Weekly Market Activity Report



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For Week Ending March 9, 2013

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With February's jobs data looking better than expected and inflation running well within the Fed's target range, mortgage rates ticked slightly higher. It's not much, and this affordability environment is still hugely attractive, but it's just enough to notice. Combined with low inventory, low rates have been a prominent motivation for buyers. But sellers need the real encouragement these days. Consistent year-over-year price gains have proven insufficient thus far, but that's subject to change come spring.

In the Twin Cities region, for the week ending March 9:

- New Listings decreased 6.1% to 1,361
- Pending Sales increased 10.9% to 1,019
- Inventory decreased 30.7% to 12,476

For the month of February:

- Median Sales Price increased 15.5% to \$160,000
- Days on Market decreased 22.2% to 112
- Percent of Original List Price Received increased 3.4% to 93.7%
- Months Supply of Inventory decreased 38.8% to 3.0

Quick Facts

- 6.1%	+ 10.9%	- 30.7%
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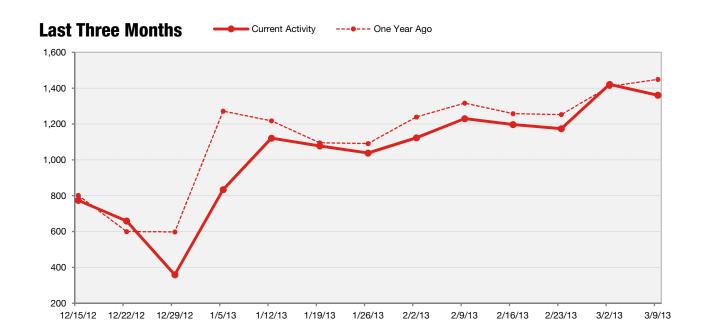
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New Listings

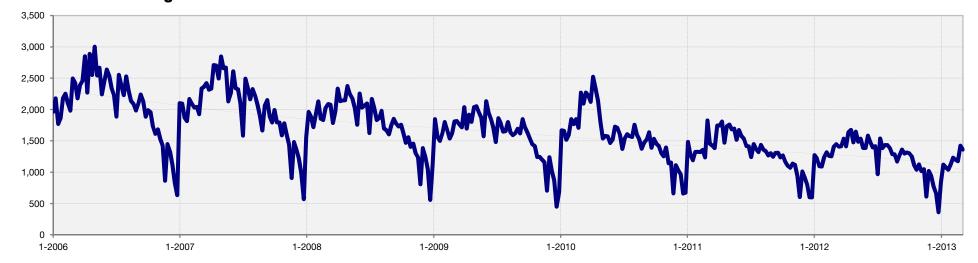
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given week.





For the	Current	One Year	. 1
Week Ending	Activity	Previous	+/-
12/15/2012	774	802	- 3.5%
12/22/2012	659	600	+ 9.8%
12/29/2012	359	598	- 40.0%
1/5/2013	834	1,272	- 34.4%
1/12/2013	1,121	1,218	- 8.0%
1/19/2013	1,078	1,095	- 1.6%
1/26/2013	1,038	1,091	- 4.9%
2/2/2013	1,123	1,239	- 9.4%
2/9/2013	1,230	1,317	- 6.6%
2/16/2013	1,197	1,258	- 4.8%
2/23/2013	1,174	1,253	- 6.3%
3/2/2013	1,421	1,410	+ 0.8%
3/9/2013	1,361	1,449	- 6.1%
3-Month Total	13,369	14,602	- 8.4%

