California Housing Market Forecast

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An environment of highs and lows

The Highs

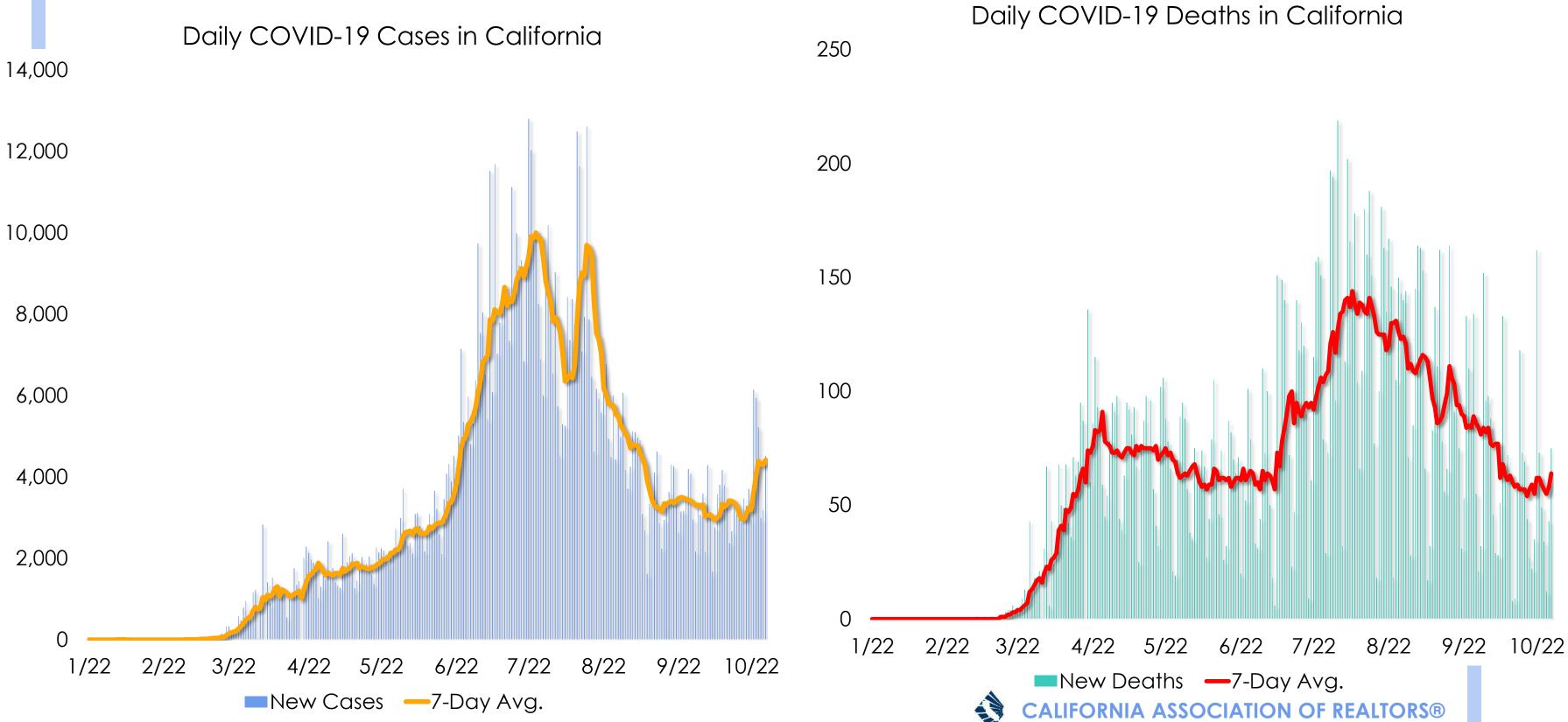
- Economy healing broadly
- Buyer demand robust
- Home sales rising, prices at all-time high levels
- Fewer homeowners in forbearance
- COVID-19 numbers trending down consistently

The Lows

- 20+ million people on unemployment 350K delinquencies here in California • Less than half as much inventory as 2019 • Pending sales suggest party winding down • Rents falling, implications for prices?

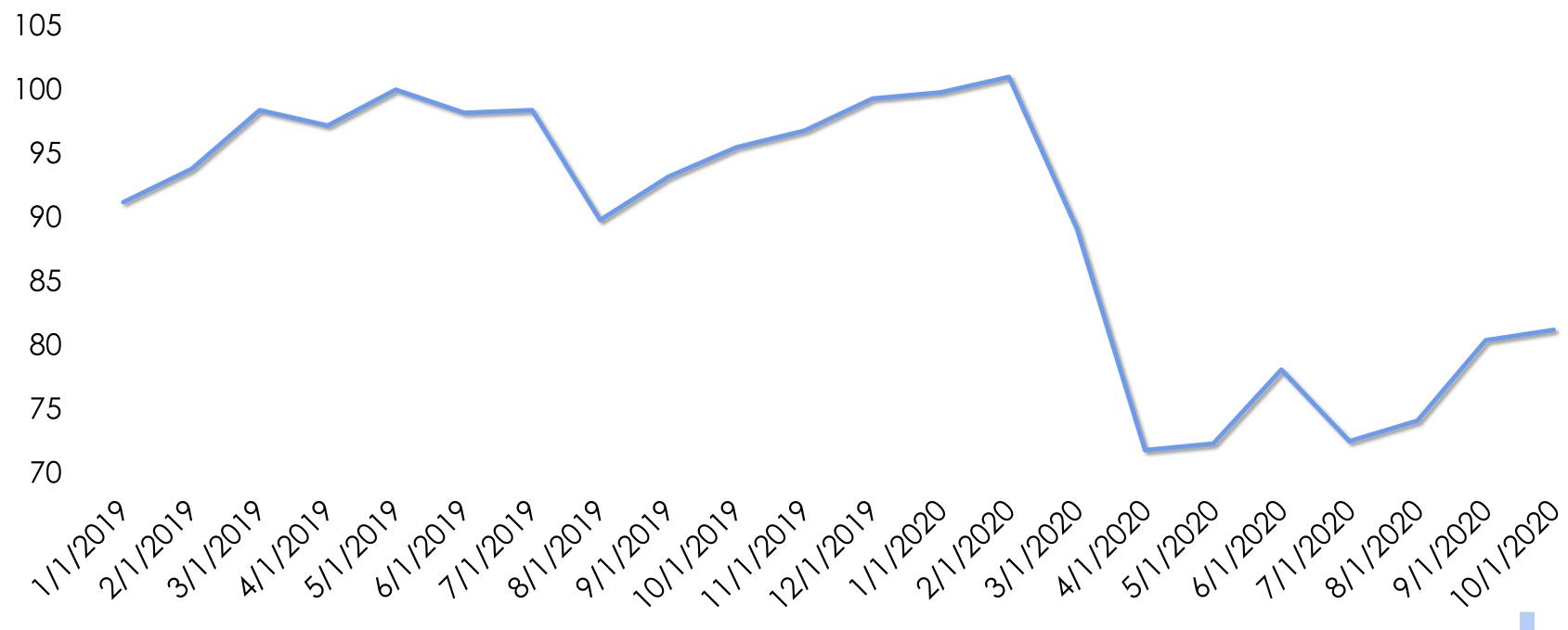
How About Some GOOD NEWS?

Daily California COVID-19 trends



Consumers are feeling more confident

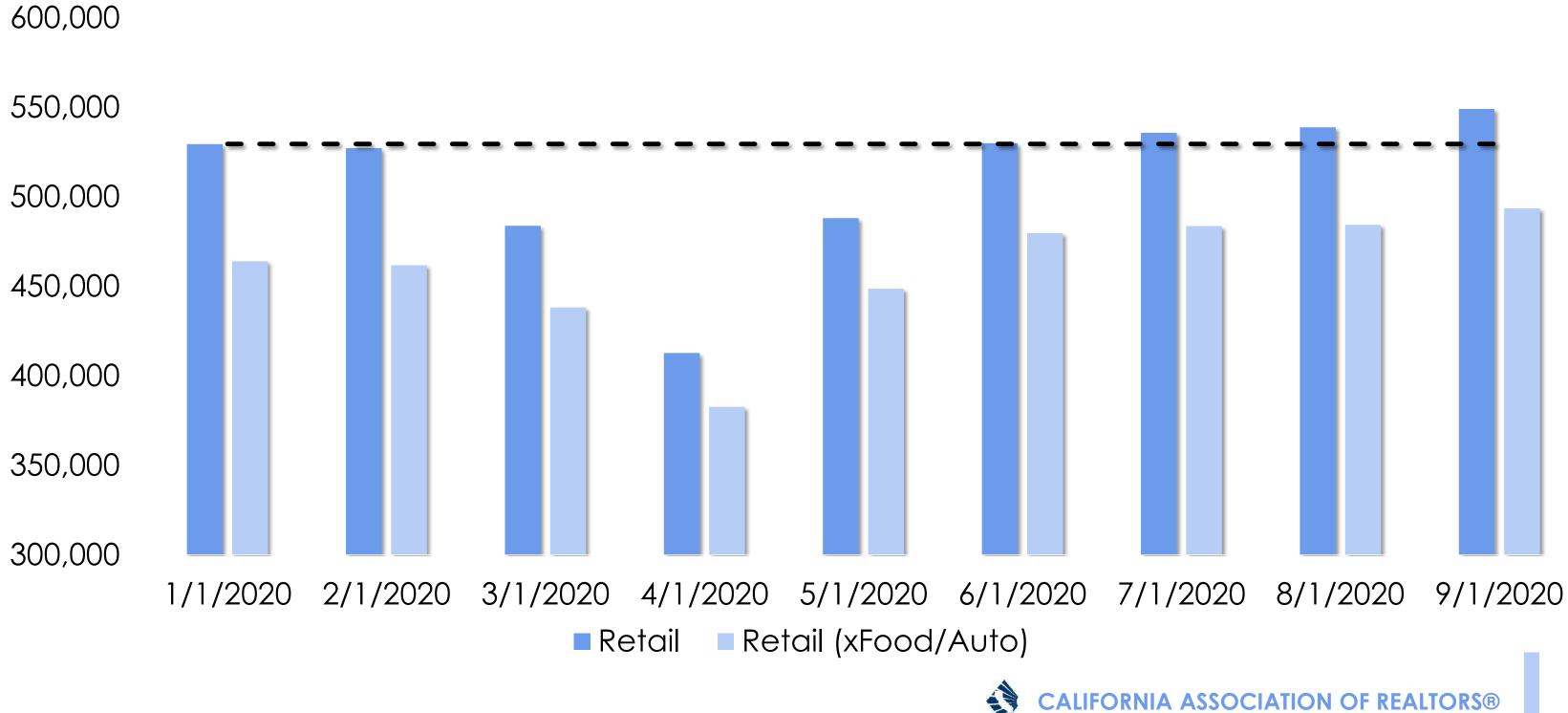
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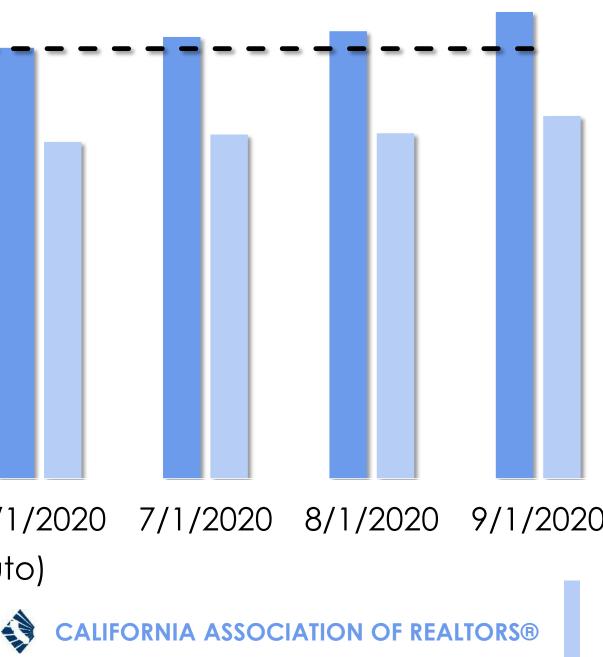


