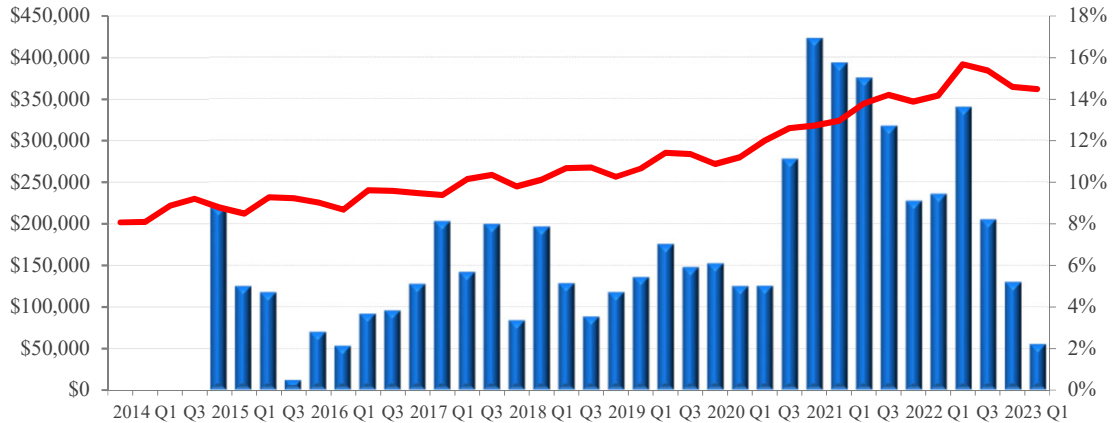


Richmond Area

Local Market Report, First Quarter 2023

Today's Market...

Median Price (Red Line) and One-year Price Growth



Local Price Trends			
Price Activity	Richmond	U.S.	Local Trend
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q1)	\$362,300	\$366,733	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q1)	2.2%	0.3%	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q1)	29.4%	34.6%	
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$82,300	\$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*	\$145,300	\$151,000	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$159,900	\$175,733	

*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

	Richmond	U.S.	
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access to government-backed financing
FHA Loan Limit	\$546,250	\$1,089,300	
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	50%	not comparable	

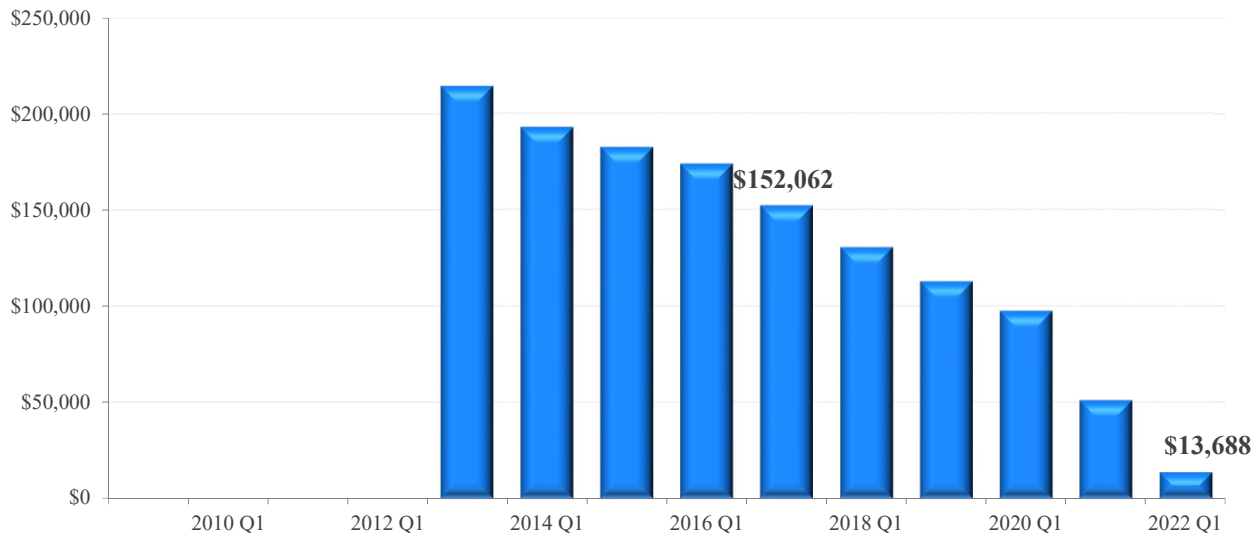
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.

Local NAR Leadership

The Richmond market is part of region 3 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia. The 2023 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 3 is Gail Renulfi.

