Third Quarter 2020 Residential Market Report

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# Message *from* Bess Freedman CEO of **Brown Harris Stevens**

Just like last quarter, I must warn you that much of the data in this report can be confusing. Most readers will expect to see a sharp decline in the average price over the past year, due to the impact of COVID-19. However, the average price actually rose sharply from the third quarter of 2019.

How could the average apartment price be higher than a year ago? There are three reasons:

- The third quarter of 2019 was a very weak one for high-end closings. On July 1 of last year, both mansion and transfer taxes were increased, with mansion taxes rising as much as 290%. To avoid paying these higher rates, buyers and sellers rushed to close before the end of June. This led to a record-setting average price in the second quarter, followed in 3Q19 by the lowest average apartment price in five years.
- 2. Just under half the closings in 3Q20 had their contracts signed before the COVID-19 lockdown took effect. Not surprisingly, the difference between those sales and ones negotiated post-lockdown are dramatic.

Contract Signed Date	Average Price	Median Price	% of Last Asking Price	% of Original Price
Pre-Lockdown	\$3,398,651	\$1,500,000	95.9%	92.0%
Post-Lockdown	\$1,787,271	\$1,100,000	93.8%	89.7%

3. The impact of 220 Central Park South: This luxury development had 16 closings in the third quarter, which sold for an average price of just over \$37 million. All these closings had their contracts signed before the lockdowns took effect. If we remove those sales from the overall average price, it falls by almost \$500,000 to \$1,809,214.

The lag between when contracts are signed and sales close will always make these reports a bit dated. Add in a pandemic that shuts the market down for several months, and the disconnect between closing prices and the current market widens greatly. These reports will not show the true impact of COVID-19 until an overwhelming majority of the closings included in them are ones that were negotiated after our economy shut down.

Please keep these factors in mind when you view this report.



# Q3 2020 Manhattan All Cooperatives and Condominiums\*

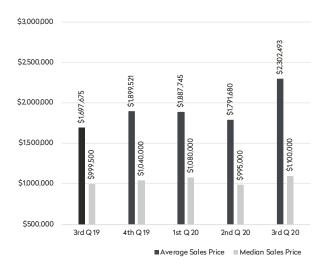
## Average and Median Sales Price

A weak third quarter of 2019, the fact that almost half the sales were negotiated before the virus lockdowns, and the large number of closings at 220 Central Park South combined to push the average apartment price higher over the past year to \$2,302,493. If we just look at closings that had contracts signed after March 22, the average price falls to \$1,787,271, a figure lower than the prior three quarters.

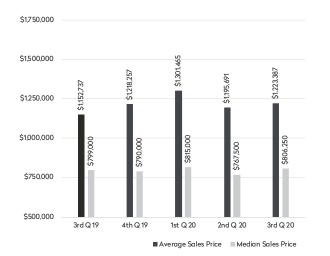
Not surprisingly, the 220 CPS sales, which sold for an average of \$37 million, had a big impact on the overall condominium average price. Removing them, would lower the average price from \$3,649,250, to \$2,564,120.

Please see Bess Freedman's message on page 2 for a more complete analysis of the impact these factors had on thirdquarter data. The best indicator of COVID-19's impact on the market is the 54% decline in closings compared to a year ago, bringing them to their lowest level on record.

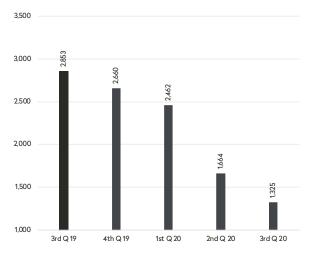
### Average and Median Sales Price



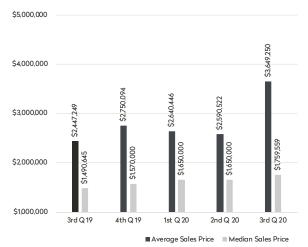
Cooperative Average and Median Sales Price



