# **Monthly Indicators**



#### **January 2015**

It's already evident that 2015 will be marked by talk of changing mortgage rates and regulations. Rates should stay low, but consumers and finance experts alike believe that we're at or near rate bottoms. Early indications point to more sales, more listings, more new construction and more excitement. It's not expected to be the overblown land grab of the early 2000s, but it should feel like a healthy market, which, in and of itself, may feel like an odd sensation to real estate practitioners accustomed to the boom and bust of the 21st century.

New Listings were down 9.6 percent to 122. Pending Sales decreased 12.7 percent to 62. Inventory shrank 2.4 percent to 1,458 units.

Prices were still soft as the Median Sales Price was down 1.1 percent to \$138,500. Days on Market decreased 15.7 percent to 214 days. Months Supply of Inventory was down 4.5 percent to 15.0 months, indicating that demand increased relative to supply.

The 3 percent downpayment programs from Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac should help potential new homeowners, but in a recent member survey by the Independent Community Bankers of America, three-fourths of respondents stated that regulatory burdens are hurting their ability to loan money. The wider economy shows slight wage increases and gas prices near five-year lows but rising along with extended daylight and buyer demand. These various economic pushes and pulls can turn stagnant markets into exciting ones. It's all in how you look at it.

#### **Activity Snapshot**

**- 24.4% - 1.1% - 2.4%** 

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

Residential activity in Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton and Warren Counties, 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.

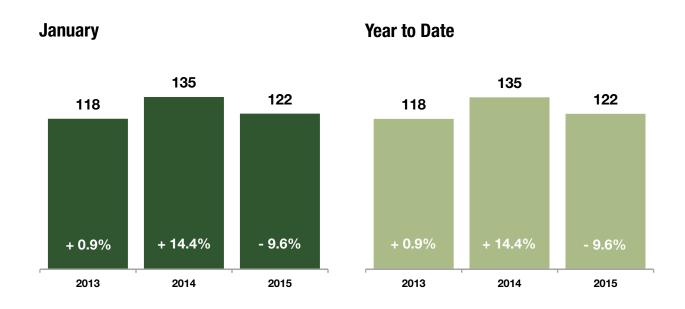


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	1-2014	1-2015	Percent Change	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	Percent Change
New Listings	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	135	122	- 9.6%	135	122	- 9.6%
Pending Sales	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	71	62	- 12.7%	71	62	- 12.7%
Closed Sales	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	90	68	- 24.4%	90	68	- 24.4%
Days on Market	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	254	214	- 15.7%	254	214	- 15.7%
Median Sales Price	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	\$140,000	\$138,500	- 1.1%	\$140,000	\$138,500	- 1.1%
Avg. Sales Price	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	\$287,430	\$181,218	- 37.0%	\$287,430	\$181,218	- 37.0%
Pct. of List Price Received	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	92.0%	92.4%	+ 0.4%	92.0%	92.4%	+ 0.4%
Affordability Index	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	198	216	+ 9.1%	198	216	+ 9.1%
Homes for Sale	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	1,494	1,458	- 2.4%			
Months Supply	1-2012 1-2013 1-2014 1-2015	15.7	15.0	- 4.5%			

### **New Listings**

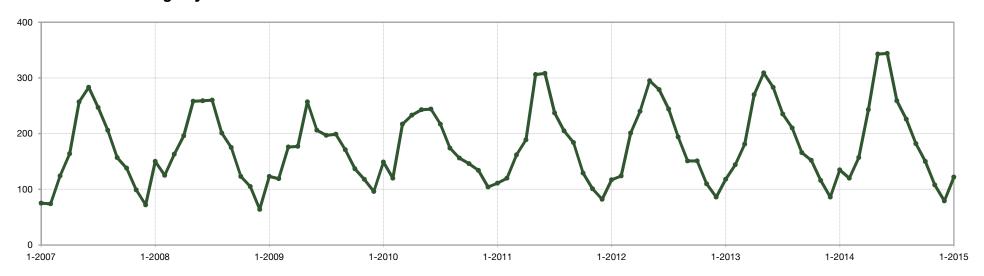
A count of the properties that have been newly listed on the market in a given month.





