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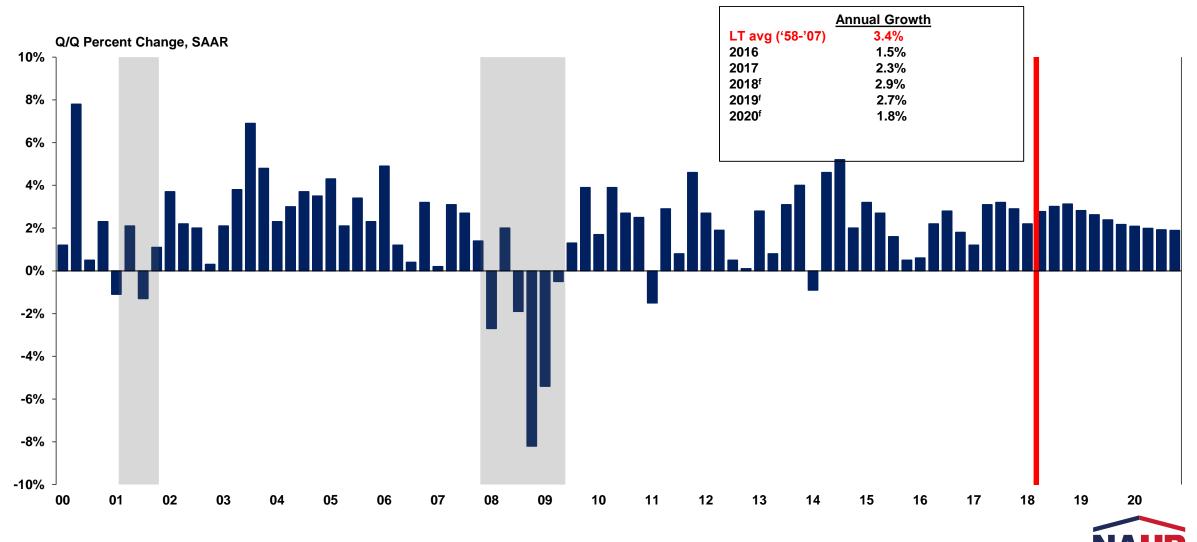
Housing Outlook

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GDP Growth Stronger growth expected post-tax reform

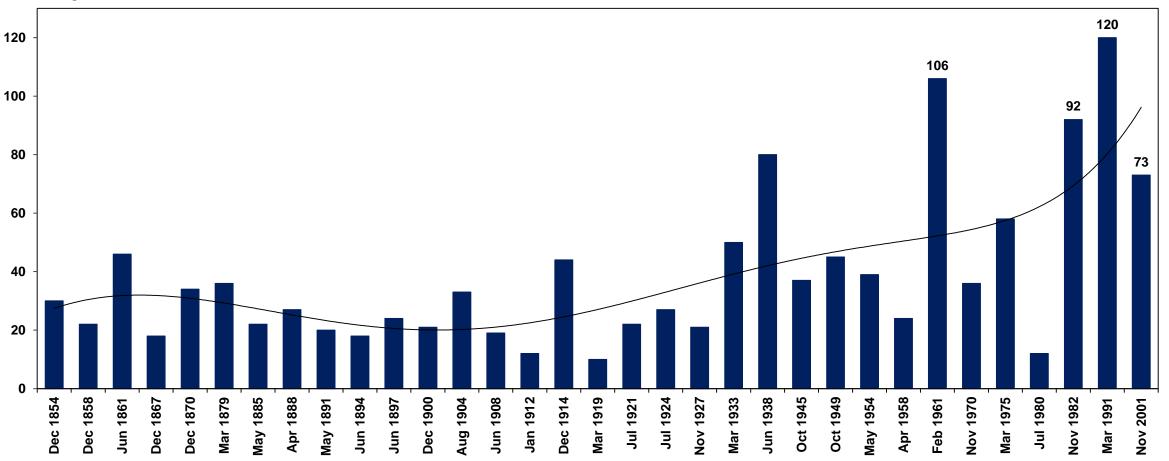


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Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and NAHB forecast.

Expansion is Aging *Current expansion is 108 months old – second longest*

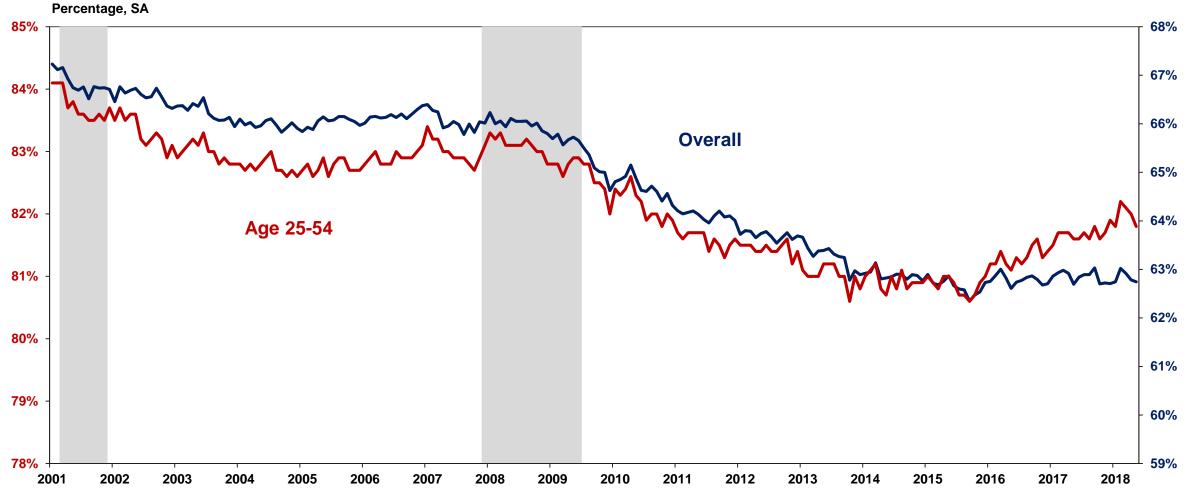
Trough to Peak, Months



Source: The National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER).



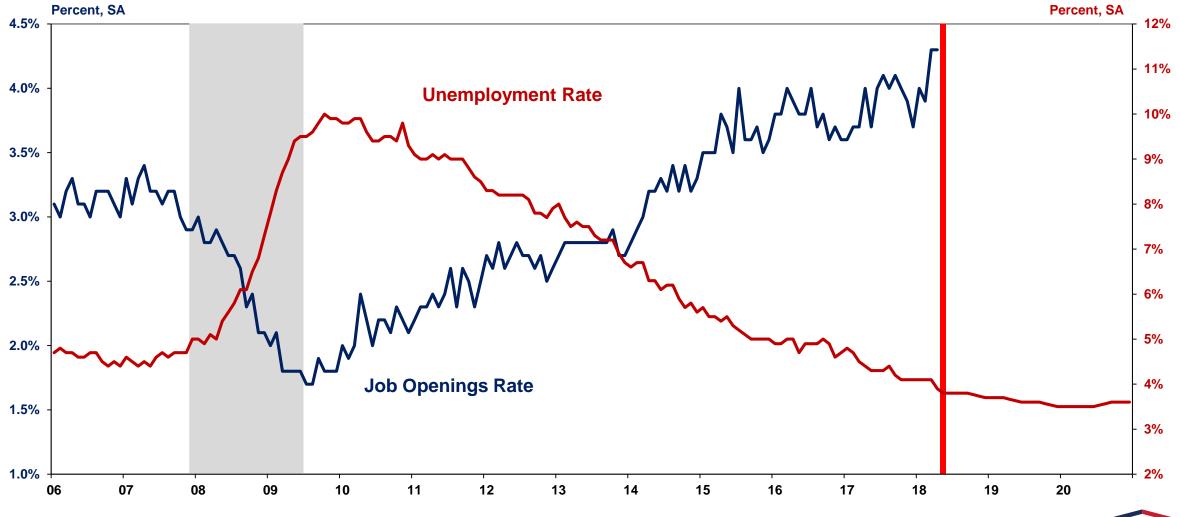
Labor Force Participation Rate Improving labor force participation key to future growth



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).



