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2022 Q1 2023

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## **Erie Area**Local Market Report, Third Quarter 2023

### Today's Market...

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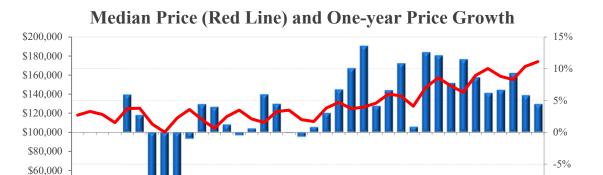
2014 Q1

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2016 Q1 2017 Q1 2018 Q1

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Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Erie	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q3)	\$166,800	\$400,867	D: 1.4.	
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	4.4%	2.4%	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	24.3%	29.7%	growth is slowing	
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$34,000	\$91,700	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the trend of positive price growth after the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$50,300	\$161,400		
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$47,100	\$184,500	recession	
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only				

2019

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2020 Q1 2021

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	Erie	U.S.	
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access to
FHA Loan Limit	\$472,030	\$1,089,300	
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	23%	not comparable	government-backed financing
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.			

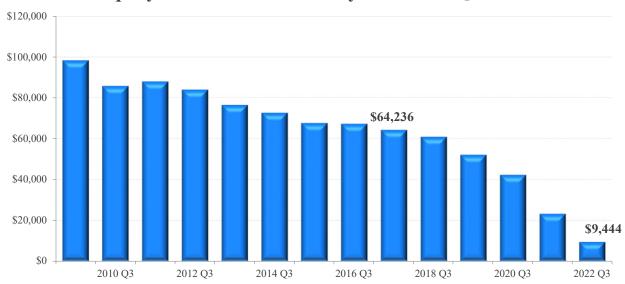
#### **Local NAR Leadership**

The Erie market is part of region 2 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 2 is Jennifer Stevenson.



# **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	Erie	U.S.	<b>Local Trend</b>	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$9,444	\$14,262		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$42,260	\$109,915		
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$60,839	\$158,012	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$67,225	\$194,111	growth since the recession	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$72,647	\$220,615		

<sup>\*</sup>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

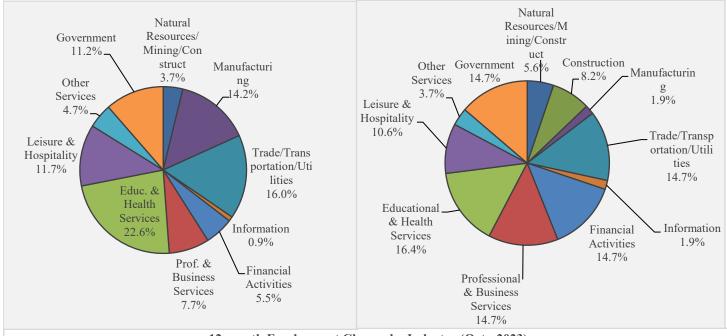
## **Drivers of Local Supply and Demand...**



Local Economic Outlook	Erie	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Oct)	1,000	Comparable	Employment growth has eased, but remains
12-month Job Change (Sep)	2,500	Comparable	positive
36-month Job Change (Oct)	5,400	Comparable	Unemployment in Erie is better than the
Current Unemployment Rate (Oct)	3.3%	3.9%	national average and improving
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	4.3%	3.7%	Local employment growth is poor and
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	0.8%	2.6%	needs to improve

#### **Share of Total Employment by Industry**

Erie Area U.S.

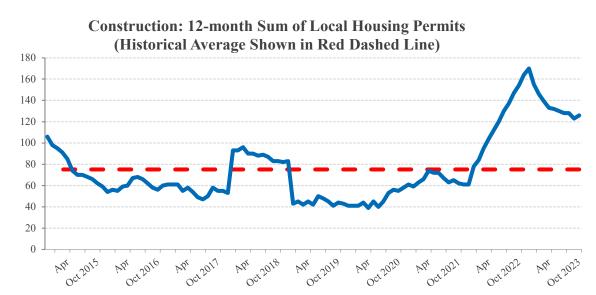


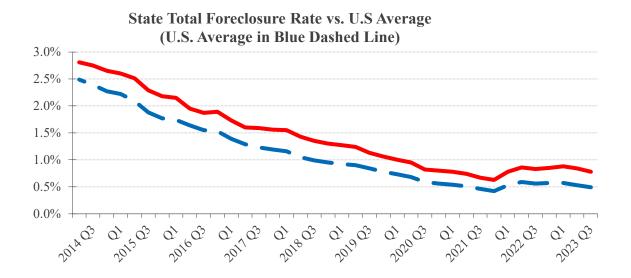
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Oct - 2023)				
Goods Producing	NA	Information	0	
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	0	Financial Activities	0	
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	0	
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	900	
Manufacturing	300	Leisure & Hospitality	200	
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	300	
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	400	Government	400	

State Economic Activity Index	Pennsylvania	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Oct)	4.4%	3.0%	The economy of Pennsylvania has outpace the rest of the nation and improved modestly from last month's 4.12% change
36-month change (2023 - Oct)	20.9%	14.2%	



<b>New Housing Construction</b>				
Local Fundamentals	Erie	U.S.		
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Oct 2023	126	not comparable	The current level of construction is 67.6% above the long-term average	
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	75	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	-18.2%	-14.1%	Construction continues to decline from last year	





Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

## **Affordability**

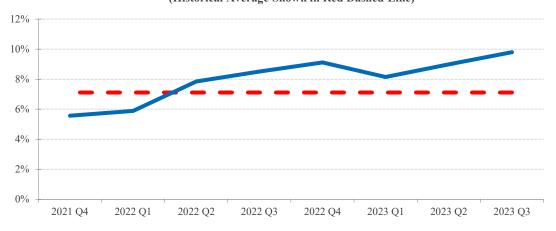


## Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



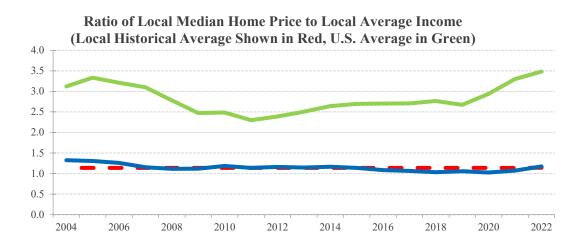
<b>Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income</b>	Erie	U.S.		
Ratio for 2022	7.9%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weight on demand	
Ratio for 2023 Q3	9.8%	27.3%		
Historical Average	7.1%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets	

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

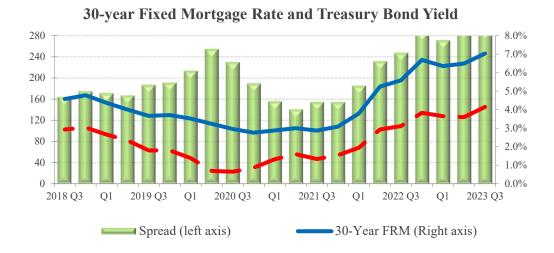


Median Home Price to Income	Erie	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	1.2	3.5	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2023 Q3	1.2	3.4	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	1.1	2.8	Affordable compared to most markets





#### 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 Erie area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Erie 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:

**Erie County** 

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