



Summary Statistics	March 2017	March 2016	Percent Change Year-over-Year
Closed Sales	108	93	16.1%
Paid in Cash	70	55	27.3%
Median Sale Price	\$174,750	\$136,500	28.0%
Average Sale Price	\$187,564	\$165,606	13.3%
Dollar Volume	\$20.3 Million	\$15.4 Million	31.5%
Median Percent of Original List Price Received	94.3%	95.7%	-1.5%
Median Time to Contract	78 Days	38 Days	105.3%
Median Time to Sale	111 Days	84 Days	32.1%
New Pending Sales	156	157	-0.6%
New Listings	157	172	-8.7%
Pending Inventory	194	222	-12.6%
Inventory (Active Listings)	569	655	-13.1%
Months Supply of Inventory	5.9	6.6	-10.6%

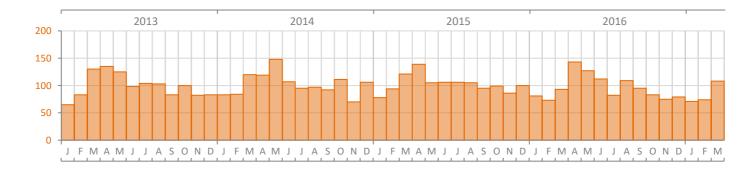
## **Closed Sales**

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The number of sales transactions which closed during the month

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Month	Closed Sales	Percent Change Year-over-Year
March 2017	108	16.1%
February 2017	74	1.4%
January 2017	71	-12.3%
December 2016	79	-21.0%
November 2016	75	-12.8%
October 2016	83	-16.2%
September 2016	95	0.0%
August 2016	109	3.8%
July 2016	82	-22.6%
June 2016	112	5.7%
May 2016	127	21.0%
April 2016	143	2.9%
March 2016	93	-23.1%



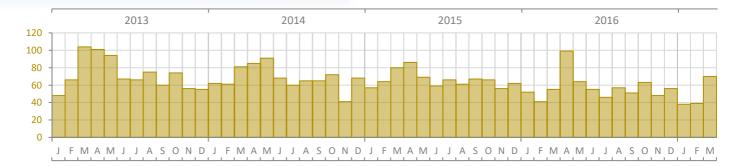


## Cash Sales

The number of Closed Sales during the month in which buyers exclusively paid in cash

*Economists' note* : Cash Sales can be a useful indicator of the extent to which investors are participating in the market. Why? Investors are far more likely to have the funds to purchase a home available up front, whereas the typical homebuyer requires a mortgage or some other form of financing. There are, of course, many possible exceptions, so this statistic should be interpreted with care.

Month	Cash Sales	Percent Change Year-over-Year
March 2017	70	27.3%
February 2017	39	-4.9%
January 2017	38	-26.9%
December 2016	56	-9.7%
November 2016	48	-14.3%
October 2016	63	-4.5%
September 2016	51	-23.9%
August 2016	57	-6.6%
July 2016	46	-30.3%
June 2016	55	-6.8%
May 2016	64	-7.2%
April 2016	99	15.1%
March 2016	55	-31.3%

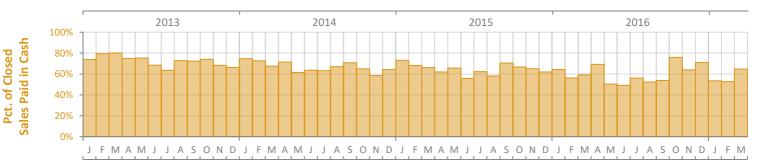


#### Cash Sales as a Percentage of Closed Sales

The percentage of Closed Sales during the month which were Cash Sales

*Economists' note*: This statistic is simply another way of viewing Cash Sales. The remaining percentages of Closed Sales (i.e. those not paid fully in cash) each month involved some sort of financing, such as mortgages, owner/seller financing, assumed loans, etc.

