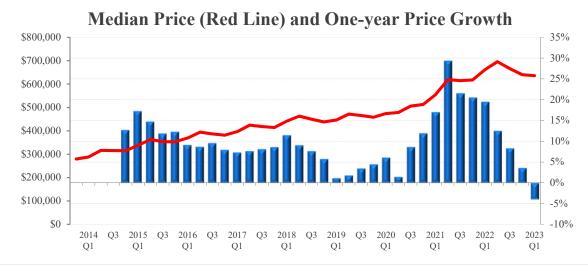


### **Denver-Aurora-Lakewood Area** Local Market Report, First Quarter 2023

### Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Denver	U.S.	Local Trend		
\$636,100	\$366,733	Year-over-year price growth swung		
-3.9%	0.3%	negative this quarter after growing last		
34.3%	34.6%	quarter		
\$162,300	\$94,267	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the		
\$267,100	\$151,000	trend of positive price growth after th recession		
\$347,700	\$175,733			
	Denver \$636,100 -3.9% 34.3% \$162,300 \$267,100	Denver U.S.   \$636,100 \$366,733   -3.9% 0.3%   34.3% 34.6%   \$162,300 \$94,267   \$267,100 \$151,000		

\*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

	Denver	U.S.	
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$787,750	\$1,089,300	Not all buyers have access to government-
FHA Loan Limit	\$787,750	\$1,089,300	backed financing in this market
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	81%	not comparable	backed infancing in this market
Note: limits are surrout and include the changes made on January 1st 2022			

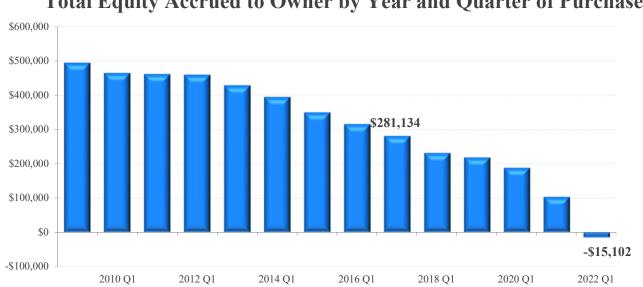
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#### Local NAR Leadership

The Denver-Aurora-Lakewood market is part of region 11 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 11 is Kevin Sigstad.



# **Benefits of Ownership: Total Equity Appreciation**

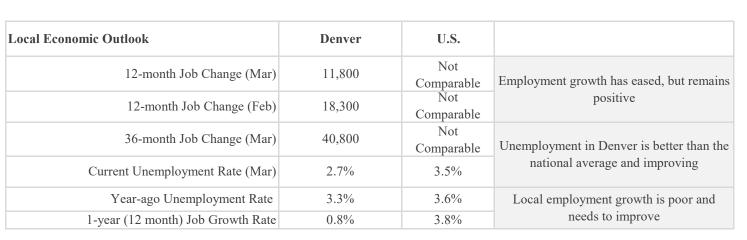


**Total Equity Accrued to Owner by Year and Quarter of Purchase** 

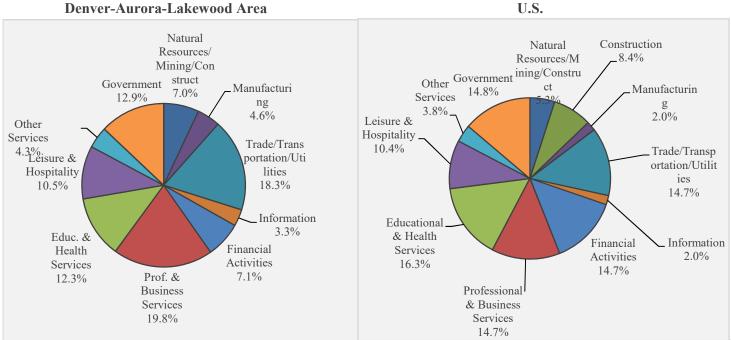
Total Equity Gained** through 2023 Q1 from quarter in which home was of purchased				
Price Activity	Denver	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$15,102	\$7,042		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$187,906	\$108,992	Price trends in the last three years have undercut the steady post-recession home equity growth despite owners paying dow principle	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$231,491	\$143,305		
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$315,553	\$179,328		
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$394,510	\$206,734		

\*Note: Equity gain reflects price and principle payments since purchase, prevailing 30-year fixed rate mortgage at time of purchase and a 10% downpayment. Downpayment is not included in total equity

