

Monthly Indicators



May 2020

While the effects of COVID-19 in the broader economy continue, real estate activity is beginning to recover across much of the country. According to Freddie Mac, mortgage rates have been below 3.3 percent for more than four weeks and are hovering near all-time lows, spurring strong interest by buyers and lifting showing activity up 4% nationally versus a year ago in the final week of May.

New Listings were down 23.9 percent to 9,760. Pending Sales decreased 12.3 percent to 8,750. Inventory shrank 17.6 percent to 26,012 units.

Prices moved higher as Median Sales Price was up 4.7 percent to \$233,500. Days on Market decreased 10.1 percent to 71 days. Months Supply of Inventory was down 17.5 percent to 3.3 months, indicating that demand increased relative to supply.

Buyers have been quicker to return to the housing market in force than sellers, who have been showing a bit more reluctance to list their homes than is typical for this time of year. But trends are improving and as states and localities continue to moderate their COVID-19 policies, real estate activity is expected to continue to improve in the coming weeks.

Quick Facts

- 30.7%	+ 4.7%	- 17.5%
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One-Year Change in
Closed Sales

One-Year Change in
Median Sales Price

One-Year Change in
Months Supply

A research tool provided by South Carolina REALTORS®. Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures.

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Market Overview

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



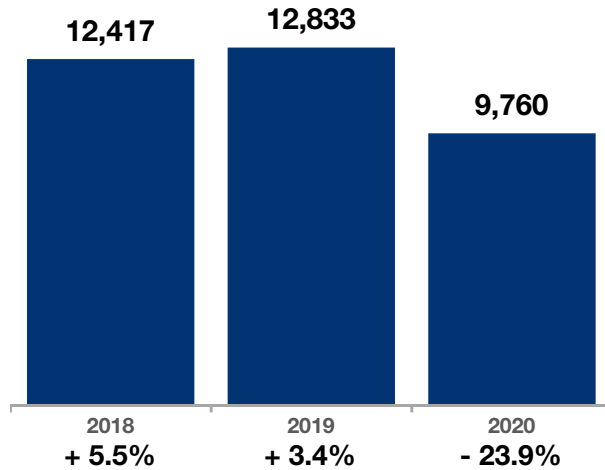
Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars			05-2019	05-2020	Percent Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	Percent Change
	05-2018	05-2019	05-2020						
New Listings				12,833	9,760	- 23.9%	58,368	49,429	- 15.3%
Pending Sales				9,981	8,750	- 12.3%	44,792	38,873	- 13.2%
Closed Sales				10,017	6,943	- 30.7%	38,749	33,865	- 12.6%
Days on Market				79	71	- 10.1%	87	81	- 6.9%
Median Sales Price				\$223,000	\$233,500	+ 4.7%	\$212,000	\$230,000	+ 8.5%
Average Sales Price				\$269,102	\$282,797	+ 5.1%	\$259,825	\$280,311	+ 7.9%
Pct. of List Price Received				97.7%	98.0%	+ 0.3%	97.4%	97.8%	+ 0.4%
Housing Affordability Index				106	101	- 4.7%	112	103	- 8.0%
Inventory of Homes for Sale				31,582	26,012	- 17.6%	--	--	--
Months Supply of Inventory				4.0	3.3	- 17.5%	--	--	--

New Listings

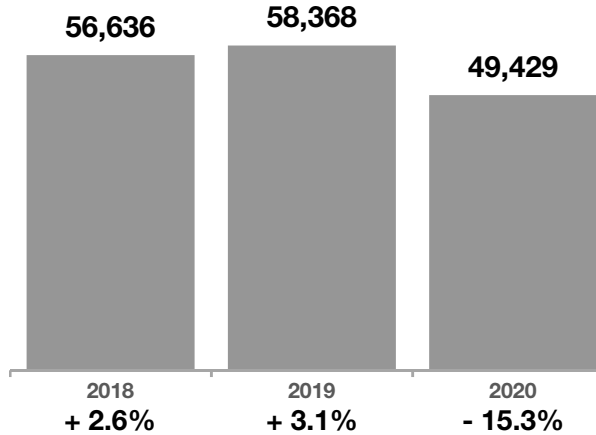
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.



