

Monthly Indicators

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We're halfway through 2012, and what a year it's been. Residential real estate has finally taken some meaningful strides toward recovery, and they've all been self-powered without divine (or governmental) intervention. Yes, there have been some head fakes in the past, but there's real reason to believe that market turnaround awaits us. Beyond home prices, key metrics to watch include Days on Market, Percent of List Price Received and Months Supply of Inventory. Locally, a few indicators showed improvement. Let's see what the rest of our local data has to say.

New Listings in the Hilton Head region decreased 13.4 percent to 374. Pending Sales were up 18.3 percent to 317. Inventory levels shrank 19.8 percent to 2,669 units.

Prices were mostly stable. The Median Sales Price decreased 1.3 percent to \$230,000. Days on Market was down 20.9 percent to 125 days. The supply-demand balance stabilized as Months Supply of Inventory was down 31.3 percent to 9.8 months.

We seem to be at a critical inflection point in our attempts to spur more hiring. Job growth provides the dual benefit of stimulating new household growth as well as relieving distressed homeowners. There's also the positive feedback loop of housing creating jobs and jobs creating housing. Keeping the affordability picture afloat, the Fed has vowed to keep interest rates around 4.0 percent through mid-2013.

Quick Facts

+ 60.9% **- 1.3%** **- 19.8%**

Change in
Closed Sales

Change in
Median Sales Price

Change in
Inventory

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Market Overview

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



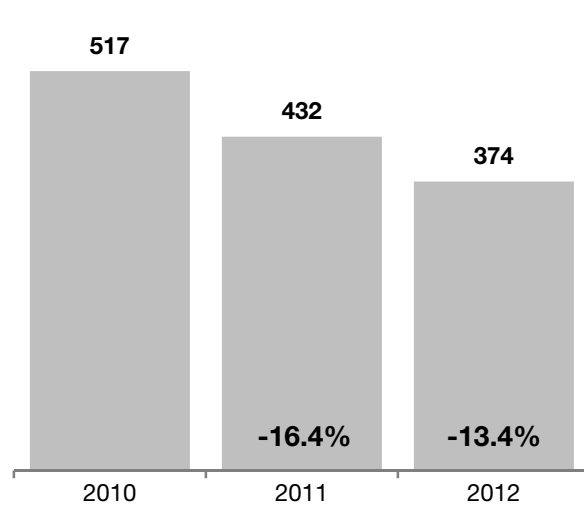
Key Metrics	Historical Sparklines	6-2011	6-2012	+ / -	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	+ / -
New Listings		432	374	- 13.4%	2,962	2,816	- 4.9%
Pending Sales		268	317	+ 18.3%	1,567	1,868	+ 19.2%
Closed Sales		215	346	+ 60.9%	1,331	1,633	+ 22.7%
Days on Market Until Sale		158	125	- 20.9%	146	134	- 8.2%
Median Sales Price		\$233,000	\$230,000	- 1.3%	\$229,900	\$225,440	- 1.9%
Average Sales Price		\$353,623	\$310,184	- 12.3%	\$330,386	\$321,177	- 2.8%
Percent of List Price Received		94.3%	94.9%	+ 0.7%	93.6%	94.3%	+ 0.8%
Housing Affordability Index		130	144	+ 10.7%	132	147	+ 11.3%
Inventory of Homes for Sale		3,328	2,669	- 19.8%	--	--	--
Months Supply of Homes for Sale		14.3	9.8	- 31.3%	--	--	--

New Listings

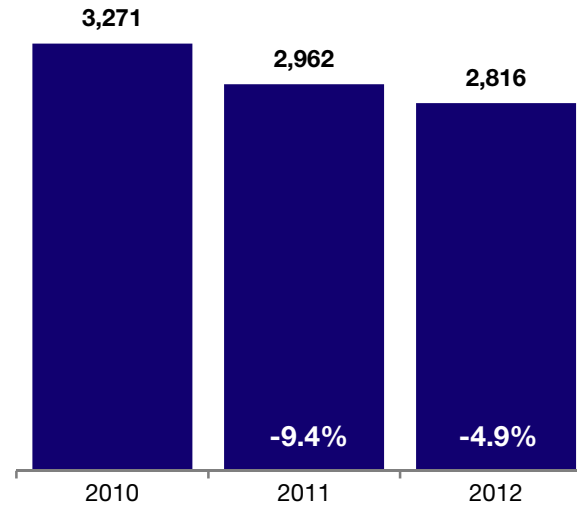
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.



