1st Quarter 2011 Report : Year to Year Results Flat Condo Market

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There were no discernible trends in the local condo market in the first quarter of the year.

Dollar volume was up a bit from the same quarter last year, but it was only a 3% increase so nothing significant there.

There were more sales in the quarter, 49 this year as opposed to 42 last year, but the median sales prices were down in six of the eight markets which accounts for the small increase in total dollar volume.

The brightest numbers relate to market times. Six of the nine markets surveyed enjoyed decreased days on the market.

The Market Barometer, which measures the percentage of active listings in escrow, continued to be strong at 30%. Still it was down in relation to April 1, 2010 when 49 listings were under contract as opposed to 37 this year. This probably means that the current second quarter will not match last year's.

In essence, the condo market is much better than it was in the depths of the slump, but seems to be coasting at present with no clear up or down trend.

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