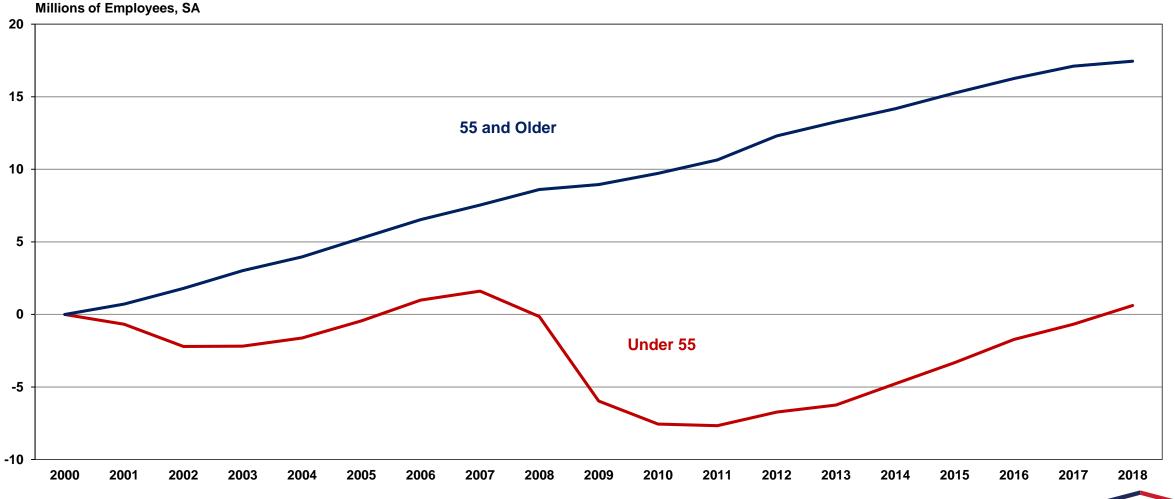
Tight Labor Market *How low can unemployment go?*



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and NAHB forecast.



Cumulative Change in Employment by Age Group Mind the Gen-X gap





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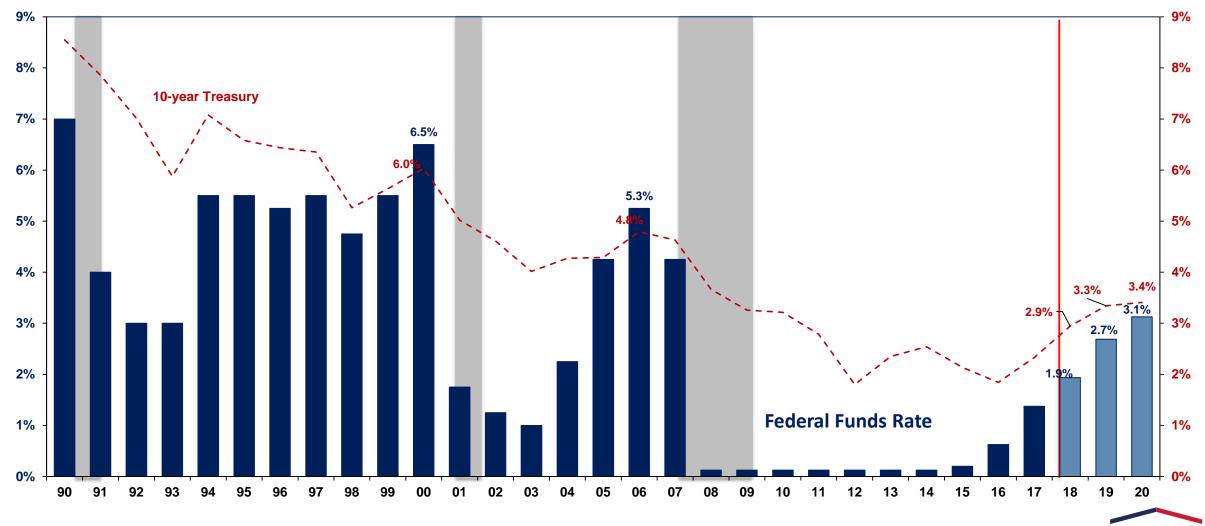
Rising Producer Prices





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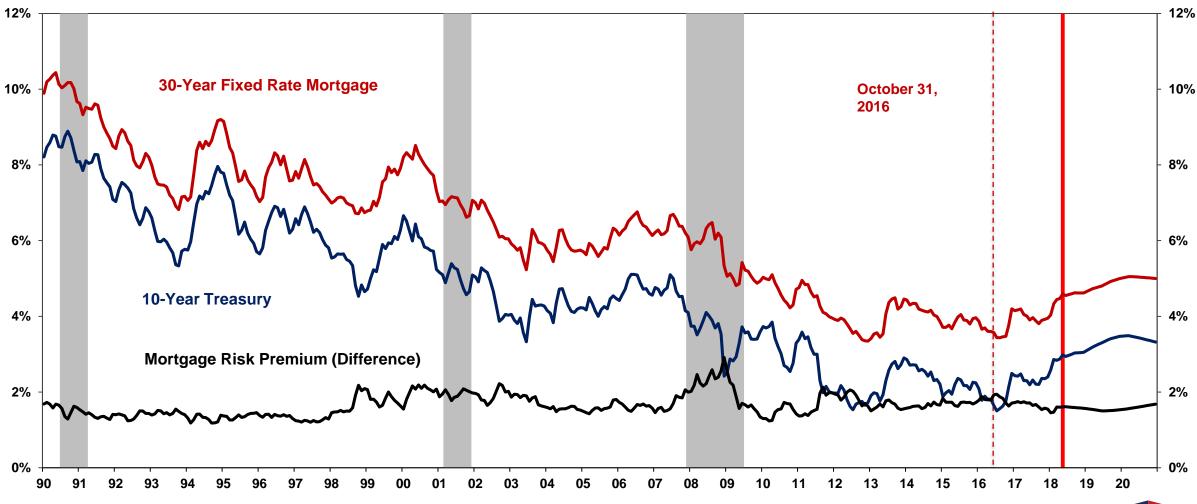
Target Federal Funds Rate Fed will continue to raise rates



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Source: Federal Reserve data and NAHB forecast.

30-Year Fixed Rate Mortgage and 10-Year Treasury *Rates will rise due to Fed policy and tight labor markets*



Source: Federal Reserve and Freddie Mac data and NAHB forecast.



Housing Demand and Affordability



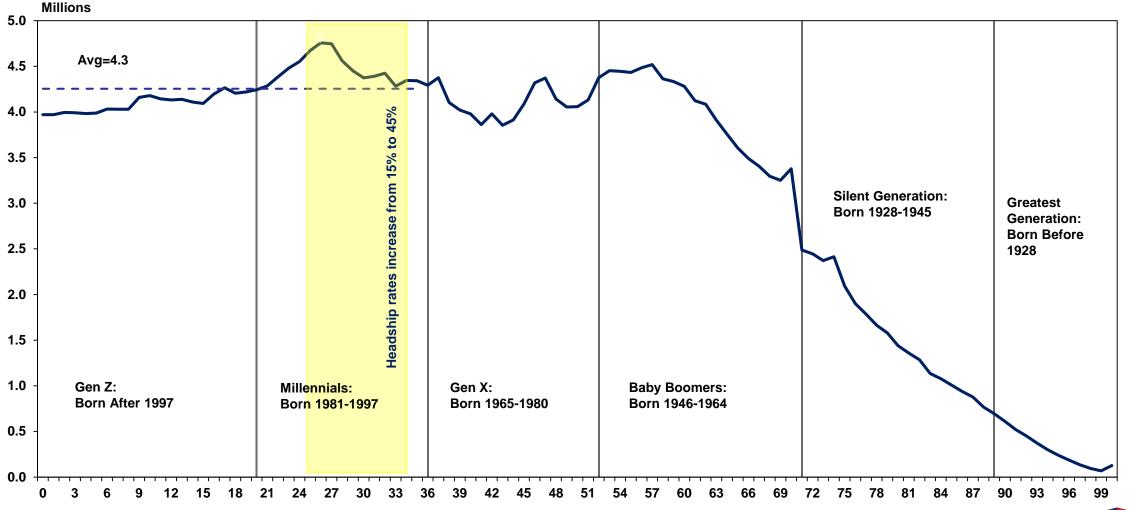
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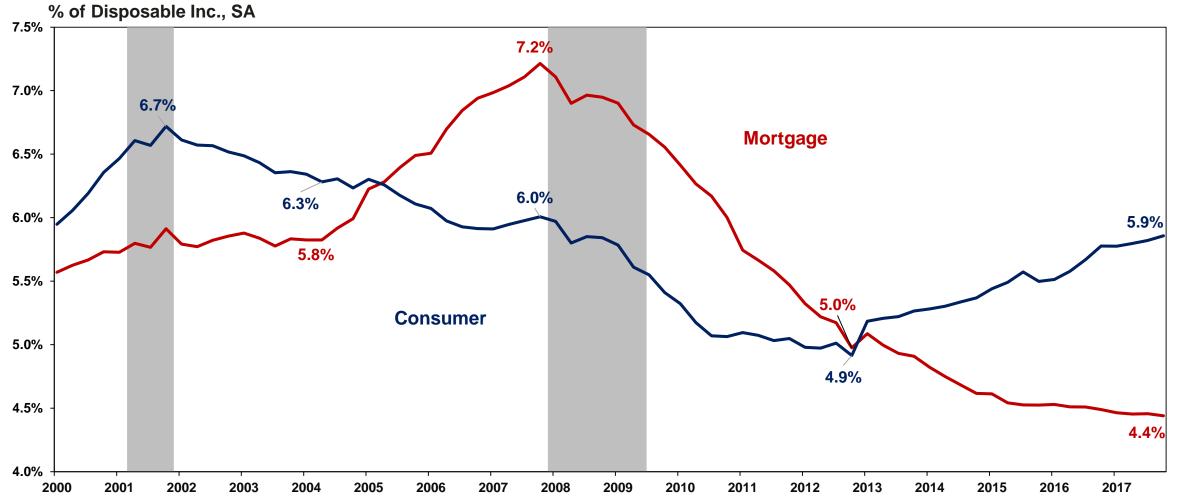
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Rising Population Entering Housing Demand Years: 2017





