# **SEATTLE METRO** market review

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a quarterly report on single family residential real estate activity

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#### **NEIGHBORHOOD SNAPSHOT**

| community                   | # sold |               | avg. \$ per sq ft |                | % sold at or<br>above list price | % sold in first<br>10 days | median sale price<br>(in thousands) |                |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| West Seattle                | 337    | <b>U</b> -35% | \$502             | •6%            | 78%                              | 73%                        | \$807                               | 0-6%           |
| South Seattle               | 227    | <b>U</b> -29% | \$469             | 0-9%           | 74%                              | 61%                        | \$750                               | <b>()</b> -13% |
| Madison Park & Capitol Hill | 241    | <b>U</b> -5%  | \$654             | 0-8%           | 65%                              | 59%                        | \$1,025                             | <b>U</b> -5%   |
| Queen Anne & Magnolia       | 157    | <b>U</b> -25% | \$658             | 0-5%           | 62%                              | 57%                        | \$1,295                             | <b>U</b> -12%  |
| Ballard & Green Lake        | 529    | <b>U</b> -27% | \$565             | 0-9%           | 62%                              | 57%                        | \$920                               | <b>U</b> -12%  |
| North Seattle               | 305    | <b>U</b> -27% | \$568             | <b>()</b> -10% | 77%                              | 73%                        | \$995                               | <b>U</b> -12%  |
| Richmond Beach & Shoreline  | 96     | <b>U</b> -40% | \$531             | <b>()</b> 2%   | 77%                              | 66%                        | \$878                               | 0-8%           |
| Lake Forest Park & Kenmore  | 111    | <b>U</b> -17% | \$461             | <b>U</b> -10%  | 80%                              | 66%                        | \$855                               | <b>()</b> -19% |
| ALL SEATTLE                 | 2,003  | <b>U</b> -27% | \$557             | <b>()</b> -7%  | 74%                              | 66%                        | \$900                               | <b>()</b> -10% |

Percent changes are year-over-year

### LISTINGS VS. SALES

Q2 2021 - Q2 2023



seattle home values fell -10% YEAR-OVER-YEAR to a median of \$900,000

66% OF SOLD IN THE FIRST 10 DAYS ON MARKET

> THERE WERE 26% <u>fewer</u> new listings than in Q2 last year





The Seattle market felt a similar adjustment as the Eastside with home prices down about 10% across the board. This spring market had a 27% drop in supply which limited the overall sales. The median closed sales price of \$900,000 is up from May's \$830,000, but down 10% year over year offering some relief to buyers feeling the squeeze of high interest rates.

Last quarter, we mentioned keeping an eye on North Seattle and the growth we've seen in Shoreline, Lake Forest Park and Kenmore likely due to transit and those seeking affordability. Interestingly, 80% of the Lake Forest Park and Kenmore homes sold at or above their list price (in comparison to Queen Anne at 62%, for example) with prices rising 14% since last quarter but down 19% year over year.

Q2 closed with 879 active residential homes on the market, but no real sense of urgency from buyers (although the average days on market was 20 compared to the Eastside's 23 days). The presentation of a home coupled with a smart pricing strategy equates to a positive outcome for sellers we can see this in the 42% of homes that experienced multiple offers with an average boost of 6% over list price. With that said, 26% of Seattle contracts experienced a price negotiation between parties, so if you're a motivated buyer and write an offer, you could benefit from more traditional contract terms.



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