

Q1 2025 Housing Market Update

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What We'll Cover Today



- The U.S. Housing Market
- The U.S. Economy
- Delinquencies & Defaults
- Foreclosure Trends & Outlook
- Closing Thoughts

Affordability Worsens to Start the Year, Still Near 40-Year Low

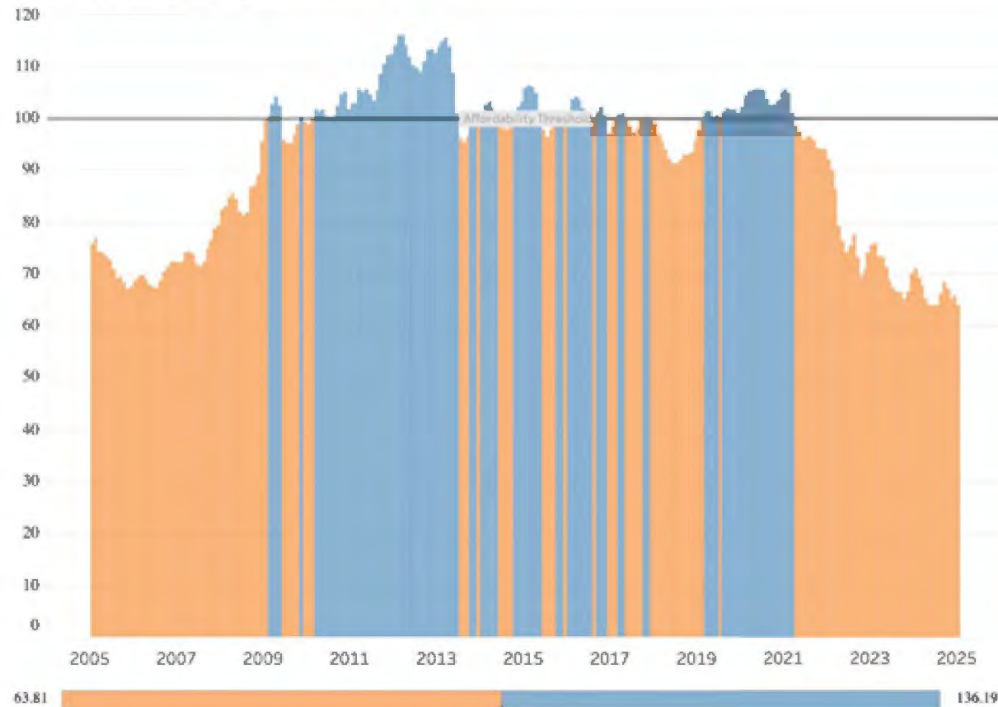
United States

Affordability Index

(Toggle between Affordability Index & Homeownership Cost as a Percent Share of Median Income)

Share of Median Income Greater than 30% OR Index less than 100 = Unaffordable

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

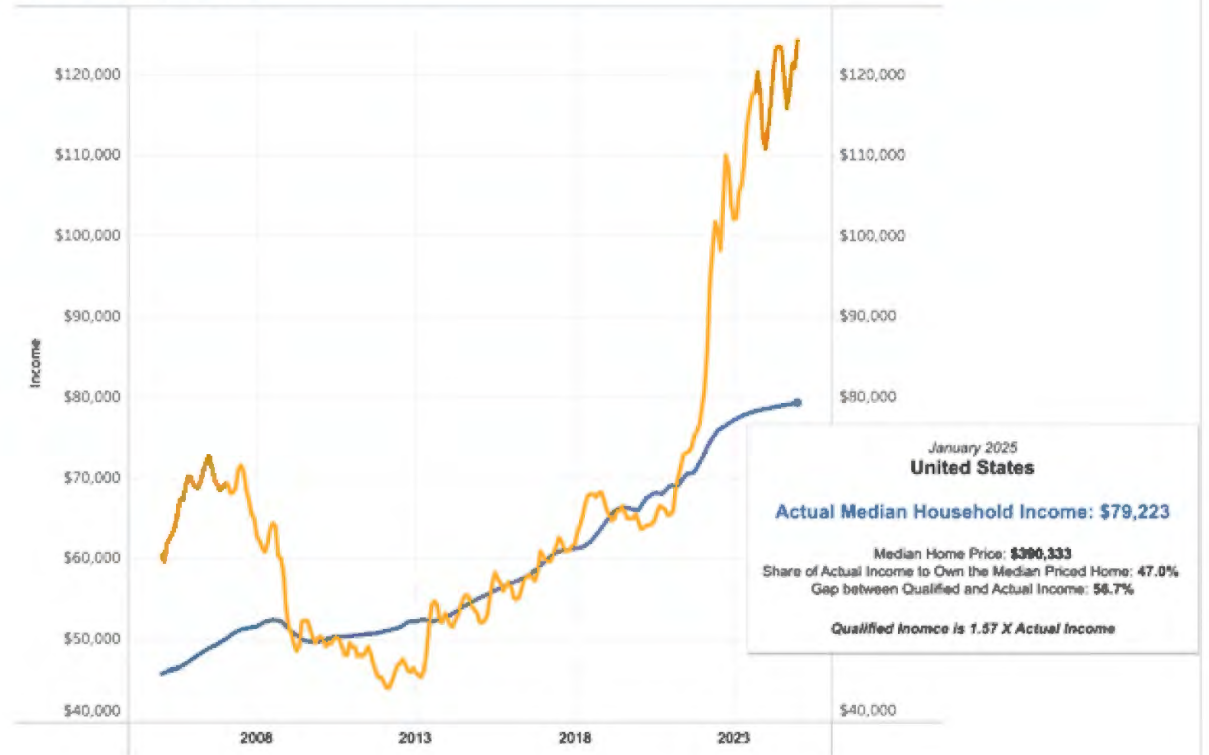


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Gap Between Actual Median Household Income and Qualified Income

(Qualified Income = Income needed for annual homeownership cost to equal no more than 30 percent of annual income)

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta



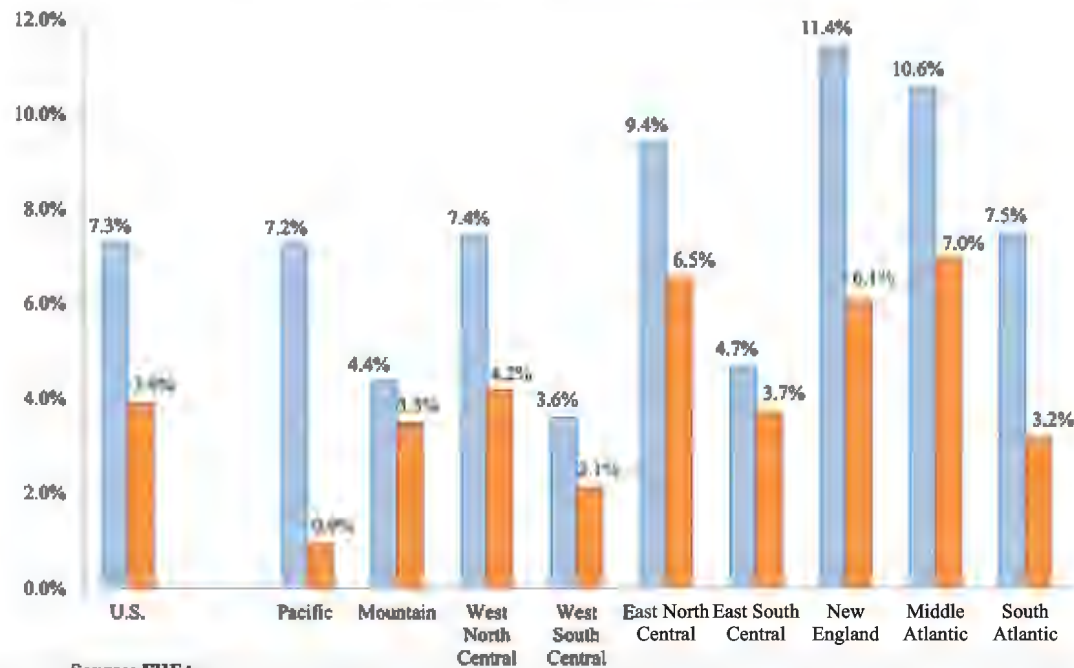
Mortgage Rates Are Down Year-Over-Year, but Still Near 7.0%



Home Prices Rise 3.9% Nationally, with Big Regional Variances

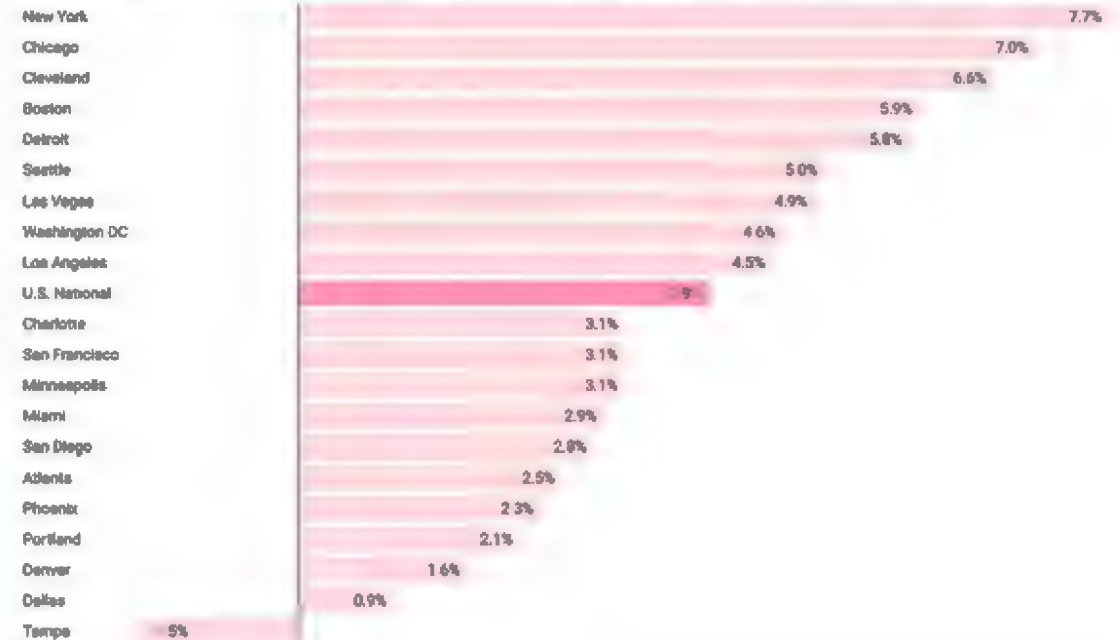
Twelve-Month House Price Changes – Prior Year vs. Most Recent Year
Purchase-Only FHFA HPI® (Seasonally Adjusted, Nominal)