Household Balance Sheets A shift in debt away from mortgages

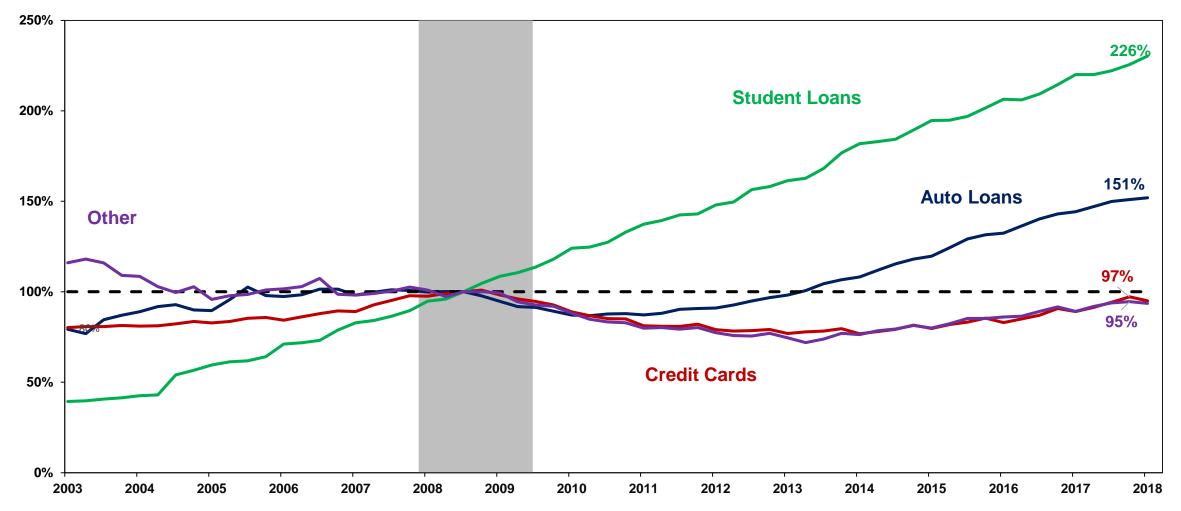


Source: U.S. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB).



Consumer Debt

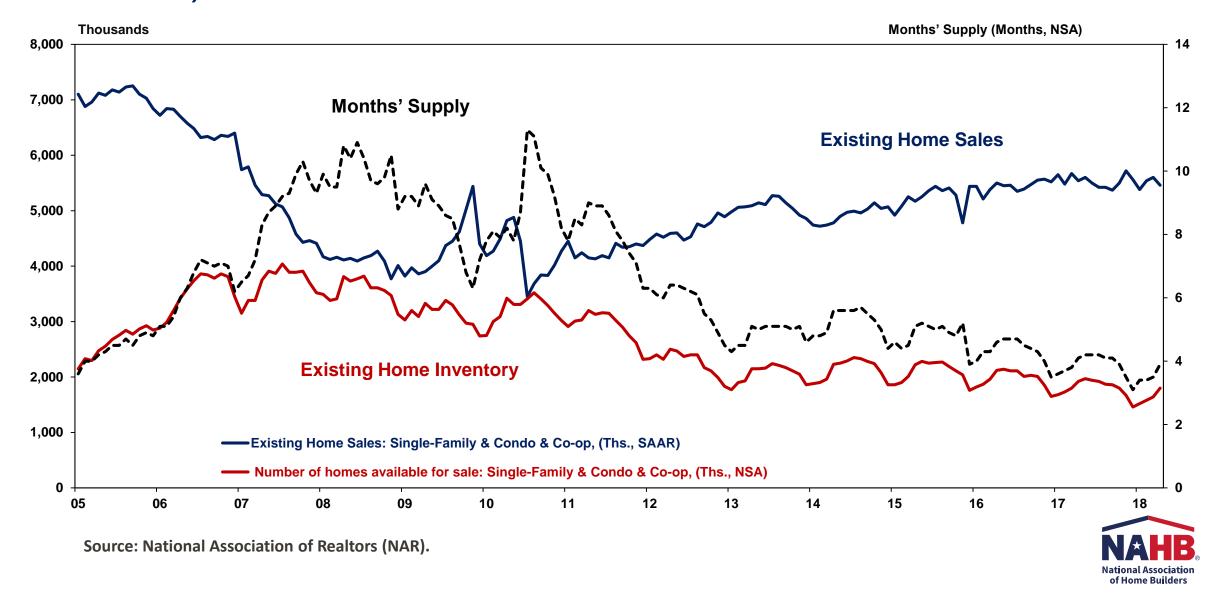
Rise in student and auto loans



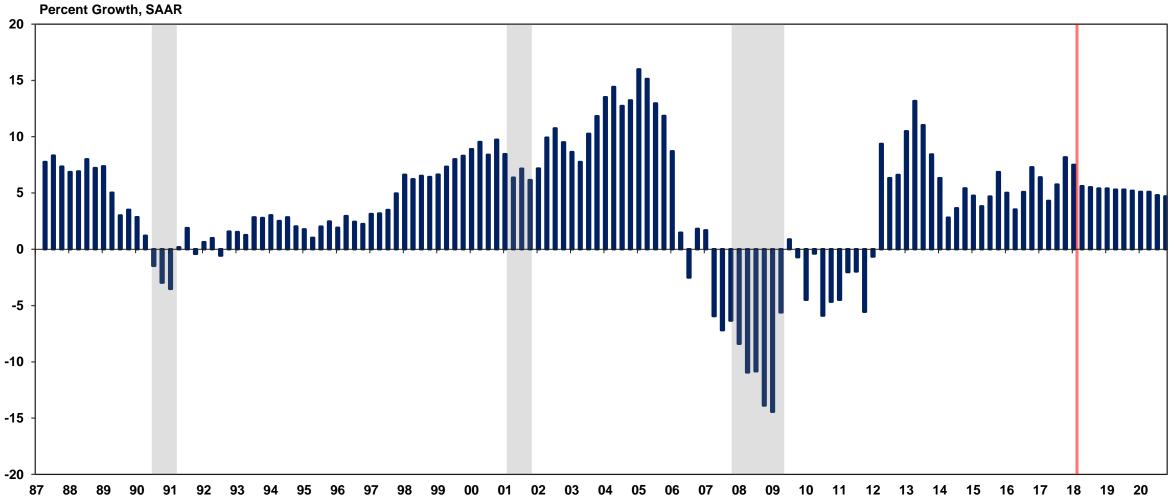


Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Existing Home Sales



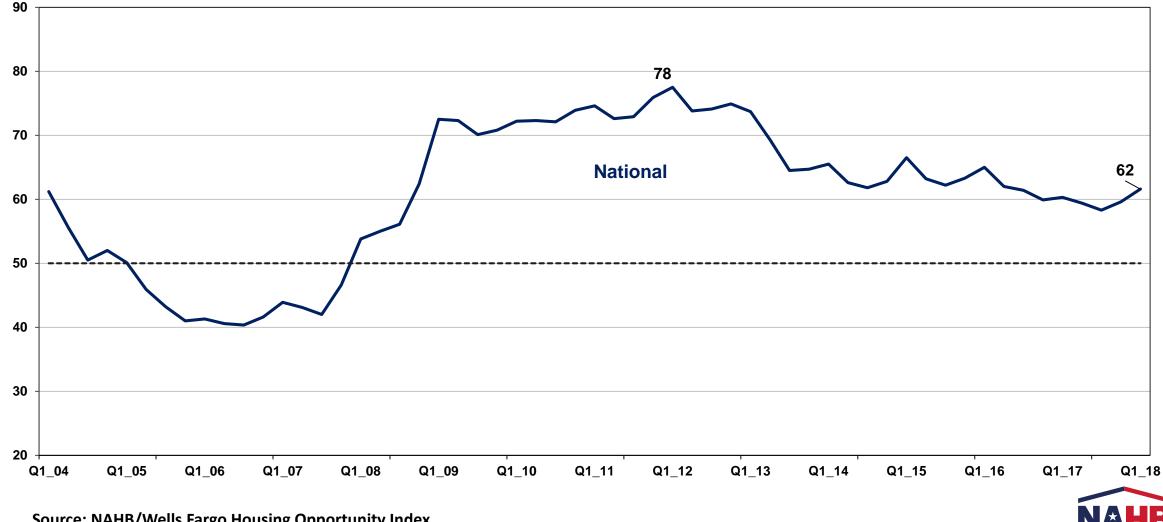
S&P/Case-Shiller National US Home Price Index Prices growing faster than income



Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC; CoreLogic, Inc. and NAHB forecast.



