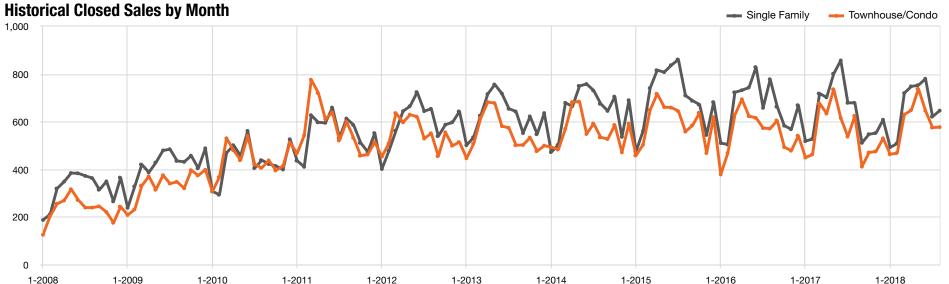
#### **Closed Sales**

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





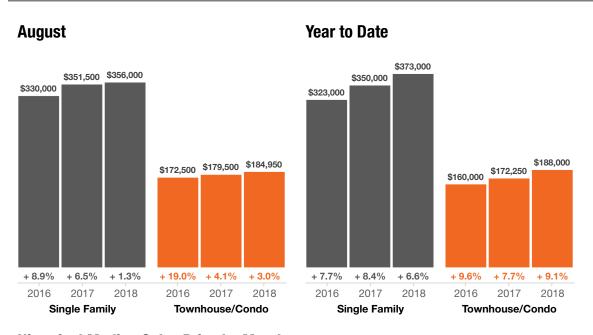
Closed Sales	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	511	- 22.9%	411	- 32.1%
Oct-2017	547	- 6.2%	470	- 4.7%
Nov-2017	552	- 2.8%	475	- 0.6%
Dec-2017	608	- 9.1%	530	- 2.0%
Jan-2018	492	- 5.0%	463	+ 3.1%
Feb-2018	508	- 3.6%	468	+ 1.3%
Mar-2018	720	+ 0.3%	630	- 6.9%
Apr-2018	748	+ 6.6%	648	+ 2.2%
May-2018	753	- 6.0%	738	+ 0.3%
Jun-2018	780	- 9.0%	646	+ 5.0%
Jul-2018	621	- 8.5%	575	+ 7.1%
Aug-2018	646	- 4.9%	577	- 7.5%
12-Month Avg	624	- 6.0%	553	- 3.2%



#### **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.





Median Sales Price	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	\$355,000	+ 8.9%	\$183,000	+ 14.4%
Oct-2017	\$330,000	- 2.4%	\$171,000	+ 4.6%
Nov-2017	\$350,222	+ 13.0%	\$177,000	+ 10.6%
Dec-2017	\$365,000	+ 9.0%	\$165,000	- 2.9%
Jan-2018	\$334,500	+ 4.5%	\$175,000	+ 17.4%
Feb-2018	\$379,450	+ 16.8%	\$175,900	+ 9.9%
Mar-2018	\$385,000	+ 11.9%	\$175,000	+ 6.1%
Apr-2018	\$390,000	+ 8.3%	\$199,250	+ 13.9%
May-2018	\$375,000	+ 7.1%	\$190,000	+ 2.7%
Jun-2018	\$375,000	+ 4.2%	\$204,000	+ 13.3%
Jul-2018	\$372,500	+ 7.0%	\$180,000	0.0%
Aug-2018	\$356,000	+ 1.3%	\$184,950	+ 3.0%
12-Month Avg*	\$365,000	+ 7.4%	\$182,500	+ 7.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Median Sales Price for all properties from September 2017 through August 2018. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



# **Average Sales Price**

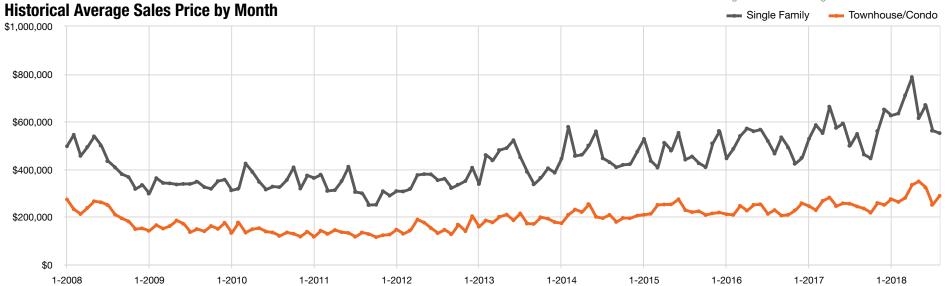
Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



