Track Closing Costs

Be prepared and know who's responsible for the variety of fees and expenses at the closing table.

	BUYER COST	SELLER COST	OTHER
Down payment			
Loan origination			
Points paid to receive a lower interest rate			
Home inspection			
Appraisal			
Credit report			
Mortgage insurance premium			
Escrow for homeowner's insurance			
Property tax escrow (if paid as part of the mortgage*)			
Deed recording			
Title insurance policy premiums			
Land survey			
Notary fees			
Home Warranty			
Proration* for your share of costs (such as utility bills and property taxes)			

*Lenders keep funds for taxes and insurance in escrow accounts as they are paid with the mortgage, then pay the insurance or taxes for you.

**Because such costs are usually paid on either a monthly or a yearly basis, buyers may have to pay a bill for services that you actually used before moving, or vice versa. Proration is a way to even out bills you may have paid in advance, or that buyers may later pay for services you used.

