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KEYS-WIDE COMPARISON: JANUARY-MARCH 2023 VS. 2022

The normalization of the Florida Keys Real Estate market proceeds in earnest with continued downward adjustments in number of sales & average sale prices, increases in inventories of properties for sale, and marketing times over the all-time peak sales levels in 2021 and 2022. With 39% fewer buyers and 27% more properties for buyers to choose from sellers are having to readjust their expectations from a year ago. The average seller is suffering price reductions over 4% during the term of the listing and achieving almost 10% less than the original list price when the property sells which is taking 25% longer. While those statistics may sound dire the reality is that this market remains historically guite good relative to average sale prices which are down less than 1 %, buoyed by an inventory of properties for sale which is running at about half of the historical average. Unlike the last downturn in the Keys starting in 2006 when inventories ballooned, sellers are staying put in 2023, not ready to make a lateral move in a relatively price-stable market or lose their low interest rate mortgage. With so many sales in 2021 & 2022 those buyers are simply not ready to sell yet and there is little motivation for them to do so. Going forward in 2023, we expect that the current market dynamics will continue to play out with low inventories maintaining the higher price points established as a result of the Pandemic. We do not forecast any wholesale reduction in property values as a result of the current market or the ongoing challenges driving fewer sales. Besides the continuing challenges posed by higher interest rates put in place to slow the economy along with real estate sales, the market will be affected going forward by the lack of wind insurance for coverage over \$1 million and increasing premiums. FEMA may finally enact the new Flood Insurance Rate Maps in 2023 which will further stress flood insurance premiums. In our 68-year Company history, we have seen greater challenges than these, all of which the market has overcome and even prospered as a result of. We believe that the allure of the Keys will overwhelm any of these risks and obstacles and there will always be great demand to own real estate in the Florida Keys.

Keys-wide Sales decreased 39% from 897 to 547

Average Sale Price (ASP) was down 0.8% to \$1,032,171 from \$1,040,486



Average List Price (ALP) was up 15.8% from \$1,427,950 to \$1,653,532

Days On Market (DOM) was up 25% going from 60 to 75 days



Properties For Sale increased 26.9% from 1,199 to 1,521

Based on All Property Types

KEYS-WIDE COMPARISON: SALE PRICE-TO-LIST PRICE RATIO

Sales Price % vs **Original Listed Price for properties** sold after price reductions

90.52% **Down 1.9%** from 2022

Sales Price % vs 94.86% **Listed Price at** the time the property obtained a contract & sold

Down 2.2% from 2022

Avg List Price reduction during listing term for sold properties

4.3%

Down 4.8% from 2022

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We're pleased to note a 16% increase in visitors to our website over the 12-month period ending March 31, 2023. Because most buyers search for and find their home on the internet, we ensure our listings are exposed where they're looking. Visits from organic search engine links posted the biggest proportionate gain among all our channels, up 91%, while social media and advertising referrals were essentially unchanged. Visits via smart phones were up 3% to 57% overall while visits via desktop PC (40%) fell by a similar amount. Visits via tablet (e.g. iPad) was unchanged at 3%. Here, we present a look at where those visits originate geographically, ranking the top 20 domestic markets and nations in order. Overall, 93.75% of visits originated in the United States - 2% more than in the previous 12 months - and within the USA, visits from Florida accounted for 37% of the total, a decrease of about 9% from the previous year. Canada is traditionally our number-one international point of origin but we've seen a dramatic rise in visits from Ireland, perhaps in response to the uncertainties about the future of EU access and border policies prior to April's adoption of the Windsor Framework.

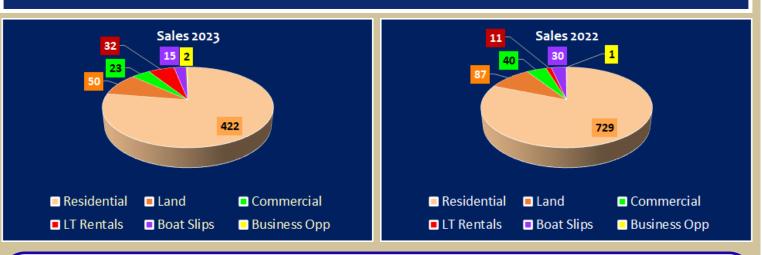
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- 18. Charlotte NC
- 19. Boston MA-Manchester NH
- 20. Raleigh-Durham-Fayetteville NC

