# **Monthly Indicators**

**Lincoln Area Region** 



#### September 2019

With the kids back in school and the weather cooling, the housing market begins its annual cooldown as well. Nationally, buyer and seller activity remained strong, buoyed by low mortgage rates and a strong economy. The market fundamentals suggest no significant changes from recent trends, other than the seasonally tempered pace we see this time of year. As we move into the final three months of 2019, buyers will find fewer homes coming on the market, but also less competition for those homes.

New Listings decreased 18.0 percent for New Construction but increased 12.0 percent for Existing Homes. Pending Sales decreased 30.4 percent for New Construction but increased 4.2 percent for Existing Homes. Inventory decreased 13.3 percent for New Construction and 9.2 percent for Existing Homes.

Median Closed Price increased 14.5 percent for New Construction and 11.2 percent for Existing Homes. Days on Market decreased 16.9 percent for New Construction and 15.8 percent for Existing Homes. Months Supply of Inventory increased 3.4 percent for New Construction but decreased 14.3 percent for Existing Homes.

In Washington there are discussions around a broad overhaul of the housing finance system, including the re-privatization of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and reforms to federal agencies involved with financing substantial portions of the mortgages made every year. Many of these policy conversations and eventual changes will take months or years to be implemented and their impact is not yet clear. While Halloween decorations are beginning to adorn homes around the country, the real estate market this fall is looking far from scary.

#### **Quick Facts**

- 1.1% + 13.2% - 10.6%

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Closed Sales
All Properties

Change in Change in

Homes for Sale
All Properties

All Properties

This report covers residential real estate activity in the Lincoln area, which includes all of Lancaster and Seward counties, as well as the following ZIP codes: 68003, 68304, 68347, 68349, 68366, 68407, 68418, 68454, 68461 and 68462. Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures.

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### **New Construction Overview**

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



Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	9-2018	9-2019	% Change	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	% Change
New Listings	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	100	82	- 18.0%	1,139	912	- 19.9%
Pending Sales	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	46	32	- 30.4%	638	482	- 24.5%
Closed Sales	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	54	48	- 11.1%	554	511	- 7.8%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	65	54	- 16.9%	54	54	0.0%
Median Closed Price	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	\$275,000	\$315,000	+ 14.5%	\$296,475	\$304,500	+ 2.7%
Average Closed Price	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	\$277,755	\$324,770	+ 16.9%	\$308,548	\$313,384	+ 1.6%
Percent of List Price Received	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	101.1%	101.2%	+ 0.1%	100.7%	100.6%	- 0.1%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	114	100	- 12.3%	106	103	- 2.8%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	362	314	- 13.3%	_		_
Months Supply of Inventory	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	5.8	6.0	+ 3.4%	_		_

# **Existing Homes Overview**

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

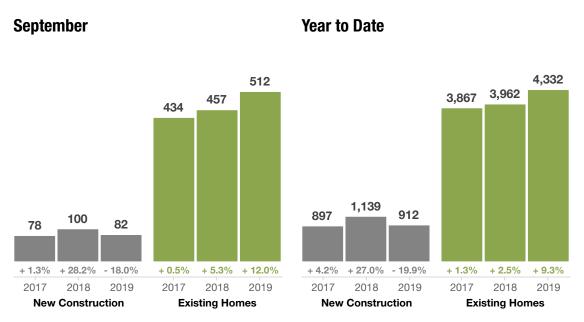


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	9-2018	9-2019	% Change	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	% Change
New Listings	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	457	512	+ 12.0%	3,962	4,332	+ 9.3%
Pending Sales	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	312	325	+ 4.2%	3,014	3,261	+ 8.2%
Closed Sales	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	323	325	+ 0.6%	2,855	3,053	+ 6.9%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	19	16	- 15.8%	21	23	+ 9.5%
Median Closed Price	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	\$179,900	\$200,000	+ 11.2%	\$180,000	\$189,000	+ 5.0%
Average Closed Price	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	\$214,375	\$233,344	+ 8.8%	\$215,216	\$220,178	+ 2.3%
Percent of List Price Received	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	98.9%	98.3%	- 0.6%	99.2%	98.6%	- 0.6%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	174	157	- 9.8%	174	167	- 4.0%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	672	610	- 9.2%	_		_
Months Supply of Inventory	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	2.1	1.8	- 14.3%	_	_	_

