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By AL BLOCK 2019 GMAR President President@gmaronline.com

# News About Michigan REALTORS® and the National Association of REALTORS®

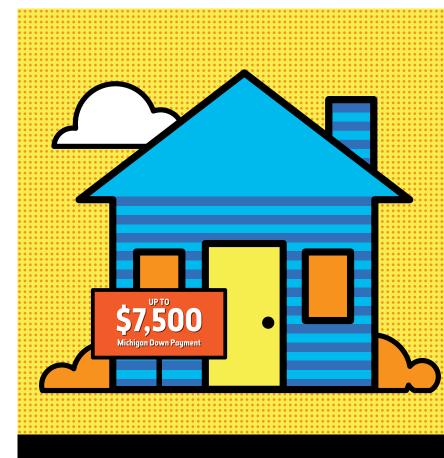
Every month it is part of my obligation as President of GMAR to report to all of you some "new information" or "the happenings" at GMAR. My number one job is to be the "spokesperson" for the Association. But this month, right here, I am going to talk about the other Associations you belong to ...Michigan Realtors® and the National Association of Realtors®! More specifically, there are two big events in October and November which will offer you an opportunity to network with Realtors® in our State and all over the world!

Michigan Realtors<sup>®</sup> (MR), formerly known as MAR (Michigan Association of Realtors®) comprises almost 33,000 of us with headquarters in Lansing! Your GMAR leadership and staff work with MR in great cooperation, especially when it comes to advocating for property rights and thwarting legislation that goes in the way of our abilities to thrive as Realtors®. THIS YEAR ... you have the unique opportunity to rub elbows with MR members right here in your backyard! October 2-4, 2019, THE CONVENTION will be held at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center. This is the premier real estate education and trade show event in the State. It offers a full slate of CE Marketplace certified knowledge sessions, legal update, speakers, networking opportunities (yours truly has garnered countless referrals throughout the years), and an Expo with new products & services. All of this happens in an upscale environment. Last, there is plenty of time for the Realtor<sup>®</sup> Royale party the last night or simply exploring the revived Detroit downtown life! Best of all, I'll be there so please make sure to say hello! Check out Michigan Realtors here www.mirealtors.com and to REGISTER FOR THE CONVENTION HERE.

The National Association of Realtors<sup>®</sup> (NAR) is America's largest trade association, representing 1.3 million of us, involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries. Through it we are identified as a registered collective whose members subscribes to its strict Code of Ethics, enforced by its peers. Headquartered in Chicago and Washington D.C., NAR's leadership, staff, committees, societies, institutes, and affiliated organizations work tirelessly on our behalf on a much larger scale. Daily they make sure that our government on all levels know WHO WE R! NAR is a large, and sometimes ominous organization. It can often feel daunting to connect with it. There is no better way to get up close and personal with it than The Realtors<sup>®</sup> Conference & Expo. I say this all the time, "You haven't been to a convention until you've been to a NAR convention!" November 8-11, 2019 the Conference & Expo will be held in San Francisco, California! If you are looking for an absolute awesome opportunity to see real estate from the "top down", this is a must. I have had some of the most amazing experiences seeing this great country while learning, networking, and earning with Realtors from around the world (tax deductibly, is that a word?) The conference experience is about education, networking, motivation and fun! Choose from over 100 education sessions to learn about strategies and solutions that meet your clients' needs. Then, browse the industry's largest trade show, with over 400 exhibitors, to find products and services that will help you conduct business more efficiently. Make time to attend special events, as they provide a fun way to network with peers in a casual atmosphere. You will return home with the knowledge, tools and contacts to be successful in this competitive business. Visitors come from all 50 U.S. states and several U.S. territories. The event also welcomes 1,500 international real estate professionals from over 60 countries. Approximately one-third of attendees are first-time visitors each year. So if you have never attended a NAR Conference, what are you waiting for?

