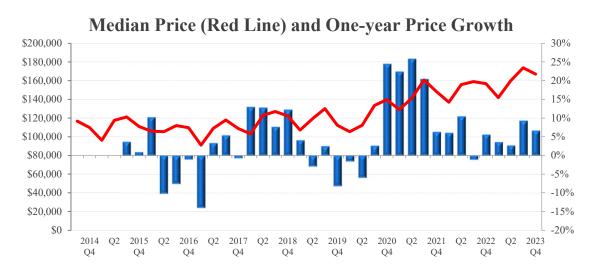


Binghamton Area

Local Market Report, Fourth Quarter 2023

Today's Market...



Local Price Trends					
Price Activity	Binghamton	U.S.	Local Trend		
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q4)	\$167,100	\$387,300	Duigos and var from a vocar and but maio		
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q4)	6.6%	3.9%	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing		
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q4)	19.7%	24.5%	growth is slowing		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$27,500	\$76,300	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the trend of positive price growth after the		
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$57,400	\$153,367			
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$57,200	\$179,667	recession		
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only					

	Binghamton	U.S.		
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$766,550	\$1,149,825	Most buyers in this market have access to	
FHA Loan Limit	\$498,257	\$1,149,825	government-backed financing	
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	22%	not comparable	government-backed imancing	
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2024.				

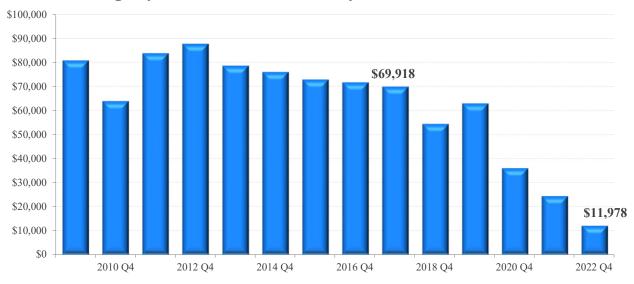
Local NAR Leadership

The Binghamton market is part of region 2 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The 2024 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 2 is Jennifer Stevenson.



Benefits of Ownership: Total Equity Appreciation

Total Equity Accrued to Owner by Year and Quarter of Purchase



Total Equity Gained** through 2023 Q4 from quarter in which home was of purchased				
Price Activity	Binghamton	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$11,978	\$18,387		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$35,965	\$95,158		
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$54,356	\$151,356	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$71,662	\$183,780	growth since the recession	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$75,942	\$215,076		

*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



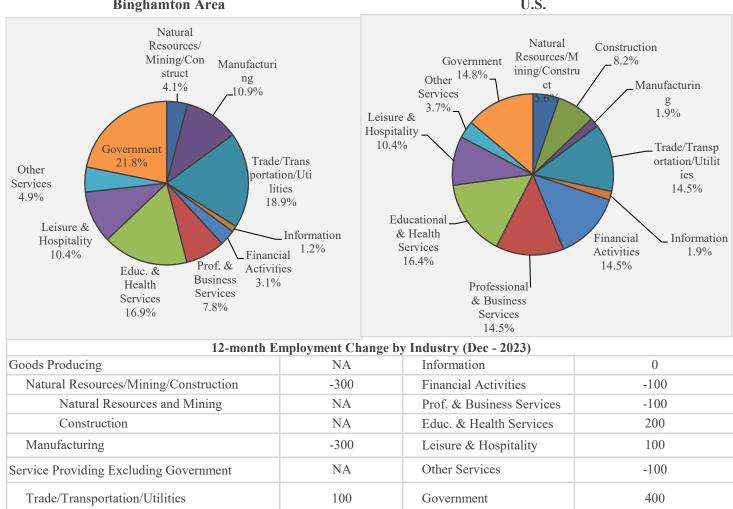
Drivers of Local Supply and Demand...

Local Economic Outlook	Binghamton	U.S.		
12-month Job Change (Dec)	-200	Not Comparable	Emplyoment continues to decline and will	
12-month Job Change (Nov)	-100	Not Comparable	weigh on demand in some areas	
36-month Job Change (Dec)	4,600	Not Comparable	Binghamton's unemployment situation is worse than the national average and weigh on confidence	
Current Unemployment Rate (Dec)	4.6%	3.7%		
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.4%	3.5%	Local employment growth is poor and	
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	-0.2%	2.3%	needs to improve	

Share of Total Employment by Industry

Binghamton Area

U.S.

