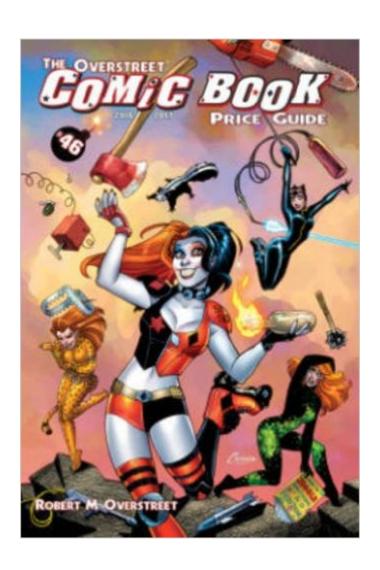
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# The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide Volume 46





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Each year when The Overstreet Comic Book Price Guide arrives with new prices, new feature articles, new additions to the Overstreet Hall of Fame, and more, it's an annual event, and this year will be no different. The book referred to as â & The Bible of collectors and dealersâ • returns with its 46th edition, including market reports from top retailers and experienced fans. Harley Quinn, Power Girl, Supergirl, and Before Watchmen: Silk Spectre artist Amanda Conner provides the cover. The comic book medium is making history, and history starts right here.

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