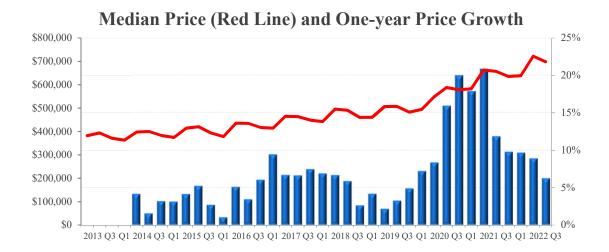


Boston-Cambridge-Newton Area Local Market Report, Third Quarter 2022

Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Boston	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2022 Q3)	\$698,900	\$391,467	Drives are up from a year ago, but gries	
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2022 Q3)	6.2%	8.6%	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2022 Q3)	37.7%	41.4%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$191,500	\$114,567	Gains in the last 3 years have extended t	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$278,100	\$164,133	trend of positive price growth after the recession	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$305,200	\$184,600		

*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only

	Boston	U.S.		
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$828,000	\$1,089,300	Not all buyers have access to government-	
FHA Loan Limit	\$828,000	\$1,089,300	backed financing in this market	
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	84%	not comparable	backed financing in this market	
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023				

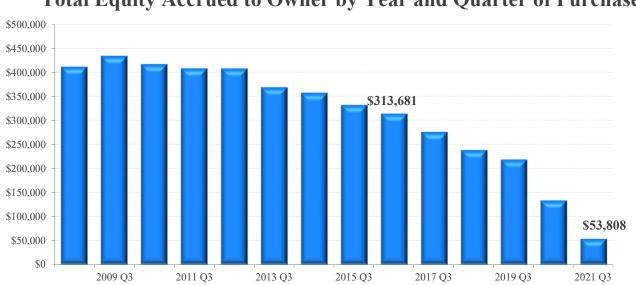
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Local NAR Leadership

The Boston-Cambridge-Newton market is part of region 1 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut. The 2022 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 1 is Joanne Breen.



Benefits of Ownership: Total Equity Appreciation



Total Equity Accrued to Owner by Year and Quarter of Purchase

Total Equity Gained** through 2022 Q3 from quarter in which home was of purchased				
Price Activity	Boston	U.S.	Local Trend	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$53,808	\$38,029		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$218,277	\$129,179	Price appreciation and principle payment in the last 3 years have boosted total equit growth since the recession	
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$275,814	\$160,886		
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$331,800	\$193,144		
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$368,423	\$217,820		

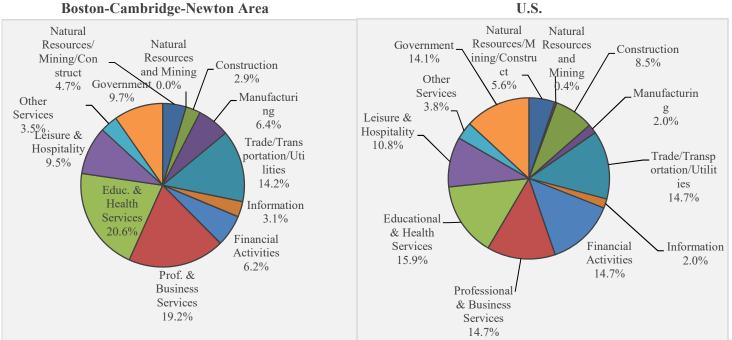
*Note: Equity gain reflects price and principle payments since purchase, prevailing 30-year fixed rate mortgage at time of purchase and a 10% downpayment. Downpayment is not included in total equity

Drivers of Local Supply and Demand...



Local Economic Outlook	Boston	U.S.		
12-month Job Change (Sep)	128,700	Not Comparable	Employment has held up and is on an upward trend	
12-month Job Change (Aug)	124,900	Not Comparable		
36-month Job Change (Sep)	-7,200	Not Comparable	Unemployment in Boston is better than the national average and improving	
Current Unemployment Rate (Sep)	2.9%	3.5%		
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	4.7%	4.7%	Local employment growth is strong	
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	4.8%	4.3%	compared to other markets	

