

# QUARTERLY MARKET REPORT





## Manhattan Cooperatives and Condominiums

#### Average and Median Sale Price

Prices for Manhattan apartments continued to edge upward, as their average sale price of \$1,432,787 was 8% higher than a year ago. This marked the sixth straight quarter that the average price has risen. While the number of recorded transactions fell 25% from a year ago, the fourth quarter of 2009 was uncharacteristically busy due to pent-up demand after the collapse of Lehman Brothers had frozen the market earlier that year.



#### **Cooperative Average Sale Price**

The average co-op price continued to rise sharply, as more buyers favored larger apartments compared to a year ago. Two-bedroom and larger units accounted for 45% of co-op sales, up from 40% a year ago. This helped push the overall average coop price up 17% from 2009's fourth quarter to \$1,158,333.

Condo prices averaged
,
\$1,751,219 during the fourth
quarter, 1% higher than a
year ago. One-bedrooms
posted the biggest increase
in average price, rising
9% over the past year to
\$844,964.

	Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom	All
4th Q 10	\$342,545	\$593,718	\$1,231,116	\$3,150,700	\$1,158,333
3rd Q 10	\$366,086	\$606,444	\$1,206,257	\$3,049,980	\$1,156,733
2nd Q 10	\$356,696	\$597,311	\$1,301,392	\$2,872,496	\$1,065,814
1st Q 10	\$334,307	\$587,538	\$1,132,150	\$3,098,881	\$1,079,195
4th Q 09	\$345,725	\$585,238	\$1,133,967	\$3,001,012	\$990,921

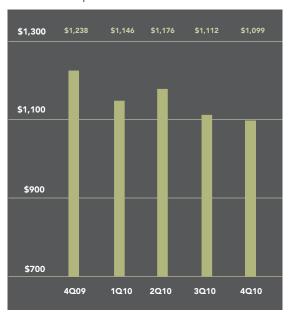
#### Condominium Average Sale Price

	Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom	All
4th Q 10	\$495,002	\$844,964	\$1,637,638	\$4,567,750	\$1,751,219
3rd Q 10	\$495,876	\$809,514	\$1,596,021	\$3,835,376	\$1,724,180
2nd Q 10	\$464,559	\$840,829	\$1,570,772	\$3,922,994	\$1,686,690
1st Q 10	\$529,970	\$819,785	\$1,608,375	\$4,250,098	\$1,730,415
4th Q 09	\$554,568	\$772,525	\$1,583,362	\$4,574,080	\$1,732,362

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# Average Price Per Square Foot

## New Developments

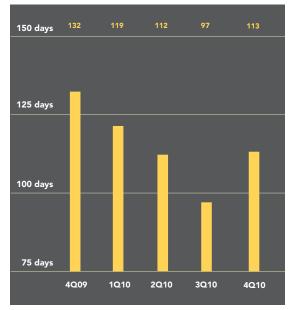


### Lofts



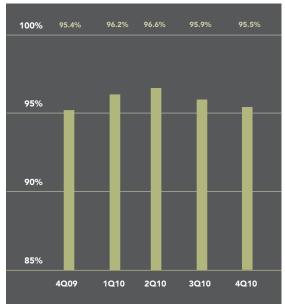
New development prices averaged \$1,099 per square foot, 11% less than during the fourth quarter of 2009. This was due in part to an increase in the percent of new development sales in Northern Manhattan from 9% a year ago to 15%. At \$1,052, the average price per square foot for loft apartments was 3% higher than during 2009's fourth quarter.

## Time on the Market



Excludes new developments and units listed over one year.

## Asking Vs. Selling Price



Based on the last asking price. Excludes new developments.

Apartments sold during the quarter spent an average of 113 days on the market, 14% less time than a year ago. Sellers received 95.5% of the last asking price, up slightly from the fourth quarter of 2009.



# East Side

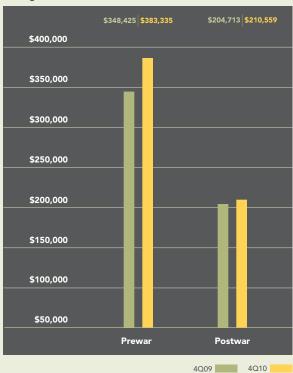
Generally 59th to 96th Street, Fifth Avenue to the East River

At an average of \$1,581,971, prices for two-bedroom East Side apartments were 14% higher than a year ago. The average price fell 13% for three-bedroom and larger apartments; due in part to 2 closings of over \$30 million a year ago inflating that figure. Co-ops fared better than condos, as the average price per room rose for both prewar and postwar co-ops over the past year while the average condo price per square foot fell.