# Number of Closings



# Condominium Average and Median Sales Price

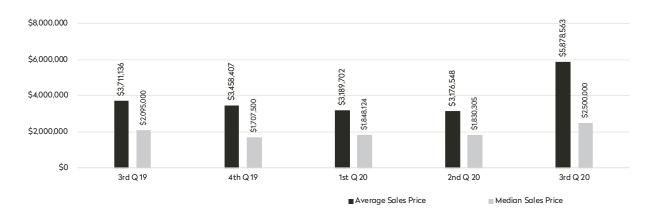


\* Includes new development and resale apartments. 3Q20 data is preliminary and subject to revision in future reports. Data from the prior four quarters has been revised to include sales recorded after our initial reports were released.

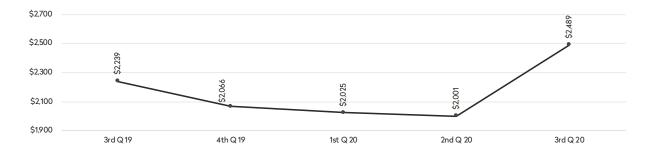
# Q3 2020 Manhattan New Developments

# Average and Median Sales Price

The average new development price hit a record \$5,878,563 in the third quarter, solely due to 220 CPS closings. Ten of the 16 closings there were for at least \$30 million, including one for just under \$100 million. Also impacting this figure was that two-thirds of the new development closings had their contract signed before March 22. There was over a \$5 million difference in the average new development closing price for contracts signed pre-lockdown (\$7,883,383), and post-lockdown (\$2,758,568).



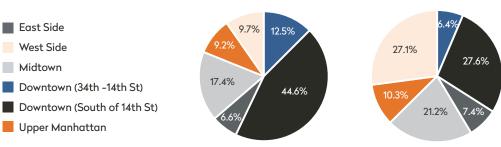
Average Price Per Square Foot





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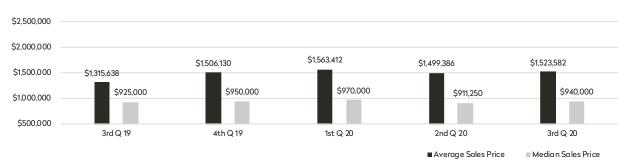
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# Q3 2020 Manhattan Resale Cooperatives and Condominiums

## Average and Median Sales Price

The only reason the average resale price is up compared to a year ago was the weak performance of the luxury market in 3Q19. At just \$1,315,638, the average resale price during 2019's third quarter was the lowest since the third quarter of 2013.



# Cooperative Average Sales Price

While the average co-op resale price was 6% higher than a year ago, there is a significant difference when we look at when contracts for these sales were signed. For contracts signed pre-lockdown, the average price was \$1,479,347, compared to just \$1,195,044 for post-lockdown contracts.

	Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom	All
3rd Q 19	\$446,695	\$755,982	\$1,349,361	\$2,854,255	\$1,163,953
4th Q 19	\$478,677	\$739,066	\$1,333,631	\$3,160,721	\$1,244,823
1st Q 20	\$476,892	\$744,324	\$1,429,176	\$3,096,497	\$1,318,730
2nd Q 20	\$464,512	\$705,320	\$1,347,848	\$3,143,471	\$1,211,581
3rd Q 20	\$469,453	\$724,578	\$1,403,251	\$2,937,237	\$1,233,912

### Condominium Average Sales Price

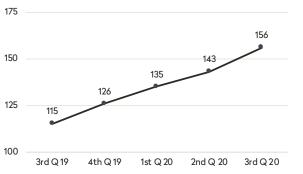
The lack of luxury condo activity a year ago, is the reason why the average condo resale price is up sharply from 2019's third quarter. Except for a small gain in studio prices, the increase in the overall average price is attributable to three-bedroom and larger apartments.