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Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	502	383	-23.7%
August	523	455	-13.0%
September	496	422	-14.9%
October	401	399	-0.5%
November	339	365	+7.7%
December	309	291	-5.8%
January	430	482	+12.1%
February	504	466	-7.5%
March	581	539	-7.2%
April	557	525	-5.7%
May	458	430	-6.1%
June	432	374	-13.4%
12-Month Avg	461	428	-7.2%

Historical New Listing Activity

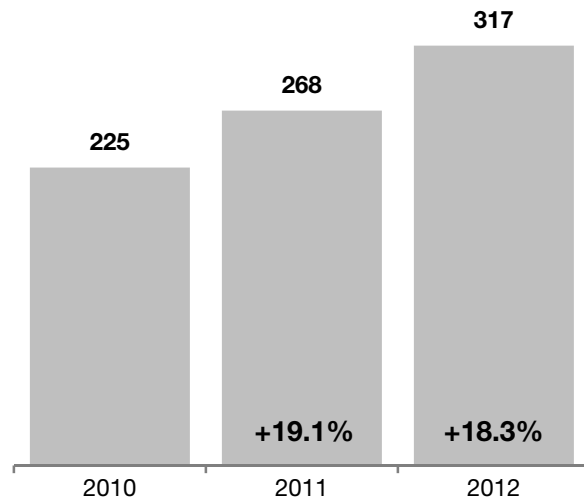


Pending Sales

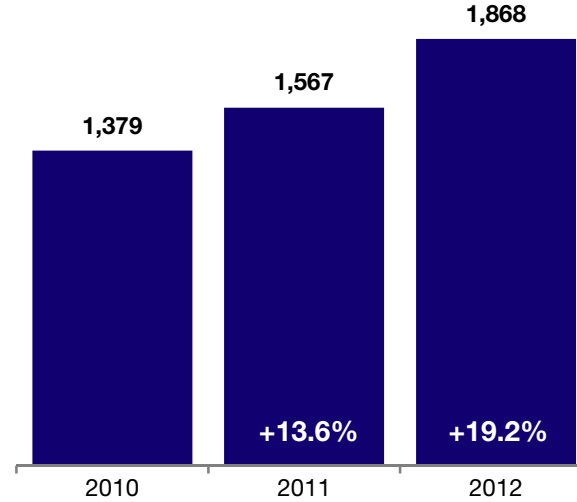
A count of the properties on which contracts have been accepted in a given month.



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Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	254	275	+8.3%
August	206	231	+12.1%
September	212	199	-6.1%
October	185	242	+30.8%
November	203	227	+11.8%
December	173	226	+30.6%
January	238	242	+1.7%
February	263	275	+4.6%
March	295	336	+13.9%
April	251	367	+46.2%
May	252	331	+31.3%
June	268	317	+18.3%
12-Month Avg	233	272	+16.7%

Historical Pending Sales Activity

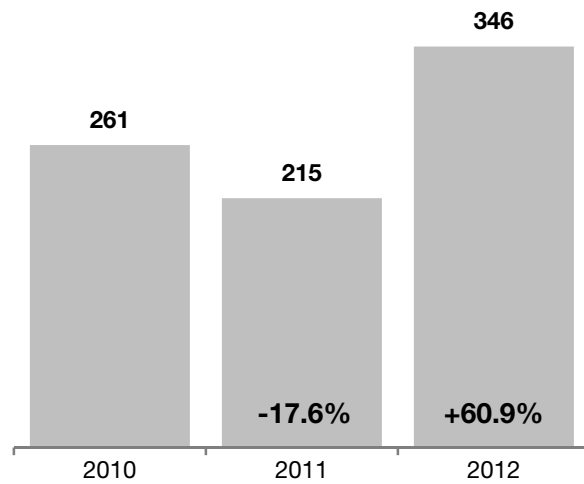


Closed Sales

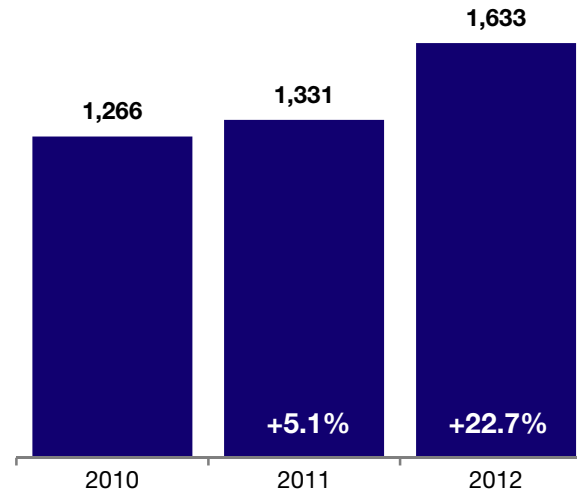
A count of the actual sales that have closed in a given month.