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New Listings		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	11,377	11,575	-1.7%
July 2019	11,737	11,034	+6.4%
August 2019	11,365	11,646	-2.4%
September 2019	9,504	8,393	+13.2%
October 2019	10,397	10,454	-0.5%
November 2019	8,147	8,282	-1.6%
December 2019	6,180	6,020	+2.7%
January 2020	9,990	10,752	-7.1%
February 2020	9,889	10,304	-4.0%
March 2020	11,161	12,232	-8.8%
April 2020	8,629	12,247	-29.5%
May 2020	9,760	12,833	-23.9%
12-Month Avg	9,845	10,481	-6.1%

Historical New Listings by Month



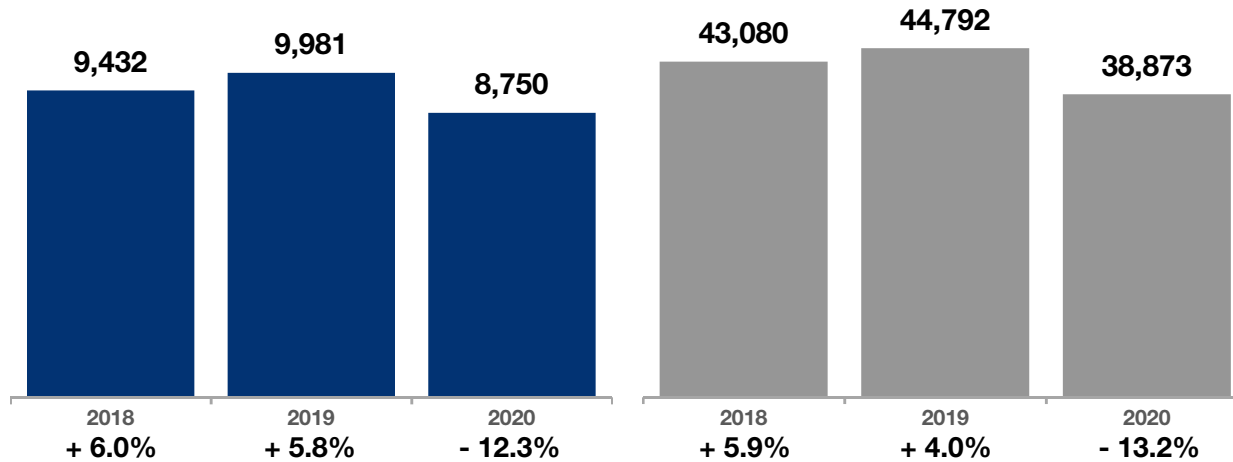
Pending Sales

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



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Pending Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	9,139	8,849	+3.3%
July 2019	9,382	8,817	+6.4%
August 2019	8,881	8,412	+5.6%
September 2019	7,380	6,073	+21.5%
October 2019	8,032	7,376	+8.9%
November 2019	6,707	6,408	+4.7%
December 2019	5,309	4,981	+6.6%
January 2020	7,462	7,555	-1.2%
February 2020	7,988	7,904	+1.1%
March 2020	7,785	9,700	-19.7%
April 2020	6,888	9,652	-28.6%
May 2020	8,750	9,981	-12.3%
12-Month Avg	7,809	7,976	-2.1%

