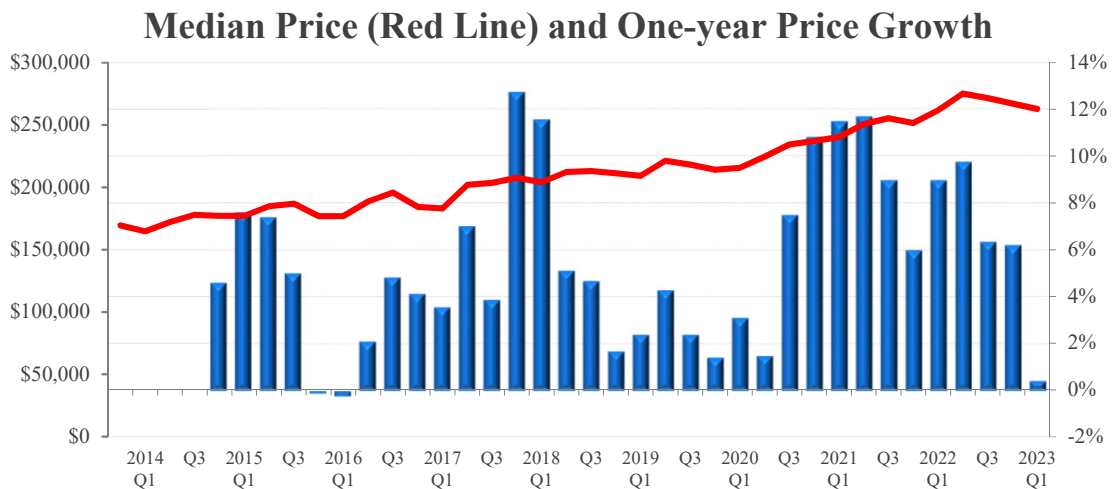


Baton Rouge Area

Local Market Report, First Quarter 2023

Today's Market...



Local Price Trends			
Price Activity	Baton Rouge	U.S.	Local Trend
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q1)	\$262,900	\$366,733	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q1)	0.4%	0.3%	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q1)	21.9%	34.6%	
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$47,300	\$94,267	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the trend of positive price growth after the recession
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$86,100	\$151,000	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$98,200	\$175,733	

*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

	Baton Rouge	U.S.	
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access to government-backed financing
FHA Loan Limit	\$472,030	\$1,089,300	
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	36%	not comparable	

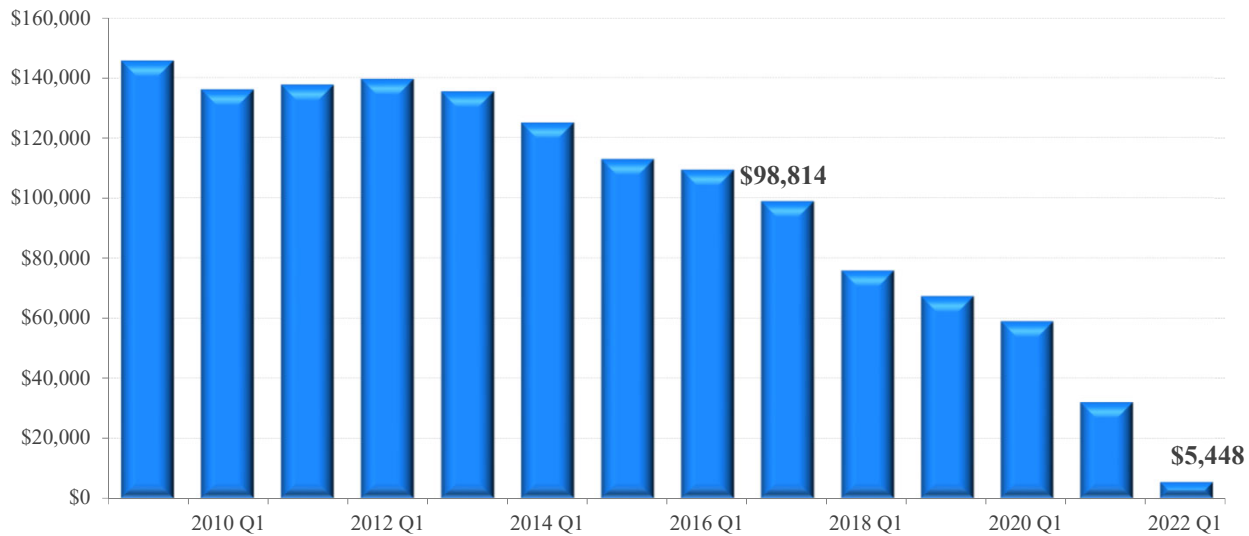
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.

