

# Houston



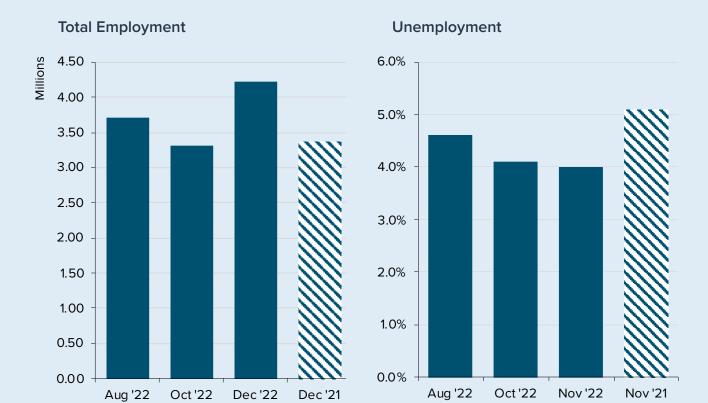
**2023** 

# Employment / Unemployment

Houston is the seventh-largest economy in the U.S. and has one of the youngest, most diverse, and fastest-growing populations in the world. Houston has a robust and diversified economy with a broad base in the industries of energy, business, technology, international trade, manufacturing, aeronautics, transportation, education, medicine, and research. The metro area should have the strongest growth in the construction, energy, government, health care, professional, services, and restaurant sectors in the first half of 2023.

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- Downturns in industries that are most susceptible to rising interest rates will be offset by the overall job growth across all sectors.
- Crude shortages and high prices, particularly in Europe due to imposed sanctions on Russia, will stimulate investment in Houston's energy sector. Increased demand will also be seen in the chemical and plastics manufacturing sectors.
- The health care industry will remain strong regardless of potential recession depth and duration, and between 6,100 to 9,100 jobs will be added in 2023.
- The latest Greater Houston Partnership Research forecast predicts a 50% likelihood that there will be a "short and shallow" recession for Houston in 2023, with growth resuming in 2023 3Q and ending with a net gain of 60,800 jobs. The long-term average job gain for the region is 65,000 to 70,000 jobs per year.
  - A 30% likelihood of a recession never transpiring was also predicted. A "Near Miss" with 70,200 total jobs gained



Metro Area Employment (Thousands)	Nov 2022	Change from Nov 2021	
		Houston	National
Total Non-farm	4234.6	6.1%	2.9%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	238.1	8.2%	3.2%
Manufacturing	306	6.3%	2.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	921.8	3.7%	1.6%
Information	87.7	3.7%	4.8%
Financial Activities	372.3	6.2%	1.5%
Professional and Business Services	777	7.1%	2.6%
Education and Health Services	505.6	7.3%	4.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	431.6	12.5%	6.5%
Other Services	136	7.4%	3.1%
Government	458.5	1.1%	1.5%

Sources: U.S. BLS, Current Employment Statistics

# Houston Rental Market

- Rent growth decelerated in the last few months of 2022 with year-over-year rent growth of 2.8%, down from its peak of 9.4% in the fourth quarter of 2021.
- The slowing of rent gains is projected to continue as the market adjusts to its typical 2% growth during the five years before the pandemic, according to CoStar.
- Supply outpaced demand over the last few quarters, causing an uptick in vacancy rates.
- Entry-level home purchases have been substantially thwarted due lack of inventory, increased home values, and escalating monthly mortgage payments as a result of higher interest rates.
   Some existing renters will remain in the apartment market until additional supply comes online.
   Steady in-migration and household growth will help sustain apartment demand in the long term.

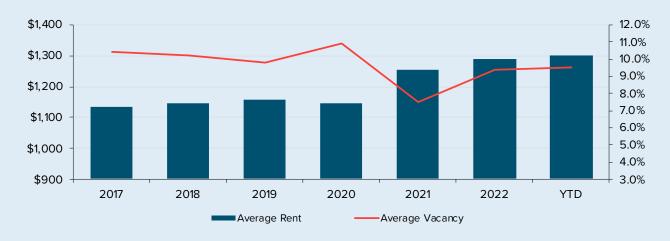




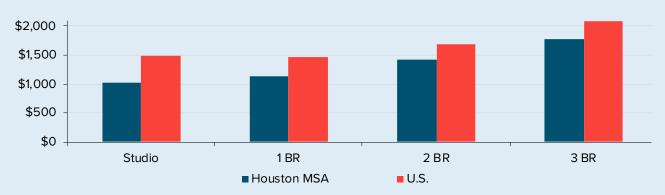
+2.8%

New lease asking rents are at \$1,300, up 2.8% from the previous year.