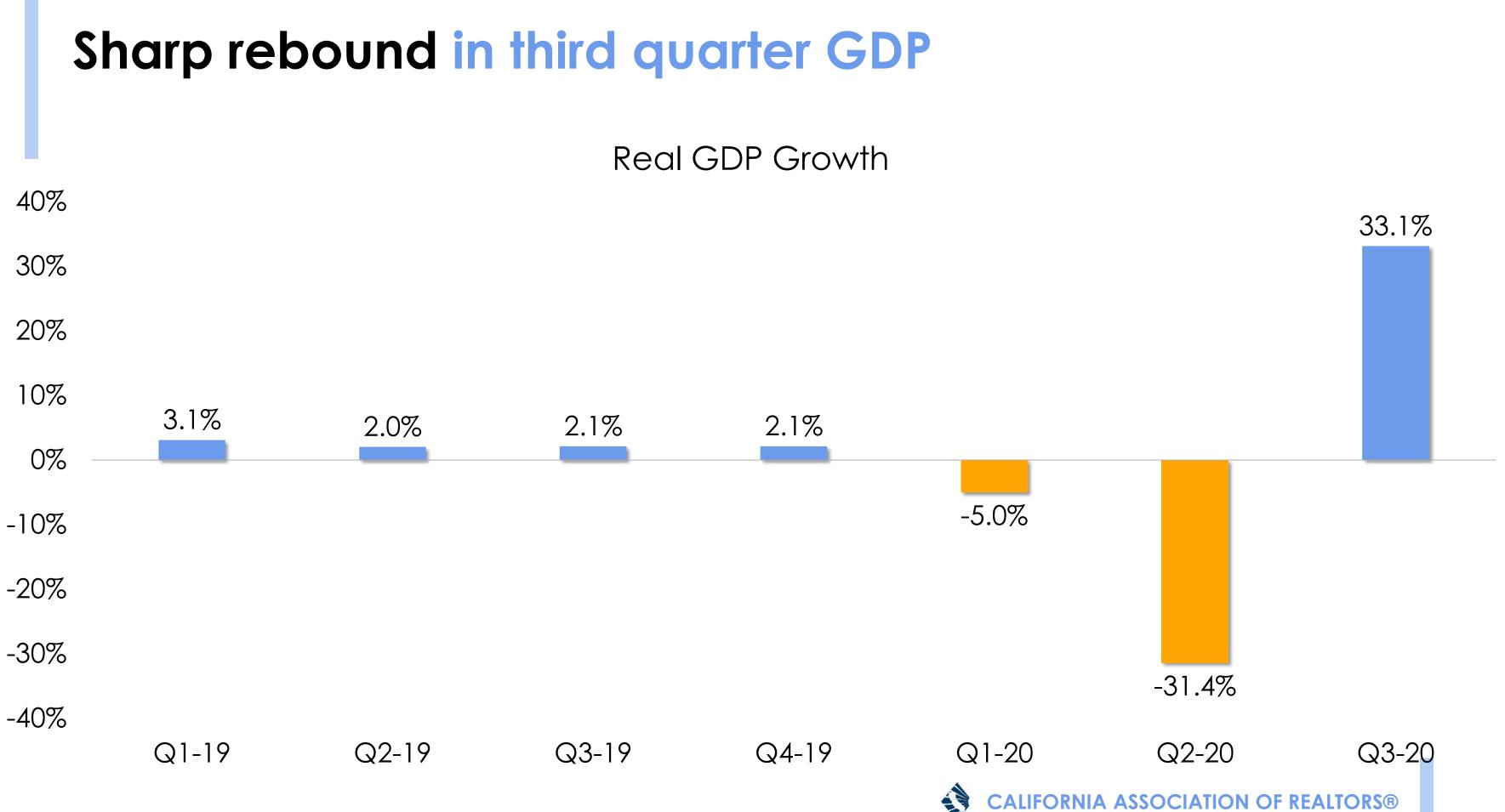


Consumers spending accelerates in September

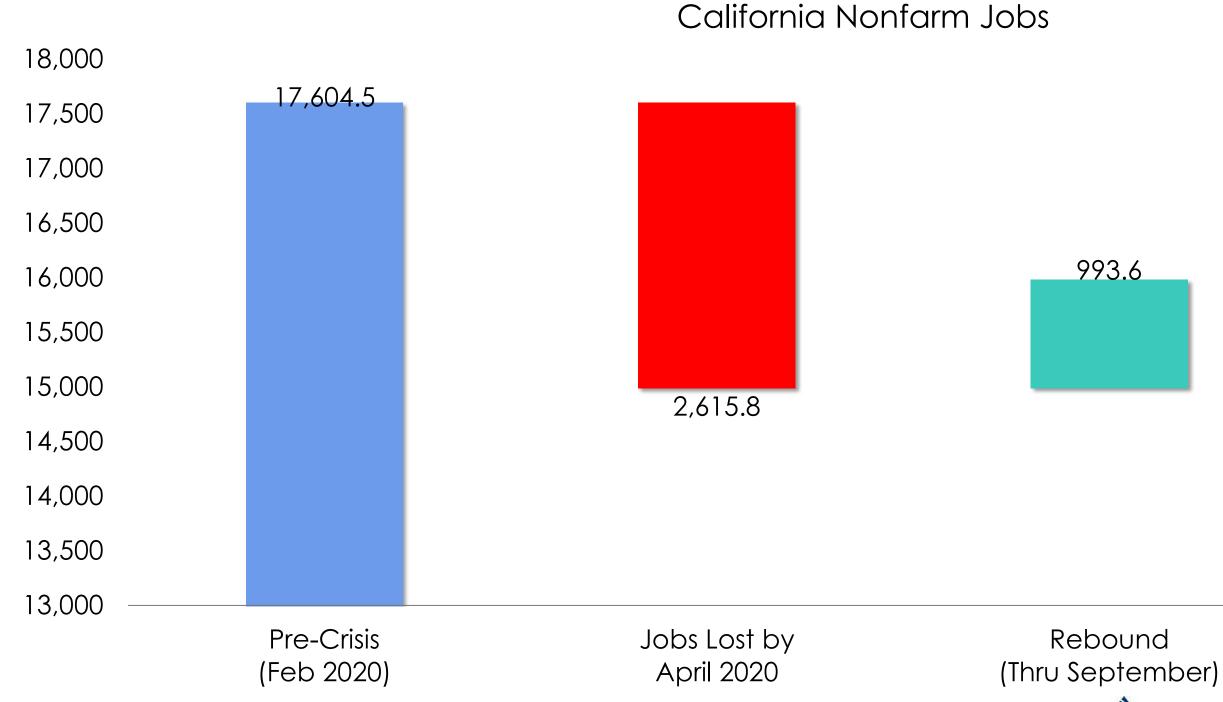
U.S. Retail Sales







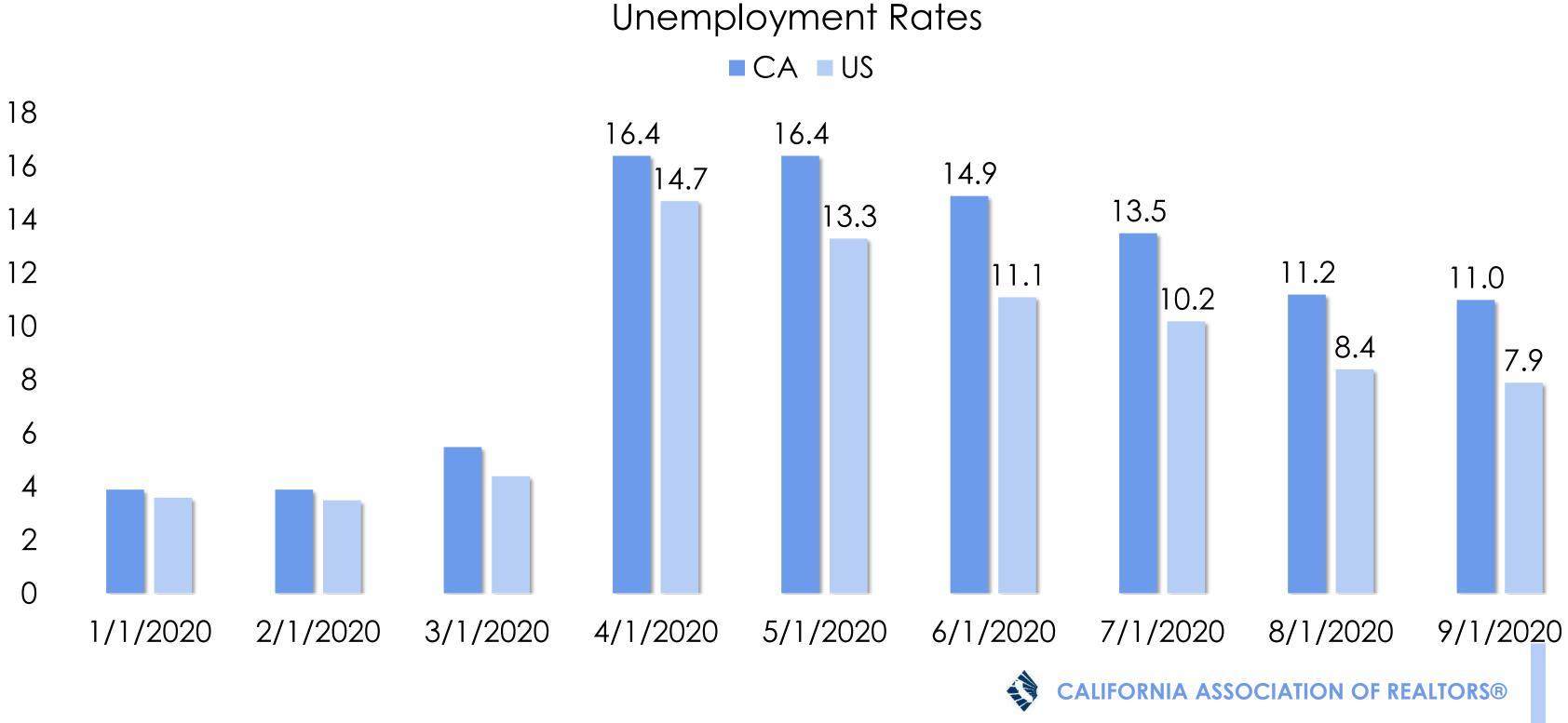
Snapshot of California labor markets



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Remaining to Pre-Crisis Peak

Unemployment rate down consistently as well

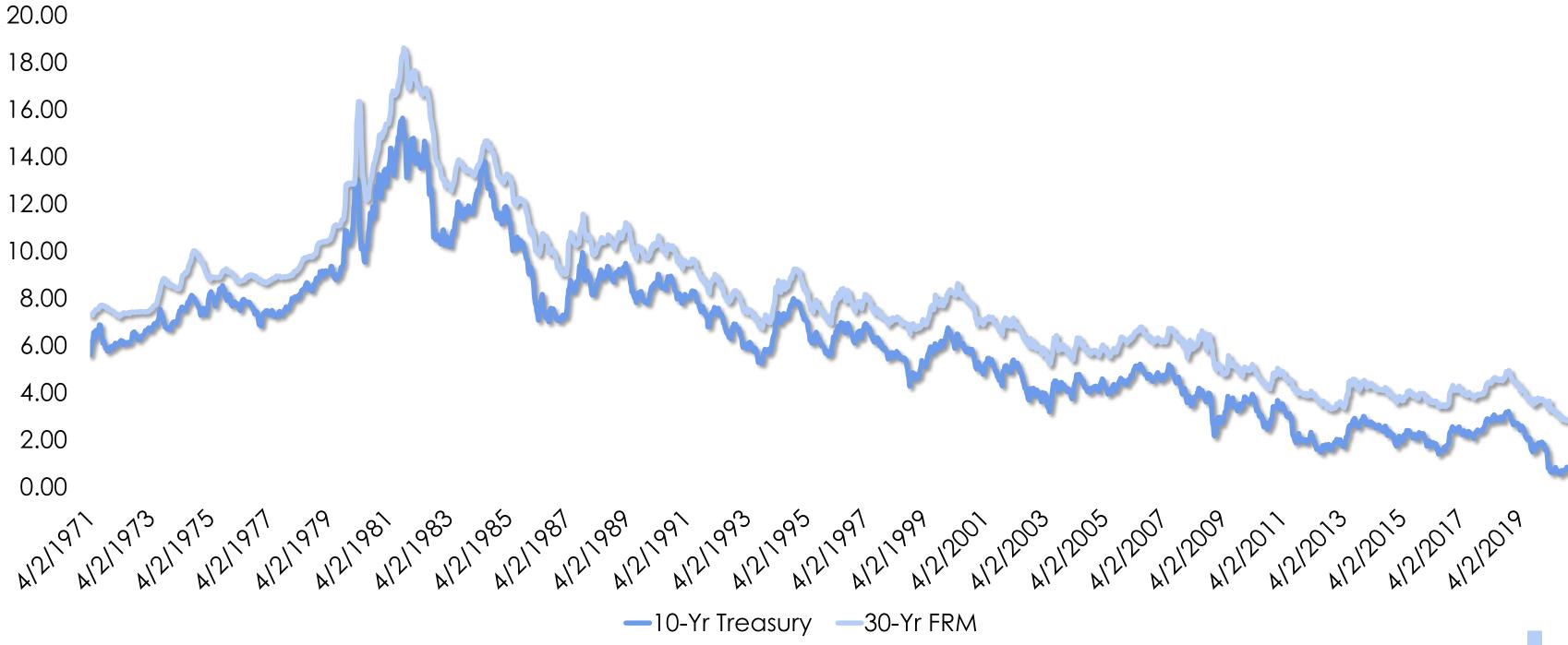






Interest rates have NEVER been lower

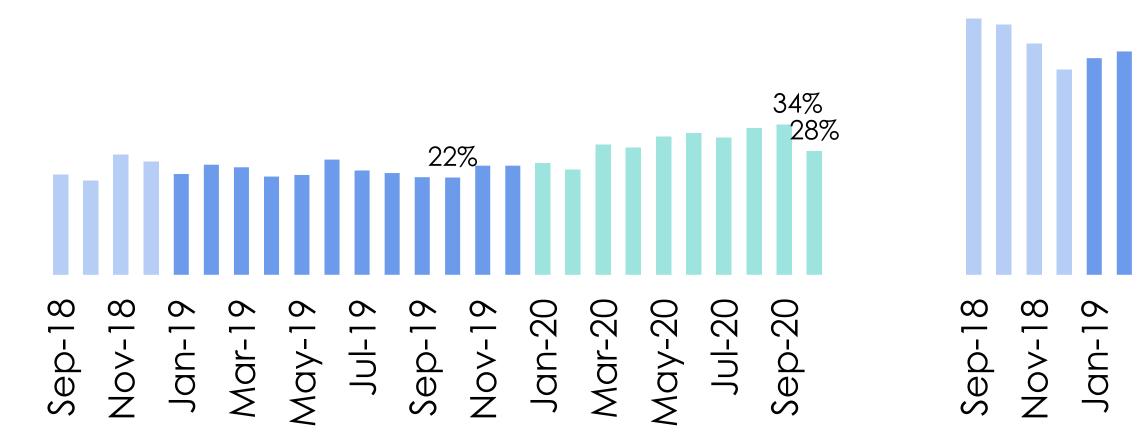
Key Interest Rates





Is it a good time to buy or sell?

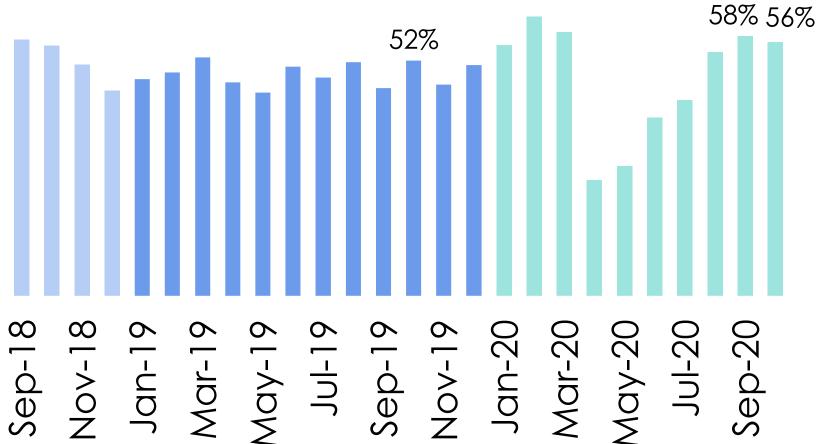
Do you think it's a good time to **buy** a home in California?