New Listings		Prior Year	Percent Chang
February 2014	120	144	-16.7%
March 2014	157	181	-13.3%
April 2014	243	270	-10.0%
May 2014	343	309	+11.0%
June 2014	344	283	+21.6%
July 2014	259	235	+10.2%
August 2014	226	210	+7.6%
September 2014	182	166	+9.6%
October 2014	150	152	-1.3%
November 2014	108	116	-6.9%
December 2014	79	86	-8.1%
January 2015	122	135	-9.6%
12-Month Avg	194	191	+1.6%

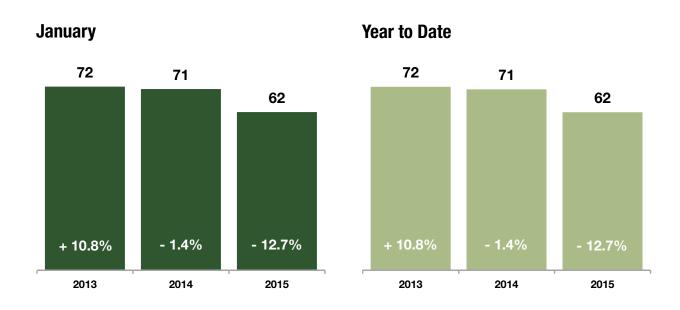
#### **Historical New Listings by Month**



## **Pending Sales**

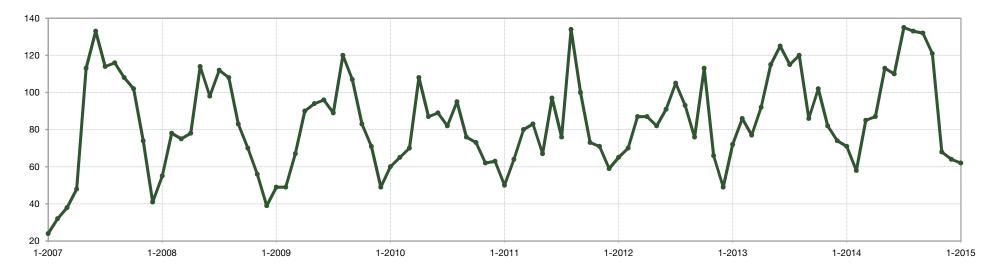
A count of the properties on which offers have been accepted in a given month.





Pending Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	58	86	-32.6%
March 2014	85	77	+10.4%
April 2014	87	92	-5.4%
May 2014	113	115	-1.7%
June 2014	110	125	-12.0%
July 2014	135	115	+17.4%
August 2014	133	120	+10.8%
September 2014	132	86	+53.5%
October 2014	121	102	+18.6%
November 2014	68	82	-17.1%
December 2014	64	74	-13.5%
January 2015	62	71	-12.7%
12-Month Avg	97	95	+2.1%

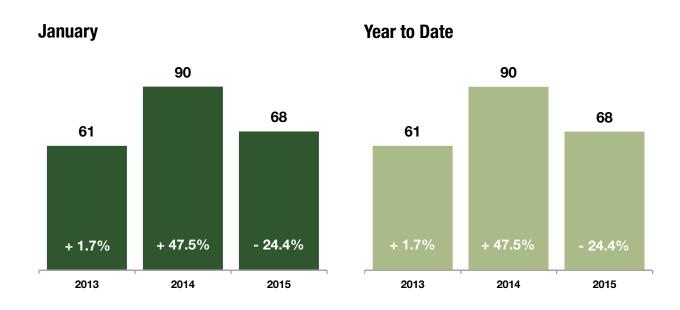
#### **Historical Pending Sales by Month**



