## California Housing **Market Forecast**

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#### It was the best of times...

#### My Advice to REALTORS®

Don't throw your business in cruise control Hustle/elbow-grease is the name of the game Put the data under your client's nose

#### The Rearview Mirror

Economy healing broadly
Buyer demand robust
Home sales rising
Prices at all-time high levels
Fewer homeowners in forbearance

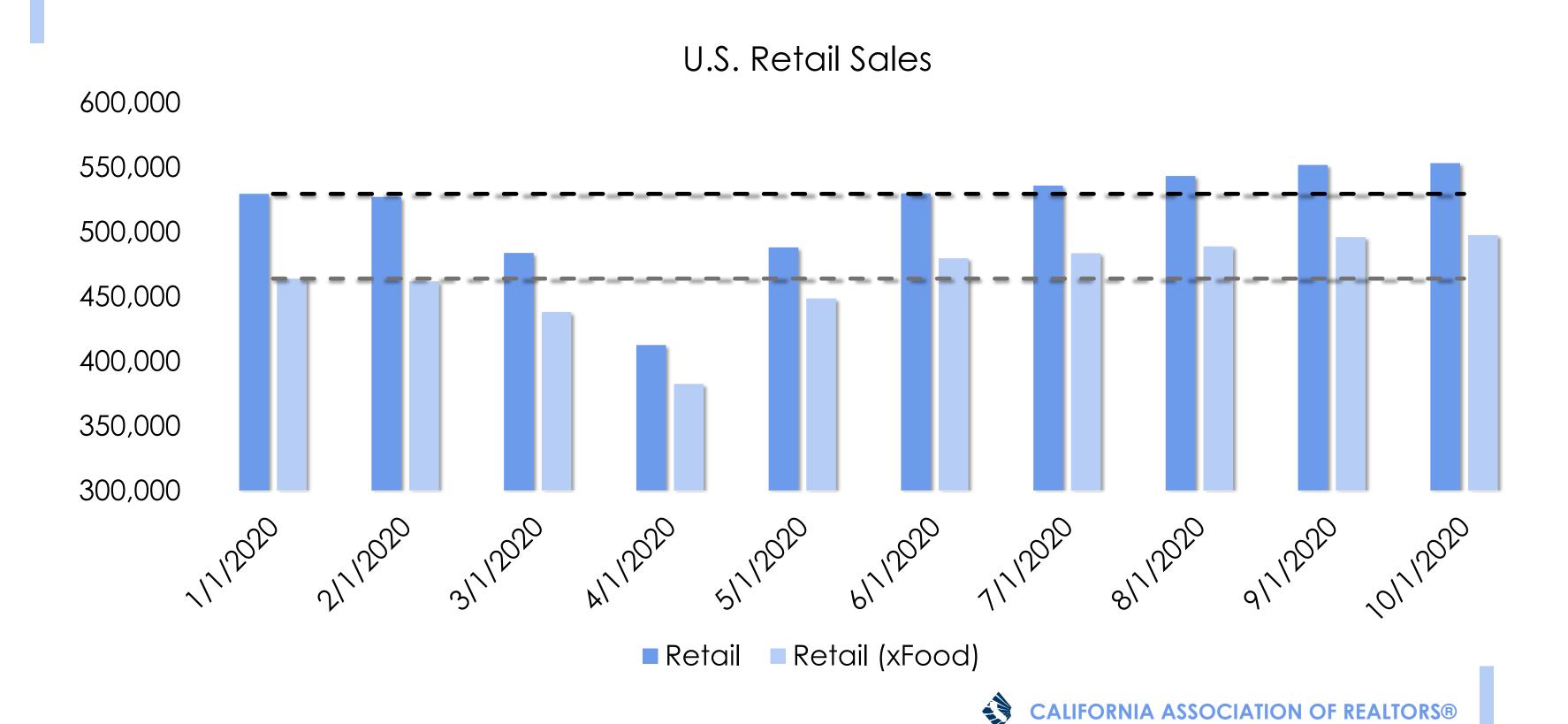
#### The Road Ahead

~17 million people on unemployment 350K delinquencies here in California Less than half as much inventory as 2019 Sales not rising like they would be

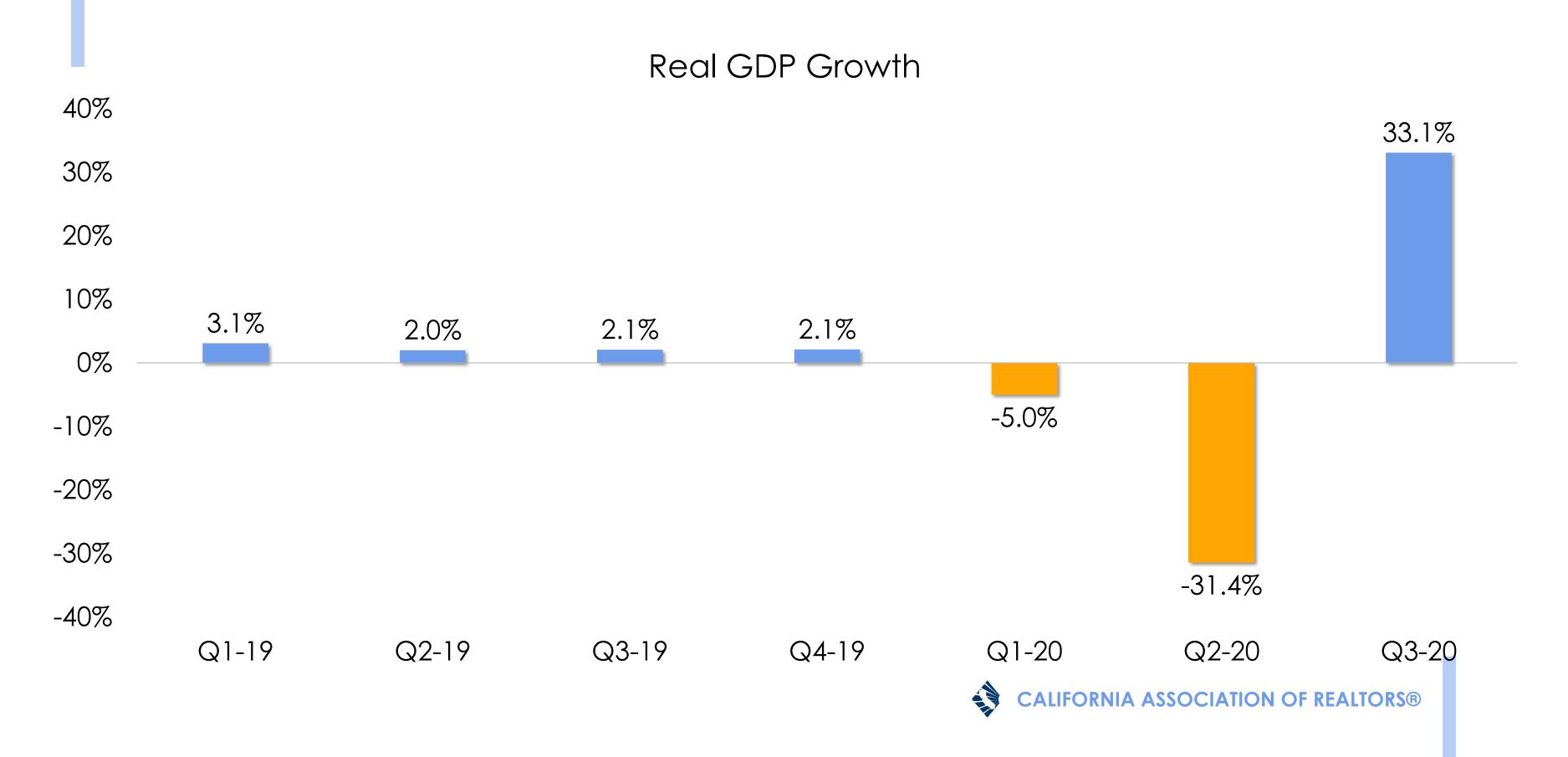


## How About Some GOOD NEWS?

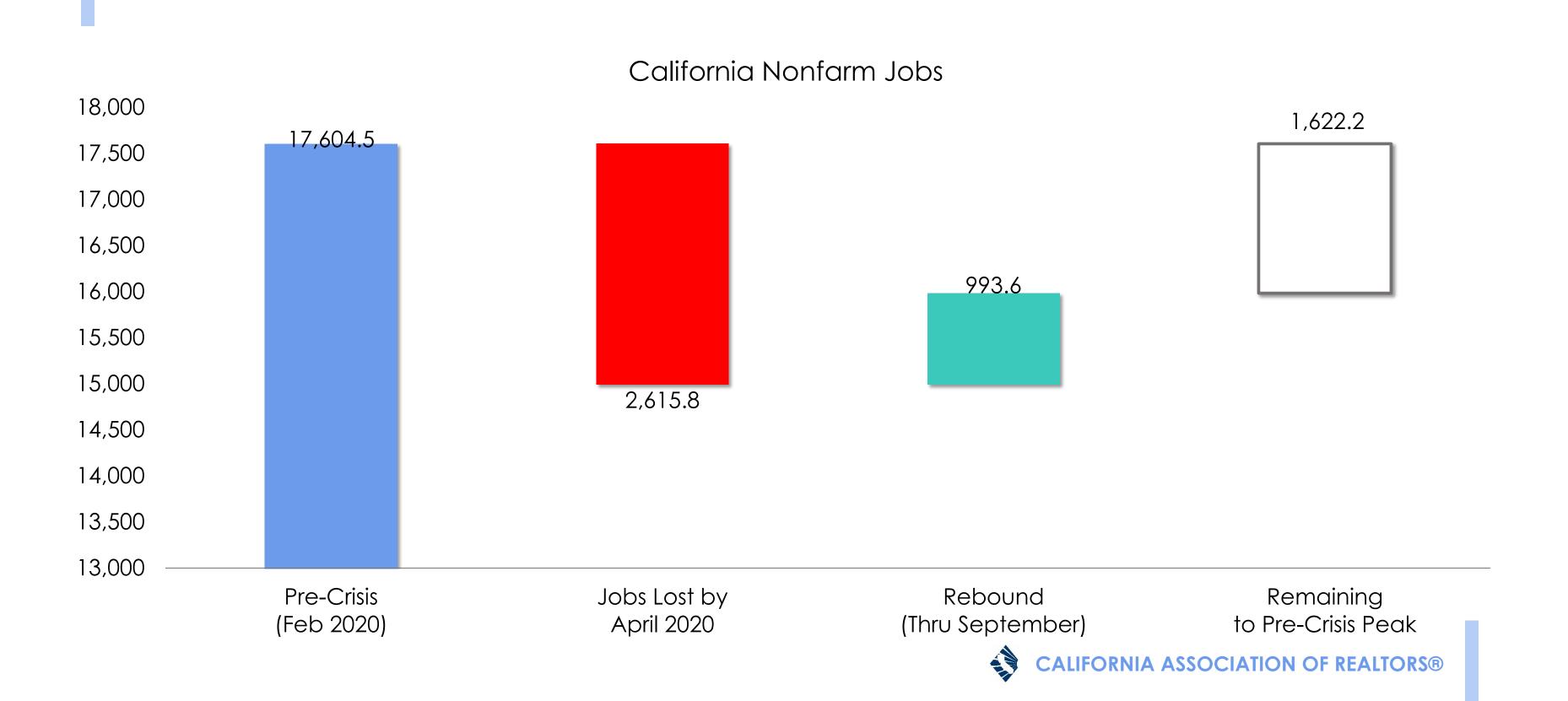
## Consumers are BACK... many of them



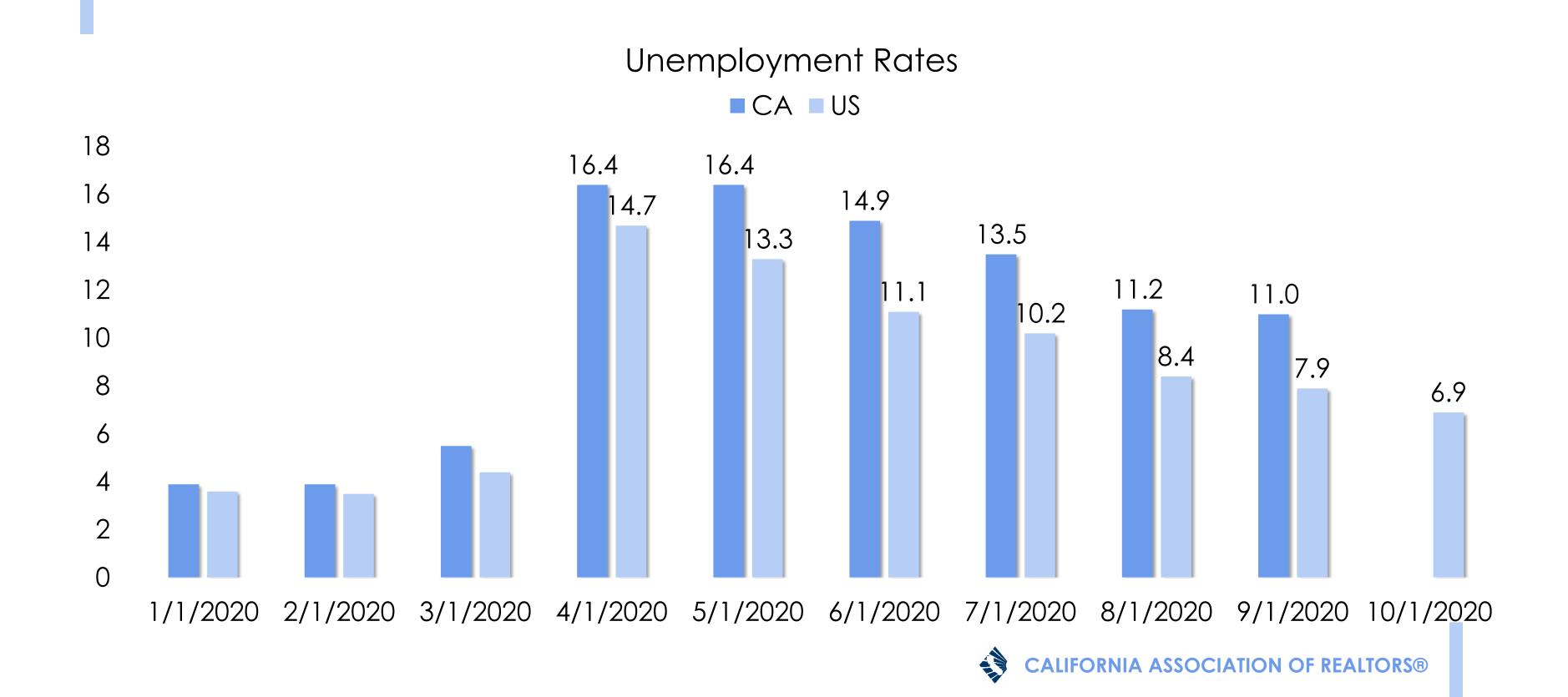
## Sharp rebound in third quarter GDP



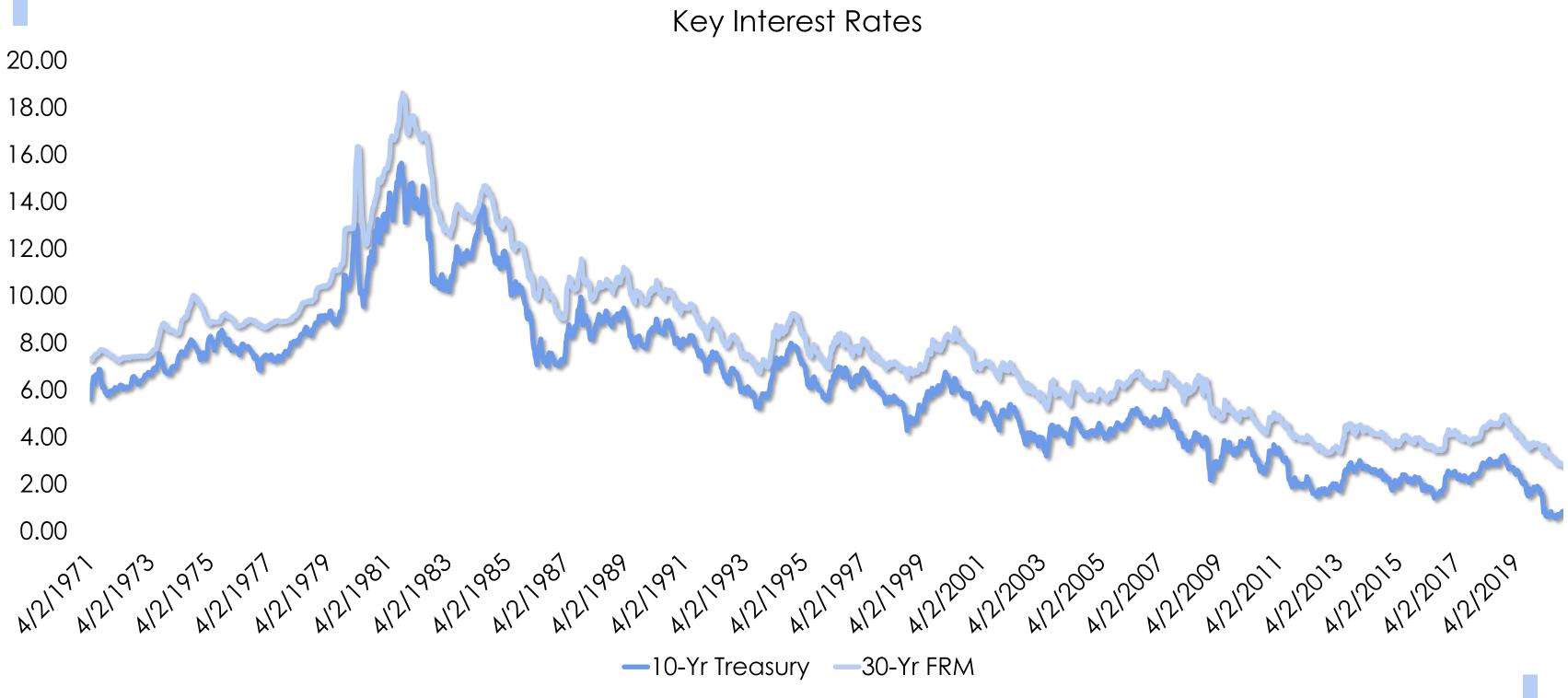
## **Snapshot of California labor markets**