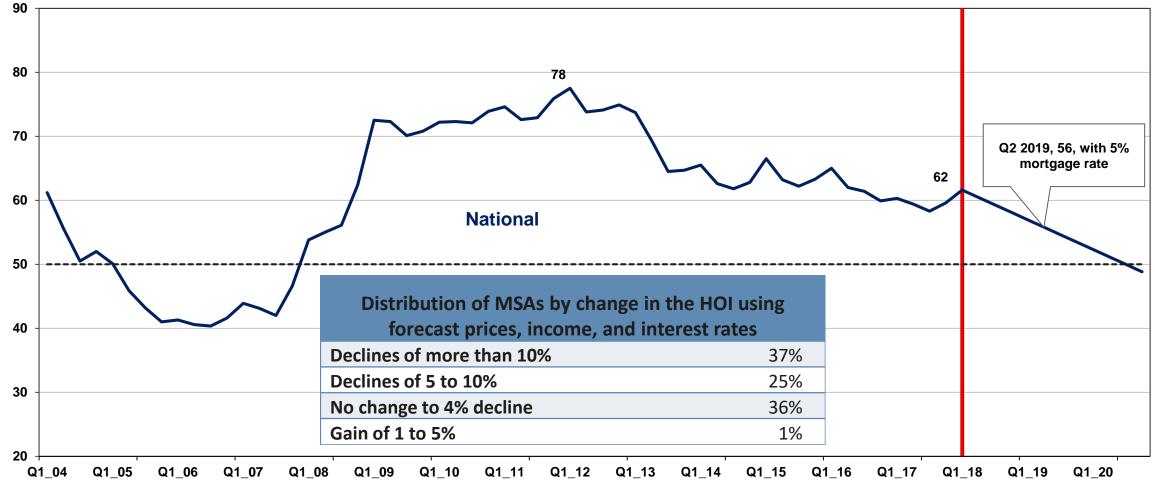
Housing Affordability – NAHB/Wells Fargo HOI Affordability declining



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Source: NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Opportunity Index.

Simulating Future Affordability Conditions HOI declines due to higher rates and costs/prices despite rising incomes



Source: NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Opportunity Index.

Supply-Side Headwinds



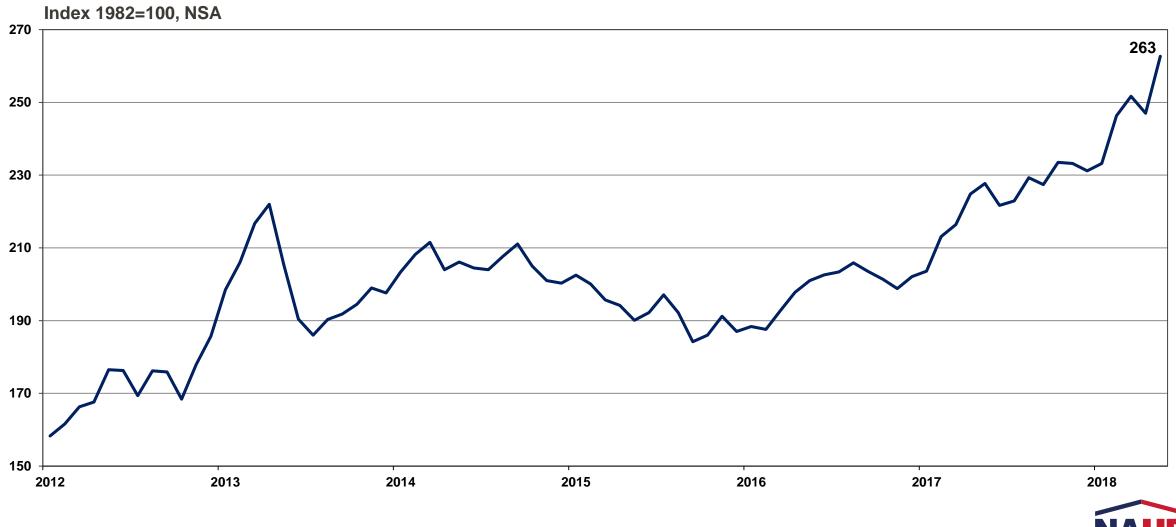
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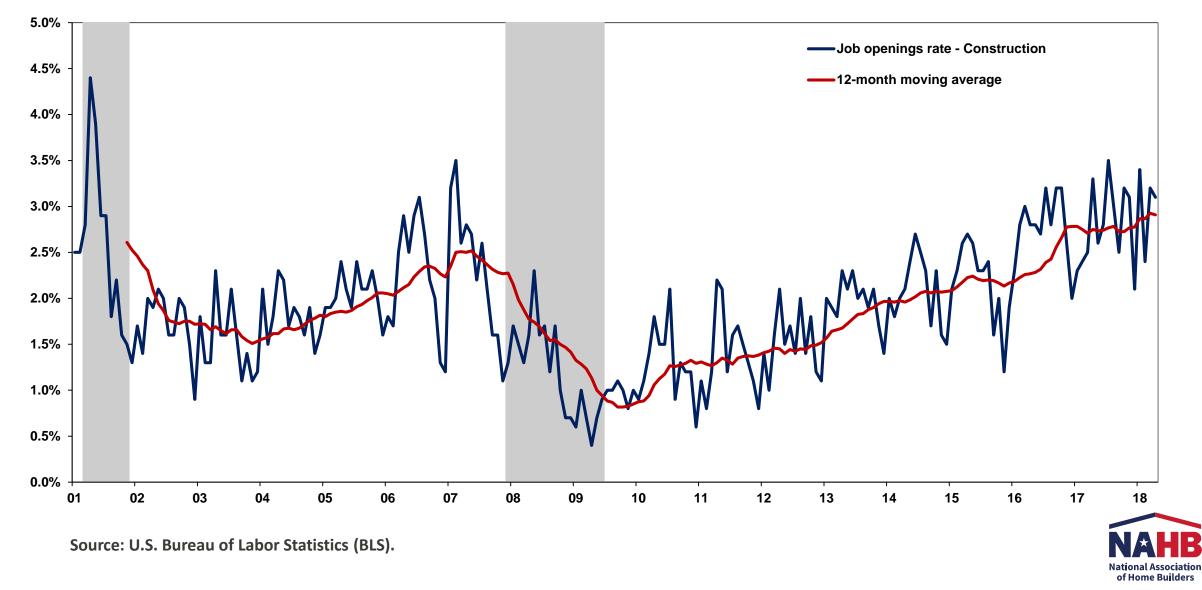
Building Materials – Softwood Lumber Since January 2017, Random Lengths Framing Composite Price Index up 63%



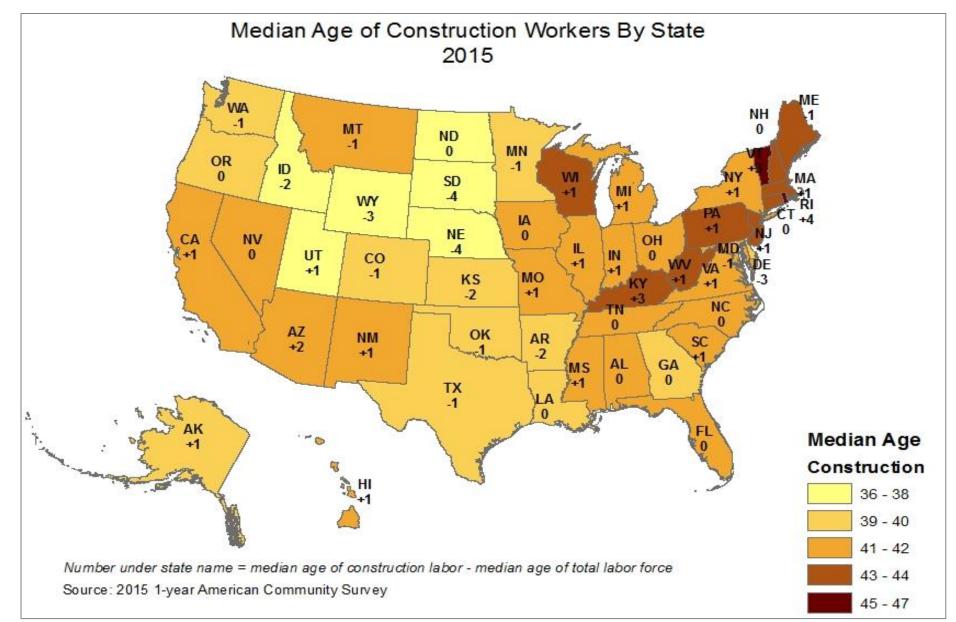


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Labor Elevated count of unfilled construction jobs