Local NAR Leadership

The Baton Rouge 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 Cindi Bulla.

Benefits of Ownership: Total Equity Appreciation

Total Equity Accrued to Owner by Year and Quarter of Purchase



Total Equity Gained through 2023 Q1 from quarter in which home was of purchased**

Price Activity	BatonRouge	U.S.	Local Trend
1-year (4-quarter)	\$5,448	\$7,042	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity growth since the recession
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$58,952	\$108,992	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$75,763	\$143,305	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$109,315	\$179,328	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$124,932	\$206,734	

*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...

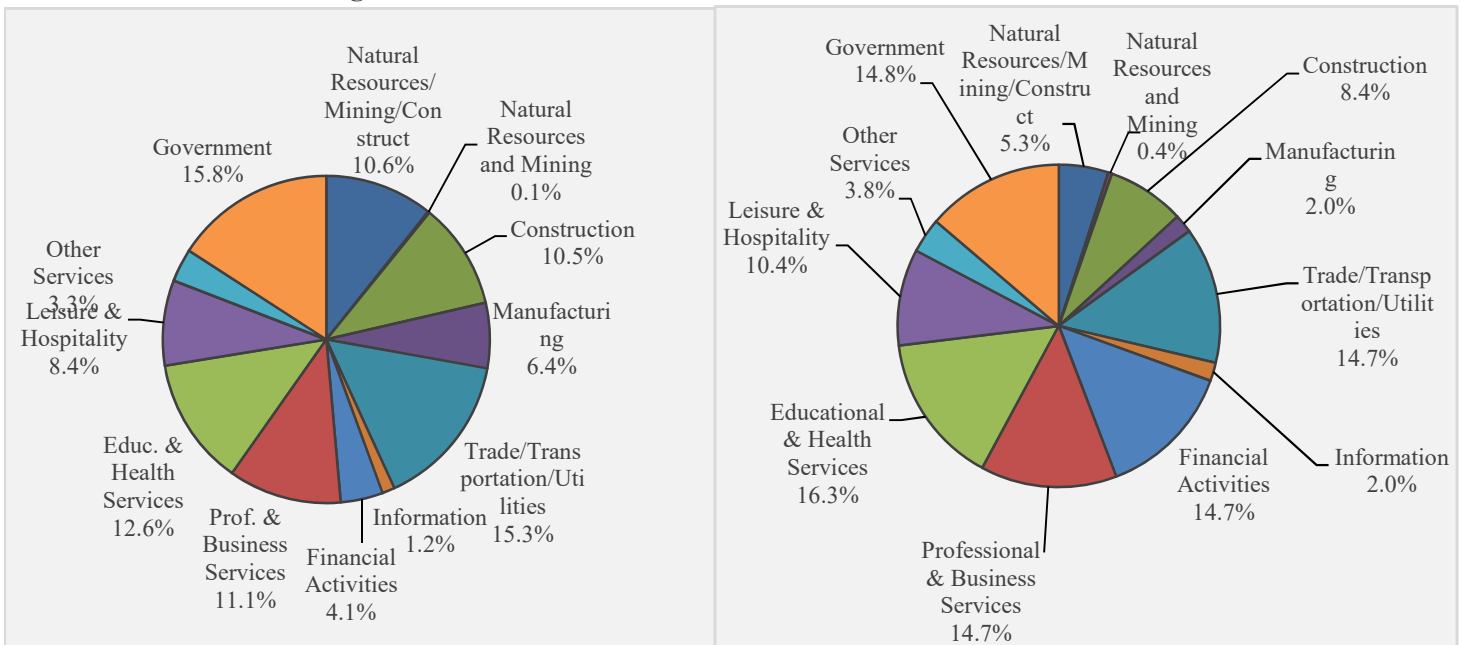


Local Economic Outlook	Baton Rouge	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Mar)	13,300	Not Comparable	Employment has held up and is on an upward trend
