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## ECONOMIC & REAL ESTATE OUTLOOK

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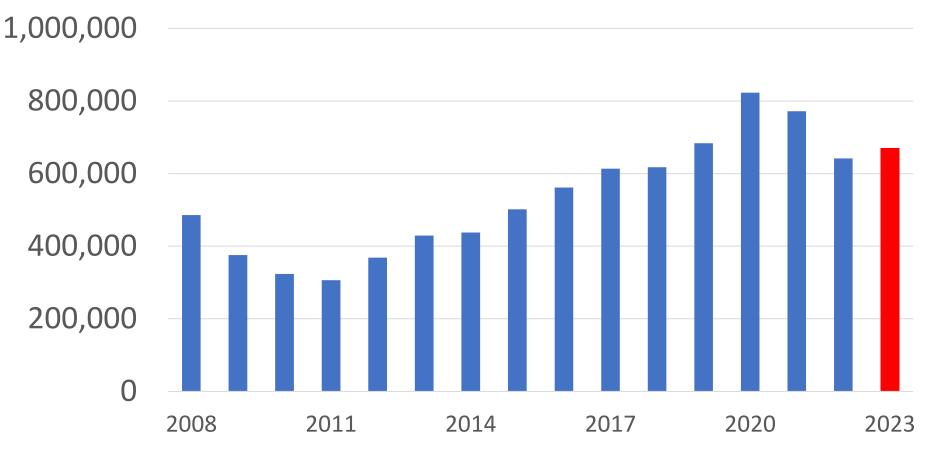
### Annual Existing-Home Sales: Likely 18% Decline, On track for the worst year since 2008 or since 1995



Source: NAR



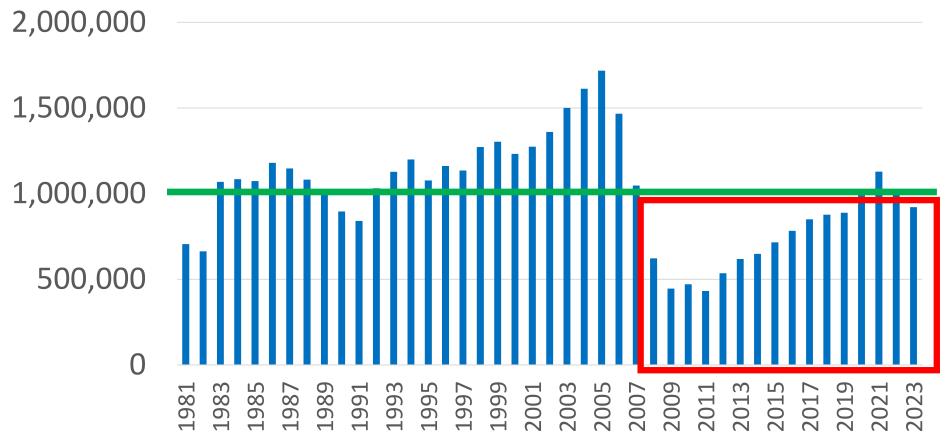
#### New Home Sales Up 4.5% year-to-date to October On track for the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4th best year since 2008 foreclosure year