Did you know Realtors<sup>®</sup> who attend their State and National report making twice as much income from real estate as the typical member? Of course, as GMAR President I would be remiss to not mention the countless opportunities and benefits we offer you on a local basis (9,100 members in the Greater Detroit area). Check out all we have to offer. https://gmaronline.com

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By VICKEY LIVERNOIS Chief Executive Officer

## Not All Associations Are Created Equally

As you read this article, the staff at GMAR are in full "dues season." This time of the year seems to come quickly and I'm sure those of you who are Premier members harbor similar feelings.

Let me start by confirming that your GMAR membership dues have not increased in YEARS! The Board of Directors believe in and live up to their goal of continuing to provide extraordinary benefits while keeping fees low for our members at \$150 per year. Since GMAR is the local association, we are also tasked with collecting the Michigan Realtors<sup>®</sup> and National Association of Realtors<sup>®</sup> annual dues.

While I hope that we have done a good job explaining the various membership benefits such as education, networking and so forth, I want to take a quick moment to highlight what makes GMAR greater.

One of the biggest and most surprising items that many members I speak to are unaware of is the fact that being a Realtor<sup>®</sup>, you not only abide by the Code of Ethics, but you also have the agreement of cooperation and compensation with other Realtors<sup>®</sup>. That's right, you can be PAID for the work you do when representing a buyer or seller.

But what about GMAR? What makes us #Greater? Why are we the local association in which you should entrust your industry membership?

With the extraordinary educational opportunities available to members, with some very affordable options as well, we have trained more Realtors<sup>®</sup> that any other association it the state. We bring our members the latest education you need to be successful and to be able to answer your client's questions on the fly. We also provide the tools and resources that you need to be the key point of contact for your clients.

We are also the best grassroots protection in the industry. GMAR is very involved in ensuring that we continue to protect the industry and homeownership rights. We are out there attending city council meetings and meeting with local legislators to share our viewpoints so you can continue to do business in the different communities, such as placing a for sale sign on the property. Our staff and volunteers work tirelessly to interview candidates running for office, to ensure they are Realtor<sup>®</sup> friendly and understand the concerns we share. Most recently we worked with local officials to try to avoid a point of sale septic inspection. While a lot of this work is done behind the scenes, we always ensure we are keeping our members top of mind so you can continue to do business without being restricted by harmful legislation.

GMAR Gives Back! Each year, GMAR gives thousands of dollars to local communities through our placemaking grants and volunteers give their time to clean up public spaces. We also give back not only to our members but to their families too through our Scholarship program which provides funding to further their education or assist with college expenses for their children.

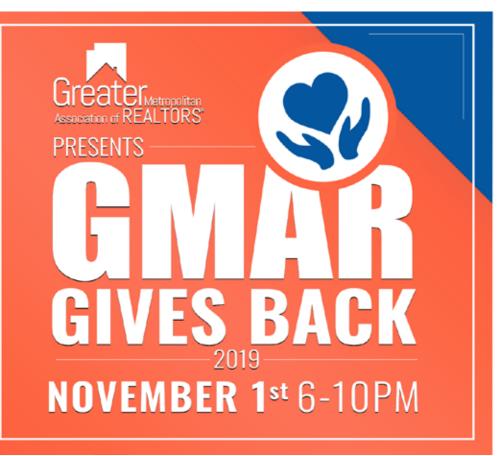
We also help to save a life, each year, through our work with Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs. Our Board of Directors committed to sponsoring <u>5 dogs for 5 years to save 5 lives</u>. Our veterans see things that some of us couldn't even imagine. They leave their families to help keep ours safe. Their sacrifice is priceless. Unfortunately, when many of these veterans return home after serving our country, their lives just aren't the same. GMAR raises funds throughout the year to pay \$25,000 to train and care for a medical service dog that is ultimately paired with a Michigan Veteran, at no cost to them.