12-month Job Change (Feb)	9,100	Not Comparable	
36-month Job Change (Mar)	13,000	Not Comparable	Unemployment in Baton Rouge is better than the national average and improving
Current Unemployment Rate (Mar)	2.9%	3.5%	
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.1%	3.6%	Local employment growth is poor and needs to improve
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	3.3%	3.8%	

Share of Total Employment by Industry

Baton Rouge Area

U.S.



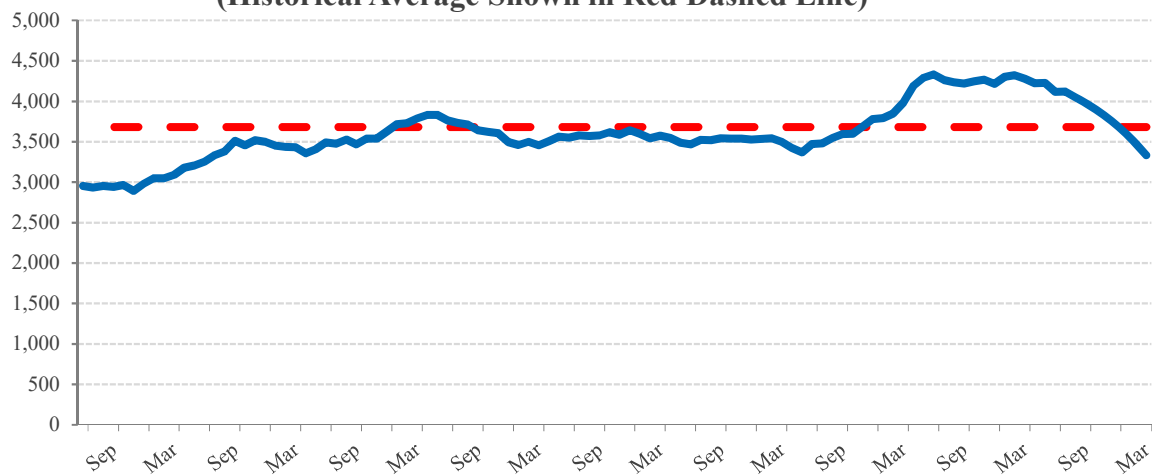
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Mar - 2023)

Goods Producing	NA	Information	-400
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	4,100	Financial Activities	1,400
Natural Resources and Mining	0	Prof. & Business Services	-300
Construction	4,100	Educ. & Health Services	1,900
Manufacturing	2,000	Leisure & Hospitality	1,600
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	0
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	-1,000	Government	-200