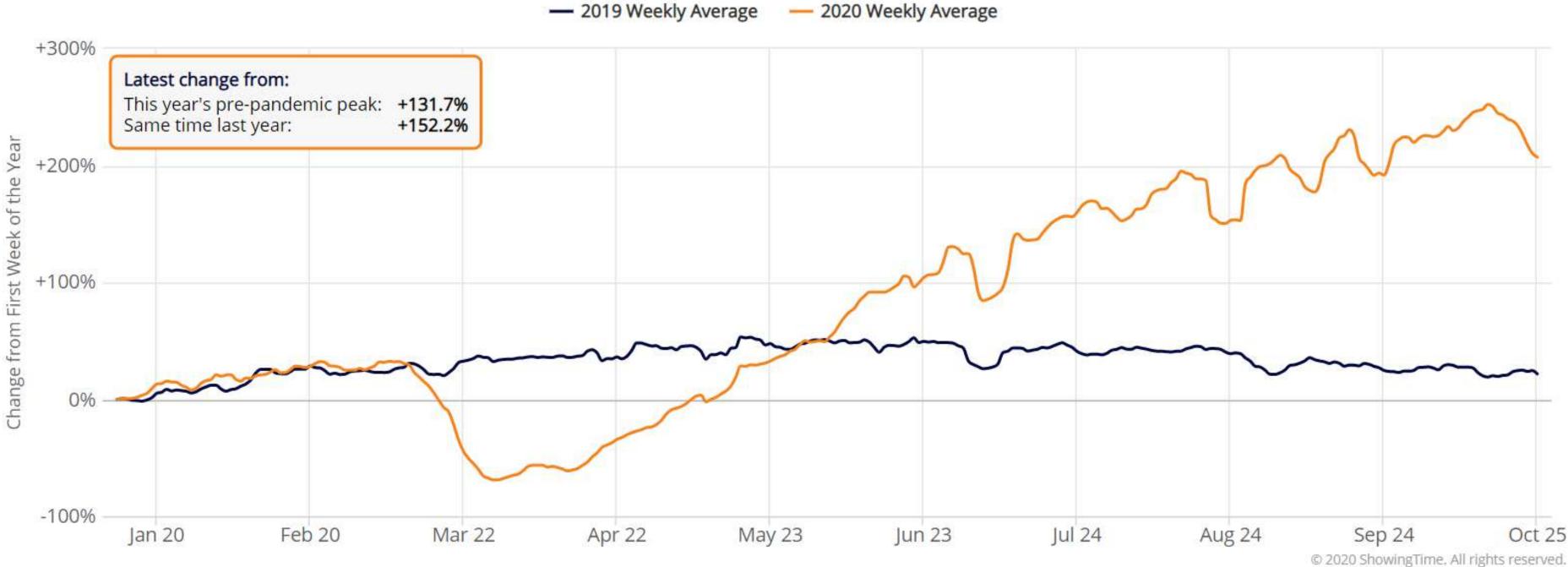
Do you think it's a good time to **sell** a home in California?



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Impact of COVID-19 to Real Estate Showings in California

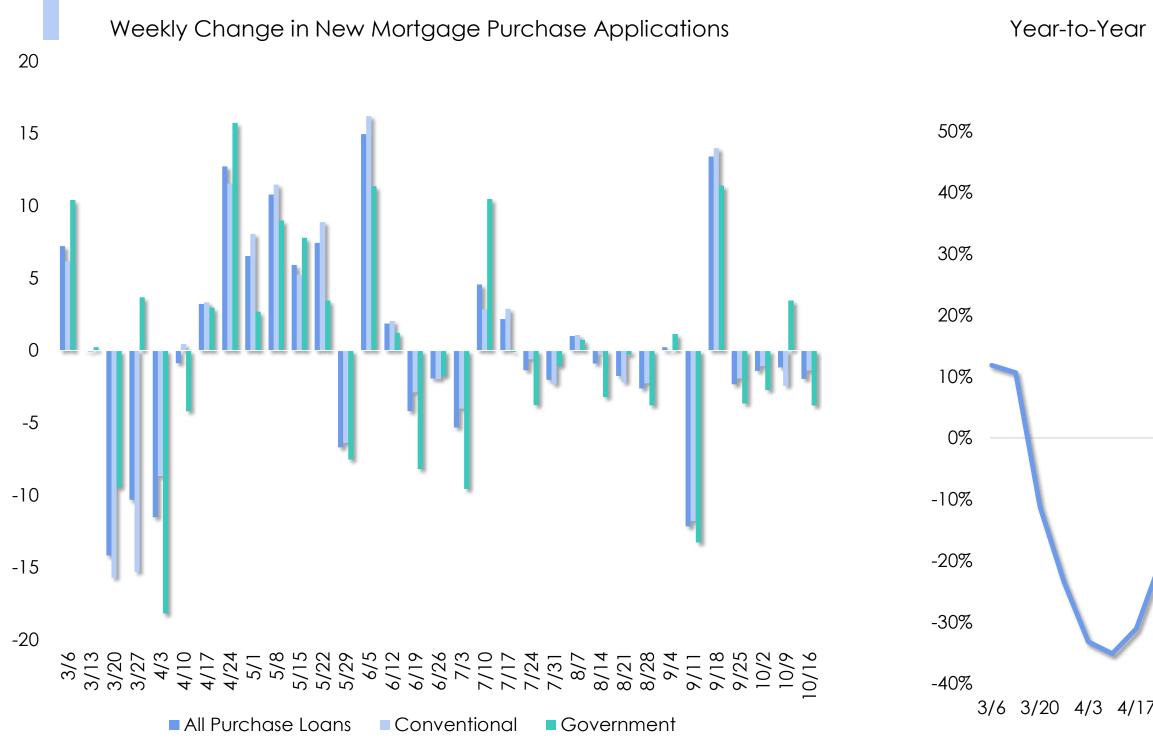
Weekly showings normalized to the first calendar week of January, 7-day moving average. Data through October 25, 2020







Purchase applications remain strong well into fall





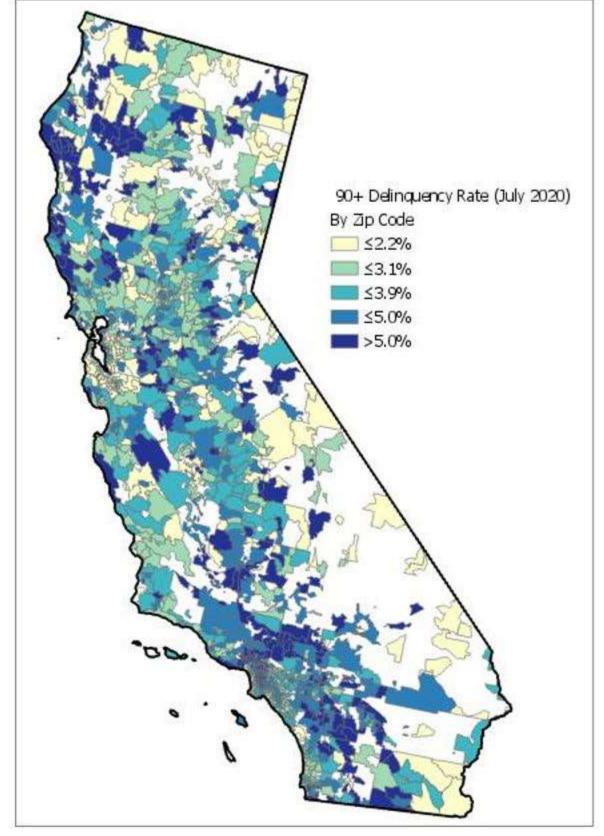
Year-to-Year Change in New Mortgage Purchase Applications

26.14%

3/6 3/20 4/3 4/17 5/1 5/15 5/29 6/12 6/26 7/10 7/24 8/7 8/21 9/4 9/18 10/2 10/16



Serious delinquencies peak outside main urban areas



Source: CoreLogic TrueStandings Servicing

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 forbearances are among higher risk profiles homeowners: lower FICO scores, higher debt to income, higher loan-to-value, higher mortgage interest rates

 41% of COVID-19 related forbearance plans have since exited:

- 6% have paid off their mortgage in full (includes refinance)
- 30% performing .
- 5% delinquent .

California housing market: sales up, price set new record, supply lowest in years September 2020





\$712,430

+17.6% Y2Y



2.0 months -44.4% Y2Y







Existing Home Sales +21.2% YTY -3.7% YTD % change





Sales Price to List Price Ratio

11 days -54.2% Y2Y

100.0% +1.5% Y2Y

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September 2020 Central Coast Housing Snapshot

