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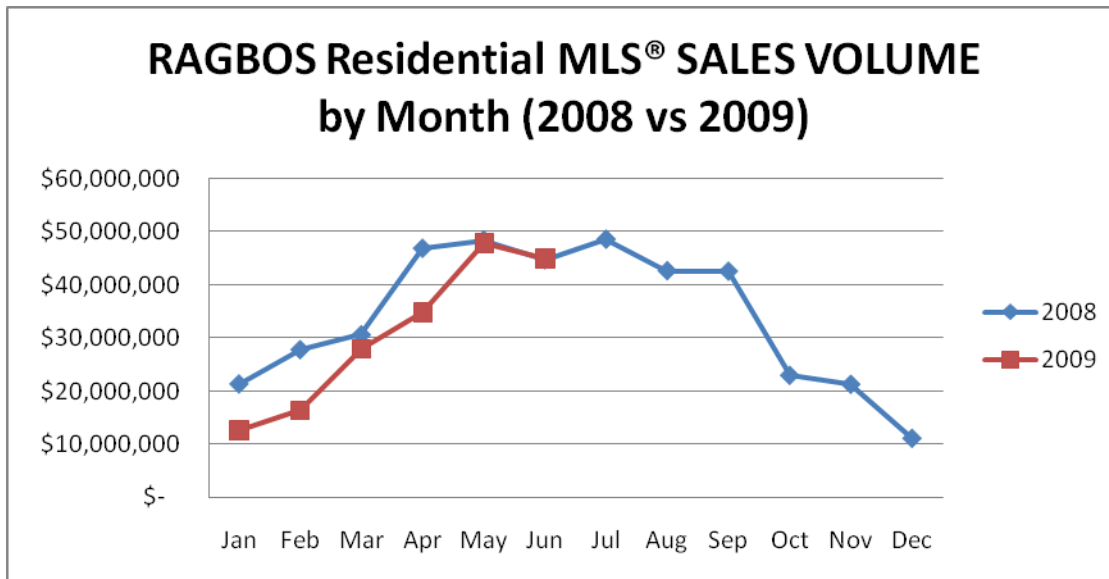
(July 9, 2009) – The gap between activity this year and last continued to shrink in June 2009 in the area served by the REALTORS® Association of Grey Bruce Owen Sound. The MLS® average residential price also reached the highest level ever for the month of June.

MLS® home sales numbered 217 units in June 2009, down just 2.3% from June 2008. The total dollar value of MLS® home sales in June 2009 was \$44.9 million, edging up 0.6% from year-ago levels.

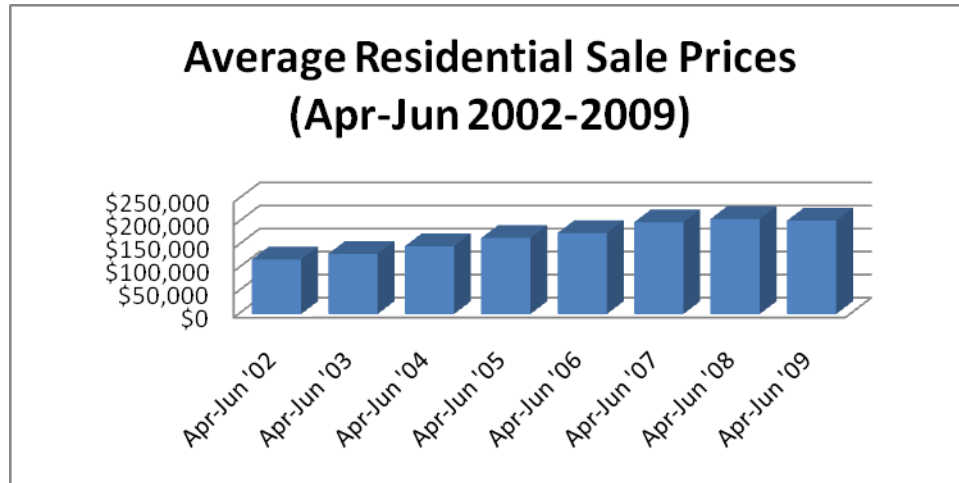
Total MLS® sales numbered 276 units, 5% below levels in June 2008. According to statistics provided by the Association, the average price for MLS® home sales rose 2.9% from year-ago levels to \$206,945 in June 2009. This is the highest level on record for the month of June.

“A number of buyers who delayed getting into the market earlier this year are now doing so,” said Neil Devlin, President of the REALTORS® Association of Grey Bruce Owen Sound. “Buyers recognize the stability of our real estate market, and are taking advantage of excellent affordability.”

Total Residential Units Sold in the RAGBOS area:



Second Quarter 2009 Average Residential Sale Prices from 2002 to 2009:



The REALTORS® Association of Grey Bruce Owen Sound represents approximately 360 REALTORS® registered with its member offices. The geographical area served by the Association is in southwestern Ontario, bordered by Lake Huron and Georgian Bay including Bruce and Grey Counties, and part of Wellington County.

CONSULT A REALTOR®

- Be sure that one of the most important financial decisions of your life is the right one: choose a REALTOR® who is a Member of the REALTORS® Association of Grey Bruce Owen Sound to guide you through the process of buying or selling your home.
- REALTORS® are licensed professionals who must abide by a strict code of ethics and meet continuing education requirements to maintain their status.
- Only REALTORS® have access to the Multiple Listing Service (MLS®), a state-of-the-art database of property information that is designed to match people with the properties that fit their exact requirements.
- The MLS® system is one way REALTORS® provide their clients with insight into market trends and current market values of similar properties.
- REALTORS® can also advise you about current Government Programs that benefit consumers, and use their experience to offer valuable information about the character and amenities of specific neighbourhoods.
- When dealing with the purchase or sale of your home, you need the best advice possible. Get it from someone who will commit in writing to represent your interests. Use a REALTOR® and have the confidence that a professional is on your side.

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