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While today's news is dominated by stories of looming bank failures, soaring unemployment, and the possible bankruptcy of the big three automakers, the root cause of today's financial crisis remains the collapse of the housing market.

No matter how many billions of dollars in bailouts and stimulus are offered up, the rebound of our economy will not begin until home prices have stabilized.

The January 2009 issue of the Merrimack Valley Housing Report will contain an end-of-the-year analysis of housing trends in the region and will offer some predictions for the coming year.

Deeds, Mortgages, and Foreclosure Recorded

November 2007 and November 2008 Compared

	Haverhill		Lawrence		Lowell		Methuen	
	Nov-07	Nov-08	Nov-07	Nov-08	Nov-07	Nov-08	Nov-07	Nov-08
Deeds	91	77	75	115	146	152	69	67
Mortgages	190	108	130	128	279	162	162	100
Foreclosure Deeds	22	14	32	32	27	29	3	12

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