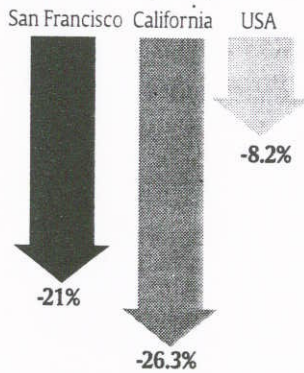


# San Francisco

## Out-of-luck sellers give up, pull out

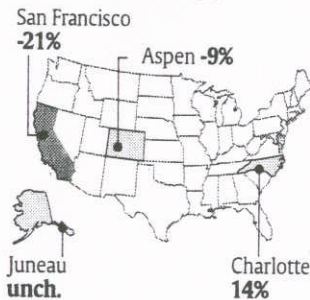
### Monthly sales volume

Change from one year ago:



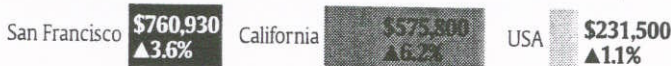
### Comparing sales volume

The four most recent cities in USA TODAY's Close to Home series and their one-year change in monthly sales volume when originally published:



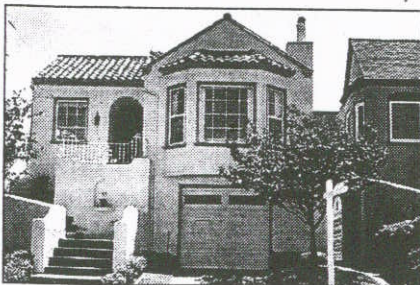
### Median home price

And change from one year ago:



Sources: California Association of Realtors and National Association of Realtors

By Adrienne Lewis, USA TODAY



### Median-price home

- ▶ Price: \$759,000
- ▶ Bedrooms: 2
- ▶ Bathrooms: 1
- ▶ Size: 1,050 square feet
- ▶ Features: Hardwood floors, fireplace, garden, two-car garage.

By Noelle Knox  
USA TODAY

Last week's light earthquake in Northern California probably didn't scare people in San Francisco as much as the number of "For Sale" signs that have been hanging in front of homes for weeks instead of days. Sales of single-family homes plunged 21% in June, according to the most recent data available. The number of homes listed for sale has nearly doubled since the start of the year. Prices are still rising, but more sellers are simply taking their homes off the market if they can't get the price they want, says John Yen Wong, a broker at Prudential California Realty.

Homes priced around the median — a heart-palpitating \$760,930 — are still selling fairly well. But sellers with homes over \$1 million are adjusting their prices or taking them off the market, Wong says. "There is a capping of expectations of what sellers think they can get," he says. "They can no longer say, 'I bought it two years ago; let me tack another \$100,000 onto it.'"

Coming next week:  
**Detroit**

### Research home sales online

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California sales  
Down -26%  
Inventory is  
Double what  
it was last  
year.