

# Median home prices in Puget Sound area continue to surpass last year

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*Puget Sound at a glance:*

## PIERCE COUNTY

New inventory is up 7% in Pierce County and the median home price has increased 16% to \$262,000 compared to this time last year.

New inventory climbed 16% in North Tacoma and the median home price grew 17% to \$291,500.

New inventory increased 15% in University Place/Fircrest.

Home sales increased 11% in Puyallup and the median home price increased 13%.

Gig Harbor/Peninsula median home price increased 19%.

## KITSAP COUNTY

New inventory is up 7% in Kitsap County and the median home price grew 13% compared to this time last year.

Home sales increased 6% and new inventory climbed 13% in Bremerton compared to this time last year.

Homes are selling 8 days faster and the median home price increased 9% to \$595,500 on Bainbridge Island.

## SNOHOMISH COUNTY

The median home price increased 20% to \$329,990 in Snohomish County compared to this time last year.

The median home price in Everett/Mukilteo jumped 23% to \$343,000.

New inventory is up 14% in Edmonds/Lynnwood and home sales increased 7% compared to this time last year.

The median home price in Snohomish/Monroe increased 20% to \$309,560.

## SOUTH KING COUNTY

New inventory is up 8% in South King County compared to this time last year.

Federal Way new inventory climbed 12% and the median home price increased 13% to \$295,000.

New inventory grew 15% in Kent and the median home price increased 17% to \$326,000.

2006  
Median sales  
prices  
Through  
May 31<sup>st</sup>

Area	Median	% Change
Indianola	\$319,900	46.1%
Finn Hill/Keyport/Vinland	\$391,975	42.6%
Redmond/Carnation	\$579,950	32.4%
Kingston	\$330,000	32.0%
Kirkland/Bridle Trails	\$647,000	30.1%
Olalla/Bethel	\$302,000	27.7%
Black Diamond/Maple Valley	\$345,680	27.6%
Skyway	\$325,000	25.0%
Tracyton/Gilbertson	\$284,900	24.4%
West Bellevue/Medina	\$1,070,000	24.3%
Bothell/Maltby/Clearview	\$433,000	23.7%
Everett/Mukilteo/Mill Creek	\$343,000	22.9%
Auburn	\$299,950	21.4%
Woodinville/Juanita/Duvall	\$475,000	20.9%
Lake Forest Park/Kenmore	\$378,375	20.1%
Wildwood/Burley/Wye Lake	\$269,000	20.1%
Central/Downtown Tacoma	\$210,000	20.0%
Snohomish/Monroe/Sultan	\$309,560	20.0%
Issaquah/North Bend/Sammamish	\$544,800	19.9%
Silverdale/Bangor	\$311,250	19.7%
Gig Harbor/Peninsula	\$368,613	19.3%
Seabeck/Holly	\$232,975	19.2%
Busen/Normandy Park	\$294,000	19.1%
Rainier Valley/Beacon Hill	\$339,450	19.1%
Port Orchard	\$237,725	18.9%
Lake Stevens/Machias/Granite Falls	\$277,975	18.6%
Queen Anne/Magnolia/Lake Union	\$645,000	18.3%
Parkland	\$229,950	18.1%
Spanaway	\$240,000	17.9%
Northeast Renton/Highlands	\$389,000	17.9%
South Bellevue/South Issaquah	\$601,000	17.8%
University Place/Fircrest	\$318,000	17.8%
East Bellevue/South Redmond	\$500,000	17.6%
North Tacoma	\$291,500	17.1%
Kent	\$326,000	16.5%
Edmonds/Lynnwood	\$372,000	16.4%

This information is based on year-to-date figures from the Northwest Multiple Listing Service through May 31, 2006. The statistics include single-family residential homes only. If your home is currently listed with a broker, this is not a solicitation of that listing.

## EASTSIDE

Eastside median home price is up 20% to \$660,719 compared to this time last year.

West Bellevue/Medina median home price climbed 24% to \$1,070,000 compared to this time last year.

Issaquah/Sammamish median home price is up 20%.

The median home price in Kirkland/Bridle Trails increased 30% to \$647,000.

The median home price jumped 32% to \$579,950 in Redmond/Carnation compared to this time last year.

## SEATTLE

Seattle median home price is up 14% to \$430,981 compared to this time last year.

Home sales increased 3% in Capitol Hill/Madison Park and the median home price grew 11% to \$544,000 compared to this time last year.

The median home price in Queen Anne/Magnolia/Lake Union increased 18% to \$645,000.

Lake Forest Park/Kenmore median home price increased 20% to \$378,375 compared to this time last year.

## Secrets for a Successful Move

Summer is the busiest moving season. While moving can be stressful, use the following tips to make your transition smoother:

- \* Arrange for phone, internet, and utility hookups in advance. Companies often need a few days to make the connections.
- \* Pare down your belongings so you don't have to move items you no longer need or want.



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- \* Save money by asking grocery, electronics, and office supply stores for boxes, and use old newspapers for packing material.
- \* Be sure to pack a box of essentials - telephone, a couple of changes of clothes, a few pots/pans/dishes/utensils, toiletries, medications - to get you through the first days after your move.
- \* Enjoy your new home!

Source: Realtor.com