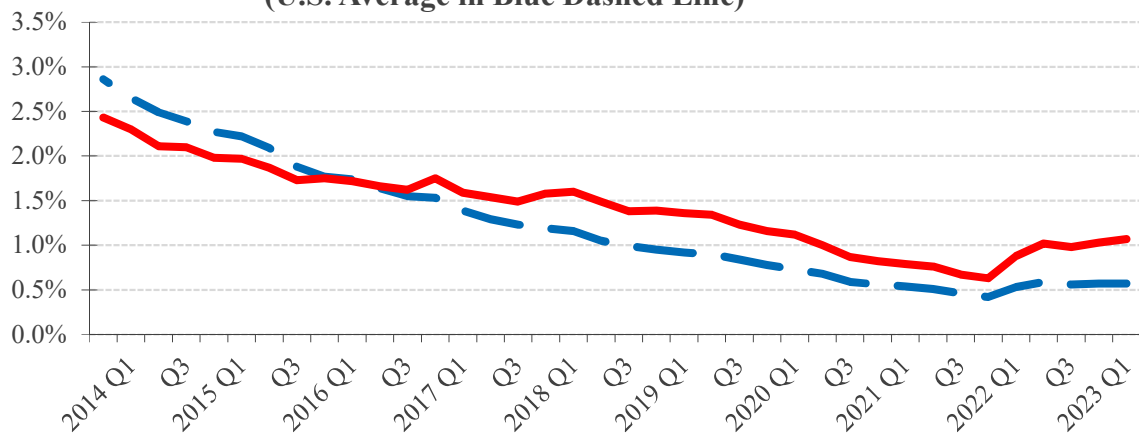
State Economic Activity Index	Louisiana	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Mar)	1.9%	3.8%	Louisiana's economy is growing, but decelerated from last month's 1.99% change and lags the rest of the nation
36-month change (2023 - Mar)	3.5%	6.7%	

New Housing Construction			
Local Fundamentals	Baton Rouge	U.S.	
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Mar	3,333	not comparable	The current level of construction is 9.5% below the long-term average
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	3,682	not comparable	Reduced construction will limit new supply to the market, allowing demand to catch up with inventory more quickly
Single-Family Housing Permits (Mar) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-22.1%	-21.2%	Construction continues to decline from last year

Construction: 12-month Sum of Local Housing Permits
(Historical Average Shown in Red Dashed Line)

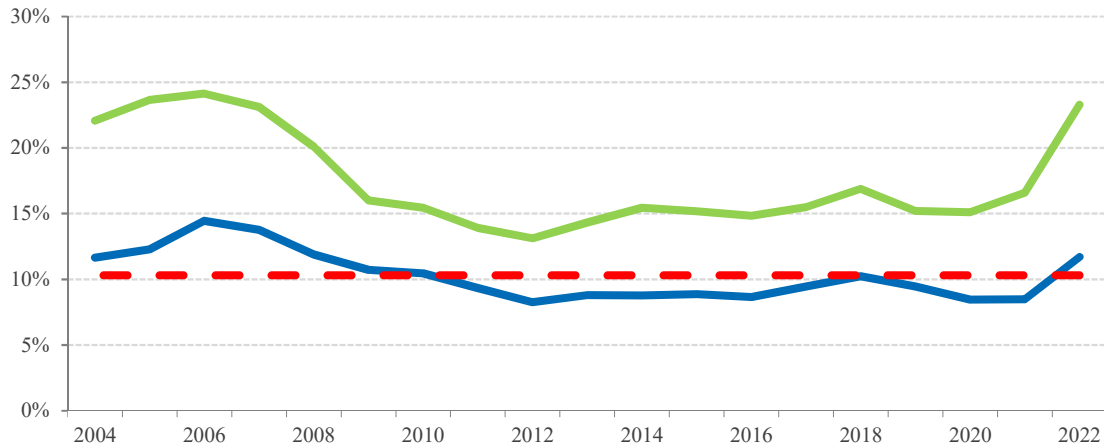


State Total Foreclosure Rate vs. U.S Average
(U.S. Average in Blue Dashed Line)



