# **Monthly Indicators**

**Lincoln Area Region** 



### September 2020

Strong buyer activity has continued into the fall, which is normally the start of the seasonal slowing of the housing market. With stronger buyer activity in the market this year and the continued constrained supply of homes for sale, speedy sales and multiple offers are likely to remain a common occurrence and will keep the housing market hot even when the weather is cooling.

New Listings decreased 22.5 percent for New Construction and 16.7 percent for Existing Homes. Pending Sales increased 17.8 percent for New Construction and 20.9 percent for Existing Homes. Inventory decreased 31.3 percent for New Construction and 57.2 percent for Existing Homes.

Median Closed Price remained flat for New Construction but increased 9.9 percent for Existing Homes properties. Days on Market decreased 34.0 percent for New Construction and 29.4 percent for Existing Homes. Months Supply of Inventory decreased 40.4 percent for New Construction and 61.1 percent for Existing Homes.

While mortgage rates remain near record lows, The Mortgage Bankers Association reports that lending standards are tightening, which makes it a bit more difficult for some buyers to qualify. At the same time, unemployment remains substantially higher than a year ago due to COVID-19. Despite all this, buyers are out in full force this fall, showing amazing resilience in the middle of a pandemic.

### **Quick Facts**

+ 18.5% + 8.6% - 48.4%

Change in Change in Change in Change in Homes for Sale
All Properties 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	9-2019	9-2020	% Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	% Change
New Listings	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	89	69	- 22.5%	964	1,014	+ 5.2%
Pending Sales	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	45	53	+ 17.8%	530	661	+ 24.7%
Closed Sales	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	49	49	0.0%	516	550	+ 6.6%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	53	35	- 34.0%	55	60	+ 9.1%
Median Closed Price	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	\$315,000	\$315,000	0.0%	\$305,225	\$324,150	+ 6.2%
Average Closed Price	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	\$323,980	\$333,098	+ 2.8%	\$314,281	\$337,238	+ 7.3%
Percent of List Price Received	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	101.2%	100.4%	- 0.8%	100.6%	100.5%	- 0.1%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	108	113	+ 4.6%	112	110	- 1.8%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	320	220	- 31.3%	_		_
Months Supply of Inventory	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	5.7	3.4	- 40.4%	_	_	_

# **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.

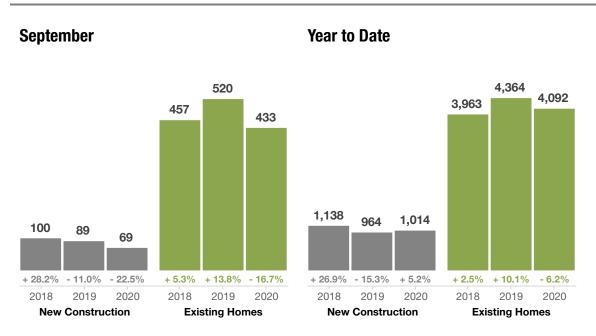


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	9-2019	9-2020	% Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	% Change
New Listings	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	520	433	- 16.7%	4,364	4,092	- 6.2%
Pending Sales	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	326	394	+ 20.9%	3,281	3,623	+ 10.4%
Closed Sales	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	340	412	+ 21.2%	3,091	3,265	+ 5.6%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	17	12	- 29.4%	23	18	- 21.7%
Median Closed Price	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	\$199,700	\$219,500	+ 9.9%	\$189,000	\$205,000	+ 8.5%
Average Closed Price	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	\$231,205	\$254,550	+ 10.1%	\$219,942	\$235,052	+ 6.9%
Percent of List Price Received	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	98.3%	100.6%	+ 2.3%	98.6%	99.7%	+ 1.1%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	171	163	- 4.7%	181	174	- 3.9%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	621	266	- 57.2%	_		_
Months Supply of Inventory	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	1.8	0.7	- 61.1%	_	_	_

