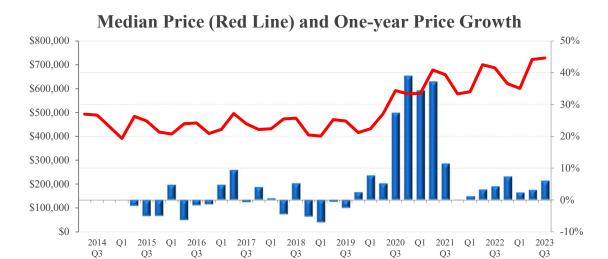


Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk Area

Local Market Report, Third Quarter 2023

Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Stamford	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q3)	\$687,000	\$400,867		
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	6.0%	2.4%	Prices continue to grow relative to last year	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	23.2%	29.7%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$137,100	\$91,700	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$272,400	\$161,400	trend of positive price growth after the	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$233,300	\$184,500	recession	
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only				

	Stamford	U.S.	
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$707,250	\$1,089,300	Not all hygram have access to corremnent
FHA Loan Limit	\$707,250	\$1,089,300	Not all buyers have access to governme backed financing in this market
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	97%	not comparable	backed imancing in this market
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.			

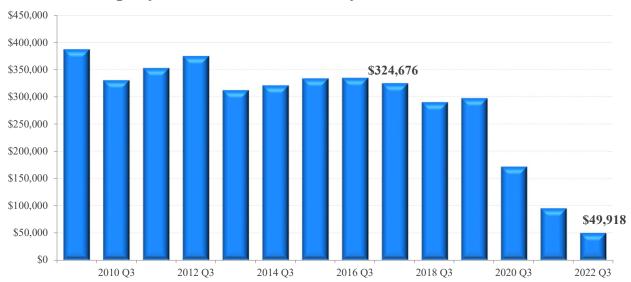
Local NAR Leadership

The Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk market is part of region 1 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 1 is Stephen Medeiros.



Benefits of Ownership: Total Equity Appreciation

Total Equity Accrued to Owner by Year and Quarter of Purchase



Total Equity Gained** through 2023 Q3 from quarter in which home was of purchased				
Price Activity	Stamford	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$49,918	\$14,262		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$171,944	\$109,915	Price appreciation and principle payment in the last 3 years have boosted total equiparts growth since the recession	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$290,056	\$158,012		
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$334,704	\$194,111		
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$321,038	\$220,615		

^{*}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...

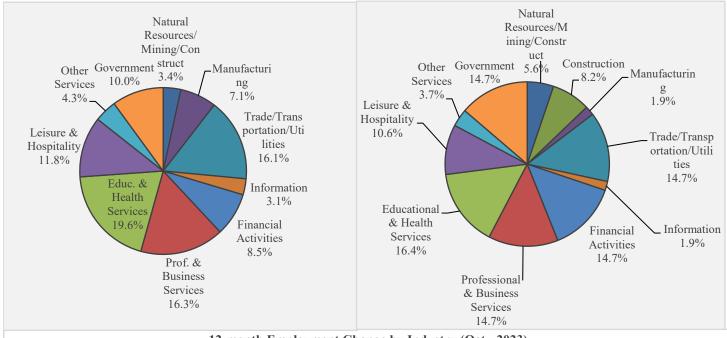


Local Economic Outlook	Stamford	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Oct)	3,800	Comparable	Employment growth has eased, but remains
12-month Job Change (Sep)	4,200	Comparable	positive
36-month Job Change (Oct)	30,300	Comparable	Unemployment in Stamford is better than
Current Unemployment Rate (Oct)	3.7%	3.9%	the national average and improving
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.9%	3.7%	Local employment growth is poor and
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	0.9%	2.6%	needs to improve

Share of Total Employment by Industry

Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk Area

U.S.