Source: NAR forecast and HUD



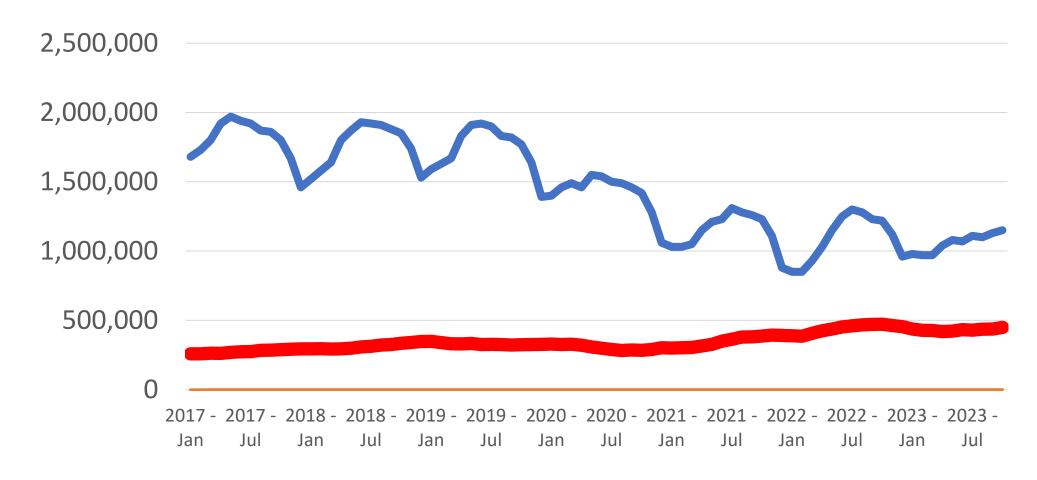
### Single-family Housing Starts Trying to return to normal after a decade of underproduction



Source: NAR forecast and HUD



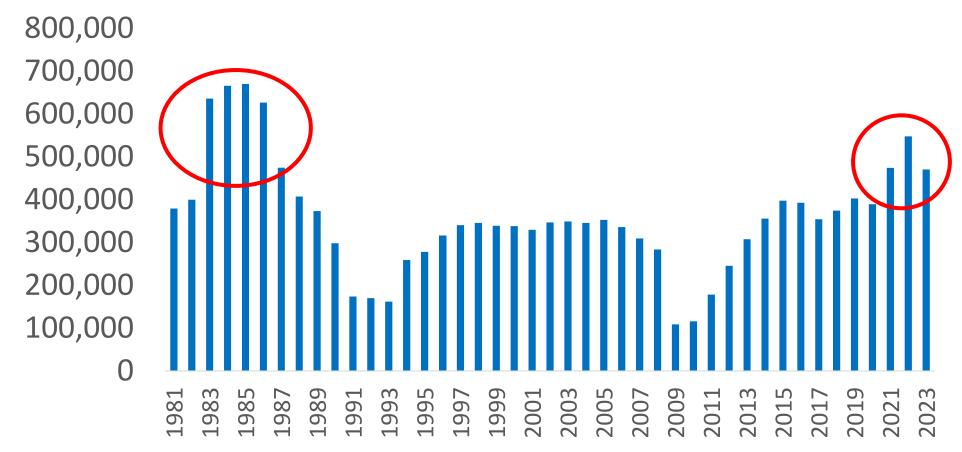
#### **Existing-Home Inventory and New Home Inventory**



Source: NAR and HUD



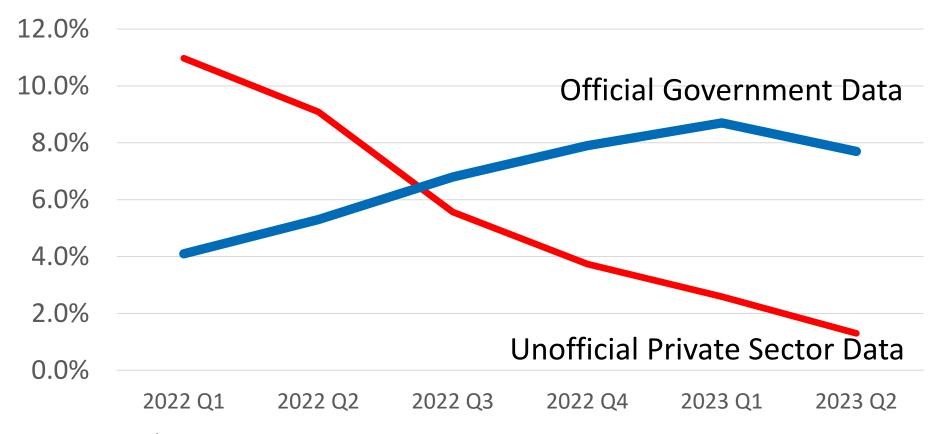
### Multifamily Housing Starts 3 years of cyclical highs