August		Year to Date	
\$465,760	\$288,394 \$228,481 \$243,778	\$569,692	\$299,213 \$231,406 \$253,926
+ 2.7% + 17.8% + 0.6%	+ 3.9% + 6.7% + 18.3%	+ 10.1% + 8.7% + 14.0%	- 3.5% + 9.7% + 17.8%
2016 2017 2018	2016 2017 2018	2016 2017 2018	2016 2017 2018
Single Family	Townhouse/Condo	Single Family	Townhouse/Condo

Avg. Sales Price	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	\$462,165	- 13.5%	\$234,938	+ 14.3%
Oct-2017	\$445,456	- 9.3%	\$217,658	+ 4.4%
Nov-2017	\$560,165	+ 32.5%	\$258,318	+ 13.7%
Dec-2017	\$651,010	+ 45.5%	\$250,362	- 2.7%
Jan-2018	\$625,853	+ 18.4%	\$274,430	+ 12.0%
Feb-2018	\$634,306	+ 8.3%	\$262,601	+ 15.0%
Mar-2018	\$710,665	+ 28.8%	\$279,567	+ 4.7%
Apr-2018	\$787,182	+ 18.8%	\$334,263	+ 18.9%
May-2018	\$614,732	+ 7.1%	\$348,843	+ 42.3%
Jun-2018	\$670,057	+ 13.1%	\$323,755	+ 26.0%
Jul-2018	\$561,915	+ 12.7%	\$250,669	- 1.7%
Aug-2018	\$551,717	+ 0.6%	\$288,394	+ 18.3%
12-Month Avg*	\$615,333	+ 13.9%	\$282,616	+ 15.4%

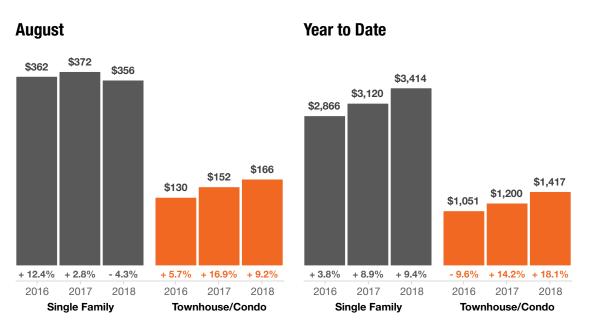
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## **Dollar Volume of Closed Sales (in millions)**

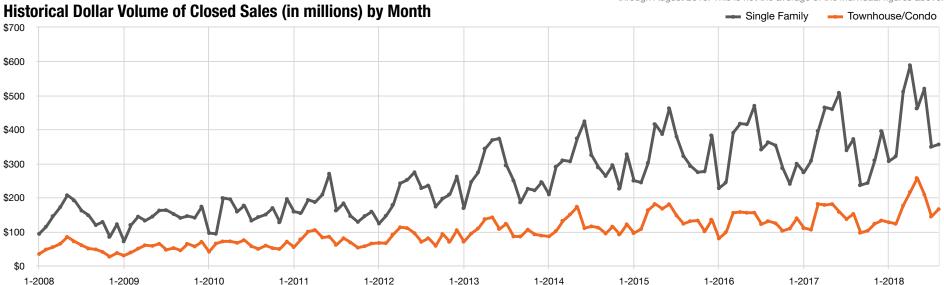
The total dollar volume for all closed sales in a given month (in millions). Does not account for seller concessions.



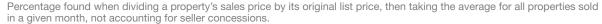


\$ Volume of Closed Sales (in millions)	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	\$236	- 33.1%	\$96	- 22.6%
Oct-2017	\$243	- 15.0%	\$102	0.0%
Nov-2017	\$309	+ 28.8%	\$123	+ 12.8%
Dec-2017	\$395	+ 32.1%	\$132	- 5.0%
Jan-2018	\$307	+ 12.0%	\$127	+ 15.5%
Feb-2018	\$321	+ 4.2%	\$123	+ 17.1%
Mar-2018	\$511	+ 29.0%	\$176	- 2.8%
Apr-2018	\$589	+ 26.7%	\$216	+ 21.3%
May-2018	\$462	+ 0.4%	\$257	+ 42.8%
Jun-2018	\$520	+ 2.4%	\$208	+ 31.6%
Jul-2018	\$349	+ 2.9%	\$144	+ 5.9%
Aug-2018	\$356	- 4.3%	\$166	+ 9.2%
12-Month Avg*	\$4,597	+ 7.0%	\$1,870	+ 11.7%

