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Focusing on web sites of interest to Westchester – Fall 2007

Wondering what your house is worth? No need to call a broker for an appraisal, you can use one of a number of real estate appraisal web sites!

At **RealEstateABC.com** (<http://www.realestateabc.com/>) you'll get free home value and real estate comparable values. There's information about mortgage rates, housing trends and lists of real estate brokers. RealEstateABC.com was started in March 1998 with the goal of providing a site that candidly informs homebuyers and home sellers about the real world of real estate, without puff, hype or sensationalism. The web site aims to help consumers with insight into how things really work with straightforward analysis of market trends and "how to" guides.

Cyberhomes.com (www.cyberhomes.com) is brought to you by Fidelity National Financial. The database includes more than 100 million property, ownership, sales, and mortgage records, covering more than 85% of the U.S. population. You'll be able to View detailed heat maps of home values, changes in value, and property density. Tag, save, and get alerts on homes, neighborhoods, and schools of interest and even email links and print home reports to share with friends and family.

At **eppraisal.com** (www.eppraisal.com) you can Search over 120 million homes for a free estimated value range as well as access to neighborhood information like schools, lifestyle, employment, local professionals, and more.

Go to **PropertyShark.com** (propertyshark.com) and enter any address and find out: Owner name and address; Parcel map; Last sale price; Tax assessment; Permits; Square footages & room counts.

HomeGain.com (www.homegain.com) will give you a FREE instant home value estimate and recent home sales and has information about mortgages and other real estate matters as well!

LoHud Real Estate Transactions (www.lohud.com) is a database powered by the Journal News allows searches of all residential and commercial deed transfers in Westchester, Rockland and Putnam counties since 1993. More recent transactions are delayed anywhere from a few weeks to a few months. The information is updated frequently and comes from the New York Office of Real Property Services, which receives reports based on deed transfers filed with each county.