Source: NAR forecast and HUD



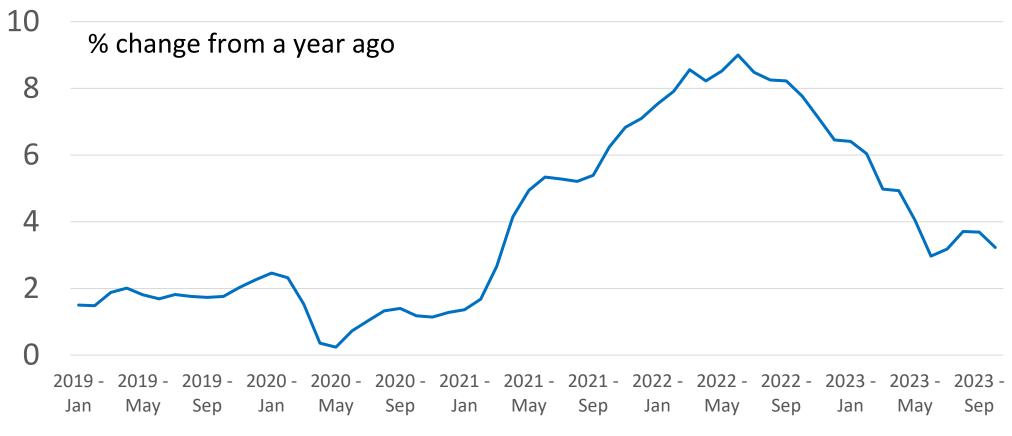
#### **Rent Growth Softening?**



Source: BLS and CoStar



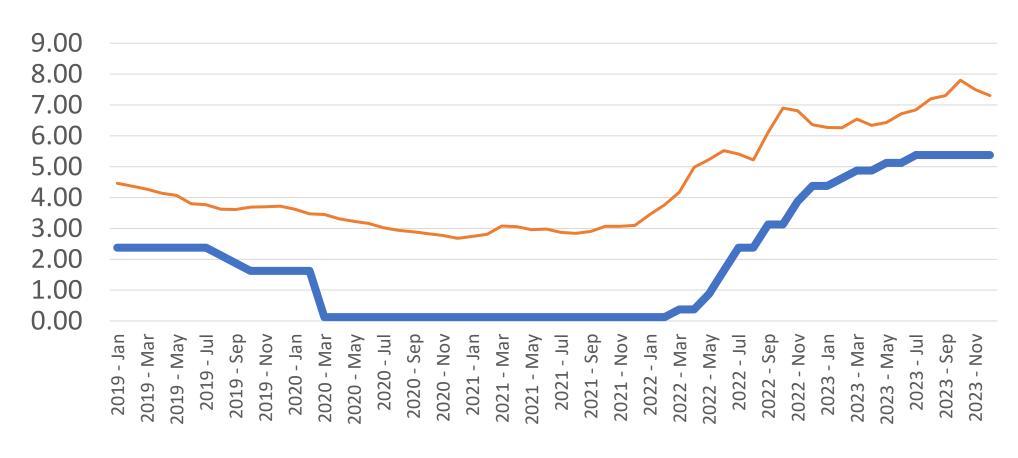
#### Official Consumer Price Inflation at 3.2% in October Unofficial Consumer Price Inflation at less than 2% - time to cut rates