■ Price Change: 02/2023 - 02/2024 ■ Price Change: 02/2024 - 02/2025



Annual Change in Home Prices in February for Top 20 Metros

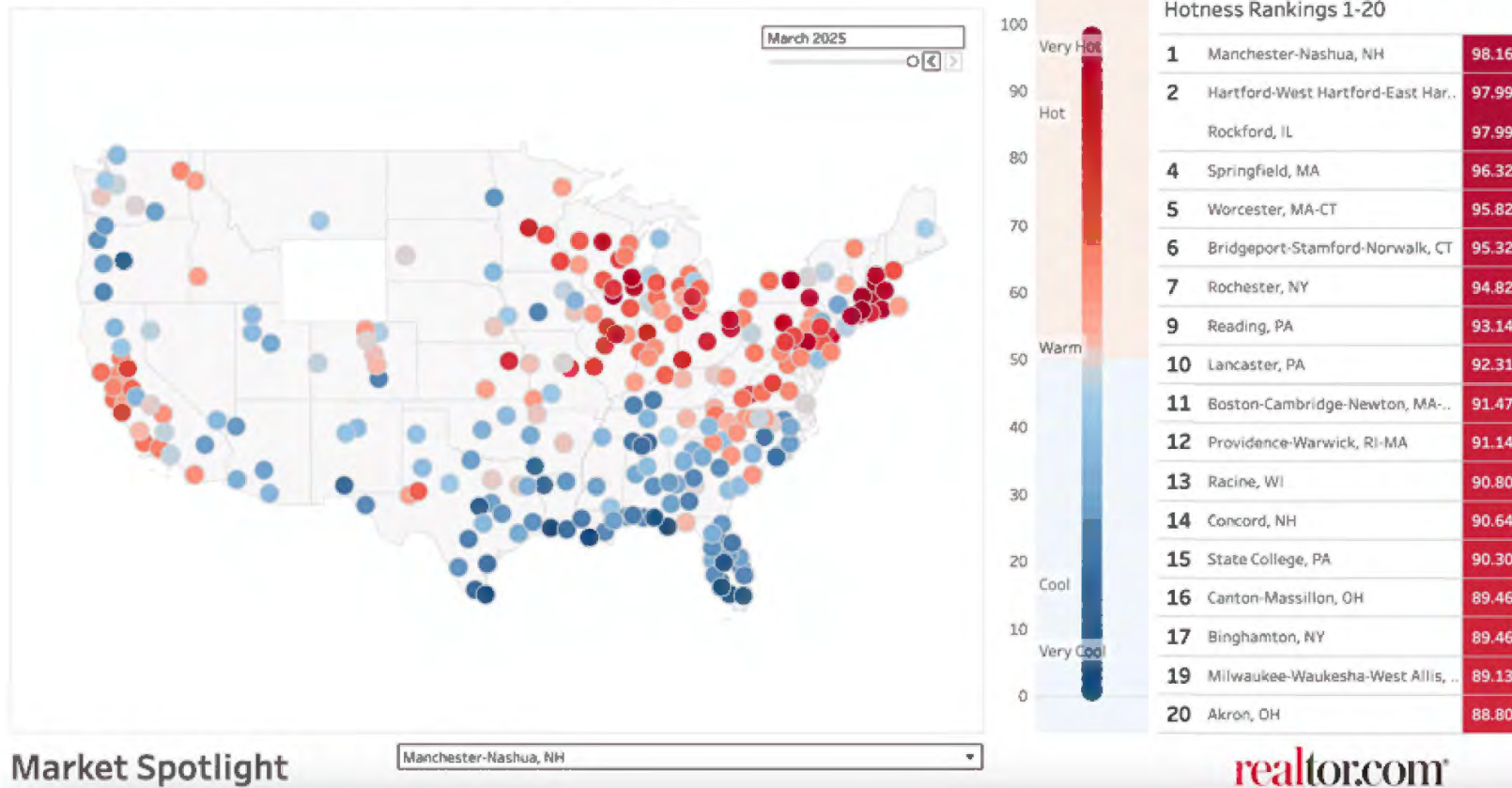
Nationally, U.S. home prices recorded a 3.9% annual gain in February 2025, a slower pace of growth than seen the prior month.



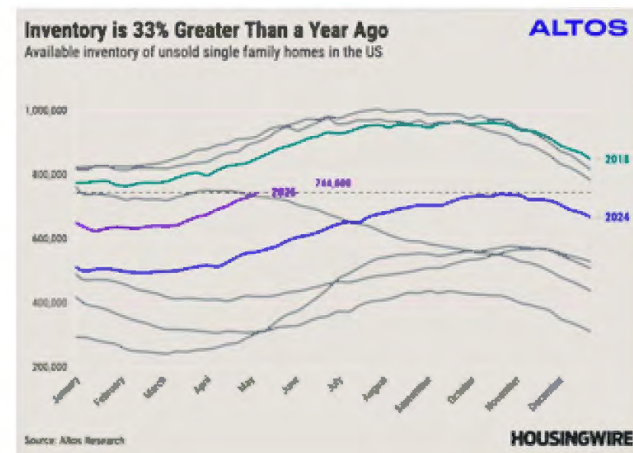
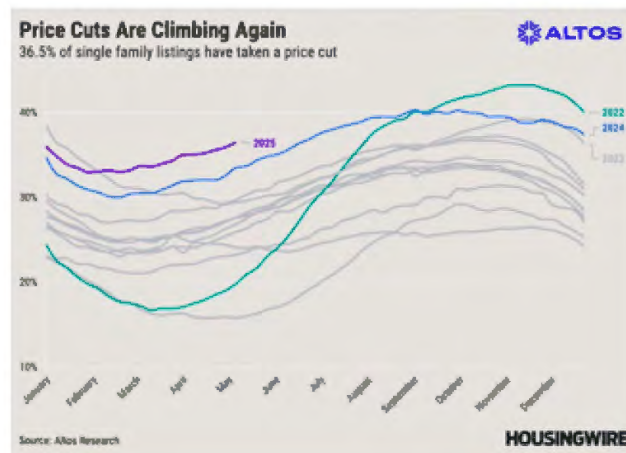
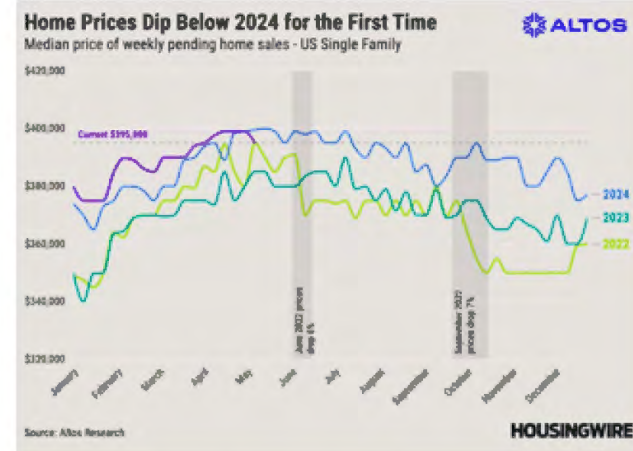
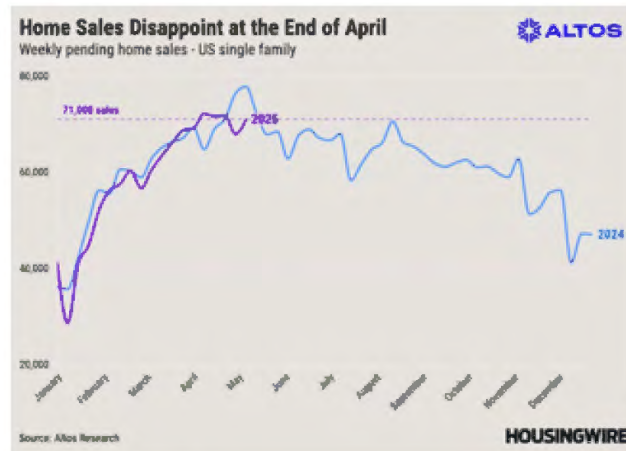
Percentage, not seasonally adjusted

Northeast & Midwest Hottest Markets: Strong Demand/Limited Supply

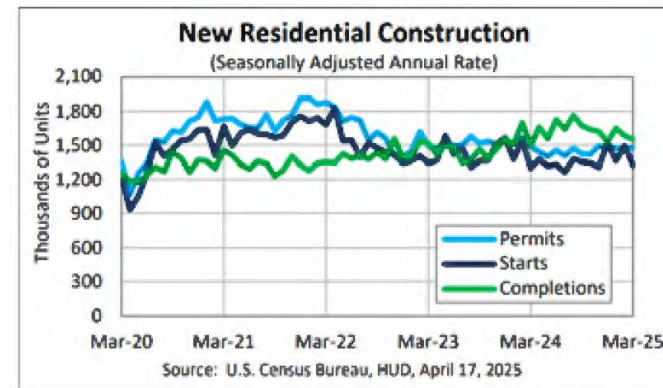
Hottest Real Estate Markets March 2025



Resale Market Showing Signs of Slowing Down



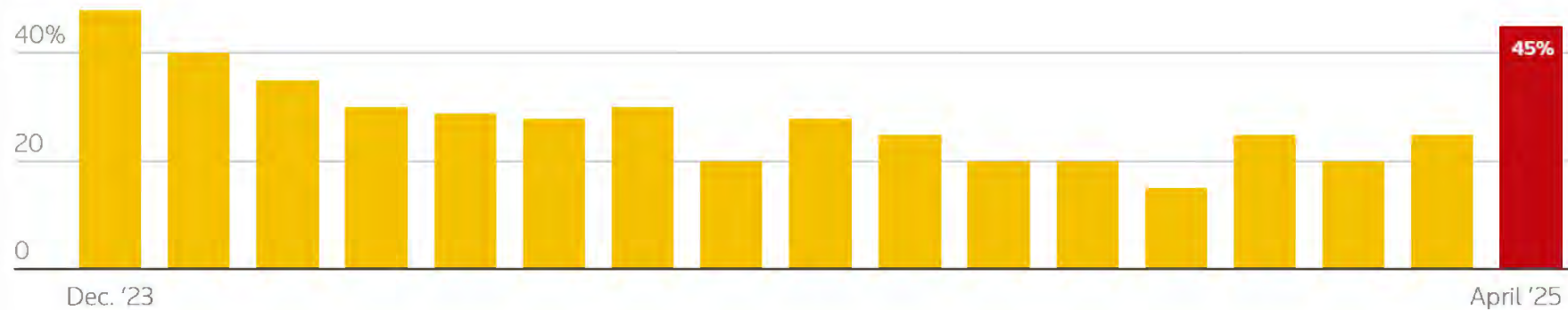
New Home Market a Mixed Bag: Sales Up, Prices, Starts Down



Meanwhile, Talk of a Recession Gains Momentum Again...