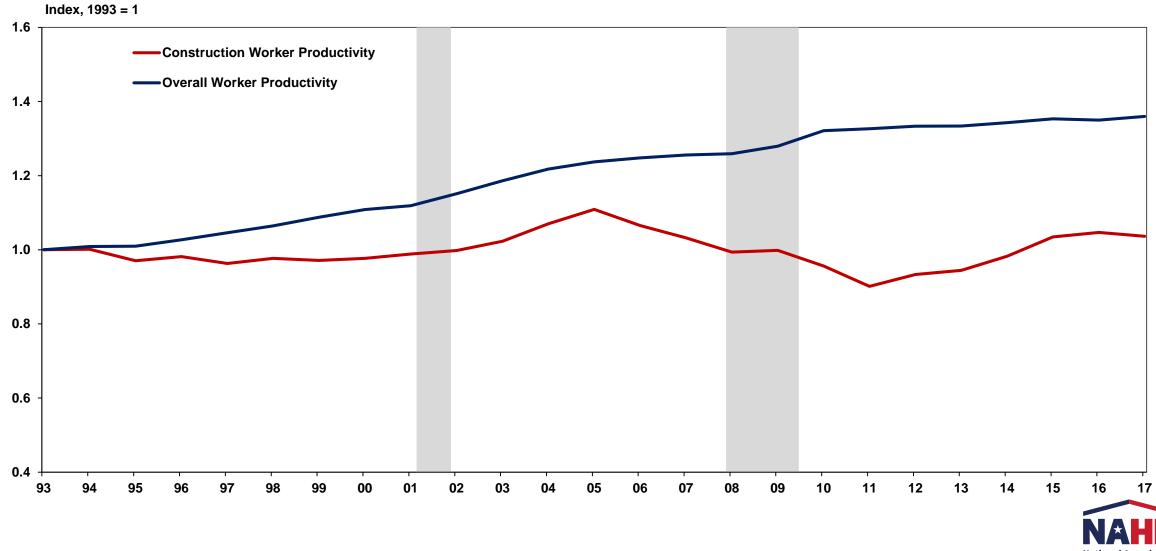


Aging Labor Force for Construction



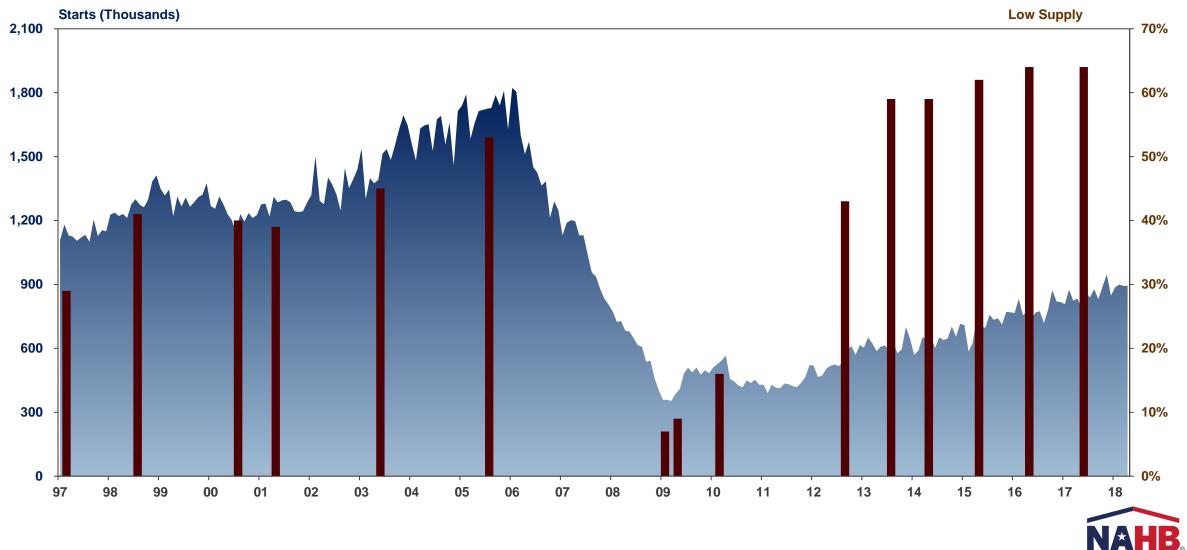


Construction Sector Productivity Lagging overall economy



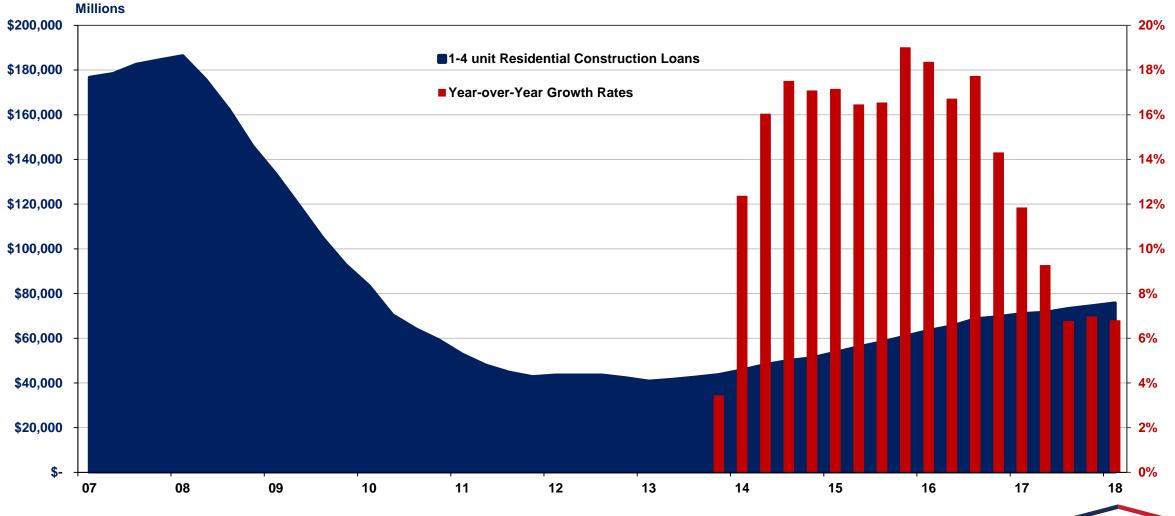
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Lots Housing Starts (Area) and Low/Very Low Lot Supply (bars)



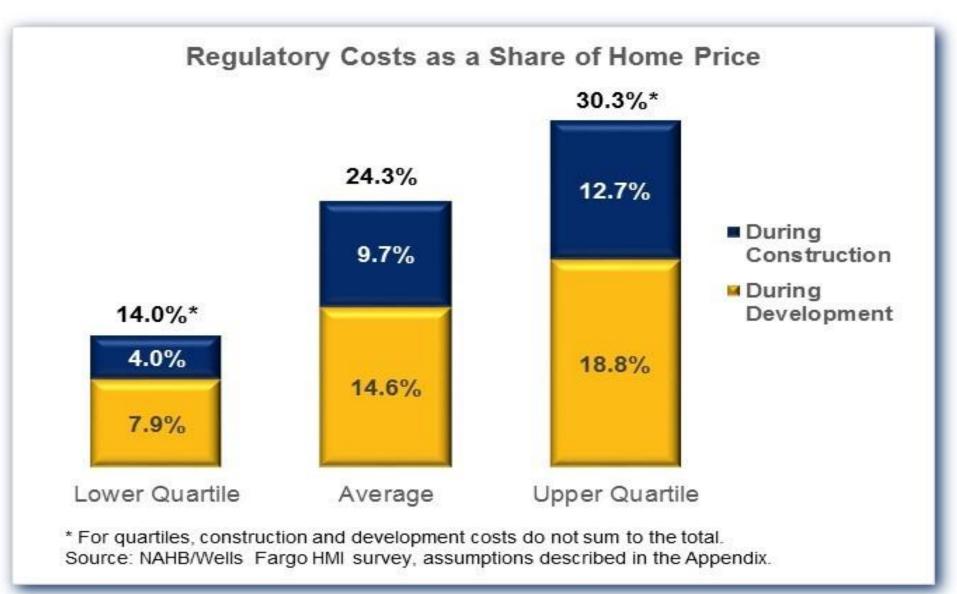
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Lending – AD&C Access