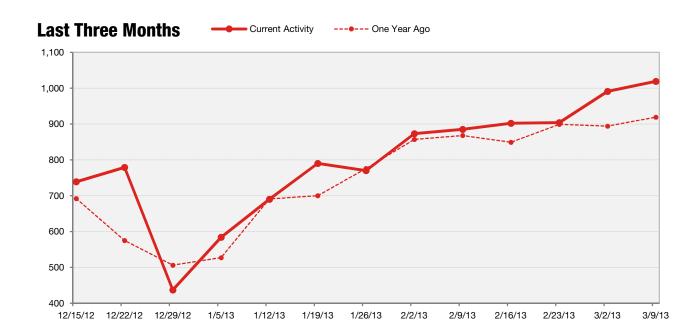
Historical New Listings



Pending Sales

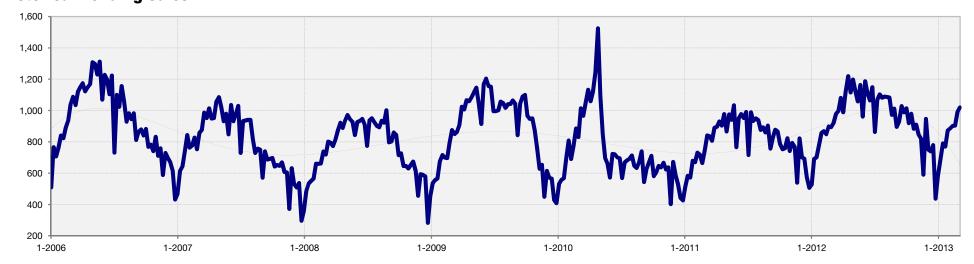
A count of the properties that have offers accepted on them in a given week.





For the	Current	One Year	+/-
Week Ending	Activity	Previous	+/-
12/15/2012	739	692	+ 6.8%
12/22/2012	779	575	+ 35.5%
12/29/2012	437	506	- 13.6%
1/5/2013	584	527	+ 10.8%
1/12/2013	690	691	- 0.1%
1/19/2013	790	700	+ 12.9%
1/26/2013	770	776	- 0.8%
2/2/2013	873	857	+ 1.9%
2/9/2013	885	868	+ 2.0%
2/16/2013	902	849	+ 6.2%
2/23/2013	904	899	+ 0.6%
3/2/2013	991	894	+ 10.9%
3/9/2013	1,019	919	+ 10.9%
3-Month Total	10,363	9,753	+ 6.3%

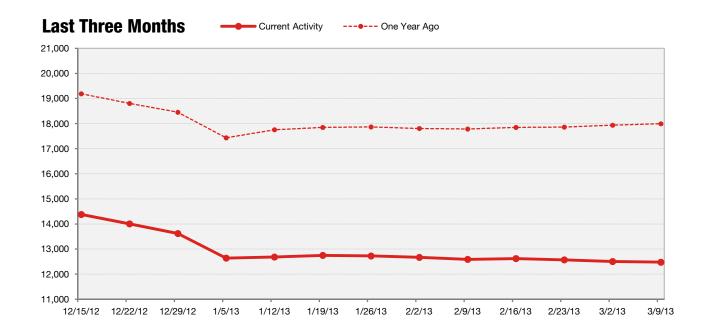
Historical Pending Sales



Inventory of Homes for Sale

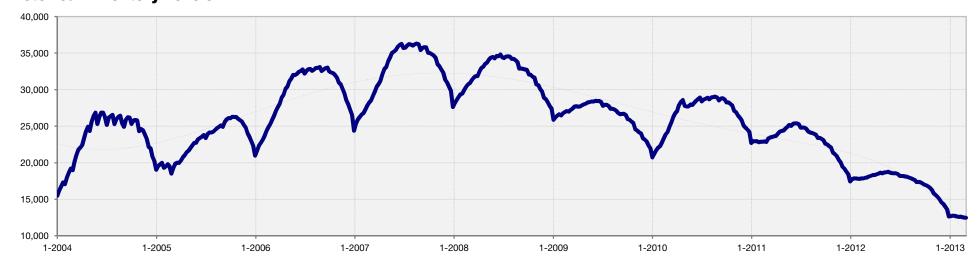
The number of properties available for sale in active status at the end of a given week.





For the Week Ending	Current Activity	One Year Previous	+/-
12/15/2012	14,378	19,189	- 25.1%
12/22/2012	14,006	18,803	- 25.5%
12/29/2012	13,621	18,453	- 26.2%
1/5/2013	12,640	17,434	- 27.5%
1/12/2013	12,682	17,756	- 28.6%
1/19/2013	12,749	17,848	- 28.6%
1/26/2013	12,725	17,867	- 28.8%
2/2/2013	12,669	17,806	- 28.8%
2/9/2013	12,590	17,784	- 29.2%
2/16/2013	12,622	17,849	- 29.3%
2/23/2013	12,571	17,861	- 29.6%
3/2/2013	12,505	17,936	- 30.3%
3/9/2013	12,476	17,993	- 30.7%
3-Month Avg	12,941	18,045	- 28.3%