Reuters poll: U.S. recession probability mounts

The probability of a U.S. recession over the coming year has surged to 45%, the highest since December 2023, according to economists in a Reuters poll.



Based on median forecasts from economists in Reuters polls. The latest survey was taken April 14-17, 2025.

Anant Chandak | REUTERS GRAPHICS

...as Economists View Tariffs & Deportations Pessimistically

Reuters poll: U.S. economic growth to slow significantly and inflation to surge meaningfully

Economists have raised U.S. inflation expectations while sharply cutting growth projections for this year and next, according to Reuters polls.

Indicators	Poll dates (2025)	2025	2026
GDP	April	1.4%	1.5%
	March	2.2%	2.0%
	February	2.2%	2.0%
	January	2.2%	2.0%
CPI	April	3.2%	2.9%
	March	2.9%	2.5%
	February	2.7%	2.6%
	January	2.6%	2.5%
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	February	2.4%	2.3%
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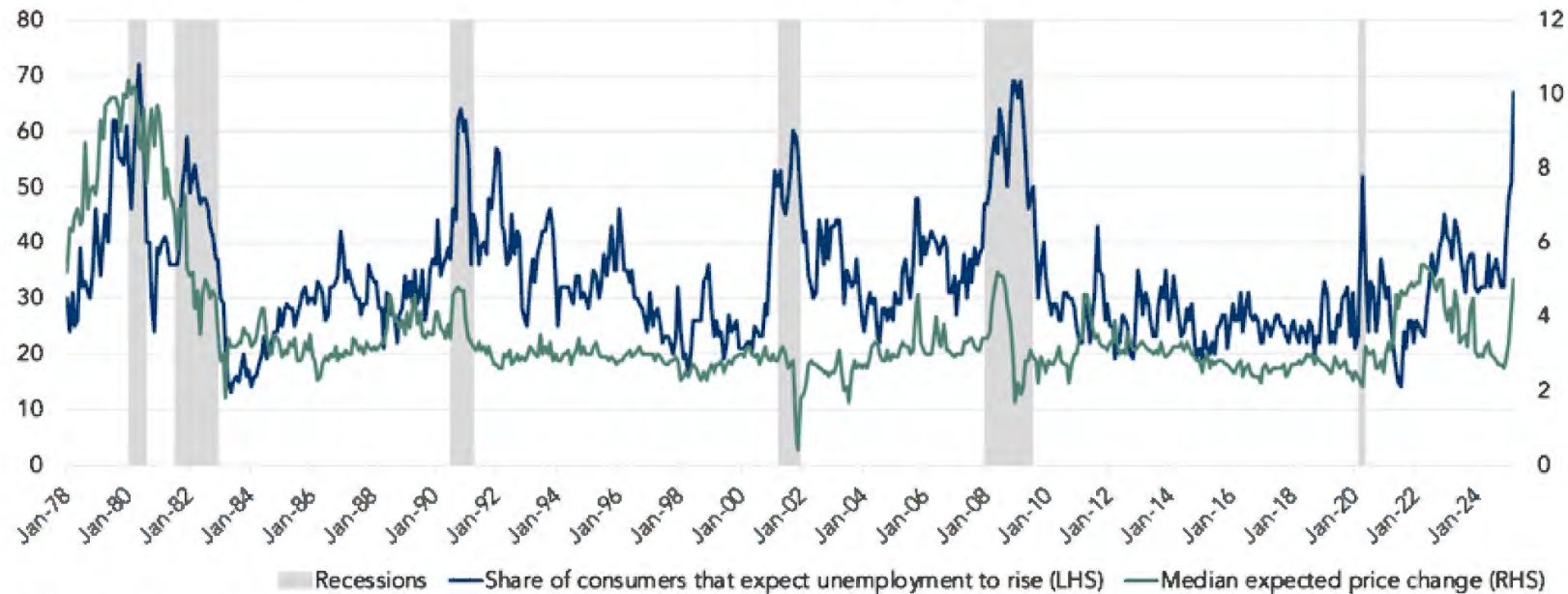
Based on median forecasts from around 70 economists. Poll conducted: April 14-17, 2025.

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Consumer Sentiment Also Worsens

Will Sentiment Harden Into Sediment?

Year-Ahead Consumer Expectations about Inflation and Share of Consumers Expecting Rising Unemployment



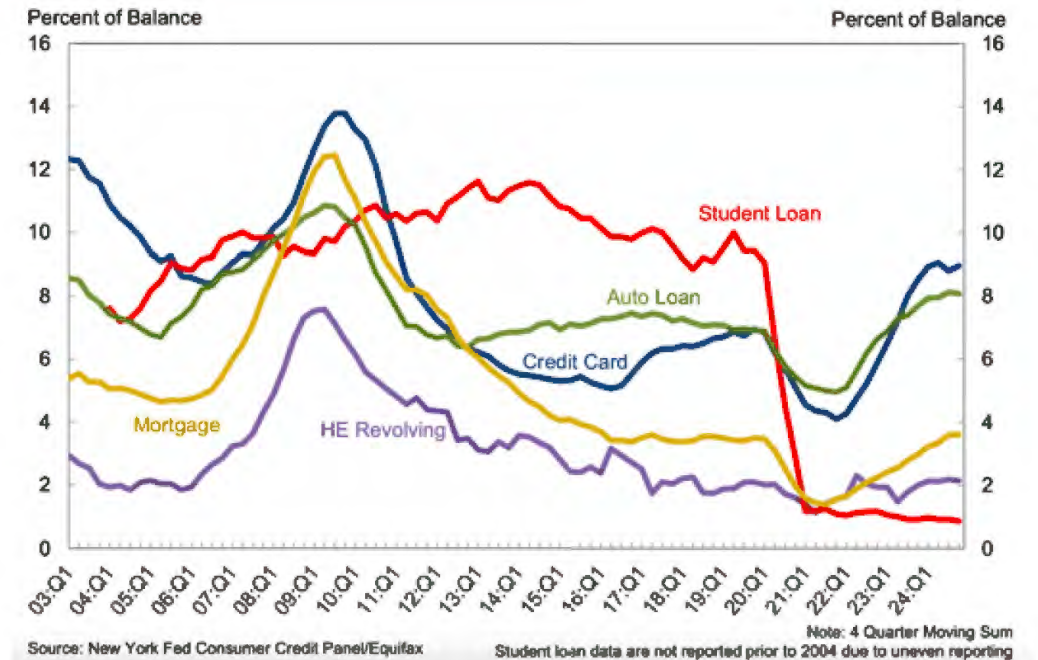
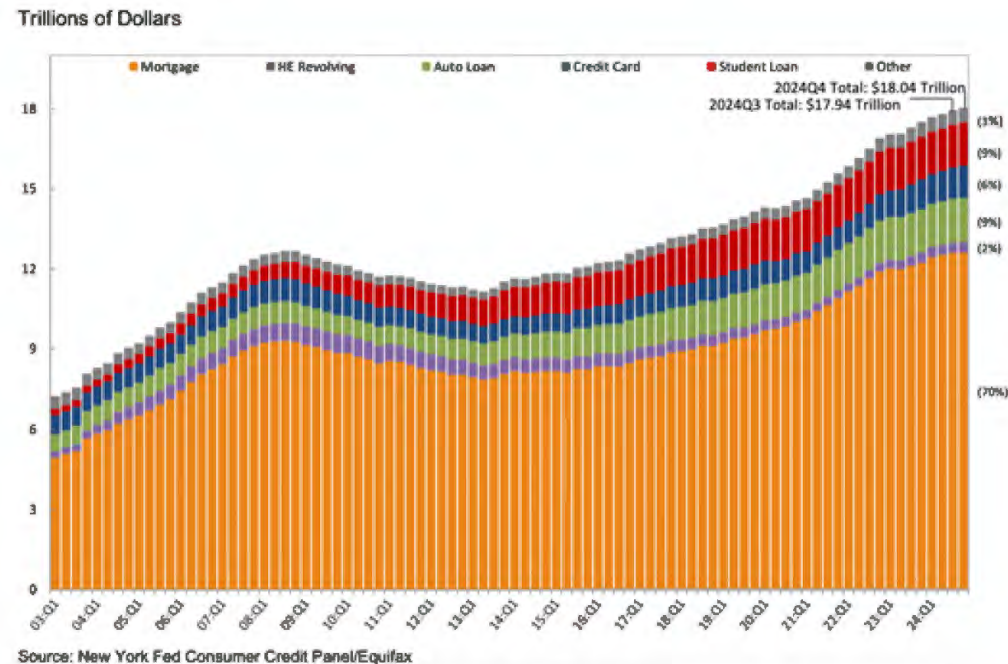
Source: University of Michigan, Mar. 2025
March are preliminary estimates

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As Consumer Debt Hits a Record \$18 Trillion & Delinquencies Rise