Historical Pending Sales by Month

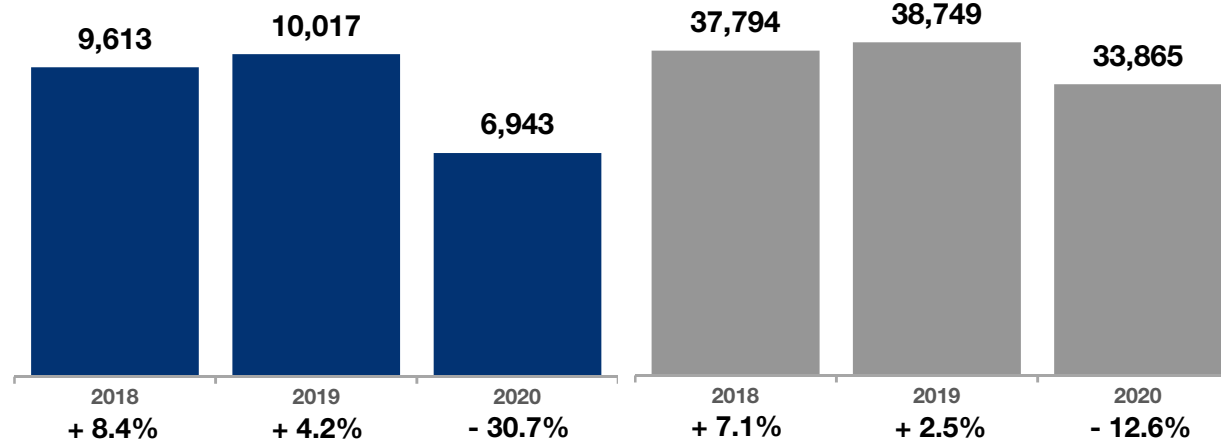


Closed Sales

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



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Closed Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	9,520	9,726	-2.1%
July 2019	9,528	8,904	+7.0%
August 2019	9,860	9,695	+1.7%
September 2019	8,286	6,907	+20.0%
October 2019	8,146	7,666	+6.3%
November 2019	7,202	7,069	+1.9%
December 2019	7,769	6,792	+14.4%
January 2020	5,646	5,330	+5.9%
February 2020	6,256	6,430	-2.7%
March 2020	8,090	8,333	-2.9%
April 2020	6,930	8,639	-19.8%
May 2020	6,943	10,017	-30.7%
12-Month Avg	7,848	7,959	-1.4%

Historical Closed Sales by Month



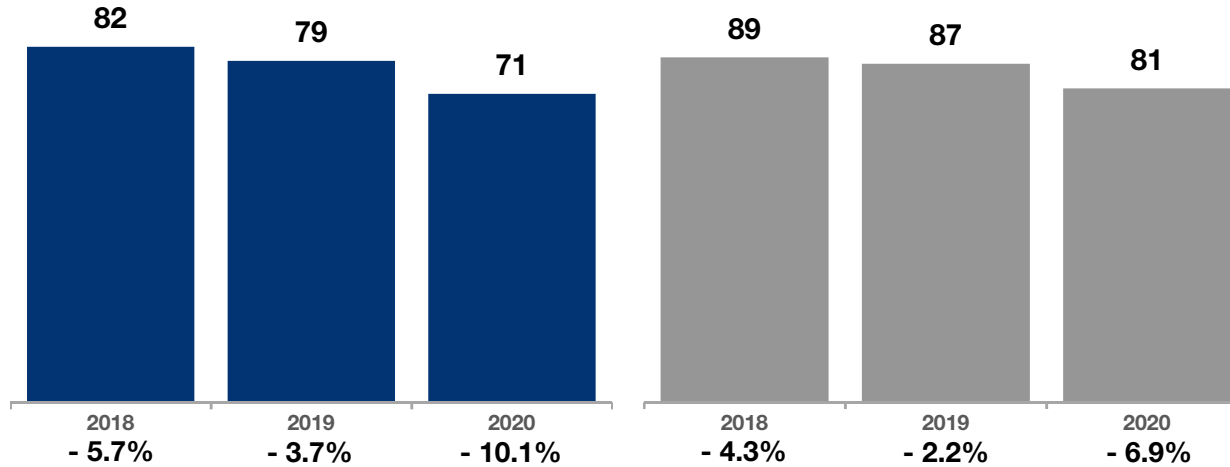
Days on Market Until Sale

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



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Days on Market		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	77	78	-1.3%
July 2019	76	76	0.0%
August 2019	77	79	-2.5%
September 2019	78	77	+1.3%
October 2019	80	86	-7.0%
November 2019	80	85	-5.9%
December 2019	82	87	-5.7%
January 2020	85	94	-9.6%
February 2020	87	92	-5.4%
March 2020	84	89	-5.6%
April 2020	76	86	-11.6%
May 2020	71	79	-10.1%
12-Month Avg*	79	83	-4.8%

* Average Days on Market of all properties from June 2019 through May 2020. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Days on Market Until Sale by Month

