

Monthly Indicators

March 2013

With spring here in all its bounty, it's time to renew, refresh and revive our understanding of what's fueling the ongoing market recovery. First, tightened inventory levels combined with strong demand are fueling price gains in many areas. Second, consumer demand is shifting from distressed properties to conventional homes. Third, record-low mortgage rates and rising rents are supporting housing recovery. Let's check the local scene.

New Listings were down 8.9 percent to 1,488. Pending Sales increased 9.5 percent to 998. Inventory shrank 19.8 percent to 4,401 units.

Prices moved higher as the Median Sales Price was up 3.9 percent to \$117,750. Days on Market decreased 9.6 percent to 85 days, the tenth consecutive month of year-over-year declines. Months Supply of Inventory was down 25.4 percent to 5.3 months, indicating that demand increased relative to supply.

On the economic front, things inched forward. We saw a minor but important upward revision to Q4-2012 GDP growth that put us back in positive territory. In the political arena, key debates over the deficit, marriage, gun law, immigration reform and tax policy rage onward. The squeaky wheel gets the grease, and with this emerging housing recovery, there are no imminent housing-related bills. Perhaps that's a good thing.

Activity Snapshot

- 3.9% + 3.9% - 19.8%

One-Year Change in	One-Year Change in	One-Year Change in
Closed Sales	Median Sales Price	Homes for Sale

Residential activity for Regional Board B, comprised of single-family properties, townhomes and condominiums combined. Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures.

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Activity Overview

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

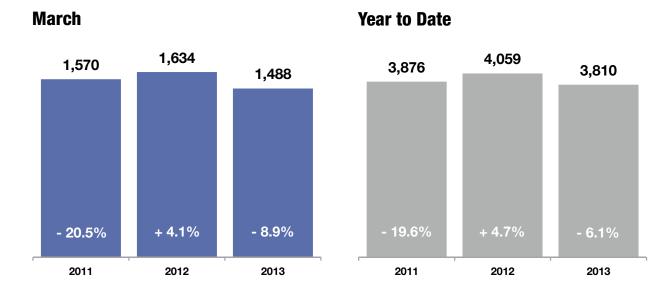


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	3-2012	3-2013	Percent Change	YTD 2012	YTD 2013	Percent Change
New Listings	3 -2010 3 -2011 3 -2012 3 -2013	1,634	1,488	- 8.9%	4,059	3,810	- 6.1%
Pending Sales	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	911	998	+ 9.5%	2,308	2,349	+ 1.8%
Closed Sales	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	674	648	- 3.9%	1,703	1,770	+ 3.9%
Days on Market	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	94	85	- 9.6%	93	81	- 12.9%
Median Sales Price	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	\$113,348	\$117,750	+ 3.9%	\$110,000	\$117,000	+ 6.4%
Average Sales Price		\$138,213	\$139,177	+ 0.7%	\$131,969	\$138,607	+ 5.0%
Pct. of List Price Received		94.2%	94.8%	+ 0.6%	93.9%	94.6%	+ 0.7%
Affordability Index	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	234	237	+ 1.3%	239	238	- 0.4%
Homes for Sale	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	5,490	4,401	- 19.8%	- 		
Months Supply	3-2010 3-2011 3-2012 3-2013	7.1	5.3	- 25.4%			

New Listings

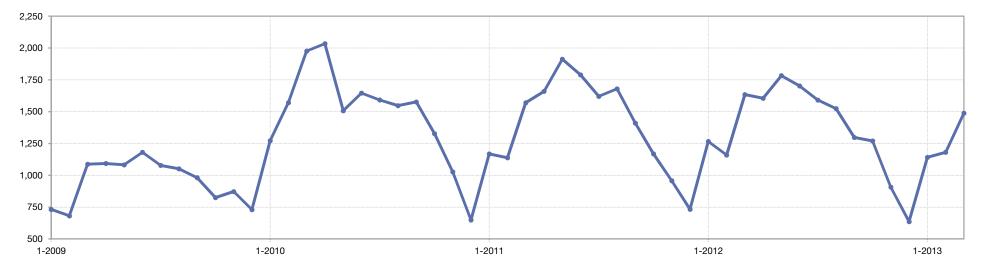
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