Mortgage Delinquencies Tick Up Too, Driven Primarily by FHA Loans



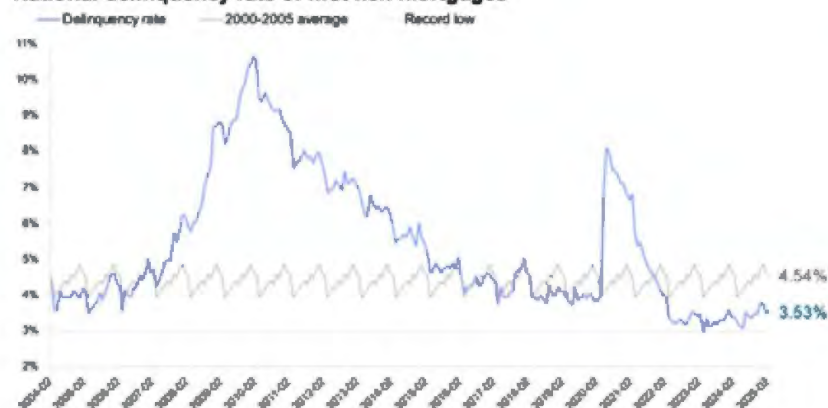
+6 bps

Delinquency rate

The number of borrowers a single payment past due rose by 57K

Loans 90+ days past due dipped slightly, which is typical for this time of year

National delinquency rate of first lien mortgages



Delinquency rate of first lien mortgages by product / investor

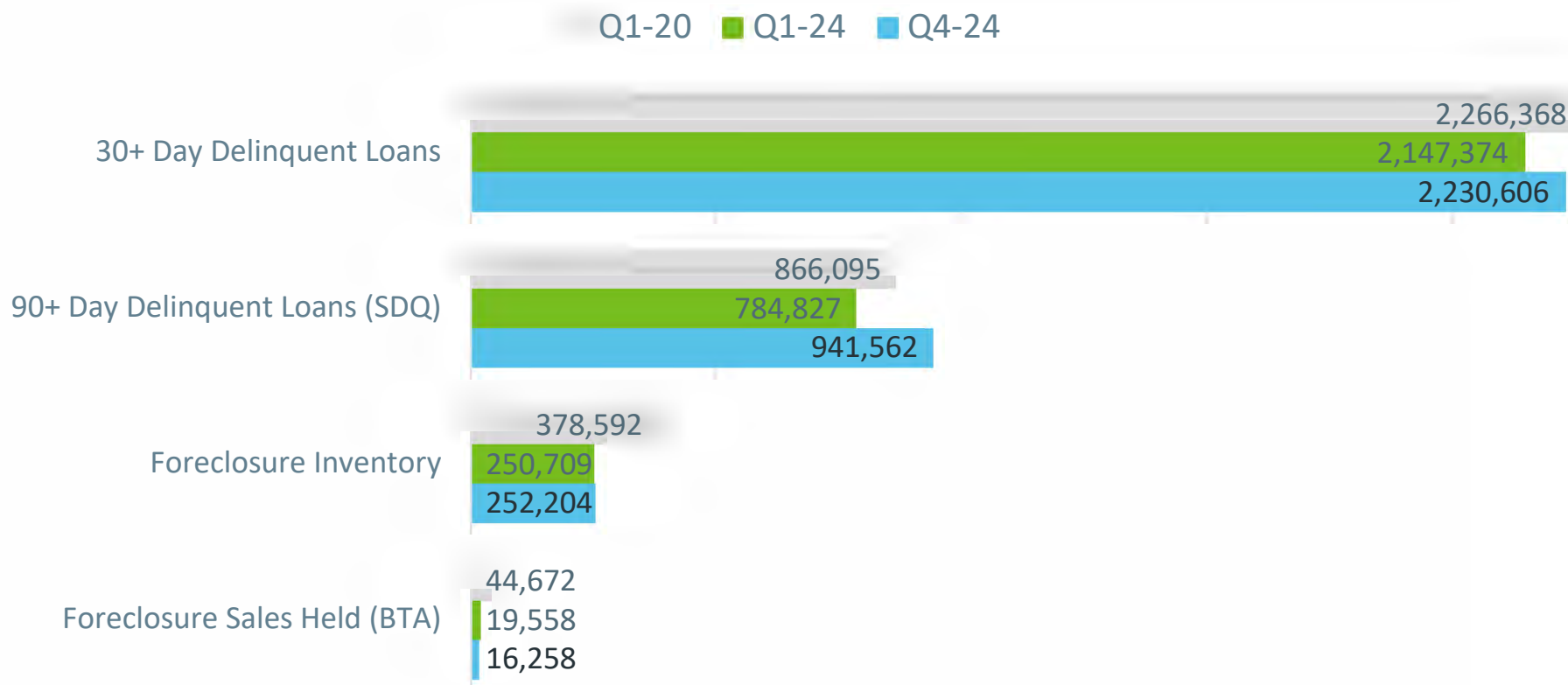


Source: ICE McDash



- **Two-year high in SDQ inventory** in Q4 2024.
- SDQ inventory has exceeded pre-pandemic levels for two consecutive quarters after declining for 13 consecutive quarters
- But foreclosure inventory still at just 67% of pre-pandemic levels, and foreclosure **BTA at just 36% of pre-pandemic levels**
- But foreclosure starts have increased annually by double-digit percentages for four consecutive months according to ICE

Distressed Market Funnel



Sources: MBA, ATTOM Data Solutions

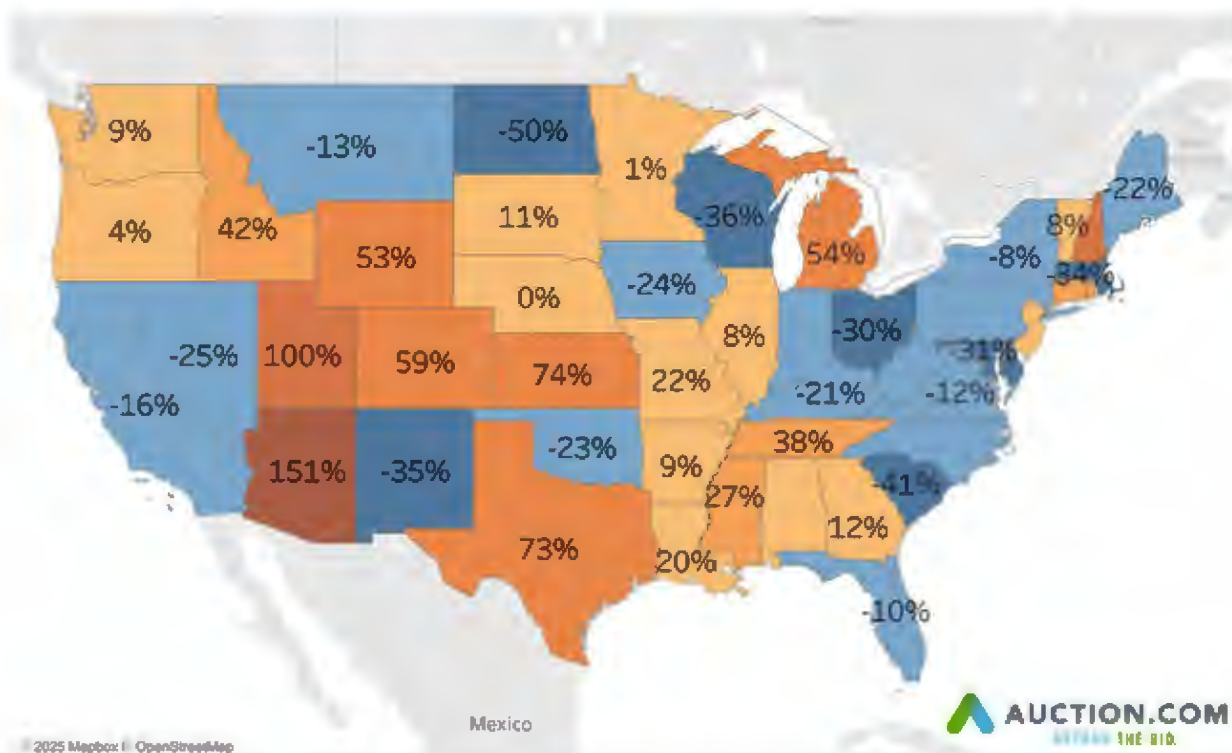
Foreclosure auction volume jumps 20 percent to 6-quarter high in Q1 2025

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- Increase of 4 percent from year ago nationally, still at 49% of Q1 2020 level.
- Volume up annually in 26 states led by Arizona, Utah, New Hampshire, Kansas and Texas
- VA volume spikes 104 percent annually following moratorium end, GSE up 8 percent, FHA up 5 percent

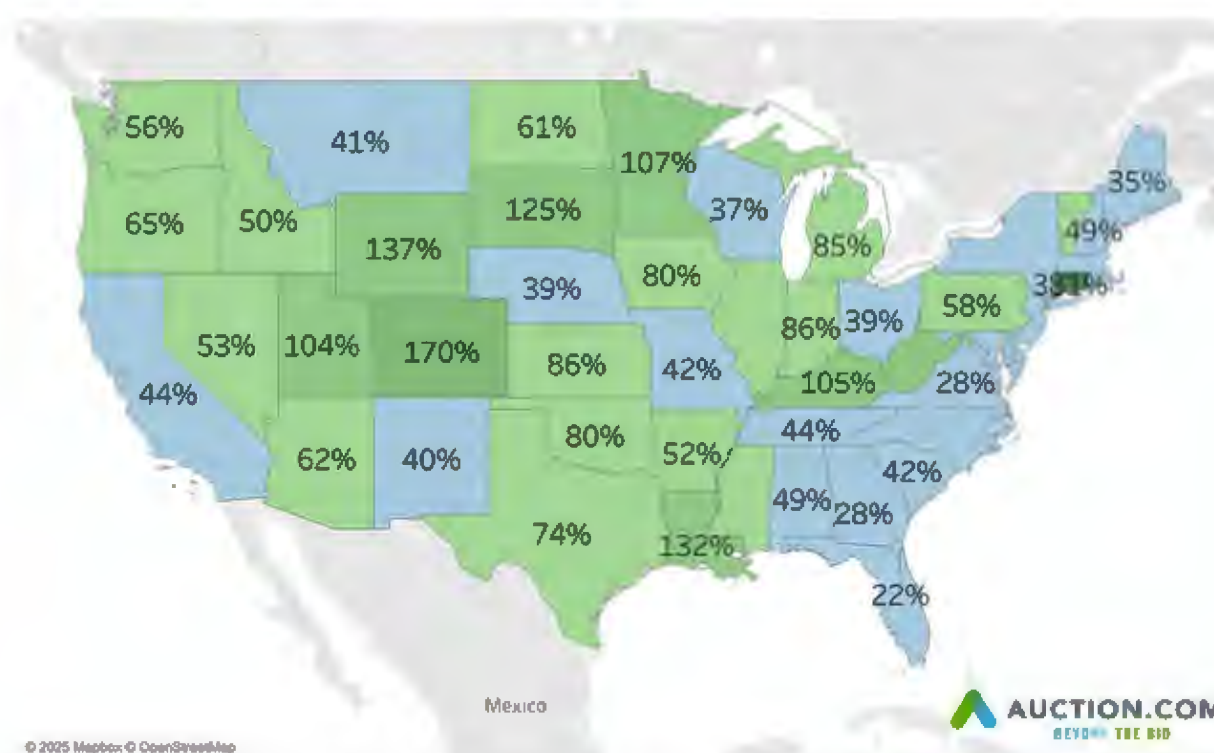
Q1 2025 Foreclosure Auction Volume: Annual Change