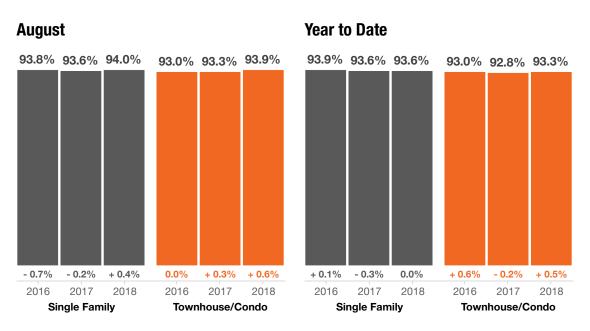
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## **Percent of Original List Price Received**

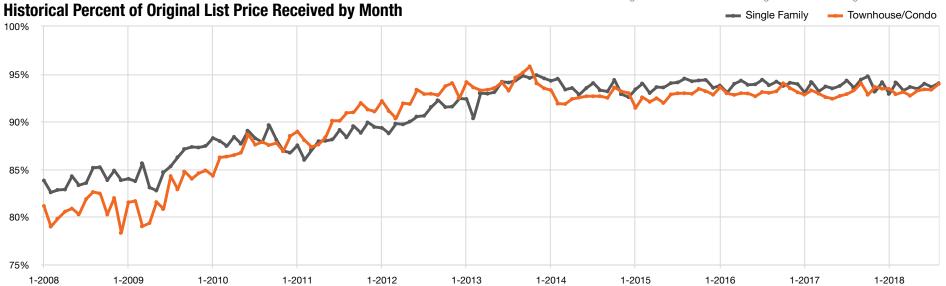






Pct. of Orig. Price Received	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	94.4%	+ 0.2%	94.0%	+ 0.9%
Oct-2017	94.8%	+ 1.1%	92.8%	- 1.3%
Nov-2017	93.1%	- 1.1%	93.7%	+ 0.2%
Dec-2017	94.1%	+ 0.2%	93.5%	+ 0.4%
Jan-2018	92.9%	- 0.1%	93.5%	+ 0.8%
Feb-2018	94.1%	- 0.1%	92.9%	- 0.4%
Mar-2018	93.3%	+ 0.1%	93.1%	+ 0.2%
Apr-2018	93.6%	- 0.1%	92.7%	+ 0.1%
May-2018	93.4%	- 0.1%	93.2%	+ 0.9%
Jun-2018	94.0%	+ 0.2%	93.4%	+ 0.8%
Jul-2018	93.6%	- 0.7%	93.3%	+ 0.4%
Aug-2018	94.0%	+ 0.4%	93.9%	+ 0.6%
12-Month Avg*	93.8%	+ 0.0%	93.3%	+ 0.3%

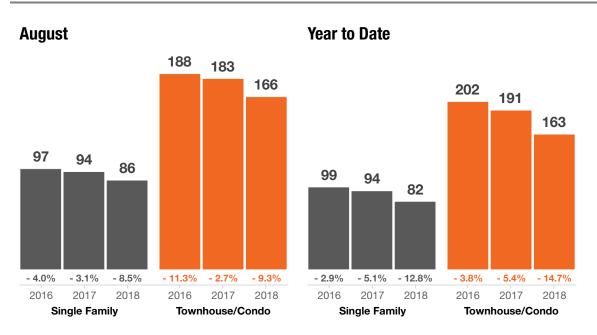
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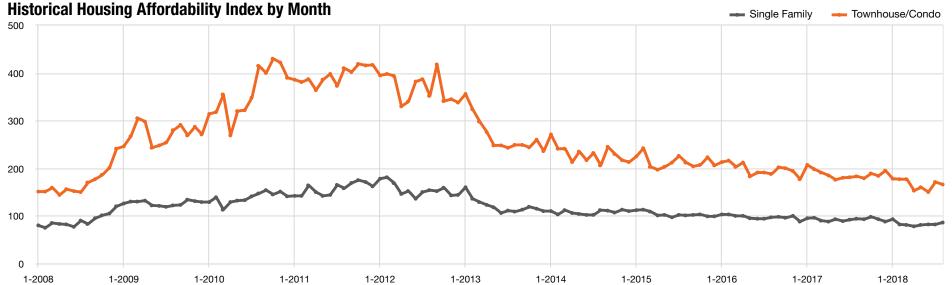
## **Housing Affordability Index**



This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, 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.