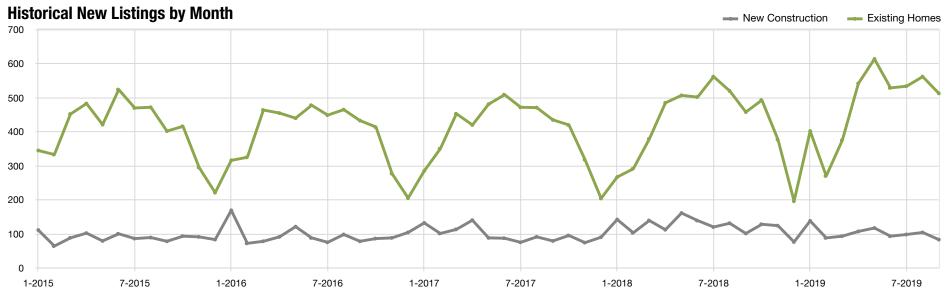
### **New Listings**

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





New Listings	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	127	+ 35.1%	492	+ 17.4%
Nov-2018	123	+ 68.5%	376	+ 18.6%
Dec-2018	75	- 15.7%	195	- 3.9%
Jan-2019	137	- 2.8%	401	+ 50.8%
Feb-2019	87	- 14.7%	269	- 7.2%
Mar-2019	92	- 33.3%	374	- 1.1%
Apr-2019	106	- 4.5%	541	+ 11.8%
May-2019	116	- 27.5%	613	+ 21.1%
Jun-2019	92	- 33.3%	528	+ 5.4%
Jul-2019	97	- 18.5%	533	- 5.0%
Aug-2019	103	- 20.8%	561	+ 8.1%
Sep-2019	82	- 18.0%	512	+ 12.0%
12-Month Avg	103	- 11.2%	450	+ 10.3%



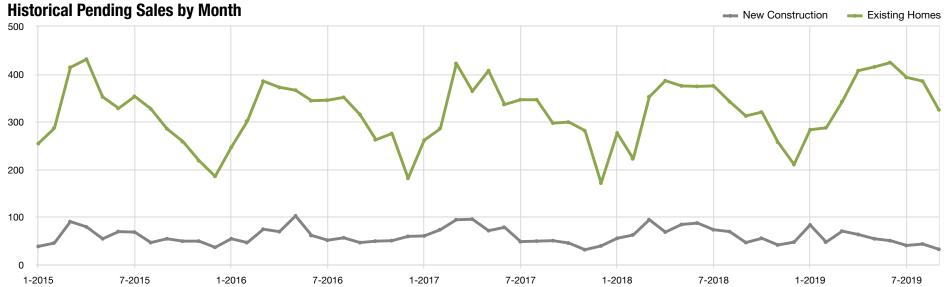
# **Pending Sales**

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





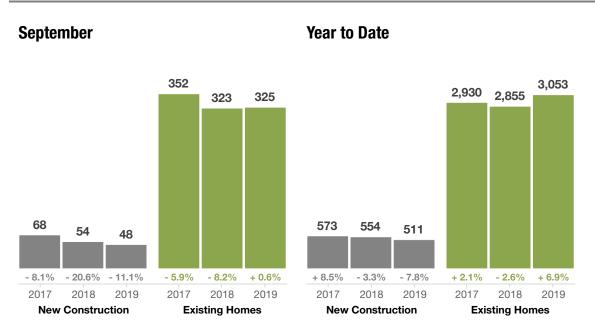
Pending Sales	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	55	+ 22.2%	320	+ 7.0%
Nov-2018	41	+ 32.3%	257	- 8.5%
Dec-2018	47	+ 20.5%	210	+ 22.8%
Jan-2019	83	+ 50.9%	283	+ 2.5%
Feb-2019	47	- 24.2%	287	+ 29.3%
Mar-2019	70	- 25.5%	342	- 2.8%
Apr-2019	63	- 7.4%	407	+ 5.4%
May-2019	54	- 35.7%	415	+ 10.7%
Jun-2019	50	- 42.5%	424	+ 13.4%
Jul-2019	40	- 45.2%	393	+ 4.8%
Aug-2019	43	- 37.7%	385	+ 12.6%
Sep-2019	32	- 30.4%	325	+ 4.2%
12-Month Avg	52	- 17.5%	337	+ 7.3%