Annual Percent Change in Foreclosure Auction Volume



Q1 2025 Foreclosure Auction Volume by State

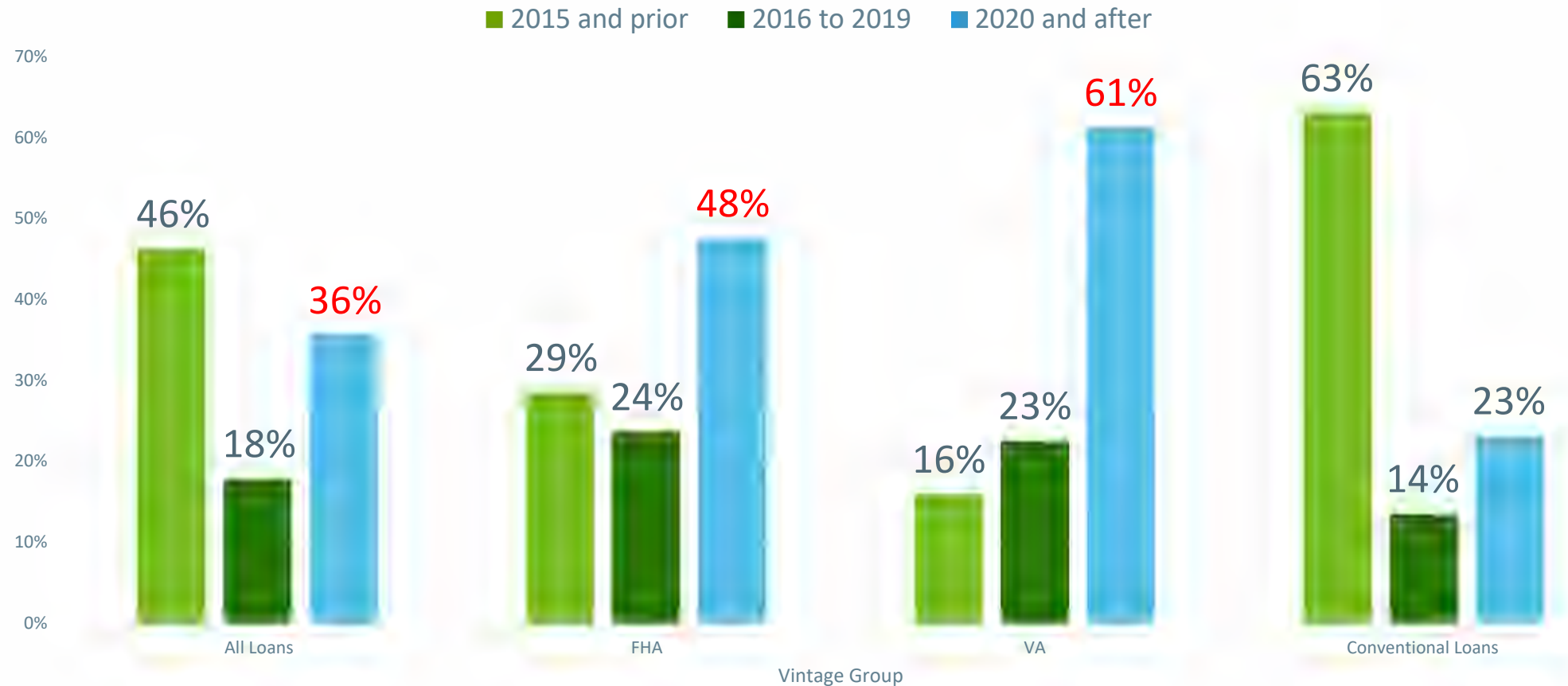
Q1 2025 Foreclosure Auction Volume as Percent of Q1 2020 Level



Highlights

- MBA data shows 36% of all SDQ inventory in Q4 2024 came from 2020+ vintages, a much higher share for FHA (48%) and VA (61%)
- That share is climbing, up from 32% in the previous quarter for all loans and up from 44% for FHA and 58% for VA in the previous quarter
- MBA data also shows that FHA accounted for 36 percent of all SDQ inventory in Q4 2024, and VA accounted for 11 percent

Q4 SDQ Inventory by Vintage Group and Loan Type

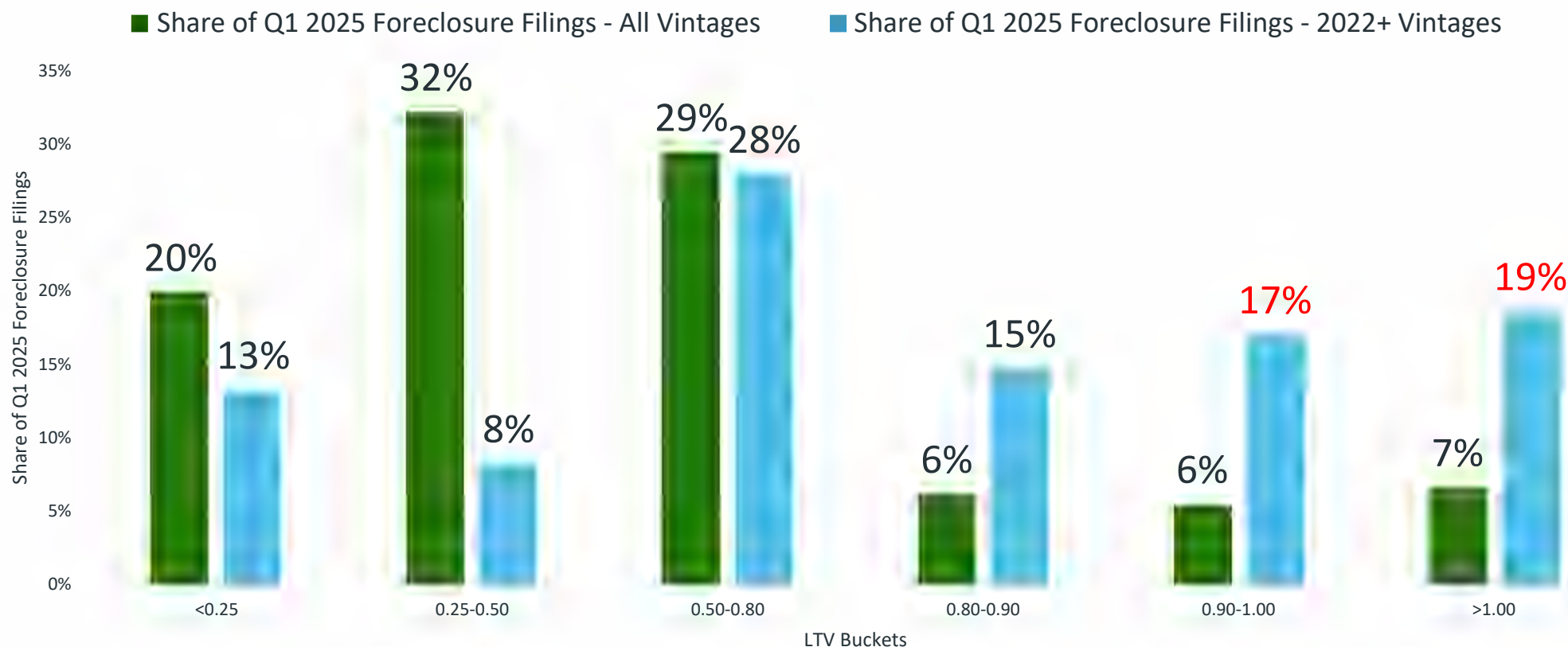




Highlights

- Overall, most properties with a foreclosure filing in Q1 2025 have ample equity. Only 13% have marginal equity (less than 10%) or are underwater
- But that is up from 11% in the previous quarter
- And 36% of Q1 2025 foreclosure filings on 2022+ purchase vintages have marginal or negative equity, up from 31% in the previous quarter
- 2022+ vintages account for 26 percent of all Q1 2025 foreclosure filings, 2020+ vintages account for 44 percent

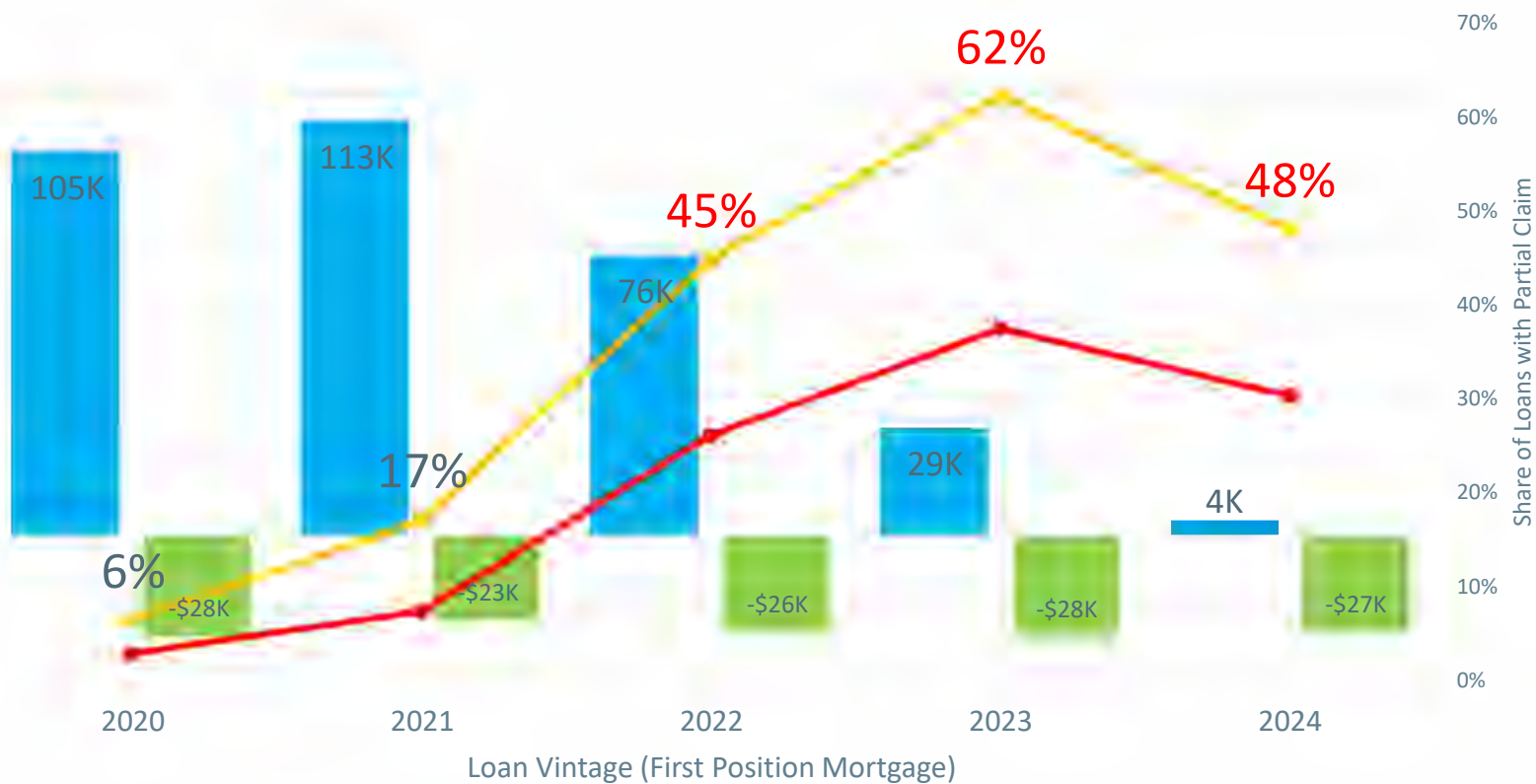
Equity Profile of Q1 2025 Foreclosure Filings