Source: BLS



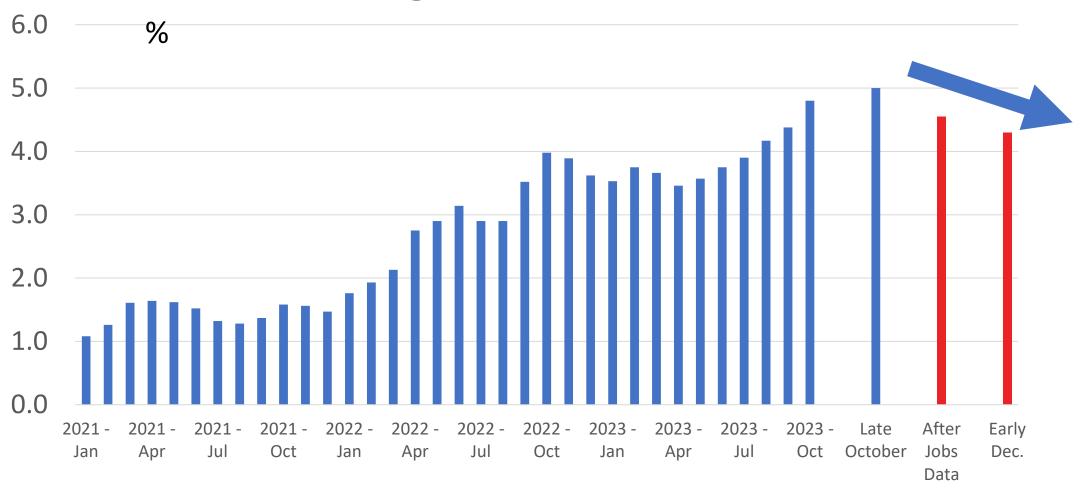
#### **30-year Mortgage and Fed Funds Rate:**Likely Peaked



Source: U.S. Treasury and Federal Reserve



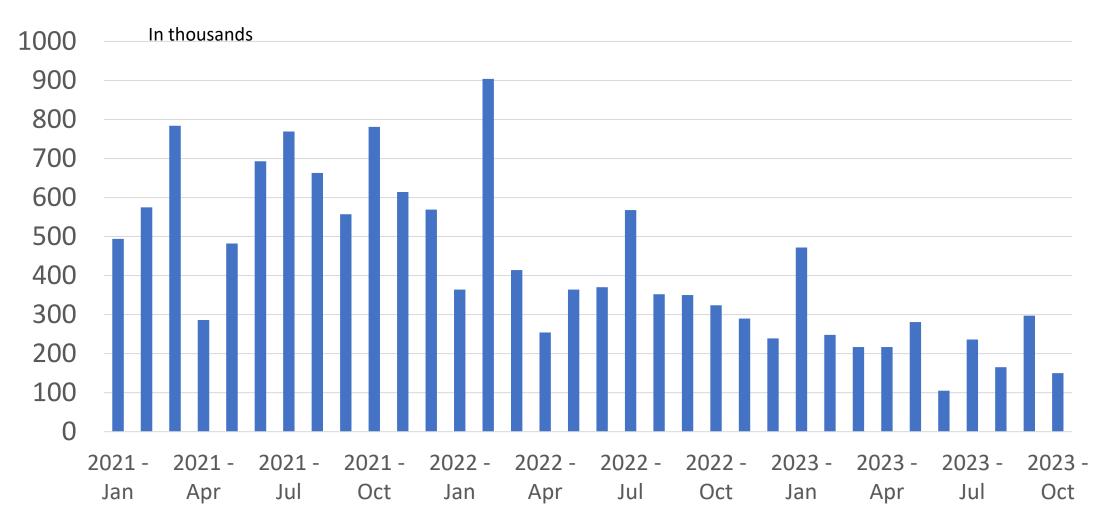
### 10-year Treasury Yield Drops Telling the Fed to Pivot



