

### **RUIZ REPORT**

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10 slides with **everything**you need to know about your
local residential real estate market.

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Understanding the local real estate market is one of the most important aspects of buying or selling a home. Whether you're debating how much to offer or if you should accept an offer you've received, market knowledge is power.

Making an informed decision involves staying current with both the "macro-market" as well as the "micro-market" for your unique situation. As top real estate agents one of the most important things we can do for our clients is to empower them with that same information.

With that in mind we have commissioned this month's Ruiz Report to make sure you're as up to date as possible with current local market conditions, using accurate data directly from the MLS. Clicking any of the links on slide 4 will take you directly to properties on our website.

We are always available to answer any questions. Feel free to call us at (828)210-3898 or send us an email at <a href="mailto:info@dwellavl.com">info@dwellavl.com</a>.

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# At A Glance: Activity (vs. last month) (vs. this month last year)

#### **NEW LISTINGS**

 $499 {\stackrel{1}{\downarrow}}_{27\%}$ 

#### **UNDER CONTRACT**

320 × 0%

#### **HOMES SOLD**

316 <sup>A 4%</sup>
<sub>A 12%</sub>

Buncombe added 179 more new listings to the market than it took off (put under contract), which increased the overall supply. Home sales (*closings*) increased in July, just remember that many of those homes went under contract in a *previous* month.

# At A Glance: Velocity (vs. last month) (vs. this month last year)

#### **MEDIAN DOM**

35 <sup>21%</sup>
<sub>106%</sub>

#### **MO. ACTIVE LISTINGS**

 $2,095 \stackrel{\wedge}{\underset{\wedge}{\wedge}} \stackrel{4\%}{}_{67\%}$ 

#### **MO. INVENTORY**

6.3 <sup>4</sup> 3%

The *total* number of active listings **increased 4%** compared to June, 50% of homes went under contract in **35-days** *or less*, and at this rate there's about **6.3-months of supply** to go around.

July was a *neutral market*.

Amount for month + / - Change | % Change vs. last month % Change vs. this month last year

# At A Glance: Pricing (vs. last month) (vs. this month last year)

#### **AVG. LIST / SALE**

$$97\% \stackrel{\checkmark}{\underset{\checkmark}{}} \stackrel{1\%}{\underset{1\%}{}}$$

#### **AVG. SALE PRICE**

#### ORIG. LIST / SALE

The average price of a home in Buncombe County was \$10k less than it was this time last July. On average, properties sold for 97% of their list price at the time the offer was made, and 93% of the price they originally listed for.

> % Change vs. last month Amount for month + / - Change % Change vs. this month last year

Click to see properties!

### Buncombe In July

Price Range	Active Listings	New Listings	Under Contract	Under Contract (%)	Pending Ratio	Homes Sold	Avg. Sales Price	Avg. List/Sale	Avg. DOM	Median DOM	Months of Inventory	Expired Listings	Listings Withdrawn
<u>\$0 - \$199K</u>	32	9	13	4%	46%	8	\$154,342	94%	28	18	3.08	3	N/A
\$200K - \$249K	37	10	7	2%	22%	10	\$226,975	99%	34	26	4.57	N/A	N/A
\$250K - \$299K	76	13	12	4%	16%	15	\$268,940	94%	73	46	4.84	2	N/A
\$300K - \$349K	151	45	34	11%	33%	18	\$323,179	99%	45	33	4.92	3	N/A
<u>\$350K - \$399K</u>	196	63	38	12%	27%	35	\$365,337	98%	51	23	4.47	3	N/A
<u>\$400K - \$449K</u>	149	41	32	10%	29%	35	\$416,024	97%	48	34	4.17	5	N/A
<u>\$450K - \$499K</u>	177	39	26	8%	19%	32	\$461,390	97%	72	46	6.00	3	N/A
<u>\$500K - \$599K</u>	270	60	44	14%	21%	30	\$539,367	98%	67	35	5.87	4	N/A
<u>\$600K - \$699K</u>	215	53	33	10%	20%	33	\$641,497	98%	48	28	6.40	8	N/A
\$700K - \$799K	165	37	19	6%	16%	28	\$733,076	97%	84	56	7.36	1	N/A
\$800K - \$899K	130	34	14	4%	16%	19	\$841,316	98%	50	33	8.25	4	N/A
\$900K - \$999K	112	23	10	3%	17%	9	\$936,445	99%	44	40	9.43	1	N/A
<u>\$1M - \$1.49M</u>	178	36	23	7%	21%	27	\$1,176,791	97%	72	27	8.27	4	N/A
<u>\$1.5M - \$1.99M</u>	80	17	6	2%	16%	8	\$1,575,563	90%	20	11	12.00	N/A	N/A
<u>\$2M +</u>	127	19	9	3%	12%	9	\$2,608,889	94%	148	130	18.61	1	N/A
County	2,095	499	320		21%	316	\$650,681	97%	59	35	6.27	42	N/A

#### **Learn the lingo**

**Active Listings:** This is the total number of listings that were for sale *at any given point during the month.* 

**Under Contract:** This is the total **number** of listings that accepted an offer to purchase *during the month*.

**Under Contract (%):** This is the "Under Contract" column represented as a **percentage** of the county.

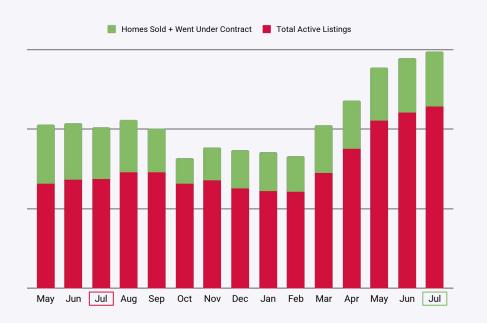
Pending Ratio: This ratio is calculated using a snapshot taken at 11:59pm on the last day of the month. It used to show a price range's competitiveness by comparing the number of listings under contract to the total number of listings on the market at the time the snapshot was taken (active + under contract).