#### (Warning... shameless plug ahead)

We hope you join us for our fifth annual <u>GMAR Gives Back</u> <u>event</u>! We invite you to bring your friends, clients, and colleagues as we take over Punch Bowl Social Detroit for a night of celebration and appreciation to our members and volunteers for helping us to thrive in the communities we love and serve! Proceeds from this event help to fund our next service dog through Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs. We hope you join us as we continue to save lives and improve our communities!

The list does go on. I think if you've had the opportunity to get involved, you see that our staff and leadership are here to make this the Greatest Association and to make everyone feel welcome to our GMAR Family! There are friendships made, some life lessons learned, and knowledge gained that all add to the amazing experience.

So, in closing, I ask you not to be a member because "you have to", but to get involved. Join a committee, attend some educational courses, take part in our events, stop by our store to pick up some Realtor<sup>®</sup> gear or to grab a cup of coffee and chat! We are here to help you be a Greater Realtor<sup>®</sup>!



# GIVE BACK

You won't want to miss out on our fifth annual GMAR Gives Back event! We invite you to bring your friends, clients, and colleagues as we take over Punch Bowl Social Detroit for a night of celebration and to help raise funds for the Greater Realtors® Foundation (a 501c3 non-profit). The Greater Realtors® Foundation is 100% donation based and allows us to continue to give back to the Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, as well as various other organizations and those in need. We hope you join us as we continue to save lives and improve communities!

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## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



By TRAVIS GREER GMAR Director of Realtor<sup>®</sup> and Community Affairs

## Pay Your Dues and Invest in RPAC!

If you only ever listen to my advice once—listen to this one tidbit of advice: pay your dues early and pay the full \$578!

We are all guilty of letting our hectic lives get in the way of doing those really important things, because we can fool ourselves into thinking that we have time, when we really do not. Pay your dues early—it will save us all!

Part two of my advice is to pay your invoice in full. By doing so, you are investing \$50 in the REALTOR Political Action Committee (RPAC). Investing in RPAC is something that you should never be forced or feel obligated to do. Many who have invested in RPAC for years will tell you, they do it because they've seen some of the ideas that public officials came up with to interfere in your business. I would be willing to bet if you heard about some of these ideas, you would invest double what you've ever invested, right now.

If you've never sat on a candidate endorsement interview panel, I would highly encourage you to do so! You will not have a closer seat to the action. Recently, GMAR members interviewed over 110 candidates who are running for local office. Some of them could be sitting on your city council in a few months, or even serving as Mayor. While I think that they all mean well, some have misguided views of the industry and those views could seriously hurt your business.

Make a habit of paying the full invoice! By investing those \$50 with your dues, \$33 of those dollars will stay right here in Michigan to help elect candidates who will protect private property rights and keep you at the center of the real estate transaction.

So, take my advice! Pay the full \$578 (online, mail, or by calling the office) as soon as you can!

By the way, if you want to take me up on the offer to sit on an interviewing panel, send me an email at <u>travis@gmaronline.com</u>.

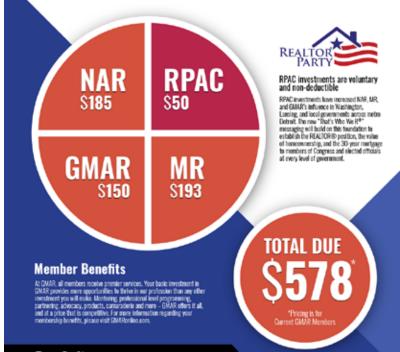


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#### RPAC REPORT



By DENNIS KOZAK GMAR RPAC Chair



# Candidate interviews in full swing in preparation for November Election

In preparation for the upcoming local elections in many municipalities in southeast Michigan this November, GMAR developed comprehensive schedule of candidate interviews with individuals who are running for elected office. Each interview is conducted by a panel of members of the Government Relations or the RPAC committees, members of the Board of Directors, or other interested GMAR members.