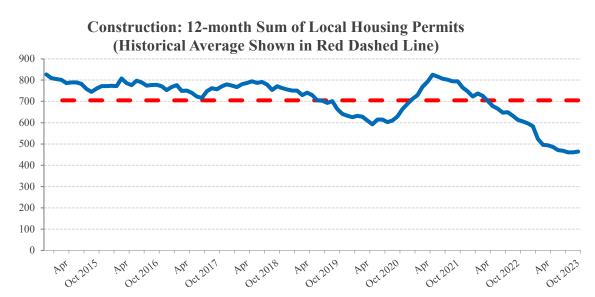


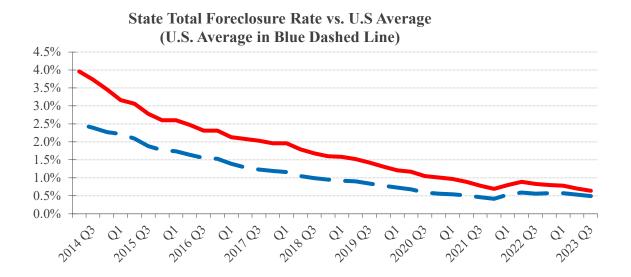
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Oct - 2023)				
Goods Producing	NA	Information	0	
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	-200	Financial Activities	-1,200	
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	-1,100	
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	3,700	
Manufacturing	-400	Leisure & Hospitality	800	
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	700	
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	200	Government	1,700	

State Economic Activity Index	Connecticut	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Oct)	3.3%	3.0%	The economy of Connecticut has outpaced the rest of the nation and improved modestly from last month's 2.99% change
36-month change (2023 - Oct)	16.0%	14.2%	



New Housing Construction				
Local Fundamentals	Stamford	U.S.		
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Oct 2023	464	not comparable	The current level of construction is 34.2% below the long-term average	
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	706	not comparable	Reduced construction will limit new supply to the market, allowing demand to catch up with inventory more quickly	
Single-Family Housing Permits (Oct 2023) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-24.3%	-14.1%	Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.	





Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

Affordability

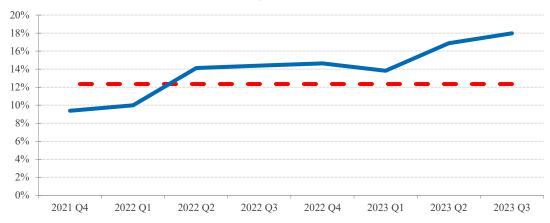


Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



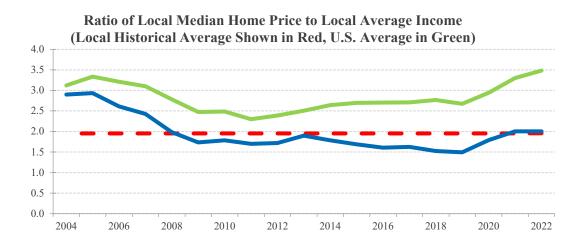
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Stamford	U.S.		
Ratio for 2022	13.4%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weigh on demand	
Ratio for 2023 Q3	18.0%	27.3%		
Historical Average	12.4%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets	

Recent Trend - Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Historical Average Shown in Red Dashed Line)

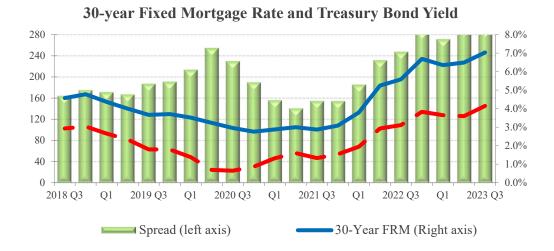


Median Home Price to Income	Stamford	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	2.0	3.5	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2023 Q3	2.2	3.4	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	2.0	2.8	Affordable compared to most markets





The Mortgage Market



For the most part of the third quarter, mortgage rates hovered above 7 percent, pushing down affordability to record lows. According to the mortgage finance provider Freddie Mac, the 30-year fixed mortgage rate rose to 7.04 percent in the third quarter of 2023 from 5.58 percent the previous year. With this increase, Americans are cost burdened, spending \$1,800 above their budget every year. Nevertheless, the outlook appears more optimistic. If inflation continues to cool, the Federal Reserve will start reducing its interest rates as early as the beginning of next year.

NAR forecasts the 30-year fixed mortgage rate to conclude the year at 7.8 percent but then drop to 7.5 percent in the first quarter of next year.



Geographic Coverage for this Report

The Stamford area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk 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:

Fairfield County

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