### **Closed Sales**

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





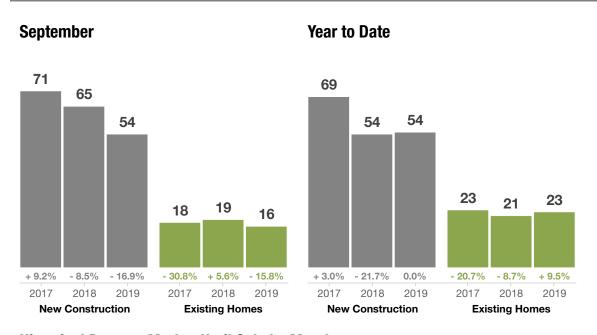
Closed Sales	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	66	+ 1.5%	359	+ 11.5%
Nov-2018	69	+ 32.7%	300	+ 3.8%
Dec-2018	54	+ 1.9%	256	- 13.5%
Jan-2019	47	- 2.1%	198	+ 11.2%
Feb-2019	43	0.0%	249	+ 19.7%
Mar-2019	73	+ 25.9%	290	- 0.7%
Apr-2019	61	+ 10.9%	305	+ 3.4%
May-2019	73	+ 21.7%	416	+ 19.2%
Jun-2019	57	- 34.5%	411	- 1.9%
Jul-2019	43	- 37.7%	442	+ 14.5%
Aug-2019	66	- 17.5%	417	+ 3.0%
Sep-2019	48	- 11.1%	325	+ 0.6%
12-Month Avg	58	- 3.3%	331	+ 5.4%



### **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.





Days on Market	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	54	+ 31.7%	22	0.0%
Nov-2018	36	- 30.8%	21	- 12.5%
Dec-2018	56	+ 21.7%	32	+ 6.7%
Jan-2019	38	+ 5.6%	36	+ 16.1%
Feb-2019	50	+ 35.1%	33	- 2.9%
Mar-2019	52	+ 2.0%	33	+ 17.9%
Apr-2019	78	+ 23.8%	26	+ 8.3%
May-2019	62	+ 24.0%	19	0.0%
Jun-2019	49	- 7.5%	20	+ 17.6%
Jul-2019	45	- 34.8%	15	+ 15.4%
Aug-2019	54	+ 3.8%	19	+ 11.8%
Sep-2019	54	- 16.9%	16	- 15.8%
12-Month Avg*	53	+ 1.6%	23	+ 4.4%

<sup>\*</sup> Days on Market for all properties from October 2018 through September 2019. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



### **Median Closed 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.



#### **Lincoln Area Region**

#### **Year to Date** September \$315,000 \$304,500 \$296,475 \$279,950 \$275,000 \$236,172 \$200,000 \$189,000 \$173,950 \$179,900 \$180,000 \$165,000 + 16.4% + 14.5% + 9.4% + 3.4% + 11.2% + 10.4% + 5.9% + 2.7% + 6.8% + 9.1% + 5.0% 2017 2018 2019 2017 2018 2019 2017 2018 2019 2017 2018 2019 **New Construction Existing Homes New Construction Existing Homes**

Median Closed Price	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	\$293,500	+ 8.3%	\$178,000	+ 6.3%
Nov-2018	\$282,649	+ 5.4%	\$181,000	+ 8.4%
Dec-2018	\$278,026	- 4.4%	\$179,950	+ 13.2%
Jan-2019	\$301,436	+ 6.0%	\$176,125	+ 7.8%
Feb-2019	\$291,600	- 10.2%	\$169,000	- 2.3%
Mar-2019	\$291,500	- 3.9%	\$174,000	- 2.8%
Apr-2019	\$330,000	+ 8.9%	\$185,000	+ 2.8%
May-2019	\$304,500	+ 7.4%	\$187,750	+ 4.3%
Jun-2019	\$295,779	- 3.6%	\$200,000	+ 4.7%
Jul-2019	\$302,000	- 5.6%	\$200,000	+ 8.3%
Aug-2019	\$315,800	+ 6.0%	\$189,900	+ 2.6%
Sep-2019	\$315,000	+ 14.5%	\$200,000	+ 11.2%
12-Month Avg*	\$296,950	+ 1.8%	\$186,000	+ 5.5%