### **Closed Sales**

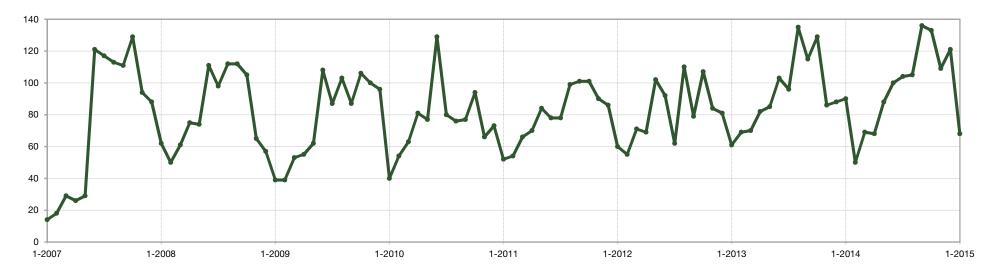
A count of the actual sales that closed in a given month.





Closed Sales		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	50	69	-27.5%
March 2014	69	70	-1.4%
April 2014	68	82	-17.1%
May 2014	88	85	+3.5%
June 2014	100	103	-2.9%
July 2014	104	96	+8.3%
August 2014	105	135	-22.2%
September 2014	136	115	+18.3%
October 2014	133	129	+3.1%
November 2014	109	86	+26.7%
December 2014	121	88	+37.5%
January 2015	68	90	-24.4%
12-Month Avg	96	96	0.0%

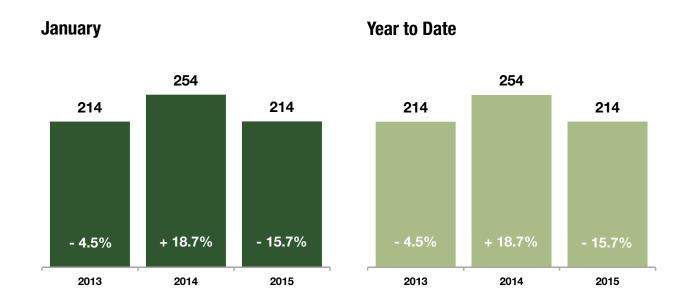
#### **Historical Closed Sales by Month**



### **Days on Market Until Sale**

Average number of days between when a property is listed and when it is closed in a given month.

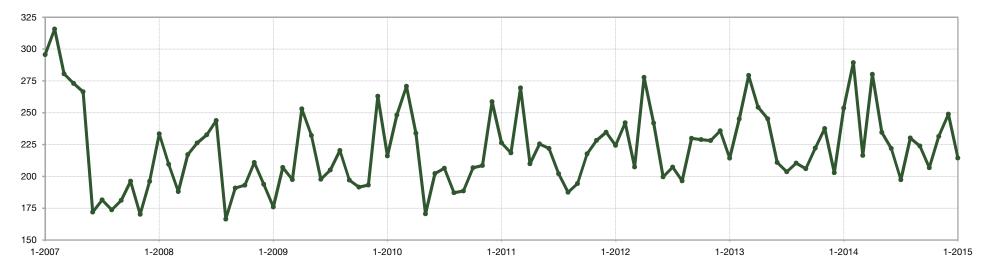




Days on Market		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	289	245	+18.0%
March 2014	216	279	-22.6%
April 2014	280	254	+10.2%
May 2014	234	245	-4.5%
June 2014	222	211	+5.2%
July 2014	197	204	-3.4%
August 2014	230	210	+9.5%
September 2014	224	206	+8.7%
October 2014	207	222	-6.8%
November 2014	231	238	-2.9%
December 2014	249	203	+22.7%
January 2015	214	254	-15.7%
12-Month Avg*	229	227	+0.9%

<sup>\*</sup> Average Days on Market of all properties from February 2014 through January 2015. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

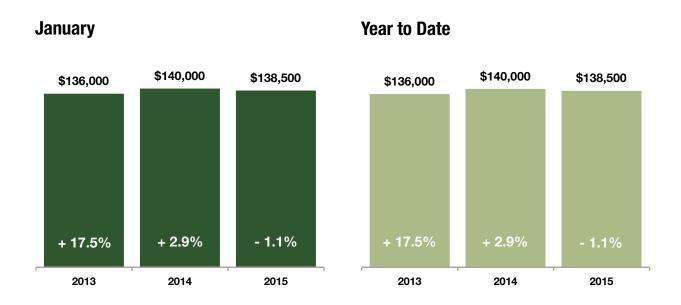
#### Historical Days on Market Until Sale by Month