The sole purpose for interviewing candidates is to determine whether GMAR can endorse them and whether or not to provide PAC funds in support of their campaign efforts. Remember, GMAR will support candidates based on issues and not their political party affiliation. A candidate that supports private property rights, the real estate industry, and has a strong campaign plan to win will usually get GMAR's endorsement.

Shortly after the filing deadline earlier this year, each candidate was sent a questionnaire that covers a range of campaign and policy issues. Once a candidate completes the questionnaire, Travis Greer, GMAR's Director of REALTOR® and Community Affairs compiles all of the information, most candidates are offered an opportunity to interview with a panel of GMAR members. Once the interview is completed, the panel discusses the candidate's responses and makes an endorsement recommendation that is then sent to the GMAR Board of Directors for final approval. This is one of the most important ways you can see your RPAC dollars at work and how they are allocated. While the process is intense and takes a great deal of time and attention, it is designed to be fair to all candidates and is critical to GMAR's advocacy efforts in support of private property rights.

By contributing to RPAC, you are able to support REALTOR<sup>®</sup>-friendly candidates who believe in our industry and believe in protecting private property rights, preserving the American dream of home ownership, and fighting for fair regulations on our business.

If you haven't made your 2019 investment in RPAC, it is not too late. Please consider investing a minimum of \$50 or more to RPAC in 2019.

For those who just received your invoice, pay the full \$578 and GMAR will send \$50 to RPAC on your behalf!

For MemberMax Members, you can invest \$15 in RPAC with no additional cost to you. Visit <u>www.GMARonline.com/optin/</u> to have GMAR pay \$15 of your August dues to RPAC on your behalf.

To make a one-time investment to RPAC, visit <u>www.</u> <u>gmaronline.com/invest/</u>.

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GMAR would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of the members who have made their investment in RPAC, the REALTORS® Political Action Committee. By investing in RPAC, these members are supporting REALTOR®-friendly legislators and policy initiatives that reflect the REALTOR® core values; protecting private property rights, reducing burdensome regulations on the industry and preserving the American Dream of Homeownership.

#### Below we recognize and applaud GMAR members who invested in RPAC for the months of July 2019.

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The Greater Metropolitan Association of REALTORS<sup>®</sup> (GMAR), the largest local association of Realtors<sup>®</sup> in the state of Michigan, is currently on the fourth year of its <u>5 years, 5</u> dogs, <u>5 lives save</u>d campaign in partnership with <u>Guardian</u> <u>Angels Medical Service Dogs, Inc.</u> Over the past three years, the GMAR community has raised nearly \$100,000 which has gone towards the training of three medical service dogs that were paired with three Michigan veterans.

Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, Inc. trains medical service dogs to mitigate the challenges associated with several disabilities, including PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder), Traumatic Brain Injury, seizure disorders, glucose imbalance, mobility issues, and more. At Guardian Angels, no recipient is ever charged for their service dog. Since 2010, Guardian Angels is proud to have paired more than 200 individually trained medical service dogs with deserving recipients.

Over the last three years, with donations from our local Realtors<sup>®</sup> and Brokers, GMAR has been able to provide the necessary funds to adequately train three medical service dogs for placement with a veteran in need. In the campaign's first year, Matthew was able to welcome into his family Guardian Angel Medical Service Dog, Cobalt Realtor<sup>®</sup> Blue<sup>®</sup>. Year two, thanks to the kind donations totaling \$53,715, Dwayne welcomed Guardian Angel Medical Service Dog, Thor, to the family.

Due to donation efforts starting in 2016 from John McArdle of Remerica Hometown One who graciously donated an incredible \$1000, Independence (Indy) is currently being trained and will find her new home with another Michigan veteran in need.

Continuing GMAR's mission in its fourth year, CEO of Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors<sup>®</sup>, Vickey Livernois, together with members of our Board of Directors, has been visiting various companies, brokers, and community members who have donated to <u>5 years, 5 dogs, 5 lives saved</u> campaign to present them with a life-size cut out of the medical service dog they helped to sponsor as well as a plaque to show our appreciation for their commitment to their communities.