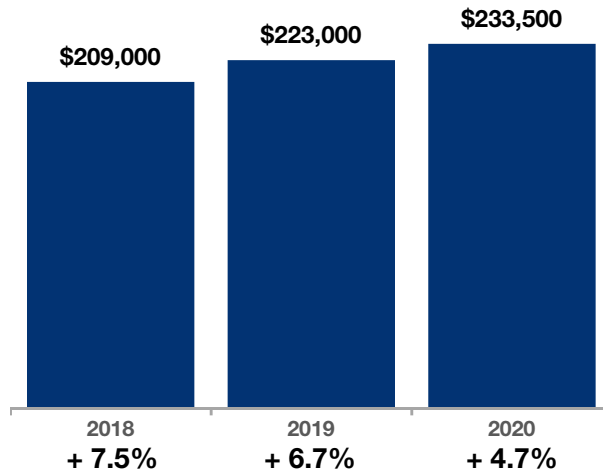


Median Sales Price

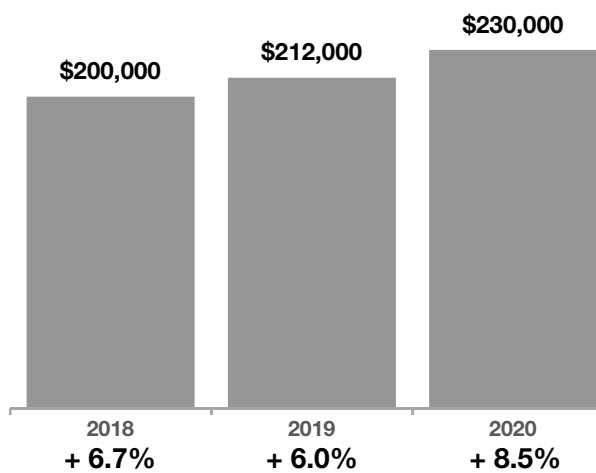
Point at which half of the sales sold for more and half sold for less, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



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	Median Sales Price	Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	\$225,000	\$212,000	+6.1%
July 2019	\$225,000	\$206,715	+8.8%
August 2019	\$221,842	\$207,000	+7.2%
September 2019	\$219,900	\$211,500	+4.0%
October 2019	\$218,500	\$205,000	+6.6%
November 2019	\$218,020	\$204,899	+6.4%
December 2019	\$225,995	\$210,000	+7.6%
January 2020	\$220,000	\$205,091	+7.3%
February 2020	\$226,900	\$200,000	+13.5%
March 2020	\$234,098	\$210,000	+11.5%
April 2020	\$235,000	\$210,000	+11.9%
May 2020	\$233,500	\$223,000	+4.7%
12-Month Med*	\$225,000	\$210,000	+7.1%

* Median Sales Price of all properties from June 2019 through May 2020. This is not the median of the individual figures above.

Historical Median Sales Price by Month

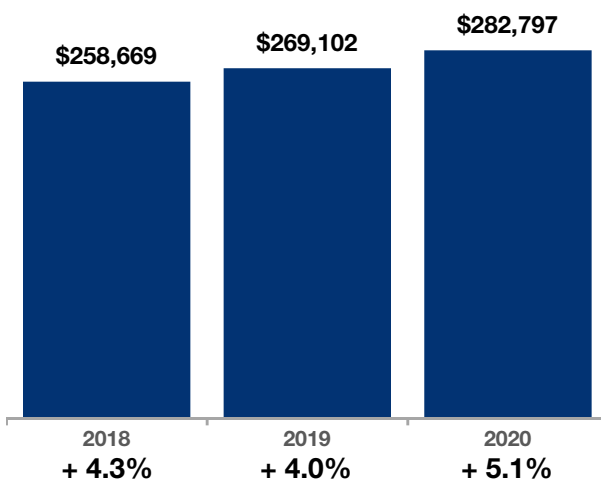


Average Sales Price

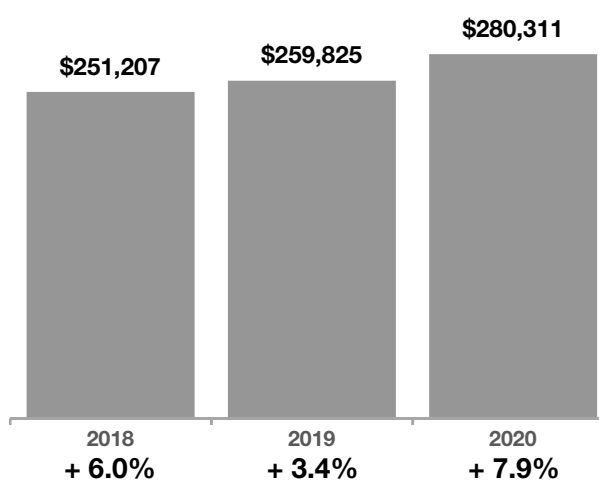
Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