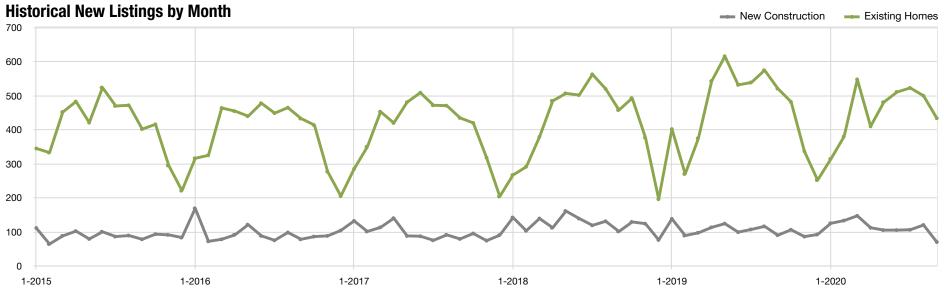
## **New Listings**

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





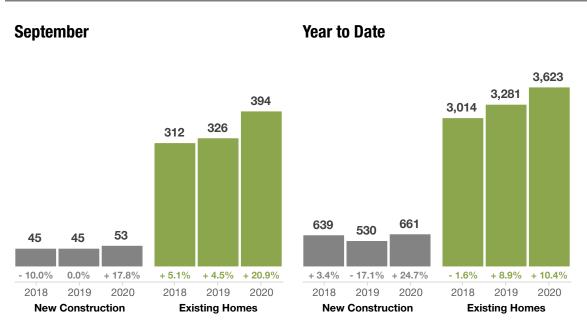
New Listings	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	105	- 18.0%	481	- 2.2%
Nov-2019	85	- 30.9%	336	- 10.6%
Dec-2019	91	+ 21.3%	251	+ 28.7%
Jan-2020	124	- 9.5%	313	- 21.9%
Feb-2020	132	+ 50.0%	379	+ 40.9%
Mar-2020	146	+ 52.1%	547	+ 46.3%
Apr-2020	111	- 0.9%	409	- 24.5%
May-2020	104	- 15.4%	480	- 22.0%
Jun-2020	104	+ 6.1%	510	- 4.0%
Jul-2020	105	- 0.9%	522	- 3.0%
Aug-2020	119	+ 3.5%	499	- 13.1%
Sep-2020	69	- 22.5%	433	- 16.7%
12-Month Avg	108	0.0%	430	- 4.9%



## **Pending Sales**

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





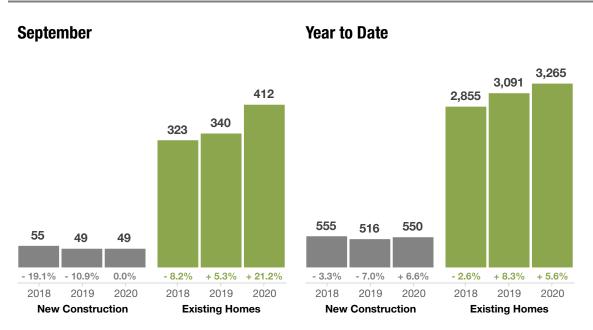
Pending Sales	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	44	- 20.0%	316	- 0.9%
Nov-2019	42	0.0%	273	+ 6.6%
Dec-2019	39	- 17.0%	204	- 2.4%
Jan-2020	60	- 26.8%	307	+ 8.1%
Feb-2020	73	+ 58.7%	328	+ 14.3%
Mar-2020	80	+ 6.7%	369	+ 7.9%
Apr-2020	57	- 17.4%	360	- 11.5%
May-2020	95	+ 58.3%	497	+ 18.9%
Jun-2020	83	+ 45.6%	453	+ 6.8%
Jul-2020	73	+ 62.2%	477	+ 20.8%
Aug-2020	87	+ 70.6%	438	+ 10.1%
Sep-2020	53	+ 17.8%	394	+ 20.9%
12-Month Avg	66	+ 17.9%	368	+ 8.6%



