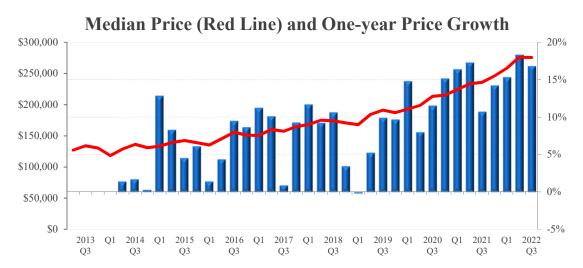


## **Spartanburg Area**

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

## Today's Market...



	ends		
Spartanburg	U.S.	Local Trend	
\$275,600	\$391,467	D.: 1t:	
16.8%	8.6%	Prices are up from a year ago, but pric growth is slowing	
44.1%	41.4%	growth is slowing	
\$84,400	\$114,567	Gains in the last 3 years have extended the	
\$133,200	\$164,133	trend of positive price growth after the	
\$141,700	\$184,600	recession	
	\$275,600 16.8% 44.1% \$84,400 \$133,200	\$275,600 \$391,467 16.8% 8.6% 44.1% 41.4% \$84,400 \$114,567 \$133,200 \$164,133	

	Spartanburg	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>	38%	not comparable	government-backed imancing	
Note: limits are current and include the changes made on January 1st 2023.				

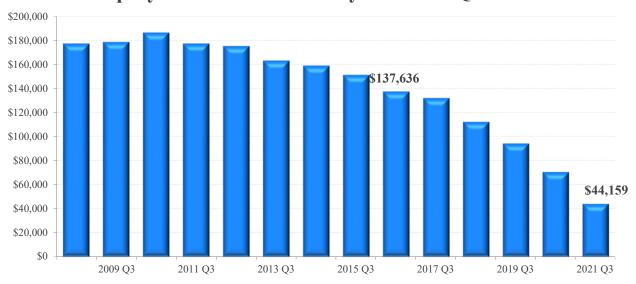
#### **Local NAR Leadership**

The Spartanburg market is part of region 4 in the NAR governance system, which includes all of North Carolina, South Carolina, Kentucky, and Tennessee. The 2022 NAR Regional Vice President representing region 4 is Amy Hedgecock.



# **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	Spartanburg	U.S.	<b>Local Trend</b>	
1-year (4-quarter)	\$44,159	\$38,029		
3-year (12-quarter)*	\$94,490	\$129,179		
5-year (20-quarter)*	\$132,201	\$160,886	Price appreciation and principle payments in the last 3 years have boosted total equity	
7-year (28 quarters)*	\$151,372	\$193,144	growth since the recession	
9-year (36 quarters)*	\$163,203	\$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



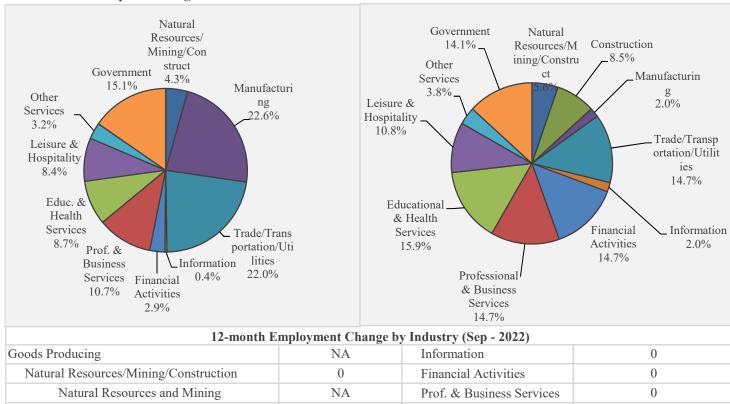
## **Drivers of Local Supply and Demand...**

Local Economic Outlook	Spartanburg	U.S.	
12-month Job Change (Sep)	6,900	Not Comparable	Employment has held up and is on an
12-month Job Change (Aug)	5,400	Not Comparable	upward trend
36-month Job Change (Sep)	3,400	Not Comparable	Unemployment in Spartanburg is better
Current Unemployment Rate (Sep)	3.0%	3.5%	than the national average and improving
Year-ago Unemployment Rate	3.5%	4.7%	Local employment growth is poor and
1-year (12 month) Job Growth Rate	4.2%	4.3%	needs to improve

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

**Spartanburg Area** 

U.S.