New Listings		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	1,605	1,660	-3.3%
May 2012	1,783	1,912	-6.7%
June 2012	1,702	1,789	-4.9%
July 2012	1,591	1,620	-1.8%
August 2012	1,524	1,679	-9.2%
September 2012	1,297	1,410	-8.0%
October 2012	1,270	1,168	+8.7%
November 2012	907	957	-5.2%
December 2012	636	733	-13.2%
January 2013	1,141	1,266	-9.9%
February 2013	1,181	1,159	+1.9%
March 2013	1,488	1,634	-8.9%
12-Month Avg	1,344	1,416	-5.1%

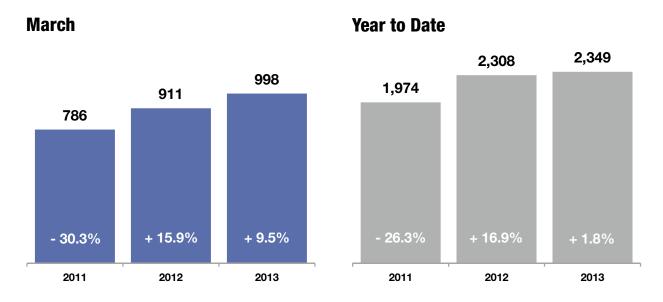
Historical New Listings by Month



Pending Sales

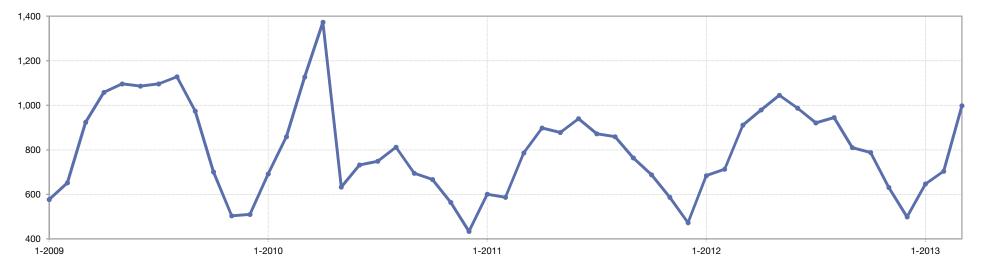
A count of the properties on which offers have been accepted in a given month.





Pending Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	979	898	+9.0%
May 2012	1,045	878	+19.0%
June 2012	987	940	+5.0%
July 2012	921	872	+5.6%
August 2012	945	859	+10.0%
September 2012	810	764	+6.0%
October 2012	788	688	+14.5%
November 2012	631	587	+7.5%
December 2012	499	473	+5.5%
January 2013	647	684	-5.4%
February 2013	704	713	-1.3%
March 2013	998	911	+9.5%
12-Month Avg	830	772	+7.5%

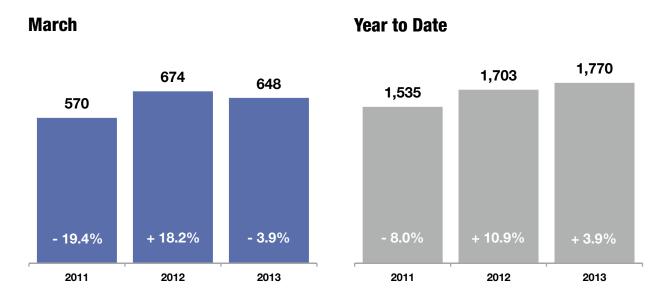
Historical Pending Sales by Month



Closed Sales

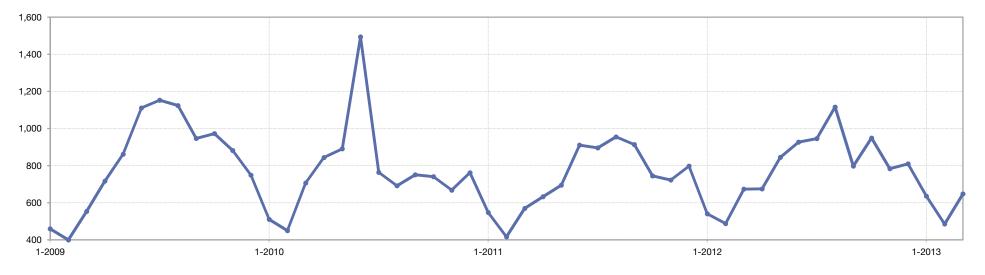
A count of the actual sales that closed in a given month.