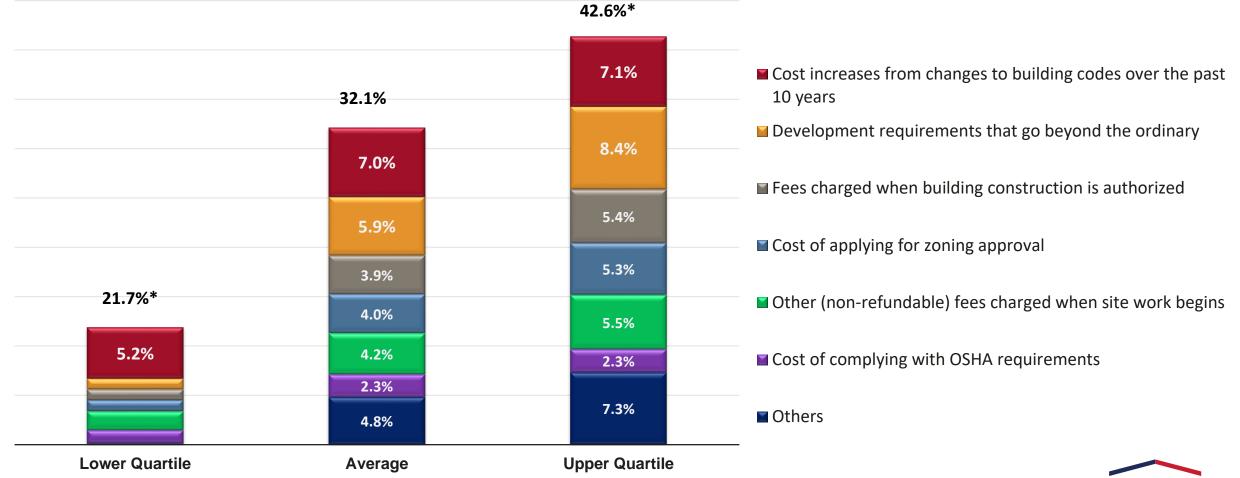
Regulatory Costs Rising – Up 29% Over Last 5 Years *Total effect of building codes, land use, environmental and other rules*





Regulations - 32% of Multifamily Development Costs *New NAHB-NMHC research*

Government Regulations as a Share of Multifamily Development Costs



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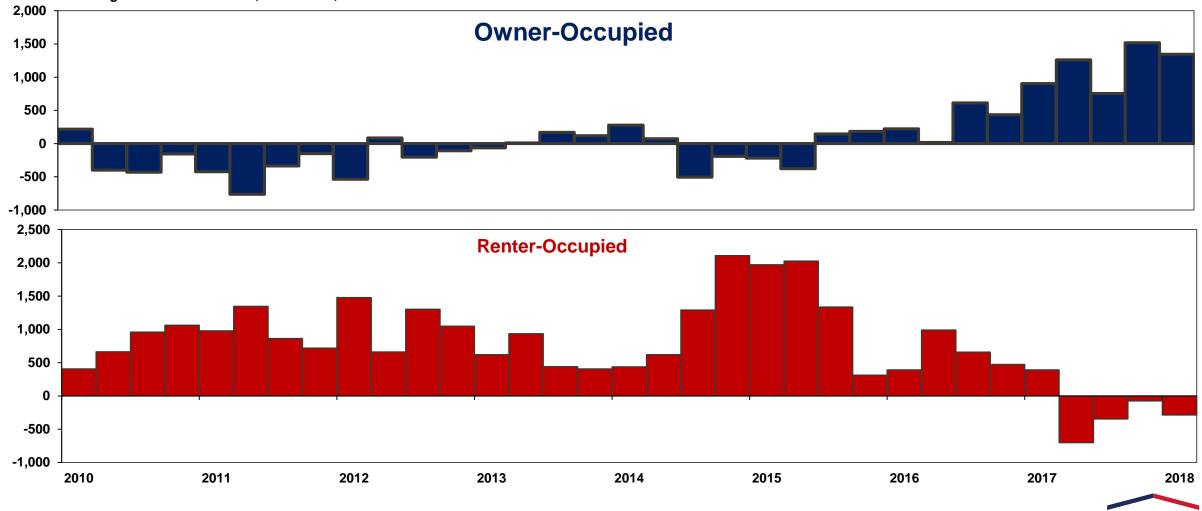
Note: * For quartiles, all types of costs do not sum to the total. Source: NAHB/Wells Fargo HMI survey.

---- Forecasts





Household Formation Demand for home ownership strengthening

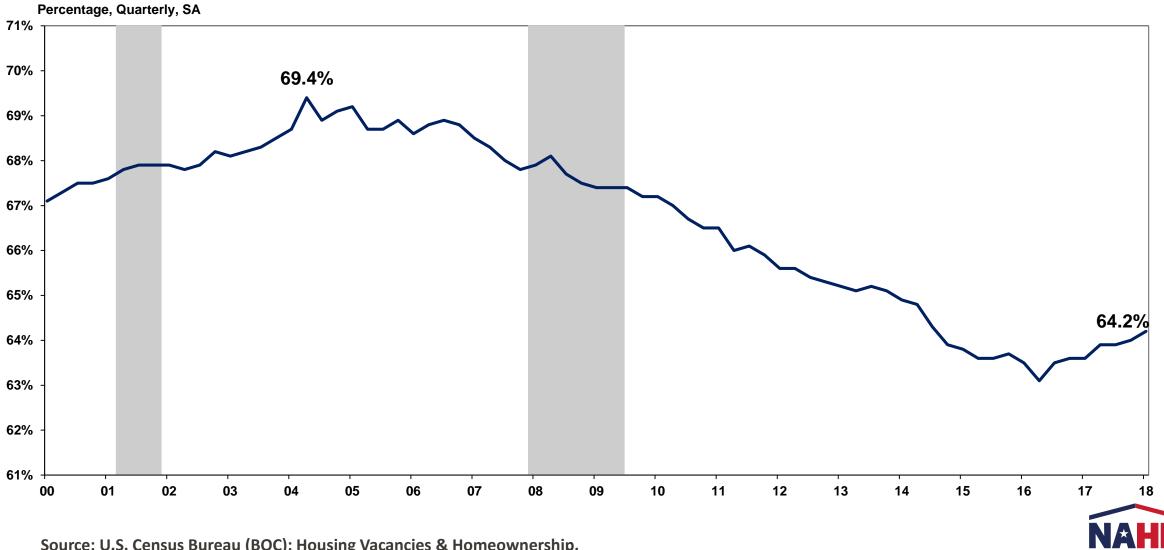


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Y/Y Change in Household Count, Thousands, NSA

Source: U.S. Census Bureau (BOC): Housing Vacancies & Homeownership.

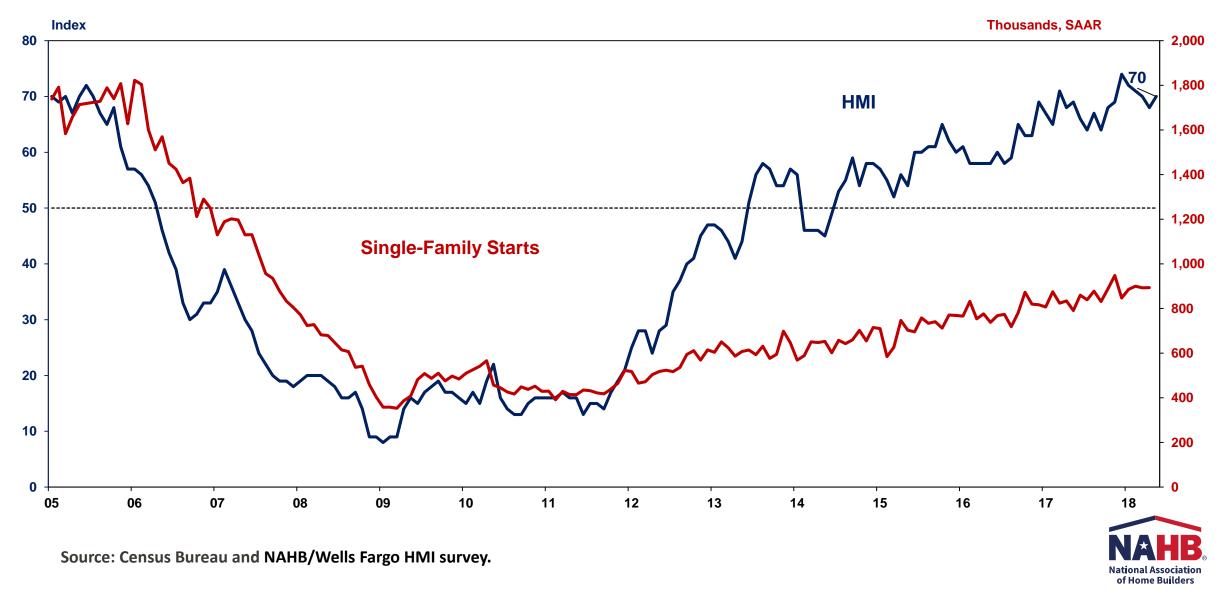
Homeownership Rate



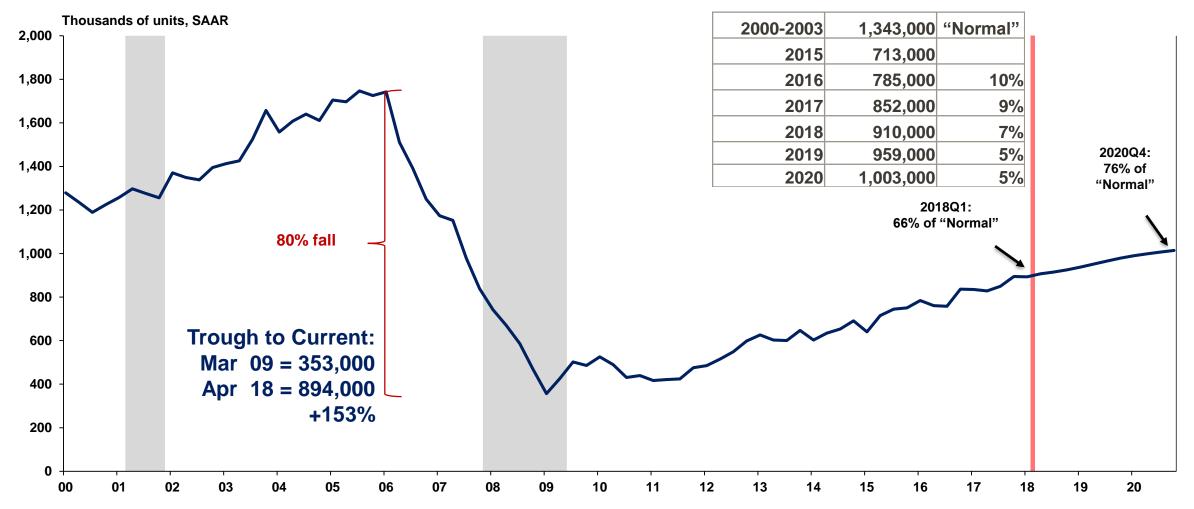
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NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Market Index Nearly two-decade high for builder confidence