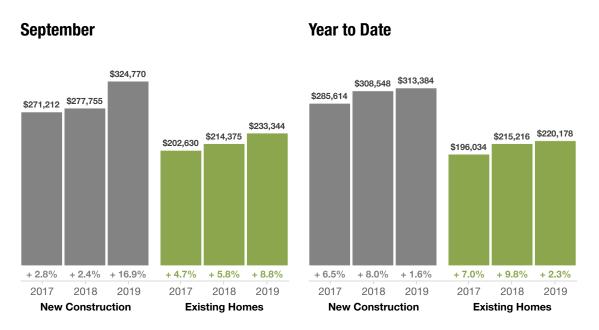
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## **Average Closed Price**

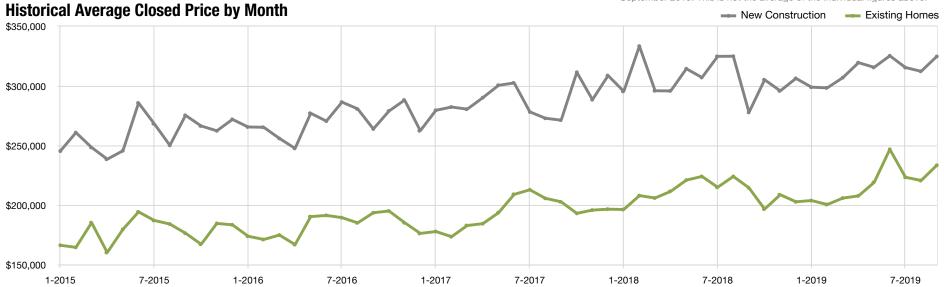
Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.





Average Closed Price	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	\$305,161	- 2.0%	\$196,518	+ 1.9%
Nov-2018	\$295,835	+ 2.6%	\$208,583	+ 6.6%
Dec-2018	\$306,336	- 0.8%	\$202,670	+ 3.2%
Jan-2019	\$298,944	+ 1.2%	\$203,714	+ 3.8%
Feb-2019	\$298,336	- 10.5%	\$200,338	- 3.6%
Mar-2019	\$306,978	+ 3.7%	\$205,787	0.0%
Apr-2019	\$319,523	+ 8.0%	\$207,612	- 1.8%
May-2019	\$315,621	+ 0.4%	\$218,970	- 0.9%
Jun-2019	\$325,300	+ 5.9%	\$246,715	+ 10.2%
Jul-2019	\$315,441	- 2.9%	\$223,290	+ 3.9%
Aug-2019	\$312,271	- 3.9%	\$220,533	- 1.5%
Sep-2019	\$324,770	+ 16.9%	\$233,344	+ 8.8%
12-Month Avg*	\$310,331	+ 1.0%	\$216,031	+ 2.7%

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





#### **Lincoln Area Region**

Septe	mber					Year to	o Date				
100.4%	101.1%	101.2%	98.5%	98.9%	98.3%	100.4%	100.7%	100.6%	98.6%	99.2%	98.6%
- 0.5%	+ 0.7%	+ 0.1%	+ 0.7%	+ 0.4%	- 0.6%	- 0.6%	+ 0.3%	- 0.1%	+ 0.6%	+ 0.6%	- 0.6%
2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
New	Constru	ction	Exi	sting Hor	nes	New	Constru	ction	Exi	sting Ho	mes

Pct. of List Price Received	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	101.1%	+ 0.9%	97.9%	- 0.6%
Nov-2018	99.7%	- 1.7%	97.8%	- 0.6%
Dec-2018	100.2%	- 1.1%	97.3%	- 0.6%
Jan-2019	100.2%	- 0.9%	97.7%	+ 0.1%
Feb-2019	100.5%	+ 0.3%	97.7%	- 0.7%
Mar-2019	100.5%	- 0.7%	98.0%	- 1.2%
Apr-2019	100.5%	+ 0.4%	98.5%	- 0.6%
May-2019	101.3%	+ 0.7%	99.4%	- 0.5%
Jun-2019	100.9%	+ 0.2%	99.4%	+ 0.1%
Jul-2019	100.2%	- 0.5%	98.9%	- 0.7%
Aug-2019	100.1%	- 0.3%	98.4%	- 0.8%
Sep-2019	101.2%	+ 0.1%	98.3%	- 0.6%
12-Month Avg*	100.5%	- 0.2%	98.4%	- 0.6%

<sup>\*</sup> Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from October 2018 through September 2019. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