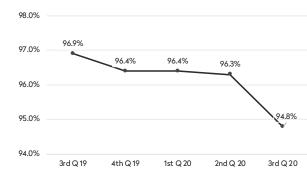
	Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom	All
3rd Q 19	\$692,148	\$1,076,499	\$1,851,516	\$3,659,355	\$1,614,685
4th Q 19	\$676,193	\$1,031,944	\$1,902,833	\$4,744,388	\$2,011,421
1st Q 20	\$640,074	\$1,011,610	\$1,996,377	\$4,909,390	\$2,041,771
2nd Q 20	\$619,096	\$1,082,686	\$1,782,794	\$5,052,636	\$2,054,747
3rd Q 20	\$704,514	\$1,013,654	\$1,839,796	\$4,773,044	\$2,064,829

# Q3 2020 Manhattan Resale Cooperatives and Condominiums

Since in-person real estate showings were not allowed from March 22 to June 21, any days-on-market comparisons to prior quarters would not be legitimate. Sellers gave their biggest discounts in over a decade, receiving an average of 94.8% of their last asking price.

# Average Days on the Market

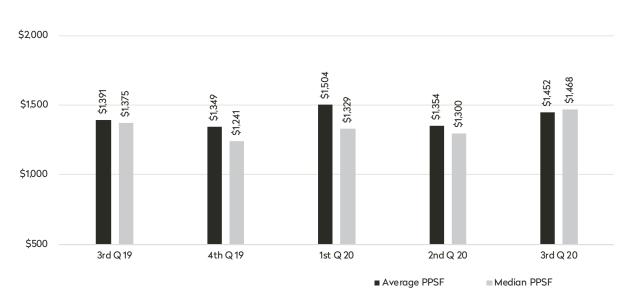




Selling vs. Last Asking Price

#### Lofts

Resale loft prices averaged \$1,452 per square foot, a 4% improvement from 2019's third quarter.



#### Average and Median Sales Price Per Square Foot

# Q3 2020 Percentage of Resales in Manhattan



Generally north of 96th Street on the East Side, 110th Street on the West Side *pages 18-19* 

#### West Side

**East Side** 

Generally 59th Street to 110th Street, Hudson River to west of Fifth Ave. *pages 10-11* 



Generally 59th Street to 96th Street, Fifth Ave. to the East River *pages 8-9* 



### Midtown

34th Street to 59th Street, East River to the Hudson River *pages 12-13* 



34th Street to 14th Street pages 14-15



# Downtown

South of 14th Street pages 16-17

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# **Resale Apartments**

Generally 59th St. to 96th St., Fifth Ave. to the East River

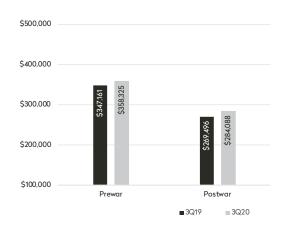
The median resale price fell for both studio and three-bedroom and larger apartments compared to a year ago, while one- and twobedroom prices were little changed.



		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	3Q19	11%	37%	34%	18%
	3Q20	10%	27%	37%	26%
Median Price	3Q19	\$440,000	\$749,000	\$1,392,500	\$2,650,000
	3Q20	\$405,000	\$750,000	\$1,405,000	\$2,600,000
	% Change	-8%	0%	1%	-2%

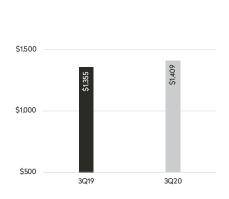
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Average price per room



### Condominium

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# **Resale Apartments**

Generally 59th St. to 110th St., Hudson River to West of Fifth Ave.



The average condo price per square foot fell  $3^{\circ}$  over the past year to \$1,477.

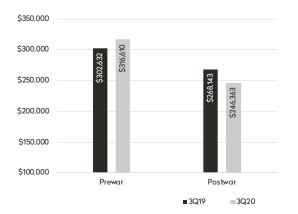
Co-op prices were mixed compared to 2019's third quarter.