+42.0% YTY -1.4% YTD

\$838,500 +20.6% YTY



Unsold **Inventory Index**

1.8 months

% change

% change

Median Days on Market

12 days







Existing Home Sales

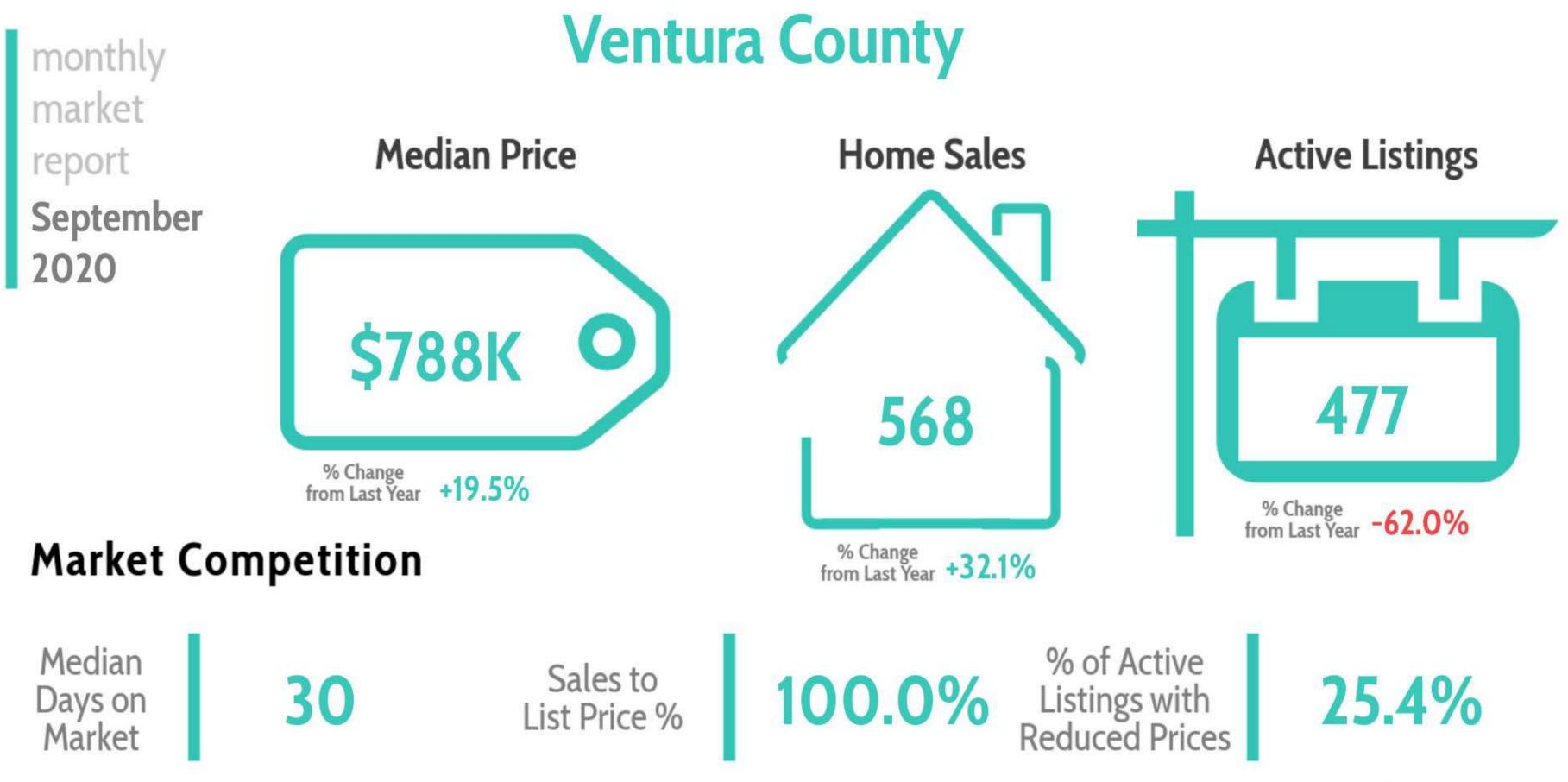
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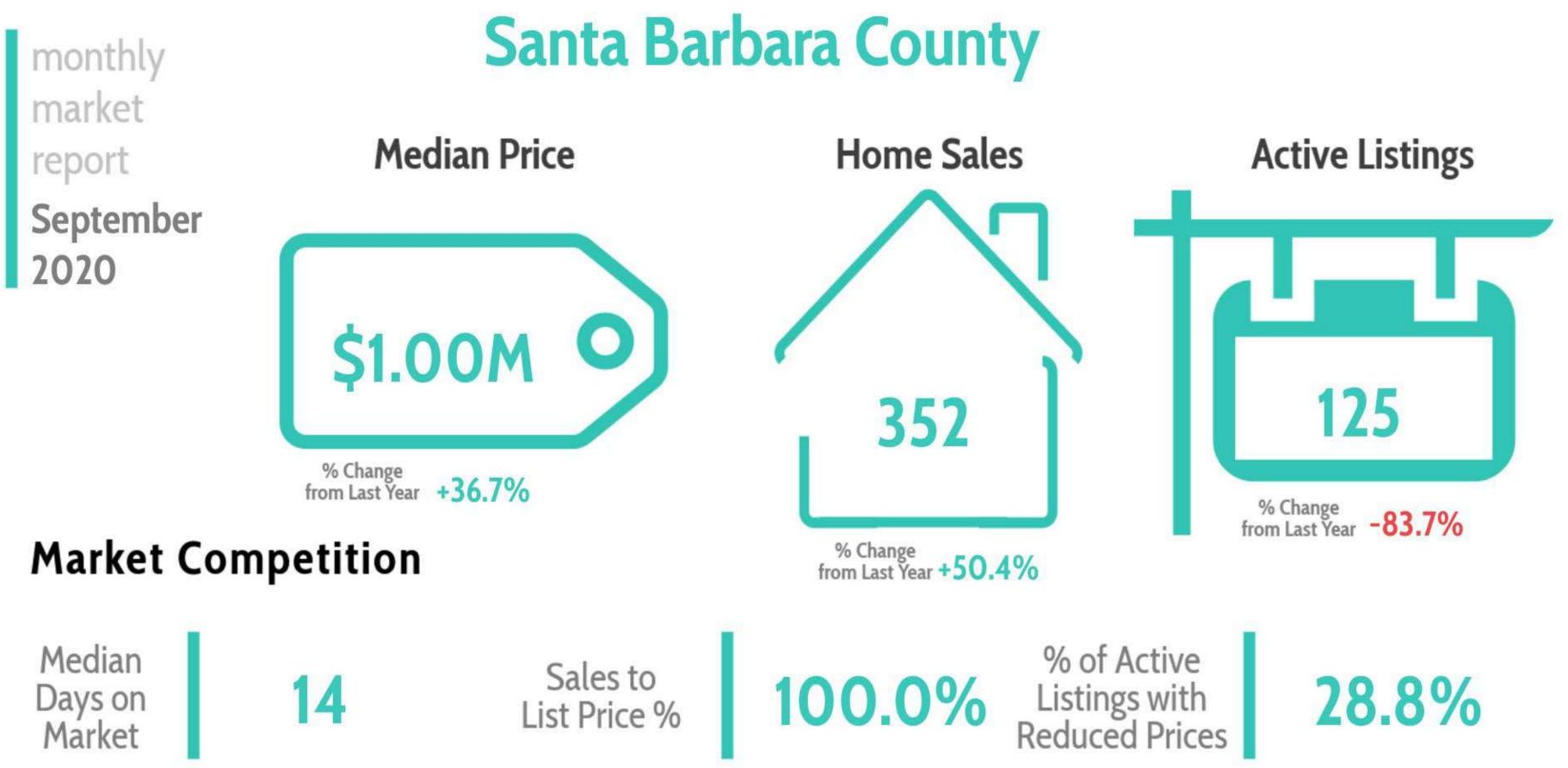
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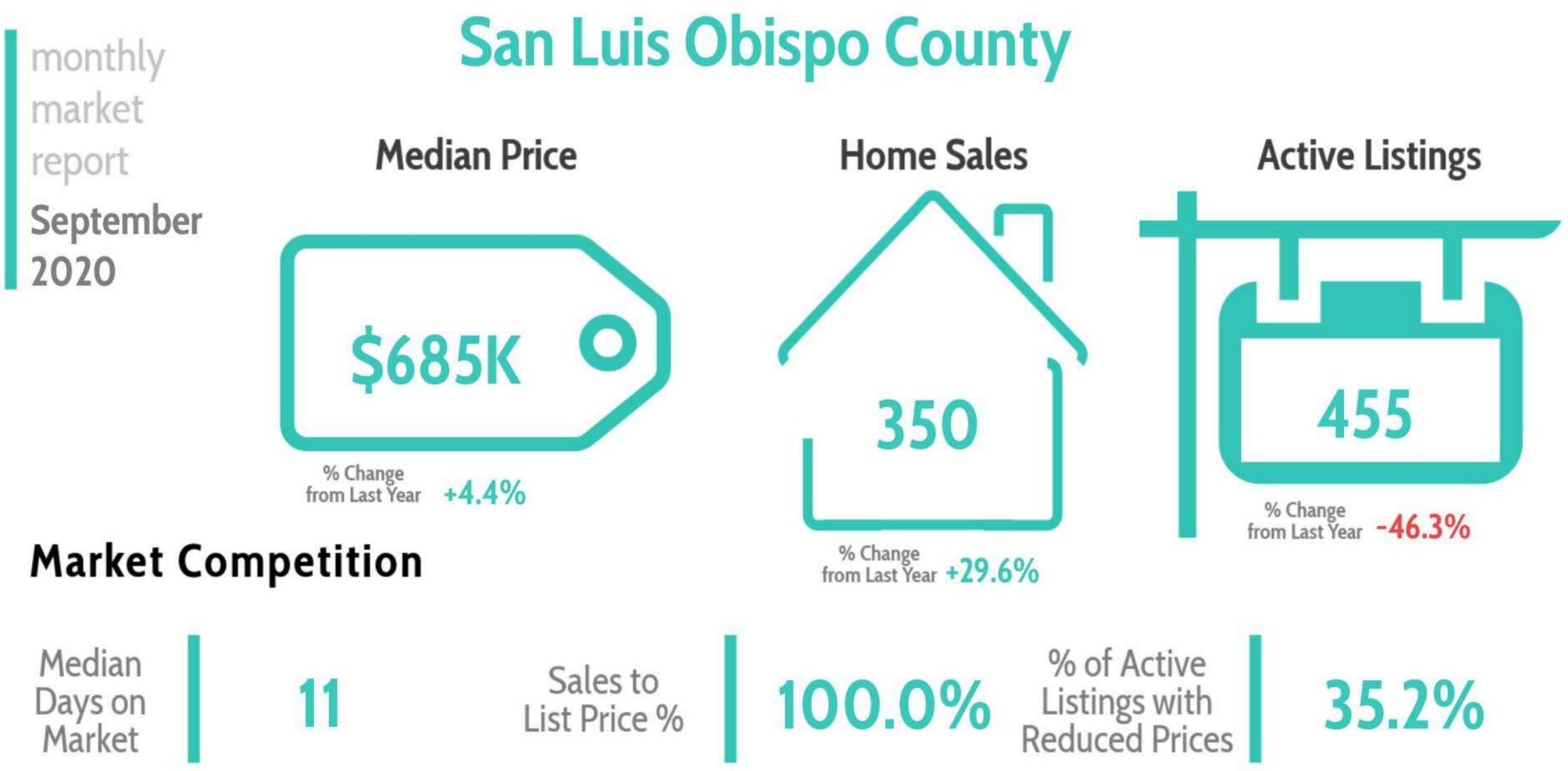
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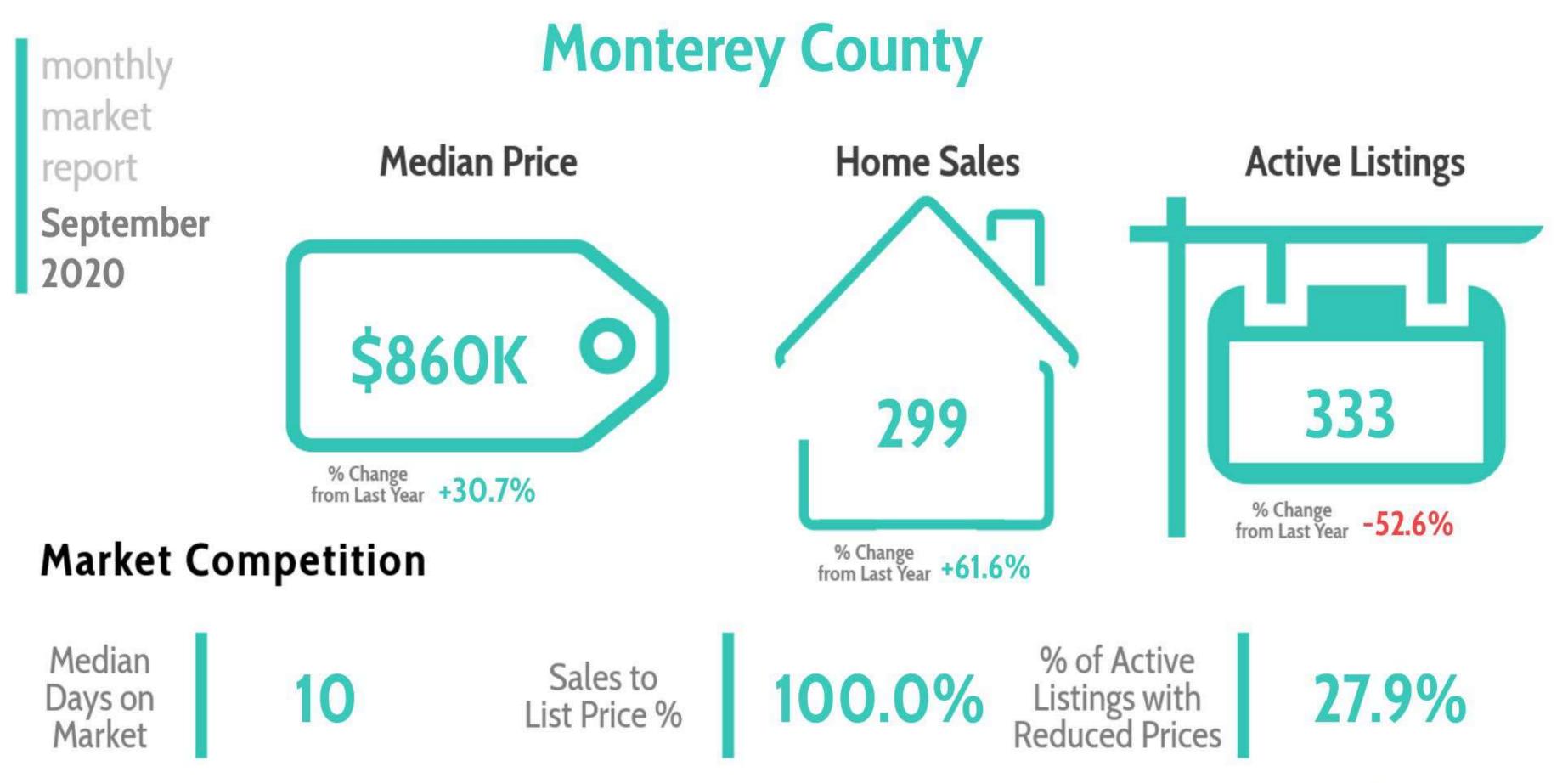