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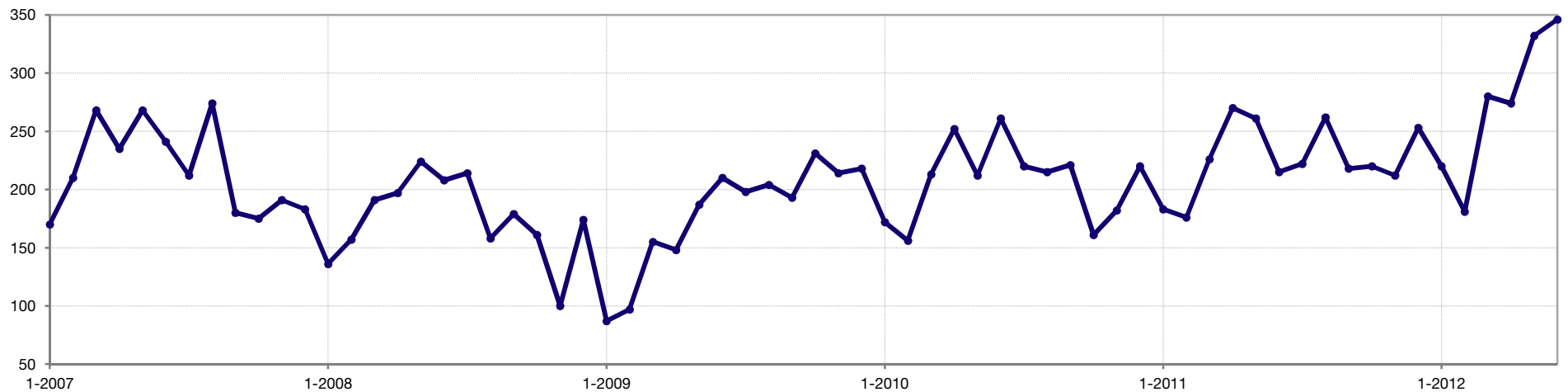


Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	220	222	+0.9%
August	215	262	+21.9%
September	221	218	-1.4%
October	161	220	+36.6%
November	182	212	+16.5%
December	220	253	+15.0%
January	183	220	+20.2%
February	176	181	+2.8%
March	226	280	+23.9%
April	270	274	+1.5%
May	261	332	+27.2%
June	215	346	+60.9%
12-Month Avg	213	252	+18.8%

Historical Closed Sales Activity

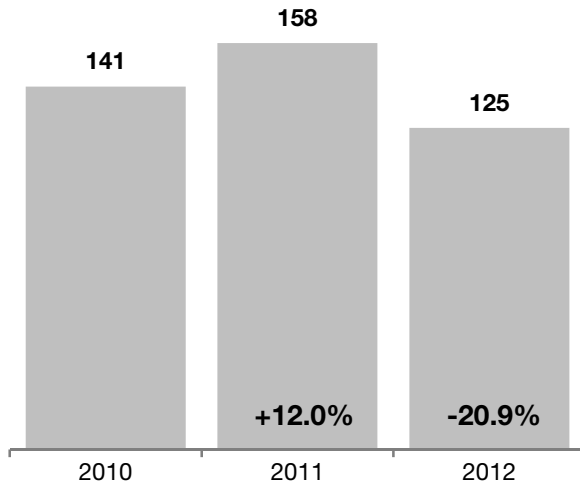


Days on Market Until Sale

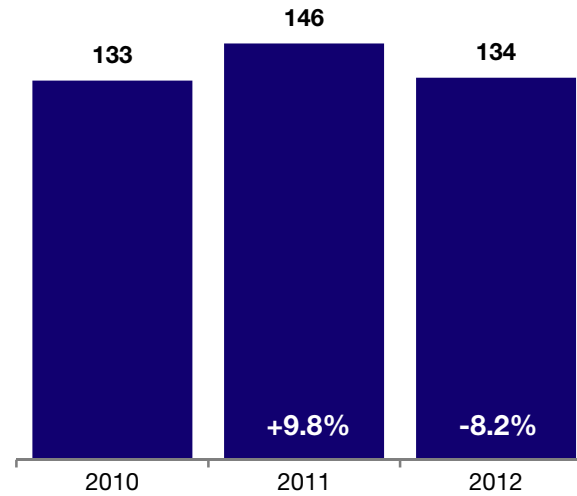
Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.



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Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	126	140	+11.3%
August	126	110	-12.8%
September	121	137	+13.2%
October	145	138	-4.4%
November	141	132	-6.4%
December	136	141	+4.0%
January	133	134	+1.4%
February	156	130	-17.0%
March	143	136	-5.3%
April	152	152	-0.1%
May	133	129	-3.6%
June	158	125	-20.9%
12-Month Avg	139	133	-4.1%