		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent	3Q19	15%	35%	34%	16%
of Sales	3Q20	17%	35%	28%	20%
Median Price	3Q19	\$489,000	\$775,000	\$1,487,000	\$2,499,750
	3Q20	\$575,000	\$738,250	\$1,542,500	\$2,725,000
	% Change	18%	-5%	4%	9%

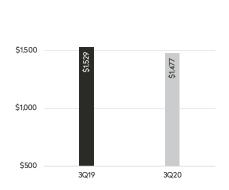
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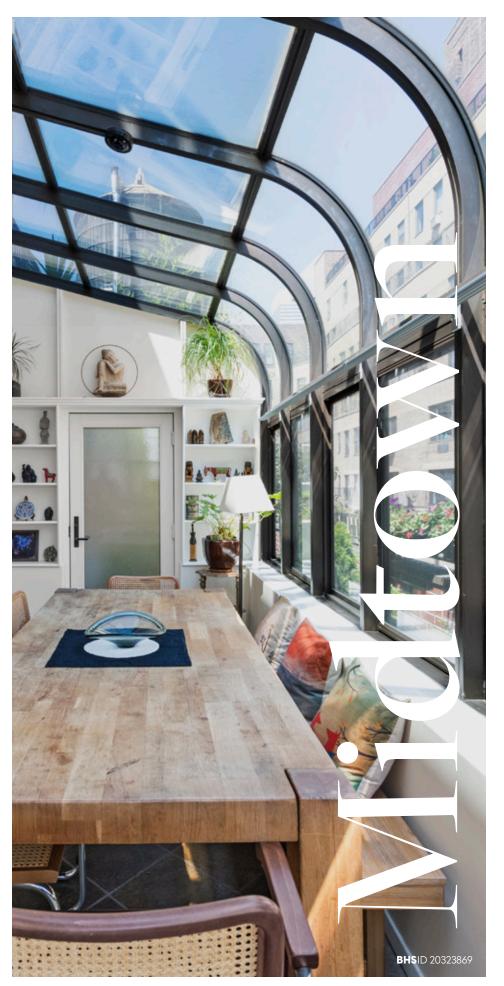
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# **Resale Apartments**

34th St to 59th St, East River to the Hudson River

The median resale price was lOWCl than a year ago for all sizes of apartments, except three-bedroom and larger units.

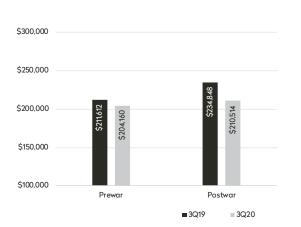




		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	3Q19	24%	44%	25%	7%
	3Q20	20%	43%	30%	7%
Median Price	3Q19	\$445,000	\$760,000	\$1,250,000	\$2,270,000
	3Q20	\$405,000	\$711,000	\$1,132,500	\$2,480,000
	% Change	-9%	-6%	-9%	9%

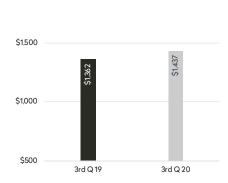
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Average price per room



# Condominium

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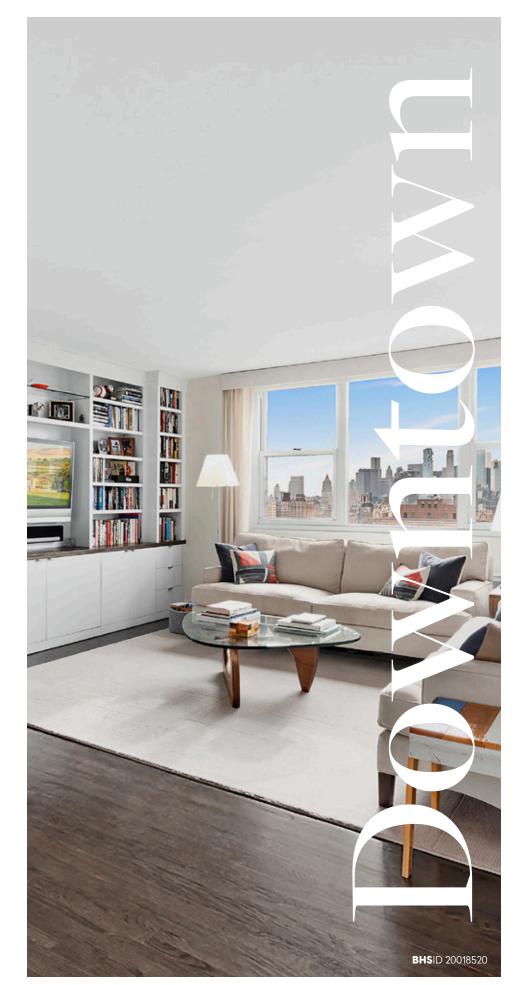


