Monthly Indicators



December 2016

Most of 2016 offered the same monthly housing market highlights. The number of homes for sale was drastically down in year-over-year comparisons, along with days on market and months of supply. Meanwhile, sales and prices were up in most markets. Unemployment rates were low, wages improved and, as the year waned, we completed a contentious presidential election and saw mortgage rates increase, neither of which are expected to have a negative impact on real estate in 2017.

New Listings were down 38.2 percent to 21. Pending Sales decreased 8.8 percent to 31. Inventory shrank 50.8 percent to 88 units.

Prices moved higher as Median Sales Price was up 64.3 percent to \$115,000. Days on Market decreased 42.6 percent to 101 days. Months Supply of Inventory was down 50.0 percent to 2.2 months, indicating that demand increased relative to supply.

The overwhelming feeling about prospects in residential real estate for the immediate future is optimism. Real estate professionals across the nation are expressing that they are as busy as ever. There are certainly challenges in this market, like continued low inventory and higher competition for those fewer properties, but opportunities abound for creative and diligent people prepared to put in the necessary amount of work.

Quick Facts

+ 5.3%	+ 64.3%	- 50.0%

One-Year Change in	One-Year Change in	One-Year Change in
Closed Sales	Median Sales Price	Months Supply

A research tool provided by the Cherokee County Board of REALTORS® Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures.

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Market Overview

Key market metrics for the current month and year-to-date figures.

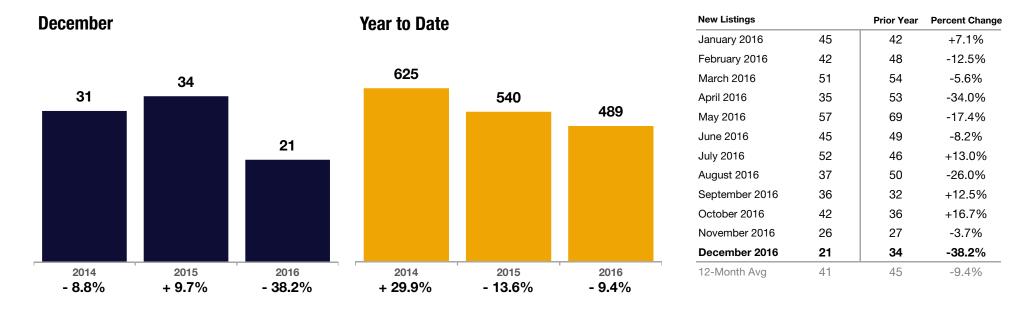


Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	12-2015	12-2016	Percent Change	YTD 2015	YTD 2016	Percent Change
	12-2014 12-2015 12-2016						
New Listings		34	21	- 38.2%	540	489	- 9.4%
Pending Sales		34	31	- 8.8%	489	491	+ 0.4%
Closed Sales		38	40	+ 5.3%	472	494	+ 4.7%
Days on Market		176	101	- 42.6%	140	127	- 9.3%
Median Sales Price		\$70,000	\$115,000	+ 64.3%	\$80,875	\$101,500	+ 25.5%
Average Sales Price		\$85,769	\$119,332	+ 39.1%	\$99,050	\$112,522	+ 13.6%
Pct. of List Price Received		90.4%	97.6%	+ 8.0%	93.8%	96.1%	+ 2.5%
Housing Affordability Index		351	212	- 39.6%	303	240	- 20.8%
Inventory of Homes for Sale		179	88	- 50.8%			
Months Supply of Inventory		4.4	2.2	- 50.0%			