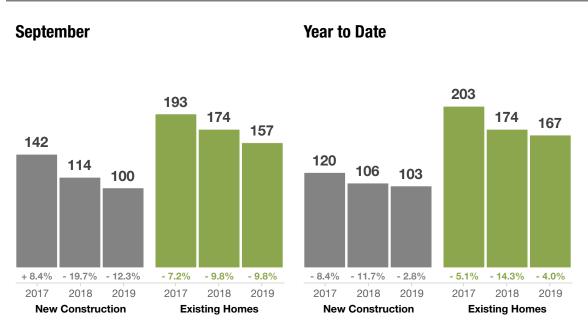
### **Historical Percent of List Price Received by Month**



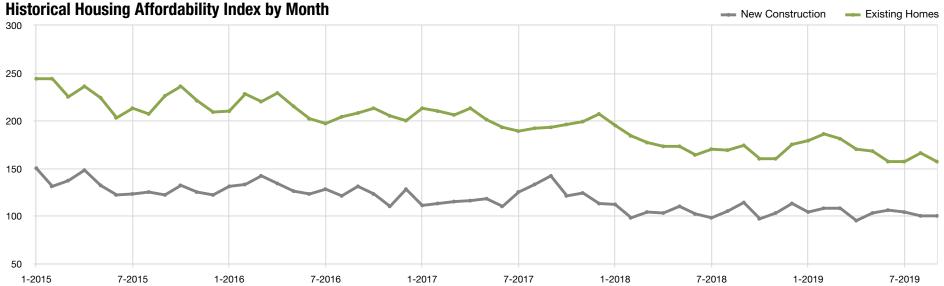
## **Housing Affordability Index**



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.



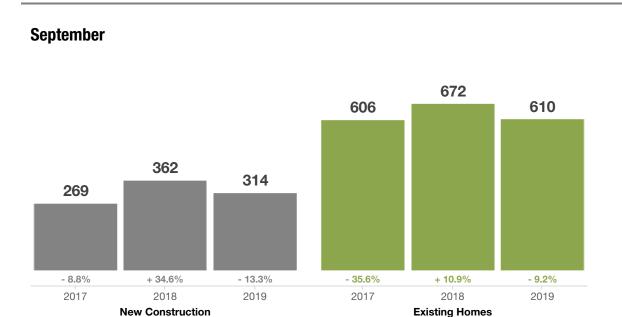
Affordability Index	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	97	- 19.8%	160	- 18.4%
Nov-2018	103	- 16.9%	160	- 19.6%
Dec-2018	113	0.0%	175	- 15.5%
Jan-2019	104	- 7.1%	179	- 8.2%
Feb-2019	108	+ 10.2%	186	+ 1.1%
Mar-2019	108	+ 3.8%	181	+ 2.3%
Apr-2019	95	- 7.8%	170	- 1.7%
May-2019	103	- 6.4%	168	- 2.9%
Jun-2019	106	+ 3.9%	157	- 4.3%
Jul-2019	104	+ 6.1%	157	- 7.6%
Aug-2019	100	- 4.8%	166	- 1.8%
Sep-2019	100	- 12.3%	157	- 9.8%
12-Month Avg	103	- 5.5%	168	- 7.7%



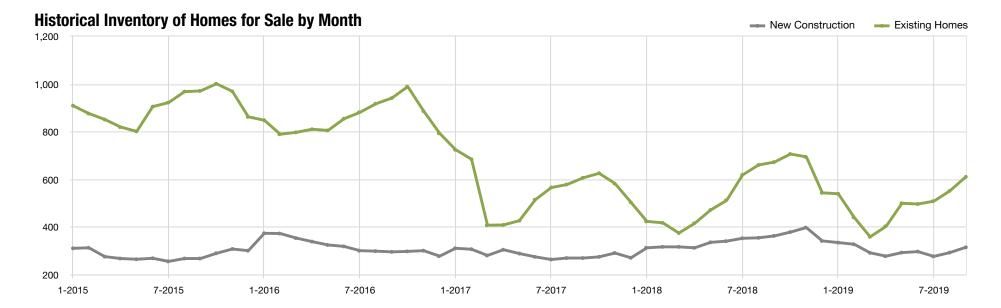
## **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

