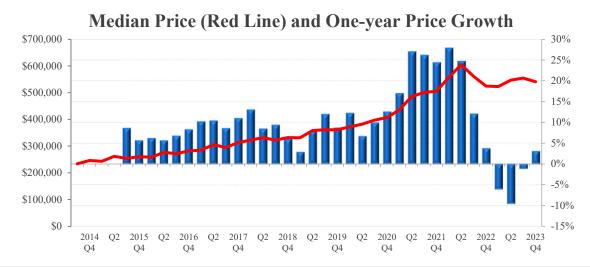


### Salt Lake City Area Local Market Report, Fourth Quarter 2023

## Today's Market...



| Local Price Trends |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Salt Lake City     | U.S.   | Local Trend  |  |  |
| \$541,000          | \$387,300  |  |  |  |
| 3.1%               | 3.9%   | Prices continue to grow relative to last ye  |  |  |
| 33.1%              | 24.5%  |  |  |  |
| \$134,500          | \$76,300   | Gains in the last 3 years have extended the trend of positive price growth after the recession                 |  |  |
| \$258,900          | \$153,367  |  |  |  |
| \$294,500          | \$179,667  |  |  |  |
|                    | Salt Lake City<br>\$541,000<br>3.1%<br>33.1%<br>\$134,500<br>\$258,900 | Salt Lake City U.S.   \$541,000 \$387,300   3.1% 3.9%   33.1% 24.5%   \$134,500 \$76,300   \$258,900 \$153,367 |  |  |

\*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

|   | Salt Lake City | U.S.           |   |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|
| Conforming Loan Limit**   | \$766,550      | \$1,149,825    | Most buyers in this market have access to |
| FHA Loan Limit  | \$619,850      | \$1,149,825    | government-backed financing               |
| Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio                                    | 71%            | not comparable | government-backed infancing               |
| Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2024 |                |                |   |

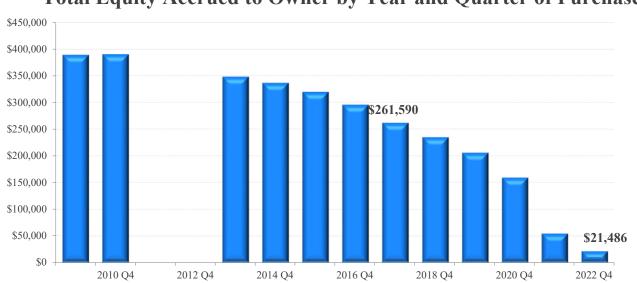
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#### Local NAR Leadership

The Salt Lake City market is part of region 11 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada. The 2024 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 11 is Devon Viehman.



# **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  | SaltLakeCity | U.S.      | Local Trend  |  |
| 1-year (4-quarter)  | \$21,486     | \$18,387  |  |  |
| 3-year (12-quarter)*  | \$159,149    | \$95,158  | Price appreciation and principle payment<br>in the last 3 years have boosted total equit<br>growth since the recession |  |
| 5-year (20-quarter)*  | \$234,599    | \$151,356 |  |  |
| 7-year (28 quarters)*   | \$295,576    | \$183,780 |  |  |
| 9-year (36 quarters)*   | \$336,538    | \$215,076 |  |  |

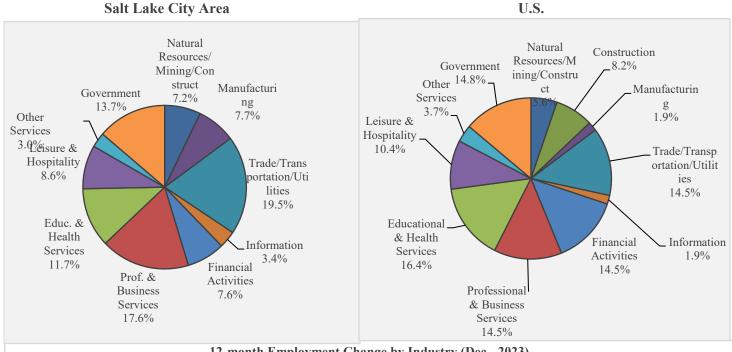
\*Note: Equity gain reflects price and principle payments since purchase, prevailing 30-year fixed rate mortgage at time of purchase and a 10% downpayment. Downpayment is not included in total equity

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



| Local Economic Outlook            | Salt Lake City | U.S.              |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|
| 12-month Job Change (Dec)         | 12,400         | Not<br>Comparable | Employment growth has eased, but remains   |
| 12-month Job Change (Nov)         | 15,600         | Not<br>Comparable | positive   |
| 36-month Job Change (Dec)         | 72,500         | Not<br>Comparable | Unemployment has risen since the same period last year, but Salt Lake City's labor |
| Current Unemployment Rate (Dec)   | 2.5%           | 3.7%              | market has been more resilient than the national average                           |
| Year-ago Unemployment Rate        | 2.1%           | 3.5%              | Local employment growth is poor and  |
| 1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate | 1.5%           | 2.3%              | needs to improve   |