Single-Family Starts Modest growth ahead

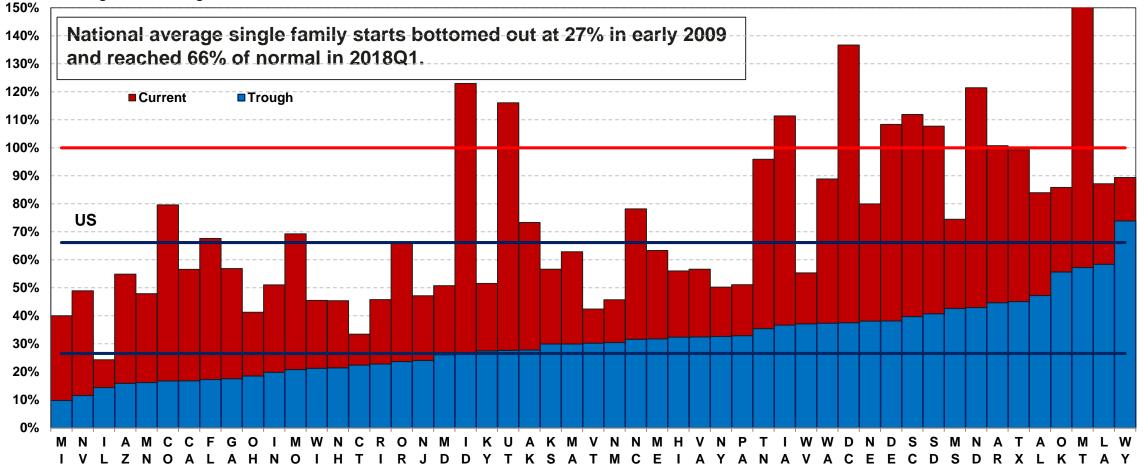




Source: Census Bureau and NAHB forecast.

Single Family Housing Starts– Trough and Current

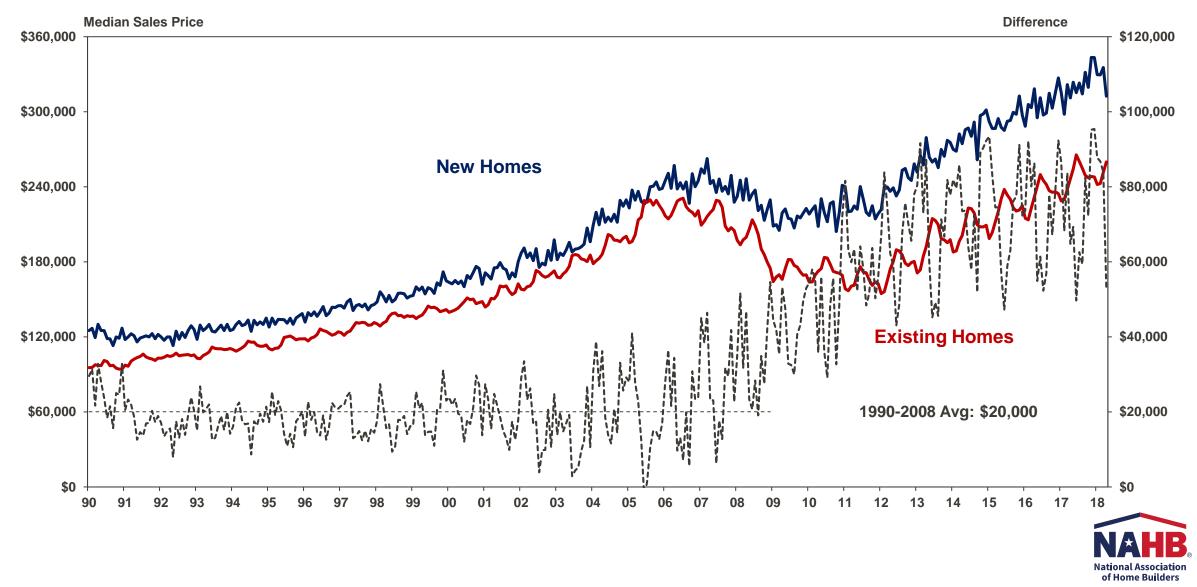
Housing Starts / Average 2000-03 Starts



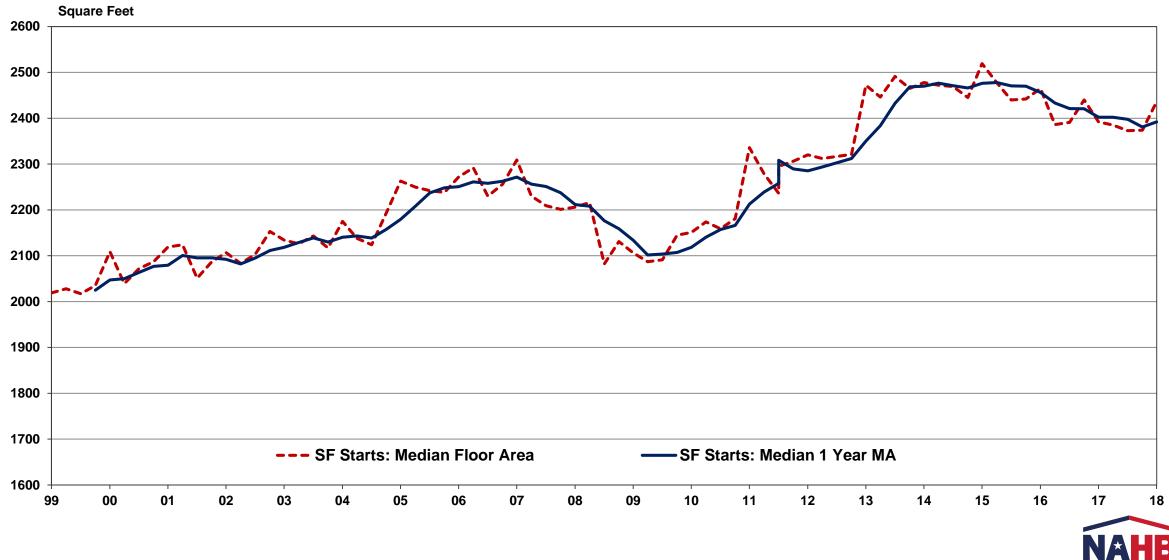


Source: Census Bureau.

Home Prices of New and Existing Homes Wide gap since 2012



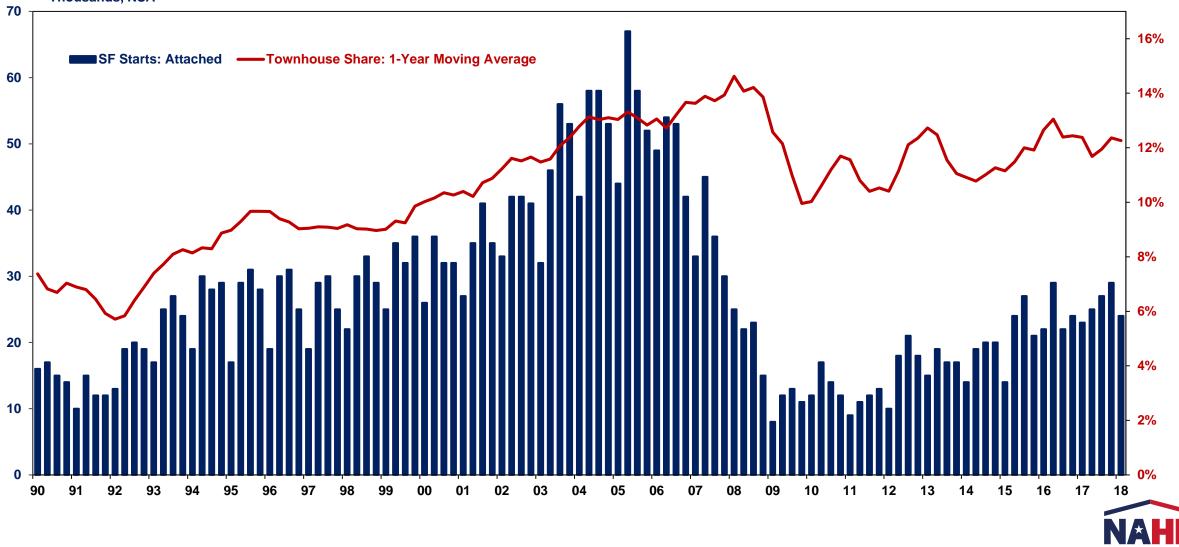
Typical New Home Size Decline after market shift