Historical Days on Market Until Sale



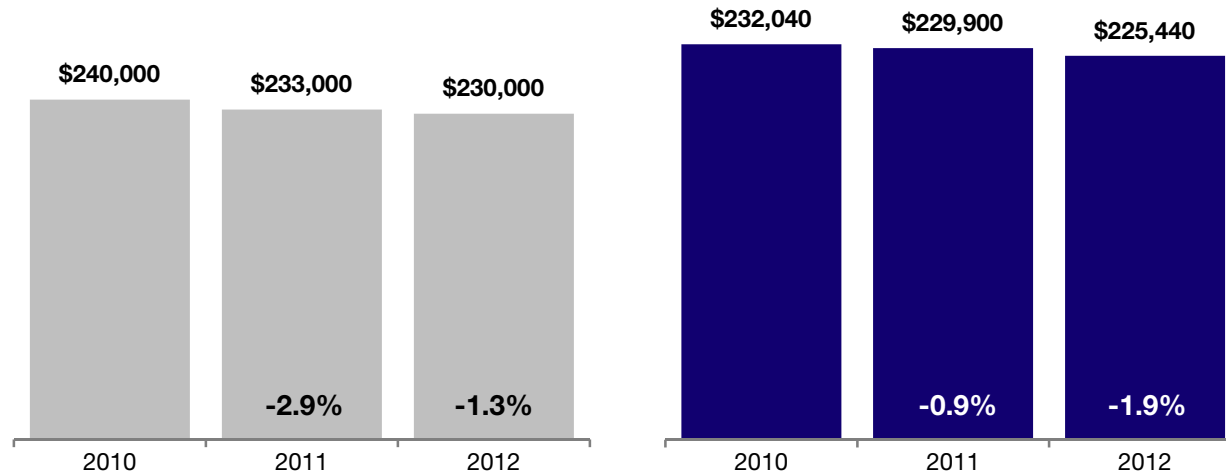
Median Sales Price

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



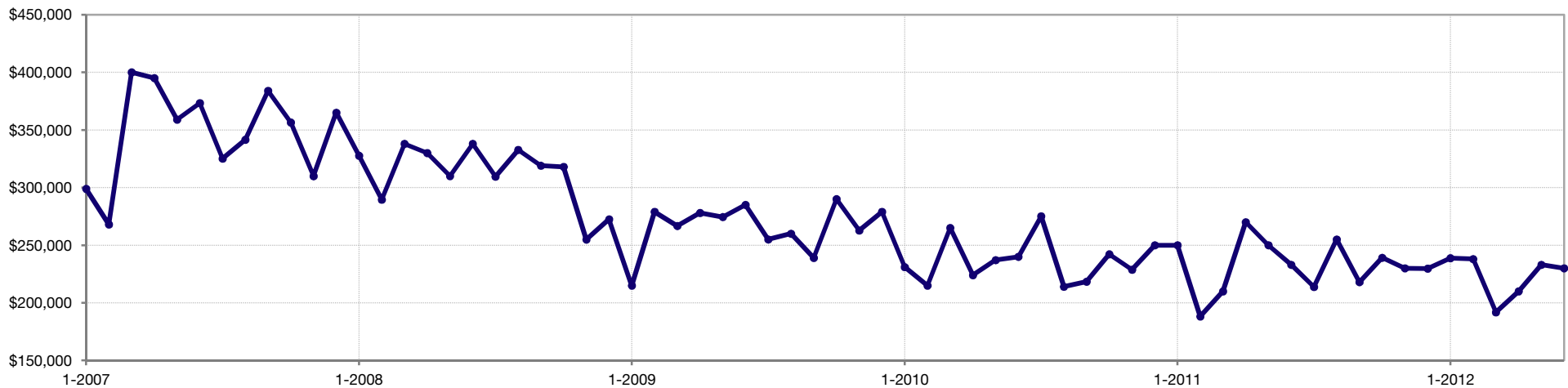
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Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	\$275,145	\$213,750	-22.3%
August	\$214,000	\$255,000	+19.2%
September	\$218,393	\$218,000	-0.2%
October	\$242,152	\$239,133	-1.2%
November	\$228,750	\$230,000	+0.5%
December	\$250,000	\$229,700	-8.1%
January	\$250,000	\$238,750	-4.5%
February	\$188,200	\$238,000	+26.5%
March	\$210,000	\$191,750	-8.7%
April	\$270,000	\$210,000	-22.2%
May	\$250,000	\$233,000	-6.8%
June	\$233,000	\$230,000	-1.3%
12-Month Med	\$235,000	\$225,220	-4.2%

