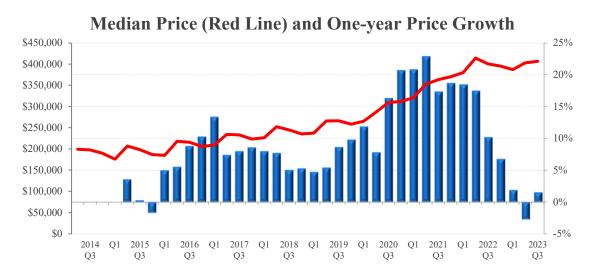


Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia Area

Local Market Report, Third Quarter 2023

Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Charlotte	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q3)	\$400,600	\$400,867		
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	1.6%	2.4%	Prices continue to grow relative to last year	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	31.4%	29.7%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$97,200	\$91,700	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$191,000	\$161,400	trend of positive price growth after the	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$205,300	\$184,500	recession	
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only				

	Charlotte	U.S.	
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most have and in this montret have access to
FHA Loan Limit	\$472,030	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access government-backed financing
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	55%	not comparable	government-backed imancing
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.			

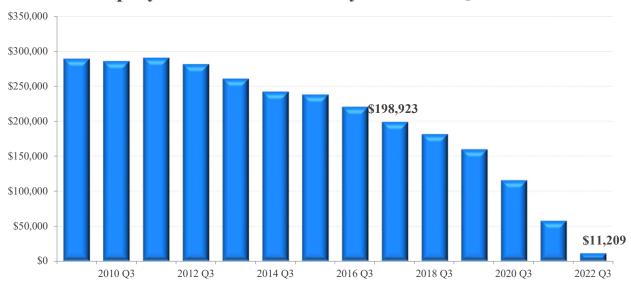
Local NAR Leadership

The Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia market is part of region 4 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, and Tennessee. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 4 is David Kent.



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	Charlotte	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$11,209	\$14,262		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$115,447	\$109,915	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity growth since the recession	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$181,467	\$158,012		
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$220,492	\$194,111		
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$242,116	\$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...



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Information

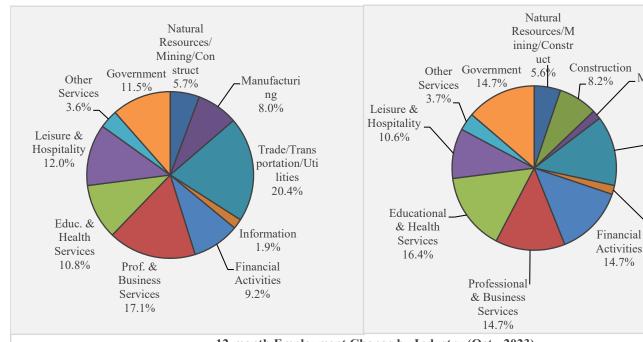
1.9%

Local Economic Outlook	Charlotte	U.S.		
12-month Job Change (Oct)	32,300	Comparable	Employment growth has eased, but remains	
12-month Job Change (Sep)	45,200	Comparable	positive	
36-month Job Change (Oct)	131,700	Comparable	Unemployment in Charlotte is better than	
Current Unemployment Rate (Oct)	3.2%	3.9%	the national average and improving	
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.5%	3.7%	Local employment growth is poor and	
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	2.4%	2.6%	needs to improve	

Share of Total Employment by Industry

Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia Area

U.S.



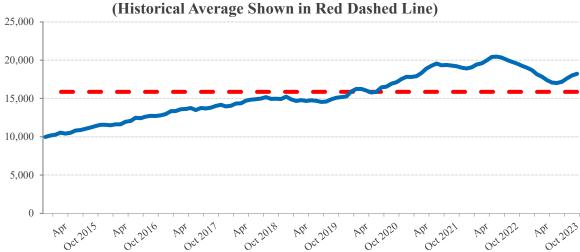
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Oct - 2023)				
Goods Producing	NA	Information	500	
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	1,400	Financial Activities	3,600	
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	4,000	
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	8,800	
Manufacturing	-2,300	Leisure & Hospitality	18,300	
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	600	
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	5,700	Government	4,600	

State Economic Activity Index	North Carolina	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Oct)	3.2%	3.0%	North Carolina's economy is stronger that the nation's, but slowed from last month
36-month change (2023 - Oct)	13.3%	14.2%	3.53% change

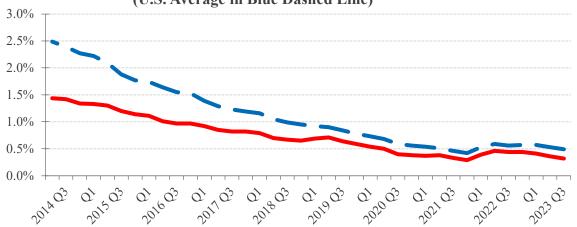


New Housing Construction				
Local Fundamentals	Charlotte	U.S.		
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Oct 2023	18,229	not comparable	The current level of construction is 14.9% above the long-term average	
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	15,867	not comparable	Production above trend for an extended period of time could cause prices to moderate as inventory is built up.	
Single-Family Housing Permits (Oct 2023) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-6.8%	-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)



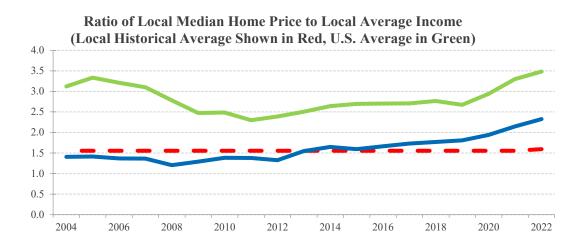
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Charlotte	U.S.		
Ratio for 2022	15.6%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weight on demand	
Ratio for 2023 Q3	18.7%	27.3%		
Historical Average	9.8%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets	

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

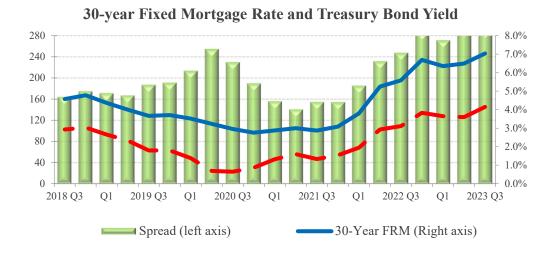


Median Home Price to Income	Charlotte	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	2.3	3.5	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2023 Q3	2.3	3.4	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	1.6	2.8	Affordable compared to most markets





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 Charlotte area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia 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:

Cabarrus County, NC; Gaston County, NC; Iredell County, NC; Lincoln County, NC; Mecklenburg County, NC; Rowan County, NC; Union County, NC; Chester County, SC; Lancaster County, SC; York County, SC

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