



Press Release

Standard & Poor's Announces Revisions to the S&P/Case-Shiller[®] Metro Area Home Price Composite Index

New York, May 18, 2006 – Standard & Poor's today announced that it released updates to the 18 years of historical pricing data for the S&P/Case-Shiller[®] Metro Area Home Price Composite Index. The updates are due to increased precision in the measurement of housing stock and normalized weights in the calculation of the composite index. The updates are small in magnitude, with about 10% of the historic data points changing by +/- 0.01 index points.

The S&P/Case-Shiller[®] indices, which are generated in partnership with MacroMarkets LLC and Fiserv, measure residential housing prices in ten individual metropolitan areas within the United States in addition to the composite index.

Eighteen years of history for these data, including the updated data, is available and can be accessed in full by going to www.standardandpoors.com/indices.

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