Historical Median Sales Price



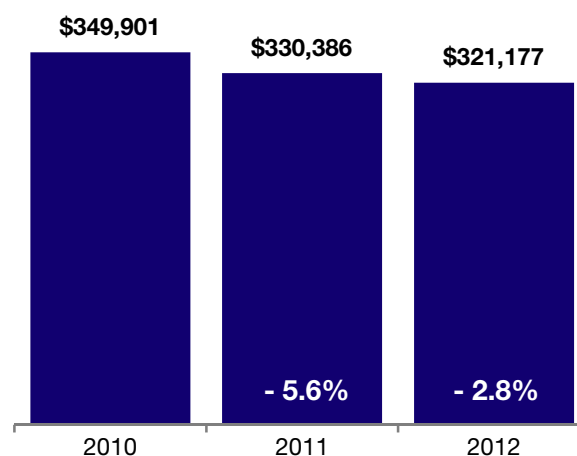
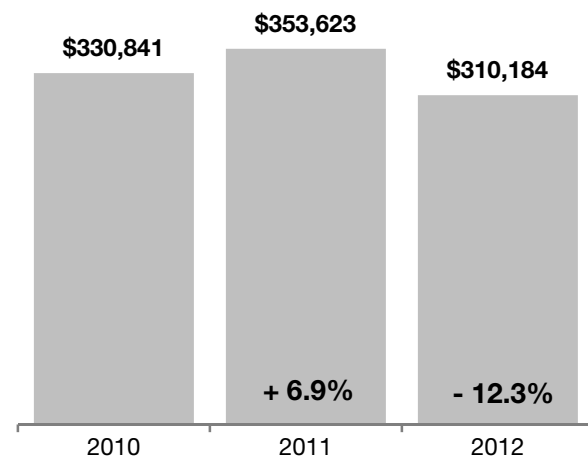
Average Sales Price

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



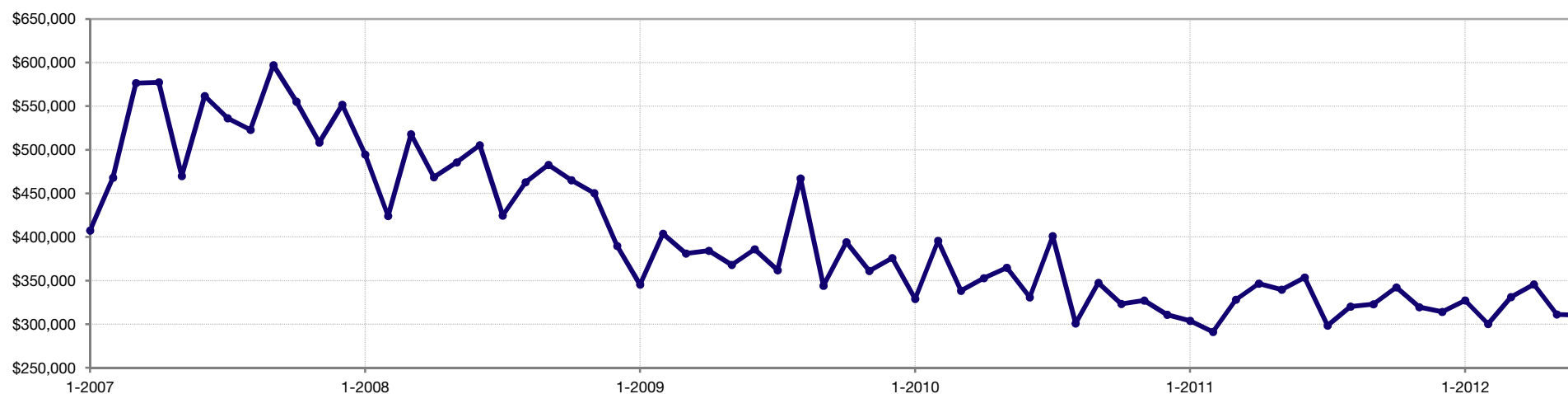
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Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	\$401,054	\$298,544	-25.6%
August	\$300,997	\$320,250	+6.4%
September	\$347,477	\$322,931	-7.1%
October	\$323,375	\$342,260	+5.8%
November	\$327,176	\$319,573	-2.3%
December	\$310,895	\$314,152	+1.0%
January	\$303,936	\$327,373	+7.7%
February	\$291,285	\$300,293	+3.1%
March	\$328,279	\$331,155	+0.9%
April	\$346,612	\$345,660	-0.3%
May	\$339,727	\$311,333	-8.4%
June	\$353,623	\$310,184	-12.3%
12-Month Avg	\$333,112	\$320,393	-3.8%