## **Drivers of Local Supply and Demand...**



#### Share of Total Employment by Industry



12-month Employment Change by Industry (Mar - 2023)				
Goods Producing	NA	Information	-1,800	
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	1,500	Financial Activities -6,000		
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	9,900	
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	-200	
Manufacturing	1,100	Leisure & Hospitality	8,900	
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	3,100	
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	-800	Government	2,600	

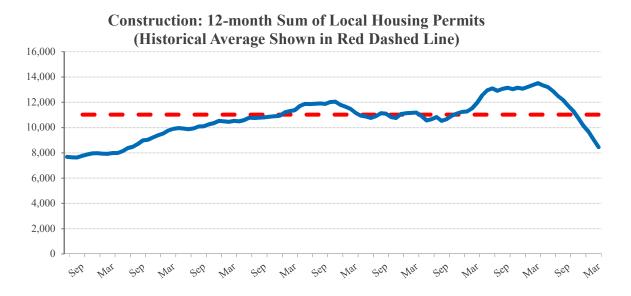
State Economic Activity Index	Colorado	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Mar)	3.2%	3.8%	Colorado's economy is growing, but decelerated from last month's 3.56% change
36-month change (2023 - Mar)	8.6%	6.7%	and lags the rest of the nation

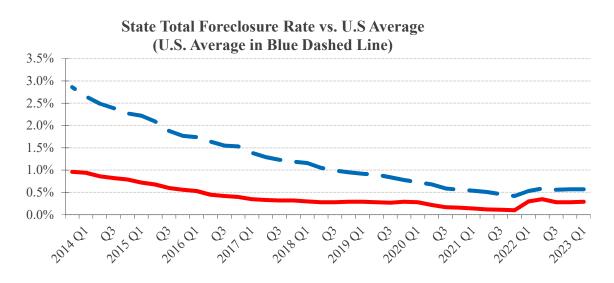
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New Housing Construction			
Local Fundamentals	Denver	U.S.	
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Mar	8,458	not comparable	The current level of construction is 23.3% below the long-term average
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	11,023	not comparable	Reduced construction will limit new supply to the market, allowing demand to catch up with inventory more quickly
Single-Family Housing Permits (Mar) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-37.4%	-21.2%	Construction continues to decline from last year

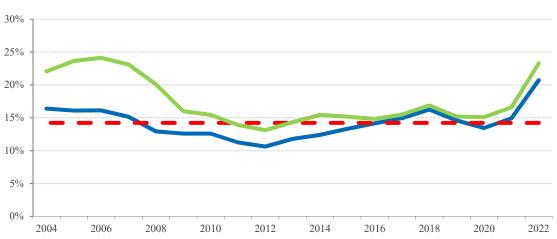




Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association



### Affordability



Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)

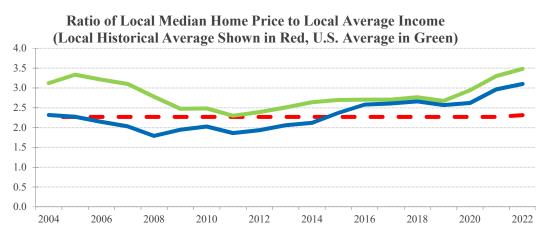
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Denver	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	20.7%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weigh
Ratio for 2023 Q1	21.8%	23.3%	on demand
Historical Average	14.2%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets





Median Home Price to Income	Denver	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	3.1	3.5	The price-to-income ratio eased, but could
Ratio for 2023 Q1	2.9	3.1	be better
Historical Average	2.3	2.8	Affordable compared to most markets





### The Mortgage Market



After surpassing twice the 7 percent threshold at the end of 2022, mortgage rates fell in the beginning of 2023. According to the mortgage finance provider Freddie Mac, the 30-year fixed mortgage rate dropped to 6.36% in the first quarter of 2023 from 6.69% the previous quarter. Nevertheless, rates continue to be 1.7 times higher than the previous year (3.79%). Although rates will continue to fluctuate in the following months, with inflation easing further and the Federal Reserve expected to pause its rate hikes soon, mortgage rates will stabilize near 6% in the second half of the year. NAR forecasts the 30-year fixed mortgage rate to average 6.3% and 6.1% at the second and third quarter of the year, respectively.



### Geographic Coverage for this Report

The Denver area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood metro area as officially defined by the Office of Management and Budget of the U.S. Government. The official coverage area includes the following counties:

#### Adams County, Arapahoe County, Broomfield County, Clear Creek County, Denver County, Douglas County, Elbert County, Gilpin County, Jefferson County, and Park County

More information on the OMB's geographic definitions can be found at https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/omb/bulletins\_default/