## Unemployment rate down consistently as well



#### Interest rates have NEVER been lower

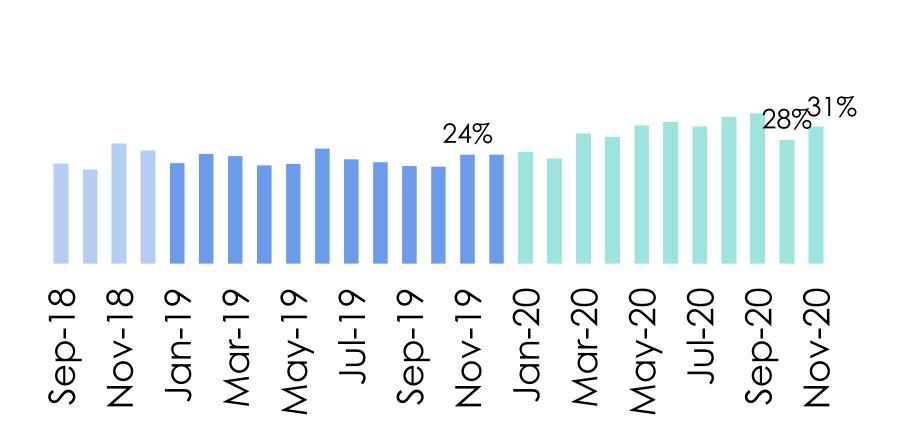


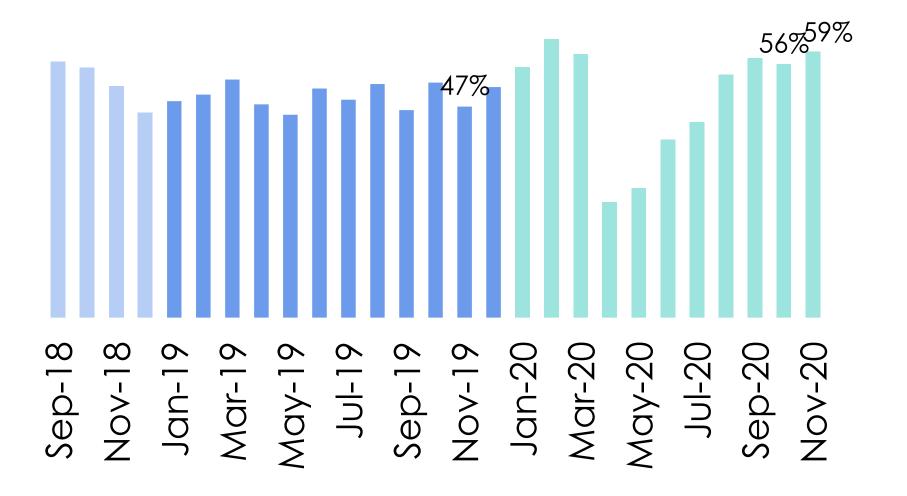


## Is it a good time to buy or sell?

Do you think it's a good time to **buy** a home in California?

Do you think it's a good time to **sell** a home in California?





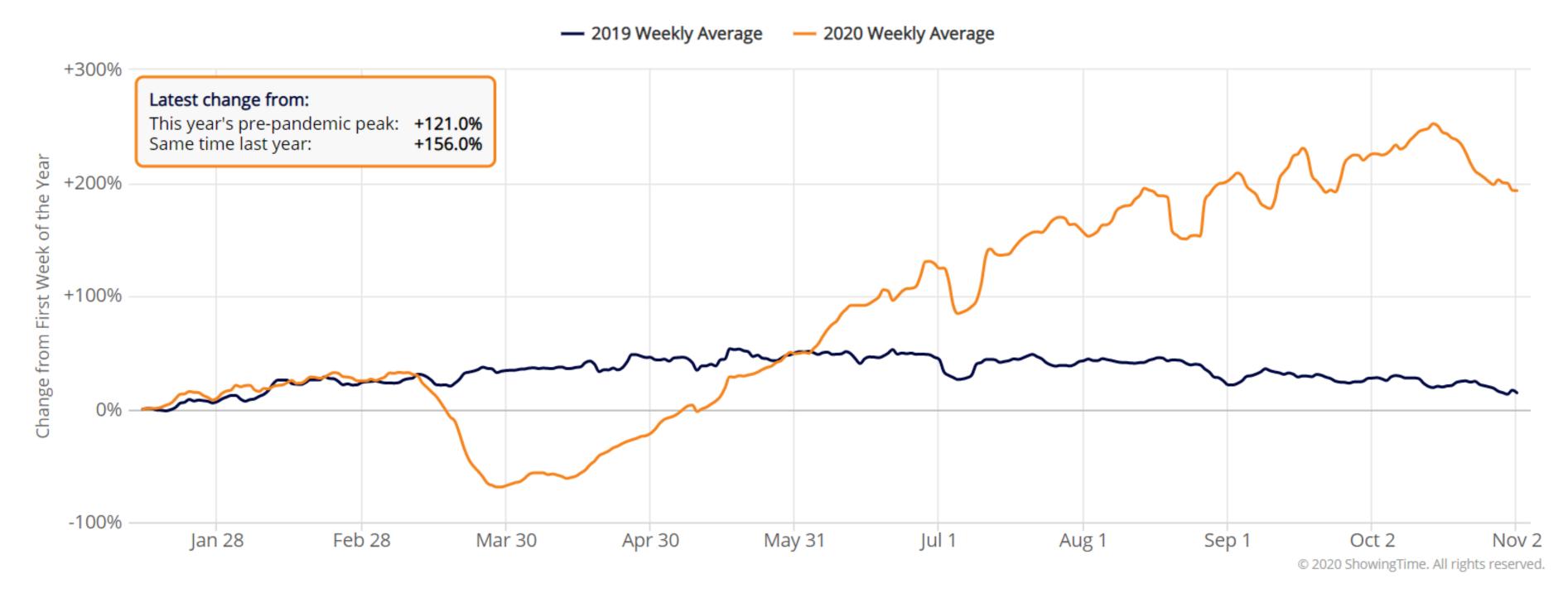




#### Impact of COVID-19 to Real Estate Showings in California

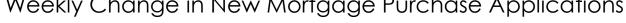
Weekly showings normalized to the first calendar week of January, 7-day moving average. Data through November 2, 2020

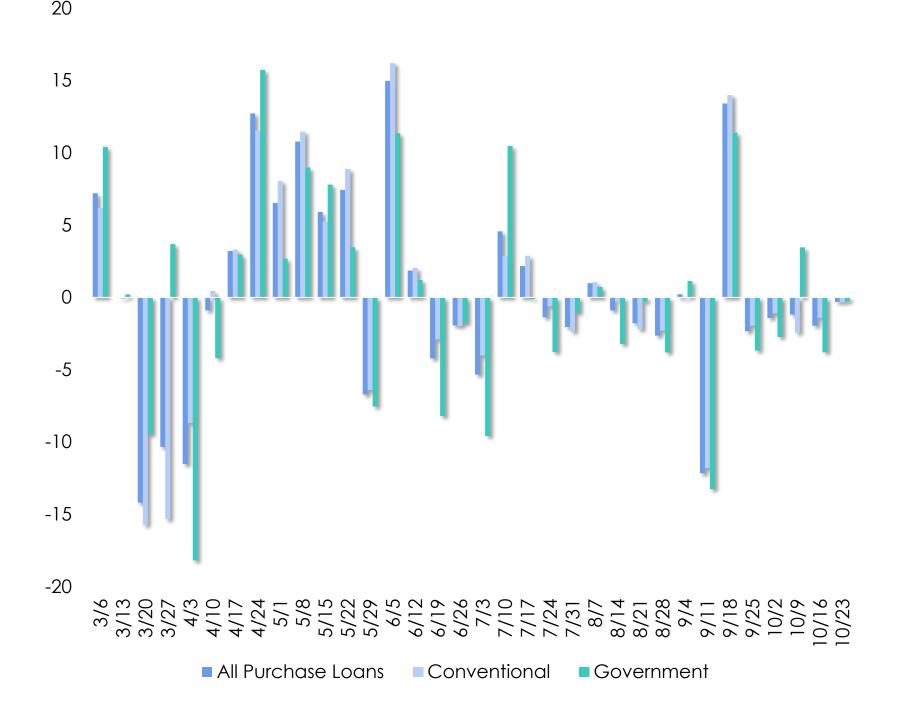




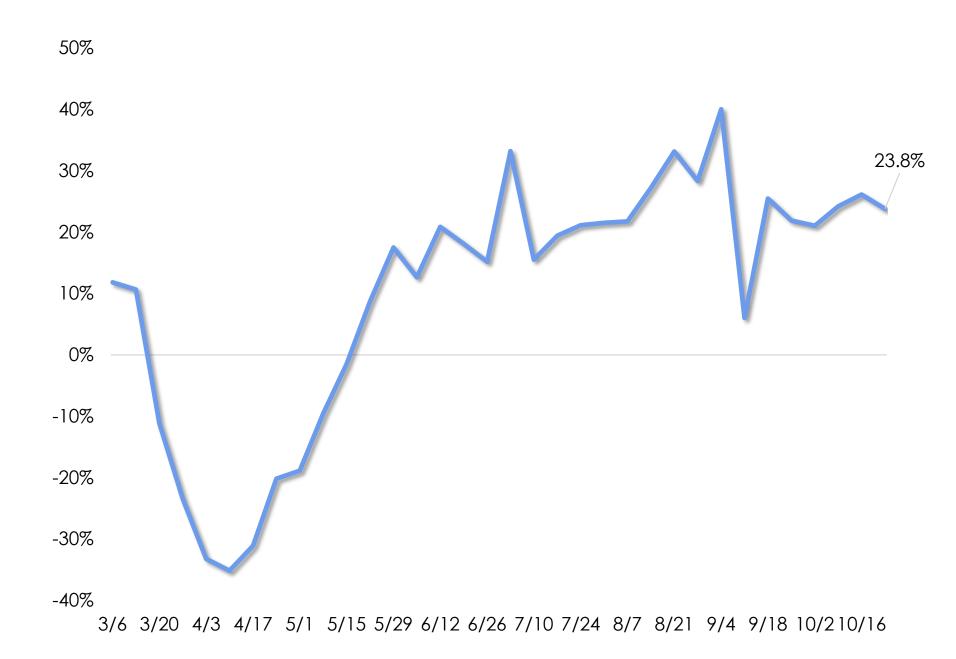
## Purchase applications remain strong well into fall