	Prior Year	Percent Change
675	633	+6.6%
845	695	+21.6%
927	¦ 911	+1.8%
946	896	+5.6%
1,116	955	+16.9%
798	914	-12.7%
949	745	+27.4%
784	723	+8.4%
810	798	+1.5%
636	541	+17.6%
486	488	-0.4%
648	674	-3.9%
802	748	+7.2%
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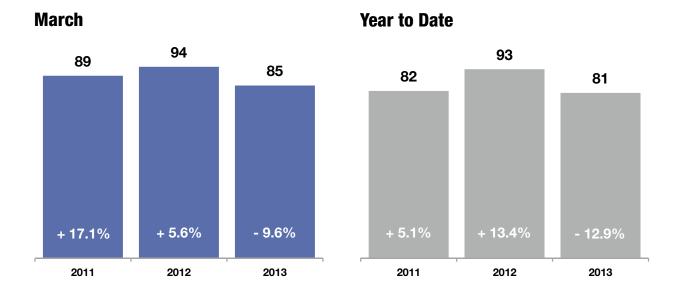
Historical Closed Sales by Month



Days on Market Until Sale

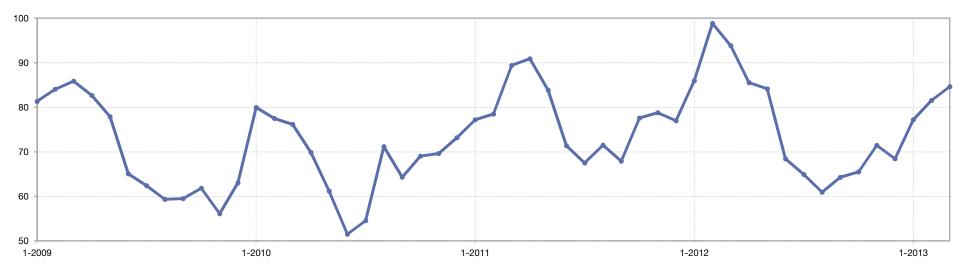
Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.





Days on Market		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	86	91	-5.5%
May 2012	84	84	0.0%
June 2012	68	71	-4.2%
July 2012	65	68	-4.4%
August 2012	61	72	-15.3%
September 2012	64	68	-5.9%
October 2012	66	78	-15.4%
November 2012	71	79	-10.1%
December 2012	68	77	-11.7%
January 2013	77	86	-10.5%
February 2013	82	99	-17.2%
March 2013	85	94	-9.6%
12-Month Avg*	72	79	-8.9%

* Average Days on Market of all properties from April 2012 through March 2013. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



Historical Days on Market Until Sale by Month

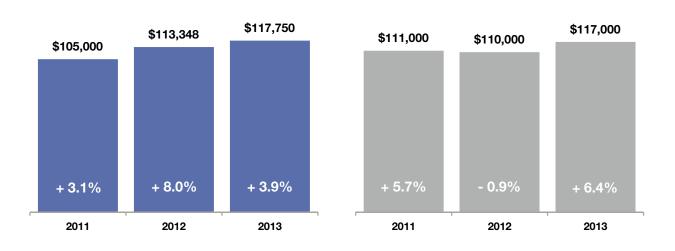
Median Sales Price

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



March

Year to Date



Median Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	\$108,000	\$113,000	-4.4%
May 2012	\$118,860	\$114,500	+3.8%
June 2012	\$130,000	\$119,000	+9.2%
July 2012	\$127,250	\$125,000	+1.8%
August 2012	\$128,500	\$120,400	+6.7%
September 2012	\$125,000	\$118,725	+5.3%
October 2012	\$120,000	\$115,500	+3.9%
November 2012	\$125,000	\$111,563	+12.0%
December 2012	\$123,240	\$119,900	+2.8%
January 2013	\$115,250	\$108,500	+6.2%
February 2013	\$117,400	\$104,000	+12.9%
March 2013	\$117,750	\$113,348	+3.9%
12-Month Med*	\$122,500	\$115,900	+5.7%