### **Closed Sales**

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





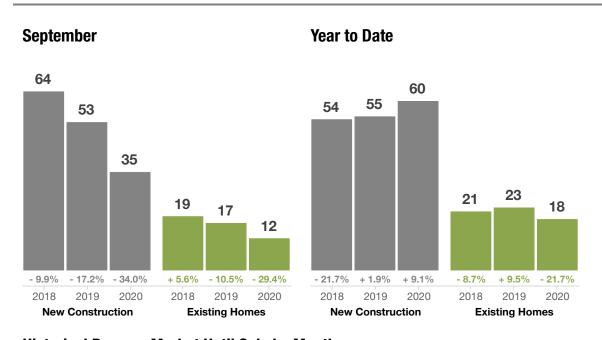
New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
53	- 19.7%	347	- 3.9%
51	- 26.1%	306	+ 1.7%
51	- 5.6%	340	+ 33.3%
41	- 12.8%	207	+ 4.5%
46	+ 7.0%	265	+ 6.4%
57	- 24.0%	302	+ 3.4%
60	- 3.2%	309	+ 0.3%
68	- 6.8%	354	- 15.1%
84	+ 47.4%	473	+ 14.3%
84	+ 95.3%	498	+ 11.4%
61	- 9.0%	445	+ 4.5%
49	0.0%	412	+ 21.2%
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### **Days on Market Until Sale**

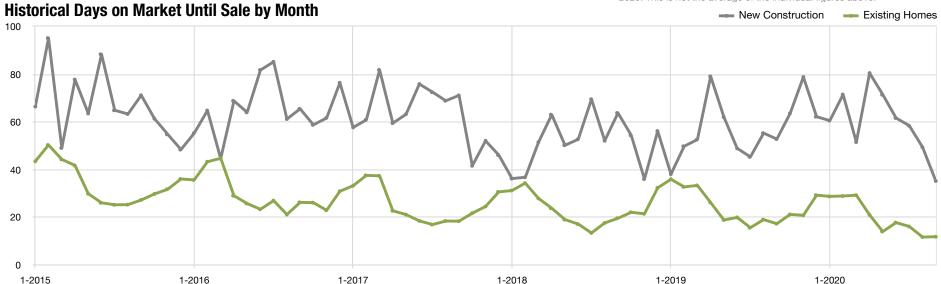
Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.





Days on Market	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	63	+ 16.7%	21	- 4.5%
Nov-2019	79	+ 119.4%	21	0.0%
Dec-2019	62	+ 10.7%	29	- 9.4%
Jan-2020	60	+ 57.9%	29	- 19.4%
Feb-2020	71	+ 42.0%	29	- 12.1%
Mar-2020	51	- 1.9%	29	- 12.1%
Apr-2020	80	+ 1.3%	21	- 19.2%
May-2020	71	+ 14.5%	14	- 26.3%
Jun-2020	62	+ 26.5%	18	- 10.0%
Jul-2020	58	+ 28.9%	16	+ 6.7%
Aug-2020	49	- 10.9%	12	- 36.8%
Sep-2020	35	- 34.0%	12	- 29.4%
12-Month Avg*	62	+ 17.0%	20	- 14.9%

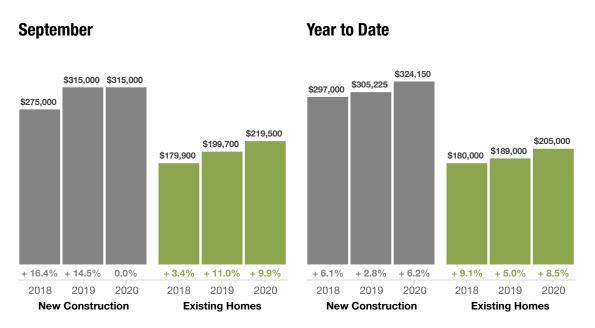
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### **Median Closed Price**

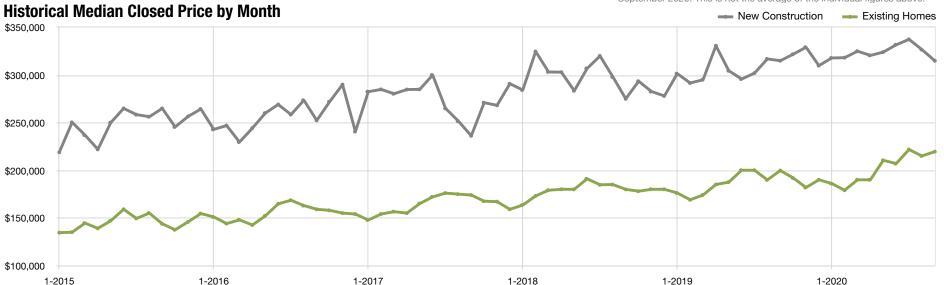
Point at which half of the sales sold for more and half sold for less, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.