Weekly Change in New Mortgage Purchase Applications





Year-to-Year Change in New Mortgage Purchase Applications





## California housing market: sales up, price remained above \$700K, supply lowest in years

October 2020

484,510

**Existing Home Sales** 

+19.9% YTY -1.3% YTD % change



FOR SALE





Price

Unsold **Inventory Index**  **Median Days** on Market

Sales Price to **List Price Ratio** 

\$711,300 +17.5% Y2Y

2.0 months -33.3% Y2Y

10 days -58.3% Y2Y

100.2% +1.7% Y2Y





## October 2020 Bay Area Housing Snapshot



+18.9% YTY -4.4% YTD

\$1,100,000 +17.0% YTY



Unsold Inventory Index

1.8 months

**Existing Home Sales** 

% change

## **Existing Home Price**

% change



Median Days on Market

11 days



Sales Price to List Price Ratio

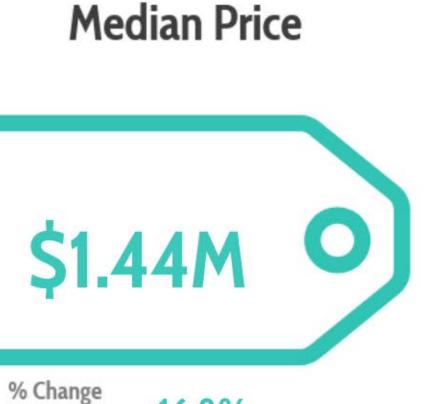
102.4%







## Santa Clara County



from Last Year +16.8%



Home Sales



## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

8

Sales to List Price %

102.2%

% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

25.7%

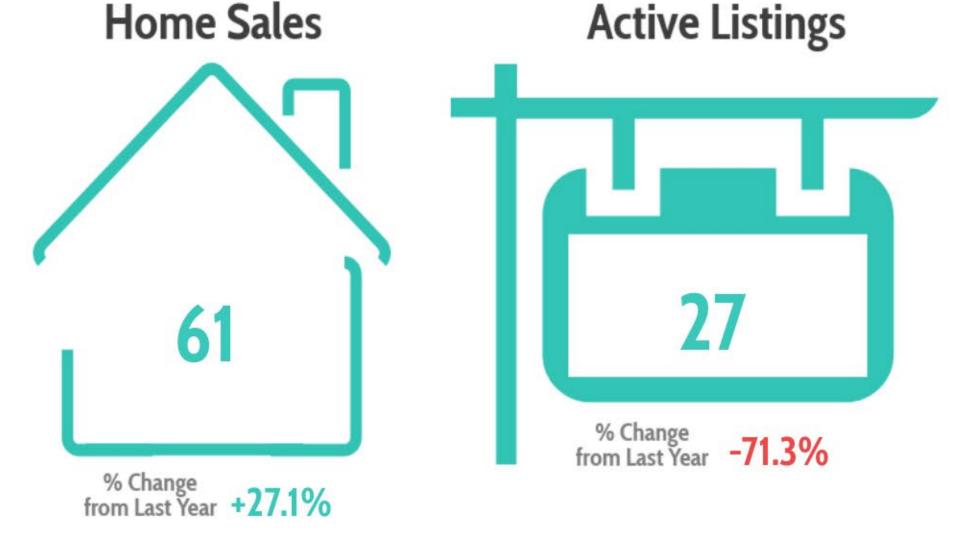


## Gilroy, California



% Change +3.7%

\$850K



## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

7

Sales to List Price % 101.6%

% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

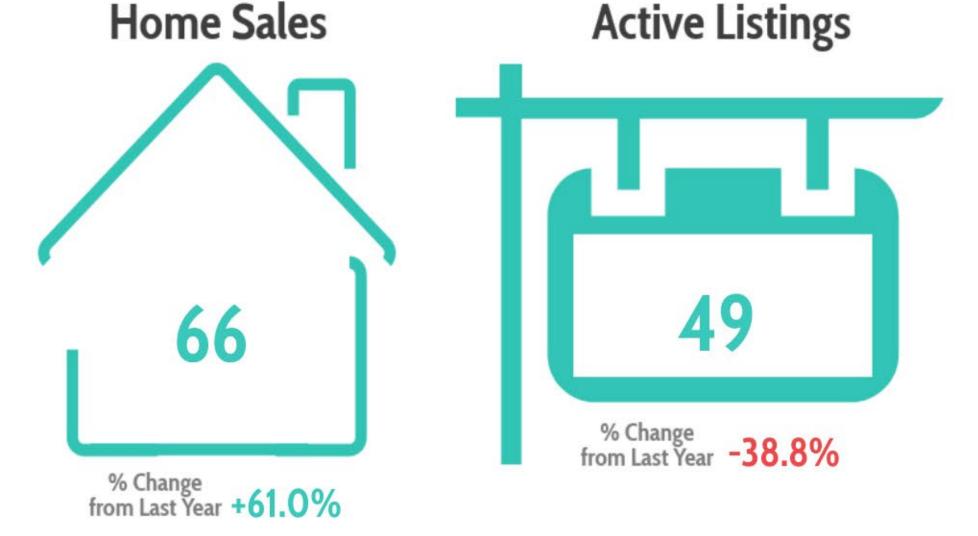
22.2%



## Morgan Hill, California







## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

9

Sales to List Price %

100.3%

% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

24.5%

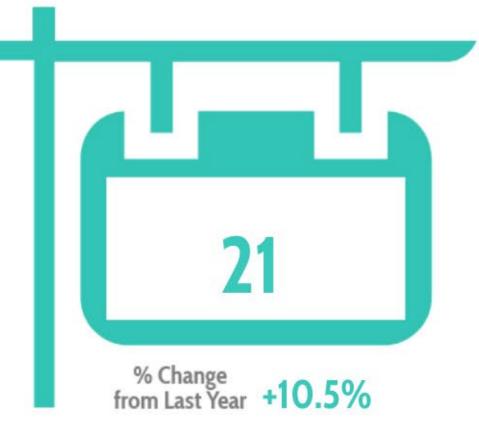


## Milpitas, California

## **Median Price**



## Home Sales Active Listings



## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

10

Sales to List Price %

103.8%

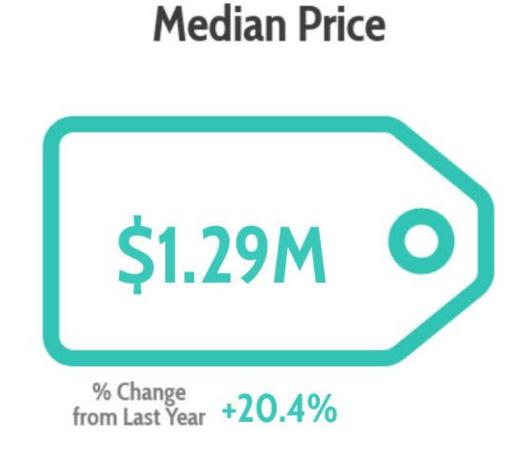
% Change from Last Year +38.1%

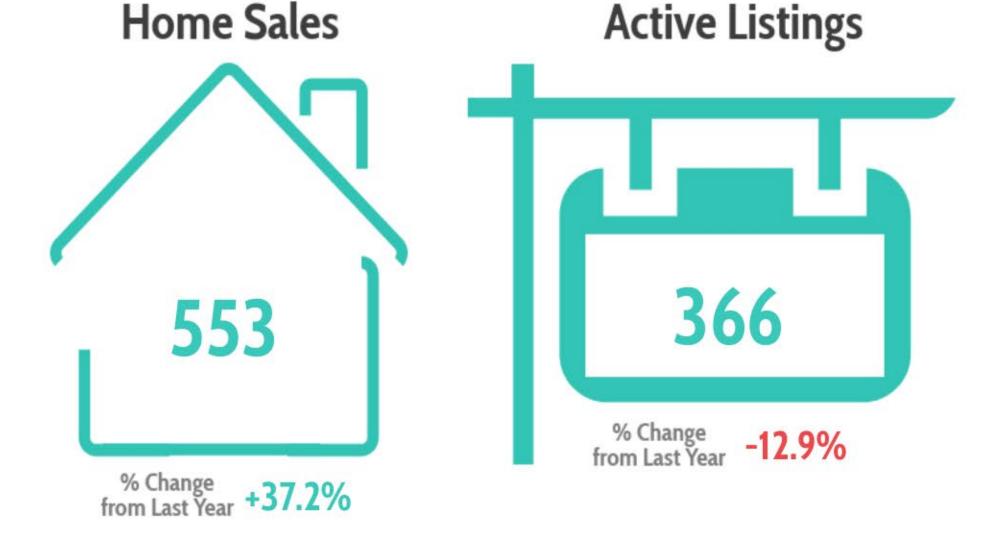
% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

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## San Jose, California





## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

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Sales to List Price %

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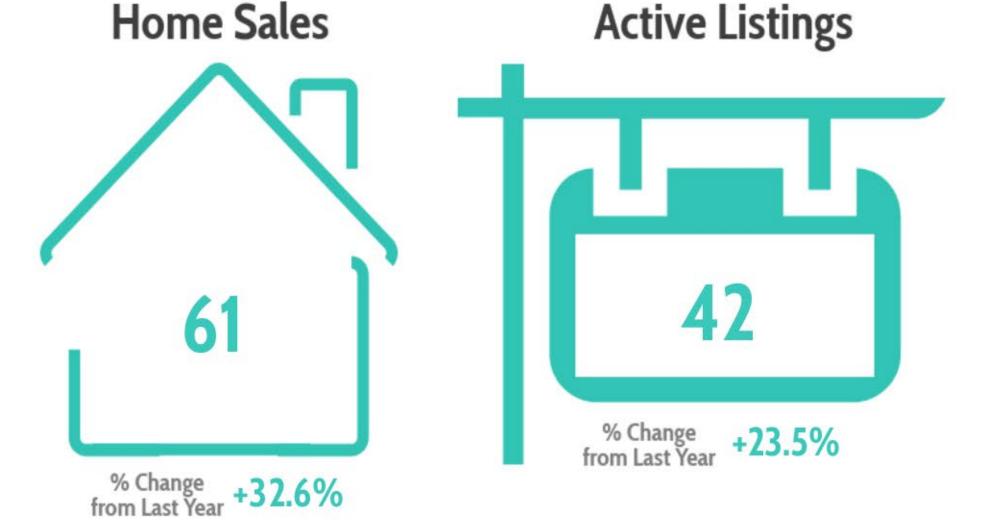
19.9%



## Santa Clara, California

**Median Price** 





## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

10

Sales to List Price % 100.0%

% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

35.7%

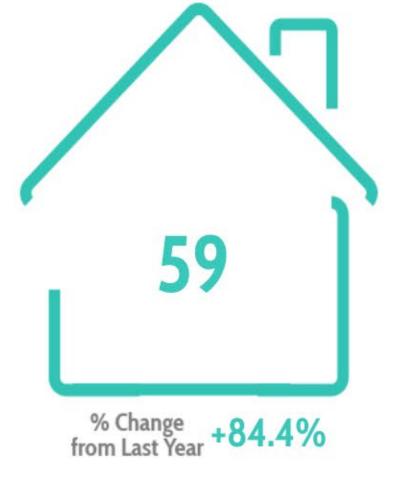


## Los Gatos, California

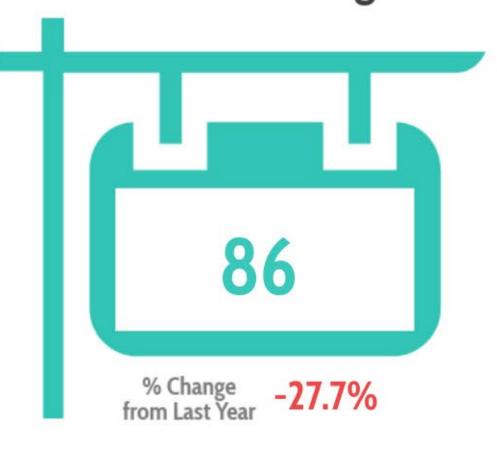








#### **Active Listings**



## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

10

Sales to List Price % 100.4%

% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

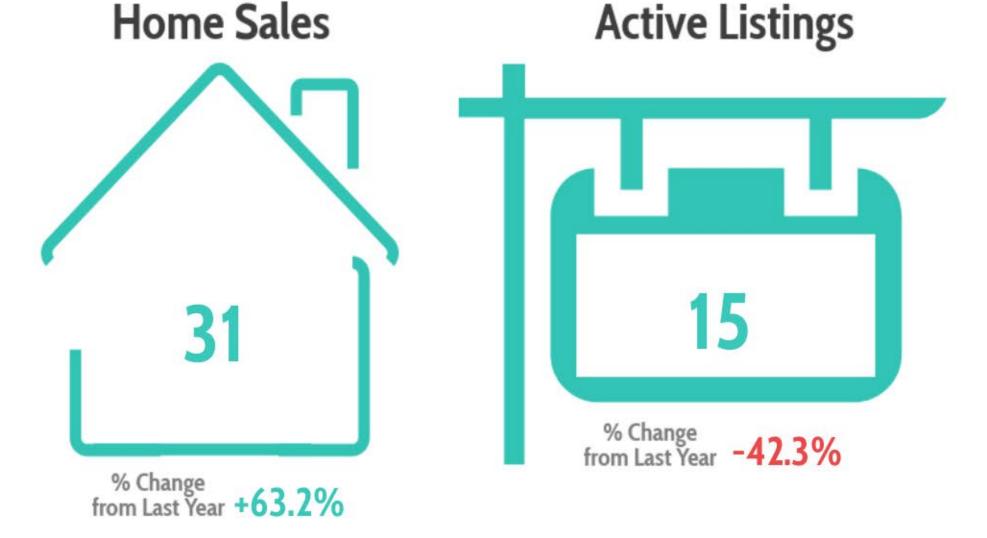
44.2%



## Cupertino, California



from Last Year +8.5%



#### **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

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Sales to List Price %

103.7%

% of Active Listings with Reduced Prices

33.3%

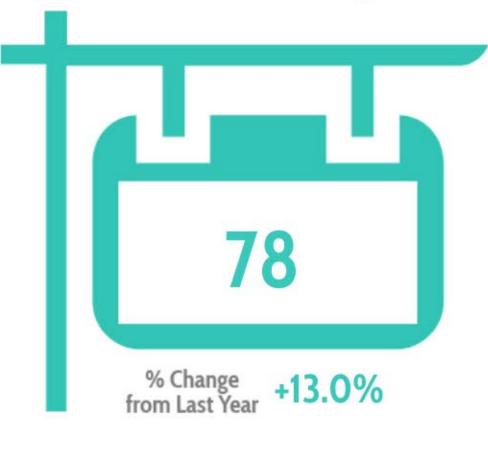


## Palo Alto, California





## Home Sales Active Listings



## **Market Competition**

Median Days on Market

11

Sales to List Price %

100.7%

36

% Change +16.1%

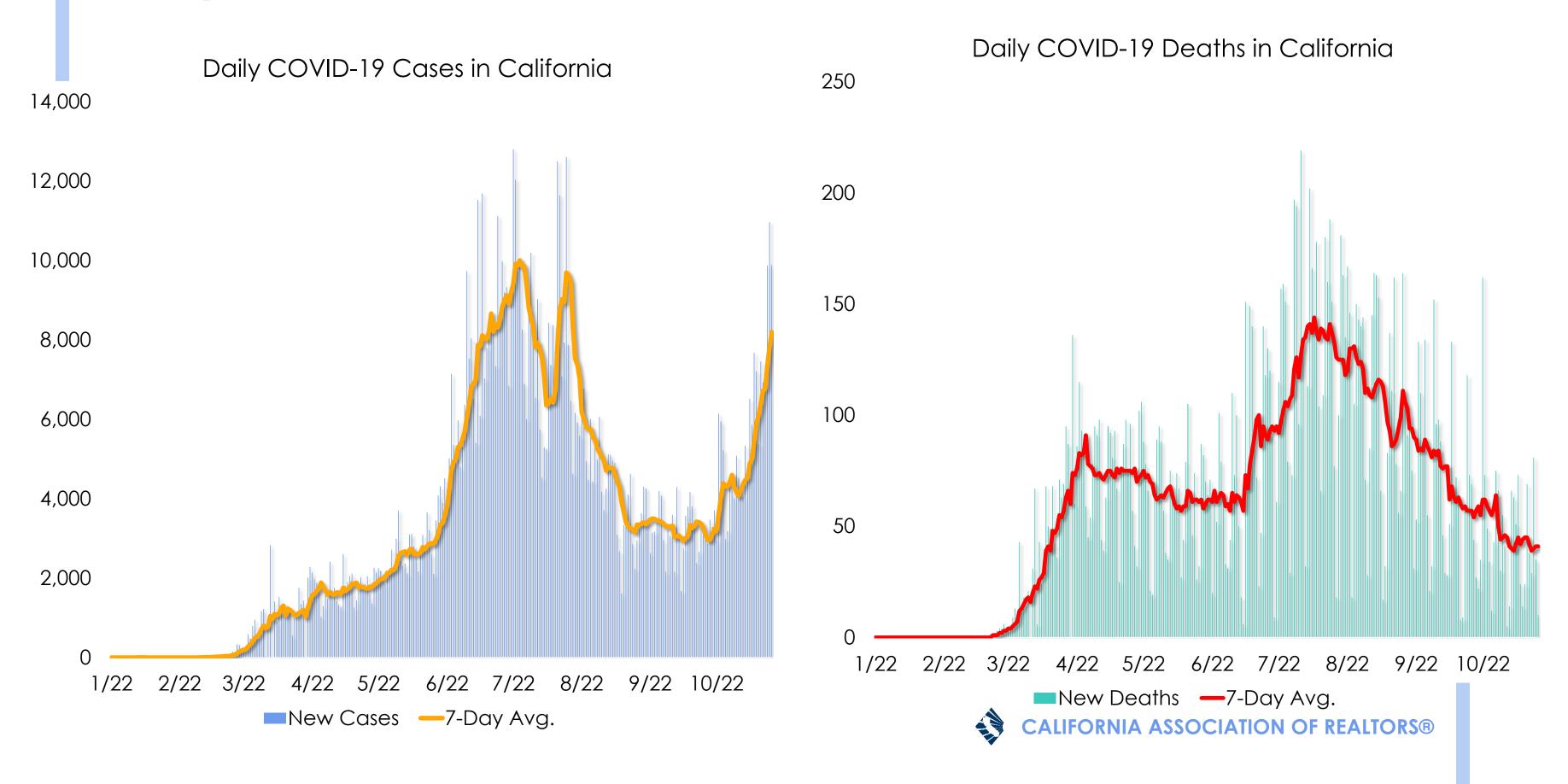
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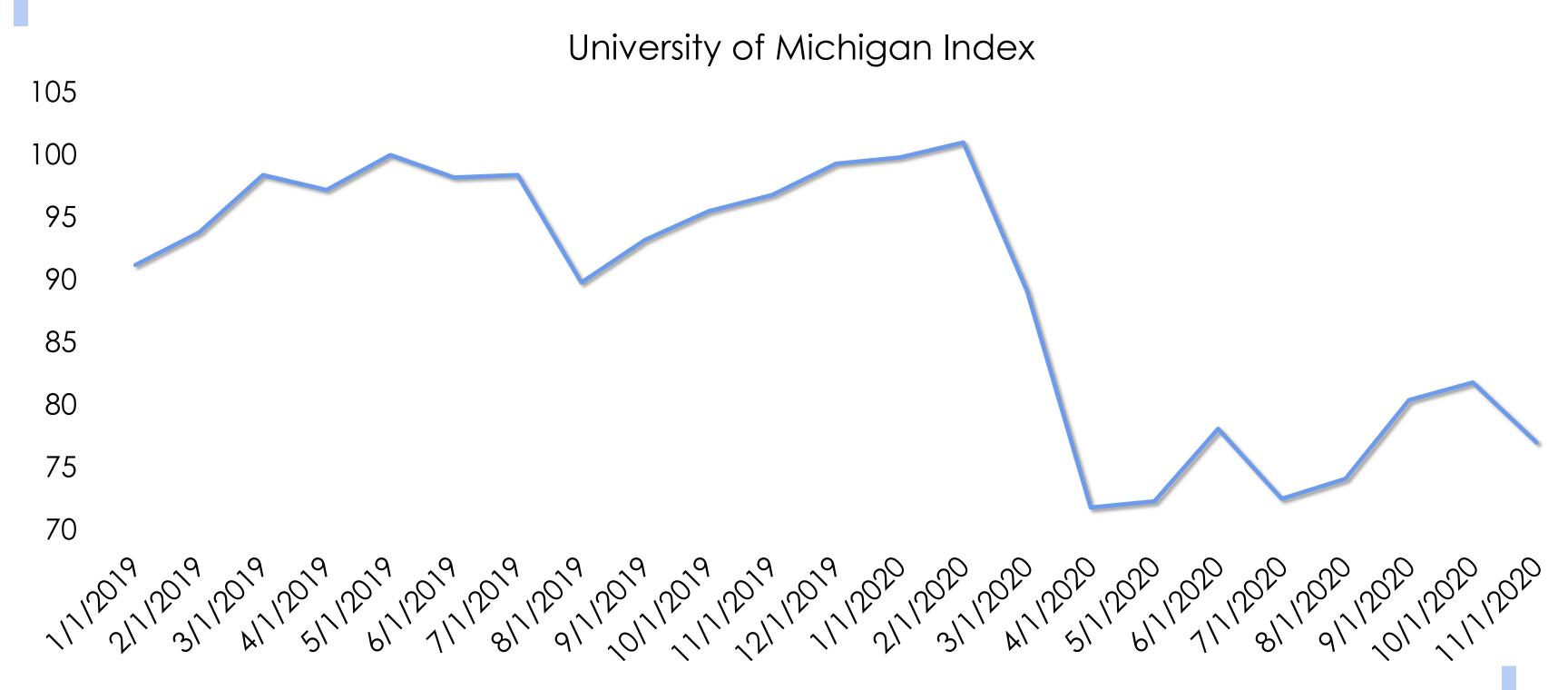