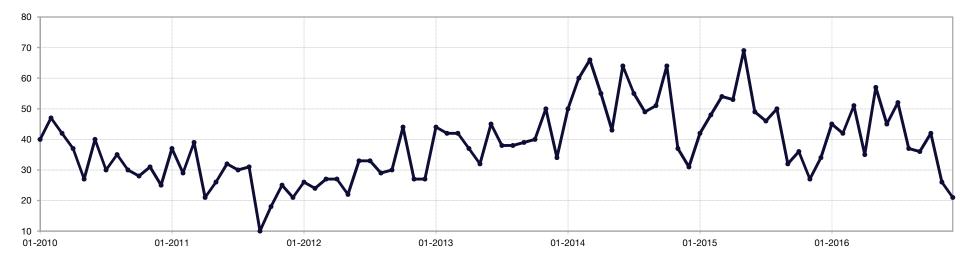
New Listings

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





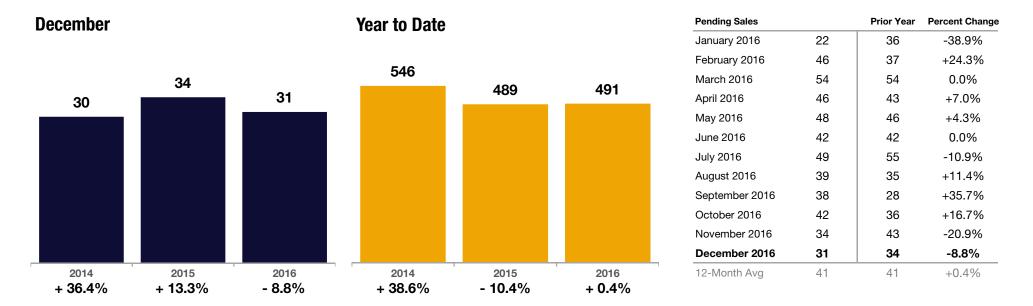
Historical New Listings by Month



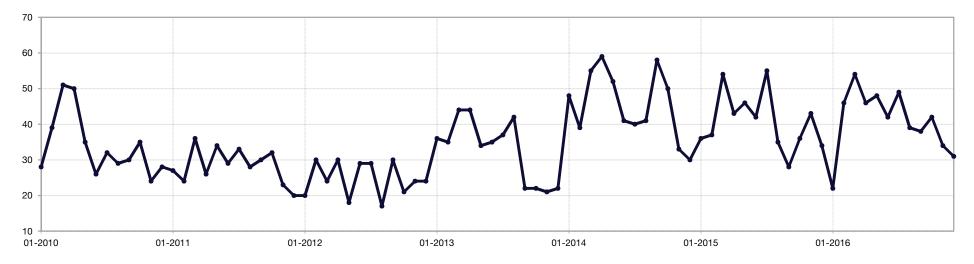
Pending Sales

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





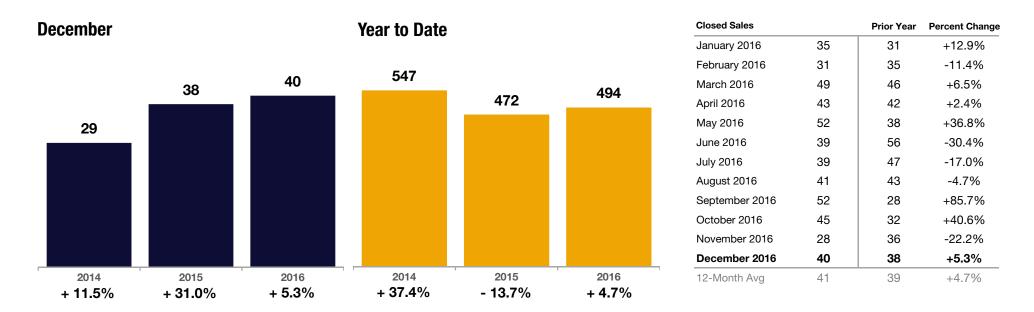
Historical Pending Sales by Month



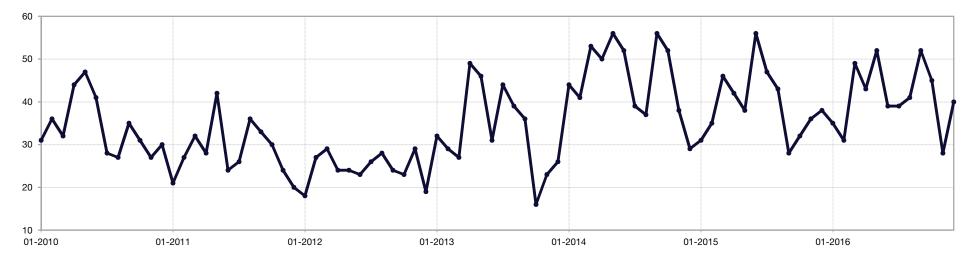
Closed Sales

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





Historical Closed Sales by Month

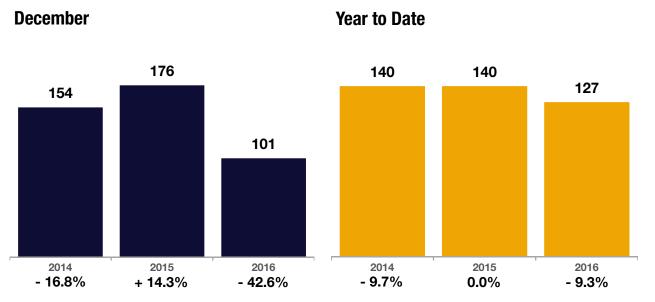


Days on Market Until Sale

Historical Days on Market Until Sale by Month

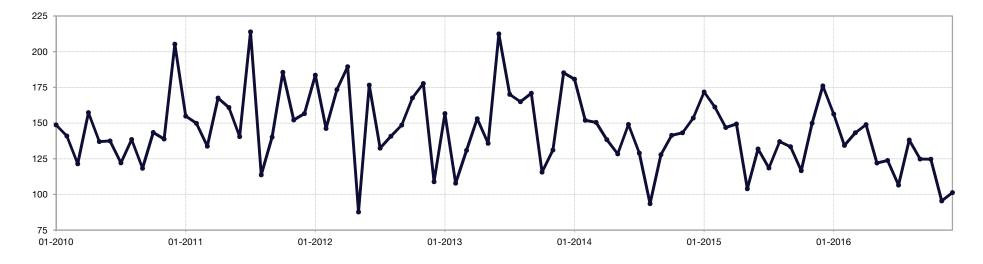
Average number of days between when a property is listed and when an offer is accepted in a given month.





