



Mortgage Fraud Risk Index for August 2015—TOP 5 MSAs

	Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	Mortgage Fraud Risk Index, August 2015	% Change Since August 2014	% Change Since July 2015
1	DETROIT-WARREN-LIVONIA, MI	176	61.5%	14.3%
2	MIAMI-FORT LAUDERDALE-POMPANO BEACH, FL	166	22.1%	16.9%
3	RIVERSIDE-SAN BERNARDINO-ONTARIO, CA	160	50.9%	26.0%
4	ORLANDO-KISSIMMEE, FL	157	52.4%	-3.7%
5	HOUSTON-SUGAR LAND-BAYTOWN, TX	155	36.0%	4.7%
	UNITED STATES	123	29.5%	2.5%

The Mortgage Fraud Risk Index value is 123 for August—up 2.5 percent from July and up 30 percent from a year ago. The riskiest MSA in August is Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI, with an index value of 176.

Occupancy Fraud Risk Index for August 2015—TOP 5 MSAs

	Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	Occupancy Fraud Risk Index, August 2015	% Change Since August 2014	% Change Since July 2015
1	DETROIT-WARREN-LIVONIA, MI	301	55.2%	38.1%
2	ORLANDO-KISSIMMEE, FL	277	111.5%	54.7%
3	MIAMI-FORT LAUDERDALE-POMPANO BEACH, FL	256	46.3%	34.0%
4	LOS ANGELES-LONG BEACH-SANTA ANA, CA	210	8.8%	-4.1%
5	RIVERSIDE-SAN BERNARDINO-ONTARIO, CA	203	40.0%	52.6%
	UNITED STATES	147	12.2%	5.0%

The Occupancy Fraud Risk Index value is 147 for August—up 5 percent from July and up 12 percent from a year ago. Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI, is the riskiest MSA for occupancy fraud risk, with an index value of 301.

First American Mortgage Solutions' Fraud Risk Indexes are calculated based on the frequency with which indicators of fraudulent activity are detected in mortgage applications processed by the FraudGUARD® system, powered by Interthinx® Analytics—a loan-level fraud-detection tool available to lenders and investors. The Fraud Risk Indexes consist of the Property Valuation Fraud Risk Index; the Identity Fraud Risk Index; the Occupancy Fraud Risk Index; the Employment/Income Fraud Risk Index; and the Overall Mortgage Fraud Risk Index (which is calculated as the average of the four type-specific indexes). All of these indexes have been calibrated so that the national indexes based on all loans in first-quarter 2012 equal 100.

First American Mortgage Solutions recognizes the adaptations that fraudsters make in a changing market, and proactively strives to identify and report the latest patterns it finds in the fraud community. In an effort to capture these changes in fraud activity, First American Mortgage Solutions has made major changes and enhancements to the Mortgage Fraud Risk Index, beginning with those published in the July 2013 issue of

Mortgage Banking. Due to the comprehensive nature of these enhancements, index values published in prior issues of the magazine may not be directly comparable to index values published in July 2013 or thereafter.

NOTE: The metropolitan statistical area (MSA) tables in the monthly Fraud File and quarterly/annual First American Mortgage Solutions Mortgage Fraud Risk reports include only those MSAs with sufficient loan applications for statistical significance. As a result, metros that do not have sufficient loan applications to be listed in the monthly Fraud File can exceed the required threshold when data from all months are combined, and hence can be included in the quarterly and/or annual reports. More information is available at www.firstam.com/mortgagesolutions.



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