# **Resale Apartments**

34th St. to 14th St.

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in the median price for three-bedroom and larger apartments, as the 3Q20 figure is based on only a handful of sales.

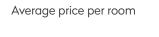


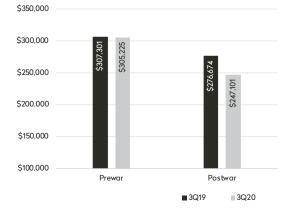
#### Q3 2020 Downtown **Resale Apartments** 34th St. to 14th St.



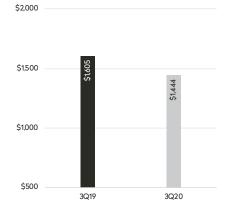
		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	3Q19	23%	46%	24%	7%
	3Q20	28%	37%	31%	4%
Median Price	3Q19	\$492,000	\$850,000	\$1,725,000	\$3,100,000
	3Q20	\$586,500	\$785,000	\$1,550,000	\$4,765,000
	% Change	19%	-8%	-10%	54%

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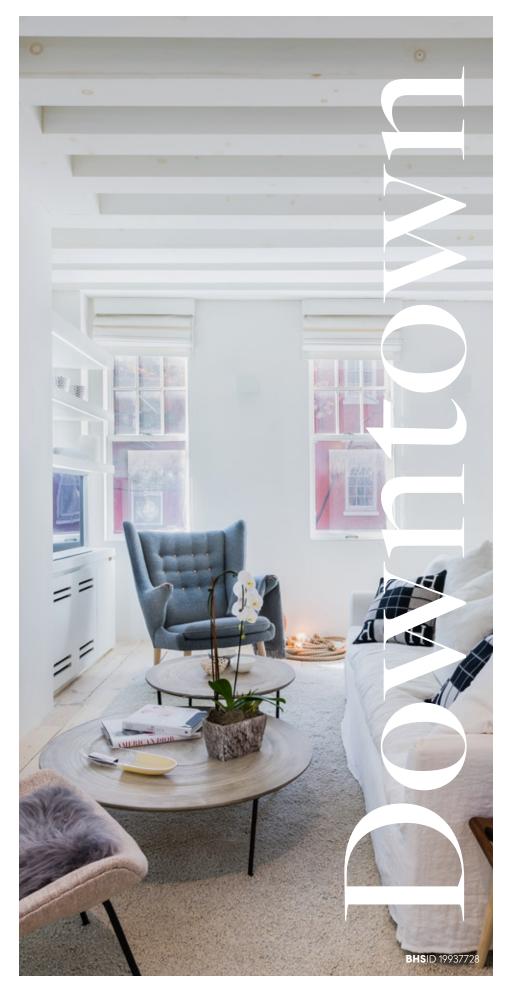


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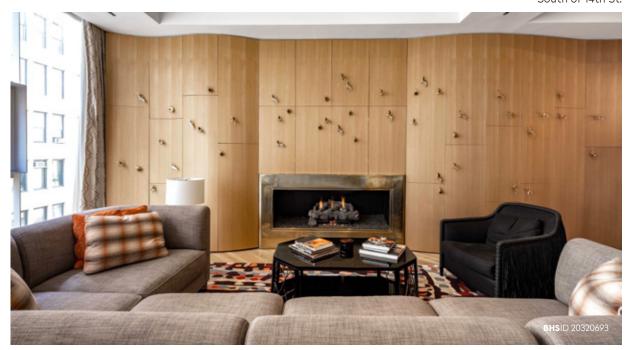
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South of 14th St.