Days on Market		Prior Year	Percent Change
January 2016	156	172	-9.3%
February 2016	134	161	-16.8%
March 2016	143	147	-2.7%
April 2016	149	149	0.0%
May 2016	122	104	+17.3%
June 2016	124	132	-6.1%
July 2016	107	119	-10.1%
August 2016	138	137	+0.7%
September 2016	125	133	-6.0%
October 2016	125	117	+6.8%
November 2016	95	150	-36.7%
December 2016	101	176	-42.6%
12-Month Avg*	127	140	-9.3%

* Average Days on Market of all properties from January 2016 through December 2016. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



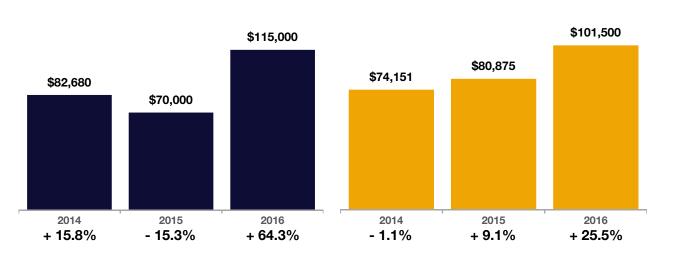
Median Sales Price

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



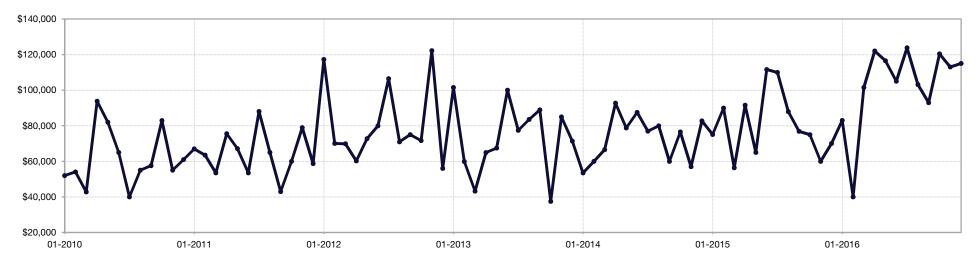
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Year to Date