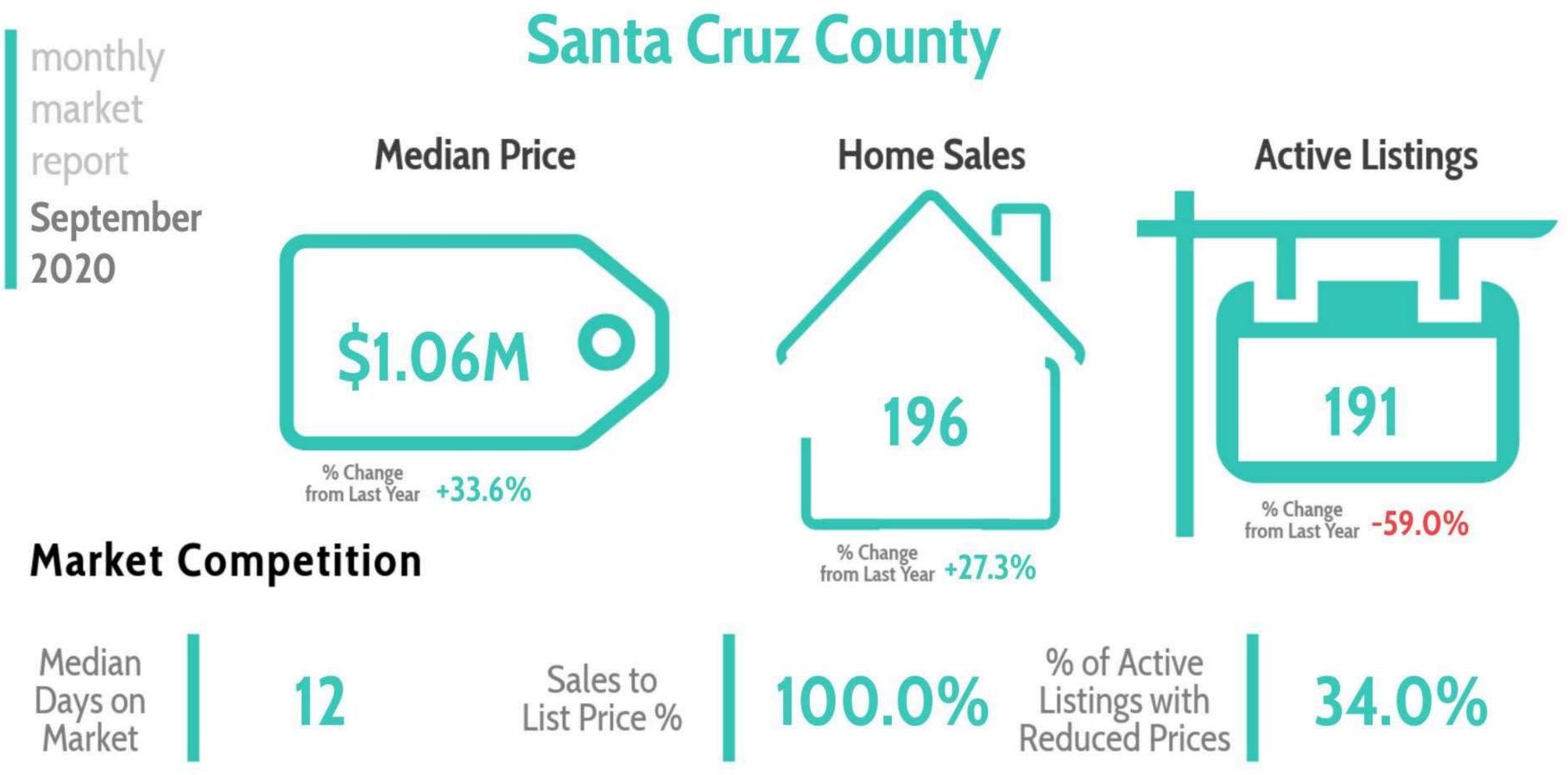




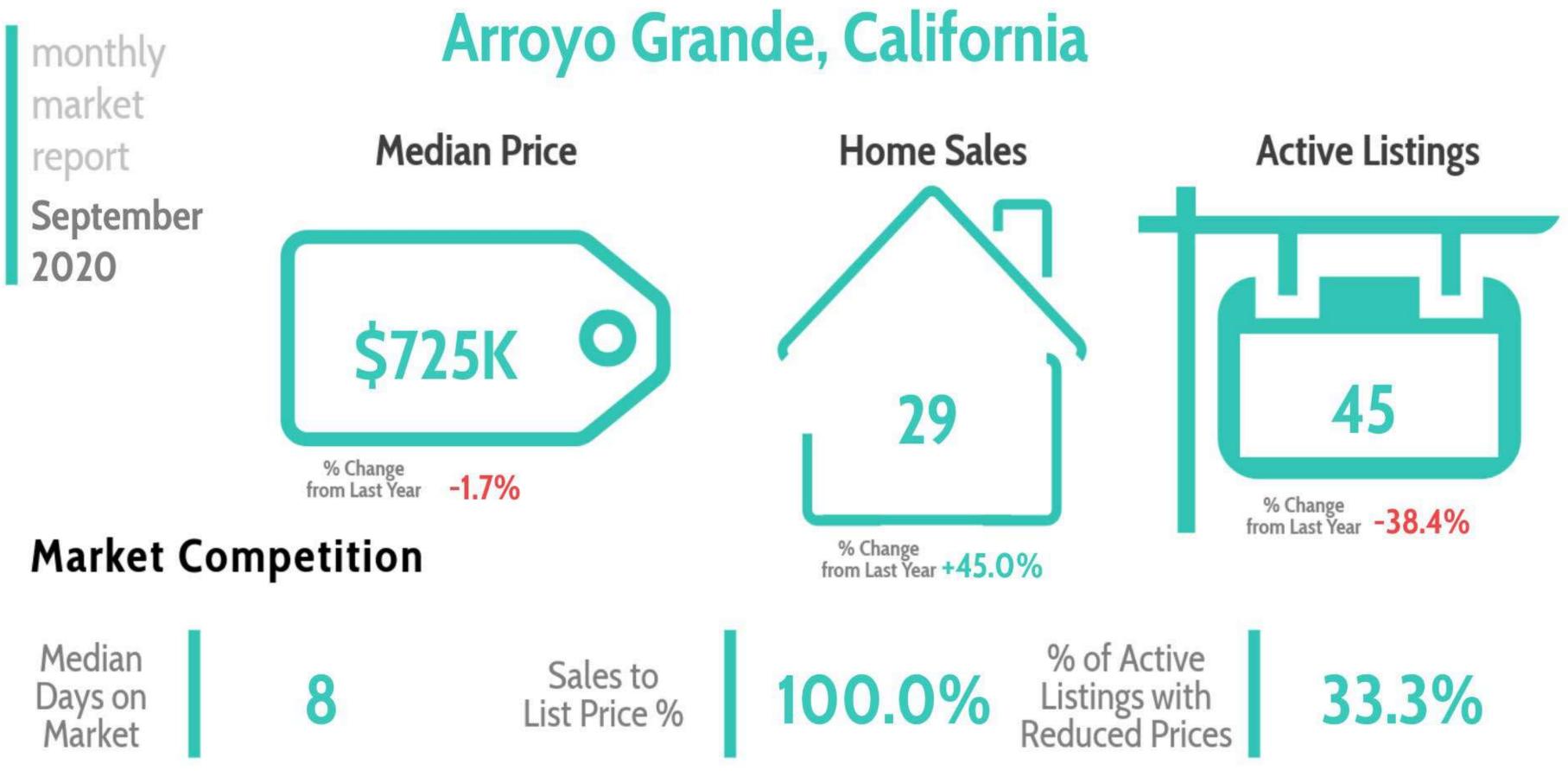




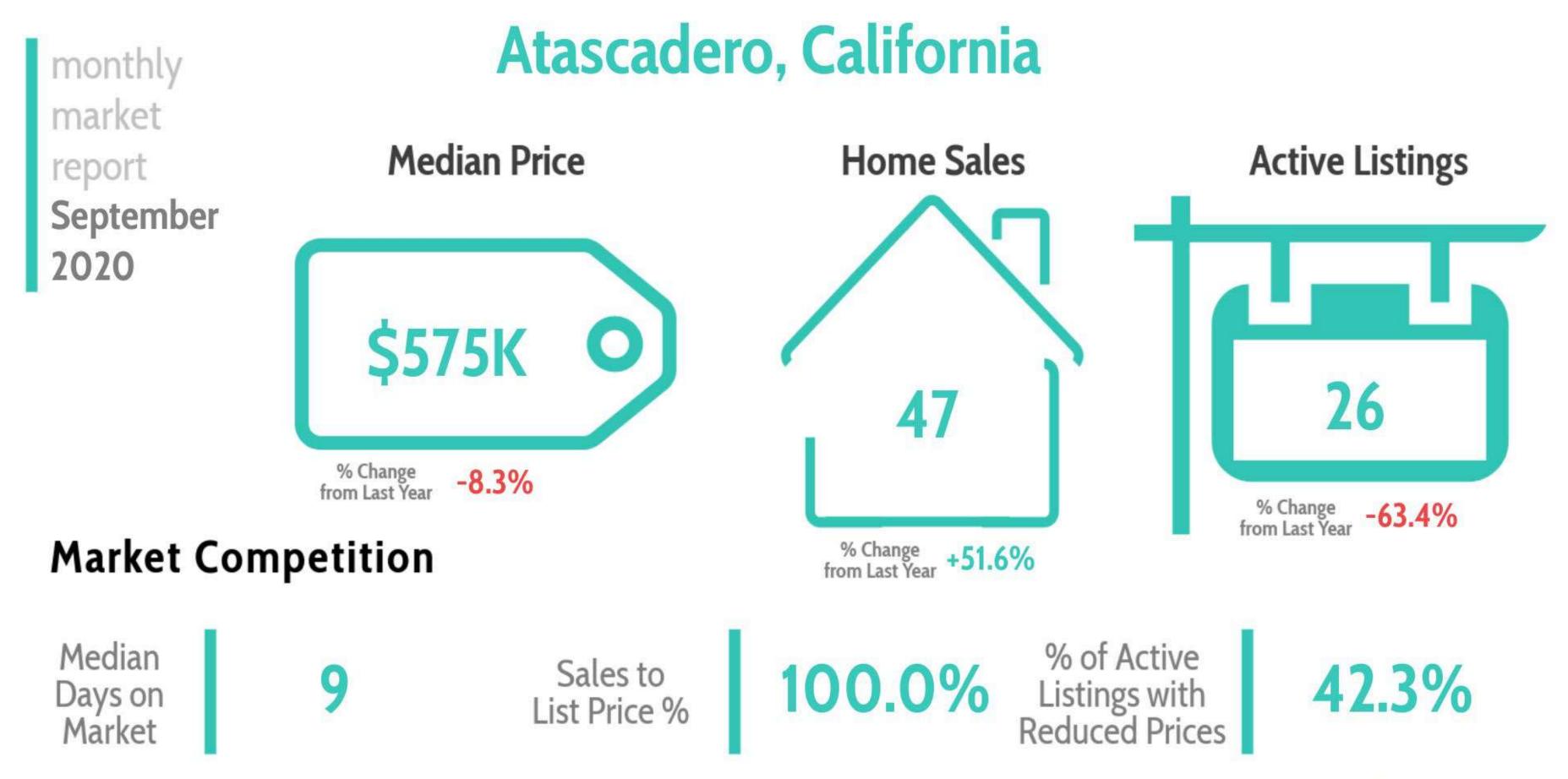




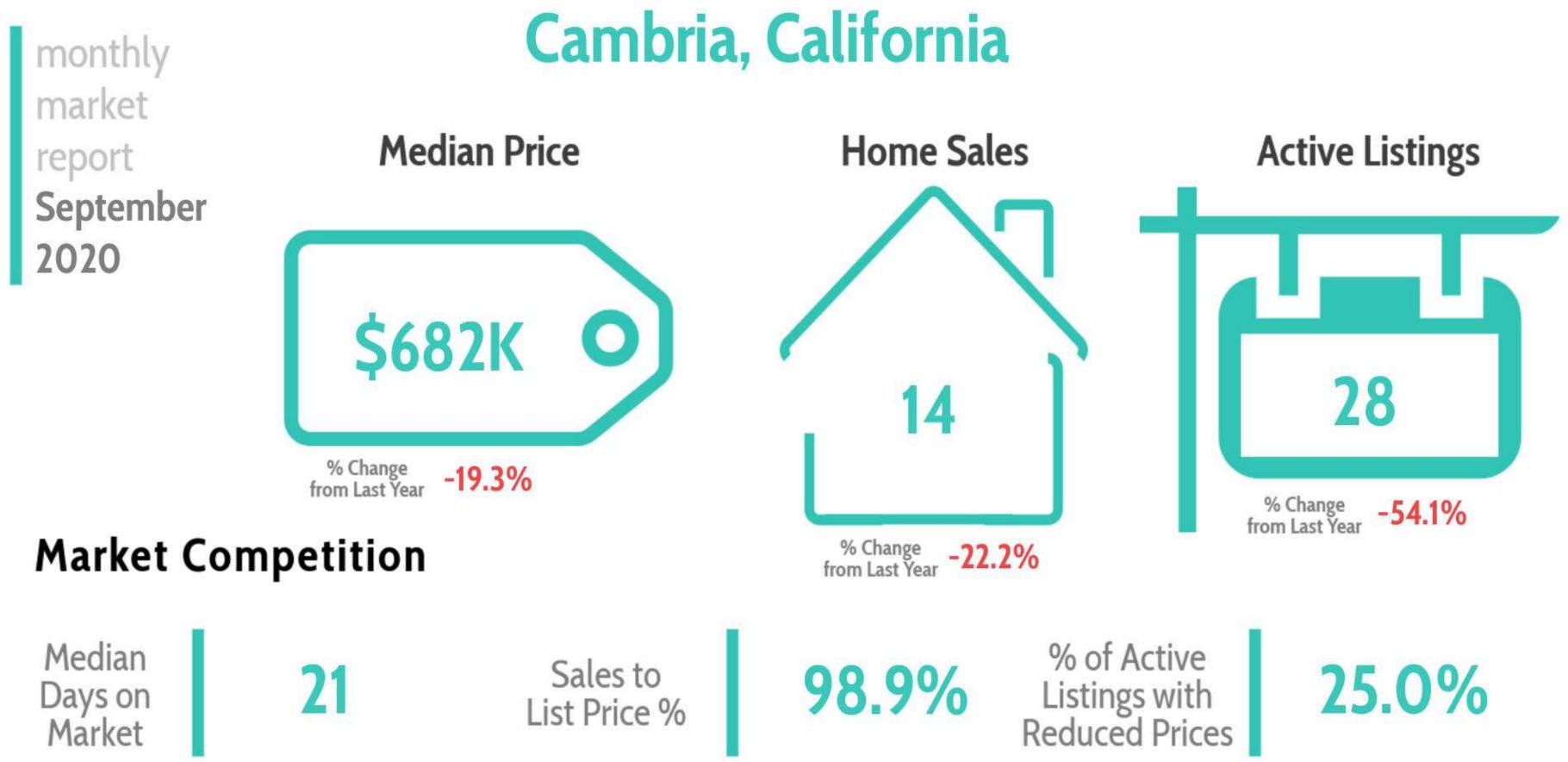




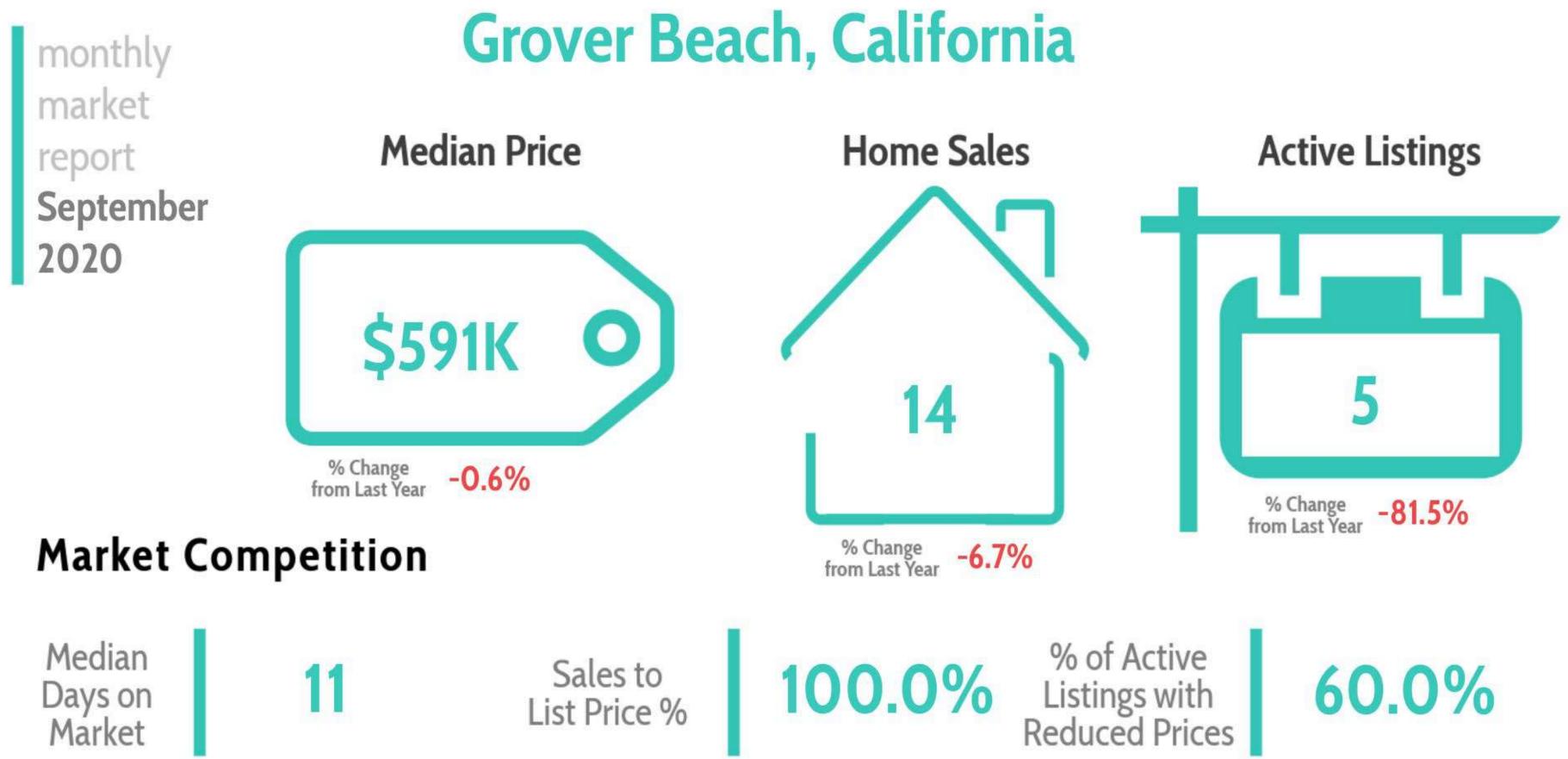




