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Manhattan
Residential Market Report
Fourth Quarter 2012


## Manhattan Cooperatives and Condominiums

A sharp increase in bigh-end sales brought both the average and median apartment price bigher than during 2011's fourth quarter. The average price rose $7 \%$ during this time
to $\$ 1,486,692$, while the median price of $\$ 836,000$ was $6 \%$ bigher than a year ago. The number of sales over $\$ 10$ million rose $44 \%$, from 16 a year ago to 23. Pending tax law changes were a major factor in this rise, which also belped bring the total number of sales $40 \%$ bigher than in the fourth quarter of 2011.

All size categories of co-ops posted a bigher average price compared to a year ago, led by a $34 \%$ jump in three-bedroom and larger units. Overall, the average co-op price of \$1,285,426 was
$12 \%$ bigher than during the fourth quarter of 2011.

Average and Median Sale Price


Average Sale Price $\square$ Median Sale Price $\square$

Cooperative Average Sale Price

|  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom | All |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 4th Q 12 | $\$ 345,690$ | $\$ 585,278$ | $\$ 1,289,671$ | $\$ 4,973,107$ | $\$ 1,285,426$ |
| 3rd Q 12 | $\$ 349,192$ | $\$ 581,590$ | $\$ 1,207,211$ | $\$ 2,859,261$ | $\$ 1,104,049$ |
| 2nd Q 12 | $\$ 338,668$ | $\$ 588,384$ | $\$ 1,240,527$ | $\$ 4,209,944$ | $\$ 1,197,949$ |
| 1st Q 12 | $\$ 339,032$ | $\$ 570,529$ | $\$ 1,227,465$ | $\$ 3,707,569$ | $\$ 1,181,715$ |
| 4th Q 11 | $\$ 329,760$ | $\$ 570,762$ | $\$ 1,214,570$ | $\$ 3,718,129$ | $\$ 1,149,203$ |

Condominium Average Sale Price

|  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom | All |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 4th Q 12 | $\$ 538,415$ | $\$ 880,573$ | $\$ 1,858,917$ | $\$ 3,947,589$ | $\$ 1,806,329$ |
| 3rd Q 12 | $\$ 532,679$ | $\$ 944,014$ | $\$ 1,670,064$ | $\$ 3,814,993$ | $\$ 1,752,994$ |
| 2nd Q 12 | $\$ 515,998$ | $\$ 862,740$ | $\$ 1,680,675$ | $\$ 4,436,286$ | $\$ 1,811,957$ |
| 1st Q 12 | $\$ 552,678$ | $\$ 867,488$ | $\$ 1,886,413$ | $\$ 4,645,519$ | $\$ 1,889,560$ |
| 4th Q 11 | $\$ 536,109$ | $\$ 852,364$ | $\$ 1,666,186$ | $\$ 4,187,336$ | $\$ 1,825,728$ |

## Average Price Per Square Foot

New Developments


Time on the Market


Excludes new developments and units listed over one year.

## Lofts

| $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 4 0 0}$ | $\$ 1,154$ | $\$ 1,112$ | $\$ 1,176$ | $\$ 1,185$ | $\$ 1,248$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |



Asking Vs. Selling Price


Based on the last asking price. Excludes new developments.

Apartments in new developments sold for an average of $\$ 1,244$ per square foot in the fourth quarter, $3 \%$ more than a year ago. The average price per square foot for loft apartments of \$1,248 was $8 \%$ higher than in the fourth quarter of 2011.

Units that closed in the fourth quarter spent an average of 114 days on the market, 7\% less time than a year ago. Sellers received 96.3\% of their last asking price, up from 95.4\% during the same period last year.

## East Side

Generally 59th to 96th Street, Fifth Avenue to the East River

All size categories of apartments on the East Side had a bigher average price in the fourth quarter than a year ago, led by a 20\% increase for threebedroom and larger units. This was helped by a sharp increase in bigh-end co-op sales, which included a record-breaking \$54 million closing. Condo prices also increased over the past year, with their average price per square foot $7 \%$ bigher than in 2011's fourth quarter.

|  |  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent of | 4th Q 11 | $13 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Sales | 4th Q 12 | $12 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Average | 4th Q 11 | $\$ 311,343$ | $\$ 634,256$ | $\$ 1,520,263$ | $\$ 5,105,215$ |
| Price | 4th Q 12 | $\$ 336,997$ | $\$ 653,978$ | $\$ 1,645,728$ | $\$ 6,114,620$ |
|  | \% Change | $8 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $20 \%$ |

## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


## Condominium

Average Price Per Square Foot

| $\$ 1,400$ | \$1,308 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1,200$ |  |
| $\$ 1,000$ |  |
| $\$ 800$ |  |
| $\$ 600$ |  |
| $\$ 400$ |  |
| $\$ 0$ |  |

## West Side

Generally 59th to 110th Street, Hudson River to West of Fifth Avenue

Prices were mixed on the West Side over the past year. The average price rose for one-bedroom and three-bedroom and larger units, but declined for studio and two-bedroom apartments. While the average price per square foot for condos fell 5\%, this is primarily due to a large number of closings at the Laureate inflating last year's figure.

|  |  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent of <br> Sales | 4th Q 11 | $13 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
|  | 4th Q 12 | $13 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Average | 4th Q 11 | $\$ 411,512$ | $\$ 699,714$ | $\$ 1,569,504$ | $\$ 4,276,677$ |
| Price | 4th Q 12 | $\$ 399,705$ | $\$ 716,550$ | $\$ 1,532,638$ | $\$ 4,453,573$ |
|  | \% Change | $-3 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $-2 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


## Condominium

Average Price Per Square Foot

|  | \$1,571 | \$1,496 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$1,600 |  |  |
| \$1,400 |  |  |
| \$1,200 |  |  |
| \$800 |  |  |
| \$600 |  |  |
| \$400 |  |  |
| \$200 |  |  |
| \$0 |  |  |
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## Midtown

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## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room
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Condominium
Average Price Per Square Foot


The Midtown East market saw an increase in both co-op and condo prices compared to the fourth quarter of 2011.

Midtown West co-op prices were mixed, with the average price per room falling for prewar but rising for postwar units. The average condo price per square foot rose $10 \%$ from a year ago in the Midtown West market.


## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


## Condominium

Average Price Per Square Foot


## Downtown

South of 34th Street

Downtown saw the average price rise over the past year for all size categories, led by a $13 \%$ gain in two-bedroom apartments. The average price per room for co-ops in this market rose $7 \%$ over the past year for prewar and 9\% for postwar units. Condo prices were up slighty, at an average of $\$ 1,258$ per square foot.

|  |  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent of <br> Sales | 4th Q 11 | $22 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
|  | 4th Q 12 | $19 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| Average | 4th Q 11 | $\$ 426,648$ | $\$ 751,221$ | $\$ 1,392,953$ | $\$ 3,496,106$ |
| Price | 4th Q 12 | $\$ 457,787$ | $\$ 758,824$ | $\$ 1,574,381$ | $\$ 3,625,823$ |
|  | \% Change | $7 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


## Condominium

Average Price Per Square Foot

| $\$ 1,400$ | \$1,257 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1,300$ |  |
| $\$ 1,200$ |  |
| $\$ 1,100$ |  |
| $\$ 1,000$ |  |
| $\$ 900$ |  |
| $\$ 800$ |  |

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## Northern Manhattan

Generally North of 96th Street on the East Side, and 110th Street on the West Side

The average price fell for studio and one-bedroom apartments in Northern Manhattan over the past year. It's worth noting that the relatively small number of studio sales in this market can lead to large fluctuations in price from quarter-to-quarter. The average price for twobedroom and three-bedroom and larger units rose sharply compared to 2011's fourth quarter, helped by closings at 1280 and 1485 Fifth Avenue.

|  |  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent of | 4th Q 11 | $8 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| Sales | 4th Q 12 | $6 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| Average | 4th Q 11 | $\$ 300,884$ | $\$ 416,231$ | $\$ 566,642$ | $\$ 784,280$ |
| Price | 4th Q 12 | $\$ 214,902$ | $\$ 334,308$ | $\$ 694,854$ | $\$ 1,059,404$ |
|  | \% Change | $-29 \%$ | $-20 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $35 \%$ |

## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


## Condominium

Average Price Per Square Foot

$4 \mathrm{Q} 11 \square 4 \mathrm{Q} 12 \square$

This report is based on 2,297 reported Manhattan apartment sales, $40 \%$ more than were reported during last year's comparable period.
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