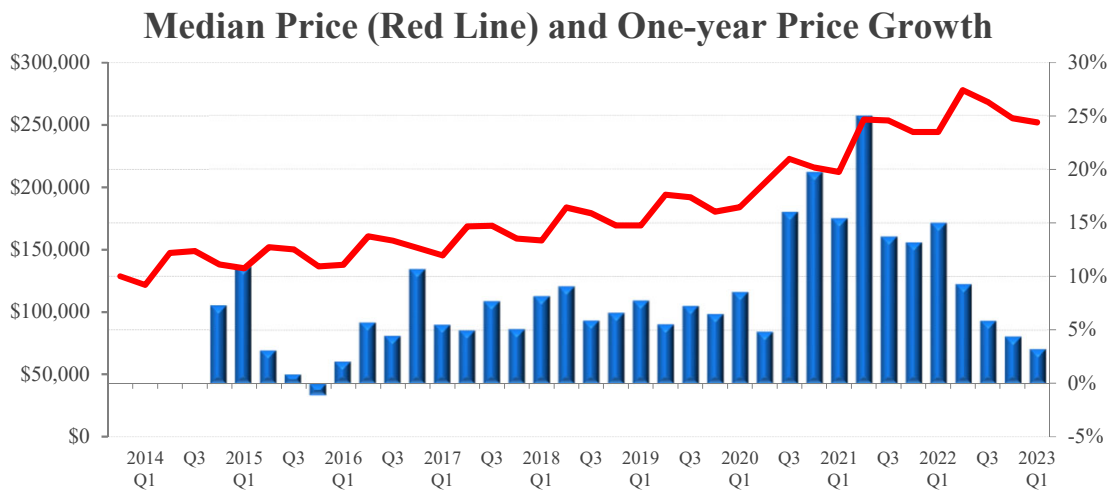


# Cincinnati Area

## Local Market Report, First Quarter 2023

### Today's Market...



Local Price Trends			
Price Activity	Cincinnati	U.S.	Local Trend
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q1)	\$252,200	\$366,733	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q1)	3.2%	0.3%	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q1)	37.1%	34.6%	
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$68,200	\$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*	\$114,400	\$151,000	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$130,500	\$175,733	

\*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

	Cincinnati	U.S.	
<b>Conforming Loan Limit**</b>	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access to government-backed financing
<b>FHA Loan Limit</b>	\$472,030	\$1,089,300	
<b>Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio</b>	35%	not comparable	

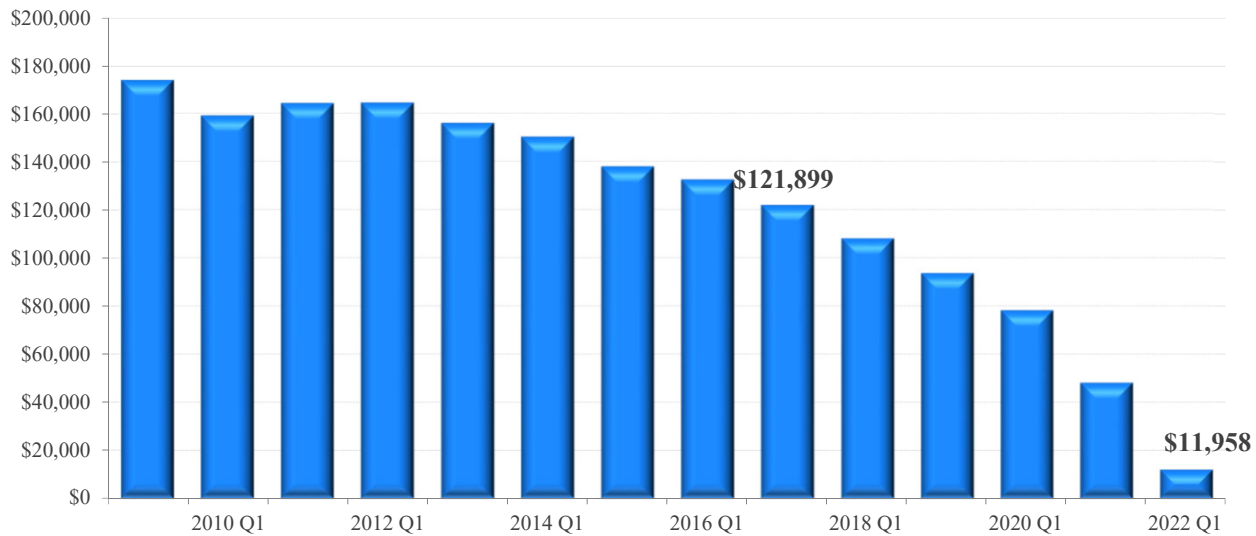
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.