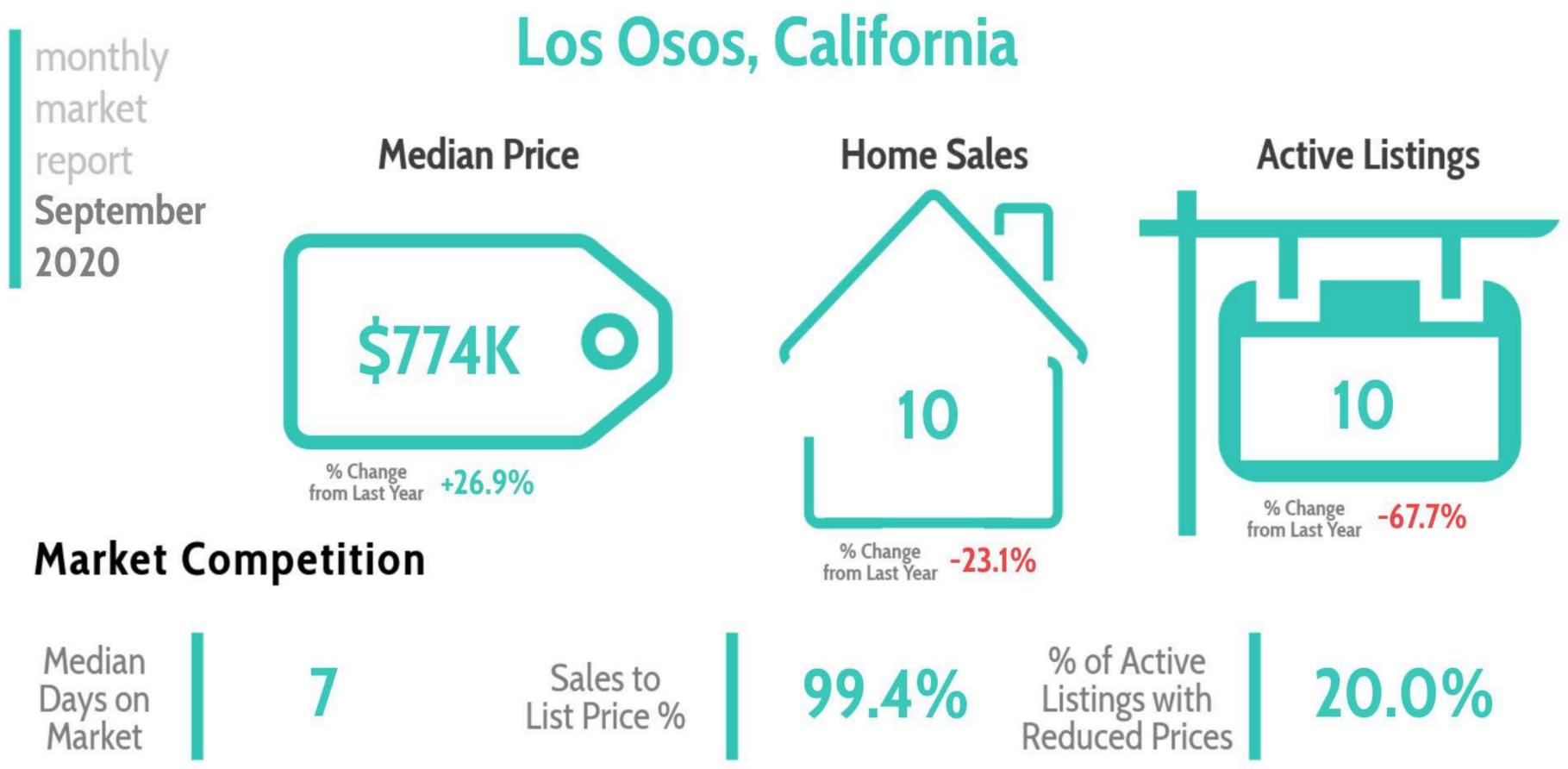




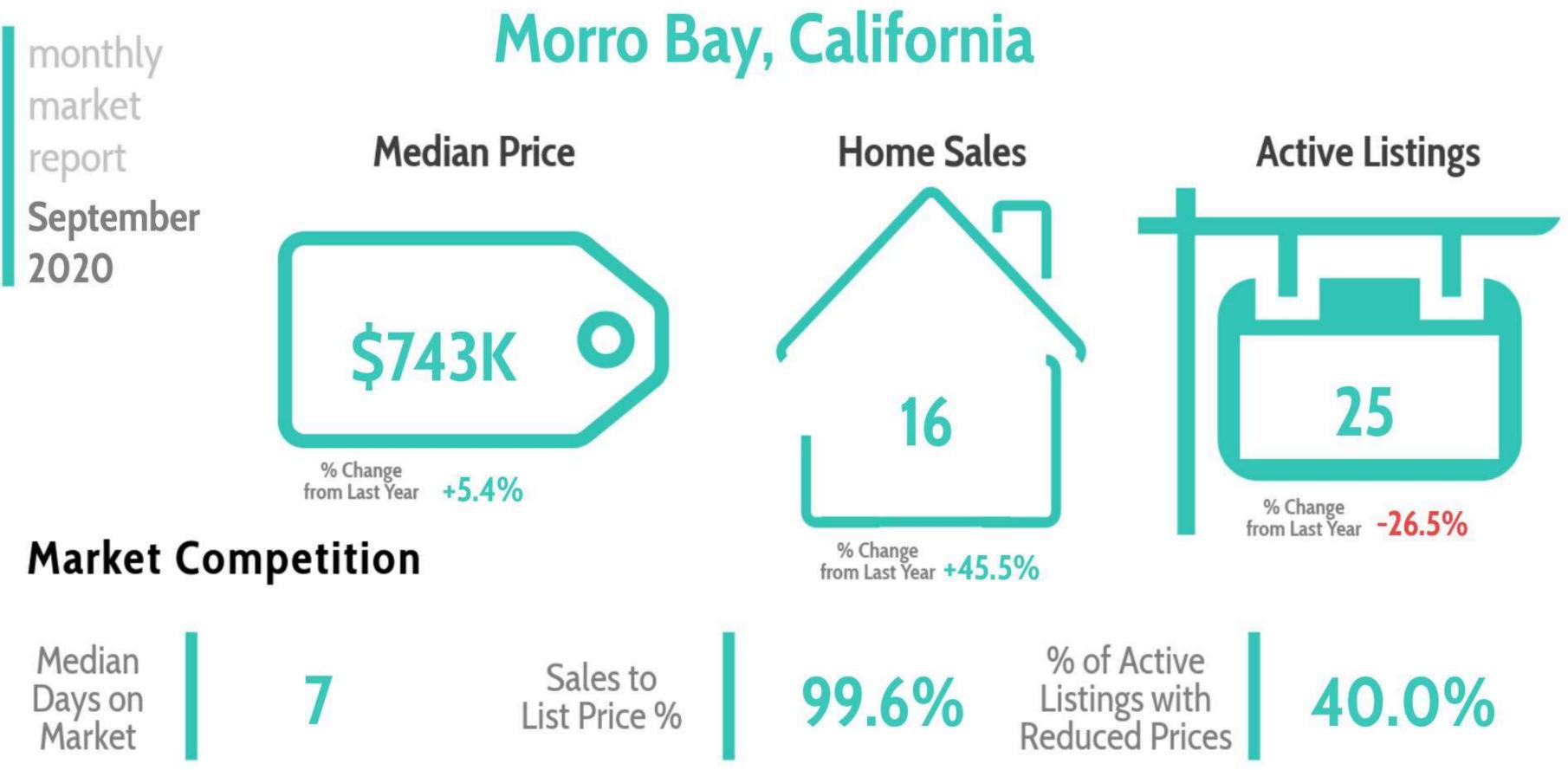




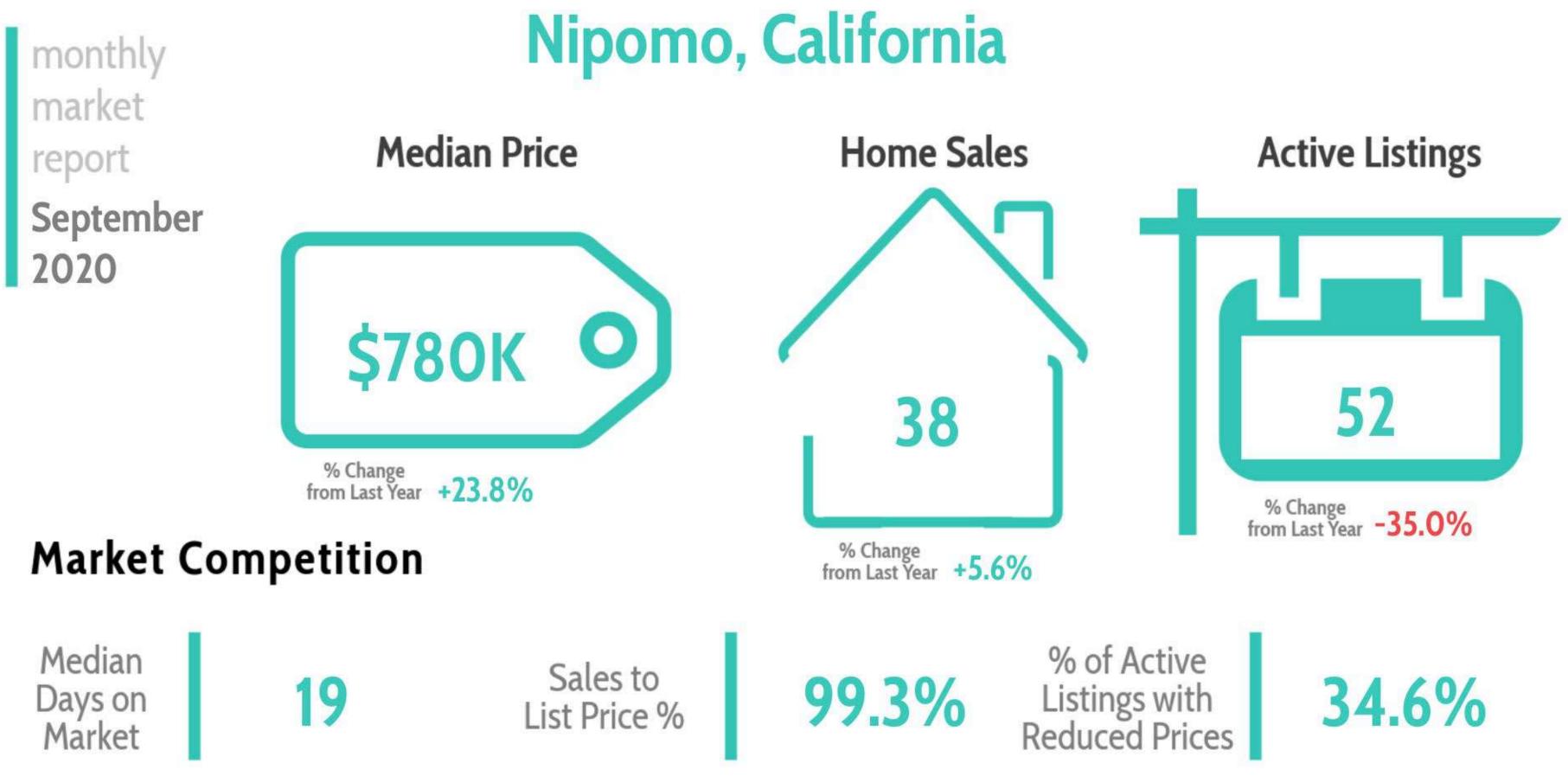




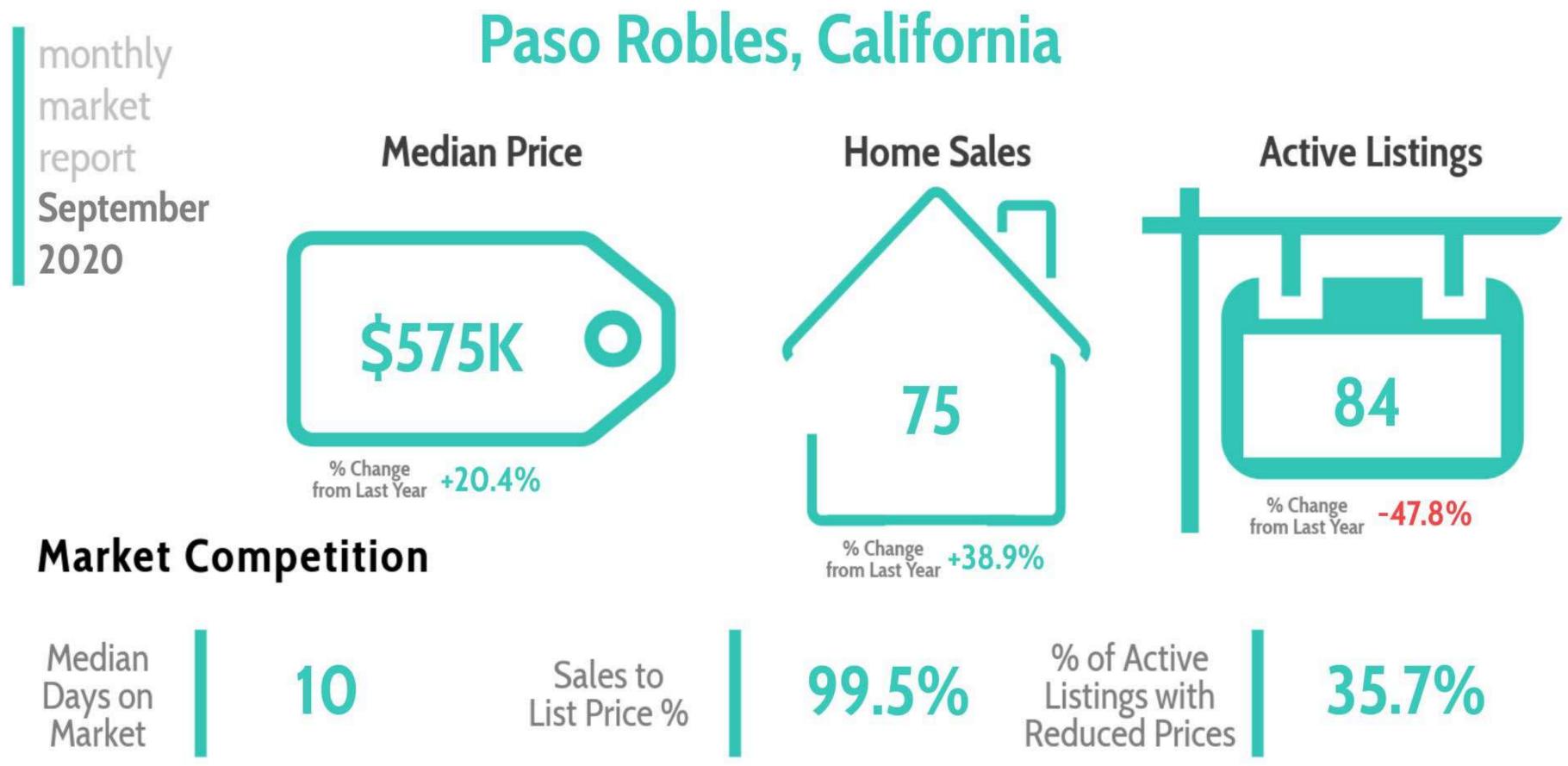




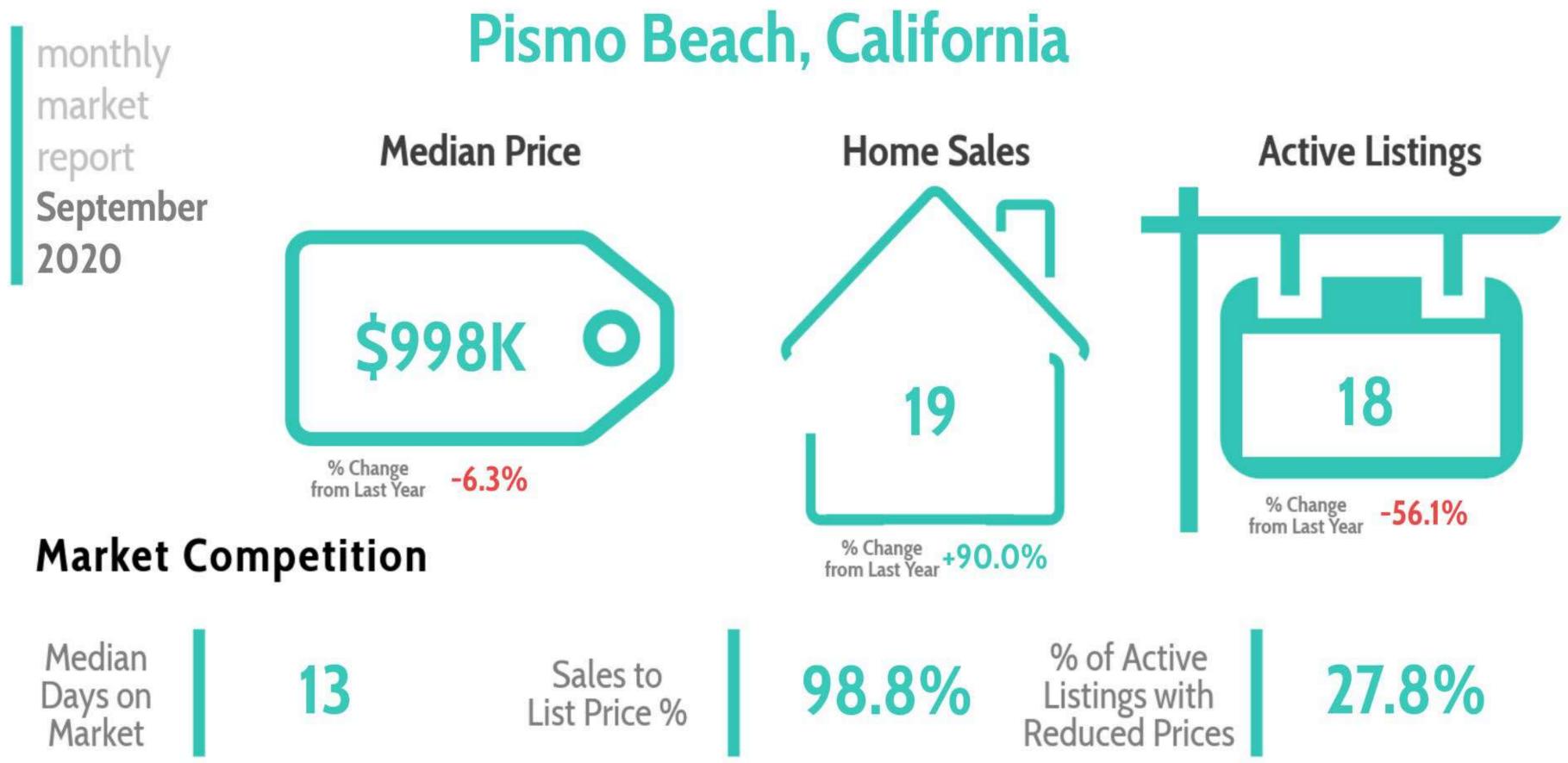




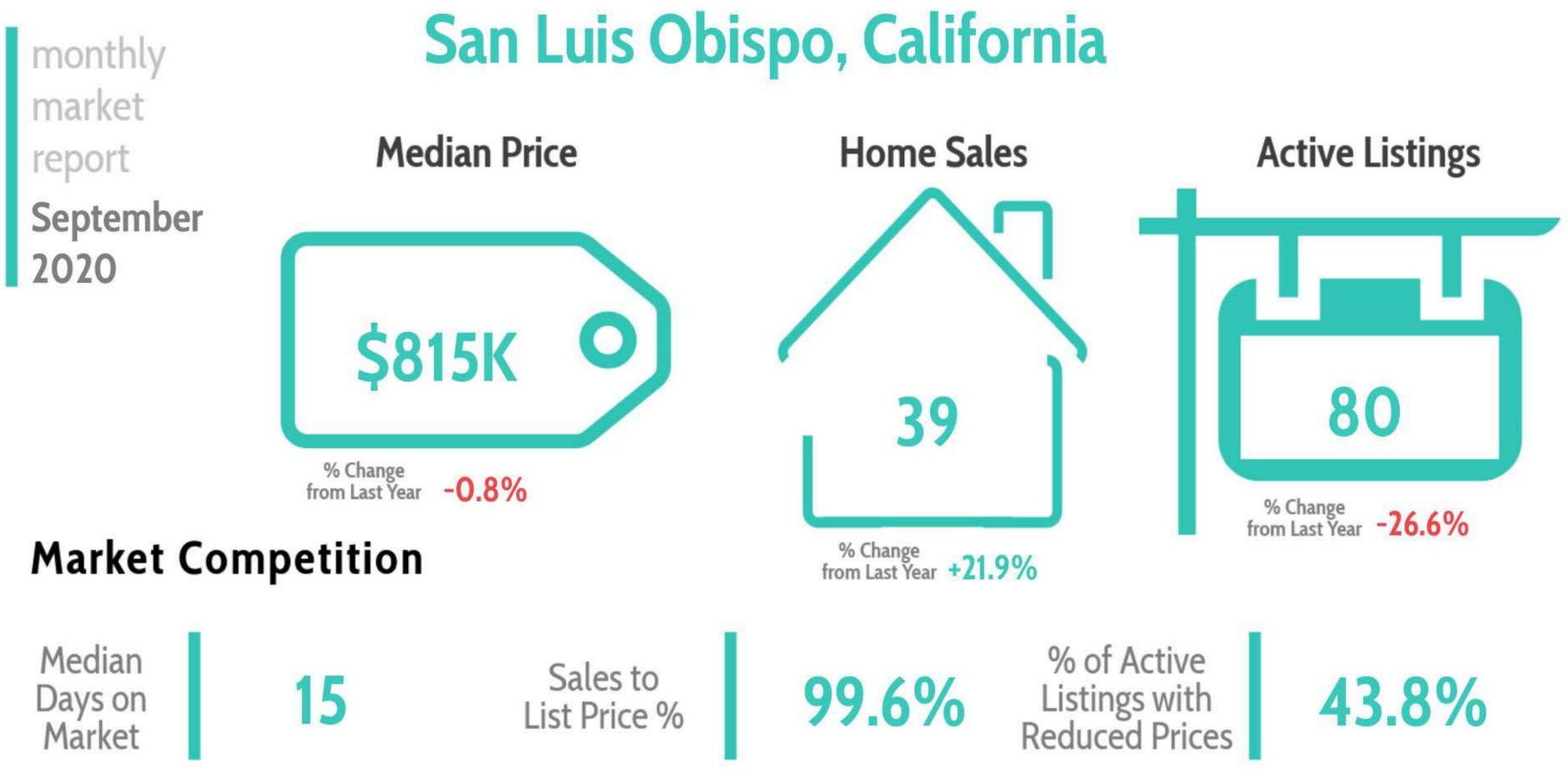