### **Median Sales Price**



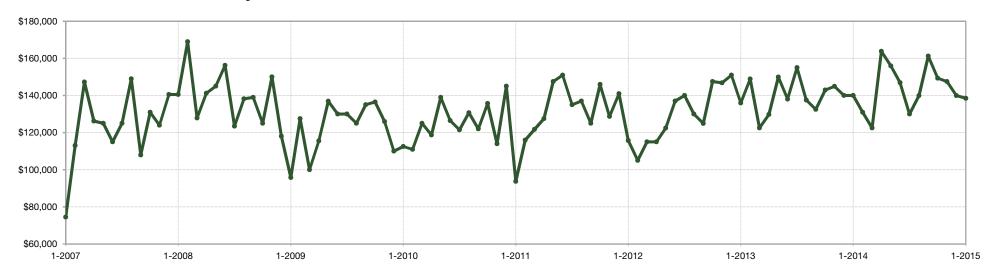




	Prior Year	Percent Change
\$131,000	\$148,900	-12.0%
\$122,500	\$122,500	0.0%
\$163,825	\$129,750	+26.3%
\$156,000	\$149,900	+4.1%
\$146,950	\$138,000	+6.5%
\$130,000	\$155,000	-16.1%
\$139,900	\$137,500	+1.7%
\$161,250	\$132,500	+21.7%
\$149,313	\$142,948	+4.5%
\$147,500	\$144,900	+1.8%
\$139,900	\$140,000	-0.1%
\$138,500	\$140,000	-1.1%
\$145,000	\$140,000	+3.6%
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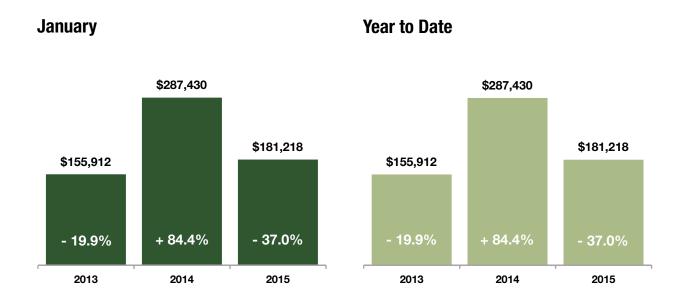
#### **Historical Median Sales Price by Month**



### **Average Sales Price**

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

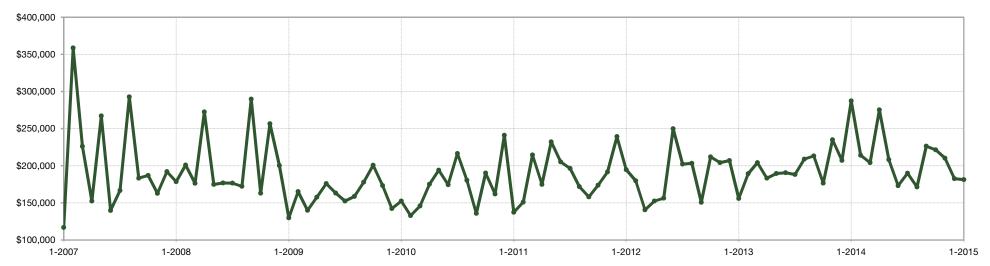




Avg. Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	\$214,092	\$189,298	+13.1%
March 2014	\$204,267	\$204,130	+0.1%
April 2014	\$275,324	\$183,310	+50.2%
May 2014	\$208,296	\$189,445	+10.0%
June 2014	\$173,137	\$190,537	-9.1%
July 2014	\$190,019	\$188,257	+0.9%
August 2014	\$171,485	\$208,938	-17.9%
September 2014	\$226,331	\$213,166	+6.2%
October 2014	\$221,406	\$176,660	+25.3%
November 2014	\$210,205	\$235,004	-10.6%
December 2014	\$182,578	\$207,179	-11.9%
January 2015	\$181,218	\$287,430	-37.0%
12-Month Avg*	\$203,704	\$205,638	-0.9%

