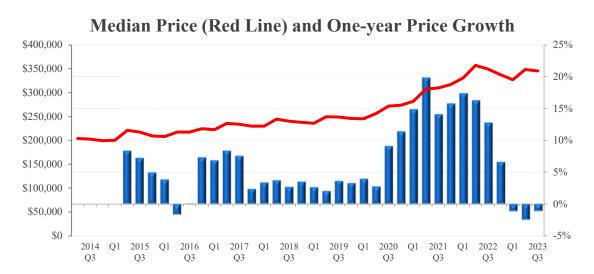


Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land Area

Local Market Report, Third Quarter 2023

Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Houston	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q3)	\$349,500	\$400,867	D: 4'II 1 C 1-4	
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	-1.1%	2.4%	Prices are still down from a year ago, but the trend is improving	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q3)	27.2%	29.7%	the trend is improving	
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$74,000	\$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*	\$128,200	\$161,400		
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$145,800	\$184,500	recession	
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only				

	Houston	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	government-backed financing
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	48%	not comparable	government-backed imancing
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.			

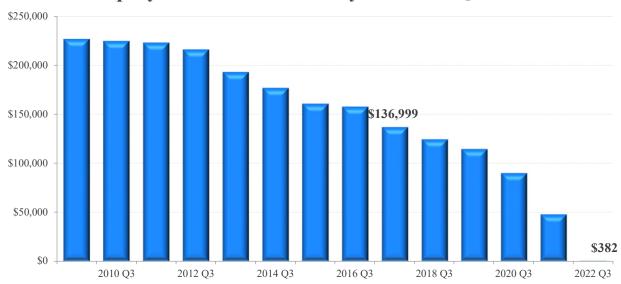
Local NAR Leadership

The Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land market is part of region 10 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Louisiana and Texas. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 10 is Marvin Jolly.



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	Houston	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$382	\$14,262		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$90,002	\$109,915	Price trends in the last three years have undercut the steady post-recession home equity growth despite owners paying down principle	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$124,584	\$158,012		
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$157,897	\$194,111		
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$176,900	\$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...

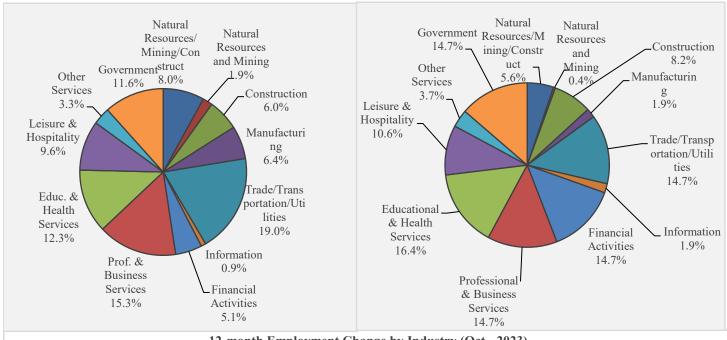


Local Economic Outlook	Houston	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Oct)	76,600	Comparable	Employment growth has eased, but remains
12-month Job Change (Sep)	97,000	Comparable	positive
36-month Job Change (Oct)	400,600	Comparable	Houston's unemployment situation is worse
Current Unemployment Rate (Oct)	4.1%	3.9%	than the national average and weighs on confidence
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.9%	3.7%	Local employment growth is poor and
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	2.3%	2.6%	needs to improve

Share of Total Employment by Industry

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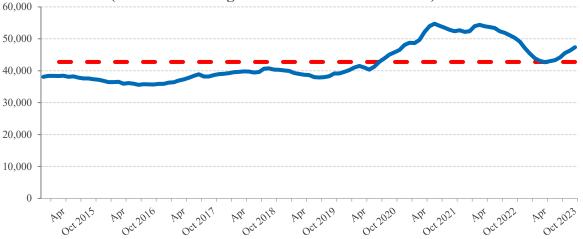
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Oct - 2023)				
Goods Producing	NA	Information	300	
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	-5,500	Financial Activities	6,600	
Natural Resources and Mining	3,200	Prof. & Business Services	16,300	
Construction	-8,700	Educ. & Health Services	22,500	
Manufacturing	8,100	Leisure & Hospitality	9,400	
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	-700	
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	26,600	Government	13,400	

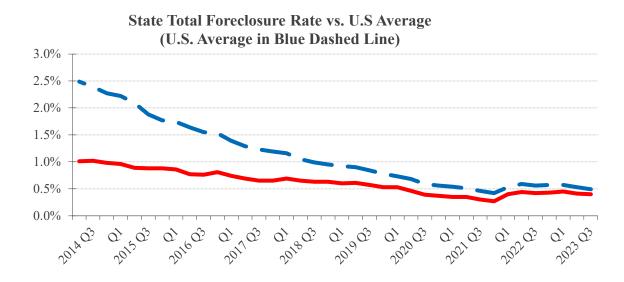
State Economic Activity Index	Texas	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Oct)	3.6%	3.0%	Texas's economy is stronger than the nation's, but slowed from last month's
36-month change (2023 - Oct)	16.8%	14.2%	3.62% change



New Housing Construction				
Local Fundamentals	Houston	U.S.		
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Oct 2023	47,342	not comparable	The current level of construction is 10.7% above the long-term average	
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	42,762	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	-5.8%	-14.1%	Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.	







Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

Affordability

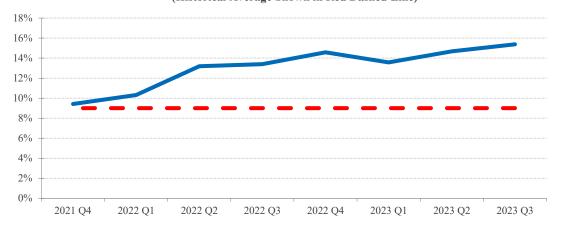


Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



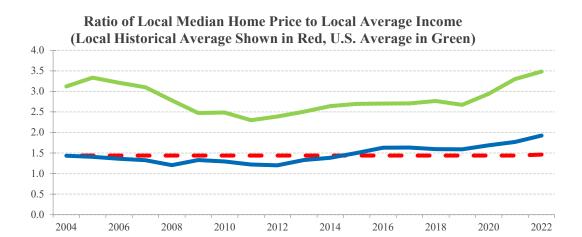
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Houston	U.S.		
Ratio for 2022	12.9%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weight on demand	
Ratio for 2023 Q3	15.4%	27.3%		
Historical Average	9.0%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets	

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

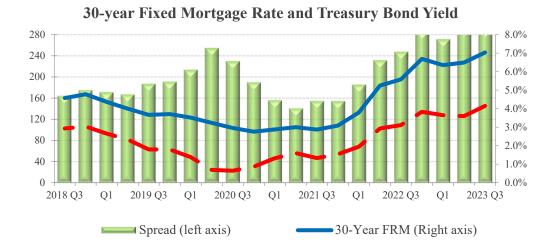


Median Home Price to Income	Houston	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	1.9	3.5	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2023 Q3	1.9	3.4	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	1.5	2.8	Affordable compared to most markets





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 Houston area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land 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:

Austin County, Brazoria County, Chambers County, Fort Bend County, Galveston County, Harris County, Liberty County, Montgomery County, and Waller County

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