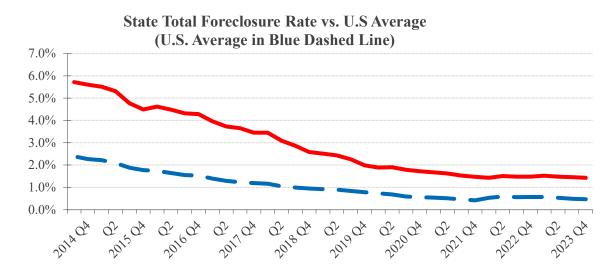


State Economic Activity Index	New York	U.S.	
12-month change (2023 - Dec)	1.0%	3.0%	New York's economy is growing, but decelerated from last month's 1.44% char
36-month change (2023 - Dec)	17.1%	14.3%	and lags the rest of the nation



New Housing Construction					
Local Fundamentals Binghamton U.S.					
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Dec	125	not comparable	The current level of construction is 376.9% above the long-term average		
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	26	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 (Dec) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-3.8%	-6.1%	Construction continues to decline from last year		





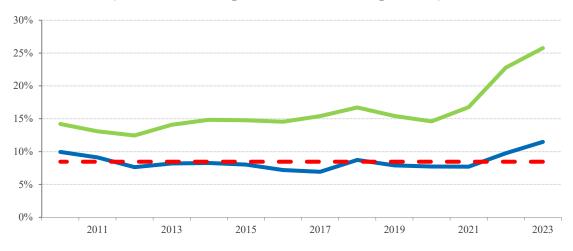
Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

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Affordability

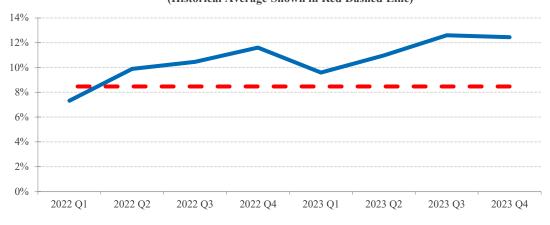


Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



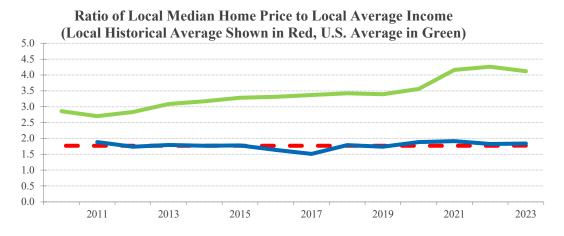
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Binghamton	U.S.		
Ratio for 2023	11.5%	25.8%	Weak by local standards and could weigh on demand	
Ratio for 2023 Q4	12.4%	25.5%		
Historical Average	8.5%	17.0%	More affordable than most markets	

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

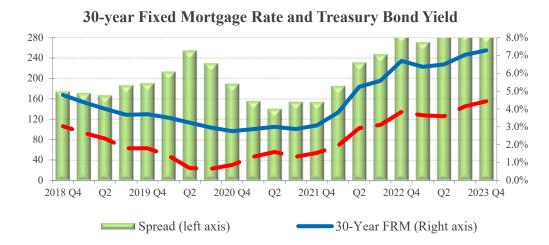


Median Home Price to Income	Binghamton	U.S.	
Ratio for 2023	1.8	4.1	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2023 Q4	1.9	3.9	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	1.8	3.4	Affordable compared to most markets





The Mortgage Market



Throughout much of the final quarter of the year, mortgage rates remained elevated near 7.5 percent. According to the mortgage provider Freddie Mac, the 30-year fixed mortgage rate rose to 7.3 percent in the fourth quarter of 2023 from 6.7 percent the previous year. Nevertheless, rates fell below 7 percent at the end of year as the Federal Reserve continued to halt its interest rates hikes. With lower interest rates on the horizon, mortgage rates are expected to continue their downward trend in 2024, thereby enhancing affordability for potential homebuyers.

NAR forecasts the 30-year fixed mortgage rate to average 6.8 percent in the first quarter of 2024, with a further decline expected to bring them below 6.6% by the end of the first half.



Geographic Coverage for this Report

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

Broome County and Tioga County

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