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RE: Ohio's June Home Sales

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The number of homes sold across Ohio in June increased 9.3 percent from the level posted during the month a year ago, the market's 10th consecutive monthly year-over-year gain, according to the Ohio Association of REALTORS.

Additionally, home sales activity in June rose 1.8 percent from the level reached May 2015.

"Through the mid-point of 2015 the Ohio housing market has been able to experience a strong level of sales activity and steady growth in pricing," said OAR President Greg Hrabcak. "It's evident that we're continuing to make significant progress in building a stable foundation for the housing sector, as more Ohioans are exhibiting confidence that a home purchase is a solid, long-term investment."

June's average home price of \$171,968 reflects a 4.8 percent increase from the \$164,048 mark posted during the month last year.

Sales in June reached a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 143,488, increasing 9.3 percent from the 131,319 level posted in June 2014. The market also experienced a 1.8 percent increase in sales from May 2014's seasonally adjusted annual rate of 140,920. Sales during June 2015 reached the highest level for the month since 2005.

Around the state, 14 of the 19 markets tracked reported increases in sales activity levels during the month. All but two local markets showed an increase in average sales price.

Home sales during the second quarter were up 10.8 percent from the same period a year ago. Sales also posted a 9.9 percent gain from the mark set in first quarter 2015. Specifically, second quarter 2015's seasonally adjusted annual rate reached 140,413, a 10.8 percent increase from the quarterly pace a year ago of 126,748. Sales during the recent quarter were 9.9 percent ahead of the first quarter 2015 mark of 127,746. Second quarter 2015 dollar volume of more than \$6.5 billion is up 16.2 percent from the same period last year.

Data provided to OAR by Multiple Listing Services includes residential closings for new and existing single-family homes and condominiums/co-ops. The Ohio Association of REALTORS®, with more than 28,000 members, is the largest professional trade association in Ohio. The methods addressing OAR's reporting of home sales activity is available at www.ohiorealtors.org.

Refer to the following pages for OAR's seasonally adjusted Ohio home sales report, as well as a market by market analysis of sales activity throughout Ohio and local contact information.

(NOTE: There might be a slight variance between the reported number of sales contained in this release and actual activity in the various markets due to OAR's early reporting requirement. Check with contacts in the particular market.)

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Ohio Association of REALTORS® Ohio Existing Home Sales* June 2015

_		Sales A	Average Sale Price		
	•	Seasonally Adjusted	Not Seasonally	Not Seasonally	
Year	Month	Annual Rate	Adjusted	Adjusted	
2014	Jun	131,319	13,334	\$164,048	
2014	Jul	132,178	13,174	\$162,566	
2014	Aug	129,005	12,596	\$160,440	
2014	Sep	132,194	11,798	\$150,939	
2014	Oct	137,291	12,083	\$147,133	
2014	Nov	129,919	9,114	\$144,792	
2014	Dec	131,232	9,931	\$145,655	
2015	Jan	123,108	7,085	\$137,464	
2015	Feb	127,188	7,460	\$137,145	
2015	Mar	134,031	10,519	\$147,124	
2015	Apr	137,089	11,602	\$148,270	
2015	May	140,920	13,351	\$162,605	
2015	Jun	143,488	15,237	\$171,968	
% change last	t month:	1.8%	14.1%		
% change I	ast year:	9.3%	14.3%	4.8%	
Year-end					
2013		129,108		\$142,135	
2014		127,399		\$149,210	
2015 p		134,996		\$156,372	

^{*}Report reflects reported closings by Ohio MLSes and includes new and existing residential single family and condos.