# Keep Champagne Corked For Now

## Daily California COVID-19 trends

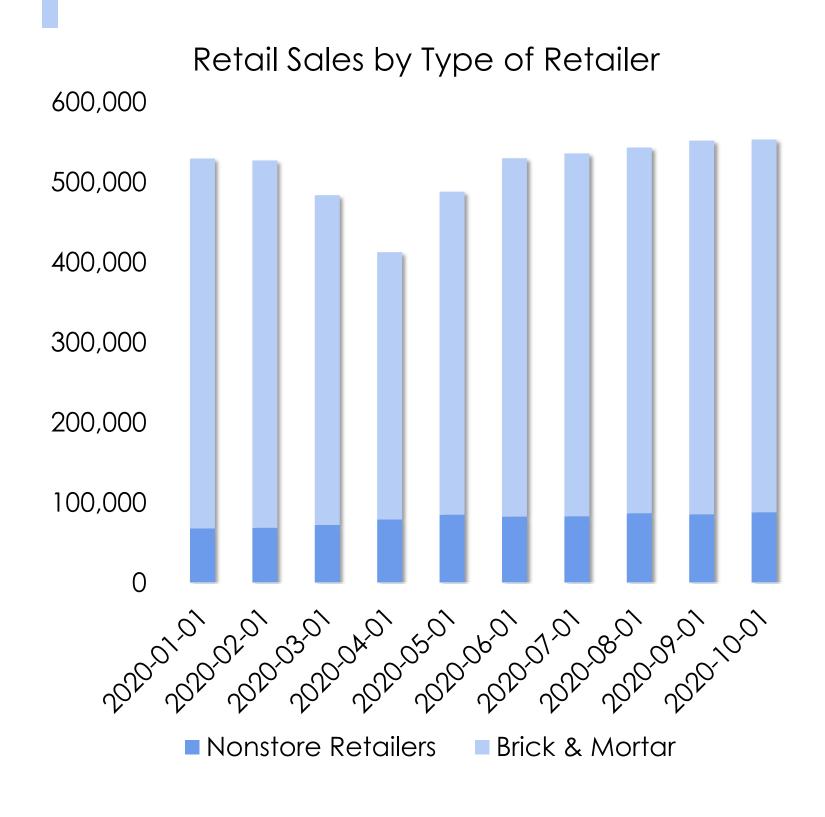


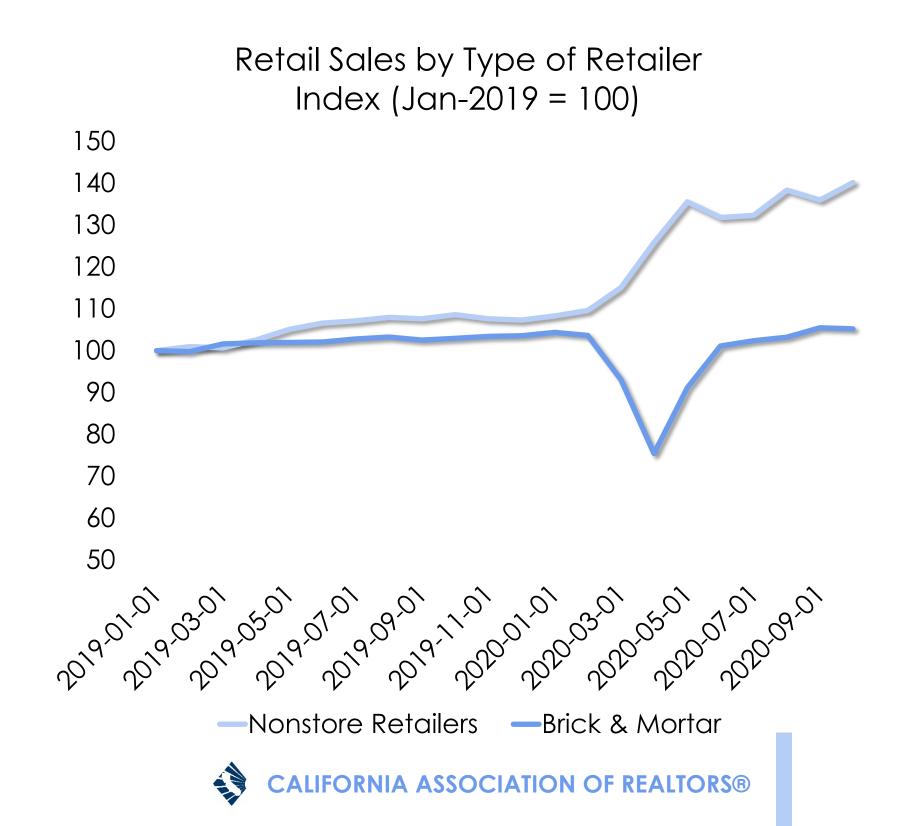
#### Consumers confidence stumbles in November



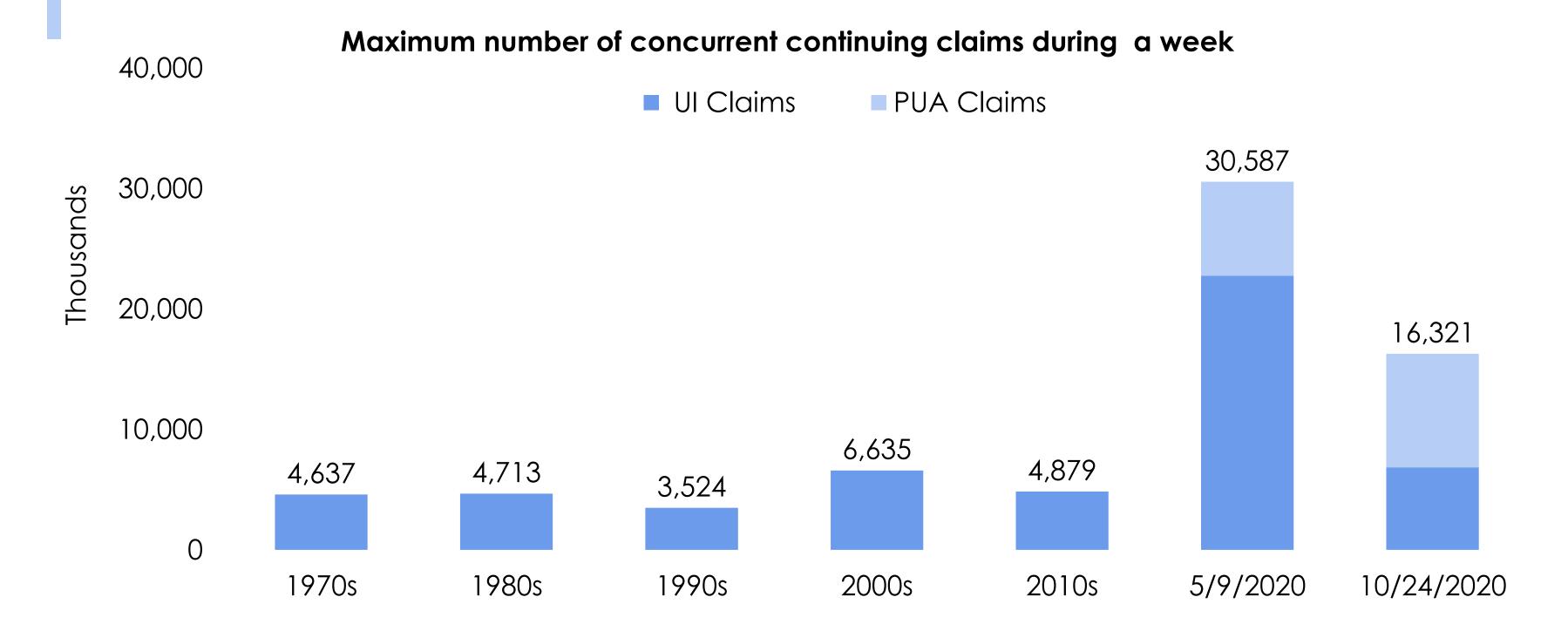


## Wall Street vs. Main Street impacts





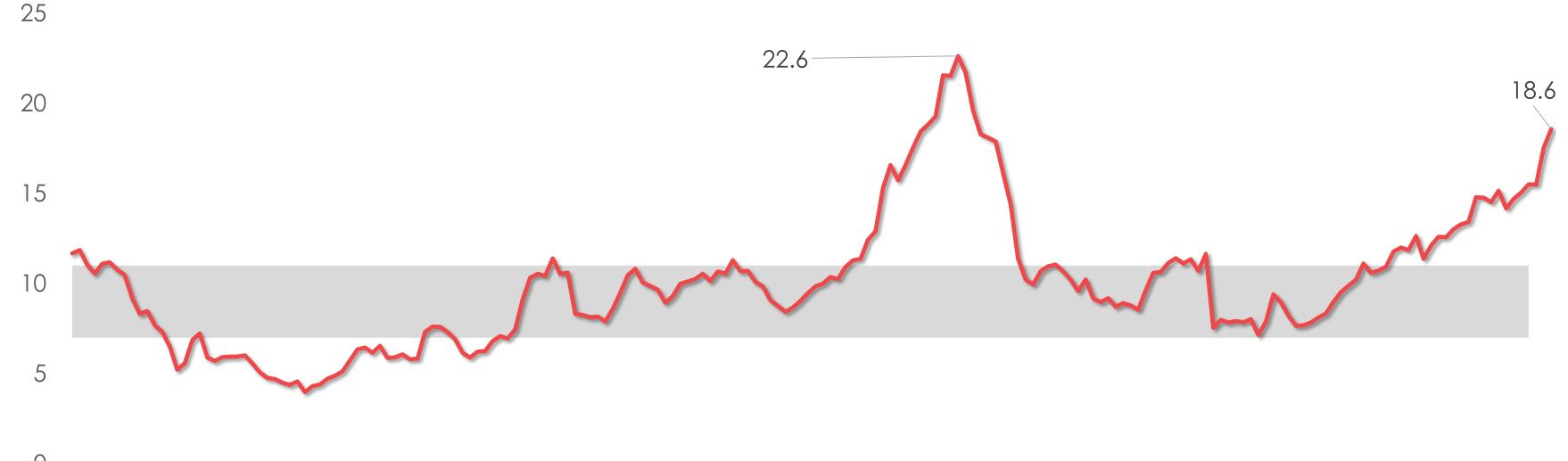
## Still 3X more than prior worst period of unemployment





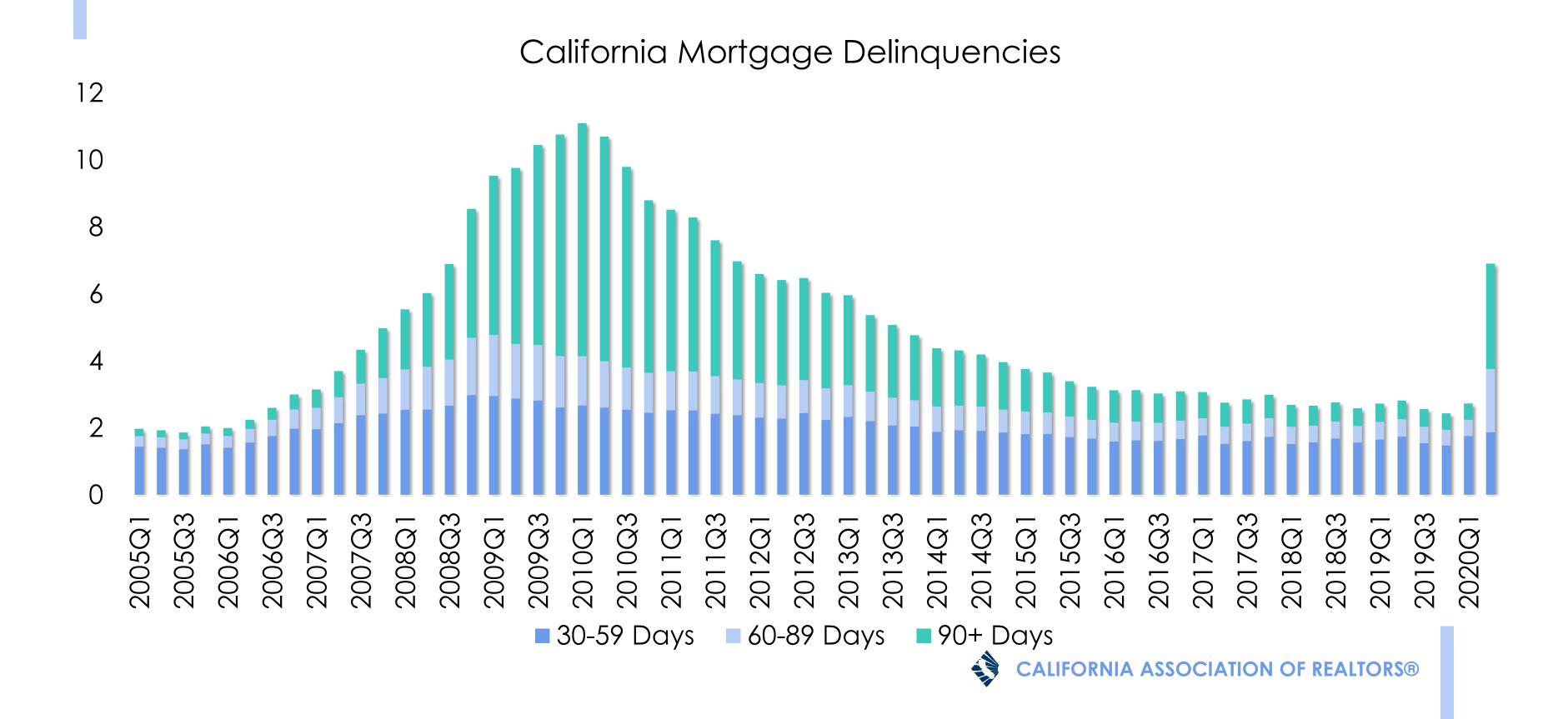
## Stock market recovery: encouraging or worrying?

U.S. Capital Markets P/E Ratio
(Wilshire 5000 Market Cap / Total Corporate Profits)





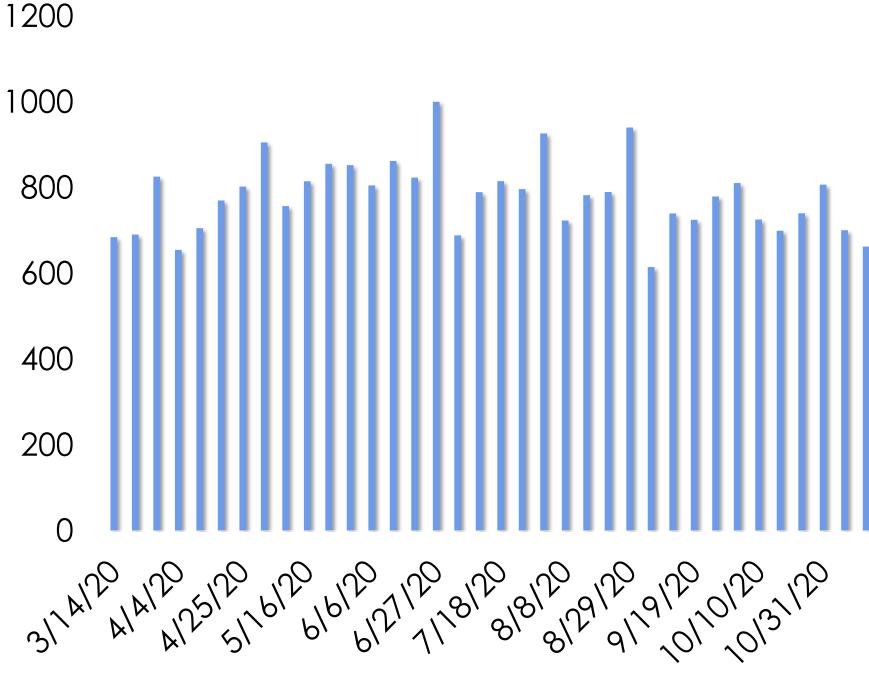
## Lots of delinquency to reckon with eventually