Partial Claim Impact on Equity

Properties with Partial Claims PC Equity Loss \$
Pct Underwater (100+ ITV) Pct Marginal Equity (90+ LTV)

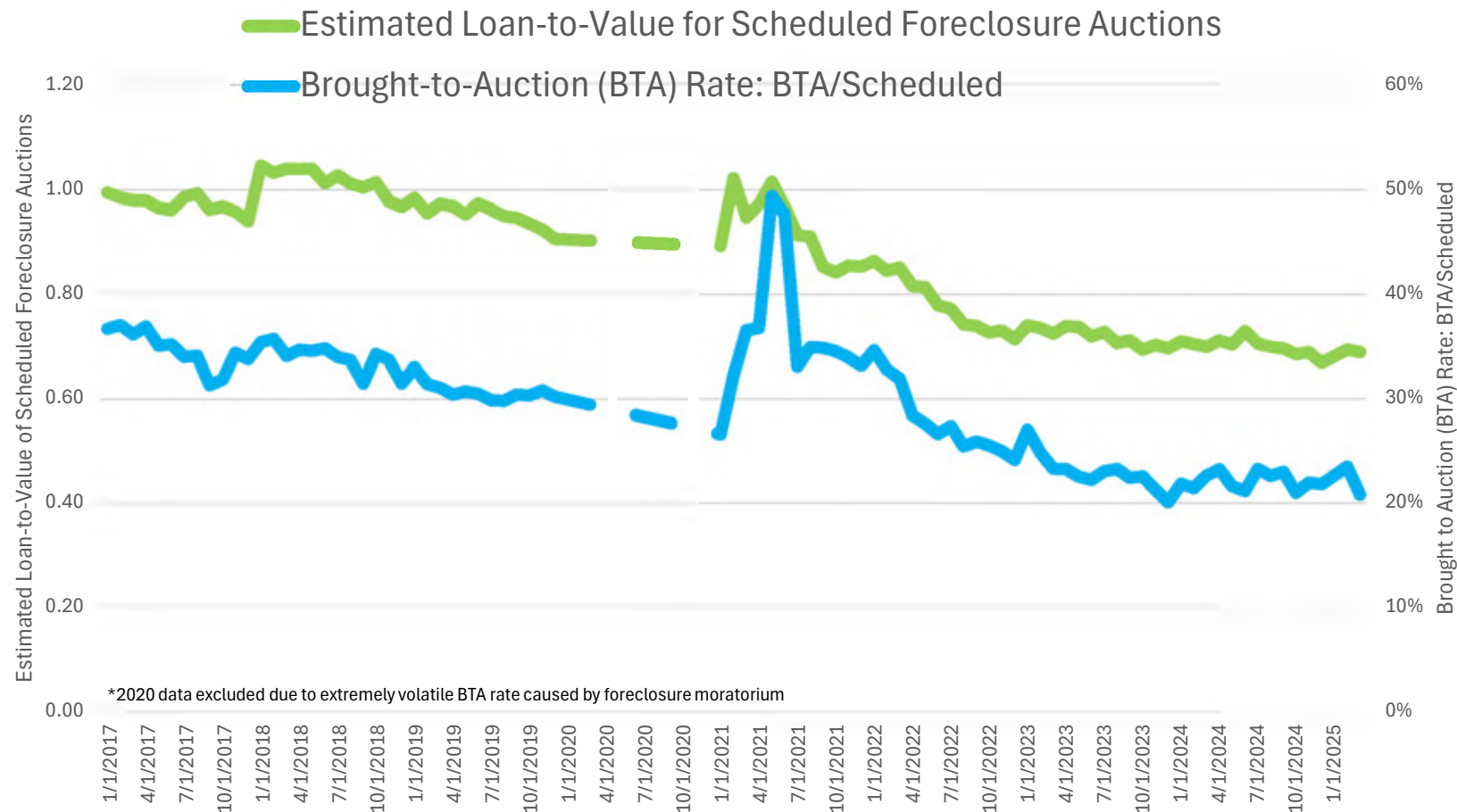


Highlights

- Home price appreciation has slowed from a peak of 19% in 2022 to less than 5% to end 2024
- Partial claims are eroding equity by an average of \$27K, and 13% of properties with partial claims have marginal equity or are underwater
- 50% of properties with partial claims on 2022+ vintages have marginal equity or are underwater, and these properties account for 15% of properties with partial claims



Brought to Auction Rate Tracks with LTV (Equity)



Highlights

- Home equity hit record \$35.3 trillion in Q2 2024 and came down slightly to \$34.9 trillion in Q3 2024 (most recent data)
- Estimated loan-to-value (inverse of equity) for properties scheduled for auction on Auction.com tracks closely with the rate at which those properties go to auction (BTA)
- But scheduled auction LTVs have started to plateau, increasing on a month-over-month basis in three of the last six months



Why policy matters: less loss mitigation would increase roll rate from SDQ to foreclosure

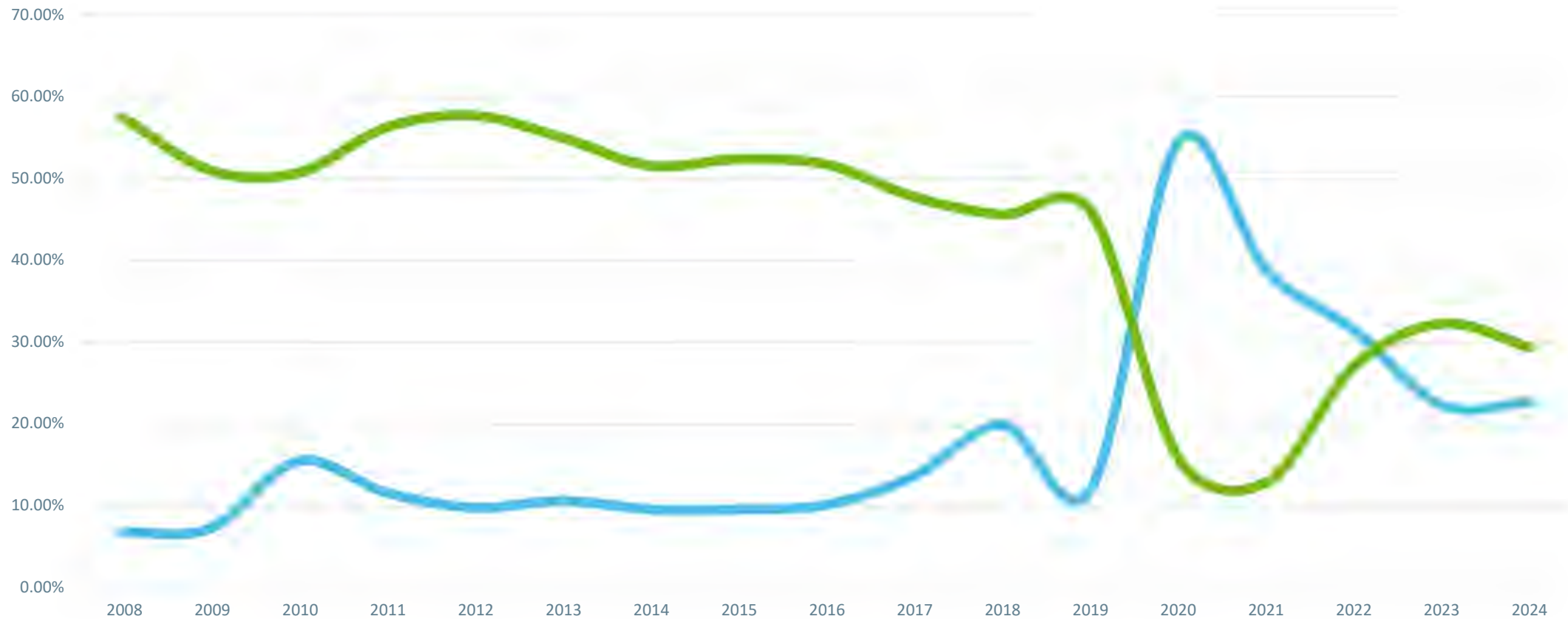
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Highlights

- Strong negative correlation between home retention actions as share of SDQ inventory (from FHFA) and the FCL inventory/SDQ Inventory rate
- If we see home retention activity slow down, we would expect to see a higher roll rate from SDQ to foreclosure inventory

Home Retention Actions & FCL Inventory as Share of SDQ

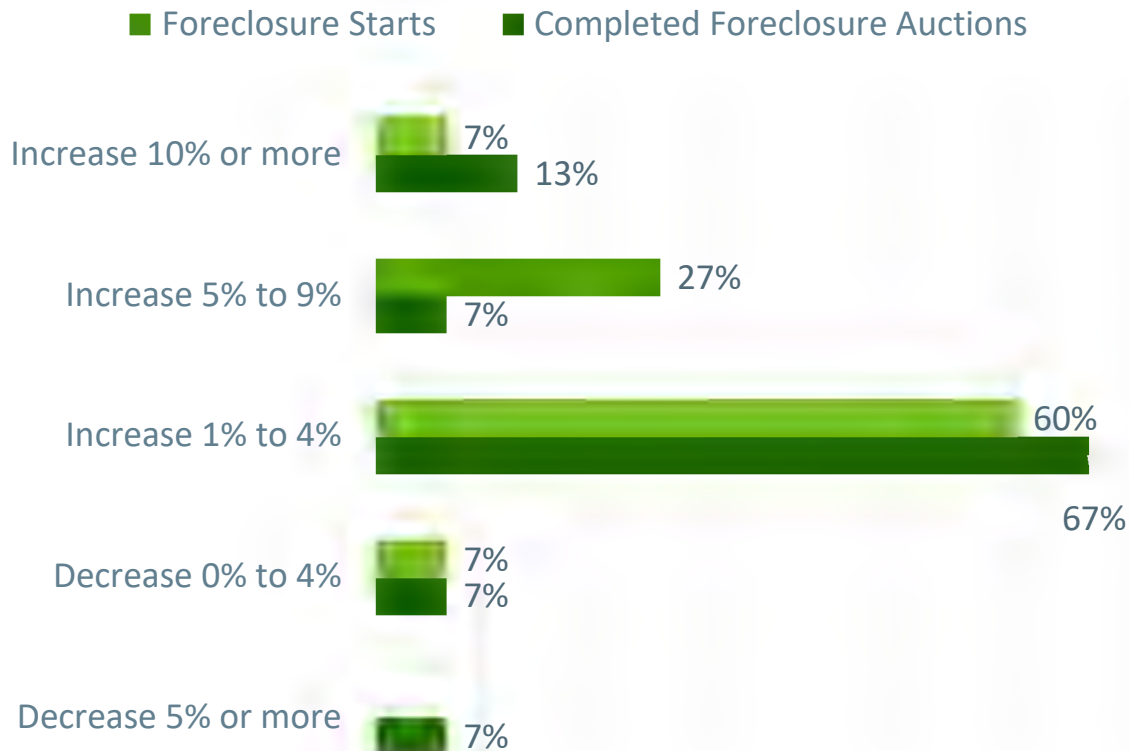
Retention / SDQ FCL Inventory / SDQ Inventory