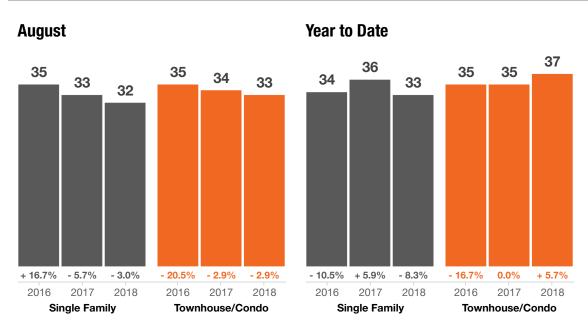
Affordability Index	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	93	- 5.1%	179	- 11.4%
Oct-2017	98	+ 2.1%	189	- 5.5%
Nov-2017	93	- 7.0%	184	- 5.2%
Dec-2017	88	0.0%	195	+ 10.2%
Jan-2018	93	- 2.1%	178	- 14.0%
Feb-2018	82	- 14.6%	177	- 10.6%
Mar-2018	81	- 10.0%	177	- 7.3%
Apr-2018	78	- 11.4%	153	- 17.3%
May-2018	81	- 12.9%	160	- 9.1%
Jun-2018	82	- 7.9%	150	- 16.7%
Jul-2018	82	- 10.9%	171	- 5.5%
Aug-2018	86	- 8.5%	166	- 9.3%
12-Month Avg	86	- 7.5%	173	- 8.9%



#### **Median Time to Contract**

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





Median Time to Contract	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	28	- 12.5%	35	- 2.8%
Oct-2017	34	+ 17.2%	35	+ 9.4%
Nov-2017	40	+ 17.6%	36	+ 9.1%
Dec-2017	39	+ 8.3%	34	- 15.0%
Jan-2018	38	0.0%	32	- 13.5%
Feb-2018	38	- 11.6%	38	+ 5.6%
Mar-2018	40	+ 2.6%	36	+ 2.9%
Apr-2018	28	- 26.3%	36	+ 9.1%
May-2018	34	- 8.1%	40	+ 11.1%
Jun-2018	32	- 8.6%	38	0.0%
Jul-2018	33	+ 22.2%	40	+ 11.1%
Aug-2018	32	- 3.0%	33	- 2.9%
12-Month Avg*	34	- 2.9%	36	+ 2.9%

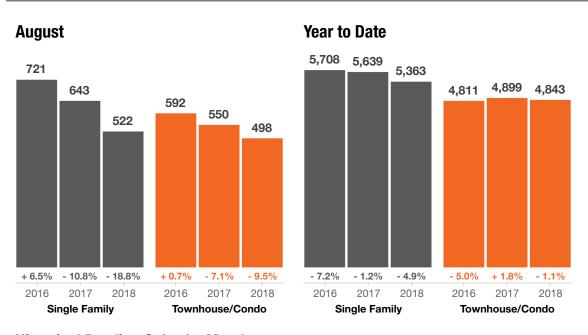
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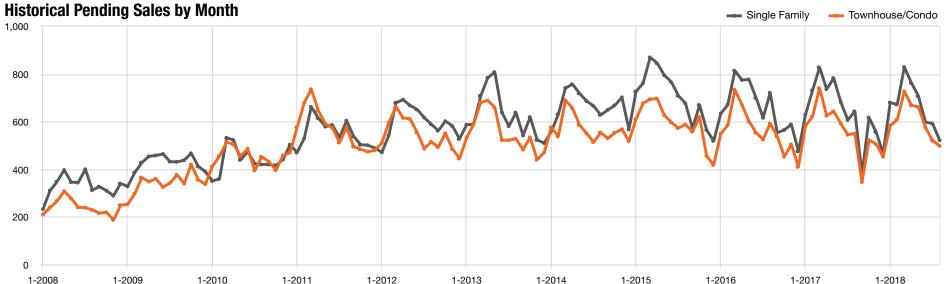
## **Pending Sales**