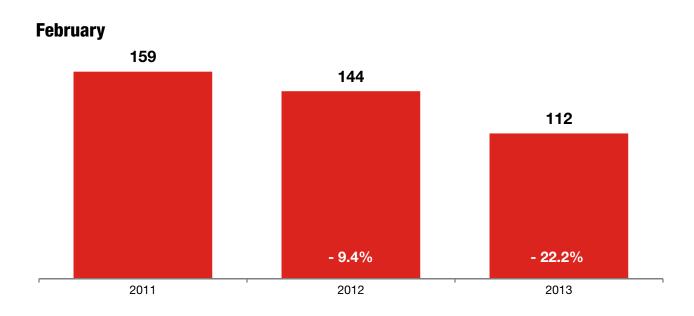
Historical Inventory Levels



Days on Market Until Sale

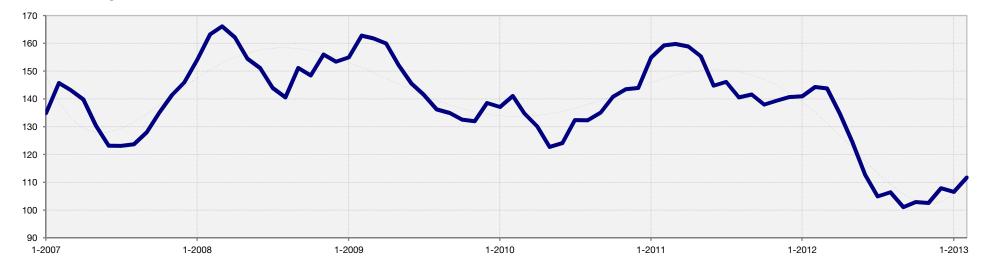
Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.





Month	Current Activity	One Year Previous	+/-
March	144	160	- 10.0%
April	135	159	- 15.1%
May	124	155	- 20.0%
June	113	145	- 22.1%
July	105	146	- 28.1%
August	106	141	- 24.8%
September	101	142	- 28.9%
October	103	138	- 25.4%
November	103	139	- 25.9%
December	108	141	- 23.4%
January	107	141	- 24.1%
February	112	144	- 22.2%
12-Month Avg	113	146	- 22.6%

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.



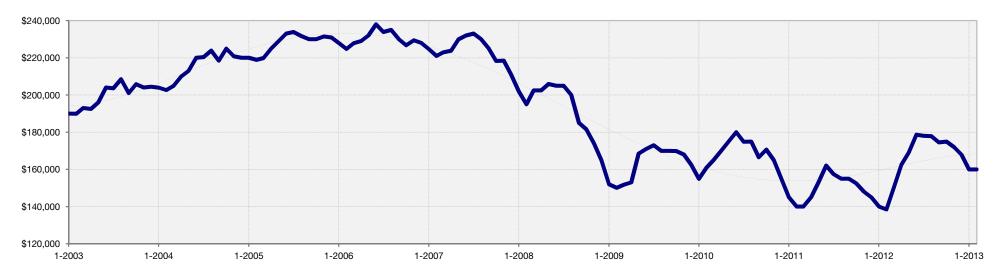
February \$160,000 \$140,000 \$138,500 + 15.5% - 1.1%

2012

Month	Current Activity	One Year Previous	+/-
March	\$149,900	\$140,000	+ 7.1%
April	\$162,500	\$145,000	+ 12.1%
May	\$169,000	\$153,000	+ 10.5%
June	\$178,675	\$162,100	+ 10.2%
July	\$178,099	\$157,500	+ 13.1%
August	\$177,900	\$155,000	+ 14.8%
September	\$174,500	\$155,000	+ 12.6%
October	\$175,000	\$152,500	+ 14.8%
November	\$172,000	\$148,000	+ 16.2%
December	\$167,950	\$145,000	+ 15.8%
January	\$160,000	\$140,000	+ 14.3%
February	\$160,000	\$138,500	+ 15.5%
12-Month Med	\$169,999	\$150,000	+ 13.3%