Source: U.S. Treasury



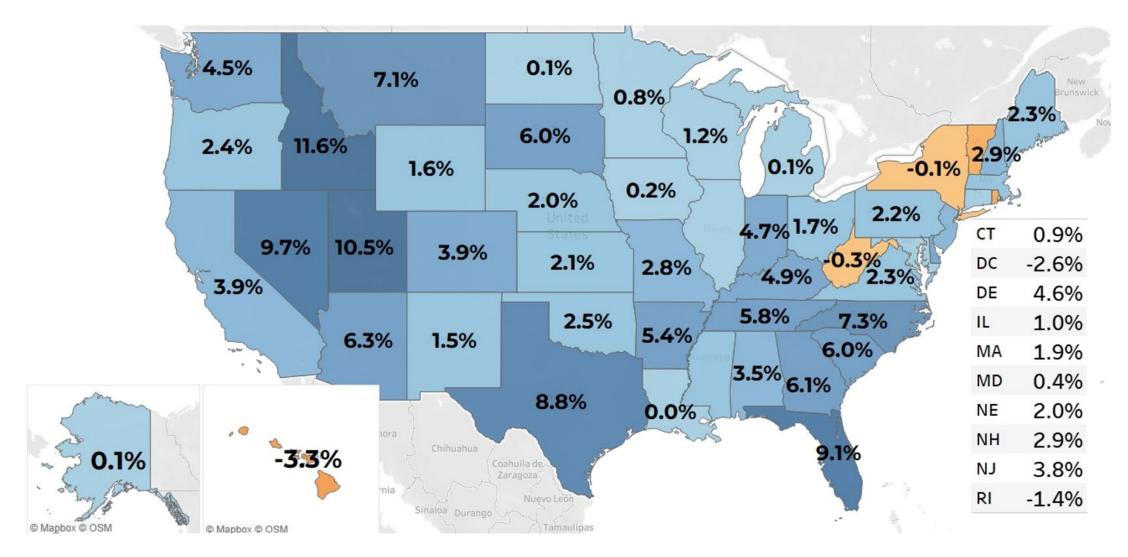
#### **Monthly Job Gains Softening**



Source: BLS



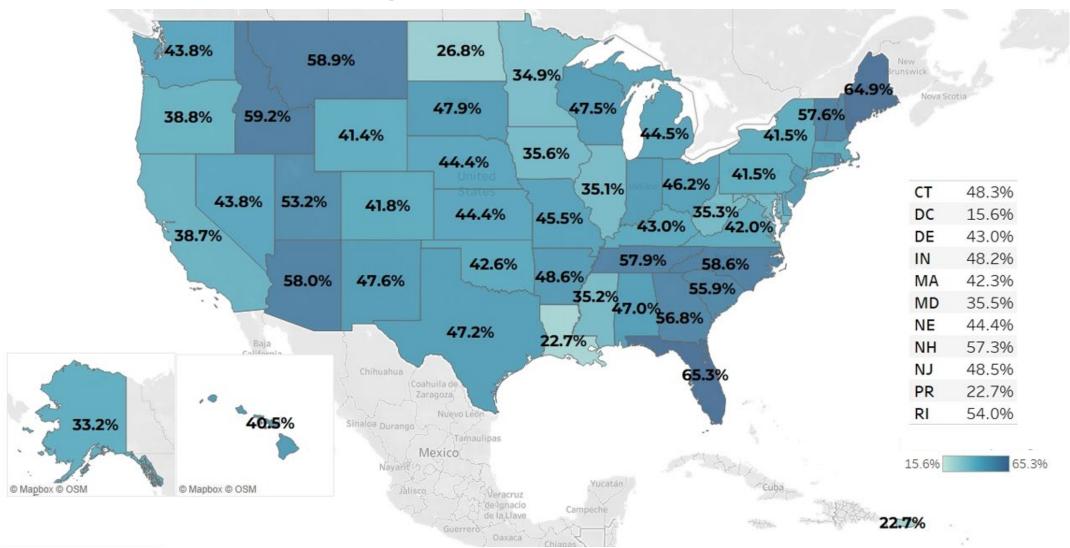
#### Job Gains Since Pre-COVID Record High Payroll Employment (% change from March 2020 to October 2023)



