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# Manhattan Cooperatives and Condominiums 

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.

## Average and Median Sale Price



Average Sale Price $\quad$ Median Sale Price $\square$

## Cooperative Average Sale Price

|  | 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.

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## 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 <br> Sales | 4th Q 09 | 4th Q 10 | $10 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| Average | 4th Q 09 | $11 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Price | 4th Q 10 | $\$ 351,462$ | $\$ 647,300$ | $\$ 1,383,364$ | $\$ 4,146,087$ |
|  | \% Change | $\$ 355,459$ | $\$ 647,207$ | $\$ 1,581,971$ | $\$ 3,605,513$ |


| $\$ 1,400$ | \$1,168 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1,200$ |  |
| $\$ 1,000$ |  |
| $\$ 800$ |  |
| $\$ 400$ |  |
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## Cooperative

## Average Price Per Room



Average Price Per Square Foot
Condominium

## West Side

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

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.

|  |  | Studio | 1-Bedroom | 2-Bedroom | 3+Bedroom |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Percent of <br> Sales | 4th Q 09 | th Q 10 | $10 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $37 \%$ |
| Average | 4th Q 09 | $8 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $16 \%$ |
| Price | 4th Q 10 | $\$ 417,466$ | $\$ 656,421$ | $\$ 1,326,640$ | $\$ 3,325,062$ |
|  | \% Change | $\$ 391,228$ | $\$ 766,529$ | $\$ 1,378,920$ | $\$ 4,030,338$ |

## Cooperative

## Average Price Per Room



Condominium
Average Price Per Square Foot

| $\$ 1,400$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1,200$ | $\$ 1,309$ |
| $\$ 1,000$ |  |
| $\$ 800$ |  |
| $\$ 600$ |  |
| $\$ 400$ |  |

## Midtown

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

Cooperative
Average Price Per Room


Condominium
Average Price Per Square Foot


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## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


## Condominium

Average Price Per Square Foot


## 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

## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


Condominium
Average Price Per Square Foot

| $\$ 1,400$ | \$1,326 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\$ 1,300$ |  |
| $\$ 1,200$ |  |
| $\$ 1,100$ |  |
| $\$ 1,000$ |  |
| $\$ 900$ |  |
| $\$ 700$ |  |

## 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 | $6 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $43 \%$ |
| Sales | 4th Q 10 | $8 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| Average | 4 th Q 09 | $\$ 227,611$ | $\$ 352,759$ | $\$ 567,332$ |

## Cooperative

Average Price Per Room


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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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