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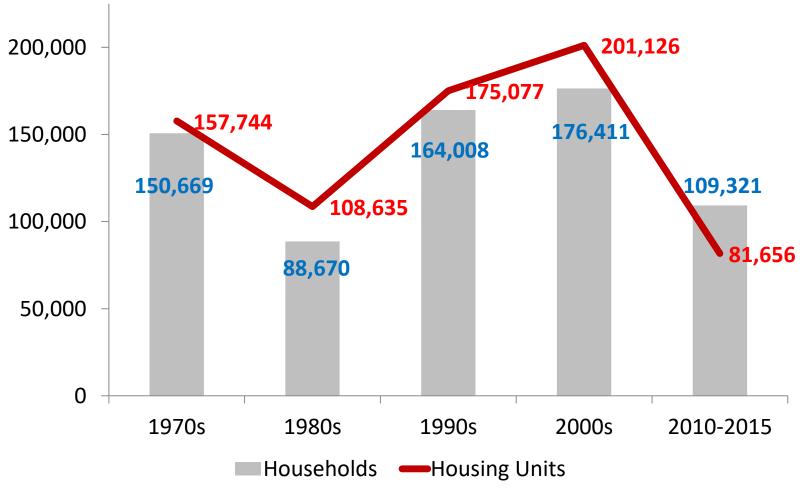
Topics of Discussion

1. Doe Utah Have a Housing Shortage?

2. What to Expect for the Real Estate Market in 2017?

Does Utah have a housing shortage?

For the first time in forty years the increase in households exceeds the increase in housing units.





Supply Bottlenecks for New Residential Construction

- 1. Labor shortage.
- 2. Land cost and availability.
- 3. Local regulation.

These are symptoms of the rapid demographic growth of Utah.

Real Estate Market Forecast

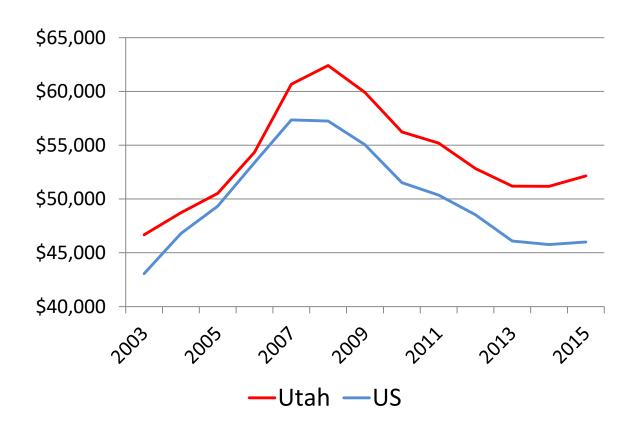
- 1. Will number of listing improve?
- 2. Are they are signs of a housing bubble?
- 3. Will declining affordability hurt the market?
- 4. How will home sales compare to 2016?
- 5. How will home prices compare to 2016?

Six Ways to Explain Low Inventory

- 1. Many home owners still underwater.
- 2. Boom buyers are holding out.
- 3. Listing shortage is squeezing inventory.
- 4. New home construction very low.
- 5. Baby boomers are running behind.
- 6. Investors aren't selling homes they're renting.

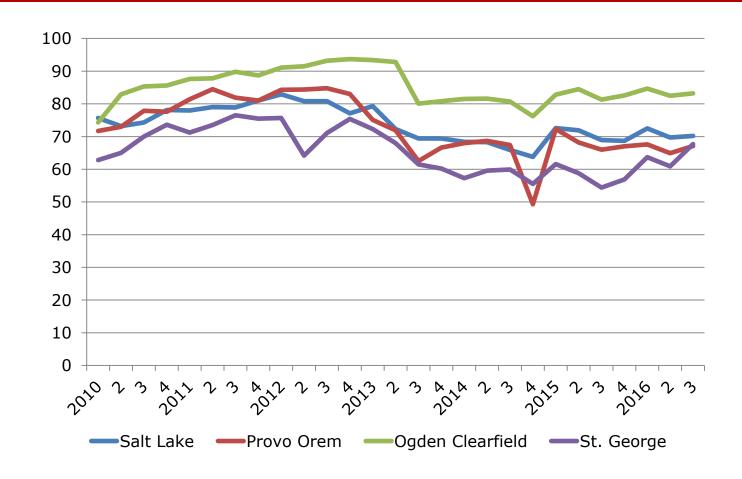
Any Sign of a Housing Bubble?

