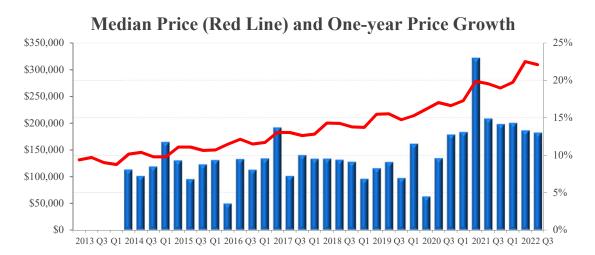


## **Grand Rapids-Wyoming Area**

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

## Today's Market...



Local Price Trends				
Price Activity	Grand Rapids	U.S.	Local Trend	
Current Median Home Price (2022 Q3)	\$309,600	\$391,467	D.: f 1 1	
1-year (4-quarter) Appreciation (2022 Q3)	13.0%	8.6%	Prices are up from a year ago, but price growth is slowing	
3-year (12-quarter) Appreciation (2022 Q3)	42.3%	41.4%		
3-year (12-quarter) Housing Equity Gain*	\$92,000	\$114,567	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the	
7-year (28 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$154,200	\$164,133	trend of positive price growth after th	
9-year (36 quarters) Housing Equity Gain*	\$173,900	\$184,600	recession	
*Note: Equity gain reflects price appreciation only				

	Grand Rapids	U.S.		
Conforming Loan Limit**	\$726,200	\$1,089,300	Most buyers in this market have access to	
FHA Loan Limit	\$472,030	\$1,089,300	government-backed financing	
<b>Local Median to Conforming Limit Ratio</b>	43%	not comparable	government-backed imancing	
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.				

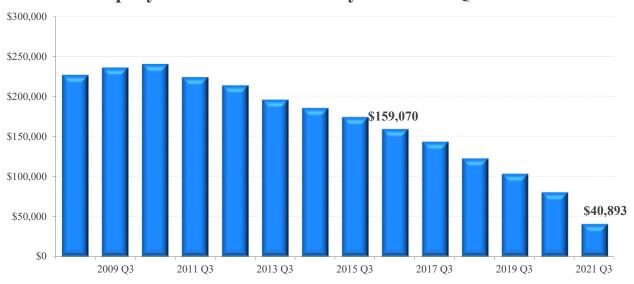
#### **Local NAR Leadership**

The Grand Rapids-Wyoming market is part of region 6 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of Ohio and Michigan. The 2022 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 6 is Gary Reggish.



# **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	GrandRapids	U.S.	<b>Local Trend</b>	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$40,893	\$38,029		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$103,483	\$129,179		
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$143,319	\$160,886	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$174,031	\$193,144	growth since the recession	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$195,692	\$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



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

Local Economic Outlook	Grand Rapids	U.S.		
12-month Job Change (Sep)	17,300	Not Comparable	Employment has held up and is on an	
12-month Job Change (Aug)	14,500	Not Comparable	upward trend	
36-month Job Change (Sep)	-800	Not Comparable	Unemployment in Grand Rapids is better than the national average and improving	
Current Unemployment Rate (Sep)	3.2%	3.5%		
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.9%	4.7%	Local employment growth is poor and	
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	3.1%	4.3%	needs to improve	

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

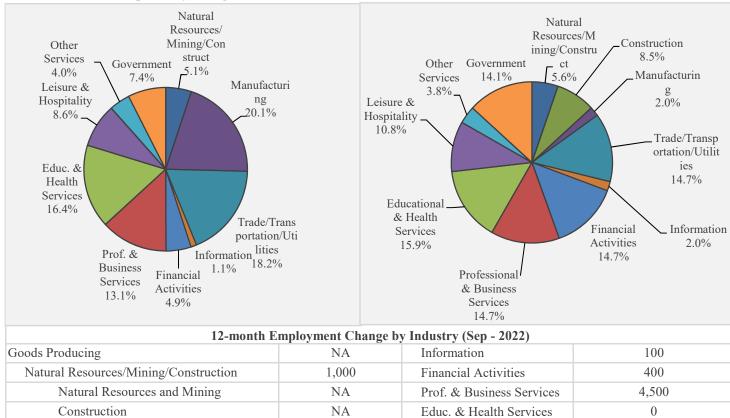
**Grand Rapids-Wyoming Area** 

Manufacturing

Service Providing Excluding Government

Trade/Transportation/Utilities

U.S.