Month	Percent of Closed Sales Paid in Cash	Percent Change Year-over-Year
March 2017	64.8%	9.6%
February 2017	52.7%	-6.2%
January 2017	53.5%	-16.7%
December 2016	70.9%	14.4%
November 2016	64.0%	-1.7%
October 2016	75.9%	13.8%
September 2016	53.7%	-23.8%
August 2016	52.3%	-10.0%
July 2016	56.1%	-10.0%
June 2016	49.1%	-11.8%
May 2016	50.4%	-23.3%
April 2016	69.2%	11.8%
March 2016	59.1%	-10.6%



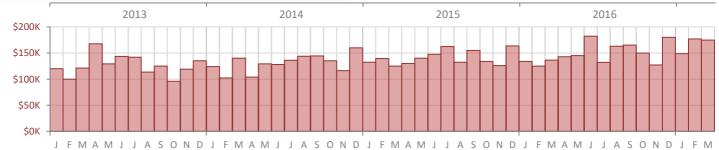


#### Median Sale Price

The median sale price reported for the month (i.e. 50% of sales were above and 50% of sales were below)

*Economists' note* : Median Sale Price is our preferred summary statistic for price activity because, unlike Average Sale Price, Median Sale Price is not sensitive to high sale prices for small numbers of homes that may not be characteristic of the market area. Keep in mind that median price trends over time are not always solely caused by changes in the general value of local real estate. Median sale price only reflects the values of the homes that *sold* each month, and the mix of the types of homes that sell can change over time.



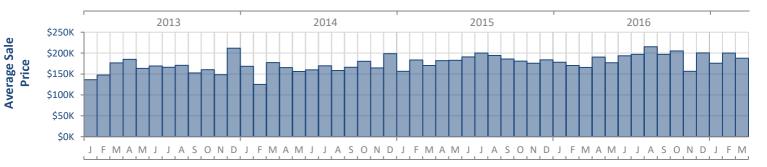


#### Average Sale Price

The average sale price reported for the month (i.e. total sales in dollars divided by the number of sales)

*Economists' note* : Usually, we prefer Median Sale Price over Average Sale Price as a summary statistic for home prices. However, Average Sale Price does have its uses—particularly when it is analyzed alongside the Median Sale Price. For one, the relative difference between the two statistics can provide some insight into the market for higher-end homes in an area.

Month	Average Sale Price	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	\$187,564	13.3%
February 2017	\$200,016	17.5%
January 2017	\$175,813	-1.4%
December 2016	\$200,662	9.2%
November 2016	\$156,243	-11.0%
October 2016	\$205,040	13.4%
September 2016	\$196,982	5.9%
August 2016	\$215,296	10.8%
July 2016	\$196,875	-1.7%
June 2016	\$193,594	1.4%
May 2016	\$176,941	-3.2%
April 2016	\$190,430	4.7%
March 2016	\$165,606	-2.8%



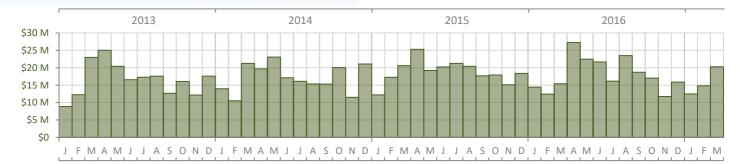


#### **Dollar Volume**

The sum of the sale prices for all sales which closed during the month

*Economists' note*: Dollar Volume is simply the sum of all sale prices in a given time period, and can quickly be calculated by multiplying Closed Sales by Average Sale Price. It is a strong indicator of the health of the real estate industry in a market, and is of particular interest to real estate professionals, investors, analysts, and government agencies. Potential home sellers and home buyers, on the other hand, will likely be better served by paying attention to trends in the two components of Dollar Volume (i.e. sales and prices) individually.