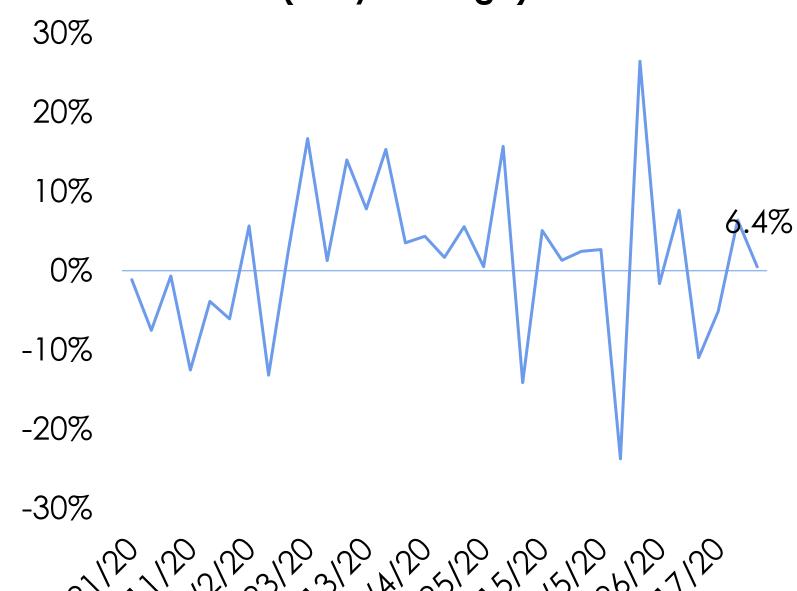
# Nerd Alert Growth vs. Levels

## Sales unseasonably strong, but not actually growing





#### % Chg. in Closed Sales from Prior Week (Daily Average)



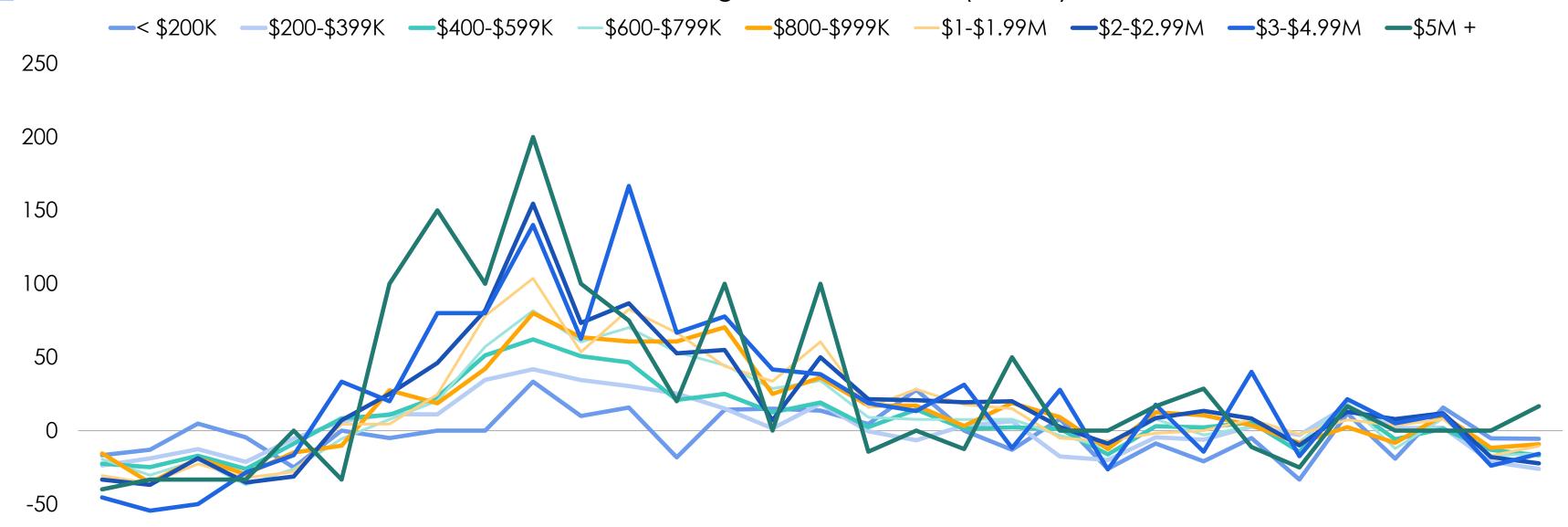






## Slower across most price segments

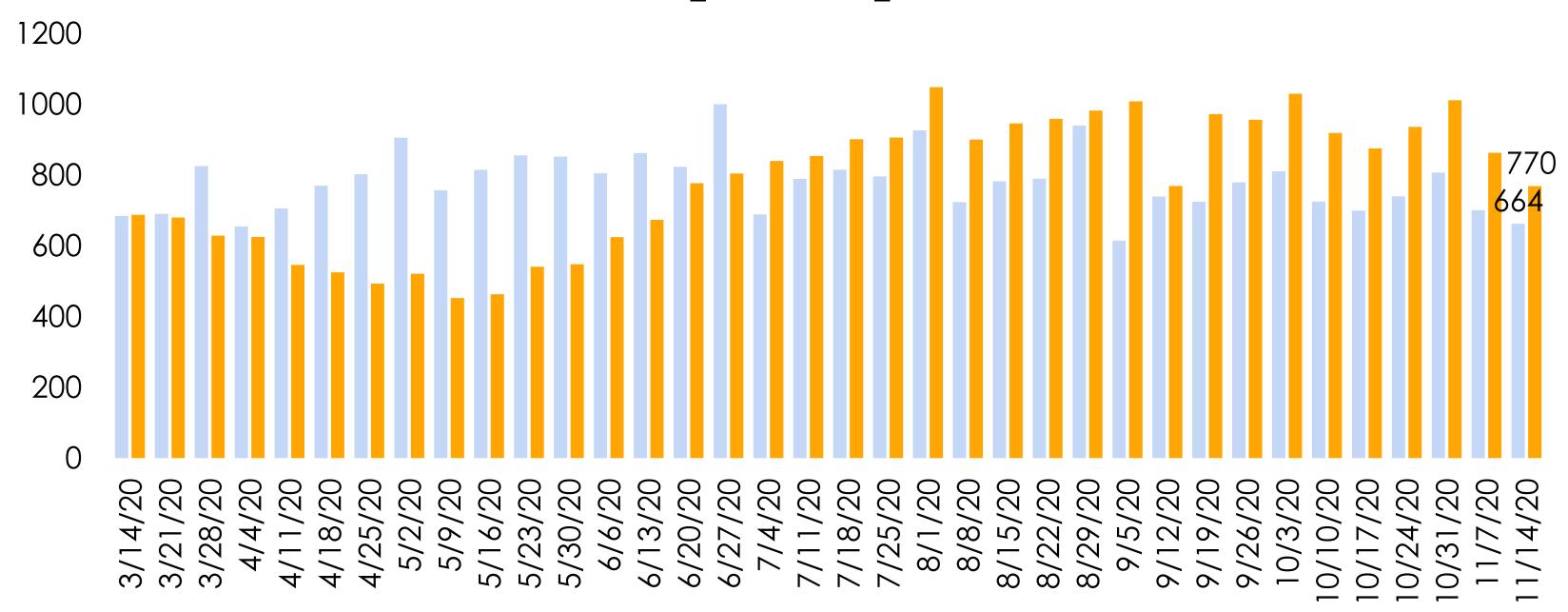
California Existing SFR Sales Growth (mtm %)





## California weekly closed sales

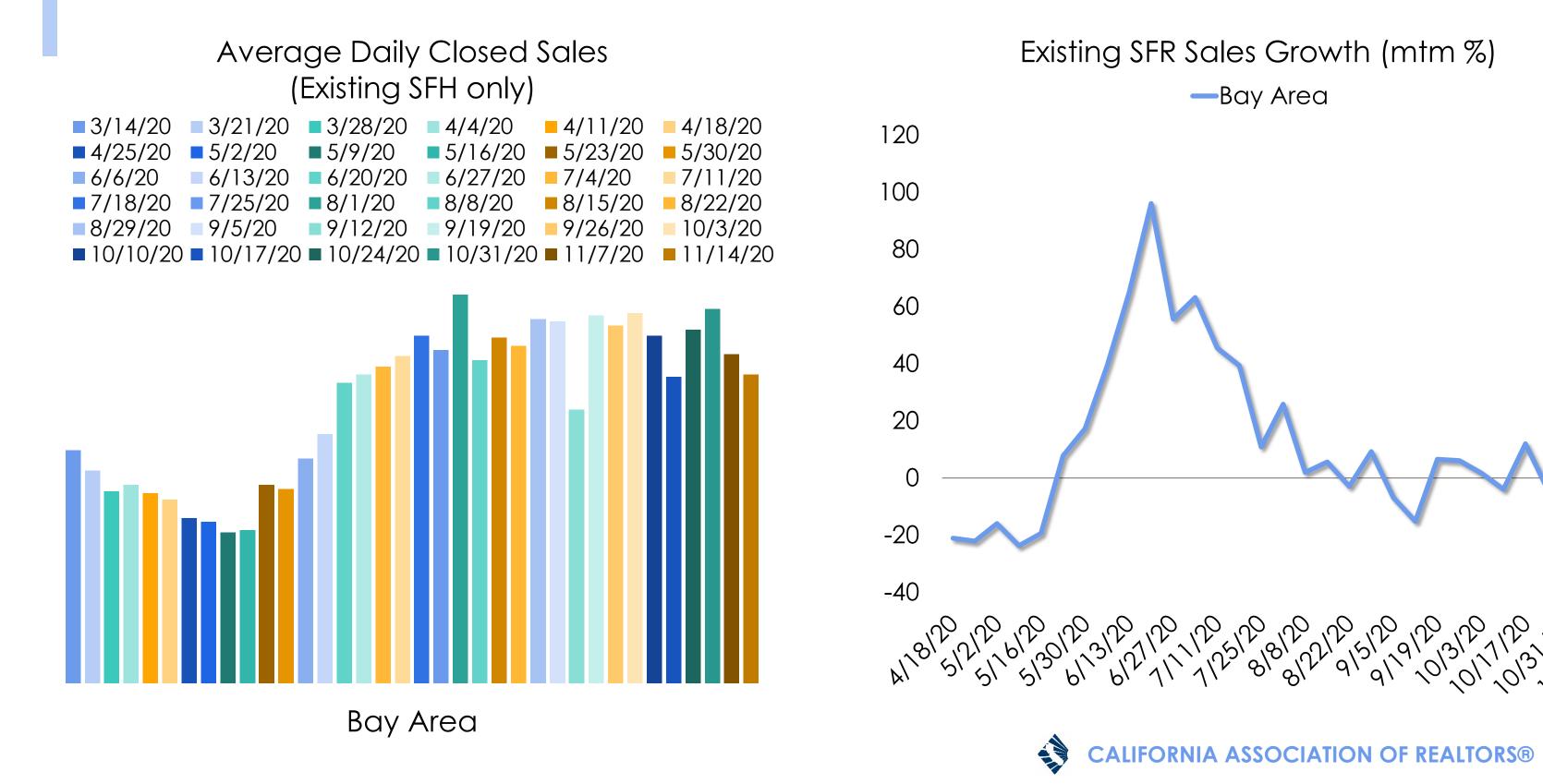
Weekly Sales (Daily Average) - 2019 vs. 2020