<sup>\*</sup> Avg. Sales Price of all properties from February 2014 through January 2015. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

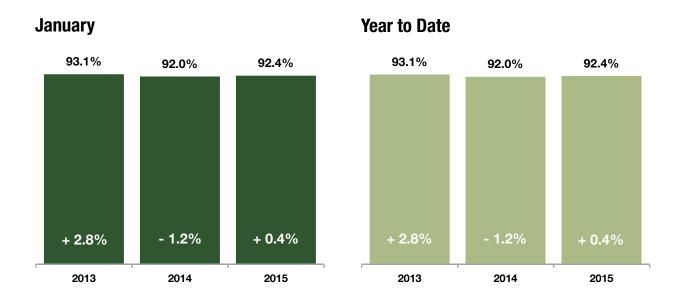
#### **Historical Average Sales Price by Month**



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



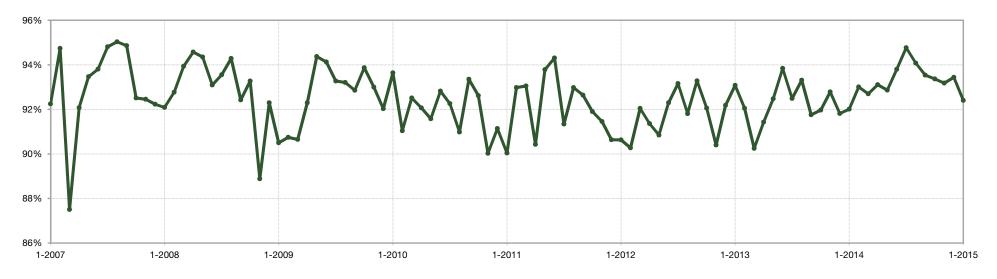
Percentage found when dividing a property's sales price by its most recent list price, then taking the average for all properties sold in a given month, not accounting for seller concessions.



Pct. of List Price Re	ceived	Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	93.0%	92.0%	+1.1%
March 2014	92.7%	90.2%	+2.8%
April 2014	93.1%	91.4%	+1.9%
May 2014	92.9%	92.5%	+0.4%
June 2014	93.8%	93.8%	0.0%
July 2014	94.8%	92.5%	+2.5%
August 2014	94.1%	93.3%	+0.9%
September 2014	93.5%	91.8%	+1.9%
October 2014	93.4%	92.0%	+1.5%
November 2014	93.2%	92.8%	+0.4%
December 2014	93.4%	91.8%	+1.7%
January 2015	92.4%	92.0%	+0.4%
12-Month Avg*	93.4%	92.3%	+1.2%

<sup>\*</sup> Average Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from February 2014 through January 2015. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

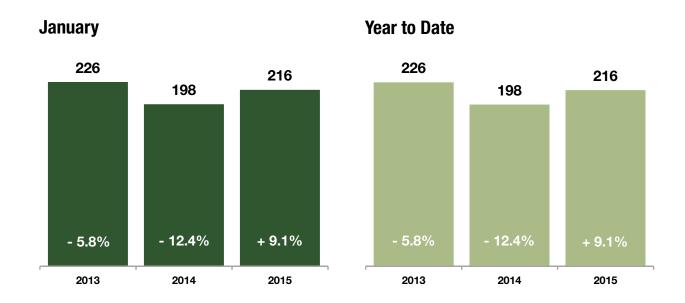
#### **Historical Percent of List Price Received by Month**