Month	Dollar Volume	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	\$20.3 Million	31.5%
February 2017	\$14.8 Million	19.2%
January 2017	\$12.5 Million	-13.5%
December 2016	\$15.9 Million	-13.7%
November 2016	\$11.7 Million	-22.4%
October 2016	\$17.0 Million	-4.9%
September 2016	\$18.7 Million	5.9%
August 2016	\$23.5 Million	15.0%
July 2016	\$16.1 Million	-23.9%
June 2016	\$21.7 Million	7.2%
May 2016	\$22.5 Million	17.1%
April 2016	\$27.2 Million	7.7%
March 2016	\$15.4 Million	-25.3%

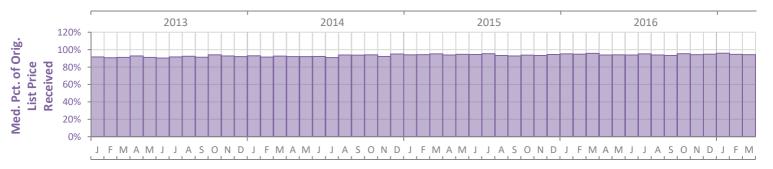


#### Median Percent of Original List Price Received

The median of the sale price (as a percentage of the original list price) across all properties selling during the month

*Economists' note* : The Median Percent of Original List Price Received is useful as an indicator of market recovery, since it typically rises as buyers realize that the market may be moving away from them and they need to match the selling price (or better it) in order to get a contract on the house. This is usually the last measure to indicate a market has shifted from down to up, so it is what we would call a *lagging* indicator.

Month	Med. Pct. of Orig. List Price Received	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	94.3%	-1.5%
February 2017	94.5%	-0.2%
January 2017	95.8%	0.7%
December 2016	94.7%	0.3%
November 2016	94.3%	1.1%
October 2016	95.3%	1.8%
September 2016	93.3%	0.5%
August 2016	93.9%	0.8%
July 2016	95.2%	-0.1%
June 2016	93.8%	-0.6%
May 2016	94.0%	-0.6%
April 2016	93.9%	0.1%
March 2016	95.7%	0.6%





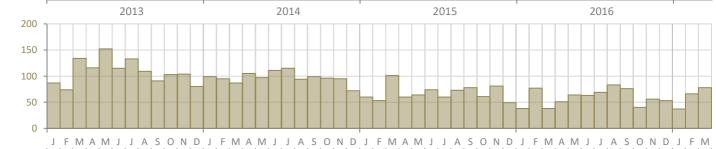
#### Median Time to Contract

The median number of days between the listing date and contract date for all Closed Sales during the month

*Economists' note* : Like Time to Sale, Time to Contract is a measure of the length of the home selling process calculated for sales which closed during the month. The difference is that Time to Contract measures the number of days between the initial listing of a property and the signing of the contract which eventually led to the closing of the sale. When the gap between Median Time to Contract and Median Time to Sale grows, it is usually a sign of longer closing times and/or declining numbers of cash sales.





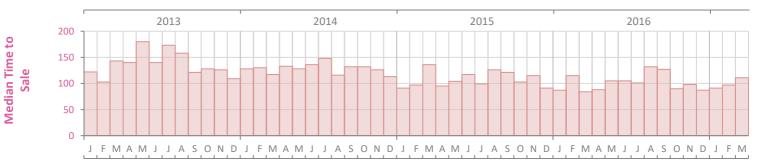


#### Median Time to Sale

The median number of days between the listing date and closing date for all Closed Sales during the month

*Economists' note* : Time to Sale is a measure of the length of the home selling process, calculated as the number of days between the initial listing of a property and the closing of the sale. *Median* Time to Sale is the amount of time the "middle" property selling this month was on the market. That is, 50% of homes selling this month took *less* time to sell, and 50% of homes took *more* time to sell. Median Time to Sale gives a more accurate picture than Average Time to Sale, which can be skewed upward by small numbers of properties taking an abnormally long time to sell.