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	Richmond	U.S.	Local Trend
1-year (4-quarter)	\$13,688	\$7,042	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity growth since the recession
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$97,432	\$108,992	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$130,441	\$143,305	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$173,794	\$179,328	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$192,751	\$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...

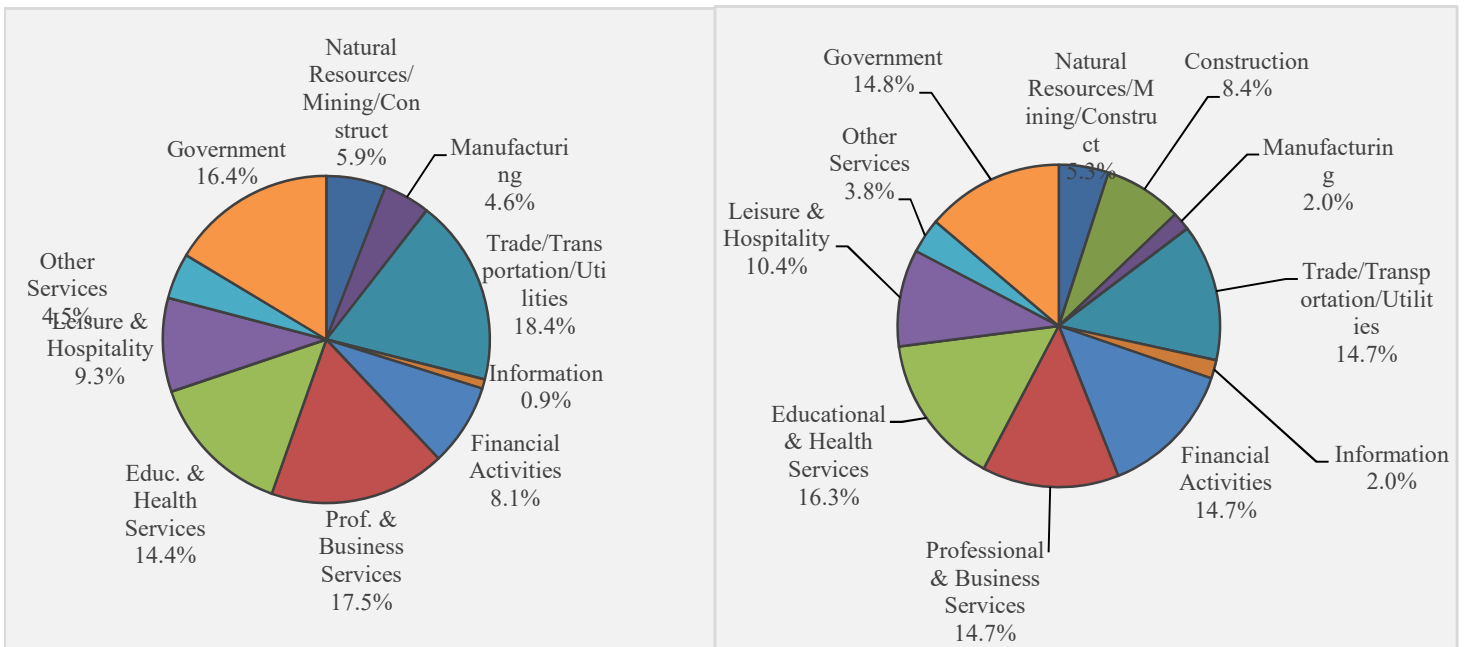


Local Economic Outlook	Richmond	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Mar)	22,600	Not Comparable	Employment has held up and is on an upward trend
12-month Job Change (Feb)	18,400	Not Comparable	
36-month Job Change (Mar)	20,900	Not Comparable	Unemployment has risen since the same period last year, but Richmond's labor market has been more resilient than the national average
Current Unemployment Rate (Mar)	3.0%	3.5%	
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	2.7%	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

Richmond Area

U.S.