### **Housing Affordability Index**

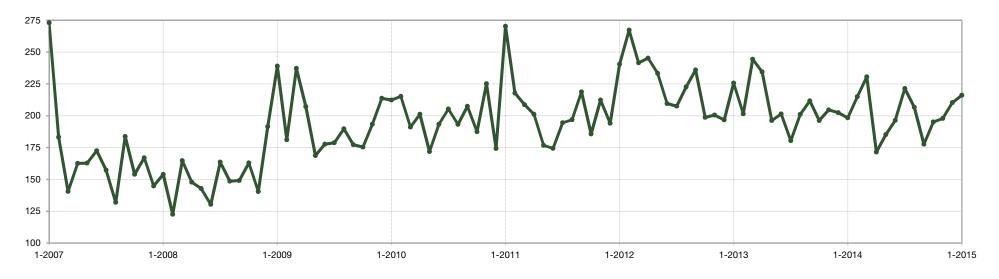


This index measures housing affordability for the region. An index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



Affordability Index		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	215	201	+7.0%
March 2014	231	244	-5.3%
April 2014	171	234	-26.9%
May 2014	185	196	-5.6%
June 2014	196	201	-2.5%
July 2014	221	180	+22.8%
August 2014	207	201	+3.0%
September 2014	178	212	-16.0%
October 2014	195	196	-0.5%
November 2014	198	204	-2.9%
December 2014	210	202	+4.0%
January 2015	216	198	+9.1%
12-Month Avg	202	206	-2.0%

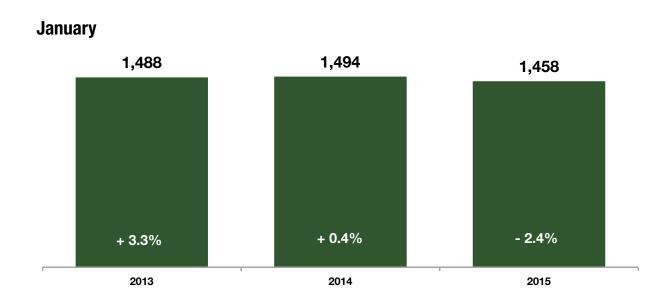
#### **Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month**



### **Inventory of Homes for Sale**

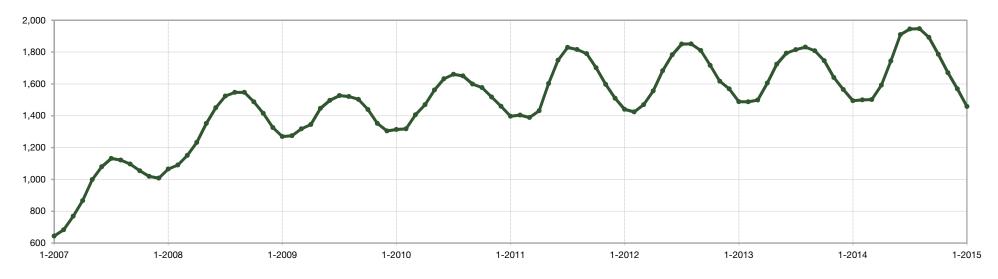
The number of properties available for sale in active status at the end of a given month.





Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	1,499	1,487	+0.8%
March 2014	1,501	1,498	+0.2%
April 2014	1,592	1,605	-0.8%
May 2014	1,744	1,724	+1.2%
June 2014	1,910	1,793	+6.5%
July 2014	1,945	1,815	+7.2%
August 2014	1,947	1,831	+6.3%
September 2014	1,893	1,808	+4.7%
October 2014	1,786	1,746	+2.3%
November 2014	1,670	1,640	+1.8%
December 2014	1,569	1,565	+0.3%
January 2015	1,458	1,494	-2.4%
12-Month Avg	1,710	1,667	+2.6%

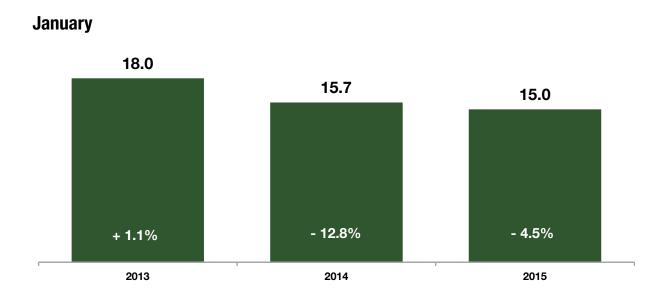
#### **Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month**