Per Capita Debt in Utah & US (2015 dollars)



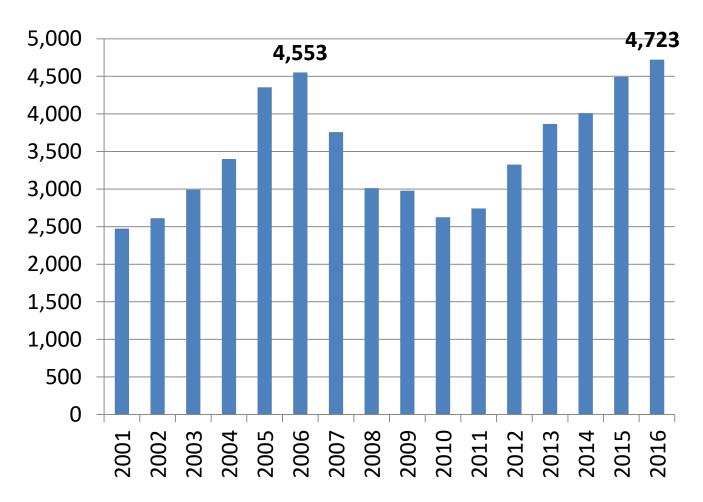


Affordability Index for Metro Areas



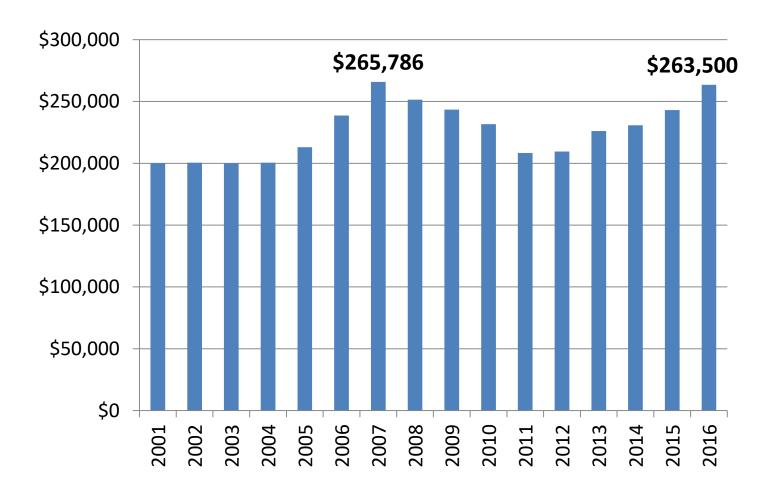


Home Sales in Davis County



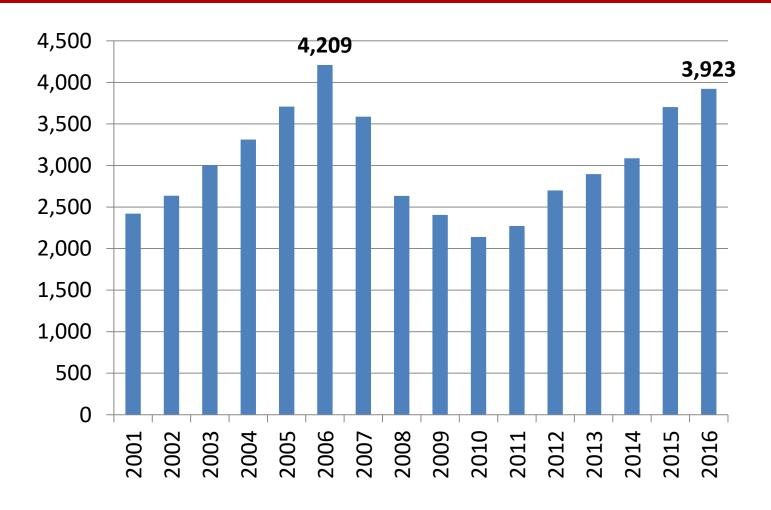


Median Sales Price of Home in Davis County (2016 dollars)





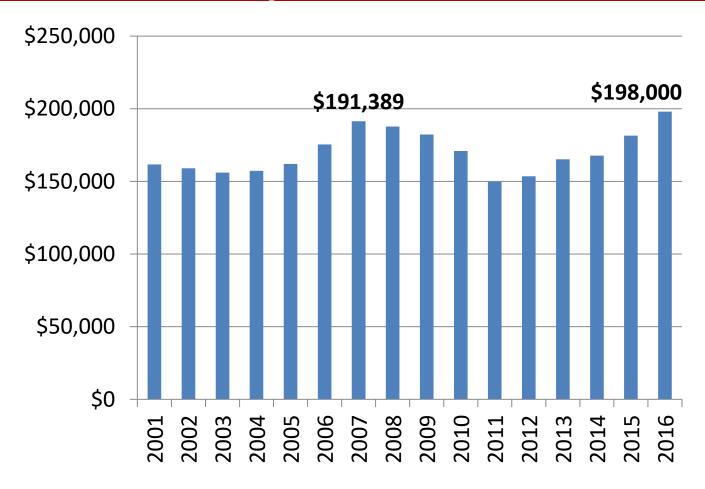
Home Sales in Weber County





Source: Wasatch Front Regional MLS.

Median Sales Price of Home in Weber County (2016 dollars)





Real Estate Forecast

Davis County – prices up 8 percent to median value of \$285,000.

Davis County - sales up 6 percent to 5,000 homes.

Weber County – prices up 10 percent to median value of \$220,000.

Weber County – sales up 6 percent to 4,150 homes.