Median Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
January 2016	\$83,000	\$75,050	+10.6%
February 2016	\$40,000	\$89,900	-55.5%
March 2016	\$101,550	\$56,350	+80.2%
April 2016	\$122,000	\$91,500	+33.3%
May 2016	\$116,500	\$65,000	+79.2%
June 2016	\$105,000	\$111,600	-5.9%
July 2016	\$123,800	\$110,000	+12.5%
August 2016	\$103,150	\$87,900	+17.3%
September 2016	\$93,000	\$76,901	+20.9%
October 2016	\$120,400	\$74,950	+60.6%
November 2016	\$113,000	\$59,950	+88.5%
December 2016	\$115,000	\$70,000	+64.3%
12-Month Med*	\$101,500	\$80,875	+25.5%

* Median Sales Price of all properties from January 2016 through December 2016. This is not the median of the individual figures above.



Historical Median Sales Price by Month

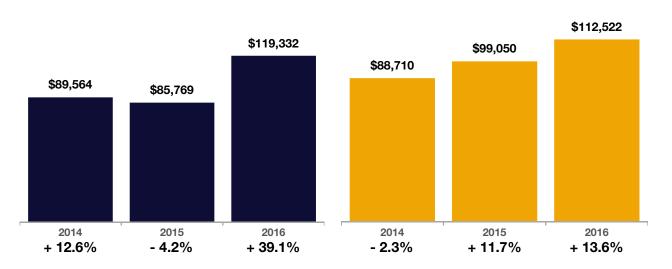
Average Sales Price

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



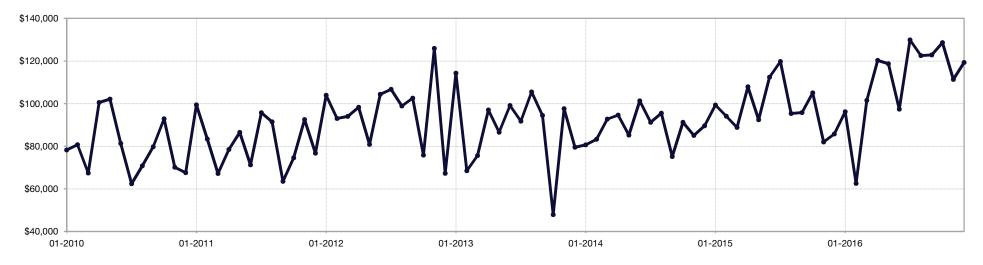
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Year to Date



Avg. Sales Price		Prior Year	Percent Change
January 2016	\$96,180	\$99,341	-3.2%
February 2016	\$62,531	\$94,061	-33.5%
March 2016	\$101,541	\$88,805	+14.3%
April 2016	\$120,246	\$107,898	+11.4%
May 2016	\$118,660	\$92,394	+28.4%
June 2016	\$97,415	\$112,378	-13.3%
July 2016	\$129,887	\$119,757	+8.5%
August 2016	\$122,508	\$95,382	+28.4%
September 2016	\$122,844	\$95,801	+28.2%
October 2016	\$128,600	\$105,042	+22.4%
November 2016	\$111,307	\$81,965	+35.8%
December 2016	\$119,332	\$85,769	+39.1%
12-Month Avg*	\$110,921	\$98,216	+12.9%

* Avg. Sales Price of all properties from January 2016 through December 2016. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



Historical Average Sales Price by Month

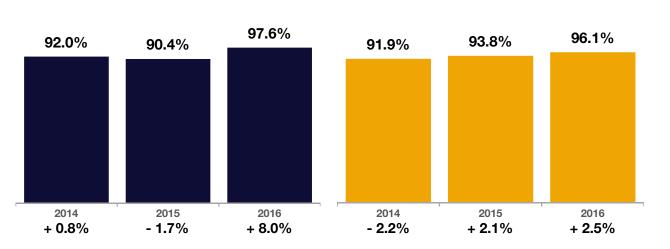
Percent of List Price Received

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.