Source: NAR Analysis of BLS data



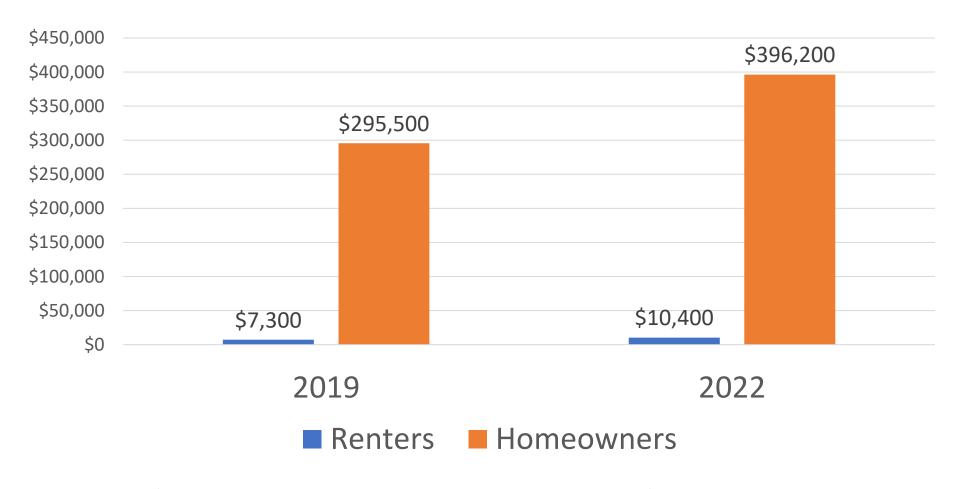
#### Home Price Appreciation Since COVID Arrival (% change from 2020 Q1 to 2023 Q3)







#### Wealth Comparison Between Owners and Renters



Source: Median Net Worth from Federal Reserve Survey of Consumer Finance



### Forecast: 30-year Fixed Rate to average 6.3% in 2024

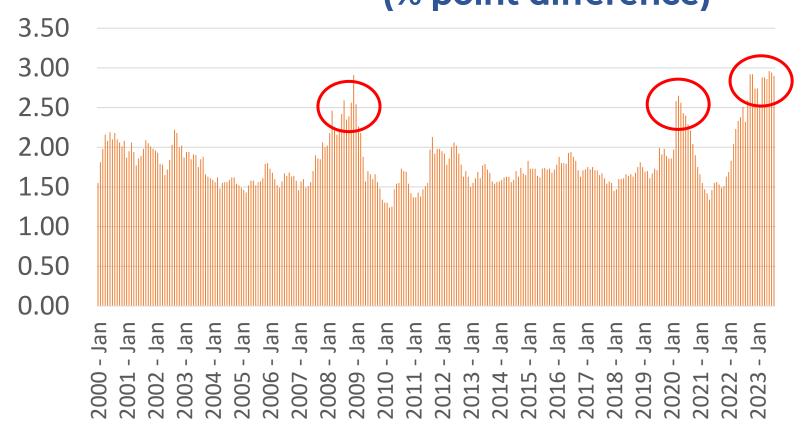
Rents will calm down further, which holds down
 CPI and will make the Fed cut rates 4 times

2. Community banks are suffering from high interest rates ... Special credit line ending in March 2024

3. Spread with government bond will return to normal



## The Spread between the 10-year Treasury and 30-year Mortgages (% point difference)



**Mortgage Rate** 

(before the Fed Rate Cuts)