Historical Average Sales Price

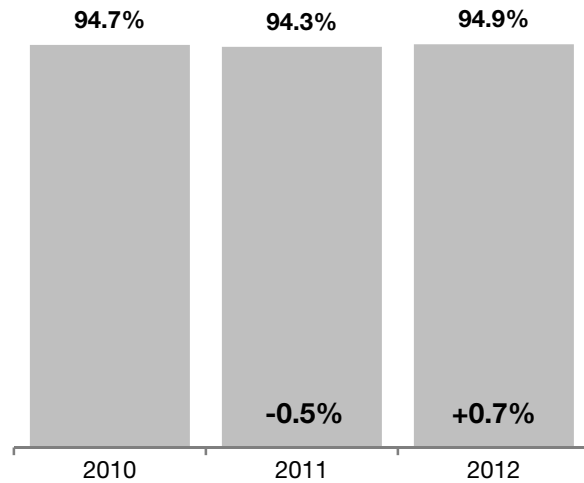


Percent of List Price Received

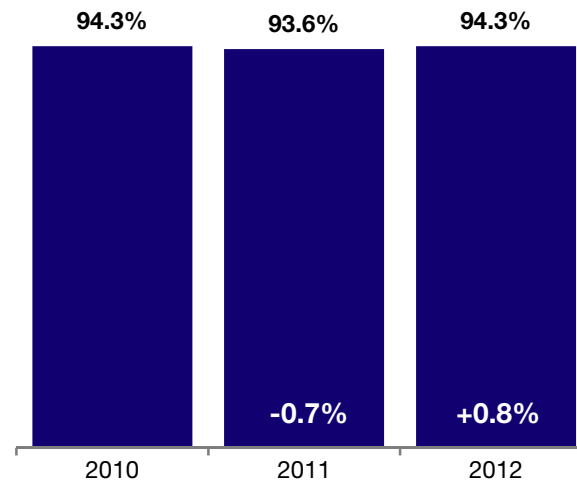
Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its last list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



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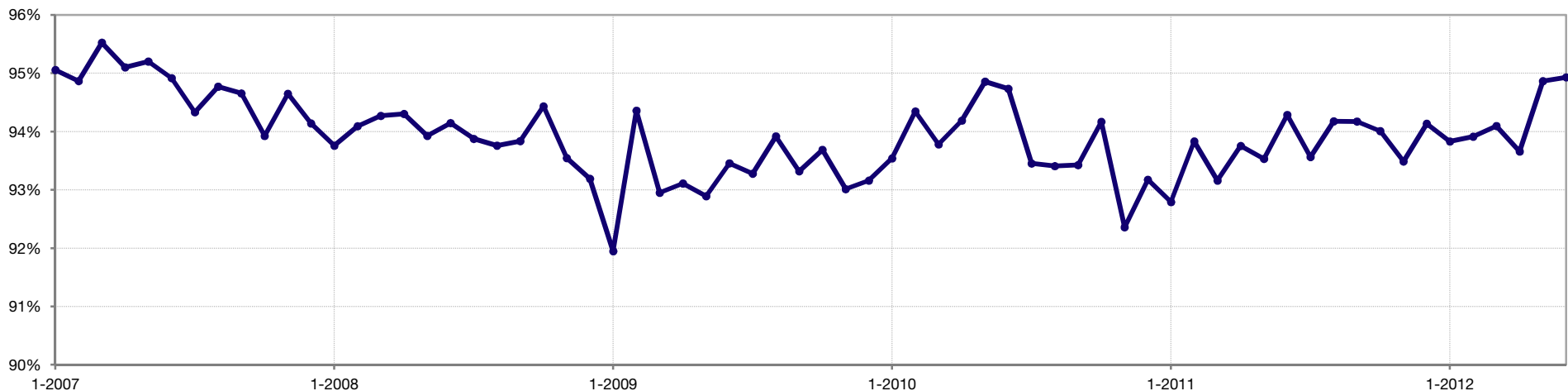


Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	93.5%	93.6%	+0.1%
August	93.4%	94.2%	+0.8%
September	93.4%	94.2%	+0.8%
October	94.2%	94.0%	-0.2%
November	92.4%	93.5%	+1.2%
December	93.2%	94.1%	+1.0%
January	92.8%	93.8%	+1.1%
February	93.8%	93.9%	+0.1%
March	93.2%	94.1%	+1.0%
April	93.8%	93.7%	-0.1%
May	93.5%	94.9%	+1.4%
June	94.3%	94.9%	+0.7%
12-Month Avg	93.5%	94.1%	+0.7%

Historical Percent of List Price Received



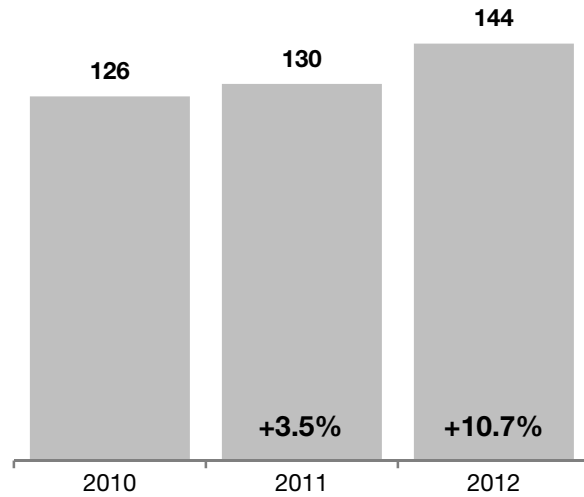
Housing Affordability Index

This index measures housing affordability for the region. 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.