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





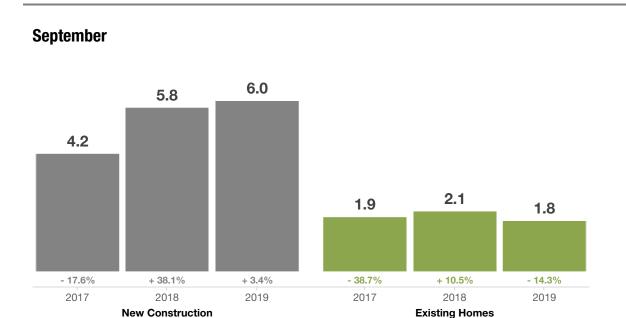
Homes for Sale	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2018	378	+ 38.0%	706	+ 13.0%
Nov-2018	397	+ 36.9%	694	+ 19.2%
Dec-2018	341	+ 26.3%	543	+ 8.0%
Jan-2019	334	+ 7.1%	539	+ 27.4%
Feb-2019	327	+ 3.5%	440	+ 5.5%
Mar-2019	291	- 7.9%	358	- 4.3%
Apr-2019	277	- 11.2%	402	- 3.1%
May-2019	292	- 12.8%	499	+ 5.9%
Jun-2019	296	- 12.9%	496	- 2.9%
Jul-2019	276	- 21.6%	508	- 17.8%
Aug-2019	292	- 17.5%	551	- 16.5%
Sep-2019	314	- 13.3%	610	- 9.2%
12-Month Avg	318	- 0.3%	529	+ 1.1%



## **Months Supply of Inventory**

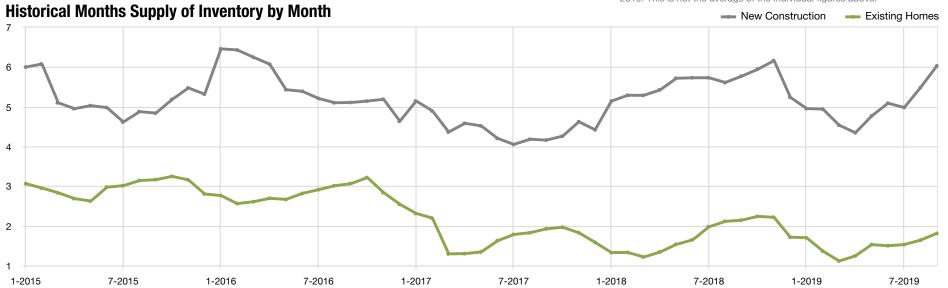
The inventory of homes for sale at the end of a given month, divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.





Months Supply	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Existing Change Homes		Year-Over-Year Change	
Oct-2018	5.9	+ 37.2%	2.2	+ 10.0%	
Nov-2018	6.2	+ 34.8%	2.2	+ 22.2%	
Dec-2018	5.2	+ 18.2%	1.7	+ 6.3%	
Jan-2019	5.0	- 2.0%	1.7	+ 30.8%	
Feb-2019	4.9	- 7.5%	1.4	+ 7.7%	
Mar-2019	4.5	- 15.1%	1.1	- 8.3%	
Apr-2019	4.3	- 20.4%	1.2	- 7.7%	
May-2019	4.8	- 15.8%	1.5	0.0%	
Jun-2019	5.1	- 10.5%	1.5	- 6.3%	
Jul-2019	5.0	- 12.3%	1.5	- 25.0%	
Aug-2019	5.5	- 1.8%	1.6	- 23.8%	
Sep-2019	6.0	+ 3.4%	1.8	- 14.3%	
12-Month Avg*	5.2	- 0.8%	1.6	- 2.0%	

<sup>\*</sup> Months Supply for all properties from October 2018 through September 2019. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



# **New and Existing Homes Combined**

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



Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	9-2018	9-2019	% Change	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	% Change
New Listings	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	557	594	+ 6.6%	5,101	5,244	+ 2.8%
Pending Sales	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	358	357	- 0.3%	3,652	3,743	+ 2.5%
Closed Sales	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	377	373	- 1.1%	3,409	3,564	+ 4.5%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	26	21	- 19.2%	26	27	+ 3.8%
Median Closed Price	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	\$190,000	\$215,000	+ 13.2%	\$196,000	\$202,000	+ 3.1%
Average Closed Price	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	\$223,453	\$245,109	+ 9.7%	\$230,388	\$233,520	+ 1.4%
Percent of List Price Received	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	99.2%	98.7%	- 0.5%	99.4%	98.9%	- 0.5%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	165	146	- 11.5%	160	156	- 2.5%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	1,034	924	- 10.6%	<del>_</del>	_	_
Months Supply of Inventory	9-2017 3-2018 9-2018 3-2019 9-2019	2.7	2.4	- 11.1%	_	_	_