Both co-op and condo prices fell compared to the third quarter of 2019.

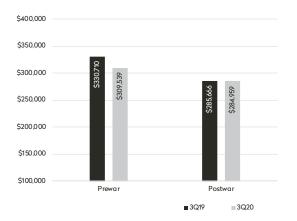
Q3 2020 Downtown **Resale Apartments** South of 14th St.



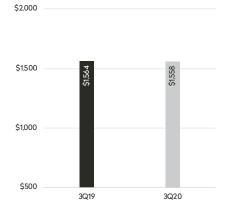
		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	3Q19	17%	50%	26%	7%
	3Q20	13%	45%	28%	14%
Median Price	3Q19	\$540,000	\$950,000	\$1,568,750	\$3,292,500
	3Q20	\$545,000	\$850,000	\$1,647,500	\$3,400,000
	% Change	1%	-11%	5%	3%

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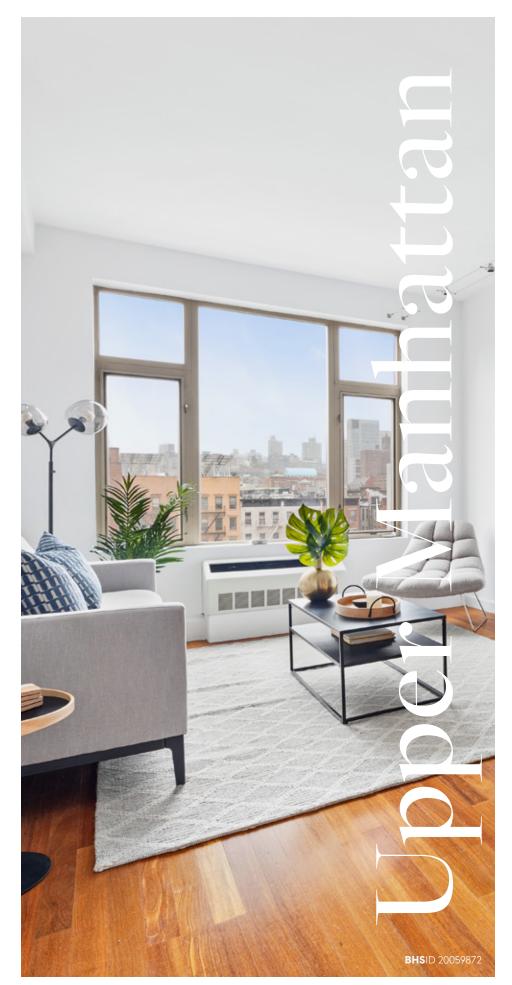


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# **Resale Apartments**

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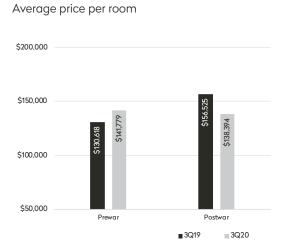


Condo prices averaged 6%less per square foot than during the third quarter of 2019.

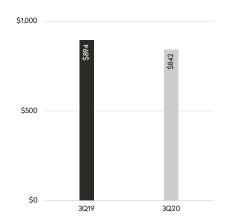


		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	3Q19	7%	35%	41%	17%
	3Q20	9%	31%	43%	17%
Median Price	3Q19	\$327,500	\$446,900	\$710,000	\$873,500
	3Q20	\$350,000	\$378,500	\$719,000	\$787,500
	% Change	7%	-15%	1%	-10%

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# Condominium



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