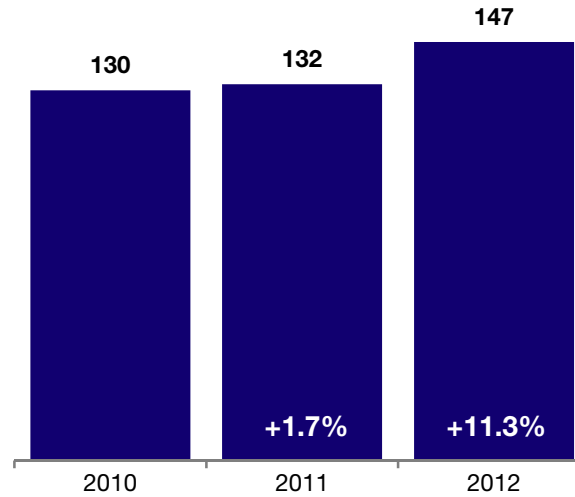
A higher number means greater affordability.



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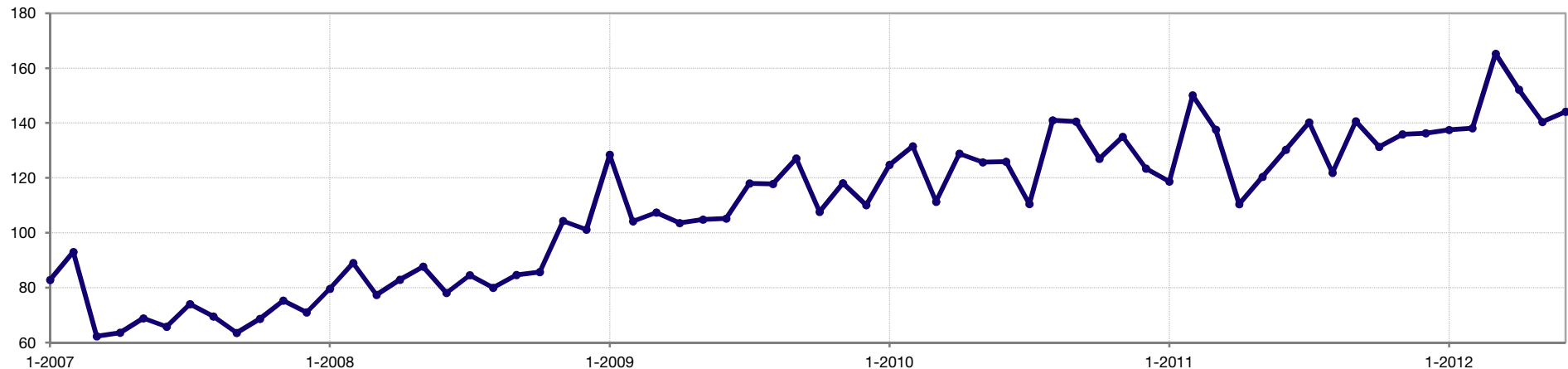


Year To Date



Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	110	140	+26.9%
August	141	122	-13.6%
September	141	141	+0.1%
October	127	131	+3.4%
November	135	136	+0.7%
December	123	136	+10.5%
January	119	137	+15.8%
February	150	138	-8.0%
March	138	165	+20.1%
April	110	152	+37.8%
May	120	140	+16.6%
June	130	144	+10.7%
12-Month Avg	129	140	+10.1%