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





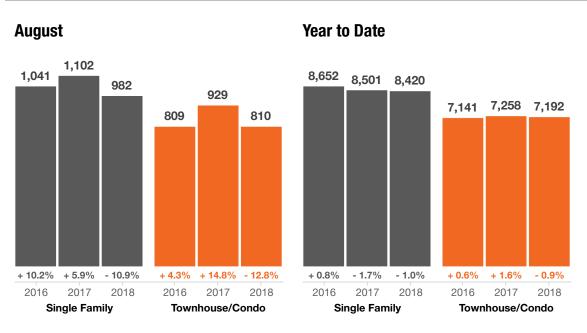
Pending Sales	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	377	- 31.8%	346	- 35.8%
Oct-2017	617	+ 9.2%	522	+ 15.2%
Nov-2017	557	- 5.3%	507	+ 0.6%
Dec-2017	466	- 1.9%	453	+ 10.5%
Jan-2018	680	+ 8.1%	583	+ 0.2%
Feb-2018	672	- 8.1%	608	- 2.1%
Mar-2018	829	+ 0.1%	727	- 1.9%
Apr-2018	763	+ 3.7%	669	+ 7.0%
May-2018	707	- 9.7%	662	+ 3.0%
Jun-2018	598	- 12.3%	575	- 2.9%
Jul-2018	592	- 2.5%	521	- 4.4%
Aug-2018	522	- 18.8%	498	- 9.5%
12-Month Avg	615	- 5.7%	556	- 1.9%



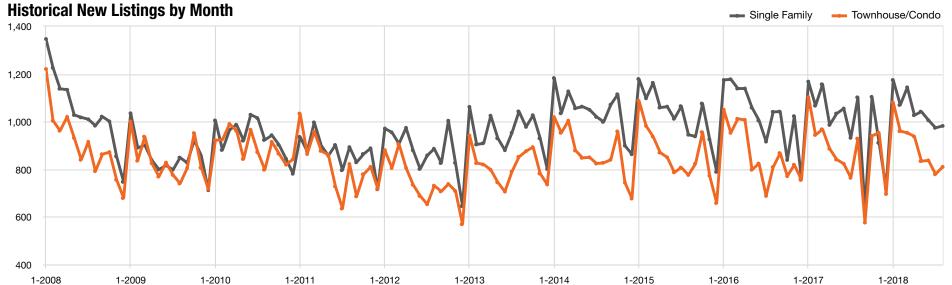
## **New Listings**

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





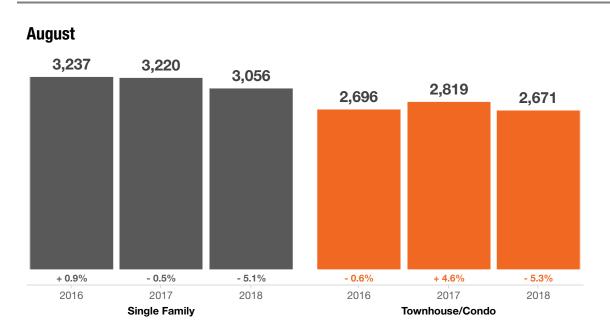
New Listings	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change
Sep-2017	634	- 39.2%	576	- 33.6%
Oct-2017	1,104	+ 31.6%	940	+ 21.9%
Nov-2017	911	- 10.9%	954	+ 16.5%
Dec-2017	720	- 5.4%	696	- 7.8%
Jan-2018	1,175	+ 0.6%	1,081	- 2.0%
Feb-2018	1,070	+ 0.3%	960	+ 1.7%
Mar-2018	1,144	- 1.1%	953	- 1.5%
Apr-2018	1,027	+ 4.2%	938	+ 5.9%
May-2018	1,042	+ 0.8%	834	- 0.8%
Jun-2018	1,006	- 4.6%	837	+ 1.7%
Jul-2018	974	+ 4.5%	779	+ 2.0%
Aug-2018	982	- 10.9%	810	- 12.8%
12-Month Avg	982	- 3.2%	863	- 1.1%



