# TODAY'S MARKET TRENDS

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### **A Quick Note**

When you see that rents have jumped 13.5 percent this year in San Francisco, keep in mind that some neighborhoods have seen larger increases, and some neighborhoods have actually seen decreases.

For example, SFGate reported on Monday that rents in Noe Valley were up 29.2 percent and up 20 percent in the Mission. Conversely, rents were on the wane in the City's northern neighborhoods, with rents on Nob Hill down 6.3% and on Russian Hill down 4.3% percent. Not that rents in these latter neighborhoods are low. It's just that demand won't support big increases at this point.

Rents, like home prices, in San Francisco's southern neighborhoods continue to climb because base prices were lower to begin with, and because these neighborhoods are well located - close to transportation hubs and routes for southbound tech workers.

## Market Update for San Francisco\* 11/30/2014 - 12/06/2014

#### Single Family Homes - 41 Sold

- · Median Sale Price: \$1,239,988
- · 32 Sold OVER Asking Price
- · 8 Sold UNDER Asking Price
- · 1 Sold AT Asking Price
- · There are currently 342 Single Family Homes on the market

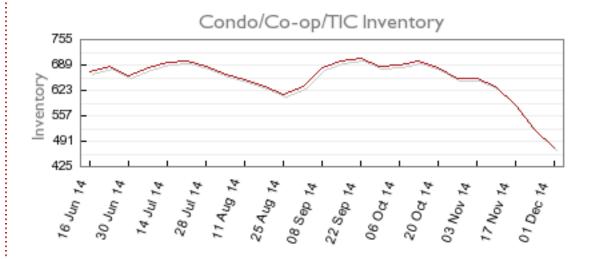




#### Condos/Lofts/TICs - 55 Sold

- · Median Sale Price: \$960.000
- 32 Sold OVER Asking Price
- · 14 Sold UNDER Asking Price
- · 9 Sold AT Asking Price
- · There are currently 438 Condos/Lofts/TICs on the market





\*Source: San Francisco Association of Realtors®

## **Mortgage Update**

Weak economic news from China and the euro zone coupled with oil selling at a five year low has driven mortgage rates lower. In times of economic uncertainty, investors seek the safety of U.S. bonds. This demand for bonds drives rates down. Residential mortgage rates are down again and in the favor of buyers.

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## **Mortgage Rates**

## Mortgage Rates as of Tuesday, December 16, 2014

### **Conforming Loan Rates**

30 Year Fixed	3.907%	« calculate mortgage at this rate
15 Year Fixed	3.174%	« calculate mortgage at this rate
10/1 Year ARM	3.667%	« calculate mortgage at this rate

#### Jumbo Loan Rates

30 Year Fixed	3.982%	« calculate mortgage at this rate
15 Year Fixed	3.354%	« calculate mortgage at this rate
10/1 Year ARM	3.567%	« calculate mortgage at this rate

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