Month	Median Time to Sale	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	111 Days	32.1%
February 2017	97 Days	-15.7%
January 2017	91 Days	4.6%
December 2016	87 Days	-4.4%
November 2016	98 Days	-14.8%
October 2016	90 Days	-12.6%
September 2016	127 Days	5.0%
August 2016	132 Days	4.8%
July 2016	101 Days	2.0%
June 2016	105 Days	-10.3%
May 2016	105 Days	1.0%
April 2016	88 Days	-7.4%
March 2016	84 Days	-38.2%





#### **New Pending Sales**

The number of listed properties that went under contract during the month

*Economists' note* : Because of the typical length of time it takes for a sale to close, economists consider Pending Sales to be a decent indicator of potential future Closed Sales. It is important to bear in mind, however, that not all Pending Sales will be closed successfully. So, the effectiveness of Pending Sales as a future indicator of Closed Sales is susceptible to changes in market conditions such as the availability of financing for homebuyers and the inventory of distressed properties for sale.





## **New Listings**

**Pending Sales** 

The number of properties put onto the market during the month

*Economists' note* : New Listings tend to rise in delayed response to increasing prices, so they are often seen as a lagging indicator of market health. As prices rise, potential sellers raise their estimations of value-and in the most recent cycle, rising prices have freed up many potential sellers who were previously underwater on their mortgages. Note that in our calculations, we take care to not include properties that were recently taken off the market and quickly relisted, since these are not really new listings.

Month	New Listings	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	157	-8.7%
February 2017	164	-6.3%
January 2017	144	-28.4%
December 2016	107	-1.8%
November 2016	132	1.5%
October 2016	115	-3.4%
September 2016	107	-11.6%
August 2016	131	17.0%
July 2016	85	-28.6%
June 2016	115	-3.4%
May 2016	124	1.6%
April 2016	154	6.9%
March 2016	172	13.2%



**New Listings** 



#### Inventory (Active Listings)

The number of property listings active at the end of the month

*Economists' note*: There are a number of ways to define and calculate Inventory. Our method is to simply count the number of active listings on the last day of the month, and hold this number to compare with the same month the following year. Inventory rises when New Listings are outpacing the number of listings that go offmarket (regardless of whether they actually sell). Likewise, it falls when New Listings aren't keeping up with the rate at which homes are going off-market.

Month	Inventory	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	569	-13.1%
February 2017	604	-9.3%
January 2017	584	-2.2%
December 2016	547	8.1%
November 2016	552	4.5%
October 2016	528	1.5%
September 2016	507	-6.1%
August 2016	524	-2.1%
July 2016	507	-8.2%
June 2016	565	0.0%
May 2016	594	2.2%
April 2016	641	7.9%
March 2016	655	3.3%

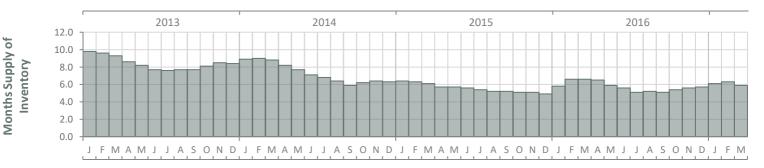


## Months Supply of Inventory

An estimate of the number of months it will take to deplete the current Inventory given recent sales rates

*Economists' note* : MSI is a useful indicator of market conditions. The benchmark for a balanced market (favoring neither buyer nor seller) is 5.5 months of inventory. Anything higher is traditionally a buyers' market, and anything lower is a sellers' market. There is no single accepted way of calculating MSI. A common method is to divide current Inventory by the most recent month's Closed Sales count, but this count is a usually poor predictor of future Closed Sales due to seasonal cycles. To eliminate seasonal effects, we use the 12-month average of monthly Closed Sales instead.