GMAR CEO, Vickey Livernois, stated, "We are extremely grateful for the generosity of our members, the Realtor<sup>®</sup> community, and all of the donors. We're pleased with the results of the campaign and look forward to continuing to create positive change in the lives of veterans."



John McArdle of Remerica Hometown One & Veteran Matthew with his Guardian Angel Medical Service Dog, Cobalt Realtor® Blue®



Indy, our 2018 dog, at 7 months old.

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**GARY SNARSKI** 

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## **ROBIN KAY COOKE**

We are sad to inform you of the August 7th death of Robin Kay Cooke.

GMAR staff, leadership and membership extend warm condolences to the family and friends of Robin.

If you would like to let your fellow REALTORS® know about the recent passing of another member, please submit the information to stacie@GMARonline.com. \$975,000 \$272/59 ft Hinds RVM®: \$983,000 RVM details\*

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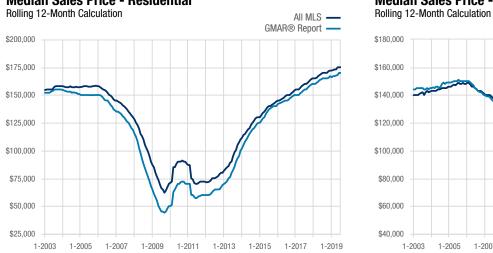
## **GMAR®** Report

Covers the Greater Metropolitan Area of Detroit, including but not limited to locales in Lapeer, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne **Counties.** 

Residential		July			Year to Date	
Key Metrics	2018	2019	% Change	Thru 7-2018	Thru 7-2019	% Change
New Listings	6,984	6,961	- 0.3%	39,440	40,965	+ 3.9%
Pending Sales	4,146	4,522	+ 9.1%	26,444	27,452	+ 3.8%
Closed Sales	4,376	4,519	+ 3.3%	24,332	24,905	+ 2.4%
Days on Market Until Sale	26	28	+ 7.7%	34	37	+ 8.8%
Median Sales Price*	\$185,000	\$189,900	+ 2.6%	\$167,000	\$170,000	+ 1.8%
Average Sales Price*	\$226,322	\$233,651	+ 3.2%	\$210,915	\$215,441	+ 2.1%
Percent of List Price Received*	98.2%	97.7%	- 0.5%	97.7%	97.3%	- 0.4%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	13,013	11,260	- 13.5%	_	_	
Months Supply of Inventory	3.6	3.1	- 13.9%			_

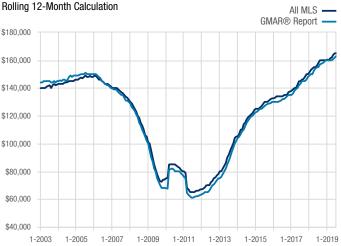
Condo		July			Year to Date	
Key Metrics	2018	2019	% Change	Thru 7-2018	Thru 7-2019	% Change
New Listings	1,223	1,212	- 0.9%	7,107	7,237	+ 1.8%
Pending Sales	846	846	0.0%	5,171	5,104	- 1.3%
Closed Sales	847	842	- 0.6%	4,677	4,672	- 0.1%
Days on Market Until Sale	24	32	+ 33.3%	29	35	+ 20.7%
Median Sales Price*	\$167,500	\$172,000	+ 2.7%	\$159,500	\$165,000	+ 3.4%
Average Sales Price*	\$196,568	\$201,158	+ 2.3%	\$186,103	\$199,093	+ 7.0%
Percent of List Price Received*	98.2%	97.6%	- 0.6%	98.0%	97.5%	- 0.5%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	1,930	1,843	- 4.5%	-		
Months Supply of Inventory	2.8	2.7	- 3.6%			

\* Does not account for sale concessions and/or downpayment assistance. | Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures and can sometimes look extreme due to small sample size.