Share of Total Employment by Industry

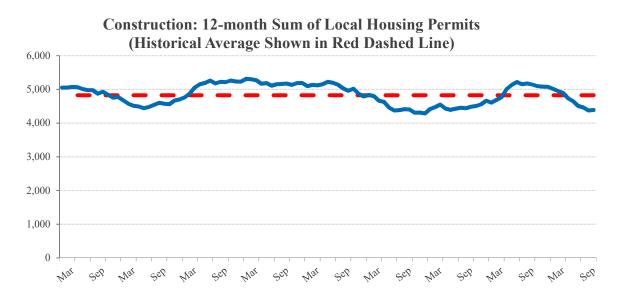


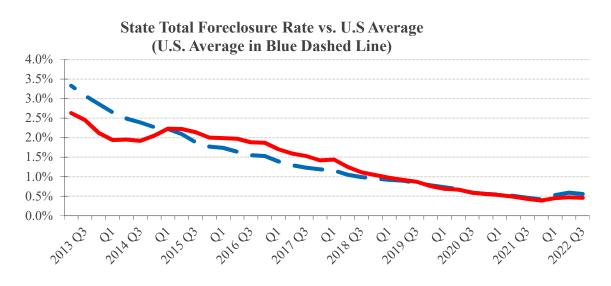
12-month Employment Change by Industry (Sep - 2022)					
Goods Producing	NA	Information	5,900		
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	7,800	Financial Activities	-3,500		
Natural Resources and Mining	-100	Prof. & Business Services	32,100		
Construction	1,000	Educ. & Health Services	25,700		
Manufacturing	7,100	Leisure & Hospitality	31,300		
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	5,300		
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	13,400	Government	-200		

State Economic Activity Index	Massachusetts	U.S.	
12-month change (2022 - Sep)	9.5%	4.9%	Massachusetts's economy is stronger that the nation's, but slowed from last month'
36-month change (2022 - Sep)	6.4%	5.2%	10.16% change



New Housing Construction				
Local Fundamentals	Boston	U.S.		
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Sep	4,389	not comparable	The current level of construction is 9.1% below the long-term average	
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	4,826	not comparable	Reduced construction will limit new supply to the market, allowing demand to catch up with inventory more quickly	
Single-Family Housing Permits (Sep) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-14.7%	-7.7%	Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.	

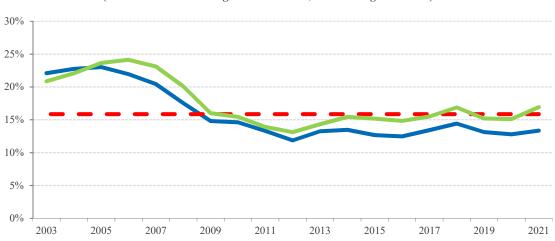




Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association



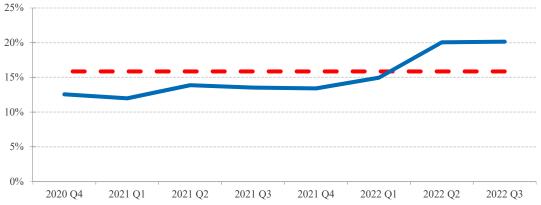
Affordability



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

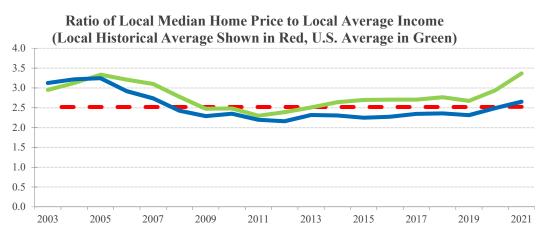
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Boston	U.S.		
Ratio for 2021	13.4%	16.9%	Weak by local standards and could weigh on demand	
Ratio for 2022 Q3	20.1%	24.4%		
Historical Average	15.9%	18.1%	More affordable than most markets	





Median Home Price to Income	Boston	U.S.	
Ratio for 2021	2.7	3.4	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2022 Q3	2.9	3.6	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	2.5	2.7	Affordable compared to most markets





The Mortgage Market



Mortgage rates continued their upward trek in the third quarter of the year. Due to elevated inflation, the Federal Reserve raised twice its short-term interest rates by 75 basis points each time. While both rising inflation and higher interest rates typically move up mortgage rates, the 30-year fixed mortgage rate surpassed the 6.5 percent threshold moving closer to 7 percent. According to the mortgage finance provider Freddie Mac, the 30-year fixed mortgage rate rose to 5.6 percent in Q3 2022 from 2.9 percent a year earlier. As long as inflation remains elevated, mortgage rates will continue to rise. NAR forecasts the 30-year fixed mortgage rate to average 6.5 percent at the end of the year.



Geographic Coverage for this Report

The Boston area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Boston-Cambridge-Newton 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:

Essex County, Middlesex County, Norfolk County, Plymouth County, Rockingham County, Strafford County, and Suffolk County

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