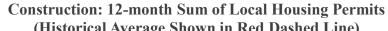


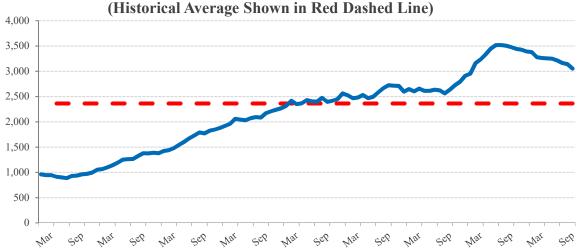
Goods Producing	NA	Information	0
Natural Resources/Mining/Construction	0	Financial Activities	0
Natural Resources and Mining	NA	Prof. & Business Services	0
Construction	NA	Educ. & Health Services	0
Manufacturing	2,100	Leisure & Hospitality	700
Service Providing Excluding Government	NA	Other Services	400
Trade/Transportation/Utilities	1,300	Government	900

State Economic Activity Index	South Carolina	U.S.	
12-month change (2022 - Sep)	4.8%	4.9%	South Carolina's economy is growing, but decelerated from last month's 5.05% change
36-month change (2022 - Sep)	6.2%	5.2%	and lags the rest of the nation

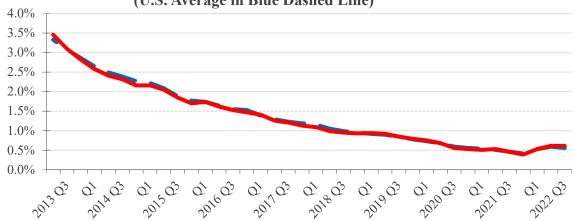


New Housing Construction					
Local Fundamentals Spartanburg U.S.					
12-month Sum of 1-unit Building Permits through Sep	3,053	not comparable	The current level of construction is 29.3% above the long-term average		
8-year average for 12-month Sum of 1-Unit Building Permits	2,361	not comparable	Production 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	-12.2%	-7.7%	Construction is down from last year, but appears to have bottomed.		









Source: Mortgage Bankers' Association

## **Affordability**

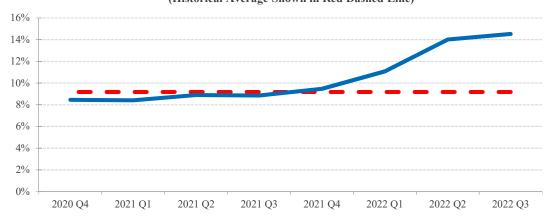


## Long-Term Trend: Ratio of Local Mortgage Servicing Cost to Income (Local Historical Average Shown in Red, U.S. Average in Green)



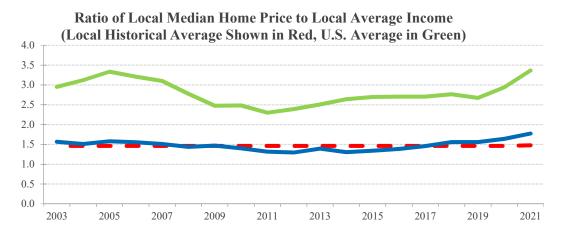
Monthly Mortgage Payment to Income	Spartanburg	U.S.		
Ratio for 2021	8.9%	16.9%	Weak by local standards and could weigh	
Ratio for 2022 Q3	14.5%	24.4%	on demand	
Historical Average	9.2%	18.1%	More affordable than most markets	

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



Median Home Price to Income	Spartanburg	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	1.5	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 Spartanburg area referred to in this report covers the geographic area of the Spartanburg 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:

Spartanburg County and Union County

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