Median Closed Price	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	\$321,800	+ 9.6%	\$191,950	+ 7.8%
Nov-2019	\$329,136	+ 16.4%	\$181,875	+ 1.0%
Dec-2019	\$309,900	+ 11.5%	\$190,000	+ 5.6%
Jan-2020	\$317,900	+ 5.5%	\$186,000	+ 5.6%
Feb-2020	\$318,224	+ 9.1%	\$179,000	+ 5.9%
Mar-2020	\$325,000	+ 10.2%	\$189,950	+ 9.2%
Apr-2020	\$320,603	- 3.1%	\$190,000	+ 2.7%
May-2020	\$324,045	+ 6.4%	\$210,450	+ 12.2%
Jun-2020	\$331,700	+ 12.1%	\$207,000	+ 3.5%
Jul-2020	\$337,450	+ 11.7%	\$221,750	+ 10.9%
Aug-2020	\$326,700	+ 3.1%	\$215,000	+ 13.2%
Sep-2020	\$315,000	0.0%	\$219,500	+ 9.9%
12-Month Avg*	\$323,350	+ 8.2%	\$201,000	+ 8.1%

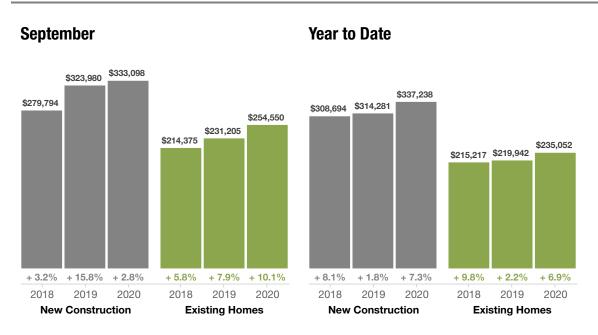
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## **Average Closed Price**

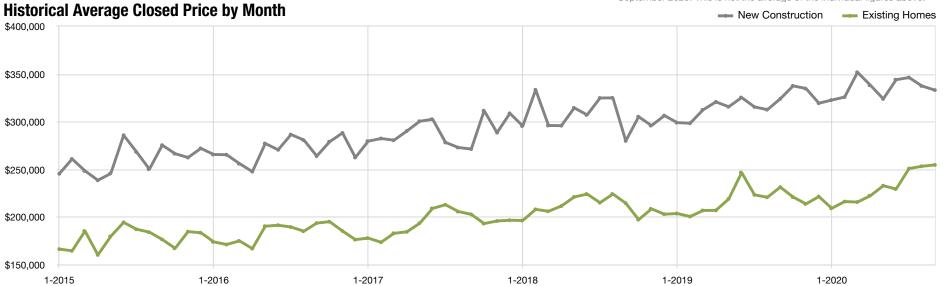
Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.





Average Closed Price	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	\$337,552	+ 10.6%	\$220,811	+ 12.0%
Nov-2019	\$334,748	+ 13.2%	\$213,595	+ 2.5%
Dec-2019	\$319,329	+ 4.2%	\$221,301	+ 9.1%
Jan-2020	\$322,662	+ 7.9%	\$209,003	+ 2.7%
Feb-2020	\$325,817	+ 9.2%	\$216,071	+ 7.9%
Mar-2020	\$351,810	+ 12.6%	\$215,549	+ 4.3%
Apr-2020	\$338,215	+ 5.5%	\$222,193	+ 7.4%
May-2020	\$323,864	+ 2.6%	\$232,685	+ 6.3%
Jun-2020	\$344,026	+ 5.8%	\$229,236	- 7.0%
Jul-2020	\$346,315	+ 9.8%	\$250,703	+ 12.4%
Aug-2020	\$337,459	+ 8.0%	\$253,117	+ 14.8%
Sep-2020	\$333,098	+ 2.8%	\$254,550	+ 10.1%
12-Month Avg*	\$335,786	+ 8.0%	\$231,252	+ 7.1%