#### Local NAR Leadership

The Cincinnati market is part of region 6 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Ohio and Michigan. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 6 is Gary Reggish.

## 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	Cincinnati	U.S.	Local Trend
1-year (4-quarter)	\$11,958	\$7,042	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity growth since the recession
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$78,144	\$108,992	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$108,044	\$143,305	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$132,494	\$179,328	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$150,253	\$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...

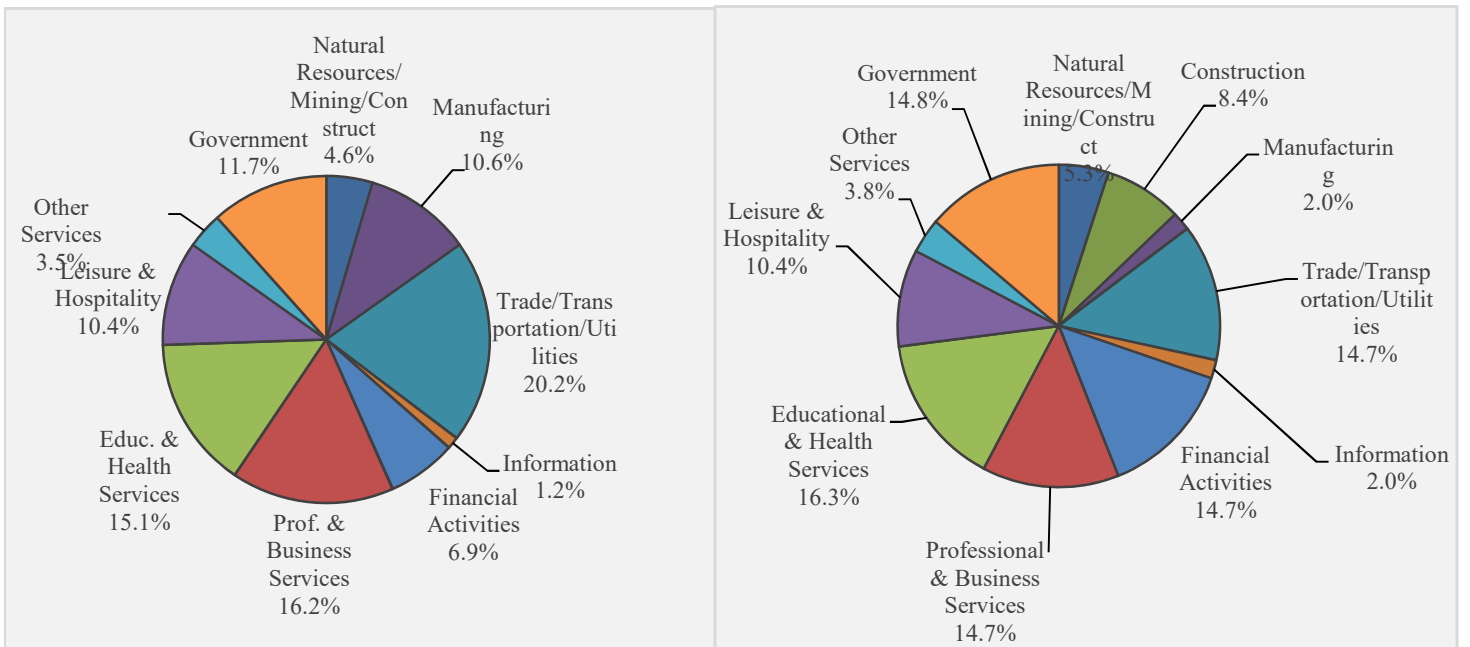


Local Economic Outlook	Cincinnati	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Mar)	32,600	Not Comparable	Employment has held up and is on an upward trend
12-month Job Change (Feb)	27,400	Not Comparable	
36-month Job Change (Mar)	42,400	Not Comparable	Unemployment in Cincinnati is better than the national average and improving
Current Unemployment Rate (Mar)	3.4%	3.5%	
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.5%	3.6%	Local employment growth is poor and needs to improve
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	2.9%	3.8%	

## Share of Total Employment by Industry

Cincinnati Area

U.S.