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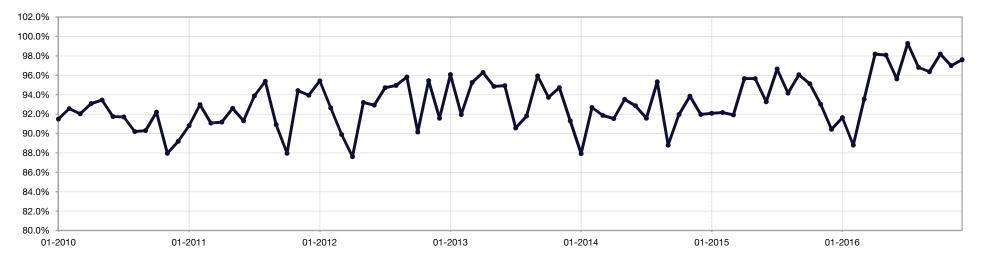
Year to Date



Pct. of List Price Received Prior Year Percent Change January 2016 91.6% 92.1% -0.5% February 2016 88.8% 92.2% -3.7% March 2016 93.5% 91.9% +1.7% April 2016 98.2% 95.7% +2.6% May 2016 98.1% 95.6% +2.6% 95.6% 93.3% +2.5% June 2016 +2.8% 99.3% 96.6% July 2016 +2.8% 96.8% 94.2% August 2016 September 2016 96.4% 96.1% +0.3% October 2016 98.2% 95.1% +3.3% November 2016 97.0% 93.0% +4.3% December 2016 97.6% 90.4% +8.0% 12-Month Avg* 96.1% 93.8% +2.5%

Historical Percent of List Price Received by Month

* Average Pct. of List Price Received for all properties from January 2016 through December 2016. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



Housing Affordability Index

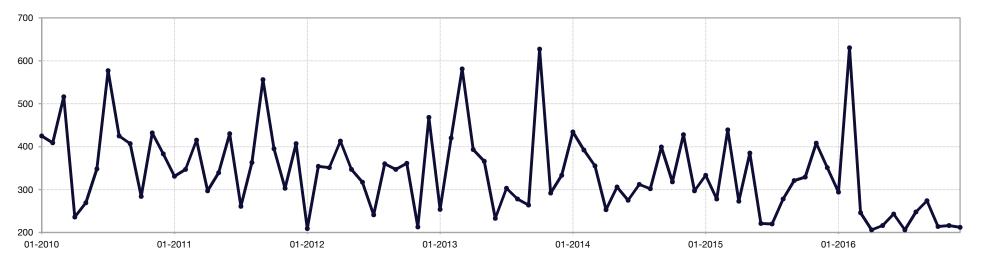
This index measures housing affordability for the region. For example, an index of 120 means the median household income is 120% of what is necessary to qualify for the median-priced home under prevailing interest rates. A higher number means greater affordability.



December Year to Date 332 351 303 297 240 212 2014 2015 2016 2014 2015 2016 + 18.2% - 8.7% - 10.8% - 39.6% - 20.8% +4.7%

Affordability Index		Prior Year	Percent Change
January 2016	294	333	-11.7%
February 2016	630	278	+126.6%
March 2016	246	439	-44.0%
April 2016	206	273	-24.5%
May 2016	216	385	-43.9%
June 2016	243	221	+10.0%
July 2016	206	220	-6.4%
August 2016	248	278	-10.8%
September 2016	274	321	-14.6%
October 2016	214	329	-35.0%
November 2016	216	408	-47.1%
December 2016	212	351	-39.6%
12-Month Avg	267	320	-16.4%