Historical Housing Affordability Index

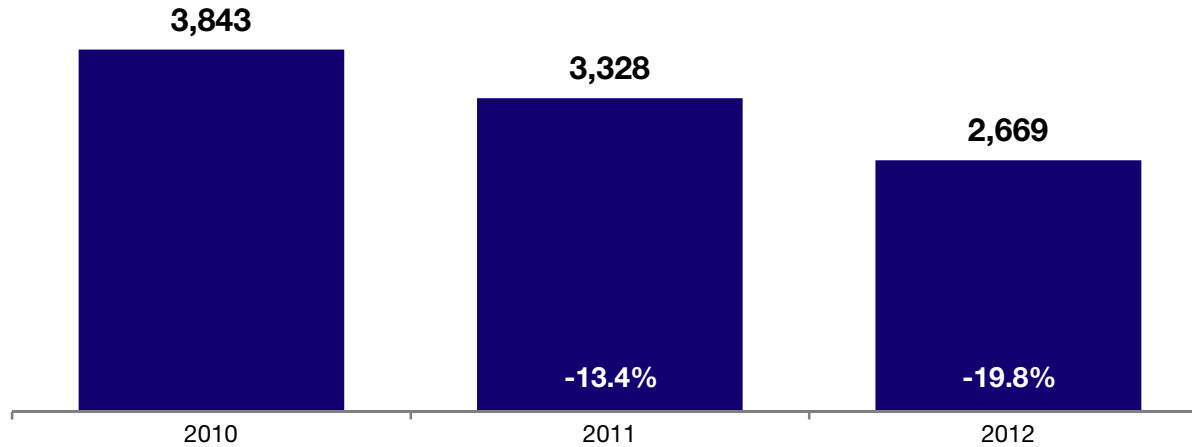


Inventory of Homes for Sale

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

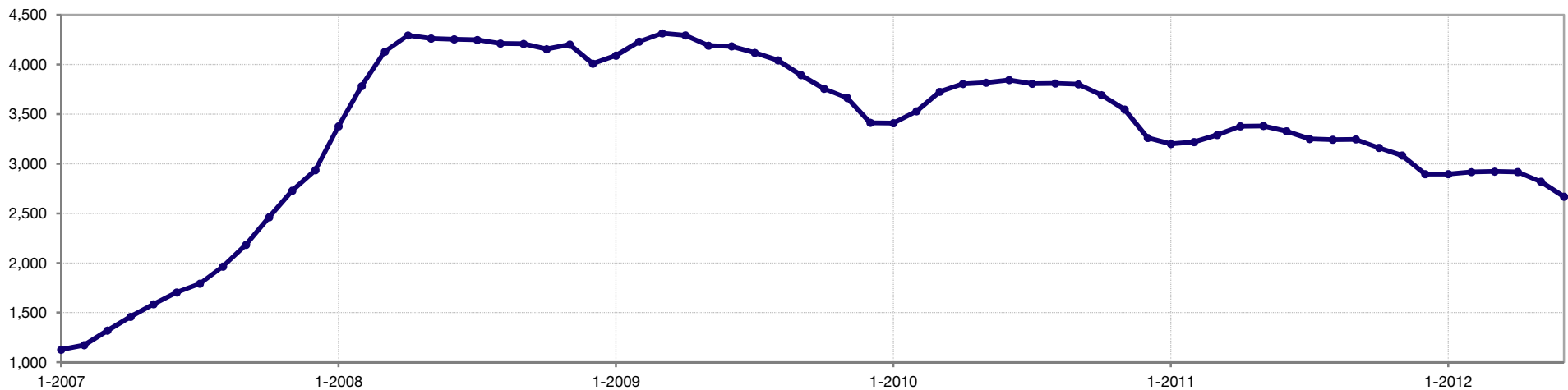


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Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	3,806	3,249	-14.6%
August	3,809	3,242	-14.9%
September	3,800	3,246	-14.6%
October	3,691	3,160	-14.4%
November	3,546	3,084	-13.0%
December	3,260	2,895	-11.2%
January	3,199	2,896	-9.5%
February	3,219	2,916	-9.4%
March	3,289	2,921	-11.2%
April	3,377	2,917	-13.6%
May	3,381	2,820	-16.6%
June	3,328	2,669	-19.8%
12-Month Avg	3,475	3,001	-13.6%

Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale

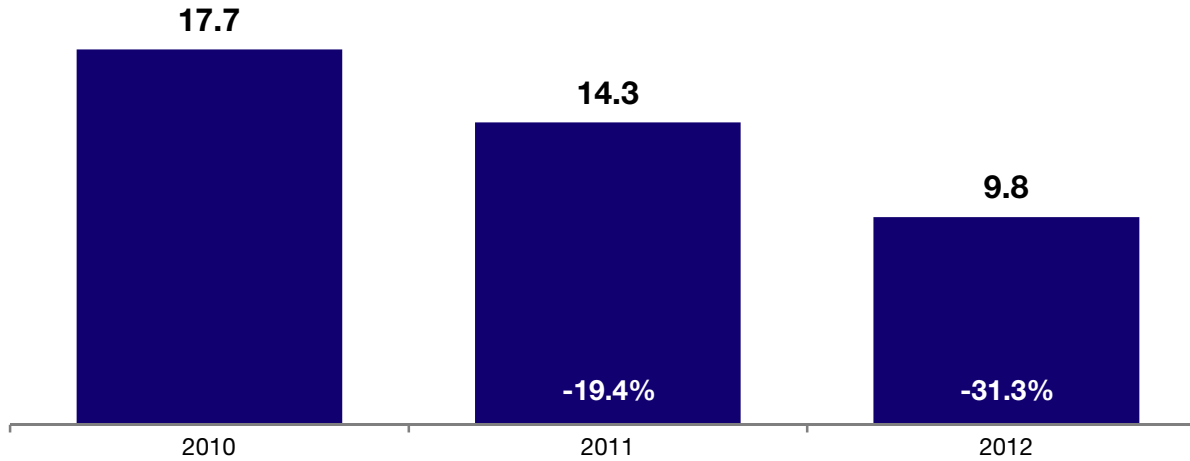


Months Supply of Inventory

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.



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Month	Prior Year	Current Year	+ / -
July	17.1	13.8	-19.3%
August	17.2	13.7	-20.6%
September	17.2	13.7	-20.1%
October	17.0	13.1	-22.9%
November	16.2	12.7	-21.7%
December	15.0	11.7	-21.8%
January	14.4	11.7	-18.8%
February	14.1	11.7	-17.1%
March	14.3	11.6	-18.9%
April	14.8	11.1	-24.8%
May	14.7	10.5	-28.6%
June	14.3	9.8	-31.3%
12-Month Avg	15.5	12.1	-22.1%

Historical Months Supply of Inventory