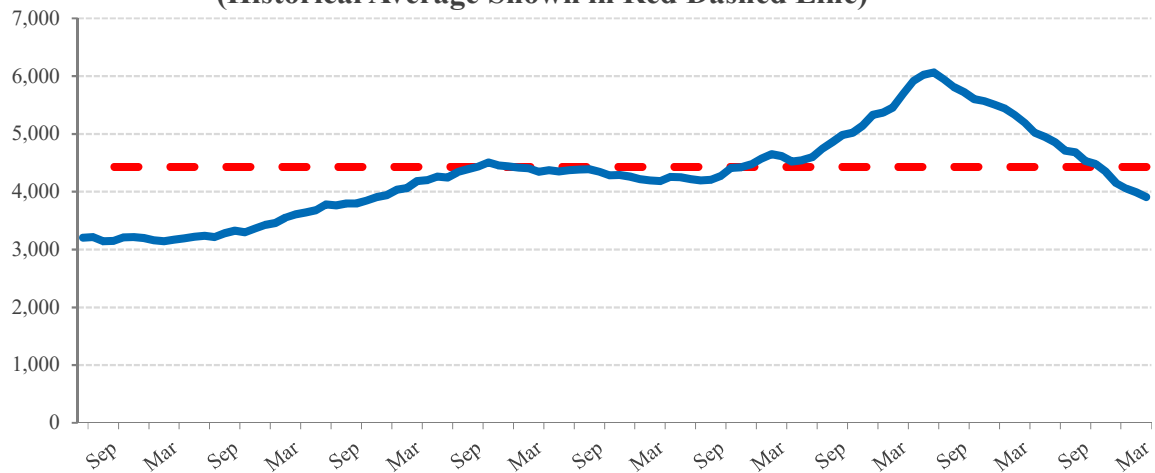
### 12-month Employment Change by Industry (Mar - 2023)

Goods Producing	NA	Information	300
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	-200	Financial Activities	2,000
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	2,300
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	4,700
Manufacturing	4,100	Leisure & Hospitality	6,500
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	2,200
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	4,200	Government	1,300

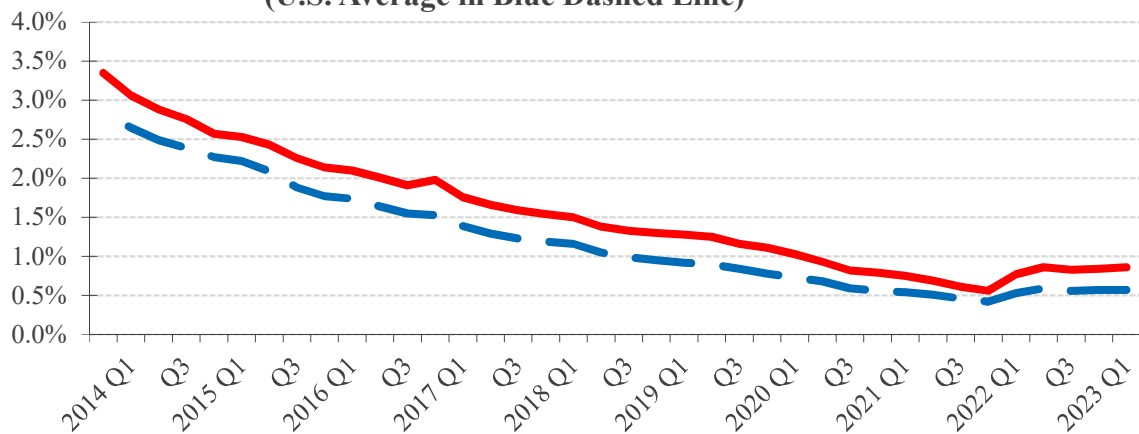
State Economic Activity Index	Ohio	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Mar)	2.2%	3.8%	The economy of Ohio is growing more slowly than the rest of the nation, but improved modestly from last month's 2.07% change
36-month change (2023 - Mar)	6.4%	6.7%	

New Housing Construction			
Local Fundamentals	Cincinnati	U.S.	
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Mar	3,910	not comparable	The current level of construction is 11.8% below the long-term average
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	4,431	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	-24.7%	-21.2%	Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.