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Historical Median Sales Price by Month

Average Sales Price

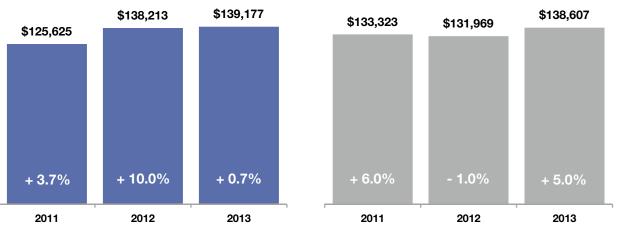
Average sales price for all closed sales, not accounting for seller concessions, in a given month.



\$138,213 \$125,625

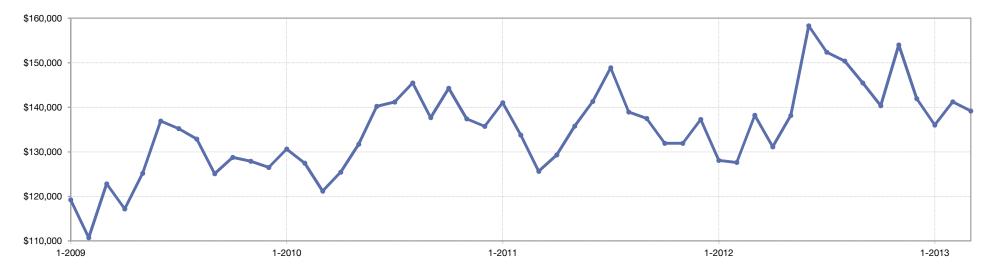
March

Year to Date



Average Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	\$131,123	\$129,312	+1.4%
May 2012	\$138,153	\$135,777	+1.7%
June 2012	\$158,299	\$141,309	+12.0%
July 2012	\$152,372	\$148,872	+2.4%
August 2012	\$150,389	\$138,940	+8.2%
September 2012	\$145,474	\$137,496	+5.8%
October 2012	\$140,358	\$131,924	+6.4%
November 2012	\$153,999	\$131,914	+16.7%
December 2012	\$141,943	\$137,274	+3.4%
January 2013	\$136,012	\$128,088	+6.2%
February 2013	\$141,240	\$127,630	+10.7%
March 2013	\$139,177	\$138,213	+0.7%
12-Month Avg*	\$144,947	\$136,483	+6.2%

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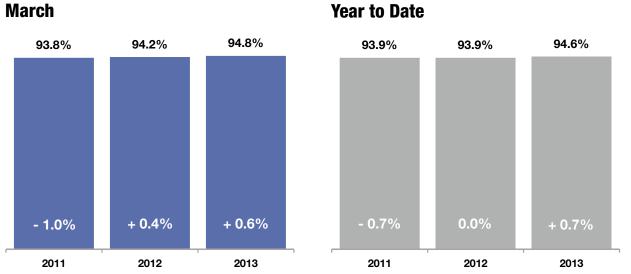


Historical Average Sales Price by Month

Percent of List Price Received

Historical Percent of List Price Received by Month

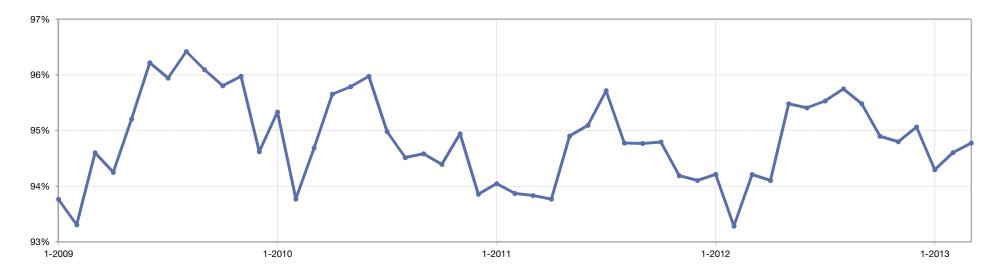
Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its most recent list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



