## Queens Market Report

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Queens like most of New York City and the surrounding markets is seeing less inventory in Q1 of 2021. Sales were down $9.9 \%$ year-over-year and $17 \%$ quarter-over-quarter, despite the impressive rebound last quarter amid the pandemic.

However, this aesthetically beautiful borough known for a diverse mix of housing stock from townhouse to coops to waterfront condos continues to be a sought-after area for buyers from all walks of life regardless of price point.

Record-breaking prices are proof of Queens' desirability. In Q1, prices continued their persistent upward trend, with the average price climbing $4.6 \%$ year-over-year, and the median price up 7.5\%.

Another contributing factor to higher prices is the increased market share of condo sales, condos again were $15 \%$ of sales, the highest for any first quarter since 2014. While up only $0.4 \%$ in sales year-over-year, the growth in condo popularity is evident with a more than $10 \%$ increase in sales from the first quarter of 2019, this is a testament to solid buyer demand for this product.

Townhouses which account for most of the market share for Southwestern and Southeastern Queens saw the highest decline in sales falling 15.5\% year-over-year, though the high demand continues to see their prices rise.

Certain areas of the borough were especially noteworthy. The most expensive submarket was

Northwestern Queens, it is also the only submarket to see sales growth, climbing 24.3\% year-over-year and $42 \%$ quarter-over-quarter. While at a lower price point, Northeastern Queens captured the most sales with $31.7 \%$ of the market, mostly being coop sales. The beachlined Rockaways maintained to be a very tight market with low inventory but the median price there climbed $22.8 \%$ year-overyear.

Overall, Queens continues to offer a vast selection of inventory and an array of vibrant and quaint neighborhoods that continue to lure in buyers looking for a place to call home. We can only expect this trend to continue in Q2 as demand in Queens continues to be ever upward.
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Neighborhood Map

Prices continued upward, while sales saw mixed behavior across the borough.

## \$691,599

Average
Sales Price

## \$645,000

Median
Sales Price
\$762,497
Average
Condo Price
\$357,000
Average
Co-op Price
\$641
Average Price Per Square Foot

125
Average Days on the Market
5.9\%

Average Discount

20\%
of Properties Took More Than 180 Days to Enter Contract

## Methodology

## Geography covered in this report is Queens.

Inventory is calculated based on all properties actively listed during the quarter at the time the report is prepared.

Contract Signed figures for the current quarter are based on publicly reported transactions at the time the report is prepared. The signed price reflects the latest available asking price.

Recorded Sales figures for the quarter are based on known closings recorded at the time the report is prepared.

Median Price is the middle price of a given dataset.
Average Price is the sum of all prices divided by the total number of properties.

Months of Supply is an estimated time it would take to sell all current active listings based on the trailing 12 -month sales rate.

Time on Market is calculated by how many properties entered contract during the quarter in the given period.

Discount is the percentage difference between the initial list and recorded sale price.

Current Quarter is reflective of the initial day of the quarter until the 20th day of the quarter's closing month. These numbers will be updated in subsequent reports to reflect the dataset of the entire quarter.

## Quarters

Q1: January 1 - March 31
Q2: April 1 - June 30
Q3: July 1 - September 30
Q4: October 1- December 31

## Recorded Sales

BY PROPERTY TYPE

- Sales were down $9.9 \%$ year-over-year and $17 \%$ quarter-over-quarter, despite the impressive rebound last quarter amid the pandemic
- Prices continued their persistent upward trend, with the average price climbing $4.6 \%$ year-over-year, and the median price up $7.5 \%$
- The average price per square foot also increased, jumping $11.6 \%$ to \$641/SF, the highest on record for the borough
- Average square footage saw its lowest first quarter value since 2017 which helped drive the decline in affordability
- Condos again were $15 \%$ of sales, the highest for any first quarter since 2014
- While up only $0.4 \%$ in sales year-over-year, the growth in condo popularity is evident with a more than $10 \%$ increase in sales from first quarter of 2019
- House sales saw the highest decline in sales despite being the most affordable, falling $15.5 \%$ year-over-year, though their prices continued to rise
- Co-ops saw slight declines in price and saw their lowest average price per square foot since fourth quarter of 2018

Q1 2021 Recorded Sales

|  | \% Units | Average Discount | Median Price | YoY | 2020 | Average Price | YoY | 2020 | Average PPSF | YoY | 2020 | Average SF | YoY | 2020 |
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| CONDO | 15\% | 5\% | \$656,386 | 5\% | \$625,329 | \$762,497 | 10\% | \$695,651 | \$1,059 | 7\% | \$990 | 833 | -2\% | 849 |
| CO-OP | 27\% | 5\% | \$320,000 | 0\% | \$320,000 | \$357,000 | -1\% | \$359,939 | \$433 | -2\% | \$440 | 1,287 | 43\% | 900 |
| HOUSE | 58\% | 7\% | \$778,000 | 8\% | \$720,000 | \$826,646 | 7\% | \$771,884 | \$453 | 6\% | \$427 | 2,286 | -2\% | 2,338 |

## Recorded Sales

BY PRICE POINT

- Northwestern Queens saw its second highest market share on record at $12.9 \%$, and commanded the highest average price of any submarket, a result of many new development sales in the area
- Northeastern Queens captured the most sales with $31.7 \%$ of the market, and the most significant decline in median price, falling $10.2 \%$ year-over-year
- The average price per square foot climbed to $\$ 421$ in Southwestern Queens, up nearly $14 \%$ year-over-year
- Northwestern Queens was the only submarket to see sales growth, climbing 24.3\% year-over-year and $42 \%$ quarter-over-quarter to its highest level since first quarter 2018, half of which were condos
- Market share in The Rockaways was the lowest of any submarket, but the median price climbed 22.8\% year-over-year


## Q1 2021 Percentage of Units



## Q1 2021 Average PPSF



Q1 2021 Average Size


## Recorded Sales




Q1 2021 Condo Inventory


Q1 2021 Co-op Inventory


Q1 2021 House Inventory


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