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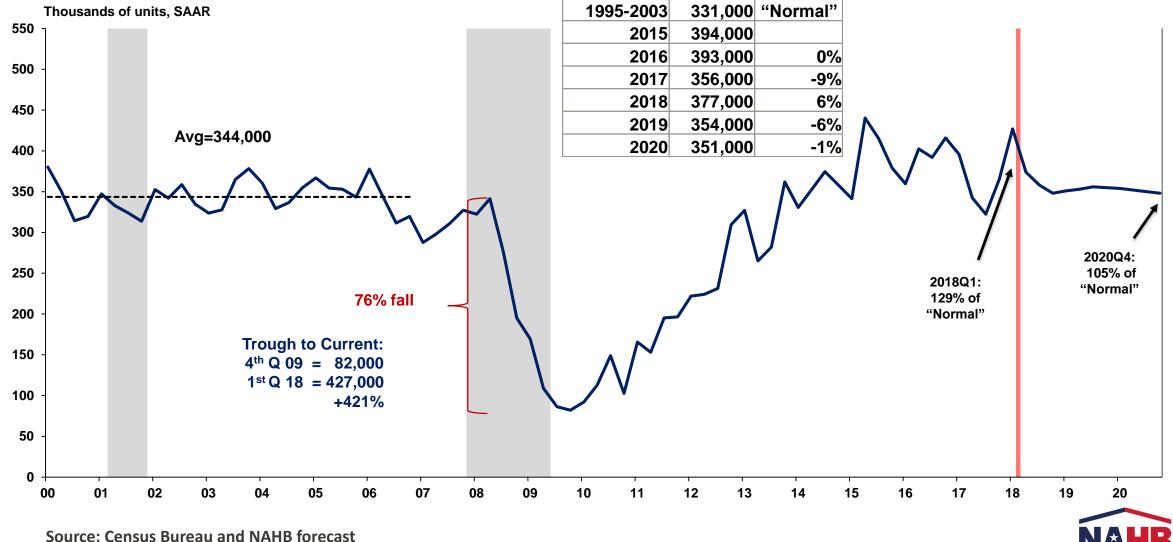
Townhouse Market Expanding

Thousands, NSA



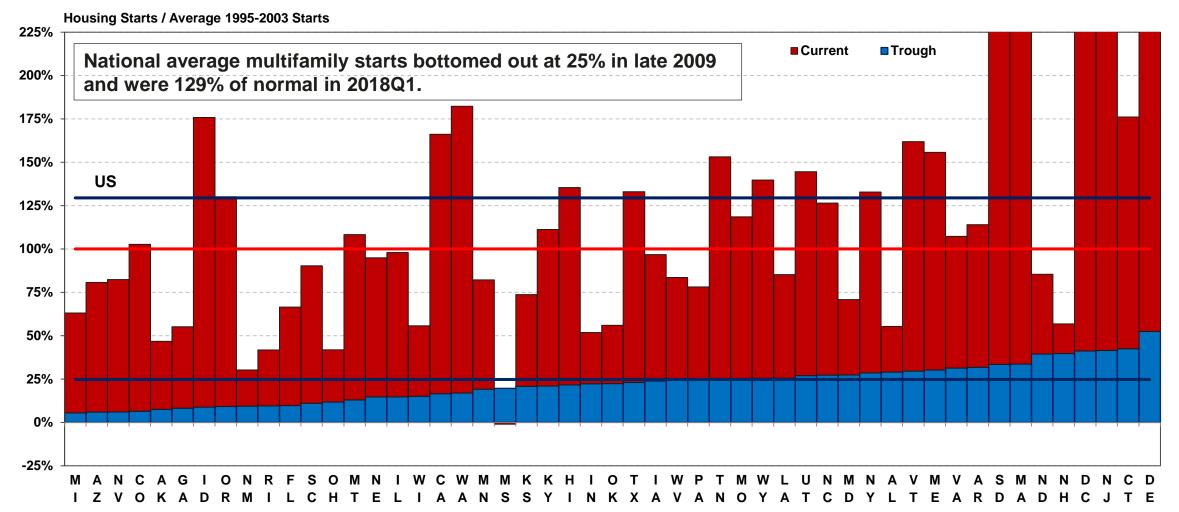
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Multifamily Housing Starts





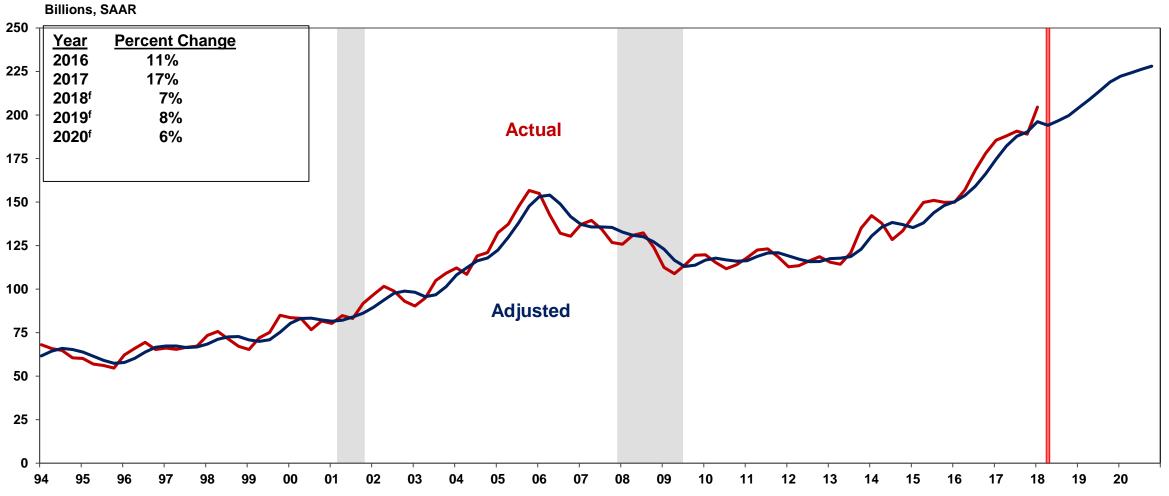
Multifamily Housing Starts – Trough and Current





Source: Census Bureau.

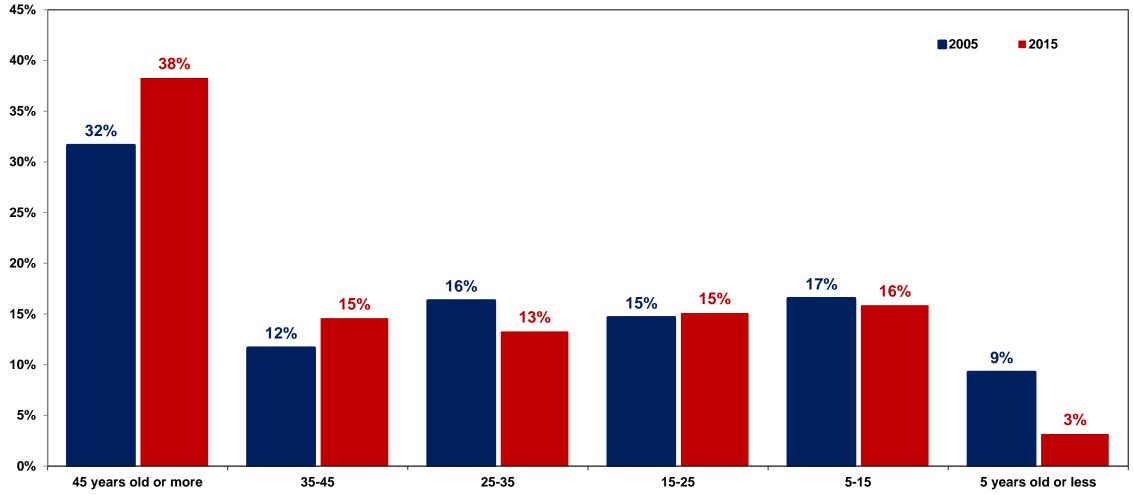
Residential Remodeling Strong market conditions



Source: Census Bureau and NAHB forecast.



The Age of the Housing Stock Typical home is almost 40 years old









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