Pct. of List Price Rec	eived	Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	94.1%	93.8%	+0.3%
May 2012	95.5%	94.9%	+0.6%
June 2012	95.4%	95.1%	+0.3%
July 2012	95.5%	95.7%	-0.2%
August 2012	95.7%	94.8%	+0.9%
September 2012	95.5%	94.8%	+0.7%
October 2012	94.9%	94.8%	+0.1%
November 2012	94.8%	94.2%	+0.6%
December 2012	95.1%	94.1%	+1.1%
January 2013	94.3%	94.2%	+0.1%
February 2013	94.6%	93.3%	+1.4%
March 2013	94.8%	94.2%	+0.6%
12-Month Avg*	95.1%	94.6%	+0.5%

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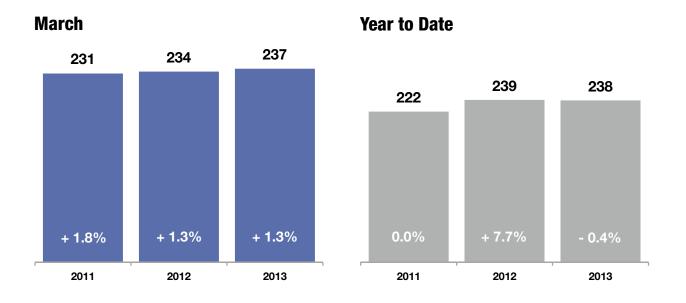
* Average Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from April 2012 through March 2013. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



Housing Affordability Index

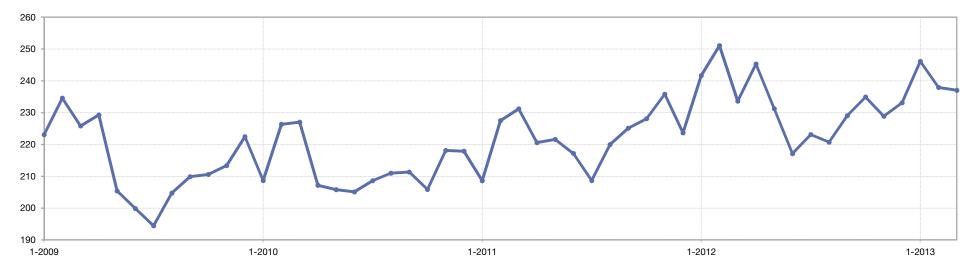
This index measures housing affordability for the region. An index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.





Affordability Index		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	245	221	+10.9%
May 2012	231	222	+4.1%
June 2012	217	217	0.0%
July 2012	223	209	+6.7%
August 2012	221	220	+0.5%
September 2012	229	225	+1.8%
October 2012	235	228	+3.1%
November 2012	229	236	-3.0%
December 2012	233	224	+4.0%
January 2013	246	242	+1.7%
February 2013	238	251	-5.2%
March 2013	237	234	+1.3%
12-Month Avg	232	227	+2.1%

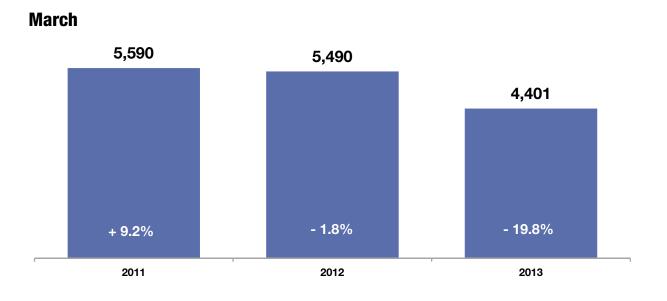
Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month