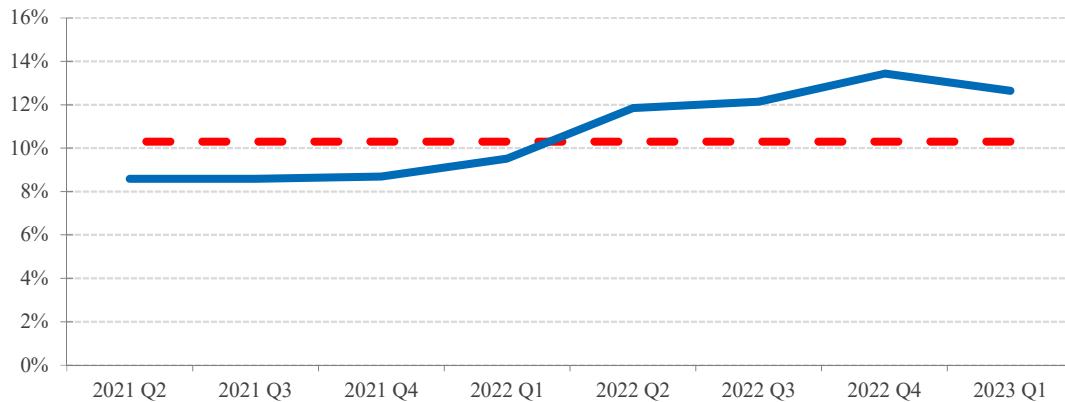
Affordability

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

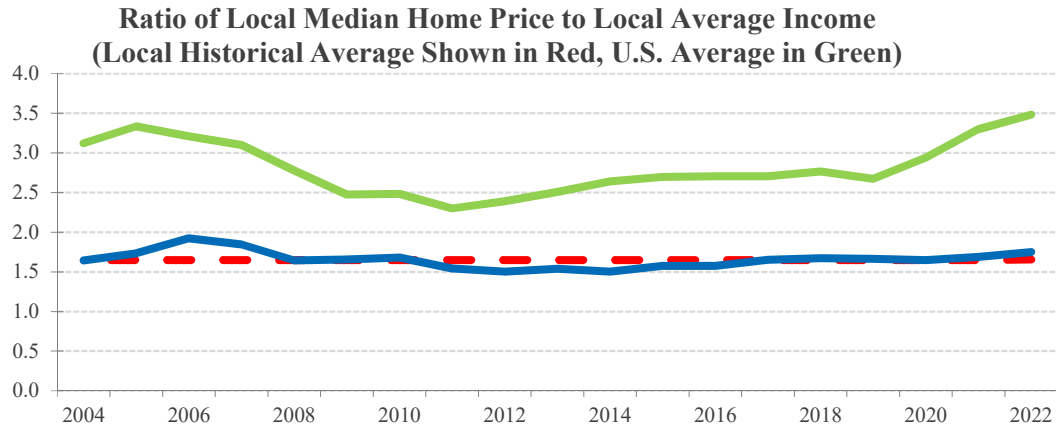


Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Baton Rouge	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	11.7%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weigh on demand
Ratio for 2023 Q1	12.6%	23.3%	
Historical Average	10.3%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets

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



Median Home Price to Income	Baton Rouge	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	1.8	3.5	The price-to-income ratio eased, but could be better
Ratio for 2023 Q1	1.7	3.1	
Historical Average	1.7	2.8	Affordable compared to most markets



The Mortgage Market



After surpassing twice the 7 percent threshold at the end of 2022, mortgage rates fell in the beginning of 2023. According to the mortgage finance provider Freddie Mac, the 30-year fixed mortgage rate dropped to 6.36% in the first quarter of 2023 from 6.69% the previous quarter. Nevertheless, rates continue to be 1.7 times higher than the previous year (3.79%). Although rates will continue to fluctuate in the following months, with inflation easing further and the Federal Reserve expected to pause its rate hikes soon, mortgage rates will stabilize near 6% in the second half of the year. NAR forecasts the 30-year fixed mortgage rate to average 6.3% and 6.1% at the second and third quarter of the year, respectively.

Geographic Coverage for this Report

The Baton Rouge area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Baton Rouge 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:

Ascension Parish, East Baton Rouge Parish, East Feliciana Parish, Iberville Parish, Livingston Parish, Pointe Coupee Parish, St. Helena Parish, West Baton Rouge Parish, and West Feliciana Parish

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