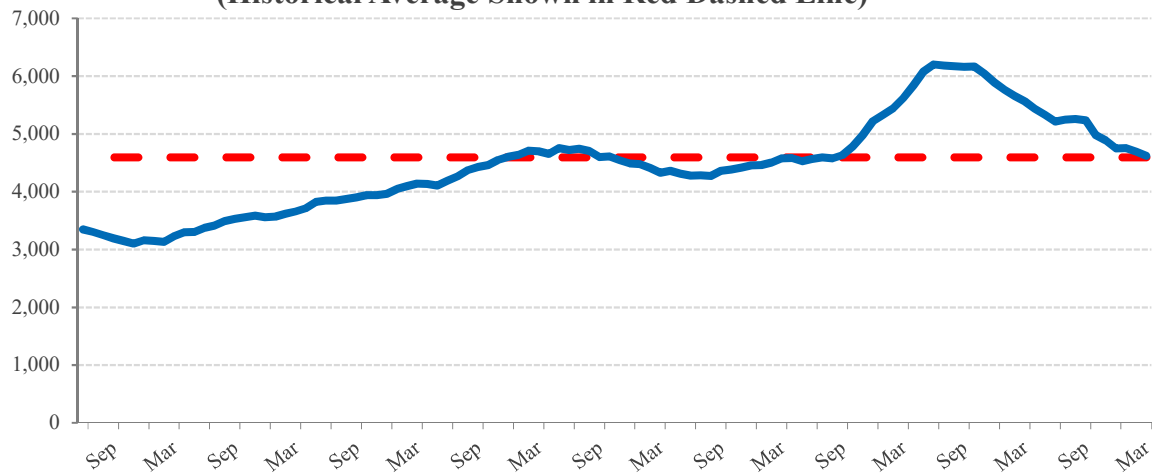
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Mar - 2023)

Goods Producing	NA	Information	-200
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	-500	Financial Activities	1,700
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	-1,200
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	1,800
Manufacturing	500	Leisure & Hospitality	5,100
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	1,400
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	3,800	Government	6,000

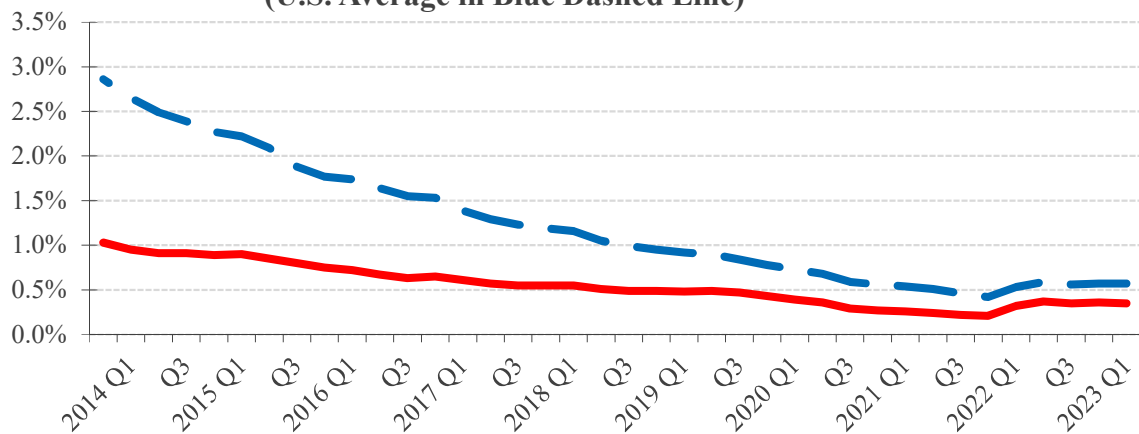
State Economic Activity Index	Virginia	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Mar)	2.4%	3.8%	Virginia's economy is growing, but decelerated from last month's 2.47% change and lags the rest of the nation
36-month change (2023 - Mar)	7.2%	6.7%	

New Housing Construction			
Local Fundamentals	Richmond	U.S.	
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Mar	4,623	not comparable	The current level of construction is 0.6% above the long-term average
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	4,595	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 (Mar) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-17.0%	-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)**