Inventory of Homes for Sale

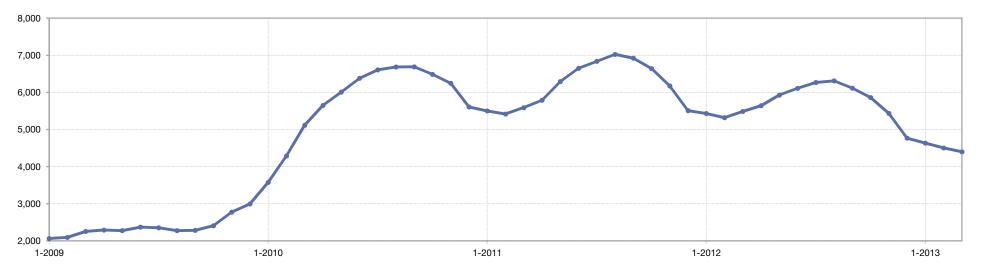
The number of properties available for sale in active status at the end of a given month.





Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	5,643	5,792	-2.6%
May 2012	5,930	6,294	-5.8%
June 2012	6,111	6,650	-8.1%
July 2012	6,270	6,839	-8.3%
August 2012	6,313	7,025	-10.1%
September 2012	6,116	6,924	-11.7%
October 2012	5,862	6,642	-11.7%
November 2012	5,436	6,175	-12.0%
December 2012	4,770	5,509	-13.4%
January 2013	4,634	5,432	-14.7%
February 2013	4,504	5,321	-15.4%
March 2013	4,401	5,490	-19.8%
12-Month Avg*	5,499	6,174	-10.9%

* Homes for Sale for all properties from April 2012 through March 2013. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

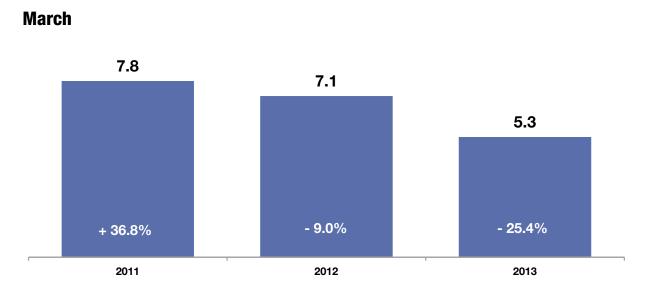


Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month

Months Supply of Inventory

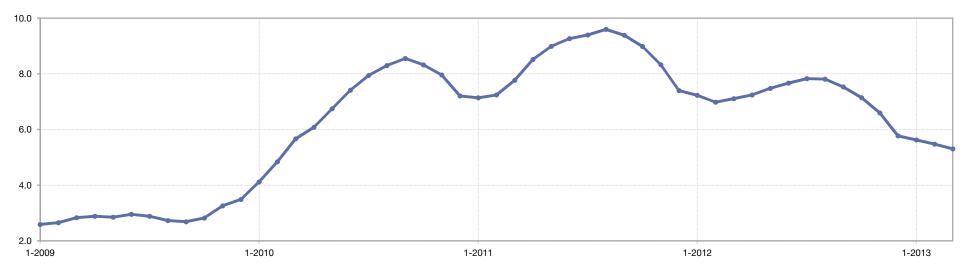
The inventory of homes for sale at the end of a given month, divided by the average monthly pending sales from the last 12 months.





Months Supply		Prior Year	Percent Change
April 2012	7.2	8.5	-15.3%
May 2012	7.5	9.0	-16.7%
June 2012	7.7	9.3	-17.2%
July 2012	7.8	9.4	-17.0%
August 2012	7.8	9.6	-18.8%
September 2012	7.5	9.4	-20.2%
October 2012	7.1	9.0	-21.1%
November 2012	6.6	8.3	-20.5%
December 2012	5.8	7.4	-21.6%
January 2013	5.6	7.2	-22.2%
February 2013	5.5	7.0	-21.4%
March 2013	5.3	7.1	-25.4%
12-Month Avg*	6.8	8.4	-19.0%

* Months Supply for all properties from April 2012 through March 2013. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month