## **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

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





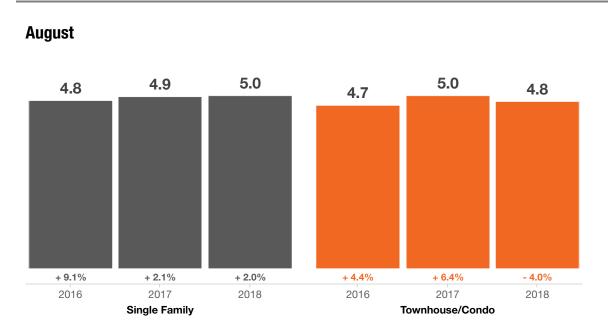
Homes for Sale	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change		
Sep-2017	3,186	- 5.4%	2,795	+ 1.7%		
Oct-2017	3,313	- 1.4%	2,875	+ 3.2%		
Nov-2017	3,299	- 4.1%	3,079	+ 8.1%		
Dec-2017	3,202	- 4.2%	3,023	+ 4.4%		
Jan-2018	3,374	- 5.2%	3,201	+ 1.6%		
Feb-2018	3,487	- 2.8%	3,264	+ 1.8%		
Mar-2018	3,443	- 3.2%	3,165	+ 1.2%		
Apr-2018	3,346	- 3.2%	3,097	+ 0.3%		
May-2018	3,267	- 0.6%	2,904	- 1.5%		
Jun-2018	3,250	- 0.7%	2,846	0.0%		
Jul-2018	3,189	- 1.3%	2,772	0.0%		
Aug-2018	3,056	- 5.1%	2,671	- 5.3%		
12-Month Avg	3,284	- 3.1%	2,974	+ 1.3%		



# **Months Supply of Inventory**

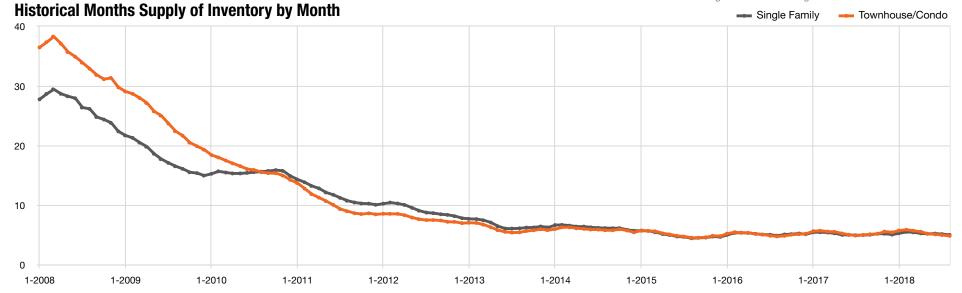






Months Supply	Single Family	Year-Over-Year Change	Townhouse / Condo	Year-Over-Year Change	
Sep-2017	5.0	0.0%	5.1	+ 6.3%	
Oct-2017	5.2	+ 2.0%	5.2	+ 4.0%	
Nov-2017	5.2	0.0%	5.5	+ 7.8%	
Dec-2017	5.0	- 2.0%	5.4	+ 3.8%	
Jan-2018	5.3	- 1.9%	5.7	+ 1.8%	
Feb-2018	5.5	+ 1.9%	5.8	+ 1.8%	
Mar-2018	5.4	0.0%	5.7	+ 3.6%	
Apr-2018	5.2	0.0%	5.5	0.0%	
May-2018	5.2	+ 4.0%	5.2	0.0%	
Jun-2018	5.2	+ 4.0%	5.1	+ 2.0%	
Jul-2018	5.1	+ 4.1%	4.9	0.0%	
Aug-2018	5.0	+ 2.0%	4.8	- 4.0%	
12-Month Avg*	5.2	+ 0.8%	5.3	+ 2.3%	

<sup>\*</sup> Months Supply for all properties from September 2017 through August 2018. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



#### **Total Market Overview**

Key metrics by report month and for year-to-date (YTD) starting from the first of the year.



Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	8-2017	8-2018	% Change	YTD 2017	YTD 2018	% Change
Closed Sales	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	1,303	1,223	- 6.1%	10,215	10,013	- 2.0%
Median Sales Price	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$270,500	\$278,000	+ 2.8%	\$272,000	\$290,500	+ 6.8%
Average Sales Price	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$402,736	\$427,724	+ 6.2%	\$423,399	\$483,497	+ 14.2%
Dollar Volume of Closed Sales (in millions)	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	\$524	\$521	- 0.6%	\$4,320	\$4,831	+ 11.8%
Percent of Original List Price Received	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	93.4%	94.0%	+ 0.6%	93.3%	93.5%	+ 0.2%
Housing Affordability Index	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	120	110	- 8.3%	119	106	- 10.9%
Median Time to Contract	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	33	32	- 3.0%	36	35	- 2.8%
Pending Sales	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	1,193	1,020	- 14.5%	10,538	10,206	- 3.2%
New Listings	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	2,031	1,792	- 11.8%	15,759	15,612	- 0.9%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	6,039	5,727	- 5.2%	_	_	_
Months Supply of Inventory	8-2016 2-2017 8-2017 2-2018 8-2018	5.0	4.9	- 2.0%	_		_
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