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

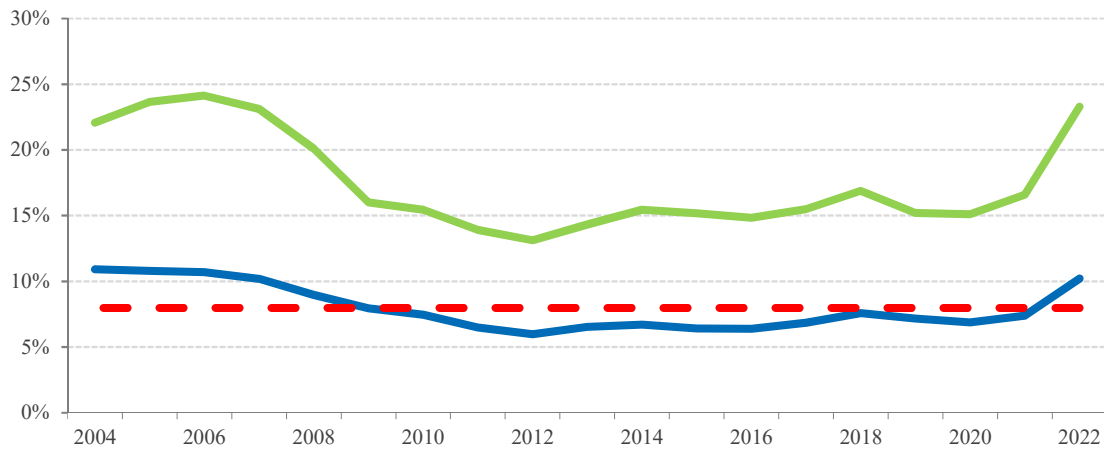


**State Total Foreclosure Rate vs. U.S Average  
(U.S. Average in Blue Dashed Line)**



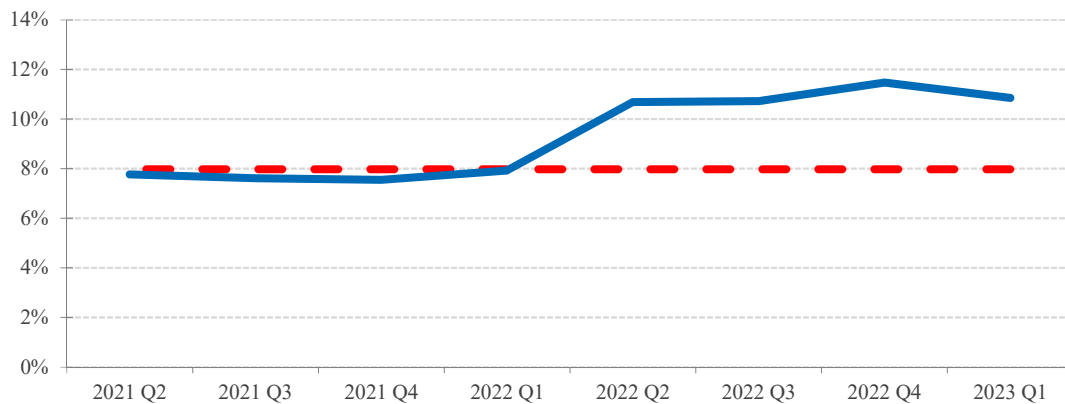
# Affordability

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

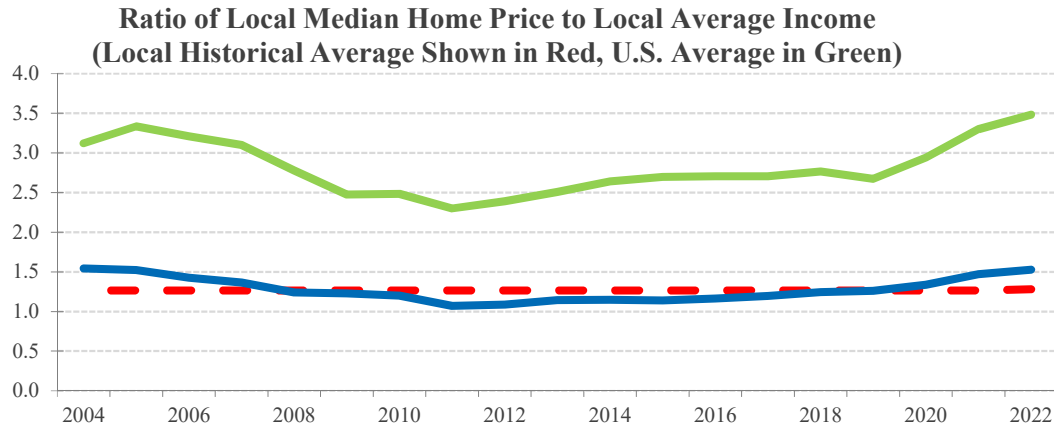


Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Cincinnati	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	10.2%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weigh on demand
Ratio for 2023 Q1	10.9%	23.3%	
Historical Average	8.0%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets

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



Median Home Price to Income	Cincinnati	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	1.5	3.5	The price-to-income ratio eased, but could be better
Ratio for 2023 Q1	1.5	3.1	
Historical Average	1.3	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 Cincinnati area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Cincinnati 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:

Dearborn County, IN; Ohio County, IN; Union County, IN; Boone County, KY; Bracken County, KY; Campbell County, KY; Gallatin County, KY; Grant County, KY; Kenton County, KY; Pendleton County, KY; Brown County, OH; Butler County, OH; Clermont County, OH; Hamilton County, OH; Warren County, OH

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