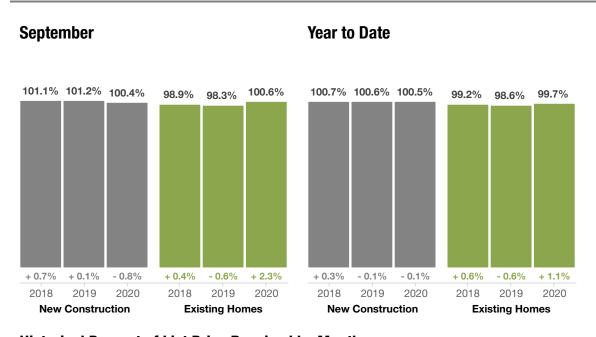
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### **Percent of List Price Received**

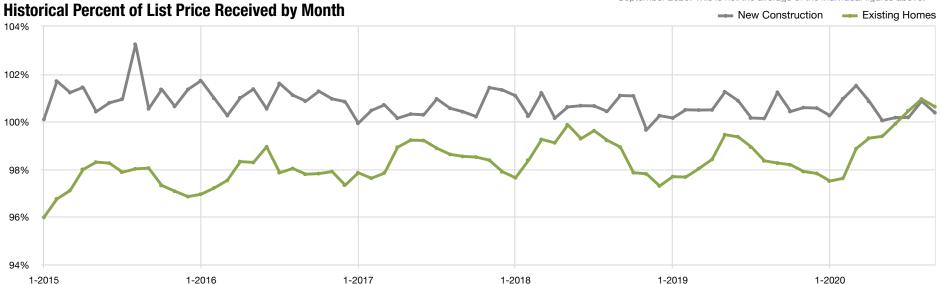


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its most recent list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



Pct. of List Price Received	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	100.4%	- 0.7%	98.2%	+ 0.3%
Nov-2019	100.6%	+ 0.9%	97.9%	+ 0.1%
Dec-2019	100.6%	+ 0.4%	97.8%	+ 0.5%
Jan-2020	100.3%	+ 0.1%	97.5%	- 0.2%
Feb-2020	101.0%	+ 0.5%	97.6%	- 0.1%
Mar-2020	101.5%	+ 1.0%	98.9%	+ 0.9%
Apr-2020	100.9%	+ 0.4%	99.3%	+ 0.9%
May-2020	100.0%	- 1.3%	99.4%	- 0.1%
Jun-2020	100.2%	- 0.7%	99.9%	+ 0.5%
Jul-2020	100.2%	0.0%	100.5%	+ 1.6%
Aug-2020	100.9%	+ 0.8%	101.0%	+ 2.6%
Sep-2020	100.4%	- 0.8%	100.6%	+ 2.3%
12-Month Avg*	100.5%	+ 0.0%	99.3%	+ 0.9%

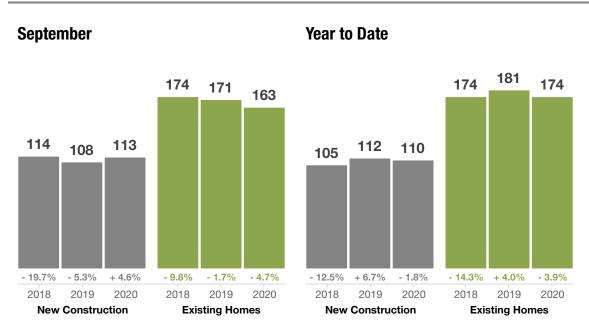
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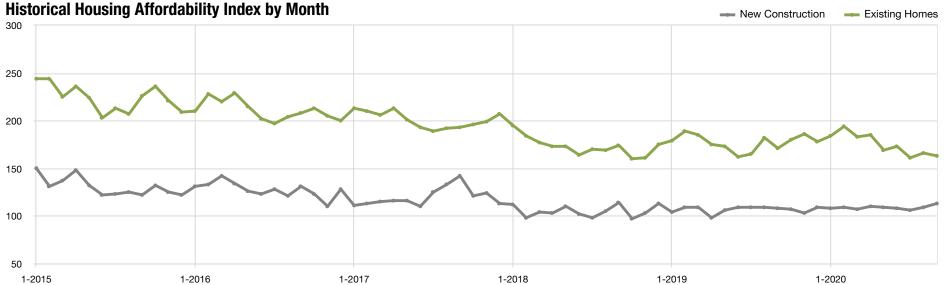
## **Housing Affordability Index**