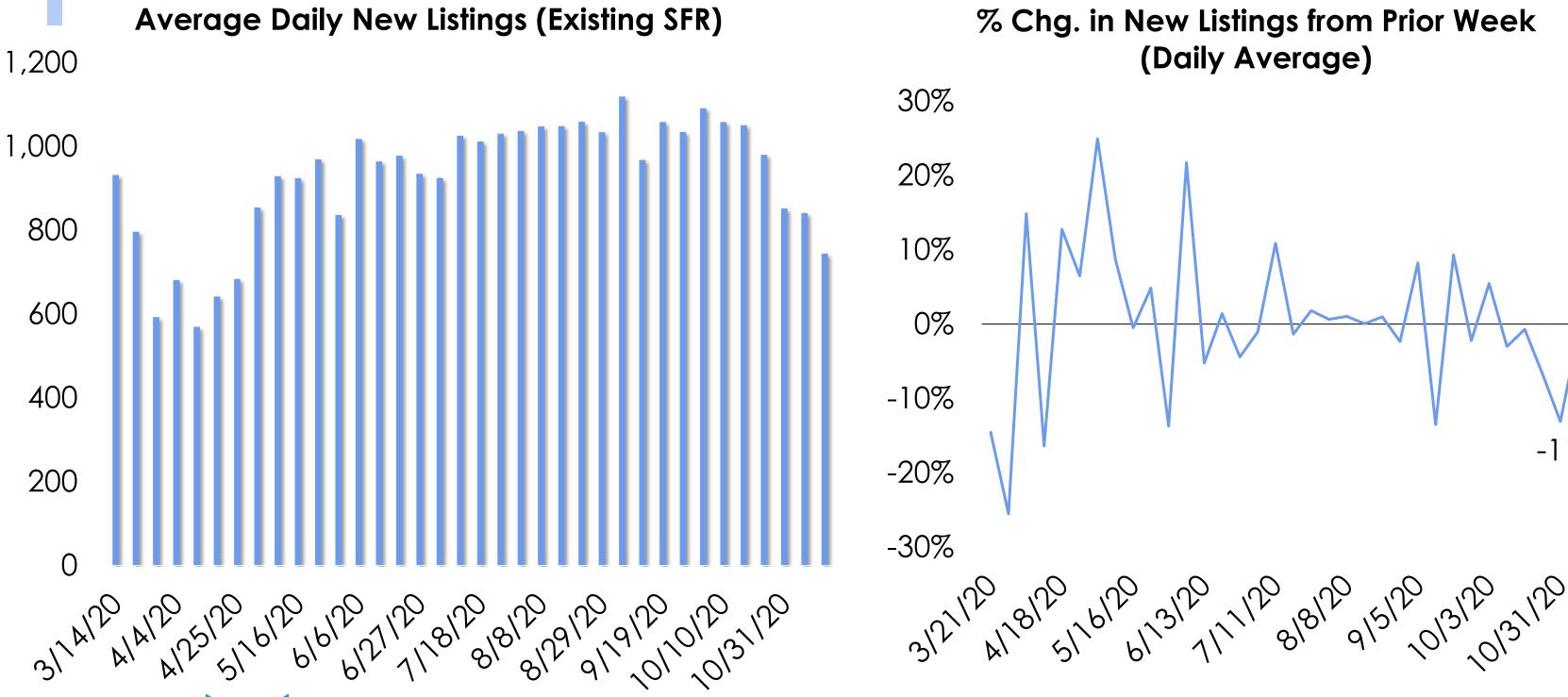




## Slower across most regions as well



## California new listings tighten up further

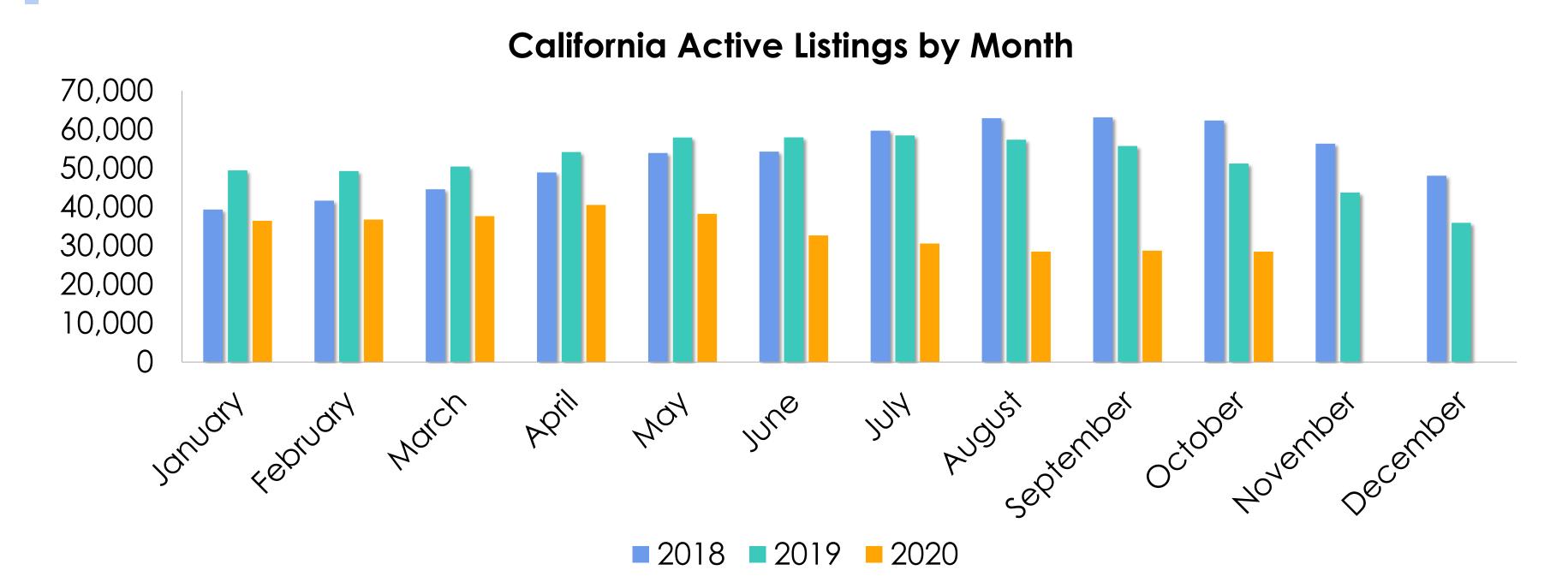






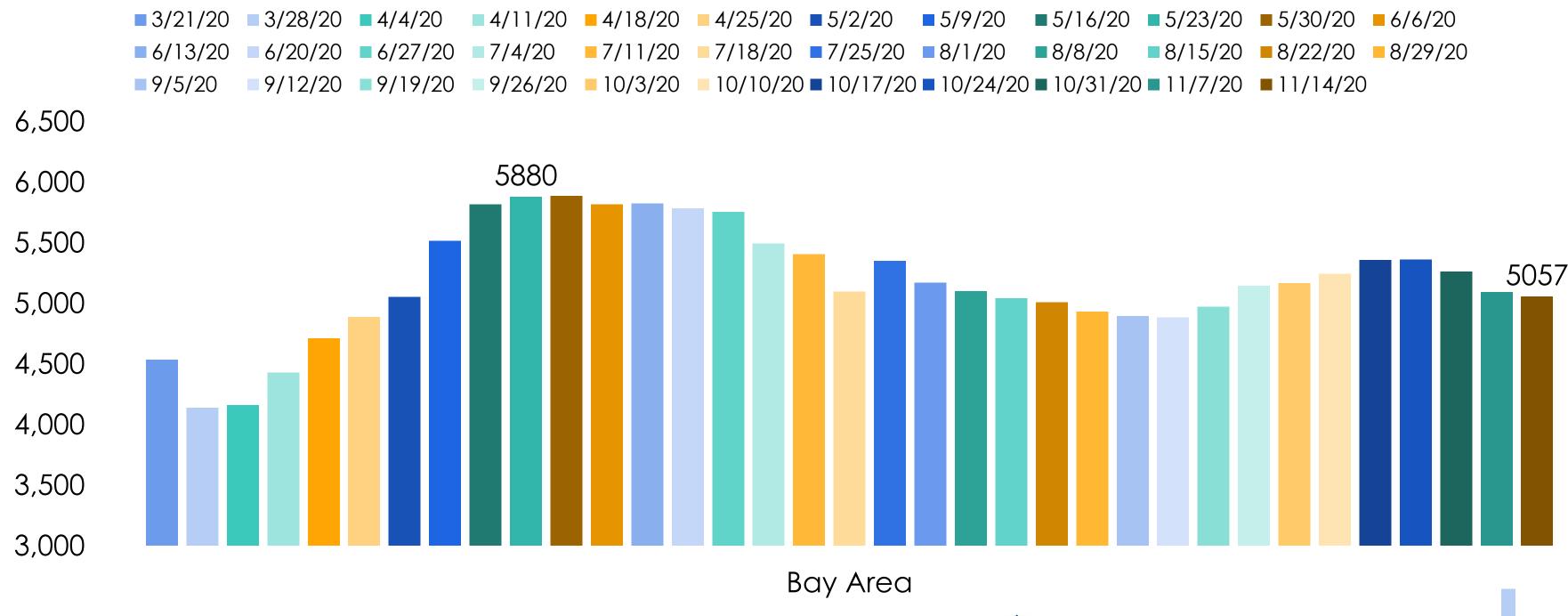
-11.5%

## Active listings dipped below last month to lowest level in over 15 years



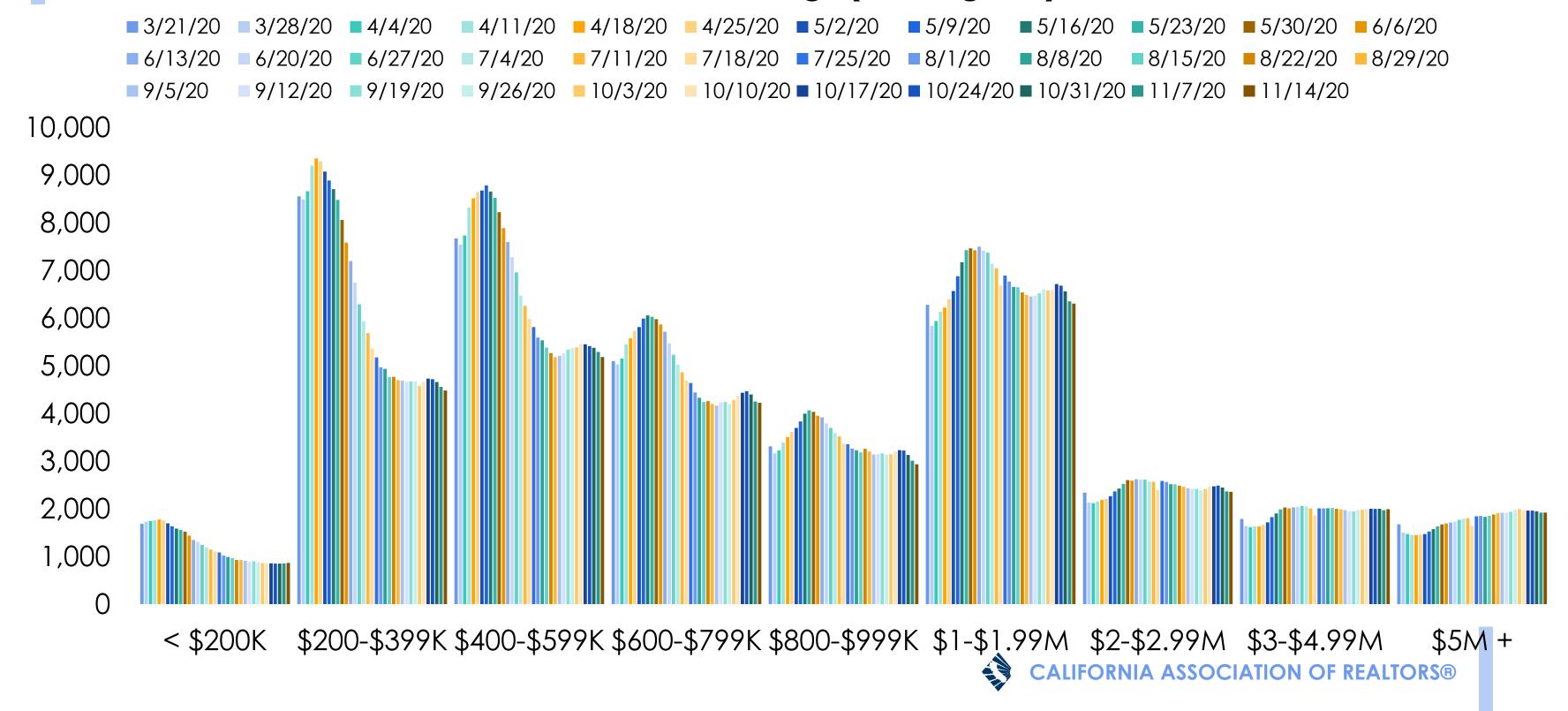
## Total active listings by region

#### Total Active Listings (Existing SFR)



## Total active listings by price range

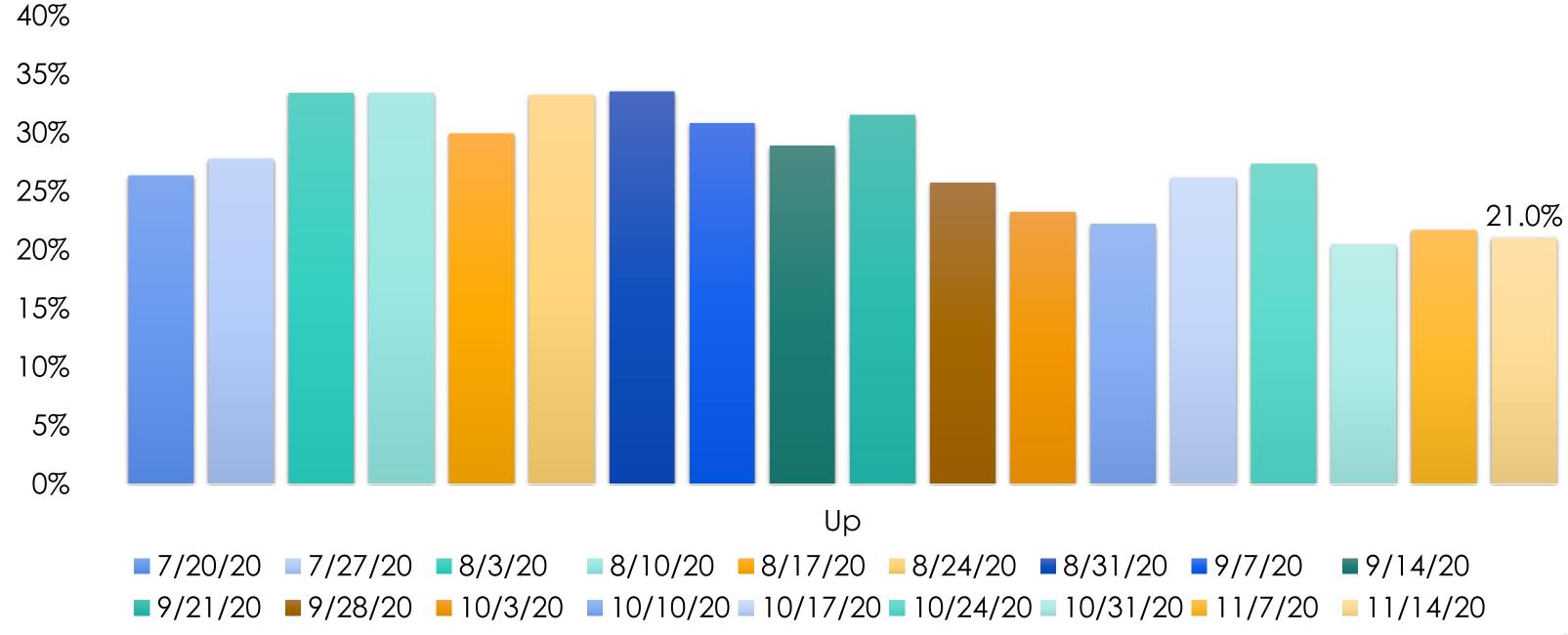
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# What Are REALTORS® Saying?

# Listings Looking Ahead

Q: Do you think next week listings will go:

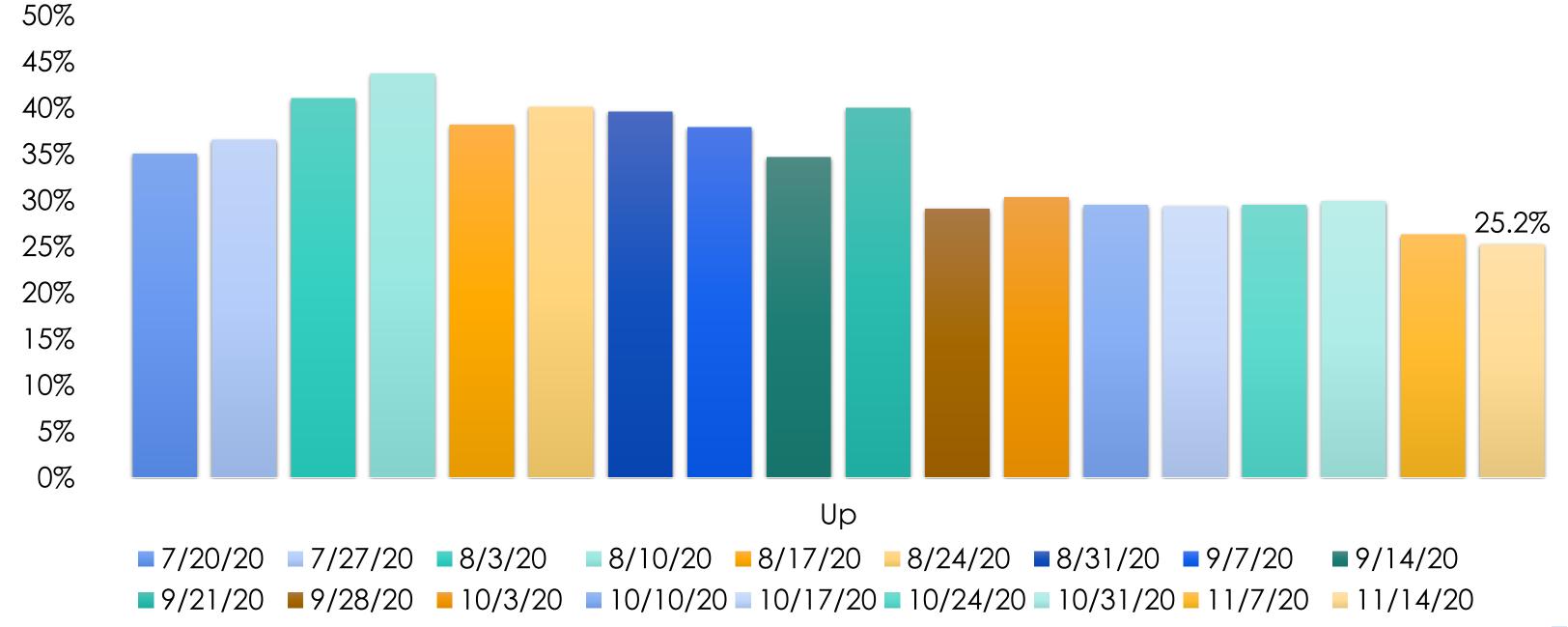






# Sales Looking Ahead

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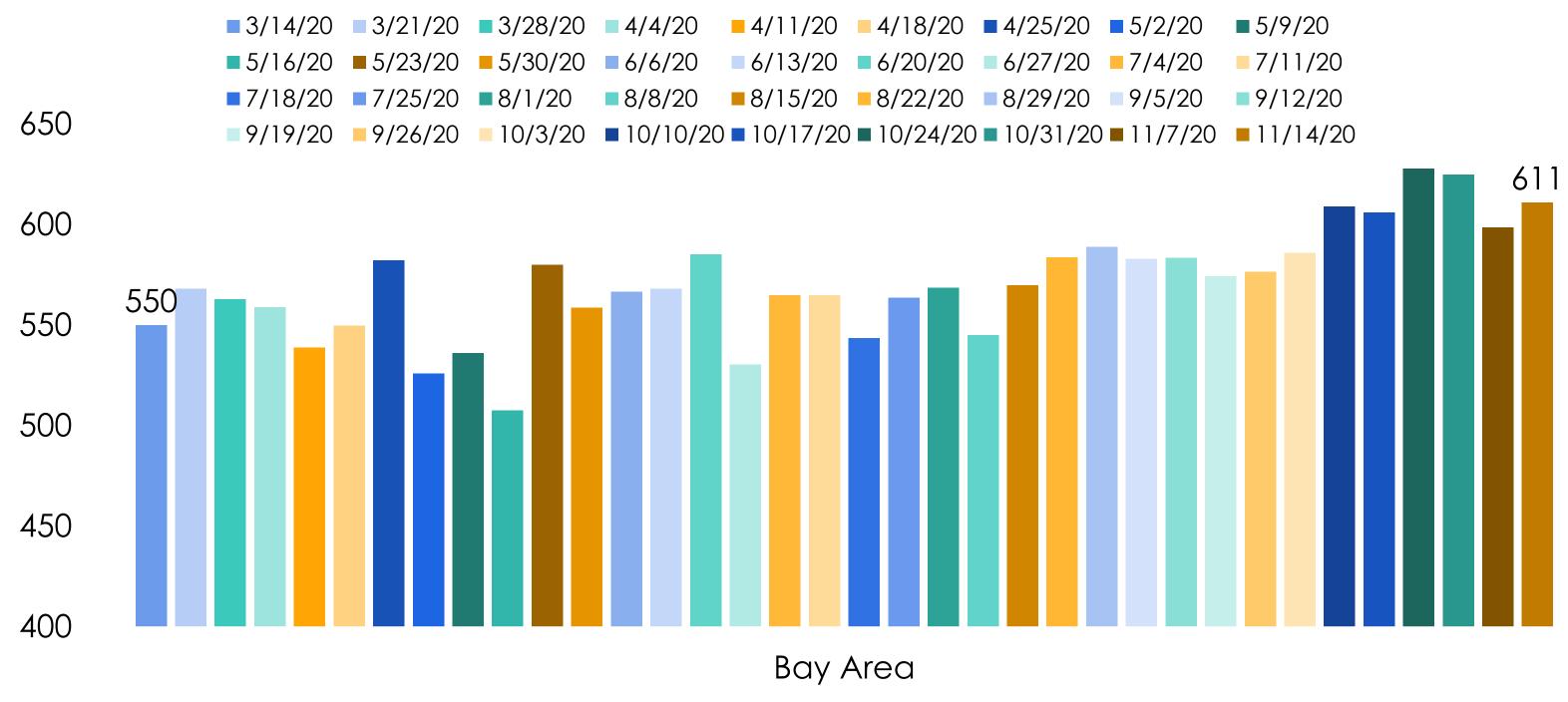