State Economic Activity Index	Michigan	U.S.	
12-month change (2022 - Sep)	6.2%	4.9%	Michigan's economy is stronger than the nation's, but slowed from last month's
36-month change (2022 - Sep)	2.0%	5.2%	6.89% change

Leisure & Hospitality

Other Services

Government

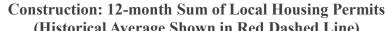
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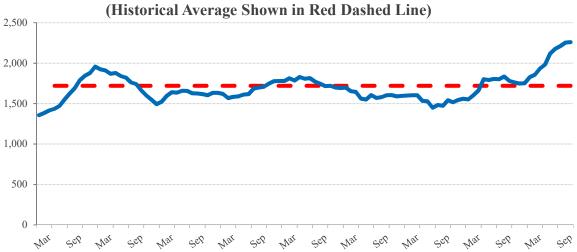
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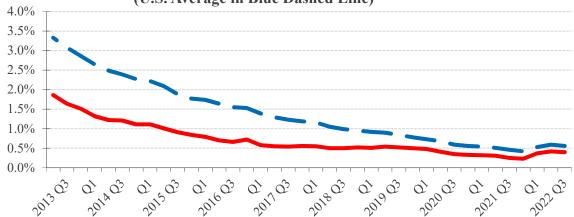


New Housing Construction				
Local Fundamentals	<b>Grand Rapids</b>	U.S.		
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Sep	2,260	not comparable	The current level of construction is 31.4% above the long-term average	
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	1,719	not comparable	Production 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	26.8%	-7.7%	Construction is on the rise relative to last year, suggesting that the local inventory has stabilized	







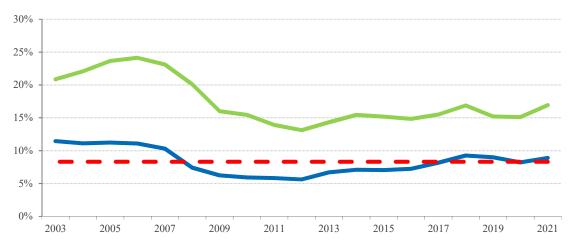


Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

# **Affordability**

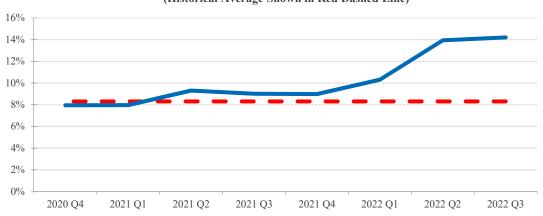


# Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



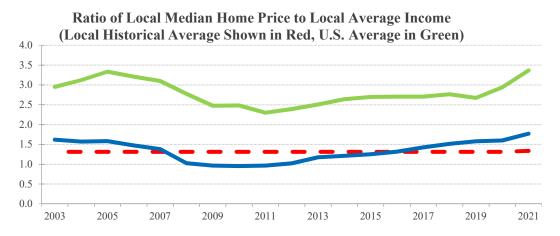
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Grand Rapids	U.S.		
Ratio for 2021	8.9%	16.9%	Weak by local standards and could weight on demand	
Ratio for 2022 Q3	14.2%	24.4%		
Historical Average	8.3%	18.1%	More affordable than most markets	

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

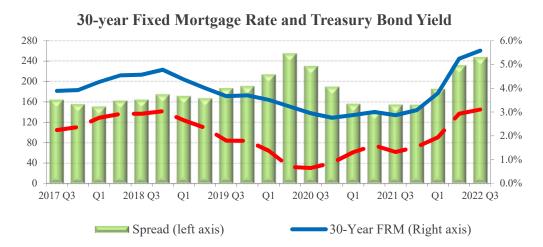


Median Home Price to Income	Grand Rapids	U.S.	
Ratio for 2021	1.8	3.4	The price-to-income ratio is high by historic
Ratio for 2022 Q3	2.1	3.6	standards and getting worse
Historical Average	1.3	2.7	Affordable compared to most markets





## 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 Grand Rapids area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Grand Rapids-Wyoming 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:

Barry County, Kent County, Montcalm County, and Ottawa County

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