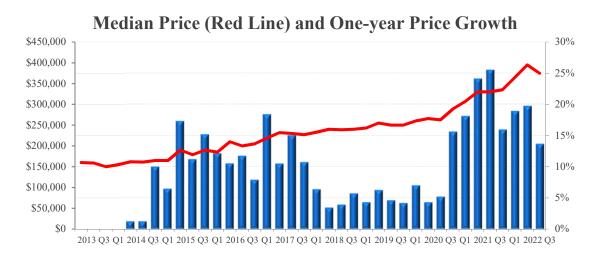


## Sebastian-Vero Beach, FL Area

#### **Local Market Report, Third Quarter 2022**

## Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Vero Beach	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2022 Q3)	\$375,000	\$391,467	Duigos and vin from a vicen and hist maior	
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2022 Q3)	13.6%	8.6%	Prices are up from a year ago, but pric growth is slowing	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2022 Q3)	50.0%	41.4%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$125,000	\$114,567	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$196,000	\$164,133	trend of positive price growth after the	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$216,000	\$184,600	recession	
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only				

	Vero Beach	U.S.		
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access to government-backed financing	
FHA Loan Limit	\$472,030	\$1,089,300		
Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio	52%	not comparable	government-backed financing	
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.				

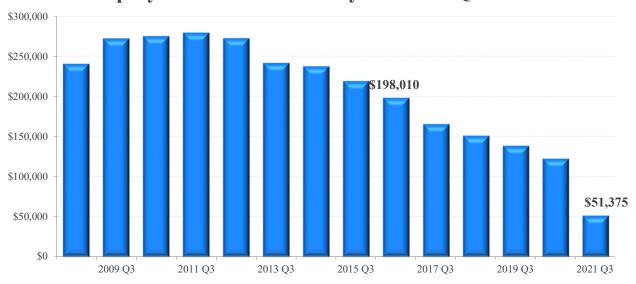
#### **Local NAR Leadership**

The Sebastian-Vero Beach, FL market is part of region 5 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. The 2022 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 5 is Eric Sain.



# **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	VeroBeach	U.S.	<b>Local Trend</b>	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$51,375	\$38,029		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$138,193	\$129,179		
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$165,326	\$160,886	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$218,843	\$193,144	growth since the recession	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$241,533	\$217,820	_	

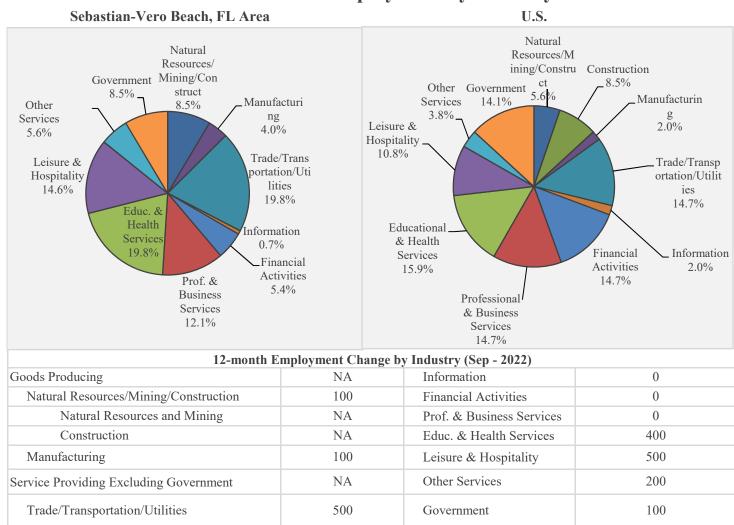
\*Note: Equity gain reflects price and principle payments since purchase, prevailing 30-year fixed rate mortgage at time of purchase and a 10% downpayment. Downpayment is not included in total equity