# Competitiveness Tells Us It's All Supply Driven

# Closed sale prices rising steadily

#### Median Closed Sale Price (\$/SF)



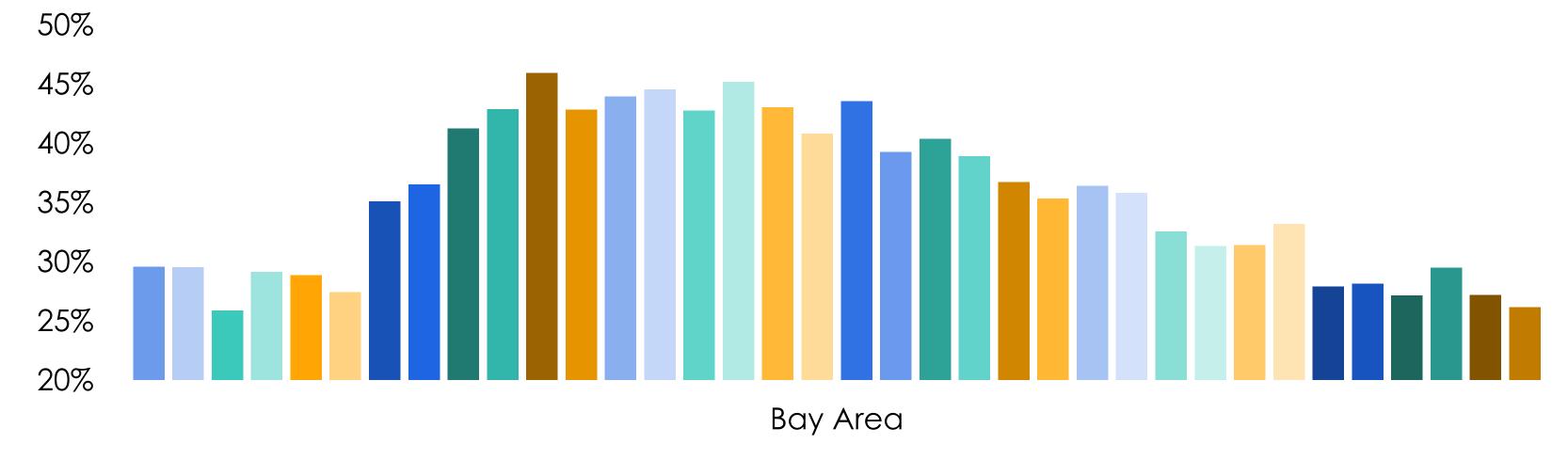




# Fewer closings below asking price

#### Percentage of Closed Sales with Price Reduction



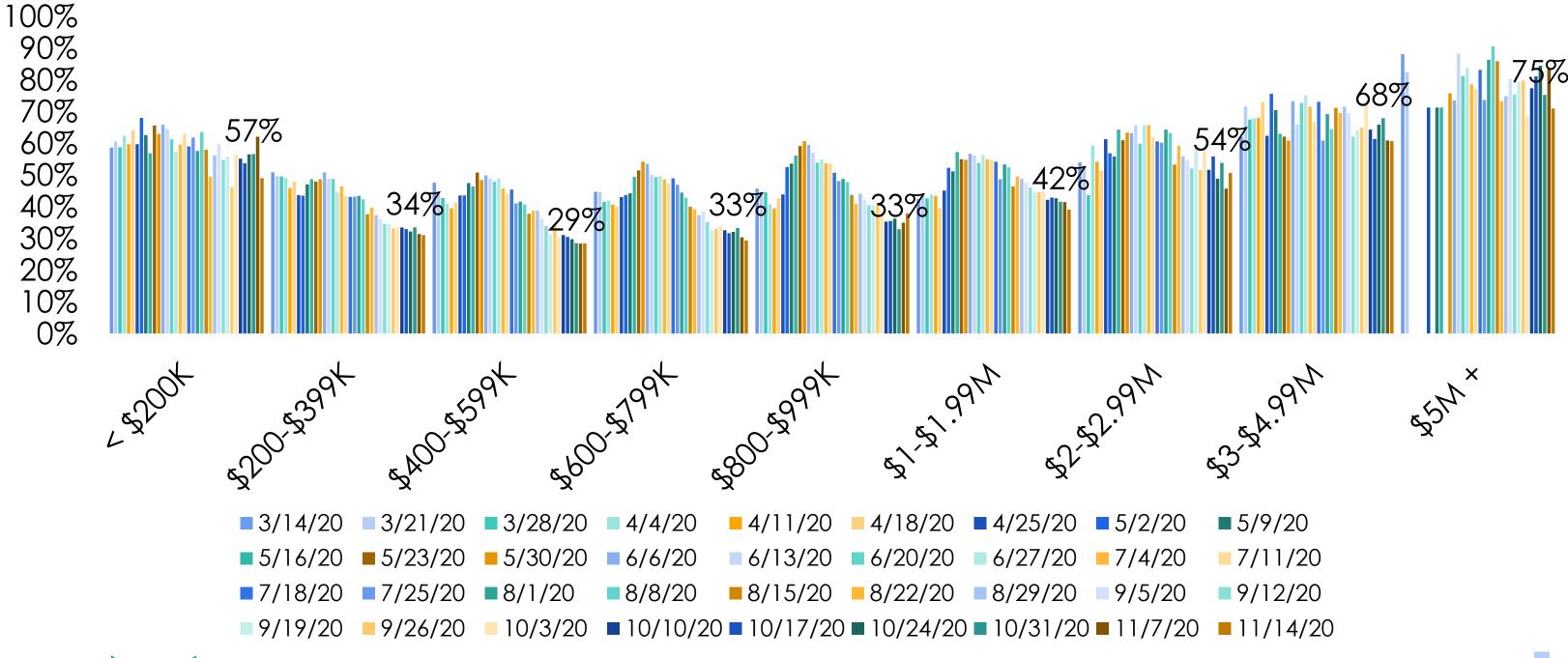






#### Share of homes sold with a discount

#### Percentage of Closed Sales with Price Discount





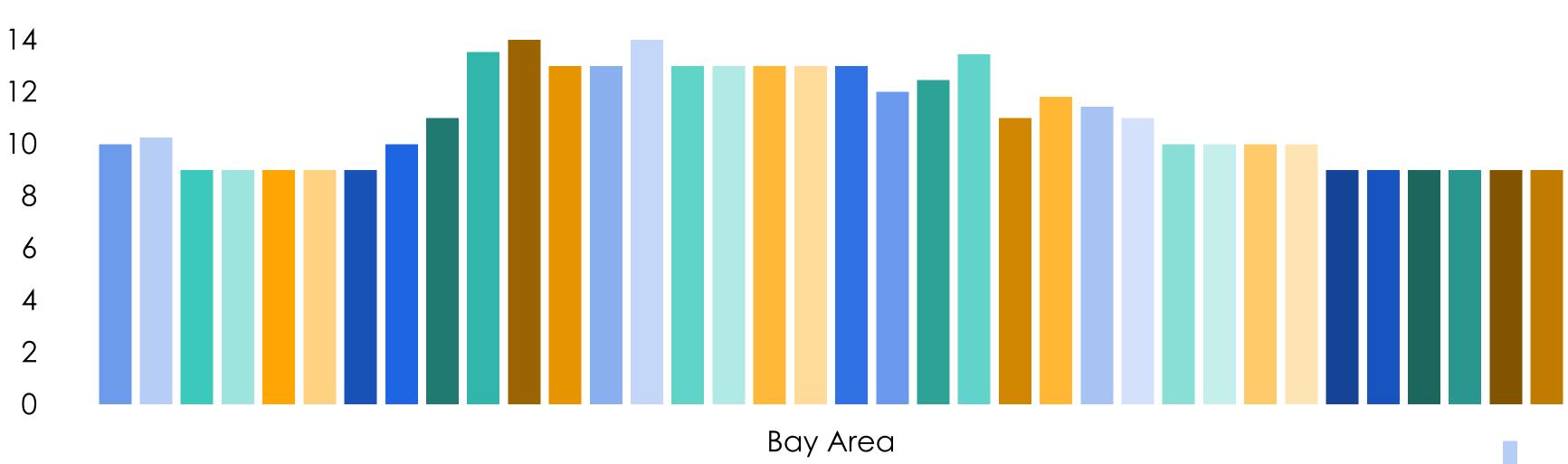


# Median time on market (list date to pending date)

16

#### Median Time on Market by Region

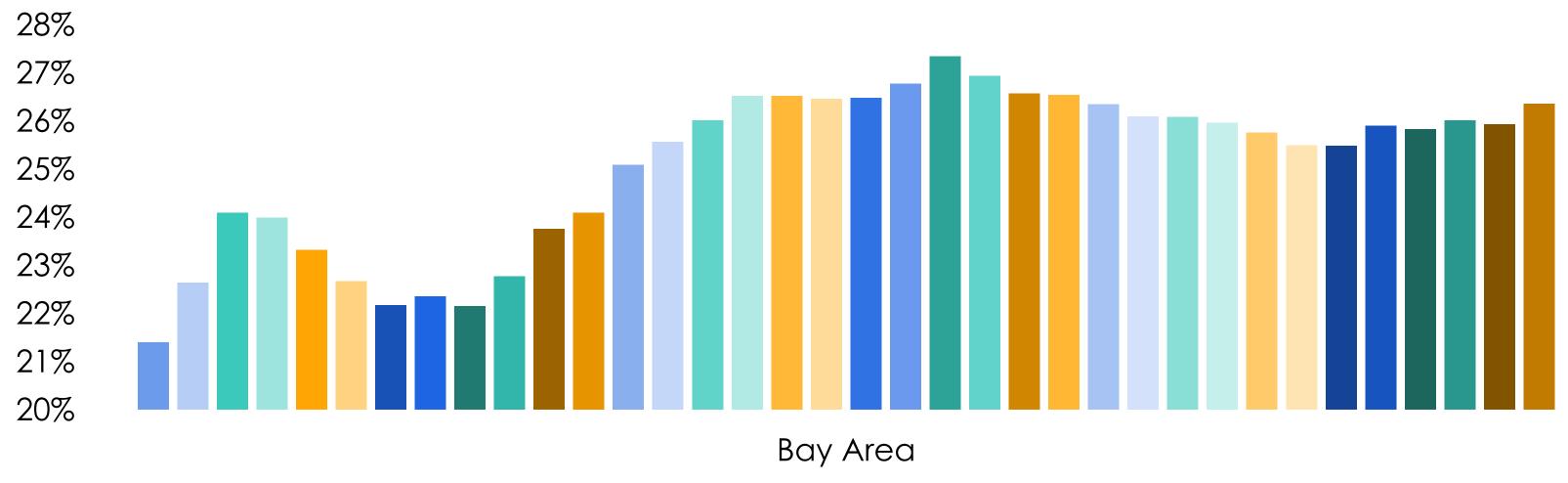




# Actives seeing slight rise in reductions—priced right?

#### Percentage of Active Listings Reduced from Original List Price





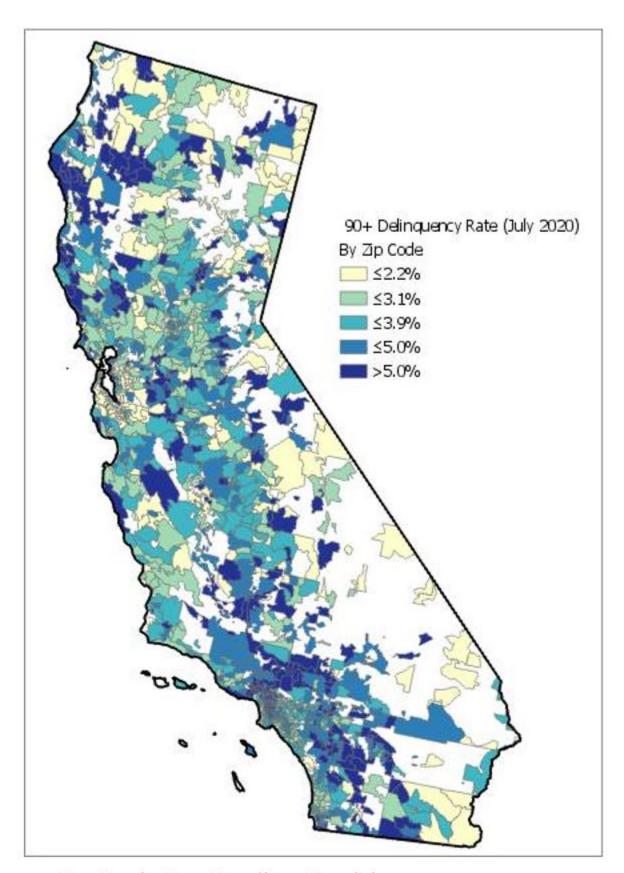




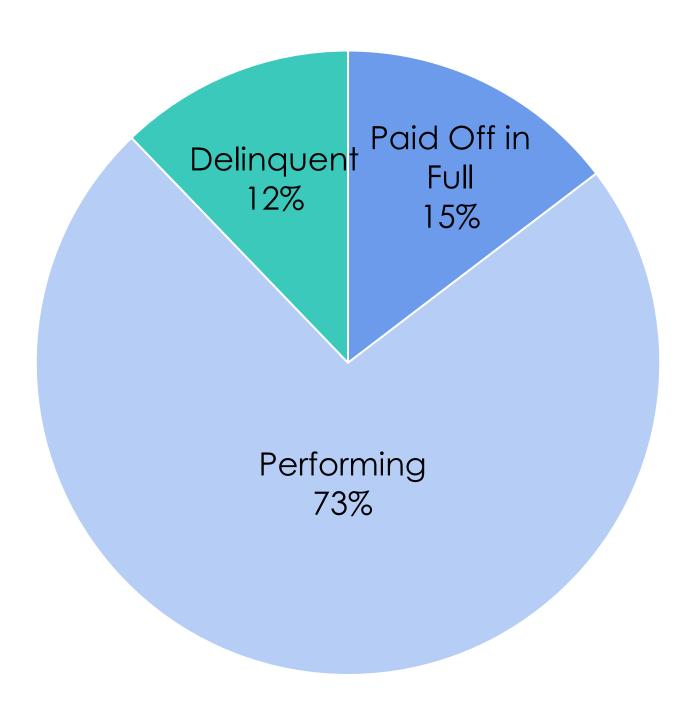
# Just Because It's Not THAT Good Doesn't Mean It's 2008 All Over



# Serious delinquencies peak outside main urban areas



California COVID-related Forbearance



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# Foreclosures could become a problem, size of impact will be more like 2015 than 2008

#### The Bad News:

- Potentially 600,000 foreclosures nationwide
- That suggests 60,000 in California
- Currently a moratorium through end of 2020
- Eventually delinquencies will be reckoned with
- Serious delinquencies up a lot in Q3
- Could impact prices (but single digit impacts)

#### Reasons to Be Hopeful:

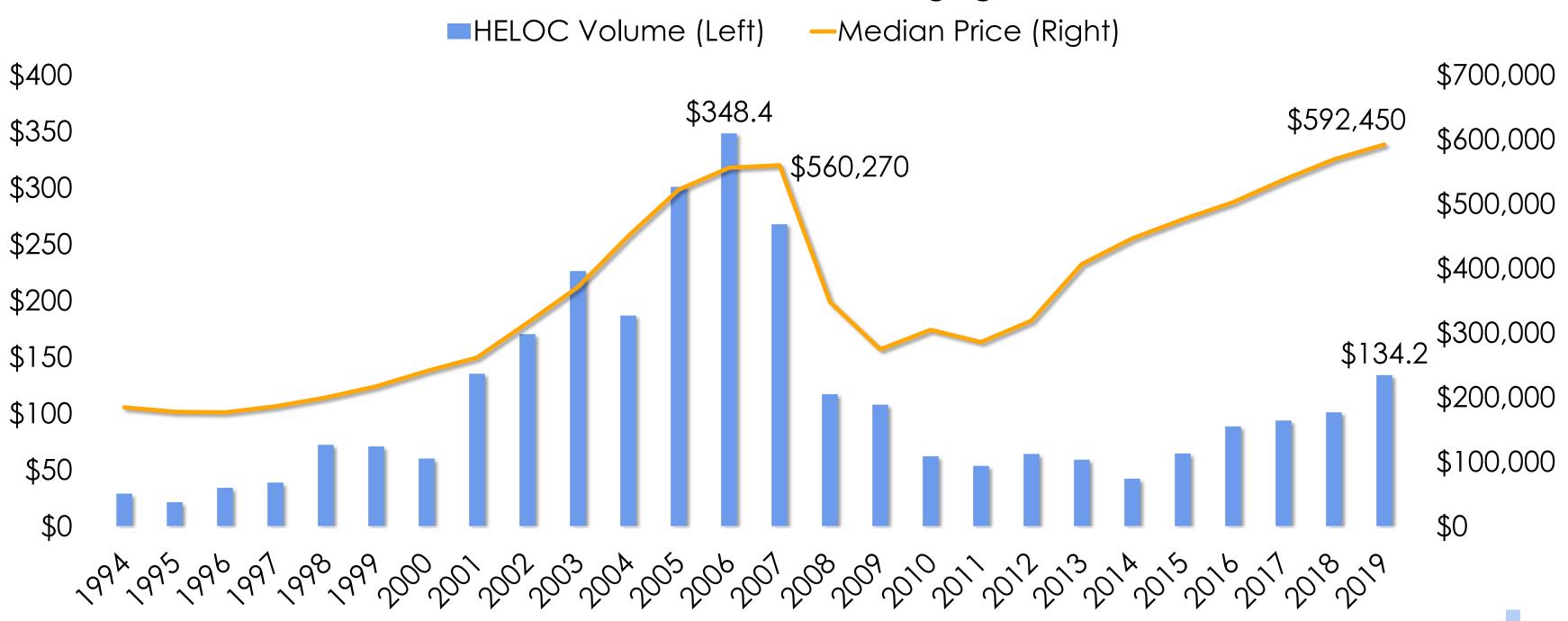
- Better fundamentals
- Lots of home equity/minimal cashing out
- No NINJA loans/option ARMs
- Government on board (5-year + workouts)