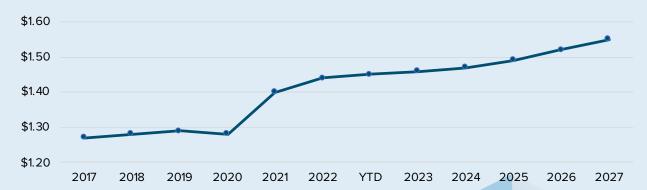
# Average Rent / Vacancy



# **Asking Rent Comparison**



# Asking Rent / SF



Source: Reis, \*Projected

# Multifamily Construction

Houston's surging population and economic growth have triggered a flurry of construction, particularly in the multifamily market. Houston ranked among the top three metros in the U.S. for new supply growth over the past 10 years, adding roughly 150,000 units and driving up its inventory by 30%.

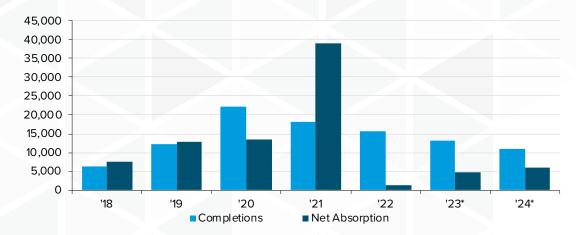
- Deliveries moderated with 13,740 units delivered through October 2022 versus 18,507 units delivered during the same period in 2021.
- Supply at the end of 2022 accounted for 2.0% of total stock, 30 basis points above the national rate.
- Approximately 29,300 units were under construction as of October 2022, and additional 61,000 units were in the planning and permitting stages. Close to 14,000 started construction in 2022. 4,245 units more than during the same period in 2021.



# 13,268 New Units

2023 Expected Completions
10,435 New Units Will Follow in 2024

# Completions / Net Absorption



Source: CoStar, All Figures are Annual Totals, \*Projected

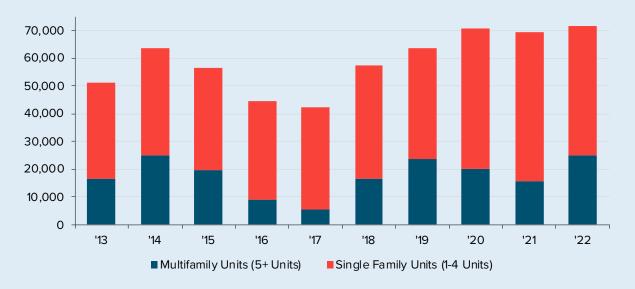
# **Permits**

#### In December 2022:

- The median sales price for single family homes was \$330,000, up 3.8% YoY
- There were 33,776 single family active listings, an increase of 72.3% over December 2021
- 7,634 properties were sold, a -34.5% change from December 2021
- The months of Inventory was 2.7 compared to 1.3 months the year prior

Source: HAR

### **Total Residential Building Permits**



Source: U.S. Census, Multifamily Includes Condos



49,270 Single Family Permits

-8.1% YoY

**26,955**Multifamily Permits (5+ Units)
+72.3 % YoY



\$338K Median Single Family Price +3.8 % YoY

# Multifamily Sales

# Average Sales PPU / Cap Rate



Source: CoStar





5.9% Avg. Cap Rate

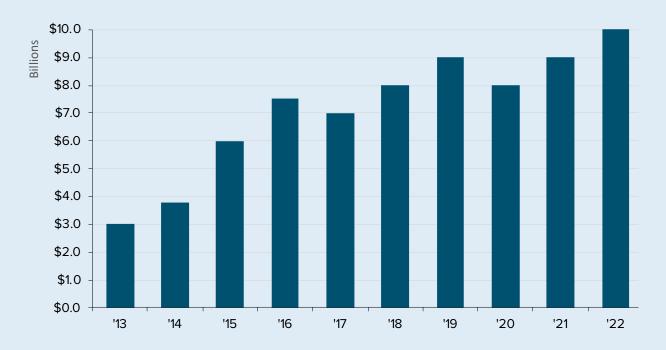






86,271
Total # Units Sold

# **Apartment Sales Transactions**



Source: CoStar, GREA Research

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