- Last year survey respondents ranked rising insurance and property taxes as biggest delinquency risk

2025 Foreclosure Volume Trend Expectations

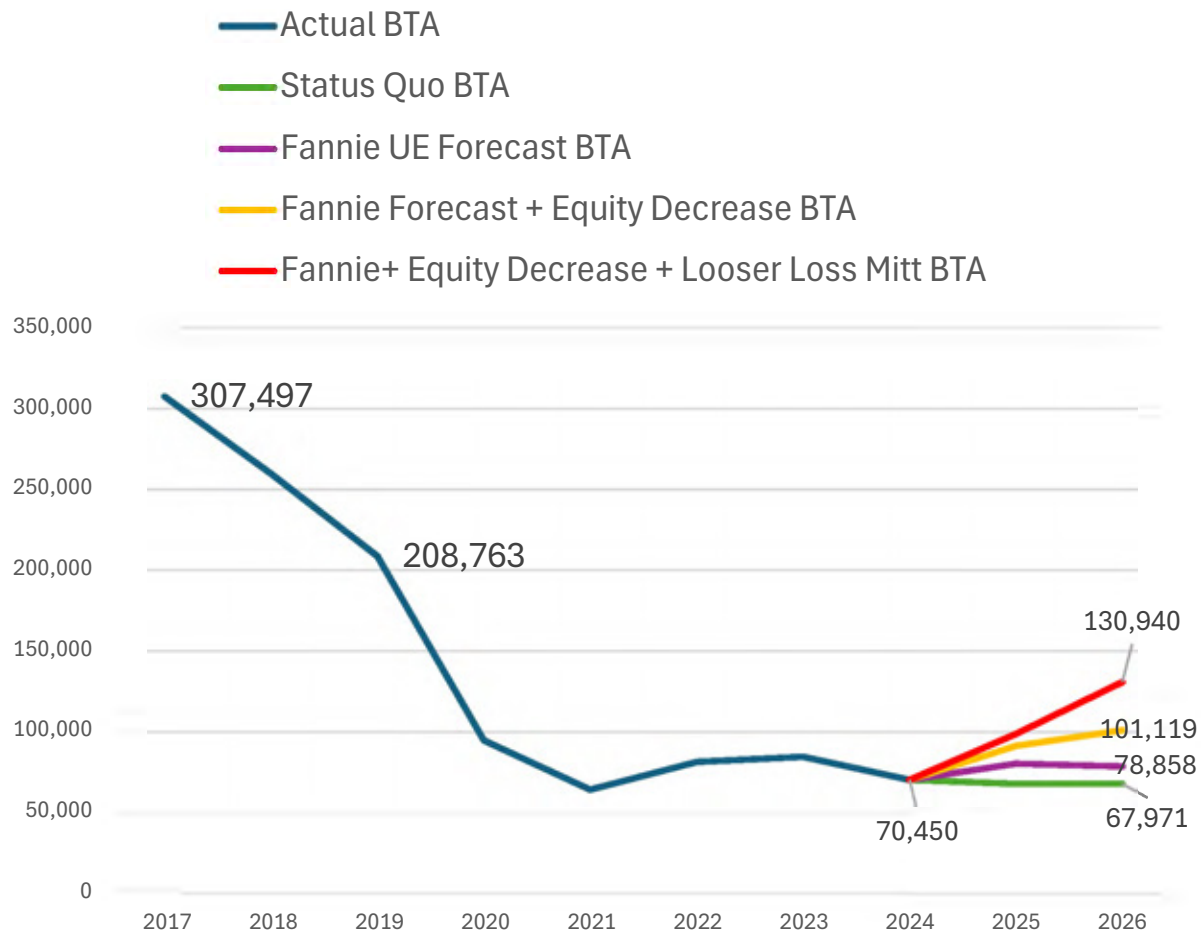


What represents the most risk for higher delinquencies in 2025?