Historical Median Sales Price

2011

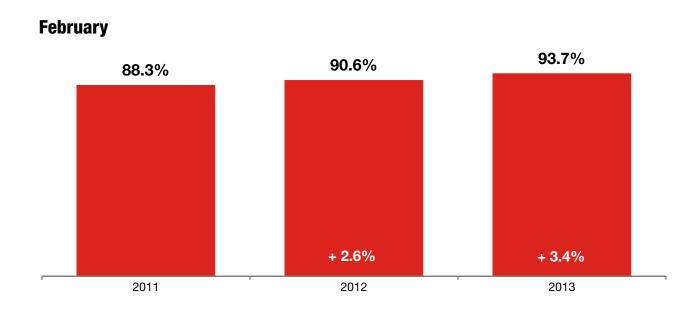


2013

Percent of Original List Price Received

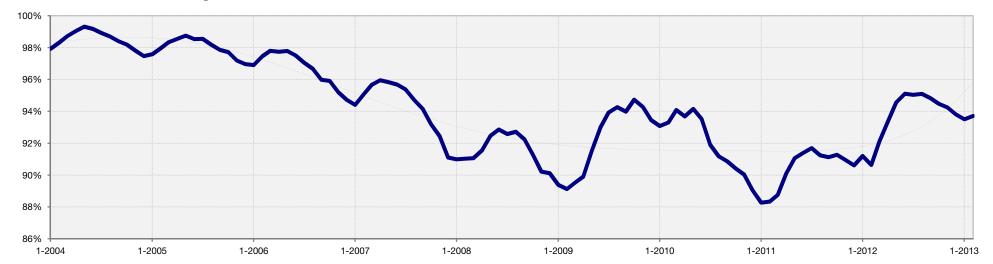


Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by it's original list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



Month	Current Activity	One Year Previous	+/-
March	92.1%	88.7%	+ 3.8%
April	93.4%	90.1%	+ 3.7%
May	94.6%	91.1%	+ 3.8%
June	95.1%	91.4%	+ 4.0%
July	95.0%	91.7%	+ 3.6%
August	95.1%	91.2%	+ 4.3%
September	94.8%	91.1%	+ 4.1%
October	94.5%	91.3%	+ 3.5%
November	94.2%	90.9%	+ 3.6%
December	93.8%	90.6%	+ 3.5%
January	93.5%	91.2%	+ 2.5%
February	93.7%	90.6%	+ 3.4%
12-Month Avg	94.3%	90.9%	+ 3.7%

Historical Percent of Original List Price Received



Housing Affordability Index

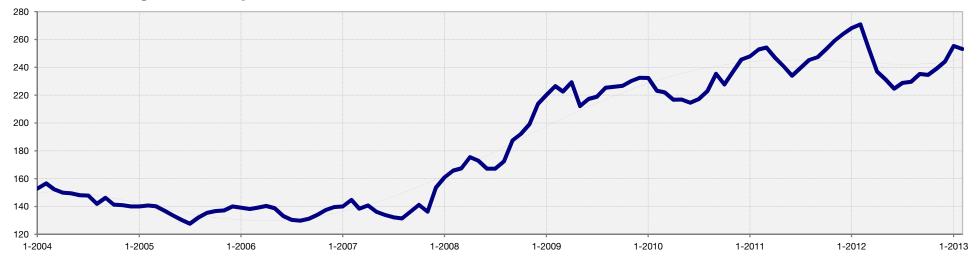


This index measures housing affordability for the region. An index of 120 means the median household income was 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.

February		
253	271	253
	+ 7.1%	- 6.6%
2011	2012	2013

Month	Current Activity	One Year Previous	+/-
March	254	254	0.0%
April	237	247	- 4.0%
May	231	241	- 4.1%
June	225	234	- 3.8%
July	229	239	- 4.2%
August	230	245	- 6.1%
September	235	247	- 4.9%
October	234	253	- 7.5%
November	239	259	- 7.7%
December	244	264	- 7.6%
January	255	268	- 4.9%
February	253	271	- 6.6%
12-Month Avg	238	252	- 5.6%

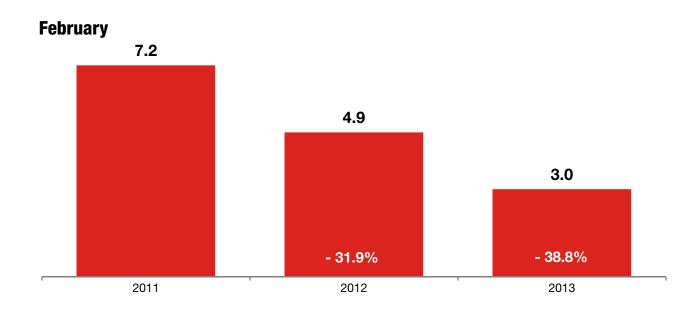
Historical Housing Affordability Index



Months Supply of Inventory







Month	Current Activity	One Year Previous	+/-
March	5.0	7.6	- 34.2%
April	5.0	8.2	- 39.0%
May	4.8	8.2	- 41.5%
June	4.7	8.0	- 41.3%
July	4.6	7.6	- 39.5%
August	4.4	7.1	- 38.0%
September	4.3	6.7	- 35.8%
October	3.9	6.2	- 37.1%
November	3.6	5.7	- 36.8%
December	3.1	5.0	- 38.0%
January	3.0	5.0	- 40.0%
February	3.0	4.9	- 38.8%
12-Month Avg	4.1	6.7	- 38.8%

Historical Months Supply of Inventory