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.



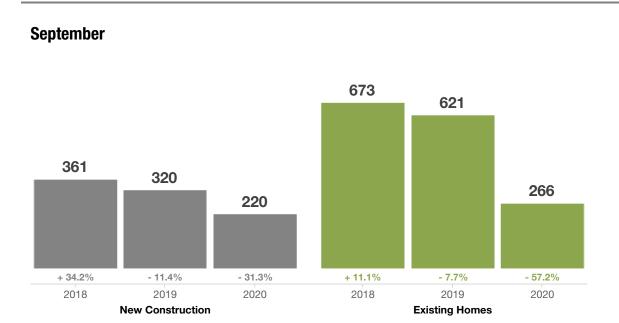
Affordability Index	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	107	+ 10.3%	180	+ 12.5%
Nov-2019	103	0.0%	186	+ 15.5%
Dec-2019	109	- 3.5%	178	+ 1.7%
Jan-2020	108	+ 3.8%	184	+ 2.8%
Feb-2020	109	0.0%	194	+ 2.6%
Mar-2020	107	- 1.8%	183	- 1.1%
Apr-2020	110	+ 12.2%	185	+ 5.7%
May-2020	109	+ 2.8%	169	- 2.3%
Jun-2020	108	- 0.9%	173	+ 6.8%
Jul-2020	106	- 2.8%	161	- 2.4%
Aug-2020	109	0.0%	166	- 8.8%
Sep-2020	113	+ 4.6%	163	- 4.7%
12-Month Avg	108	+ 1.9%	177	+ 2.3%



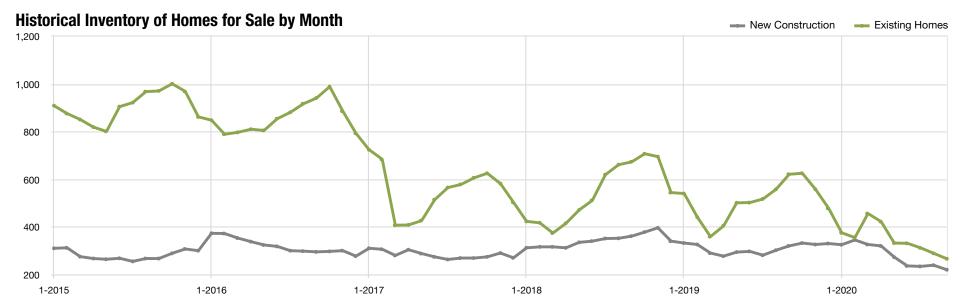
## **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

