## Prices Set Record Highs, Again

Sale prices for both single-family and condo resale properties hit record highs in May. Not only were record highs set for the month, they were set for our 3-month and 12-month moving averages.

Home sales were off from the year before for the fourth month in a row. Condo sales were up for the third month in a row.

### Reading the Graphs

We changed our absorption rate graph from a 3-month moving average to a 12-month moving average to remove seasonal variation.

Whichever way you look at it, the raging sellers’ market continues.

Our Prices & Sales graph charts the median and average prices along with unit sales on a 3-month moving average. Using the average smooths out month-to-month variations, while still showing seasonal differences.

As you can see, and probably very well know, sales start increasing in the spring and peak in late summer.

This increase in demand pushes up prices.

The **Sales Breakdown** graph is mostly irrelevant at this time. It is used to track how much of the active inventory is bank-owned or listed as a short sale.

When this graph becomes relevant, we will be in a buyers’ market.

**Days of Inventory** graphs the ratio of properties for sale divided by the number of properties that have sold.

Nationally, the average DOI is 180. But, as you know, real estate is very localized. The average days of inventory for Silicon Valley since 2000 is about 100 days.

The last time we were even close to that figure was February 2012.

Days of Inventory has been between 29 and 48 since March 2014.

Our 4-page printable newsletter has a few more graphs: **Pending & Existing Home Sales** and **Sales Price to List Price Ratio**.

### Trends at a Glance

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(Townhomes/Condos)

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**SCC SFR: Absorption Rate & Median Price** - 12-month moving average, prices in $1,000s

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Single-Family Homes

Year-Over-Year
- Median home prices increased by 12.7% year-over-year to $1,117,900 from $991,500.
- The average home sales price rose by 9.8% year-over-year to $1,419,890 from $1,342,830.
- Home sales fell by 7.9% year-over-year to 962 from 1,044.
- Total inventory* fell 9.1% year-over-year to 2,253 from 2,478.
- Sales price vs. list price ratio fell by 3.1% year-over-year to 104.4% from 107.7%.

Compared To Last Month
- Median home prices improved by 3.5% to $1,117,900 from $1,080,000.
- The average home sales price rose by 5.7% to $1,419,890 from $1,342,830.
- Home sales up by 2.8% to 962 from 936.
- Total inventory* increased 4.2% to 2,253 from 2,163.
- Sales price vs. list price ratio dropped by 0.4% to 104.4% from 104.8%.

Condominiums

Year-Over-Year
- Median condo prices increased by 13.5% year-over-year to $695,000 from $612,500.
- The average condo sales price rose by 14.4% year-over-year to $778,407 from $740,476.
- Condo sales fell by 3% year-over-year to 386 from 398.
- Total inventory* fell 3.1% year-over-year to 730 from 753.
- Sales price vs. list price ratio fell by 2.9% year-over-year to 105.3% from 108.5%.

Compared To Last Month
- Median condo prices improved by 4.9% to $695,000 from $662,500.
- The average condo sales price rose by 5.1% to $778,407 from $740,476.
- Condo sales down by 8.1% to 386 from 420.
- Total inventory* increased 5.6% to 730 from 691.
- Sales price vs. list price ratio dropped by 0.2% to 105.3% from 105.6%.

* Total inventory is active listings plus pending listings. Active listings do not include pending.

The chart above shows the National monthly average for 30-year fixed rate mortgages as compiled by HSH.com. The average includes mortgages of all sizes, including conforming, "expanded conforming," and jumbo.

Santa Clara County Homes: Median & Average Prices and Sales

(3-month moving average — prices in 000's)
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Table Definitions

**Median Price**
The price at which 50% of prices were higher and 50% were lower.

**Average Price**
Add all prices and divide by the number of sales.

**SP/LP**
Sales price to list price ratio or the price paid for the property divided by the asking price.

**DOI**
Days of Inventory, or how many days it would take to sell all the property for sale at the current rate of sales.

**Pend**
Property under contract to sell that has not closed escrow.

**Inven**
Number of properties actively for sale as of the last day of the month.

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Santa Clara County Homes: Year-Over-Year Median Price Change

Days of Inventory: Homes and Condos

Santa Clara County Condos: Median & Average Prices and Sales

Santa Clara County - May 2016

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**Investors Corner**

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