### **Months Supply of Inventory**

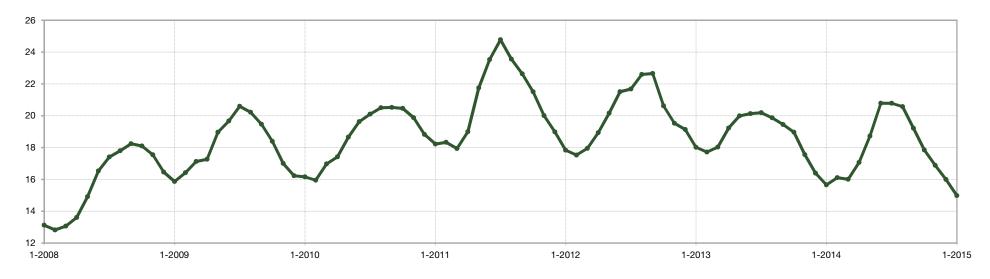






Months Supply		Prior Year	Percent Change
February 2014	16.1	17.7	-9.0%
March 2014	16.0	18.0	-11.1%
April 2014	17.1	19.2	-10.9%
May 2014	18.7	20.0	-6.5%
June 2014	20.8	20.1	+3.5%
July 2014	20.8	20.2	+3.0%
August 2014	20.6	19.9	+3.5%
September 2014	19.2	19.4	-1.0%
October 2014	17.8	19.0	-6.3%
November 2014	16.9	17.6	-4.0%
December 2014	16.0	16.4	-2.4%
January 2015	15.0	15.7	-4.5%
12-Month Avg	17.9	18.6	-3.8%

#### **Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month**



## **Activity by County**

Key metrics by report month for counties in the ACVMLS service area.



	New Listings			<b>Closed Sales</b>			Median Sales Price			<b>Homes for Sale</b>			<b>Months Supply</b>		
	1-2014	1-2015	+/-	1-2014	1-2015	+/-	1-2014	1-2015	+/-	1-2014	1-2015	+/-	1-2014	1-2015	+/-
Clinton	43	51	+18.6%	40	30	-25.0%	\$128,250	\$138,500	+8.0%	366	325	-11.2%	8.8	7.3	-16.7%
Essex	34	32	-5.9%	21	15	-28.6%	\$252,500	\$169,900	-32.7%	464	480	+3.4%	20.5	22.3	+9.1%
Franklin	40	32	-20.0%	17	16	-5.9%	\$126,000	\$92,200	-26.8%	432	423	-2.1%	20.0	18.9	-5.7%
Fulton	0	0		0	0		\$0	\$0		0	0		0.0	0.0	
Hamilton	5	1	-80.0%	6	3	-50.0%	\$427,500	\$150,000	-64.9%	89	67	-24.7%	23.3	21.1	-9.7%
Herkimer	7	4	-42.9%	2	2	0.0%	\$380,000	\$225,000	-40.8%	77	78	+1.3%	24.1	18.7	-22.2%
Lewis	0	0		0	0		\$0	\$0		0	4		0.0	4.0	
Oneida	1	2	+100.0%	1	1	0.0%	\$120,000	\$515,000	+329.2%	12	22	+83.3%	8.0	9.8	+22.2%
Saratoga	0	0		0	0		\$0	\$0		0	0		0.0	0.0	
St Lawrence	5	0	-100.0%	1	1	0.0%	\$180,000	\$157,000	-12.8%	50	54	+8.0%	20.4	23.1	+13.6%
Warren	0	0		2	0	-100.0%	\$125,500	\$0	-100.0%	3	3	0.0%	2.3	3.0	+33.3%
Washington	0	0		0	0		\$0	\$0		0	2		0.0	0.0	
Other	0	0		0	0		\$0	\$0		1	0	-100.0%	1.0	0.0	-100.0%