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Avg. Sales Price	Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	\$274,054	\$272,107 +0.7%
July 2019	\$267,532	\$255,392 +4.8%
August 2019	\$267,764	\$258,001 +3.8%
September 2019	\$263,014	\$255,207 +3.1%
October 2019	\$268,161	\$252,881 +6.0%
November 2019	\$265,188	\$251,496 +5.4%
December 2019	\$275,621	\$262,499 +5.0%
January 2020	\$271,034	\$256,220 +5.8%
February 2020	\$275,533	\$246,986 +11.6%
March 2020	\$286,082	\$260,369 +9.9%
April 2020	\$282,957	\$260,317 +8.7%
May 2020	\$282,797	\$269,102 +5.1%
12-Month Avg*	\$273,311	\$258,381 +5.8%

* Avg. Sales Price of all properties from June 2019 through May 2020. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Average Sales Price by Month



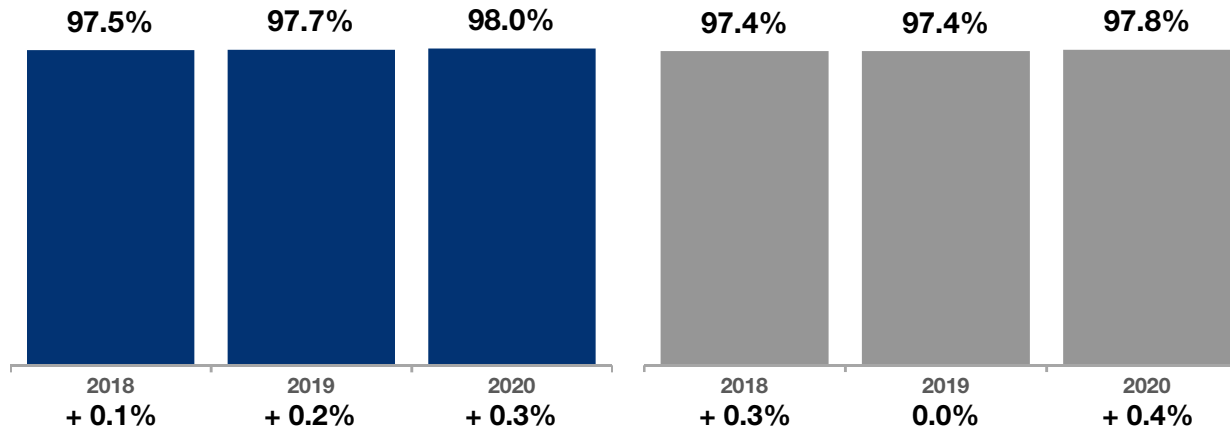
Percent of List Price Received

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.



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Pct. of List Price Received	Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	97.7%	0.0%
July 2019	97.6%	+0.1%
August 2019	97.6%	-0.1%
September 2019	97.7%	+0.1%
October 2019	97.4%	0.0%
November 2019	97.2%	+0.4%
December 2019	97.2%	+0.4%
January 2020	96.9%	+0.4%
February 2020	97.2%	+0.4%
March 2020	97.5%	+0.4%
April 2020	97.5%	+0.4%
May 2020	97.7%	+0.3%
12-Month Avg*	97.5%	+0.2%

* Average Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from June 2019 through May 2020. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Percent of List Price Received by Month