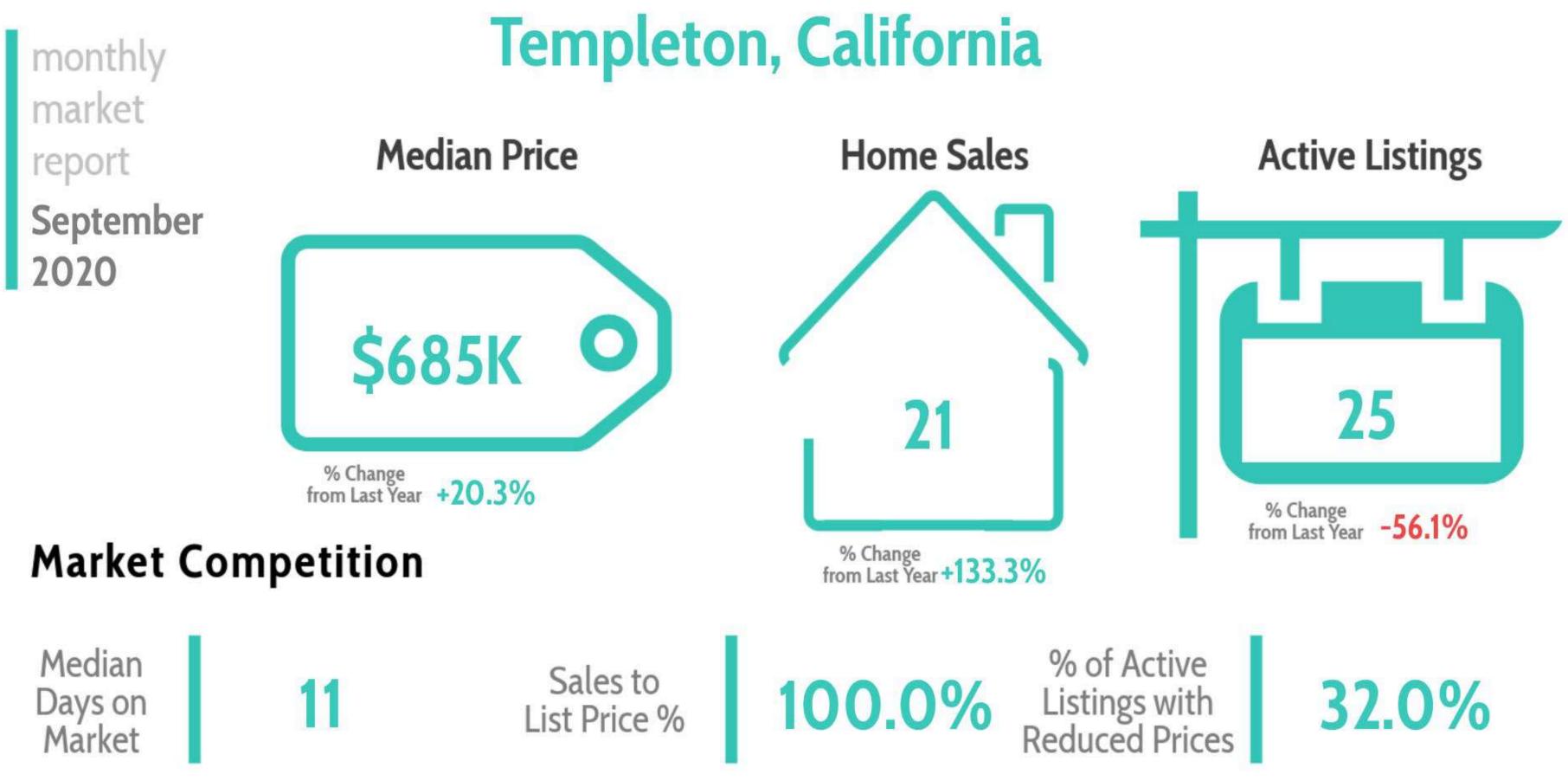












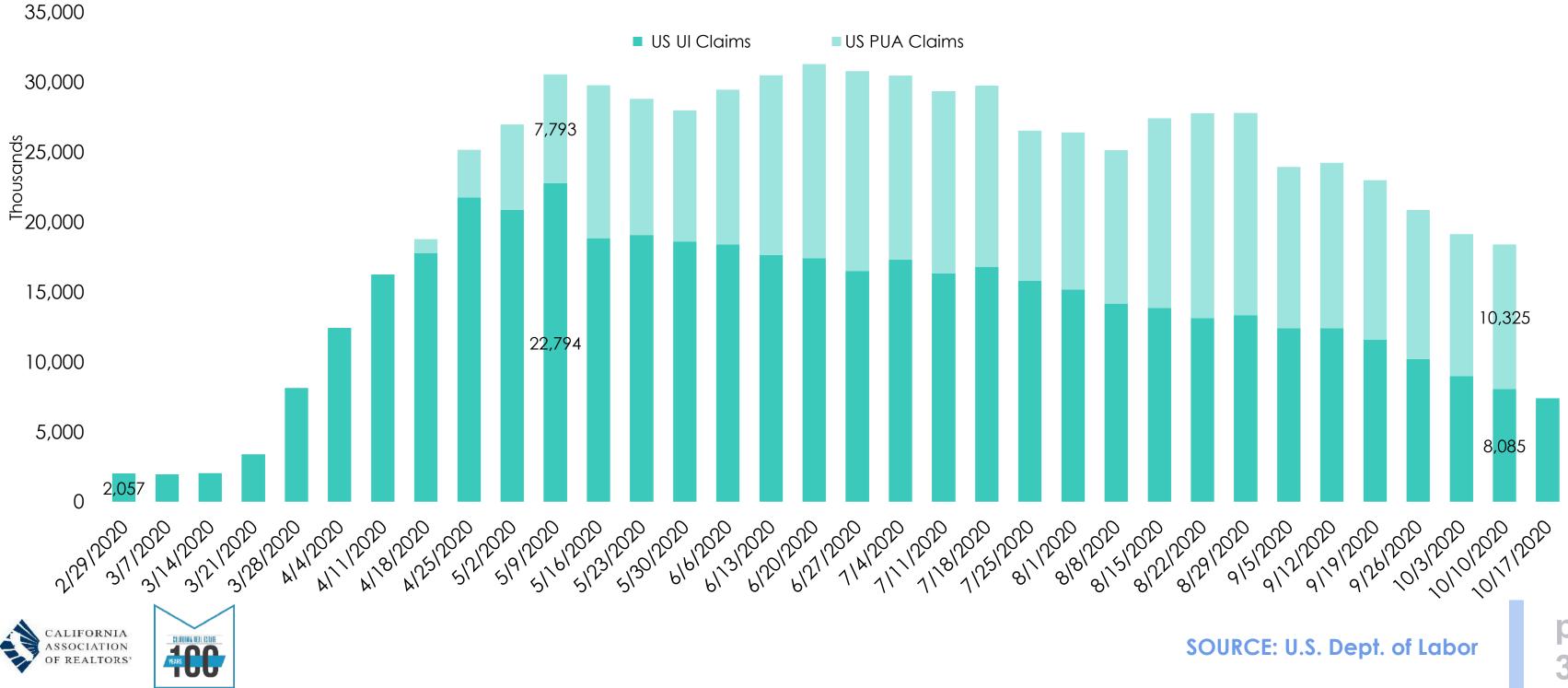


Keep Champagne **Corked For Now**



Lots of financial distress still out there

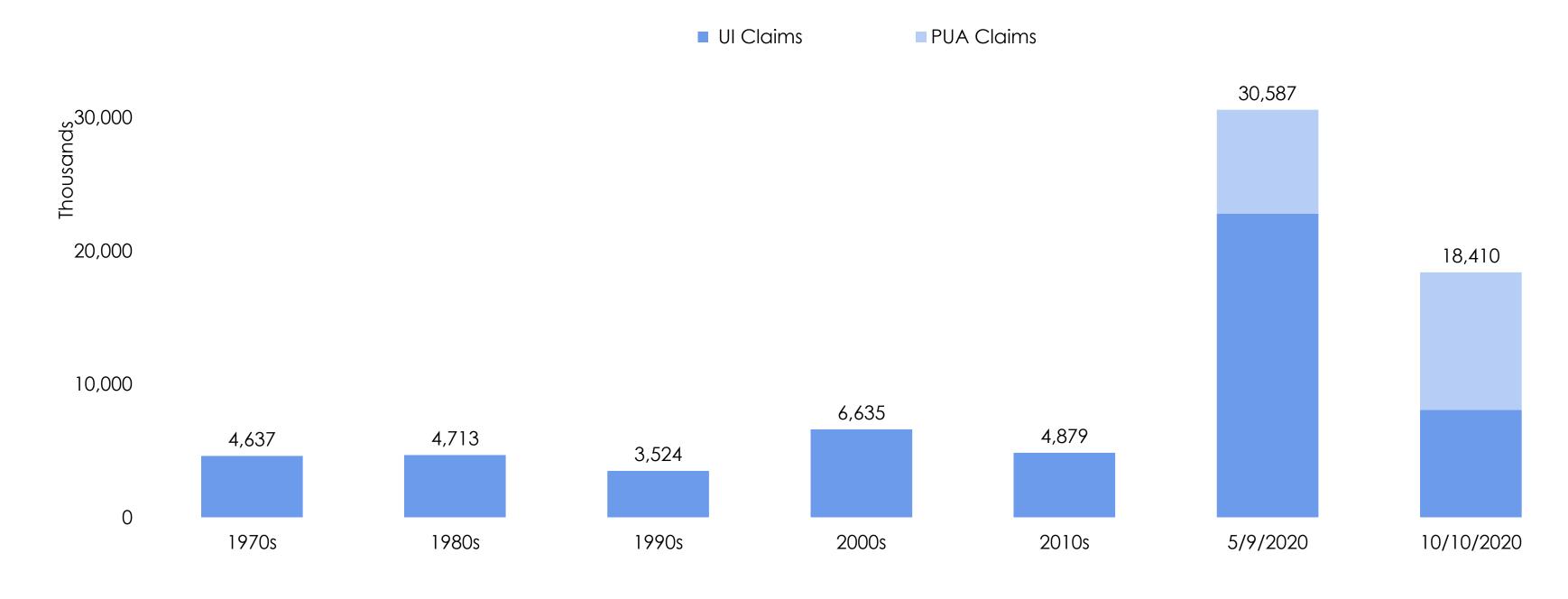
