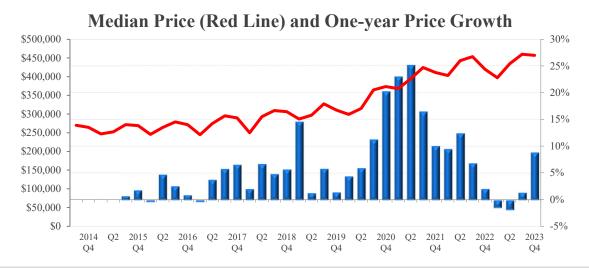


#### **Dutchess County-Putnam County Area** Local Market Report, Fourth Quarter 2023

### **Today's Market...**



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	<b>Dutchess</b> County	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2023 Q4)	\$457,000	\$387,300		
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q4)	8.9%	3.9%	Prices continue to grow relative to last yea	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2023 Q4)	22.3%	24.5%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$83,400	\$76,300	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$185,200	\$153,367	trend of positive price growth after the recession	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$192,600	\$179,667		
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\*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

	<b>Dutchess County</b>	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	•
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	60%	not comparable	government-backed financing
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2024			

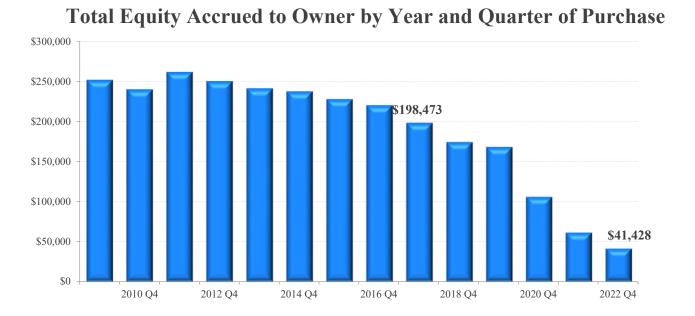
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#### Local NAR Leadership

The Dutchess County-Putnam County 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 Gained** through 2023 Q4 from quarter in which home was of purchased				
Price Activity	<b>Dutchess County</b>	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$41,428	\$18,387		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$106,054	\$95,158		
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$174,403	\$151,356	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$220,537	\$183,780	growth since the recession	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$237,690	\$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

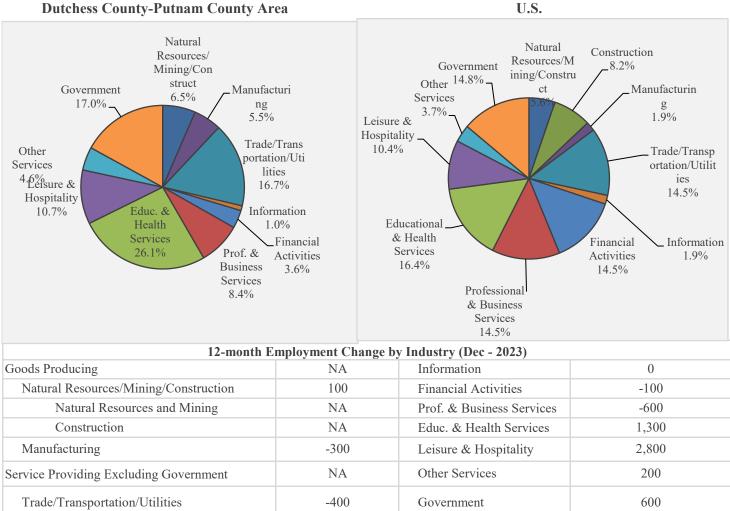
# **Drivers of Local Supply and Demand...**

Local Economic Outlook



12-month Job Change (Nov)	3,600	Not Comparable	upward trend
36-month Job Change (Dec)	7,000	Not Comparable	Unemployment has risen since the same period last year, but Dutchess County's
Current Unemployment Rate (Dec)	3.6%	3.7%	labor market has been more resilient than the national average
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	2.7%	3.5%	Local employment growth is strong
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	3.0%	2.3%	compared to other markets

#### Share of Total Employment by Industry



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% change
36-month change (2023 - Dec)	17.1%	14.3%	and lags the rest of the nation

U.S.

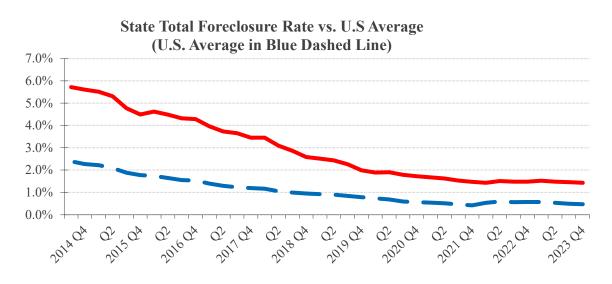
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New Housing Construction			
Local Fundamentals	<b>Dutchess County</b>	U.S.	
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Dec	NA	not comparable	Local Data Not Available
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	NA	not comparable	Local Data Not Available
Single-Family Housing Permits (Dec) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	NA	-6.1%	Local Data Not Available

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

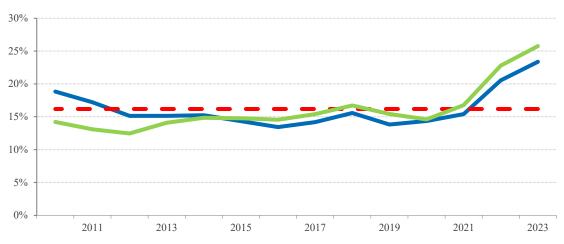




Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association



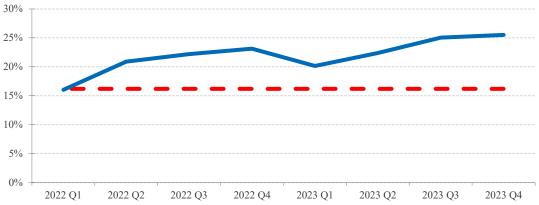
# Affordability



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

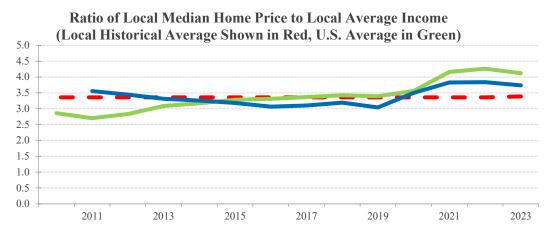
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	<b>Dutchess County</b>	U.S.	
Ratio for 2023	23.4%	25.8%	Weak by local standards and could weigh
Ratio for 2023 Q4	25.5%	25.5%	on demand
Historical Average	16.2%	17.0%	More affordable than most markets



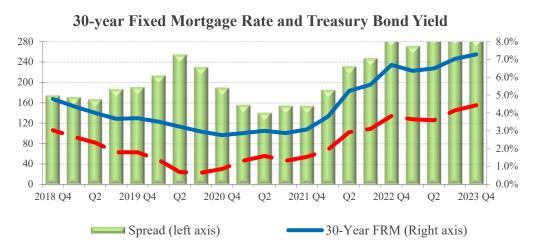


Median Home Price to Income	<b>Dutchess County</b>	U.S.	
Ratio for 2023	3.7	4.1	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2023 Q4	3.9	3.9	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	3.4	3.4	Less affordable than most markets





#### 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 Dutchess County area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Dutchess County-Putnam County 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:

Dutchess County and Putnam County

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