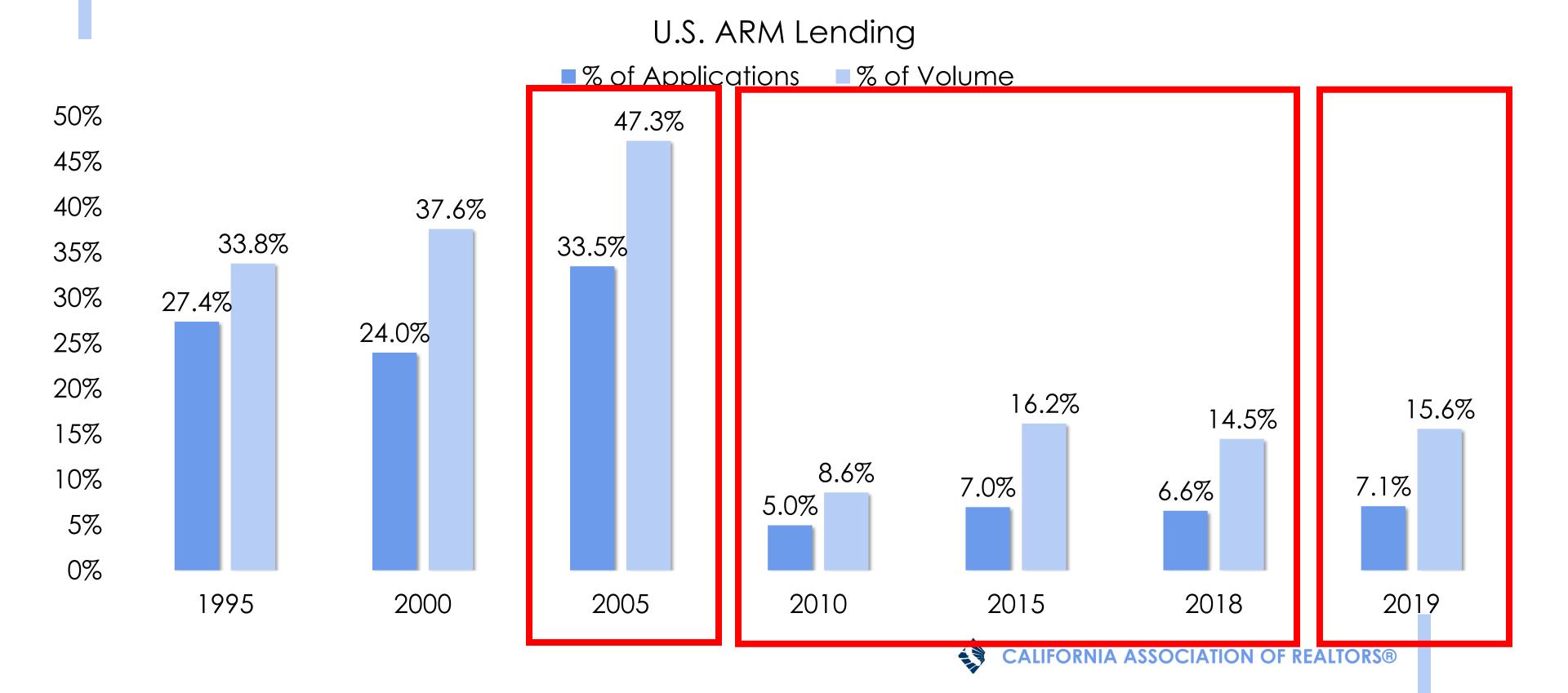
## Many homeowners still have skin in the game

Combined Volume of Cash-out and 2nd Mortgages/HELOC Consolidation



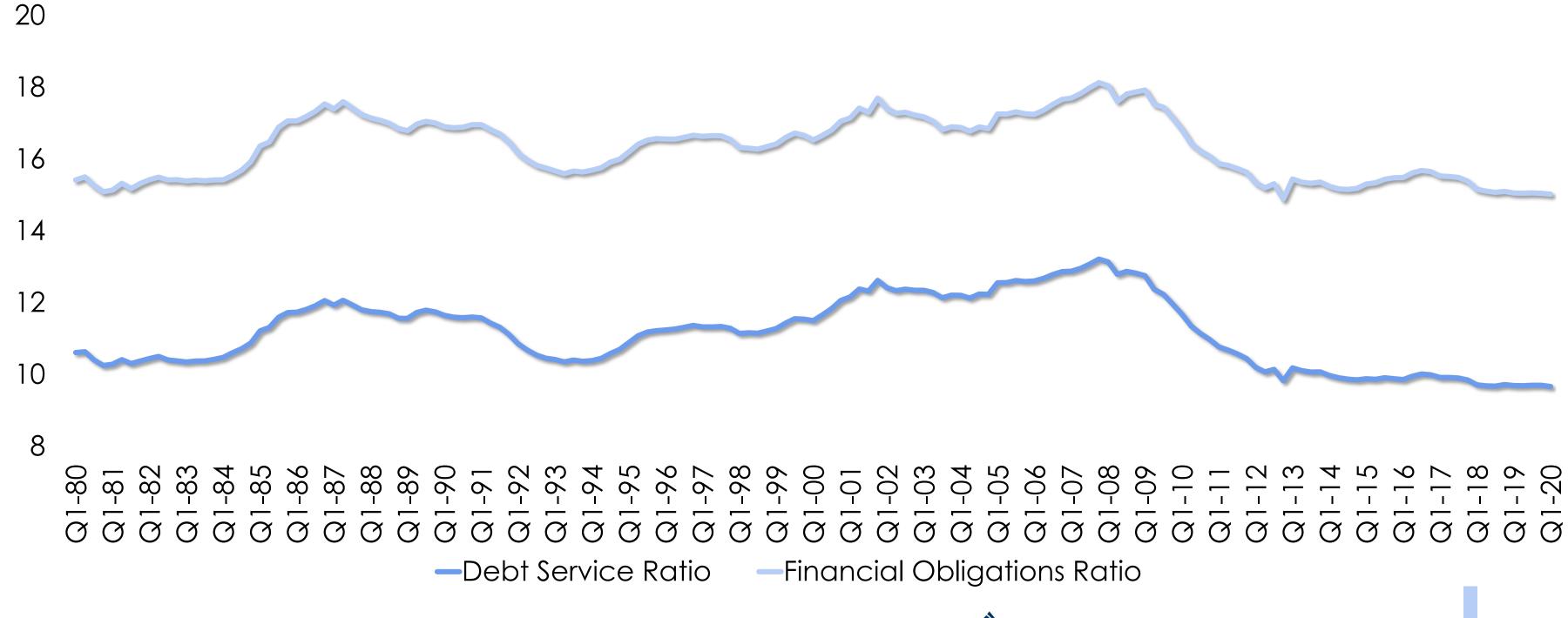


# Not as many fundamental problems in mortgage market



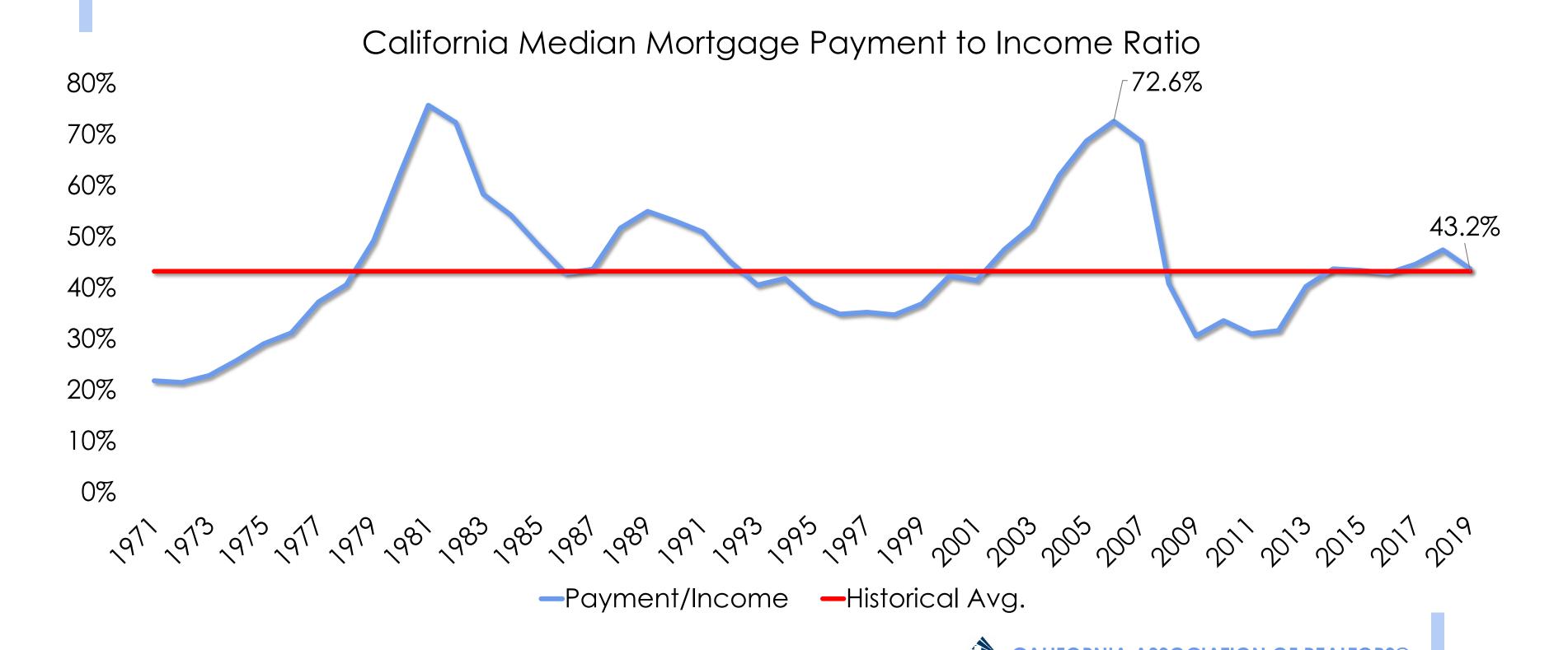
## Household balance sheets were in much better shape

Household Debt and Financial Obligations





# Prices weren't as inflated as they were in 2005



# The Forecast

## U.S. economic outlook

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020p	2021f
US GDP	2.6%	1.6%	2.3%	3.0%	2.2%	-3.6%	4.2%
Nonfarm Job Growth	2.1%	1.8%	1.6%	1.6%	1.3%	-6.5%	3.0%
Unemployment	5.3%	4.9%	4.4%	3.9%	3.7%	8.8%	7.1%
CPI	0.1%	1.4%	2.1%	2.4%	1.8%	1.0%	2.1%
Real Disposable Income, % Change	3.4%	2.7%	2.9%	4.0%	2.9%	6.3%	-3.5%

# California housing market outlook (baseline)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	<b>2020</b> p	2021f
SFH Resales (000s)	409.4	417.7	424.9	402.6	398.0	398.8	411.9
% Change	7.0%	2.0%	1.7%	-5.2%	-1.2%	0.2%	3.3%
Median Price (\$000s)	\$476.3	\$502.3	\$537.9	\$569.5	\$592.4	\$661.1	\$690.3
% Change	6.6%	5.4%	7.1%	5.9%	4.0%	11.6%	4.4%
Housing Affordability Index	31%	31%	29%	28%	31%	32%	31%
30-Yr FRM	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	4.5%	3.9%	3.2%	3.1%

# Baseline housing forecast key assumptions

- Vaccine available in H121
- No COVID surge this flu season (modest rise)
- GDP growth rate at 4.2% in 2021
- Household income growth at 3.3% in 2021
- Interest rates near record low (3.1% in 2021)
- 2021 inventory unchanged from 2020
- Foreclosures at low level (< 8% of sales in 2021)</li>
- Foreclosures average <10% discount</li>





# Worst case housing forecast key assumptions

- Vaccine not available until H221
- Flu season resurgence in COVID
- California shut down for (2 months +)
- Zero growth in GDP in 2021
- Household income drops 4.2% in 2021
- No new federal stimulus in 2021
- Interest rates rise slightly (>3% in 2021)
- Inventory increases (+20-25% from 2020)
- Foreclosures at 2009-2010 (30% of all sales)
- Foreclosures average 40% discount



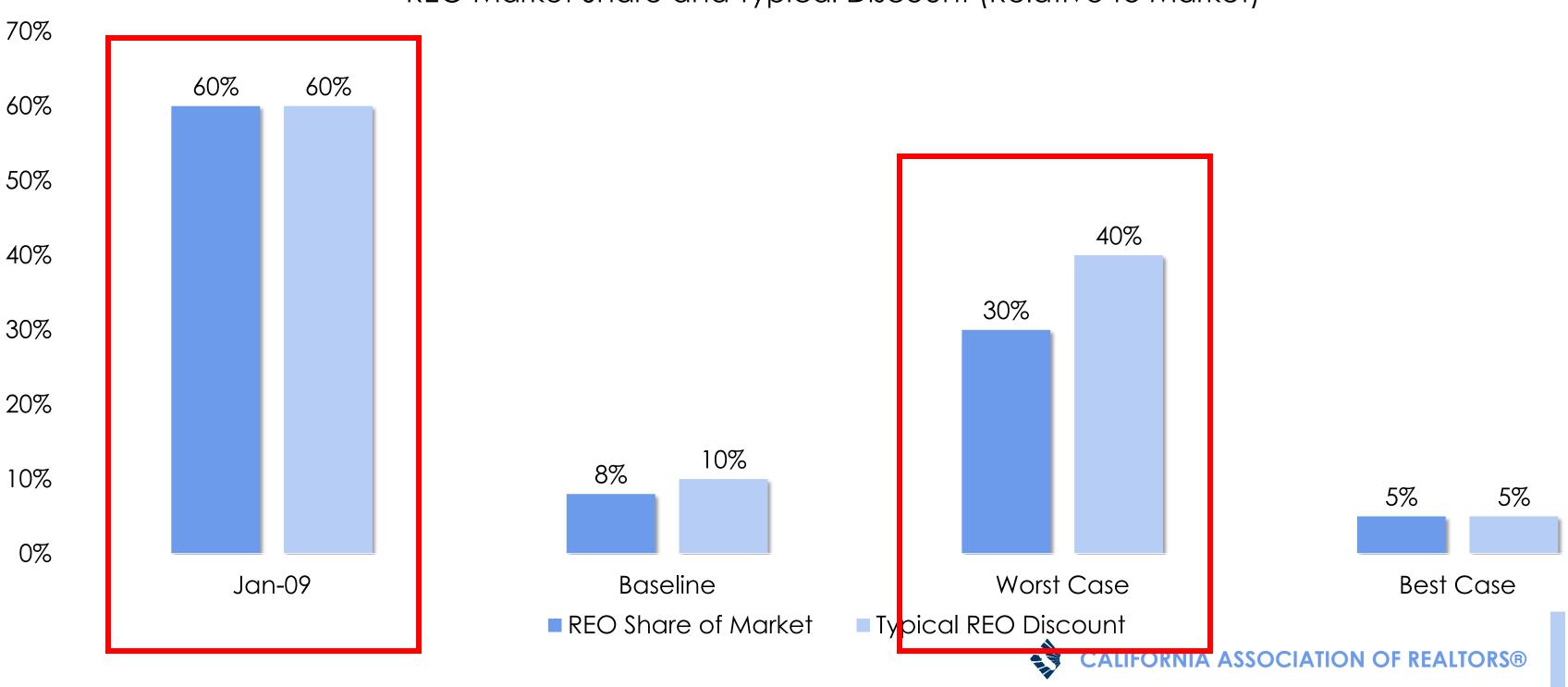


# California housing market outlook (worst case)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	<b>2020</b> p	2021f
SFH Resales (000s)	409.4	417.7	424.9	402.6	398.0	377.0	330.0
% Change	7.0%	2.0%	1.7%	-5.2%	-1.2%	-5.3%	-12.5%
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% Change	6.6%	5.4%	7.1%	5.9%	4.0%	4.8%	-16.4%
Housing Affordability Index	31%	31%	29%	28%	31%	33%	41%
30-Yr FRM	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	4.5%	3.9%	3.2%	3.2%

### Potential REO scenarios

California REO Market
REO Market Share and Typical Discount (Relative to Market)



# California housing market outlook (best case)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020p	2021f
SFH Resales (000s)	409.4	417.7	424.9	402.6	398.0	408.4	430.3
% Change	7.0%	2.0%	1.7%	-5.2%	-1.2%	2.6%	5.4%
Median Price (\$000s)	\$476.3	\$502.3	\$537.9	\$569.5	\$592.4	\$668.3	\$717.8
% Change	6.6%	5.4%	7.1%	5.9%	4.0%	12.8%	7.4%
Housing Affordability Index	31%	31%	29%	28%	31%	31%	29%
30-Yr FRM	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	4.5%	3.9%	3.2%	2.9%

## Concluding remarks



#### Yes, things have gotten better

- Macroeconomic data has improved
- We are seeing that across most aspects of our business

#### REALTORS® still face a challenging environment

- Inventory preventing many sales from happening
- Still a lot of healing left to do and many still hurting

#### Keeping it really real

- Lots of uncertainty remains, even with vaccine
- Evictions, foreclosures, long-term structural issues
- Time for cautious optimism, <u>emphasis on caution</u>

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