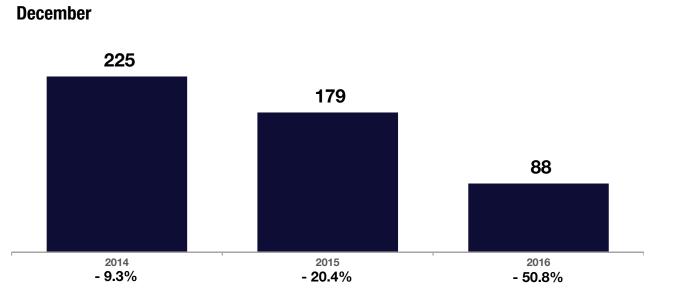
Historical Housing Affordability Index by Month



Inventory of Homes for Sale

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

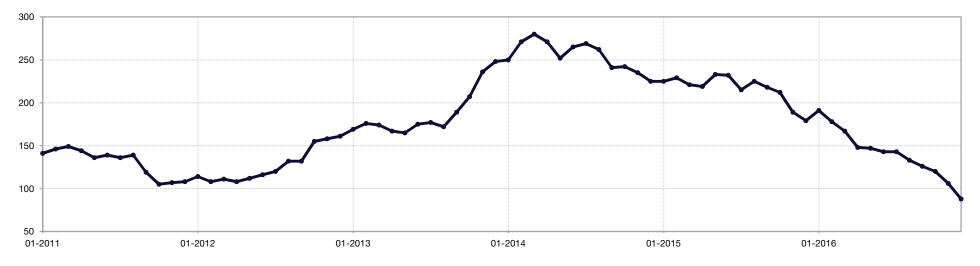




Homes for Sale		Prior Year	Percent Change
January 2016	191	225	-15.1%
February 2016	178	229	-22.3%
March 2016	167	221	-24.4%
April 2016	148	219	-32.4%
May 2016	147	233	-36.9%
June 2016	143	232	-38.4%
July 2016	143	215	-33.5%
August 2016	133	225	-40.9%
September 2016	126	218	-42.2%
October 2016	120	212	-43.4%
November 2016	106	189	-43.9%
December 2016	88	179	-50.8%
12-Month Avg*	141	184	-23.4%

Historical Inventory of Homes for Sale by Month

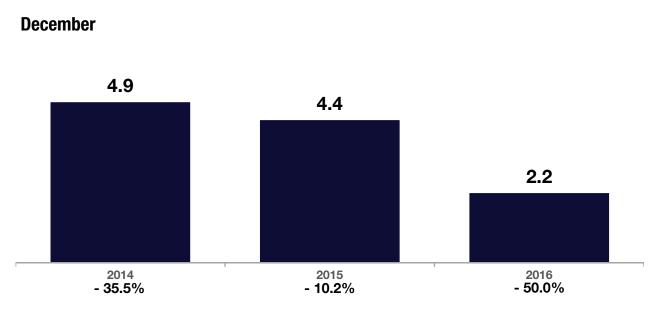
* Homes for Sale for all properties from January 2016 through December 2016. This is not the average of the individual figures above.



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
January 2016	4.8	5.1	-5.9%
February 2016	4.4	5.2	-15.4%
March 2016	4.1	5.0	-18.0%
April 2016	3.6	5.1	-29.4%
May 2016	3.6	5.5	-34.5%
June 2016	3.5	5.5	-36.4%
July 2016	3.6	4.9	-26.5%
August 2016	3.3	5.2	-36.5%
September 2016	3.0	5.3	-43.4%
October 2016	2.9	5.4	-46.3%
November 2016	2.6	4.7	-44.7%
December 2016	2.2	4.4	-50.0%
12-Month Avg*	3.5	5.1	-31.4%

Historical Months Supply of Inventory by Month

* Months Supply for all properties from January 2016 through December 2016. This is not the average of the individual figures above.