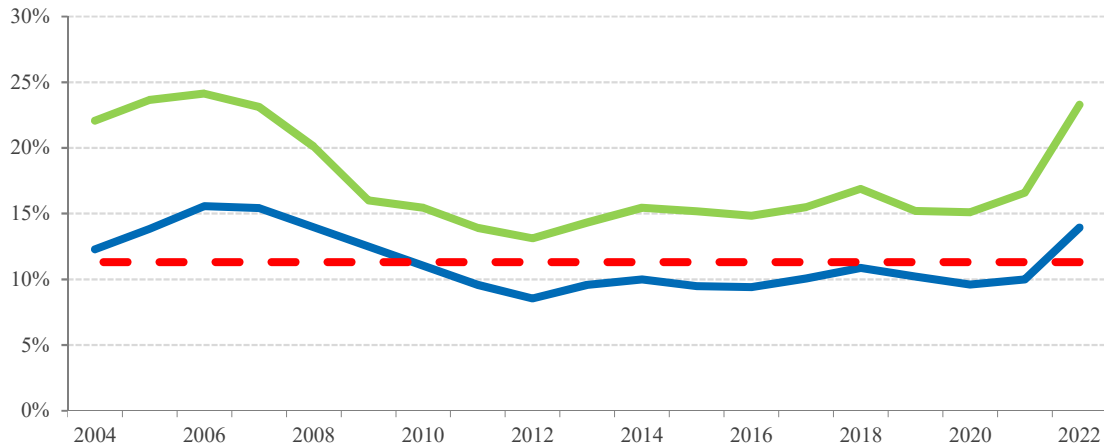


**State Total Foreclosure Rate vs. U.S Average
(U.S. Average in Blue Dashed Line)**



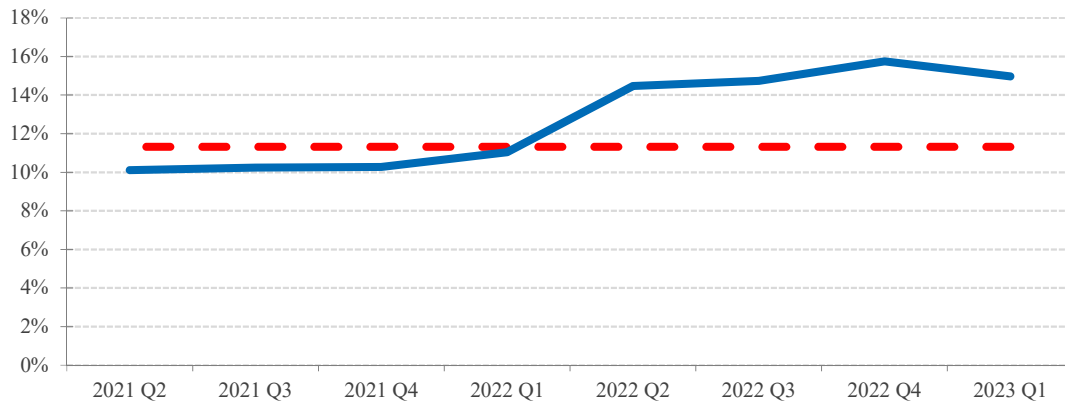
Affordability

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

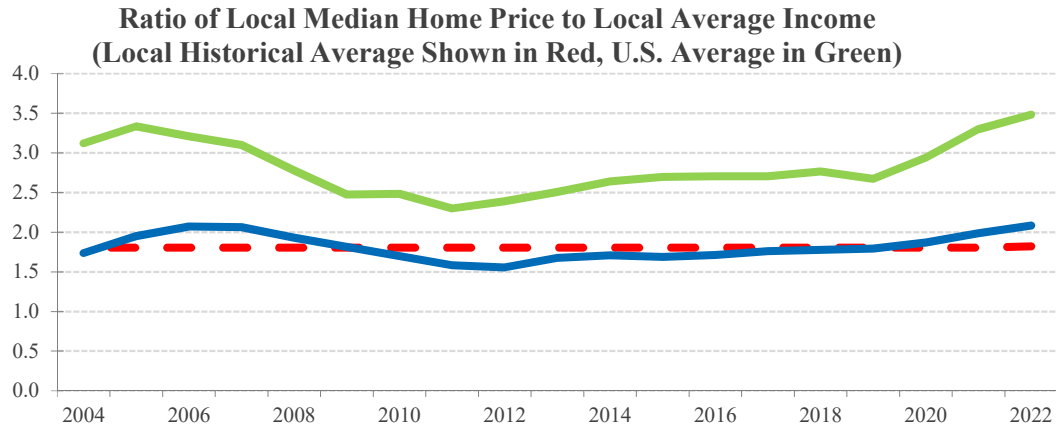


Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Richmond	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	13.9%	23.3%	Weak by local standards and could weigh on demand
Ratio for 2023 Q1	15.0%	23.3%	
Historical Average	11.3%	17.8%	More affordable than most markets

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



Median Home Price to Income	Richmond	U.S.	
Ratio for 2022	2.1	3.5	The price-to-income ratio eased, but could be better
Ratio for 2023 Q1	2.0	3.1	
Historical Average	1.8	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 Richmond area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Richmond 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:

Amelia County, Caroline County, Charles City County, Chesterfield County, Colonial Heights city, Dinwiddie County, Goochland County, Hanover County, Henrico County, Hopewell city, King William County, New Kent County, Petersburg city, Powhatan County, Prince George County, Richmond city, and Sussex County

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