		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	4th Q 09	10%	35%	36%	19%
	4th Q 10	11%	39%	28%	22%
Average Price	4th Q 09	\$351,462	\$647,300	\$1,383,364	\$4,146,087
	4th Q 10	\$355,459	\$647,207	\$1,581,971	\$3,605,513
	% Change	1%	0%	14%	-13%

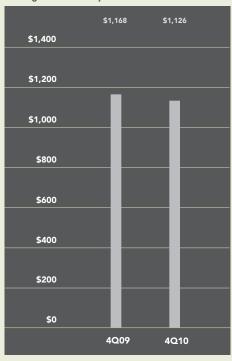
## Cooperative

#### **Average Price Per Room**



## Condominium

#### **Average Price Per Square Foot**



# West Side

Generally 59th to 110th Street, Hudson River to West of Fifth Avenue

		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Color	4th Q 09	10%	37%	37%	16%
	4th Q 10	8%	33%	38%	21%
Average	4th Q 09	\$417,466	\$656,421	\$1,326,640	\$3,325,062
	4th Q 10	\$391,228	\$766,529	\$1,378,920	\$4,030,338
	% Change	-6%	17%	4%	21%

With the exception of studios, prices rose for all other size categories of apartments on the West Side led by a 21% gain in the average price for threebedroom and larger units. This increase was helped by 535 West End Avenue, whose three-bedroom closing prices averaged over \$11.5 million in the fourth quarter. Co-ops remained strong, as the average price per room rose 21% for prewar and 12% for postwar co-ops on the West Side. The average condo price per square foot rose 3% to \$1,309, making the West Side the only area where both co-op and condo prices were higher than a year ago.

## Cooperative

#### **Average Price Per Room**



## Condominium

#### **Average Price Per Square Foot**





A couple of high-end closings

at The Plaza and One Beacon

East market compared to a year ago. The average price per room fell 5% for prewar

while rising 8% for postwar co-ops.

Court helped bring the average condo price per square foot 27% higher in the Midtown

# Midtown

Midtown East Generally 34th to 59th Street, Fifth Avenue to the East River

## Cooperative

### Average Price Per Room

# \$212,198 \$200,857 \$188,662 \$204,639 \$225,000 \$200,000 \$175,000 \$125,000 \$100,000 Prewar Postwar

## Condominium

#### **Average Price Per Square Foot**



Midtown West Generally 34th to 59th Street, Hudson River to West of Fifth Avenue

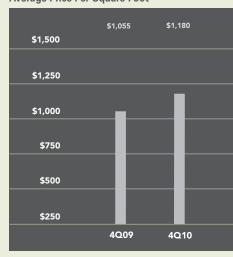
## Cooperative

#### Average Price Per Room



## Condominium

#### **Average Price Per Square Foot**



The average price per square foot rose 12% for condos over the past year in the Midtown West market. A number of closings at The Sheffield and Platinum helped bring up this figure. The average price per room fell for both prewar and postwar co-ops in this market compared to a year ago.

# Downtown

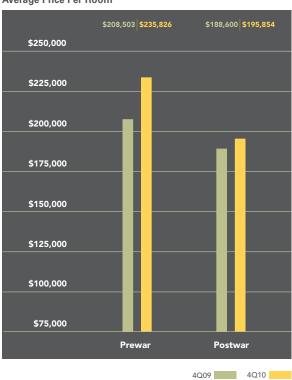
South of 34th Street

While the average price fell 23% for threebedroom and larger apartments Downtown from a year ago, a large number of closings at the Superior Ink building inflated 2009's figure. This also is a reason why the overall condo price per square foot fell 10% from a year ago. The average co-op price per room rose 13% for prewar and 4% for postwar units from 2009's fourth quarter.

		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of Sales	4th Q 09	17%	43%	28%	12%
	4th Q 10	16%	41%	31%	12%
Average Price	4th Q 09	\$452,722	\$704,292	\$1,615,877	\$4,665,379
	4th Q 10	\$444,618	\$741,919	\$1,581,625	\$3,605,513
	% Change	-2%	5%	-2%	-23%

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#### **Average Price Per Room**



## Condominium

#### **Average Price Per Square Foot**





# Northern Manhattan

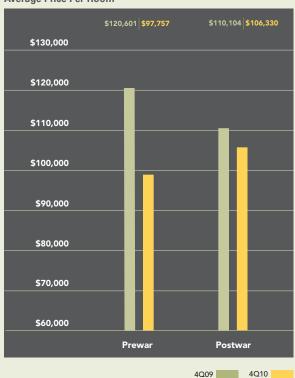
Generally North of 96th Street on the East Side, and 110th Street on the West Side

While the average price fell for three-bedroom and larger apartments, it was higher for all other size categories in Northern Manhattan. Condo prices rose slightly, as their average price per square foot of \$566 was up 1% from a year ago. The average price per room fell for both prewar and postwar co-ops compared to a year ago.

		Studio	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3+Bedroom
Percent of	4th Q 09	6%	35%	43%	16%
Sales	4th Q 10	8%	38%	38%	16%
Average Price	4th Q 09	\$227,611	\$352,759	\$567,332	\$1,101,778
	4th Q 10	\$319,798	\$394,509	\$577,071	\$710,832
	% Change	41%	12%	2%	-35%

## Cooperative

#### **Average Price Per Room**



## Condominium

#### **Average Price Per Square Foot**



This report is based on 1,901 reported Manhattan apartment sales, 25% less than were reported during last year's comparable period.

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