could be

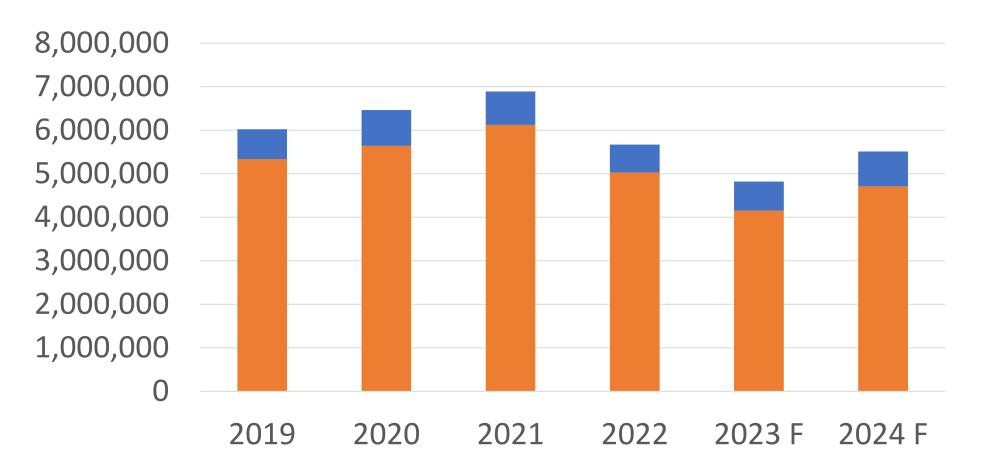
6.1% to 6.6%

Source: NAR Analysis of Interest Rates



## Total Home Sales: Bottoming This Year Before Upturn Next Year

New Sales up 19% and Existing-Home Sales up 13%



Source: NAR forecast and HUD



### Lower Rates: More Buyers and Potential for More Sellers



Source: NAR



#### **Top Pent-Up Demand Markets**

Metros in Midwest/South	Metros in East
Austin-Round Rock-Georgetown	Durham-Chapel Hill
Dallas-Ft. Worth-Arlington	Harrisburg-Carlisle
Houston-Woodlands-Sugar Land	Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington
Nashville	Portland, ME
Dayton-Kettering	Washington-Arlington-Alexandria

Source: NAR



#### Risks to First-time Buyers





#### First-time Homebuyer Down Payment

Down Payment	% of Home Price
0%	16% of buyers
1% to 5%	22% of buyers
6% to 10%	16% of buyers
11% to 20%	20% of buyers
More than 20%	26% of buyers

Source: NAR



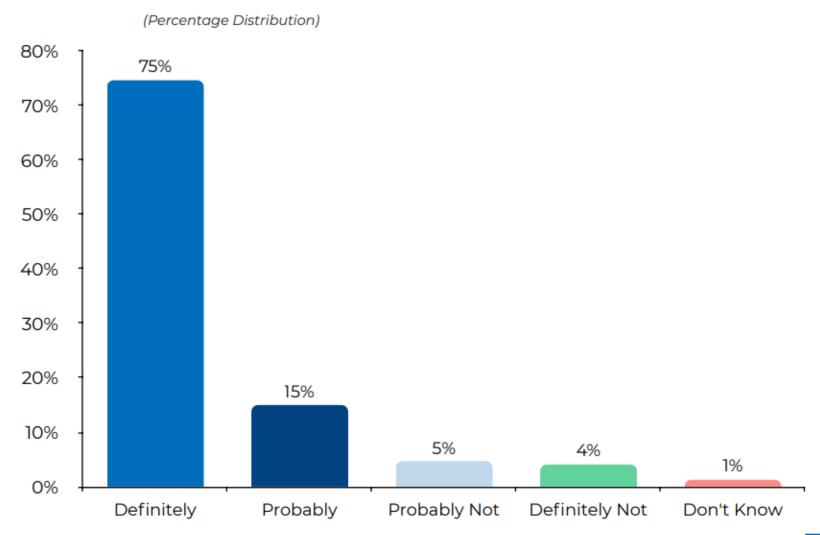
#### First-time Homebuyer Challenges

Hardest Part of Buying (more than one answer permitted)	% of First-time buyers
Finding the Right Property	61% of buyers
Saving for Down Payment	38% of buyers
Understanding the Process	38% of buyers
Paperwork	23% of buyers
Getting a Mortgage and Appraisal	17% of buyers

Source: NAR



### Would Homebuyer Use the Same Agent Again or Recommend to Others?





### First-time Home Buyers and Home Sellers

First-time Buyers	% breakout
White	69%
Hispanic	7%
Black	7%
Asian	6%
Mixed/Other	6%

Home Sellers	% breakout
White	89%
Hispanic	5%
Black	4%
Asian	3%
Mixed/Other	2%

Source: NAR Survey of Home Buyers and Home Sellers



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