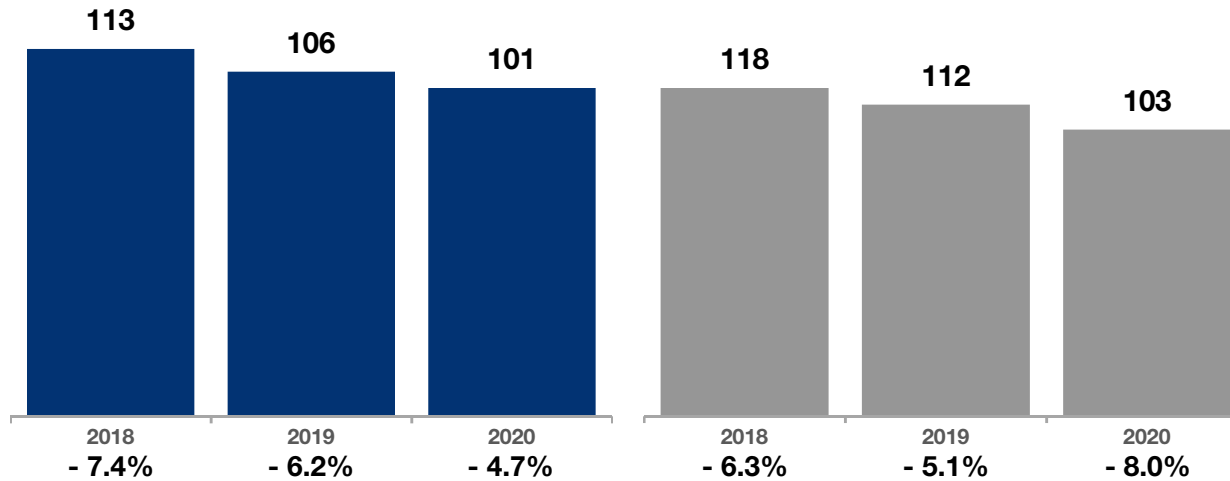
Housing Affordability Index

This index measures housing affordability for the region. 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.



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Affordability Index		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	105	112	-6.3%
July 2019	105	115	-8.7%
August 2019	107	114	-6.1%
September 2019	108	112	-3.6%
October 2019	108	116	-6.9%
November 2019	109	116	-6.0%
December 2019	105	113	-7.1%
January 2020	108	115	-6.1%
February 2020	104	118	-11.9%
March 2020	101	113	-10.6%
April 2020	101	113	-10.6%
May 2020	101	106	-4.7%
12-Month Avg	105	114	-7.4%

Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month

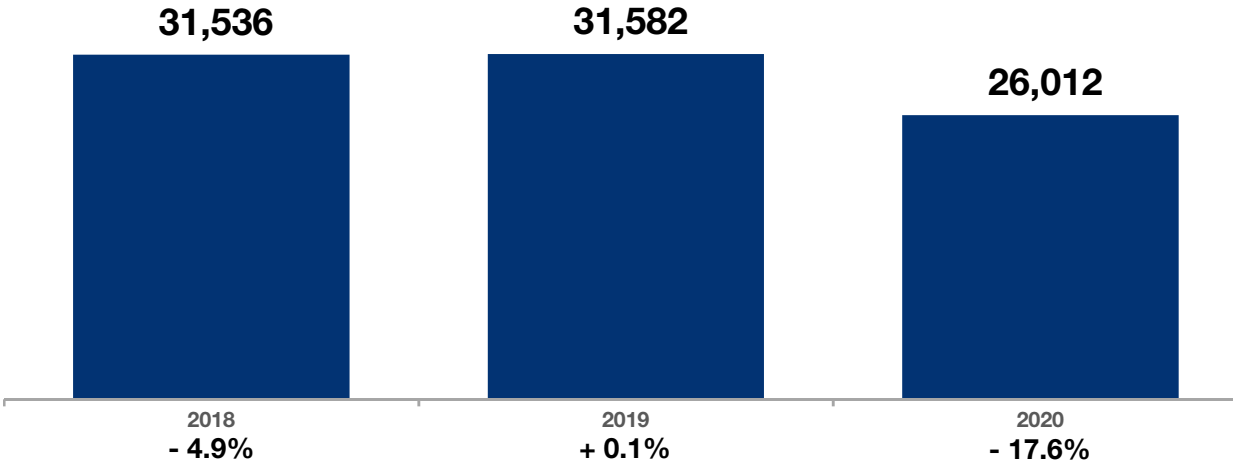


Inventory of Homes for Sale

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



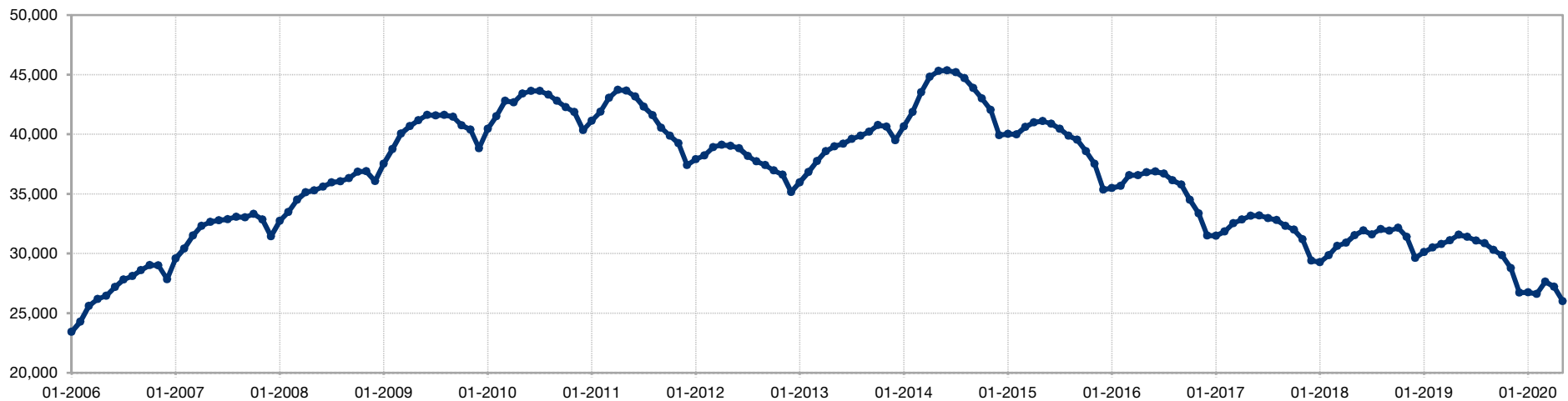
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Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	31,392	31,941	-1.7%
July 2019	31,087	31,588	-1.6%
August 2019	30,864	32,046	-3.7%
September 2019	30,304	31,911	-5.0%
October 2019	29,848	32,148	-7.2%
November 2019	28,778	31,387	-8.3%
December 2019	26,724	29,630	-9.8%
January 2020	26,744	30,111	-11.2%
February 2020	26,613	30,491	-12.7%
March 2020	27,645	30,803	-10.3%
April 2020	27,223	31,108	-12.5%
May 2020	26,012	31,582	-17.6%
12-Month Avg*	28,603	31,345	-8.7%

* Homes for Sale for all properties from June 2019 through May 2020. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month

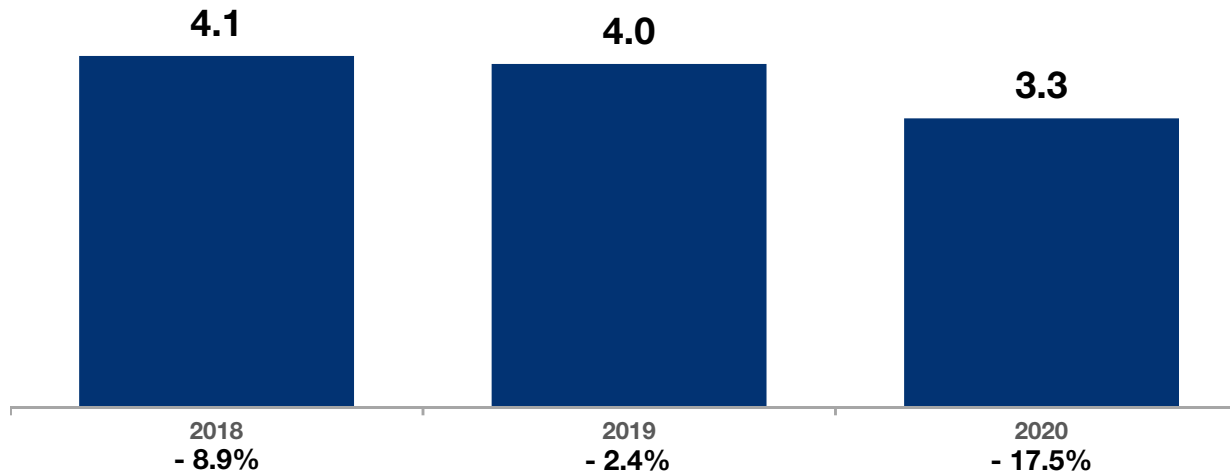


Months Supply of Inventory

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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Months Supply		Prior Year	Percent Change
June 2019	3.9	4.1	-4.9%
July 2019	3.9	4.0	-2.5%
August 2019	3.8	4.1	-7.3%
September 2019	3.7	4.1	-9.8%
October 2019	3.6	4.1	-12.2%
November 2019	3.5	4.0	-12.5%
December 2019	3.2	3.8	-15.8%
January 2020	3.2	3.8	-15.8%
February 2020	3.2	3.9	-17.9%
March 2020	3.4	3.9	-12.8%
April 2020	3.4	3.9	-12.8%
May 2020	3.3	4.0	-17.5%
12-Month Avg*	3.5	4.0	-12.5%

* Months Supply for all properties from June 2019 through May 2020. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month