International

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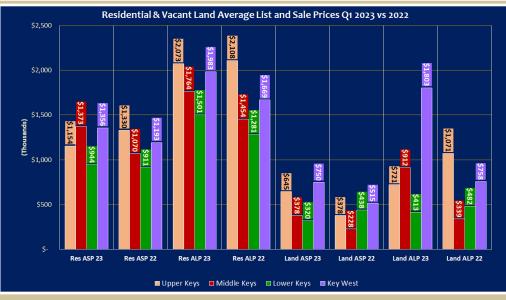
- 8. United Kingdom
- 11. Indonesia
- 13. Bangladesh
- 14. Netherlands
- 18. South Korea
- 19. Nigeria
- 20. Italv



Sales in the first quarter of 2023 were 61% of Q1 2022's total. The percentage of sales by property type was relatively unchanged for residential (78% vs. 81% in 2022), vacant land (9% vs. 10%), commercial (unchanged at 4%), boat slips (unchanged at 3%) and business opportunities (less than 1% each year.) The main difference was in the percentage of long-term rentals. There were few available in Q1 2022, ranging from 17 to 33 listed at any given time. In Q1 2023, the number available has ranged between 64 to 92 listed. Consequently, they accounted for 6% of transactions vs. 1% in Q1 2022.

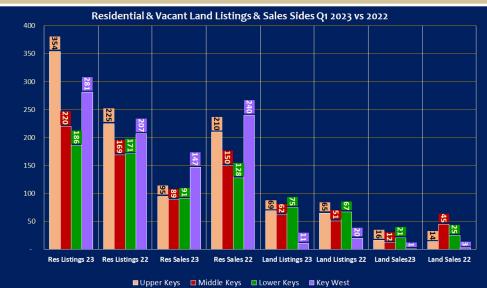
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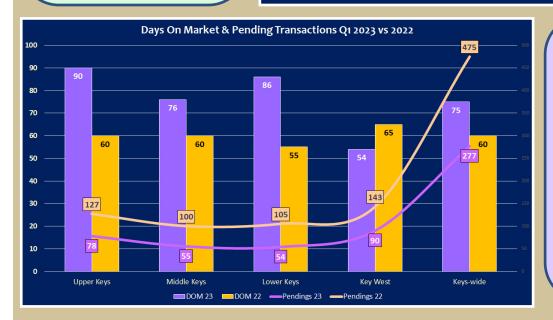
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The average residential sale price was up 6% Keys-wide with the Upper Keys the only submarket to experience a decline (87% of Q1 22) and the Middle Keys leading with a 28% increase. Residential list prices were up from 17% (Lower Keys) to 21% (Middle Keys) except for the Upper Keys at 98% of Q1 22. Vacant Land list and sale prices fluctuated widely as can be expected given the much smaller number of sales.

Keys-wide in Q1 2023, the number of residential active listings increased by 35% over Q1 2022. Residential sales sides were 58% of Q1 2022's level. Q1 2023 Vacant Land listings were up 7% over Q1 2022 while land sales were at 57% of 2022's total. The Upper Keys saw the most dramatic swing with 57% more residential listings but less than half as many sales.





The number of listings with the status of pending, contingent, or contingentshow for Ql 2023 represents 58% of 2022's Keys-wide count. All areas were down ranging from the Lower Keys at 51% of March 31, 2022 to Key West at 63%. Days On Market rose 25% across-theboard with Key West the only area to post a decrease from Ql 2022.

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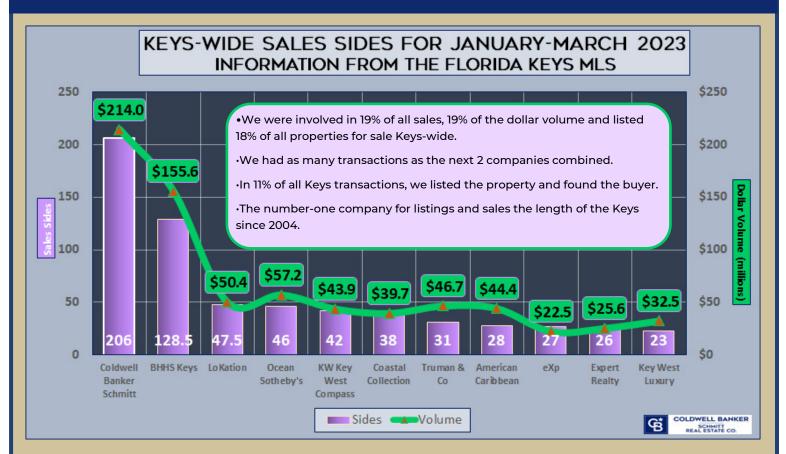
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