## **Median Sales Price - Residential**

## Median Sales Price - Condo



A rolling 12-month calculation represents the current month and the 11 months prior in a single data point. If no activity occurred during a month, the line extends to the next available data point. Current as of August 1, 2019. All data from Realcomp II Ltd. Report © 2019 ShowingTime.

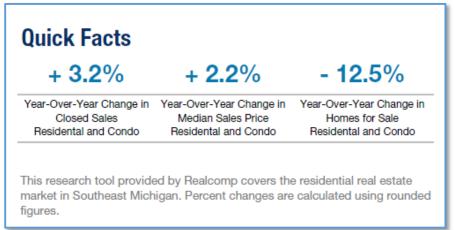
## **Single-Family Real Estate Market Statistics**

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#### **July Residential Home Sales Finish Strong**

Median Sale Price at 5-Year High, More than One in Four New Listings in July Goes Pending in the Same Month



#### Real Estate Market Commentary for June 2019:

In July, the U.S. economic expansion that began in June 2009 became the longest in the nation's history, marking 121 straight months of gross domestic product growth and surpassing the 120-month expansion from 1991 to 2001. The average rate of growth during this expansion has been a milder 2.3 percent per year compared to 3.6 percent during the 1990s. Although the economy should continue to perform well for the rest of 2019, most economists see a mild recession on the horizon.

Closed Sales increased 3.9 percent for Residential homes but decreased 1.9 percent for Condo homes. Pending Sales increased 3.8 percent for Residential homes but decreased 2.1 percent for Condo homes. Inventory decreased 13.3 percent for Residential homes and 4.4 percent for Condo homes.

The Median Sales Price increased 1.6 percent to \$190,000 for Residential homes and 1.8 percent to \$171,000 for Condo homes. Days on Market increased 3.1 percent for Residential homes and 25.0 percent for Condo homes. Months Supply of Inventory decreased 15.4 percent for Residential homes and 3.4 percent for Condo homes.

During the record-setting 121-month economic expansion, the unemployment rate has dropped from 10.0 percent in 2009 to 3.7 percent, yet many consumers continue to struggle financially. Low mortgage interest rates have helped offset low housing affordability, but high home prices are outpacing median household income growth. In a move to stoke continued economic prosperity, the Federal Reserve reduced the benchmark interest rate by a quarter point to about 2.25 percent, marking the first reduction in more than a decade.



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## **All Residential and Condos Combined Overview**



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

Key Metrics	Historical Sparkbars	7-2018	7-2019	Percent Change	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	Percent Change
New Listings		13,801	13,723	- 0.6%	79,058	81,483	+ 3.1%
Pending Sales	7-0077 1-0018 7-0018 1-0019 7-0019	8,665	8,927	+ 3.0%	54,408	55,451	+ 1.9%
Closed Sales		8,999	9,284	+ 3.2%	49,807	50,681	+ 1.8%
Days on Market Until Sale	PORT 1988 FOR 1989 FOR	31	33	+ 6.5%	40	42	+ 5.0%
Median Sales Price		\$184,000	\$188,000	+ 2.2%	\$170,000	\$175,000	+ 2.9%
Average Sales Price	Poler 1048 2014 1048 2019	\$221,967	\$226,511	+ 2.0%	\$207,131	<b>\$213,633</b>	+ 3.1%
Percent of List Price Received		98.2%	98.0%	- 0.2%	97.9%	97.6%	- 0.3%
Housing Affordability Index	7-0017 1-0018 7-0018 1-0019 7-0019	160	158	- 1.3%	174	169	- 2.9%
Inventory of Homes for Sale		27,817	24,353	- 12.5%			
Months Supply of Inventory	FORTY 1-2018 F-2018 1-2019 F-2018	3.7	3.3	- 10.8%			