Ohio Local MLS Stats Report for June 2015**

MLS	Number of Units Sold			Dollar Volume			Average Sale Price		
	2014	2015	%Change	2014	2015	%Change	2014	2015	% Change
Ashland	47	38	-19.1%	\$5,605,225	\$5,022,400	-10.4%	\$119,260	\$132,168	10.8%
Athens	58	63	8.6%	\$7,954,738	\$9,823,985	23.5%	\$137,151	\$155,936	13.7%
Cincinnati	2,465	2,749	11.5%	\$467,554,308	\$552,016,695	18.1%	\$189,677	\$200,806	5.9%
Columbus	3,005	3,148	4.8%	\$605,011,675	\$648,680,028	7.2%	\$201,335	\$206,061	2.3%
Dayton	1,288	1,576	22.4%	\$183,419,750	\$241,088,866	31.4%	\$142,407	\$152,975	7.4%
Firelands	213	282	32.4%	\$29,042,277	\$39,754,698	36.9%	\$136,349	\$140,974	3.4%
Greater Ports.	40	38	-5.0%	\$4,746,400	\$3,904,100	-17.7%	\$118,660	\$102,739	-13.4%
GuernsMusk.	115	122	6.1%	\$15,111,636	\$15,729,160	4.1%	\$131,406	\$128,928	-1.9%
Heartland	147	173	17.7%	\$19,111,435	\$26,365,986	38.0%	\$130,010	\$152,405	17.2%
Knox	49	44	-10.2%	\$6,980,059	\$7,473,050	7.1%	\$142,450	\$169,842	19.2%
Lancaster	59	68	15.3%	\$7,752,010	\$9,156,268	18.1%	\$131,390	\$134,651	2.5%
Mansfield	161	181	12.4%	\$16,098,808	\$22,077,614	37.1%	\$99,993	\$121,976	22.0%
Marion	79	93	17.7%	\$8,376,450	\$9,919,671	18.4%	\$106,031	\$106,663	0.6%
NEOHREX*	4,130	4,874	18.0%	\$637,539,578	\$764,284,927	19.9%	\$154,368	\$156,809	1.6%
Scioto Valley	89	75	-15.7%	\$10,235,356	\$8,868,000	-13.4%	\$115,004	\$118,240	2.8%
Toledo	828	959	15.8%	\$108,303,000	\$134,996,000	24.6%	\$130,801	\$140,767	7.6%
Tri-State*	77	80	3.9%	\$8,500,421	\$9,207,586	8.3%	\$110,395	\$115,095	4.3%
West Central	160	169	5.6%	\$16,275,805	\$17,742,547	9.0%	\$101,724	\$104,985	3.2%
WRIST*	507	505	-0.4%	\$59,821,083	\$94,158,235	57.4%	\$117,990	\$186,452	58.0%
Statewide	13,517	15,237	12.7%	\$2,217,440,014	\$2,620,269,816	18.2%	\$164,048	\$171,968	4.8%

^{*} NEOHREX (Northeast Ohio Real Estate Exchange): Summit, Portage, Trumbull, Stark, Mahoning, Columbiana, Carroll, Tuscarawas, Coshocton, Cuyahoga, Lake, Geauga, Medina, Ashtabula, Wayne, Holmes and Lorain Counties; WRIST (Western Regional Information Systems and Technology): Clark, Miami, Champaign, Logan, Shelby, Auglaize and Mercer Counties. Tri-State: Belmont, Harrison and Jefferson Counties.

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Ohio Local MLS Stats Report for January through June 2015**

MLS	Number of Units Sold			Dollar Volume			Average Sale Price			
	2014	2015	%Change	2014	2015	%Change	2014	2015	% Change	
Ashland	200	165	-17.5%	\$21,461,952	\$18,234,941	-15.0%	\$107,310	\$110,515	3.0%	
Athens	233	248	6.4%	\$30,438,707	\$36,563,162	20.1%	\$130,638	\$147,432	12.9%	
Cincinnati	10,959	11,549	5.4%	\$1,870,583,614	\$2,091,899,583	11.8%	\$170,689	\$181,133	6.1%	
Columbus	12,664	13,395	5.8%	\$2,273,568,912	\$2,558,555,406	12.5%	\$179,530	\$191,008	6.4%	
Dayton	5,989	6,573	9.8%	\$774,020,127	\$920,110,197	18.9%	\$129,240	\$139,983	8.3%	
Firelands	1,070	1,273	19.0%	\$129,327,596	\$154,102,203	19.2%	\$120,867	\$121,054	0.2%	
Greater Ports.	214	248	15.9%	\$22,731,567	\$27,659,990	21.7%	\$106,222	\$111,532	5.0%	
GuernsMusk.	497	559	12.5%	\$55,053,637	\$65,204,509	18.4%	\$110,772	\$116,645	5.3%	
Heartland	599	680	13.5%	\$72,682,939	\$92,793,874	27.7%	\$121,340	\$136,462	12.5%	
Knox	242	248	2.5%	\$32,073,292	\$35,335,005	10.2%	\$132,534	\$142,480	7.5%	
Lancaster	279	311	11.5%	\$34,759,131	\$39,307,258	13.1%	\$124,585	\$126,390	1.4%	
Mansfield	779	822	5.5%	\$75,661,302	\$80,749,853	6.7%	\$97,126	\$98,236	1.1%	
Marion	341	388	13.8%	\$31,903,072	\$38,476,582	20.6%	\$93,557	\$99,166	6.0%	
NEOHREX*	18,389	20,826	13.3%	\$2,489,114,179	\$2,916,296,247	17.2%	\$135,359	\$140,032	3.5%	
Scioto Valley	462	470	1.7%	\$48,462,566	\$51,038,852	5.3%	\$104,897	\$108,593	3.5%	
Toledo	3,669	4,023	9.6%	\$410,180,000	\$497,777,000	21.4%	\$111,796	\$123,733	10.7%	
Tri-State*	372	425	14.2%	\$36,345,729	\$42,147,938	16.0%	\$97,704	\$99,172	1.5%	
West Central	687	769	11.9%	\$64,141,593	\$78,016,022	21.6%	\$93,365	\$101,451	8.7%	
WRIST*	2,256	2,407	6.7%	\$253,665,517	\$327,957,384	29.3%	\$112,440	\$136,252	21.2%	
Statewide	59,901	65,379	9.1%	\$8,726,175,432	\$10,072,226,006	15.4%	\$145,677	\$154,059	5.8%	

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