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Housing market improves

Pottstown continues to offer the best housing bargains in the region. A major reason is sky-high taxes, which make prospective buyers blanch. And both the school district and the borough raised them this year.



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Even with the taxes, though, Pottstown gives you more house for your money than any adjacent suburb.

More people are discovering Pottstown's merits.

A comparison of home sales over the last two years shows the number of homes sold has increased significantly. Average sales prices are increasing as well. There's a much larger range in prices for

livable homes in Pottstown than you will find elsewhere.

Last week, a longtime Realtor told me he's now seeing houses selling in a matter of days, with multiple offers on well-maintained Pottstown homes.

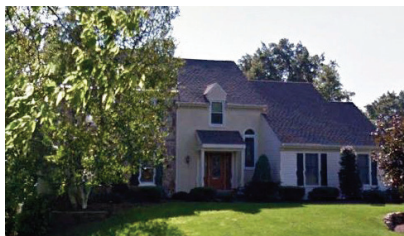
Things are getting better.

Pottstown housing prices last 2 years

Date	Units sold	Average price
June 2018	47	\$119,351
May 2018	55	\$122,563
April 2018	39	\$98,992
March 2018	37	\$104,373
Feb. 2018	17	\$109,768
Jan. 2018	21	\$103,096
Dec. 2018	27	\$97,581
Nov. 2017	34	\$109,125
Oct. 2017	39	\$92,208
Sept. 2018	36	\$136,944
Aug. 2017	41	\$121,871
July 2017	34	\$101,536
2017-2018	427	\$111,063
June 2017	46	\$99,158
May 2017	29	\$115,927
April 2017	42	\$115,325
March 2017	29	\$84,869
Feb. 2017	15	\$95,220
Jan. 2017	19	\$95,014
Dec. 2016	32	\$95,115
Nov. 2016	30	\$91,747
Oct. 2016	32	\$108,652
Sept. 2016	26	\$108,256
August 2016	30	\$127,454
July 2016	36	\$104,082
2016-2017	367	\$106,593



442 CHESTNUT STREET was one of the least expensive houses sold recently in Pottstown, for \$27,000.



1110 WILSON STREET was one of the most expensive houses sold recently in Pottstown, for \$285,000.

POTTSTOWN HOME SALES have increased in price and number in the last 12 months as compared to the previous 12-month period.