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Owners.com Reveals Top 10 Markets Where Sellers Can Get the Most from Their Home Sale in 2017

West Coast residents are in luck as California and Washington markets come out on top

ATLANTA, December 12, 2017 – Owners.com, an innovative technology enabled real estate brokerage, today released its inaugural 2017 Market Recap data study revealing the top 10 best metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) for home sellers, where homes on average sold for very close to asking price in far less time than the national average. The West Coast came out on top, with analysts finding San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA; San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA and Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA as the leading seller markets.

Owners.com focused on U.S. metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) with more than one million people. The study analyzed a variety of factors within the qualifying MSAs, including home sale price, difference between the listing and sale price, average number of days on market, average listed inventory and average change in rent to define the list of MSAs.

The Owners.com analysis identified seller markets where there are more buyers than homes for sale. The 10 markets were significantly over the national average and the lack of inventory drove up prices. More specifically:

- The average sales price of \$544,102 was over \$200,000 above the national average.
- On average, homes sold for only \$200 less than their listing price.
- Inventory was limited and homes sold almost a month quicker than the national average.
- Additionally, rental prices increased 95% more than the national average increase.

"With fierce competition, it's a great time to sell your home quickly in many areas of the country, particularly in desirable West Coast cities," said Phil Karp, Senior Manager of Brokerage Services at Owners.com. "While sellers in these markets can already expect to sell their homes at high prices, they should consider a data-powered brokerage like Owners.com where they will leverage access to market information to help ensure that their homes are listed for the right price to attract buyers and maximize sale proceeds."

Top 10 Markets for Home Sellers

	MSA	Median Sales Price for Single- Family Homes	Average Difference between Sale and Listing Price	Average Number of Days Listing Is on Market	Average Listed Inventory	Average Change in Rent (from Previous Years)
1	San Francisco- Oakland-Hayward, CA	\$940,221	+\$27,702	56	3,086	+\$52
2	San Jose-Sunnyvale- Santa Clara, CA	\$1,252,418	+\$24,963	60	1,314	+\$50
3	Seattle-Tacoma- Bellevue, WA	\$547,816	+\$5,473	64	4,083	+\$41
4	Portland-Vancouver- Hillsboro, OR-WA	\$415,046	-\$7,219	74	3,483	+\$51
5	Dallas-Fort Worth- Arlington, TX	\$448,360	-\$4,187	66	9,834	+\$27
6	Sacramento- Roseville-Arden- Arcade, CA	\$421,423	-\$9,573	66	2,997	+\$39
7	Austin-Round Rock, TX	\$389,295	-\$7,791	72	2,032	+\$40
8	Raleigh, NC	\$349,542	-\$10,185	82	1,669	+\$46

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9	Tucson, AZ	\$239,211	-\$8,609	85	1,572	+\$32
10	Denver-Aurora- Lakewood, CO	\$437,691	-\$12,593	72	1,966	+\$53

Methodology

Owners.com identified all MSAs with over one million people and retrieved data from October 31, 2016 through October 31, 2017. Owners.com used four metrics to identify and rank the top 10 markets for sellers. These metrics were weighted and summed into a score. The national and market data were sourced from public property data, and aggregated data were sourced from First American and Census Data. The weights for each metric comprised the total score as follows:

• Average price difference between sold and listing prices: 40 percent

• Total inventory left on market: 25 percent

• Monthly rental cost change from previous year: 20 percent

• Days on market: 15 percent

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