Swampscott Q4 2021 Housing Market Review
Key Metrics

|  | $\underline{2019}$ | $\underline{\underline{2020}}$ | $\underline{\underline{2021}}$ |
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| Key Metrics | $\underline{\text { Jan-Dec }}$ | $\underline{\text { Jan-Dec }}$ | $\underline{\text { Jan-Dec }}$ |
| Median SFH price | $\$ 590,000$ | $\$ 630,000$ | $\$ 690,000$ |
| SFH Sales | 147 | 139 | 140 |
| Days To Offer (DTO) | 10 | 7 | 7 |
| Median Condo price | $\$ 345,000$ | $\$ 417,000$ | $\$ 405,000$ |
| Condo Sales | 66 | 73 | 84 |
| Days To Offer (DTO) | 19 | 18 | 7 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | As of $1 / 29$ | As of $1 / 29$ | As of $1 / 29$ |
| SFH For Sale | 12 | 14 | 6 |
| Condos For Sale | 13 | 8 | 2 |

## Single Family Homes (SFH)

The median price of the SFHs sold in Swampscott in 2021 increased nearly $10 \%$ to $\$ 690,000$ on steady sales.

| SFH | $\underline{2018}$ | $\underline{2019}$ | $\underline{2020}$ | $\underline{2021}$ | Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1 | $\$ 520,000$ | $\$ 566,000$ | $\$ 567,500$ | $\$ 599,000$ | $5.6 \%$ |
| Q2 | $\$ 584,500$ | $\$ 598,000$ | $\$ 630,000$ | $\$ 740,000$ | $17.5 \%$ |
| Q3 | $\$ 605,000$ | $\$ 627,500$ | $\$ 626,000$ | $\$ 787,500$ | $25.8 \%$ |
| Q4 | $\$ 570,000$ | $\$ 570,000$ | $\$ 645,000$ | $\$ 660,000$ | $2.3 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H1 | $\$ 577,750$ | $\$ 580,000$ | $\$ 592,500$ | $\$ 690,000$ | $16.5 \%$ |
| H2 | $\$ 590,000$ | $\$ 593,000$ | $\$ 640,000$ | $\$ 690,000$ | $7.8 \%$ |
| Year | $\$ 585,500$ | $\$ 590,000$ | $\$ 630,000$ | $\$ 690,000$ | $9.5 \%$ |
| Year Sales | 157 | 147 | 139 | 140 | $0.7 \%$ |

As the percentage of sales over $\$ 600,000$ increased from $57 \%$ in 2020 to $62 \%$ in 2021, so the median price moved further over $\$ 600,000$. Sales over $\$ 1$ million increased from 12 to 18.
$65 \%$ of SFH sales took place over list price (vs $59 \%$ in 2020), with $24 \%$ of all sales (vs $10 \%$ in 2020 ) at $110 \%$ or more of list.


## Condos

The median price of the Condos sold in Swampscott in 2021 decreased $3 \%$ to $\$ 405,000$. The 11 sales at Fisherman's Watch added $\$ 22,000$ to the median price in $2020.56 \%$ of sales in 2021 were over list (vs $53 \%$ in 2020) with $5 \%$ at $110 \%$ or more (vs $1 \%$ ).

| Condos | $\underline{2018}$ | $\underline{2019}$ | $\underline{2020}$ | $\underline{2021}$ | Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1 | $\$ 340,000$ | $\$ 337,988$ | $\$ 515,000$ | $\$ 415,000$ | $-19.4 \%$ |
| Q2 | $\$ 370,130$ | $\$ 370,000$ | $\$ 400,000$ | $\$ 401,000$ | $0.3 \%$ |
| Q3 | $\$ 354,000$ | $\$ 338,500$ | $\$ 386,000$ | $\$ 400,000$ | $3.6 \%$ |
| Q4 | $\$ 335,750$ | $\$ 346,500$ | $\$ 395,000$ | $\$ 476,900$ | $20.7 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H1 | $\$ 367,500$ | $\$ 349,000$ | $\$ 451,000$ | $\$ 403,000$ | $-10.6 \%$ |
| H2 | $\$ 344,500$ | $\$ 342,500$ | $\$ 395,000$ | $\$ 431,500$ | $9.2 \%$ |
| Year | $\$ 354,000$ | $\$ 345,000$ | $\$ 417,000$ | $\$ 405,000$ | $-2.9 \%$ |
| Year Sales | 94 | 66 | 73 | 84 | $15.1 \%$ |



## Comment

The median SFH price in Essex County jumped to $\$ 635,000$ in the frenzy of Q2 before easing back to around $\$ 610,000$ in the second half of the year. Overall the increase for 2021 was a robust $13.4 \%$ to $\$ 608,000$. The median condo sale price increased modestly but consistently each quarter, and for the year was up $11 \%$ to \$388,000.
The Federal Reserve appeared to many commentators to be taking an overly optimistic view about inflation; its policy reversal late in the year sparked a jump in the crucial 10-year Treasury yield and hence in mortgage rates, which many experts expect to hit $4 \%$ this year.

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