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





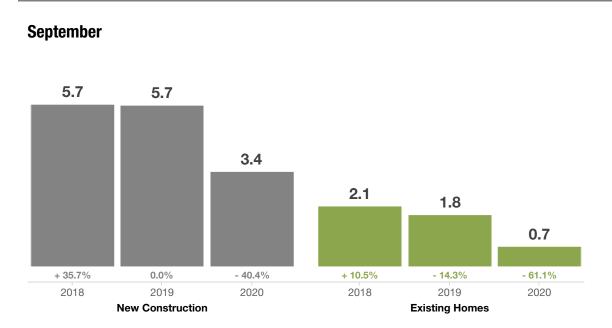
Homes for Sale	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change
Oct-2019	332	- 12.2%	625	- 11.6%
Nov-2019	326	- 17.7%	558	- 19.7%
Dec-2019	330	- 2.9%	478	- 12.1%
Jan-2020	325	- 2.1%	375	- 30.6%
Feb-2020	345	+ 5.8%	355	- 19.5%
Mar-2020	326	+ 12.4%	456	+ 27.0%
Apr-2020	320	+ 15.5%	422	+ 4.5%
May-2020	273	- 7.1%	332	- 33.7%
Jun-2020	236	- 20.5%	331	- 34.1%
Jul-2020	234	- 16.7%	312	- 39.7%
Aug-2020	239	- 20.9%	289	- 48.2%
Sep-2020	220	- 31.3%	266	- 57.2%
12-Month Avg	292	- 8.5%	400	- 24.8%



## **Months Supply of Inventory**

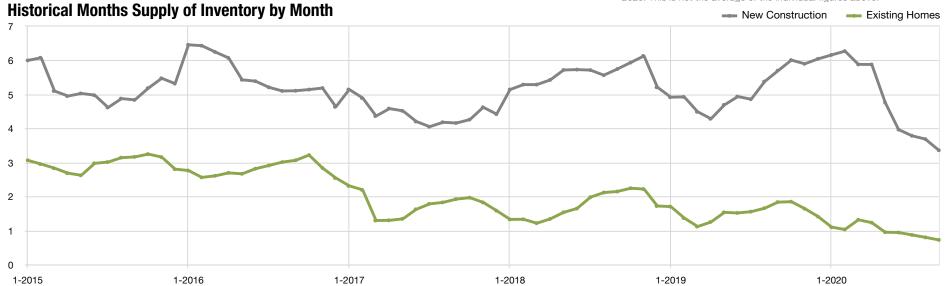
The inventory of homes for sale at the end of a given month, divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.





Months Supply	New Construction	Year-Over-Year Change	Existing Homes	Year-Over-Year Change	
Oct-2019	6.0	+ 1.7%	1.8	- 18.2%	
Nov-2019	5.9	- 3.3%	1.6	- 27.3%	
Dec-2019	6.0	+ 15.4%	1.4	- 17.6%	
Jan-2020	6.2	+ 26.5%	1.1	- 35.3%	
Feb-2020	6.3	+ 28.6%	1.0	- 28.6%	
Mar-2020	5.9	+ 31.1%	1.3	+ 18.2%	
Apr-2020	5.9	+ 37.2%	1.2	0.0%	
May-2020	4.8	+ 2.1%	0.9	- 40.0%	
Jun-2020	4.0	- 18.4%	0.9	- 40.0%	
Jul-2020	3.8	- 22.4%	0.9	- 43.8%	
Aug-2020	3.7	- 31.5%	0.8	- 52.9%	
Sep-2020	3.4	- 40.4%	0.7	- 61.1%	
12-Month Avg*	5.1	+ 0.4%	1.2	- 29.7%	

<sup>\*</sup> Months Supply for all properties from October 2019 through September 2020. 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	9-2019	9-2020	% Change	YTD 2019	YTD 2020	% Change
New Listings	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	609	502	- 17.6%	5,328	5,106	- 4.2%
Pending Sales	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	371	447	+ 20.5%	3,811	4,284	+ 12.4%
Closed Sales	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	389	461	+ 18.5%	3,607	3,815	+ 5.8%
Days on Market Until Sale	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	22	14	- 36.4%	27	24	- 11.1%
Median Closed Price	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	\$211,760	\$230,000	+ 8.6%	\$202,000	\$220,000	+ 8.9%
Average Closed Price	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	\$242,892	\$262,917	+ 8.2%	\$233,415	\$249,791	+ 7.0%
Percent of List Price Received	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	98.6%	100.6%	+ 2.0%	98.9%	99.8%	+ 0.9%
Housing Affordability Index	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	161	155	- 3.7%	169	162	- 4.1%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	941	486	- 48.4%	_	_	_
Months Supply of Inventory	9-2018 3-2019 9-2019 3-2020 9-2020	2.4	1.1	- 54.2%	_	_	_