Months of inventory represents how long it would take to deplete the current inventory assuming no new homes are put on the market. It's commonly used to determine the health of a particular market.

Between O-4 months of inventory is considered a seller's market because supply is relatively low, which means that sellers have more control to set terms or raise prices. 5-7 months signals a balanced market there is a healthy mix of buyers and sellers. 8 or more months of inventory indicates a buyer's market, which means buyers have more negotiating power.

Seller's Market Buyer's Market

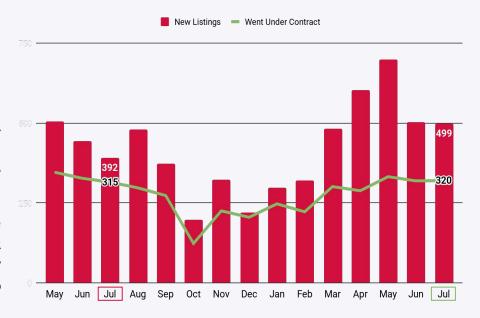
# Volume & Activity



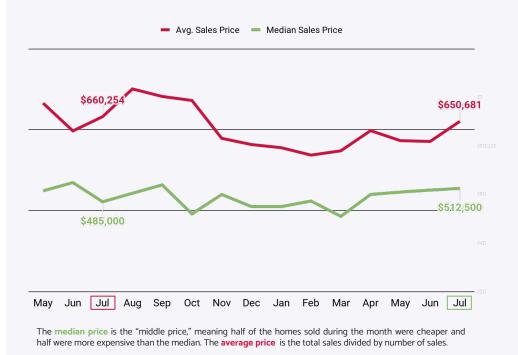
- → The number of active listings increased by 4% in July. Total Active listings, the number of properties listed for sale at any point during the month, was up 67% compared to last year.
- → Total homes under contract remained flat from last month, and Buncombe had 2% more homes under contract in July than it did this time last year.
- → Overall volume was up 4% from last month and up 43% from this time last year.

# Listings & Pendings

- → New listings decreased 1% from last month, but were up 27% from last July's numbers.
- → The same number of more homes went under contract, and Buncombe had more homes going under contract than this month last year, up 2%.
- → Pro Tip: keeping an eye on the difference between homes added to the market (new listings) and those taken off (by going under contract) is the best way to gauge supply & demand!



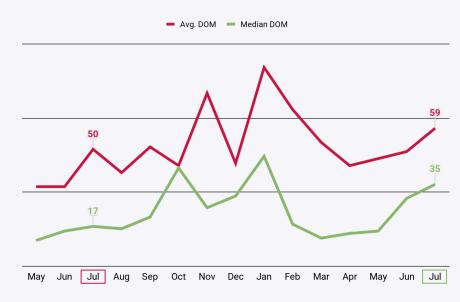
## **Home Prices**



- → The average home price in Buncombe County increased 7%, but homes were valued 1% lower compared to last July.
- → The positive home value appreciation trend seems to be holding despite interest rates.
  Pro Tip: monthly price fluctuations are less indicative than annual trends for understanding market shifts!
- → The consistently higher average vs. median home price tells us that **Buncombe's**high-end market is strong, with prices significantly higher than the rest of the market.

## Days On Market

- → On average, homes took 10-days longer to go under contract than they did in June, and the median days it took to sign a purchase contract was 35-days (!!!).
- → Homes between \$1.5-1.99M sold fastest in July, with a median 11-days on the market, followed by homes in the \$0-199k range, which took a median of 18-days.
- → Homes in Buncombe are selling quickly due to a combination of extremely low inventory and high demand for homes.



The median DOM is the "middle DOM," meaning half of the homes during the month went UC faster and half took longer than the median. The average DOM is the total DOM divided by number of sales.

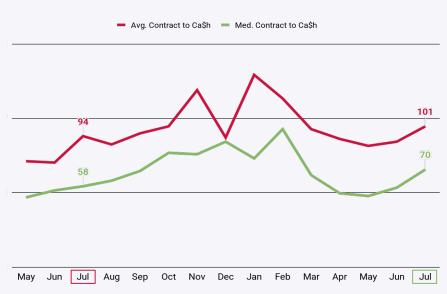
## **Contract To Close**



- → Contract to close time took an average of 1-day more compared to last month, which was 2-days faster compared to last July.
- → Homes valued valued between \$200k-249k took among the longest to close. July closings data put that segment at around 85-days, on average.
- → Homes valued valued greater than \$2M closed fastest, closing in ~29-days, on average.

## Contract To Ca\$h

- → Sellers got paid an average of 11-days slower after listing their homes according to July sales data, and 7-days slower than Jul., 2023.
- → This overall increase was a due to increases in both time spent during the contract to close process as well as time spent on the market (DOM).
- → Homes valued valued between \$1.5M-1.99M sold fastest, averaging 48-days, followed by the valued between \$400k-449k price range which took 84-days, on average.



The median Contract to Ca\$h is the "middle number," meaning half of the homes that closed during the month got paid faster faster and half took longer than the median. The average Contract to Ca\$h is the total time it took across all price ranges divided by number of sales.

# Methodology

Data for this report was pulled from Canopy MLS for Single Family and Condo/Townhouse properties on August 3rd, 2025. Realtors are required to update their transactions on the MLS within 48hrs, so while most records for the month should have been accounted for, any updates that occured after the report was pulled will not have made the cut. This should not have a material effect on the data given the overall volume of transactions.

Please send me an e-mail if you have any comments, questions, requests, or corrections.

See below for some relevant formulas.