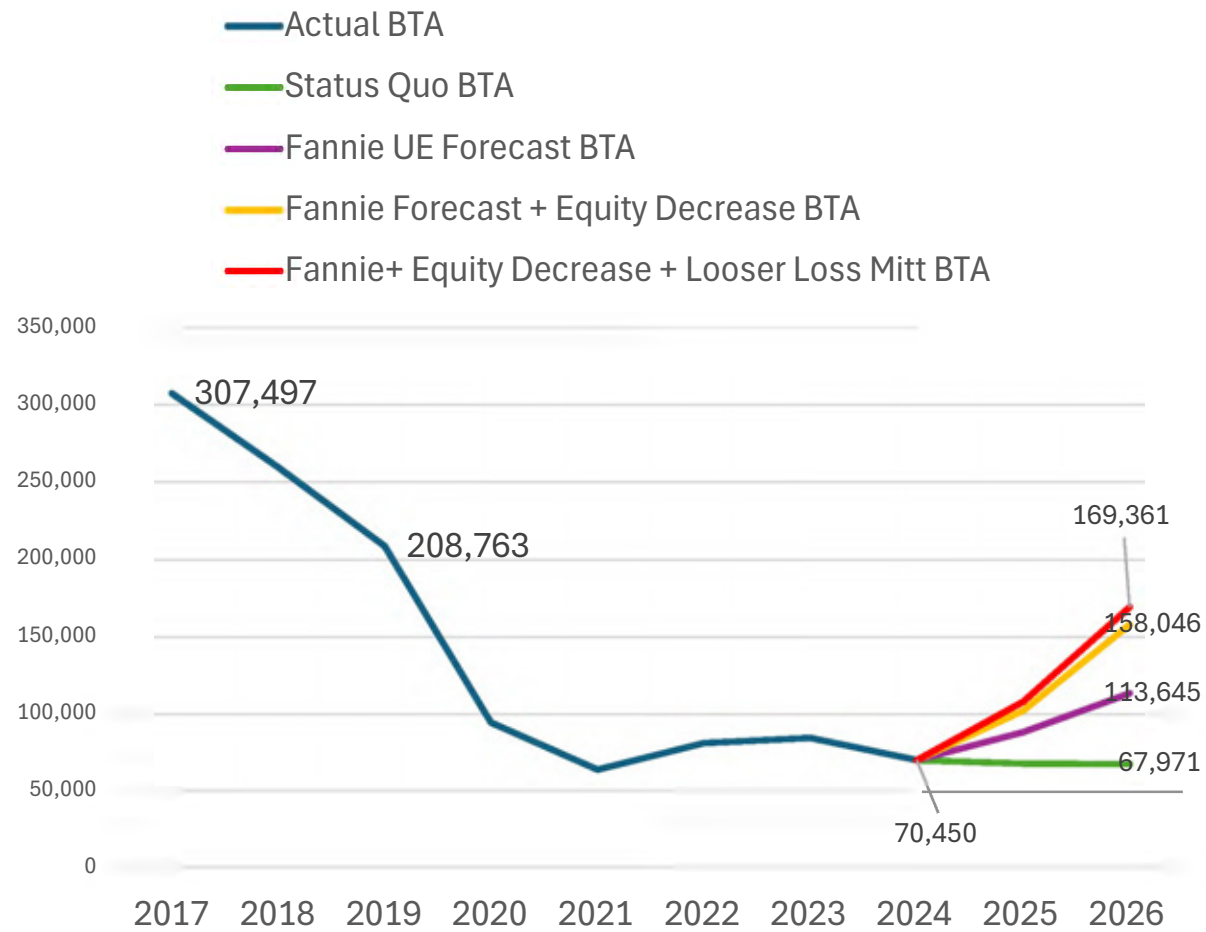


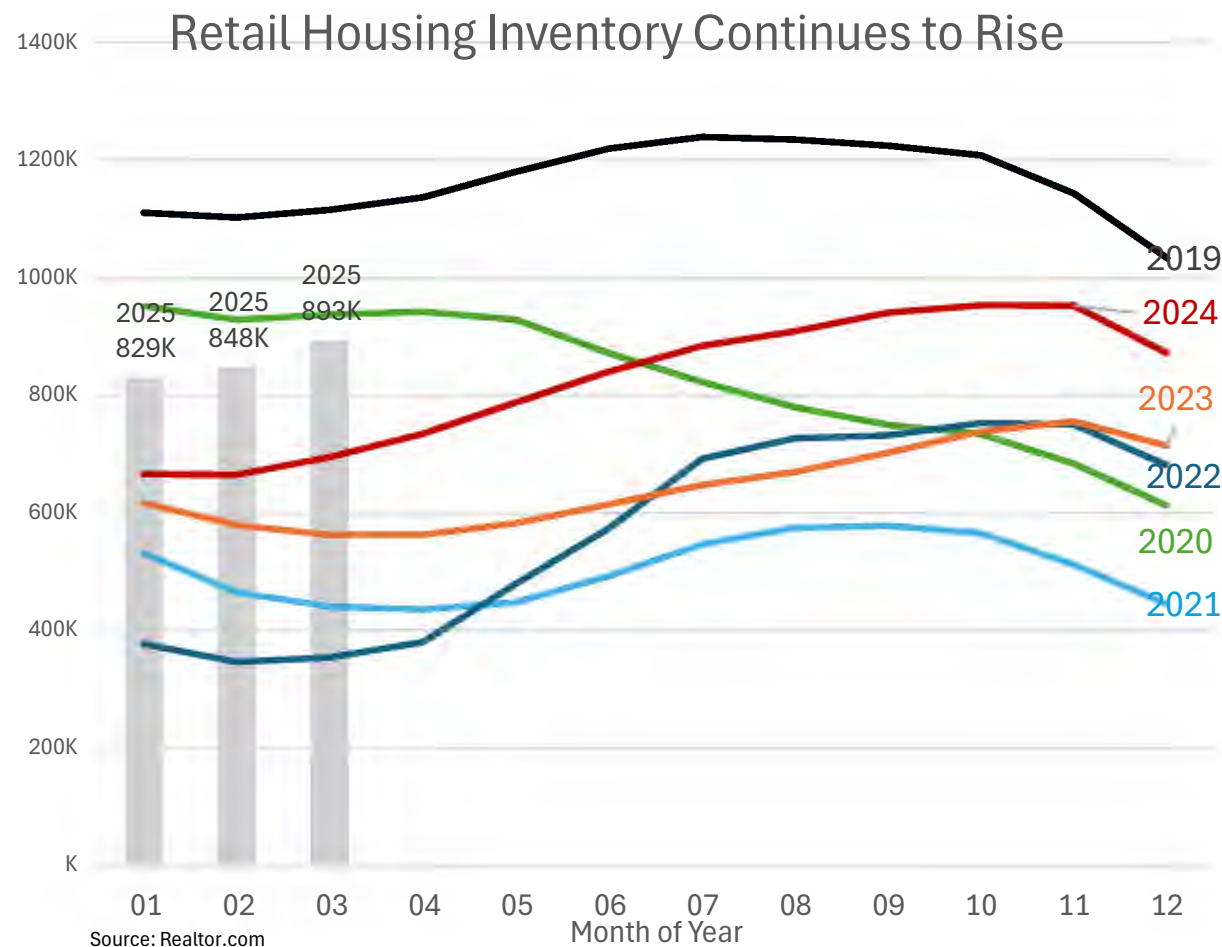


Unemployment Rate Peaking at 4.3%



Unemployment Rate Peaking at 5.1%





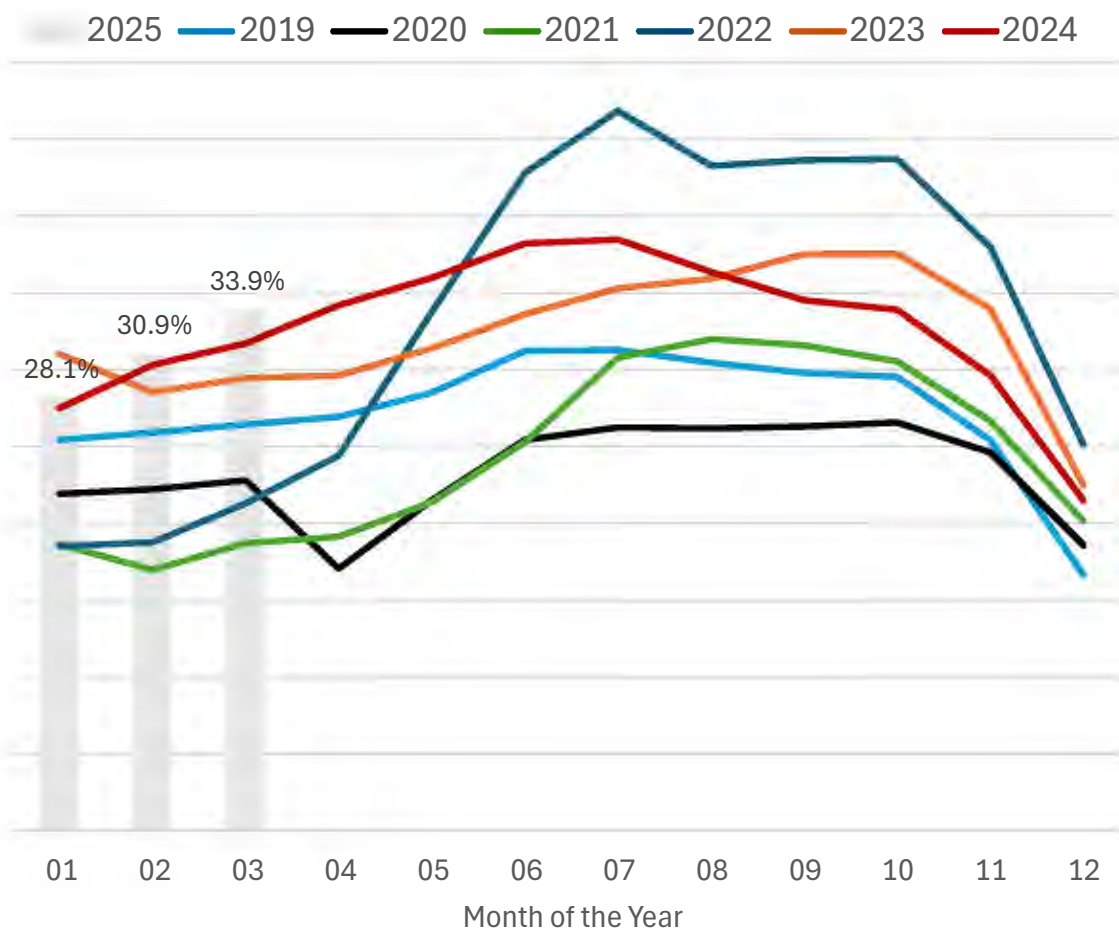
- March inventory up 5% MoM, up 28% YoY
- 5% below March 2020 level
- 20% below March 2019 level
- ADC sales rate uptick in March is impressive in face of this headwind

March 2025 Retail Housing Inventory by Metro



- Among major markets, biggest increases in Las Vegas, Denver, San Diego, DC, Sacramento, Los Angeles, Knoxville, Tucson, Inland Empire, Charlotte
- Smallest increases in NYC, Detroit, Minneapolis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, El Paso, Kansas City, Cleveland, New Orleans and Fort Walton Beach
- ADC sales rate heat map for Q1 shows similar pattern, with YoY sales rate decline in Southeast and Midwest, and rise in Northeast and Rust Belt

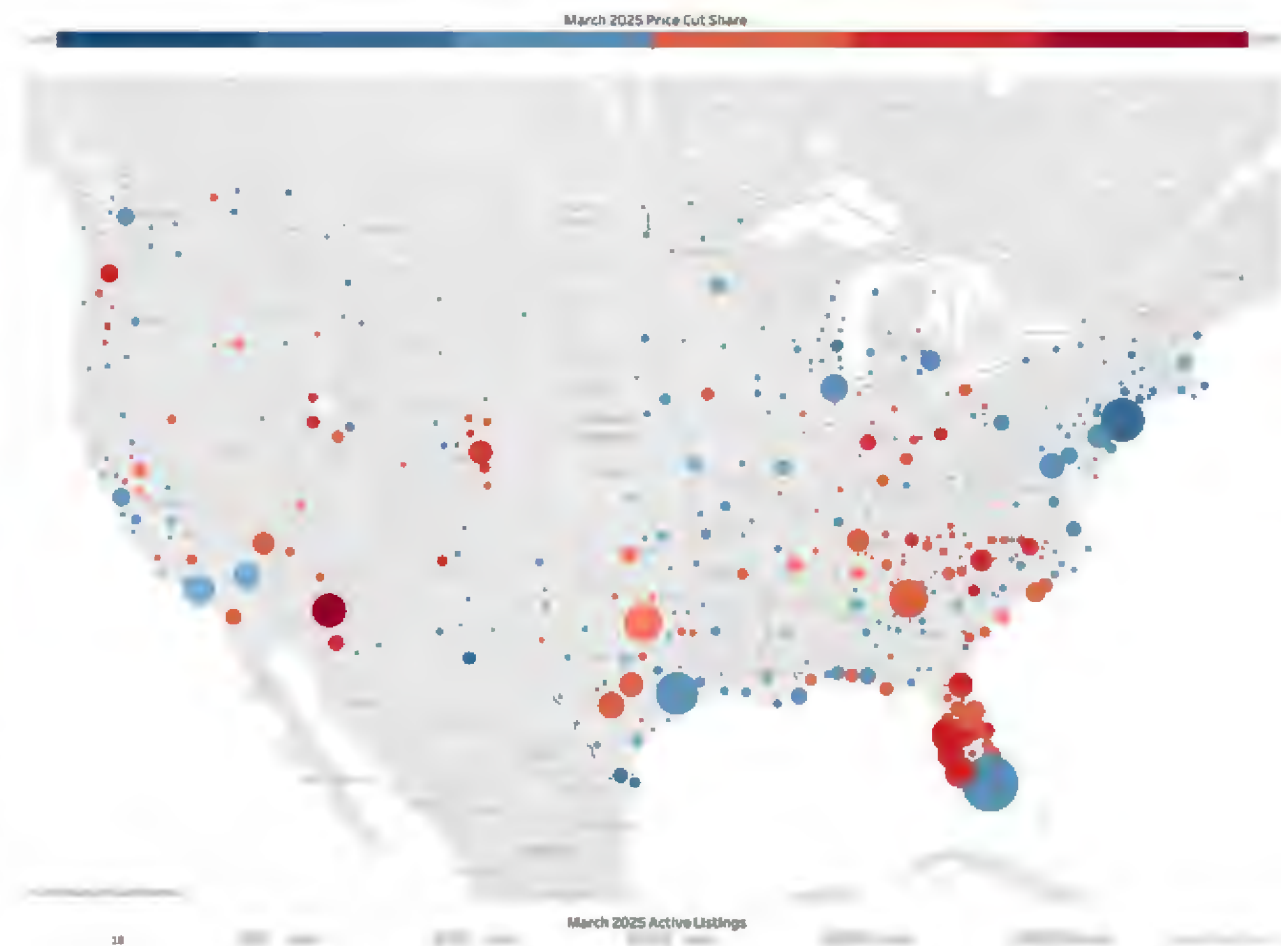
Price Reductions Start Year at Nine-Year Highs



Source: Realtor.com

- 33.9% price cut rate in March at a nine-year high for March,
- Second straight month with price cuts at a nine-year high
- Bid-ask spread at foreclosure auction in March widened to a five-month high of 7 points, and we often see a dip in sales rate after a rise in bid-ask spread

March 2025 Retail Housing Price Cuts by Metro



- 59% of markets saw the share of price reductions rise YoY in March
- Biggest YoY increases in Raleigh, Chicago, Sacramento, Las Vegas, Sacramento
- Biggest YoY decreases in Des Moines, Memphis, OKC, Fort Walton Beach, Baton Rouge
- 59% of ADC markets saw YoY decline in winning bid-to-value ratios in Q1, but the pattern did not follow as closely to the retail inventory price cut pattern