#### Share of Total Employment by Industry

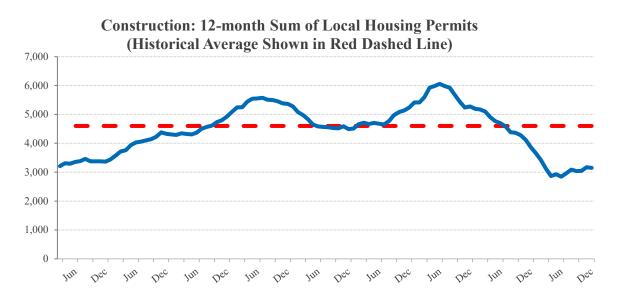


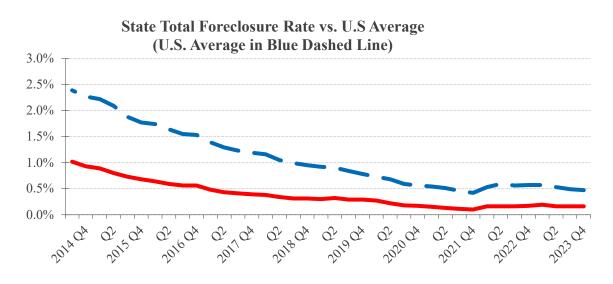
| 12-month Employment Change by Industry (Dec - 2023) |        |                           |       |  |
|---|--------|---------------------------|-------|--|
| Goods Producing                                     | NA     | Information               | 2,400 |  |
| Natural Resources/Mining/Construction               | 1,700  | Financial Activities      | 0     |  |
| Natural Resources and Mining                        | NA     | Prof. & Business Services | 1,200 |  |
| Construction  | NA     | Educ. & Health Services   | 3,700 |  |
| Manufacturing                                       | 300    | Leisure & Hospitality     | 3,800 |  |
| Service Providing Excluding Government              | NA     | Other Services            | 1,800 |  |
| Trade/Transportation/Utilities                      | -1,900 | Government                | 2,600 |  |

| State Economic Activity Index | Utah  | U.S.  |   |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|---|
| 12-month change (2023 - Dec)  | 2.9%  | 3.0%  | Utah's economy is growing, but decelerate from last month's 2.98% change and lags |
| 36-month change (2023 - Dec)  | 13.1% | 14.3% | the rest of the nation  |



| New Housing Construction   |        |                |   |  |
|--|--------|----------------|---|--|
| Local FundamentalsSalt Lake CityU.S.                               |        |                |   |  |
| 12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Dec                | 3,151  | not comparable | The current level of construction is 31.5% below the long-term average  |  |
| 8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit<br>Building Permits      | 4,602  | not comparable | Reduced construction will limit new supply<br>to the market, allowing demand to catch up<br>with inventory more quickly |  |
| Single-Family Housing Permits (Dec)<br>12-month sum vs. a year ago | -18.5% | -6.1%          | Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.  |  |





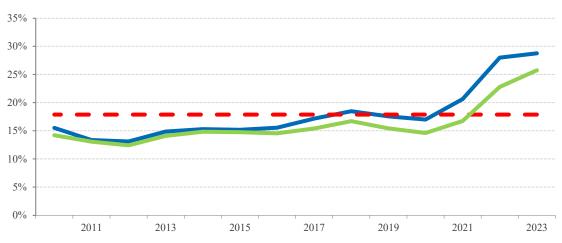
Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association



# Affordability

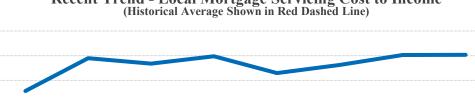
35% 30% 25% 20% 15% 10% 5% 0%

2022 Q1



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 | Salt Lake City | U.S.  |   |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------|---|
| Ratio for 2023                     | 28.8%          | 25.8% | Weak by local standards and could weigh |
| Ratio for 2023 Q4                  | 30.2%          | 25.5% | on demand                               |
| Historical Average                 | 17.9%          | 17.0% | Weaker affordability than most markets  |





| Median Home Price to Income | Salt Lake City | U.S. |  |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------|--|
| Ratio for 2023              | 4.6            | 4.1  | The price-to-income ratio eased, but could |
| Ratio for 2023 Q4           | 4.6            | 3.9  | be better                                  |
| Historical Average          | 3.8            | 3.4  | Less affordable than most markets          |

2023 Q1

2023 Q2

2023 Q3

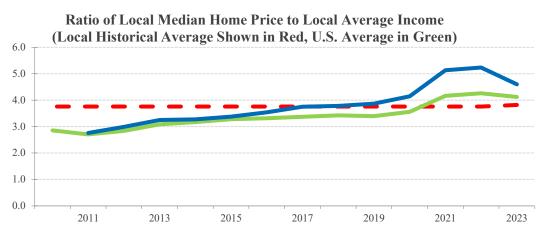
2023 Q4

2022 Q4

2022 Q3

2022 Q2





### 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 Salt Lake City area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Salt Lake City 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:

Salt Lake County and Tooele County

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