# Sept 10 2023 LAST WEEK IN RESEARCH

## LATEST BHS MARKET REPORTS

Manhattan Weekly Contract Signed

## ECONOMIC HEADLINES

- Each of the three major stock indexes posted losses last week.
- Activity in the services sector reached its highest level since February.
- Initial claims for unemployment fell to their lowest level in seven months.
- <u>Worker productivity rose</u> to its highest level in almost three years.
- U.S. household wealth hit a record \$154 trillion in the second quarter of 2023.
- Goldman Sachs now sees just a 15% chance of a recession in the U.S.
- Shoppers are making <u>fewer big purchases these days</u>.
- Here's a good article on how revisions to economic data can cause mass confusion.
- <u>Here's why</u> the U.S. dollar is king right now.
- Oil prices are <u>up sharply since late June</u>.
- U.S. banks are holding \$3.3 trillion in cash.
- China's economic slowdown is a serious risk to the U.S. economy.
- The U.S. trade deficit remains far wider than it was before the pandemic.
- Wage gains for people switching jobs are now <u>barely higher than those who stay</u>.

### HOUSING NEWS

- Mortgage demand fell to a 27-year low, even though rates have come down.
- A recent survey by John Burns Research & Consulting found that 71% of prospective homebuyers <u>won't</u> <u>accept a mortgage rate above 5.5%</u>.
- The recent decline in home prices <u>may already be over</u>.
- Landlords are charging tenants more in fees each month.
- Apartment rents are expected to decline soon due to an influx of new supply.
- A CNBC survey found that almost 40% of Americans who don't own a home <u>say their lack of a down</u> <u>payment is a main reason</u>.

### NEW YORK UPDATE

- Mayor Adams said the migrant crisis will cause a "financial tsunami."
- To address the fiscal impact of the migrant crisis, Mayor Adams is requesting <u>5% budget cuts across the</u> <u>board by November</u>.
- The Mayor also announced last week that a migrant relief center will open in Long Island City.
- According to REBNY, Manhattan office building visitation rates in 2Q23 <u>reached their highest levels since</u> <u>the pandemic</u>.
- The Center for New York City Affairs reports that NYC's pandemic wage gains <u>occurred mostly in high-</u><u>wage industries</u>.
- NYC revealed the details of its <u>Atlantic Avenue Mixed-Use Plan</u>.

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## TOP MANHATTAN CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	58 Bank Street	Townhouse	\$23,500,000	9/6/2023
Condo	150 Charles Street	M5	\$14,995,000	8/30/2023
Condo	70 Greene Street	4	\$11,500,000	8/22/2023
Townhouse	75 Bedford Street	Townhouse	\$10,900,000	9/1/2023
Condo	425 West 50th Street	PHA	\$9,500,000	8/28/2023

# TOP BROOKLYN CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Condo	30 Front Street	24B	\$5,731,763	8/15/2023
Townhouse	153 Wyckoff Street	Townhouse	\$5,600,000	8/25/2023
Condo	129 North 3rd Street	TH10	\$3,155,000	8/31/2023
Townhouse	4009 Bedford Avenue	Townhouse	\$2,900,000	8/29/2023
Townhouse	221 Roebling Street	Townhouse	\$2,850,000	8/17/2023

# TOP QUEENS CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	32-01 Broadway	Townhouse	\$4,158,000	8/30/2023
Condo	133-27 39th Avenue	PH3B	\$2,697,427	8/14/2023
Condo	3 Court Square	PH302	\$2,316,282	8/23/2023
Townhouse	184–44 Midland Parkway	Townhouse	\$2,300,000	8/2/2023
Townhouse	149-44 14th Avenue	Townhouse	\$2,200,000	8/30/2023

# TOP BRONX CLOSINGS RECORDED LAST WEEK

ТҮРЕ	ADDRESS	UNIT	PRICE	CLOSING DATE
Townhouse	3411 Country Club Road	Townhouse	\$2,150,000	8/25/2023
Townhouse	204 West 260th Street	Townhouse	\$1,300,000	8/22/2023
Condo	4465 Douglas Avenue	10G	\$1,050,000	8/31/2023
Townhouse	4325 Ely Avenue	Townhouse	\$999,000	8/16/2023
Townhouse	1557 Lurting Avenue	Townhouse	\$993,000	8/28/2023

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