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

Local Economic Outlook	Vero Beach	U.S.		
12-month Job Change (Sep)	1,800	Not Comparable	Employment growth has eased, but remains	
12-month Job Change (Aug)	1,900	Not Comparable	positive	
36-month Job Change (Sep)	2,600	Not Comparable	Unemployment in Vero Beach is better that the national average and improving	
Current Unemployment Rate (Sep)	3.1%	3.5%		
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.7%	Local employment growth is poor and	
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	3.4%	4.3%	needs to improve	

#### **Share of Total Employment by Industry**

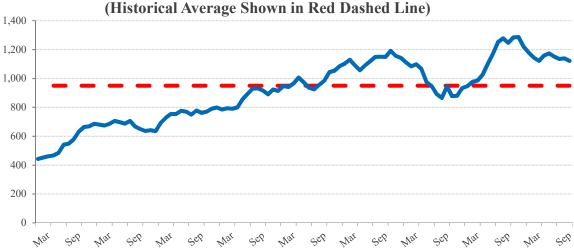


State Economic Activity Index	Florida	U.S.		
12-month change (2022 - Sep)	6.3%	4.9%	Florida's economy is stronger than the nation's, but slowed from last month's	
36-month change (2022 - Sep)	10.9%	5.2%	6.69% change	

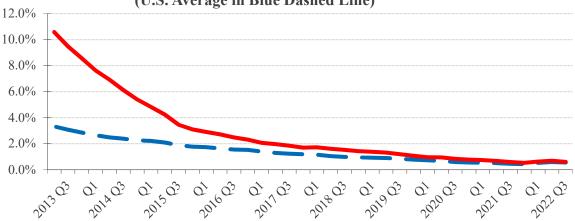


New Housing Construction						
Local Fundamentals Vero Beach U.S.						
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Sep	1,122	not comparable	The current level of construction is 18.1% above the long-term average			
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	950	not comparable	Production above trend for an extended period of time could cause prices to moderate as inventory is built up.			
Single-Family Housing Permits (Sep) 12-month sum vs. a year ago	-10.0%	-7.7%	Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.			









Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

# **Affordability**

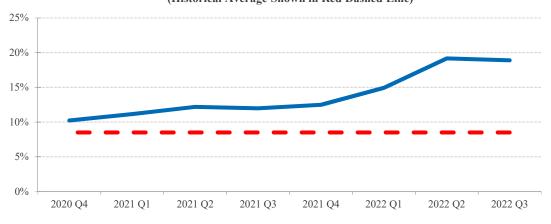


# Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



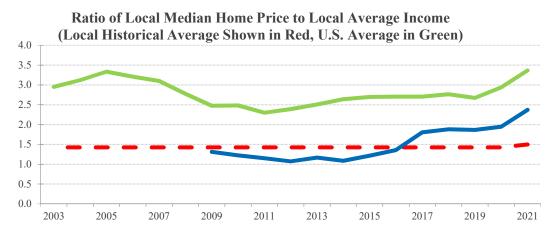
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Vero Beach	U.S.		
Ratio for 2021	11.9%	16.9%	Weak by local standards and could weight on demand	
Ratio for 2022 Q3	18.9%	24.4%		
Historical Average	8.5%	18.1%	More affordable than most markets	

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

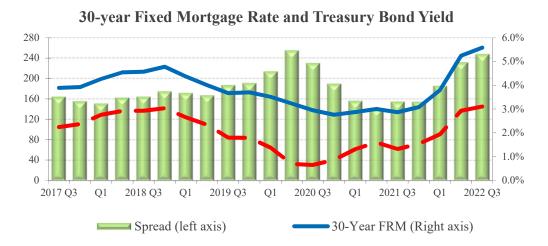


Median Home Price to Income	Vero Beach	U.S.	
Ratio for 2021	2.4	3.4	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2022 Q3	2.7	3.6	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	1.5	2.7	Affordable compared to most markets





## 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 Vero Beach area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Sebastian-Vero Beach, FL 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:

**Indian River County** 

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