Month	Months Supply	Percent Change Year over-Year
March 2017	5.9	-10.6%
February 2017	6.3	-4.5%
January 2017	6.1	5.2%
December 2016	5.7	16.3%
November 2016	5.6	9.8%
October 2016	5.4	5.9%
September 2016	5.1	-1.9%
August 2016	5.2	0.0%
July 2016	5.1	-5.6%
June 2016	5.6	0.0%
May 2016	5.9	3.5%
April 2016	6.5	14.0%
March 2016	6.6	8.2%





#### Closed Sales by Sale Price

The number of sales transactions which closed during the month

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Sale Price	Closed Sales	Percent Change Year- over-Year
Less than \$50,000	3	-50.0%
\$50,000 - \$99,999	25	13.6%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	21	-12.5%
\$150,000 - \$199,999	13	-18.8%
\$200,000 - \$249,999	14	40.0%
\$250,000 - \$299,999	14	180.0%
\$300,000 - \$399,999	16	166.7%
\$400,000 - \$599,999	1	-75.0%
\$600,000 - \$999,999	1	N/A
\$1,000,000 or more	0	N/A

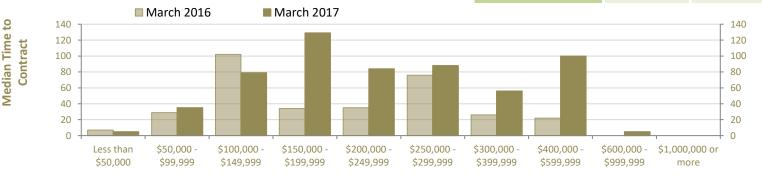


# Median Time to Contract by Sale Price

The median number of days between the listing date and contract date for all Closed Sales during the month

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Sale Price	Median Time to Contract	Percent Change Year- over-Year
Less than \$50,000	5 Days	-28.6%
\$50,000 - \$99,999	35 Days	20.7%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	79 Days	-22.5%
\$150,000 - \$199,999	129 Days	279.4%
\$200,000 - \$249,999	84 Days	140.0%
\$250,000 - \$299,999	88 Days	15.8%
\$300,000 - \$399,999	56 Days	115.4%
\$400,000 - \$599,999	100 Days	354.5%
\$600,000 - \$999,999	5 Days	N/A
\$1,000,000 or more	(No Sales)	N/A



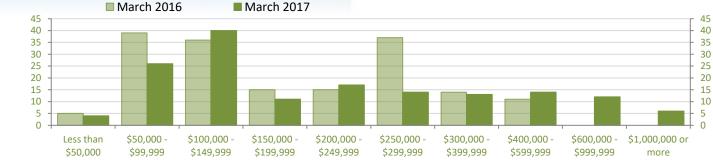


## New Listings by Initial Listing Price

The number of properties put onto the market during the month

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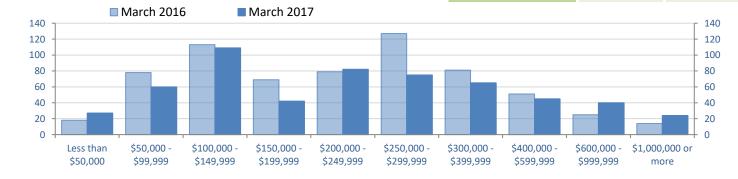




#### Inventory by Current Listing Price The number of property listings active at the end of the month

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	Current Listing Price	Inventory	Percent Change Year over-Year
l	Less than \$50,000	27	50.0%
l	\$50,000 - \$99,999	60	-23.1%
	\$100,000 - \$149,999	109	-3.5%
	\$150,000 - \$199,999	42	-39.1%
	\$200,000 - \$249,999	82	3.8%
	\$250,000 - \$299,999	75	-40.9%
	\$300,000 - \$399,999	65	-19.8%
	\$400,000 - \$599,999	45	-11.8%
	\$600,000 - \$999,999	40	60.0%
	\$1,000,000 or more	24	71.4%



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