## **Listing and Sales Summary Report**

July 2019



	Tota	al Sales	(Units)	Med	ian Sales Pı	rices	A	verage I	оом	On-Market	t Listings (Er	nding Inventory)
	Jul-19	Jul-18	% Change	Jul-19	Jul-18	% Change	Jul-19	Jul-18	% Change	Jul-19	Jul-18	% Change
All MLS (All Inclusive)	9,284	8,999	+3.2%	\$188,000	\$184,000	+2.2%	33	31	+6.5%	24,353	27,817	-12.5%
City of Detroit*	436	412	+5.8%	\$46,000	\$34,738	+32.4%	52	49	+6.1%	2,302	2,244	+2.6%
Dearborn/Dearborn Heights*	237	229	+3.5%	\$138,000	\$135,000	+2.2%	23	20	+15.0%	489	599	-18.4%
Genesee County	584	559	+4.5%	\$155,000	\$155,500	-0.3%	35	32	+9.4%	1,339	2,537	-47.2%
Greater Wayne*	1,631	1,691	-3.5%	\$164,800	\$160,000	+3.0%	23	22	+4.5%	3,362	3,824	-12.1%
Grosse Pointe Areas*	97	95	+2.1%	\$310,000	\$325,000	-4.6%	37	38	-2.6%	259	288	-10.1%
Hillsdale County	60	48	+25.0%	\$129,950	\$132,450	-1.9%	87	75	+16.0%	235	168	+39.9%
Huron County	11	8	+37.5%	\$159,900	\$143,400	+11.5%	88	132	-33.3%	91	87	+4.6%
Jackson County	237	196	+20.9%	\$150,500	\$155,000	-2.9%	64	73	-12.3%	758	628	+20.7%
Lapeer County	122	111	+9.9%	\$191,000	\$188,900	+1.1%	30	35	-14.3%	441	472	-6.6%
Lenawee County	154	118	+30.5%	\$145,000	\$142,000	+2.1%	68	69	-1.4%	479	502	-4.6%
Livingston County	335	323	+3.7%	\$280,000	\$279,900	+0.0%	28	24	+16.7%	854	1,009	-15.4%
Macomb County	1,433	1,317	+8.8%	\$179,950	\$171,000	+5.2%	25	24	+4.2%	2,814	3,136	-10.3%
Metro Detroit Area*	5,863	5,870	-0.1%	\$201,150	\$195,900	+2.7%	28	25	+12.0%	14,716	16,200	-9.2%
Monroe County	186	203	-8.4%	\$187,500	\$166,517	+12.6%	56	66	-15.2%	516	1,163	-55.6%
Montcalm County	17	7	+142.9%	\$120,000	\$155,000	-22.6%	43	47	-8.5%	54	39	+38.5%
Oakland County	2,028	2,127	-4.7%	\$265,000	\$250,000	+6.0%	28	24	+16.7%	5,384	5,987	-10.1%
Saginaw County	206	182	+13.2%	\$110,000	\$107,900	+1.9%	36	61	-41.0%	485	663	-26.8%
Sanilac County	33	51	-35.3%	\$140,000	\$113,000	+23.9%	101	45	+124.4%	231	251	-8.0%
Shiawassee County	101	100	+1.0%	\$127,350	\$135,000	-5.7%	42	26	+61.5%	210	324	-35.2%
St. Clair County	197	245	-19.6%	\$164,000	\$166,450	-1.5%	38	38	0.0%	596	741	-19.6%
Tuscola County	40	30	+33.3%	\$121,500	\$118,500	+2.5%	44	64	-31.3%	112	132	-15.2%
Washtenaw County	547	506	+8.1%	\$291,745	\$295,000	-1.1%	29	24	+20.8%	1,553	1,432	+8.4%
Wayne County	2,067	2,103	-1.7%	\$145,000	\$144,099	+0.6%	29	27	+7.4%	5,664	6,068	-6.7%

\* Included in county numbers.

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