U.S. Continuing Unemployment Insurance Claims + PUA Claims (NSA)



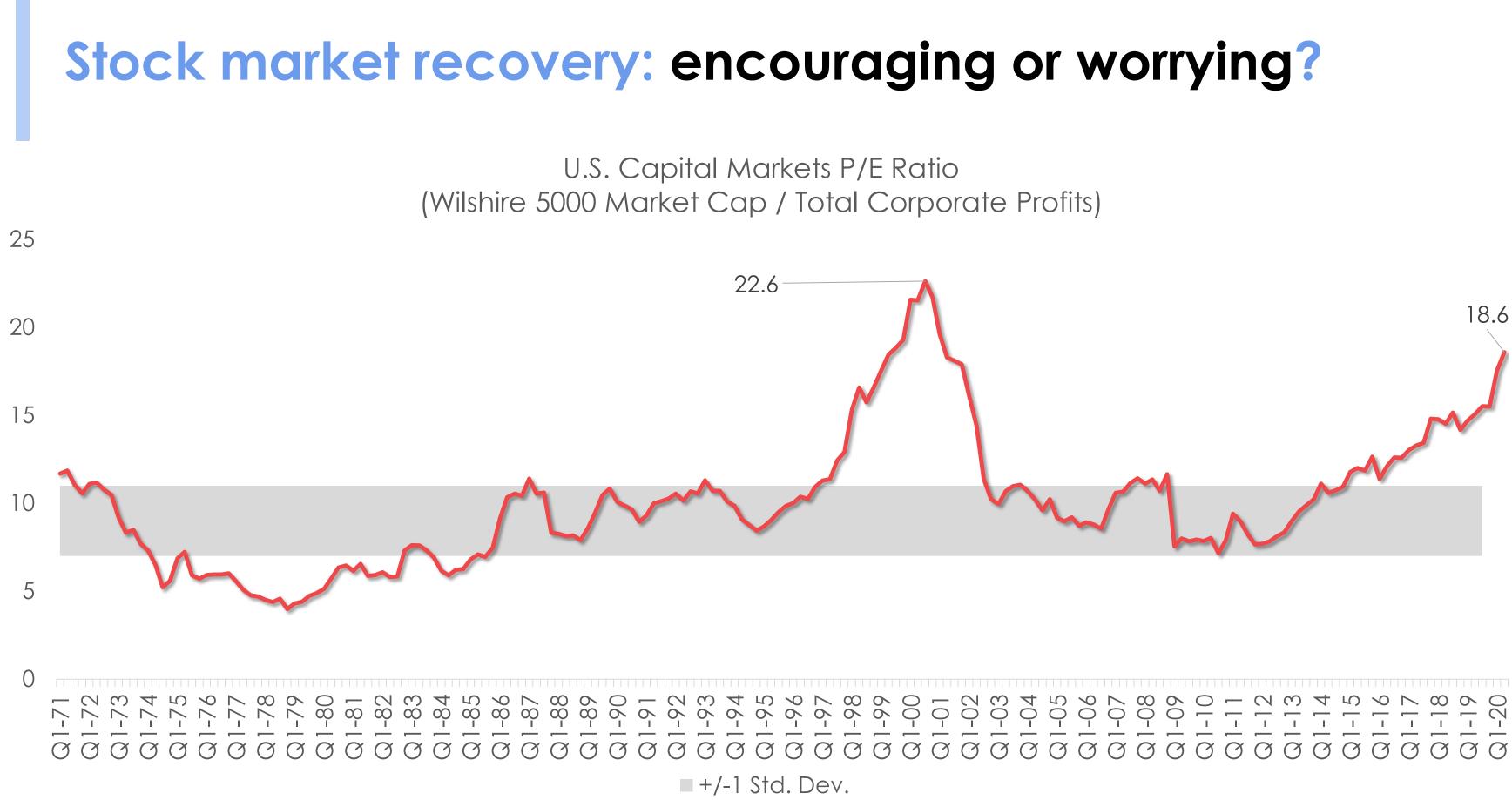
Continuing Unemployment Claims

40,000

Maximum number of concurrent continuing claims during



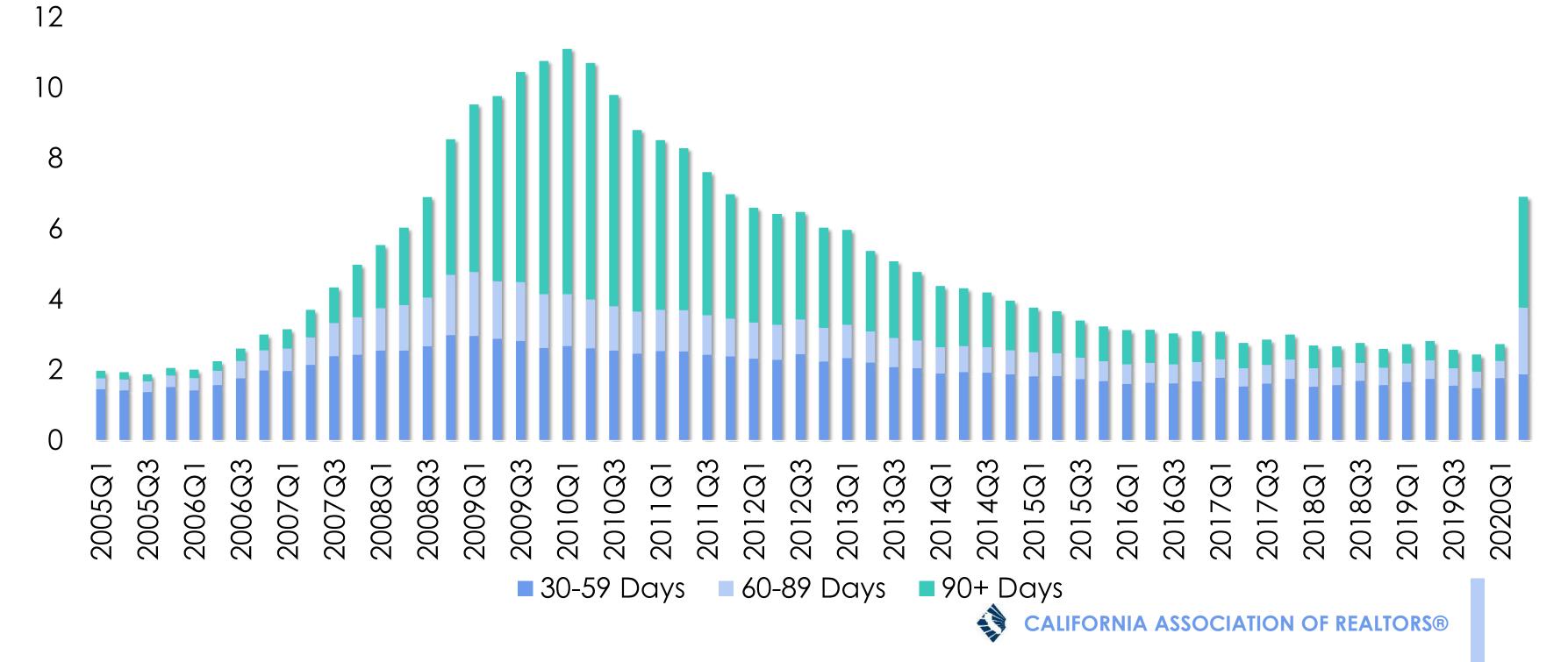






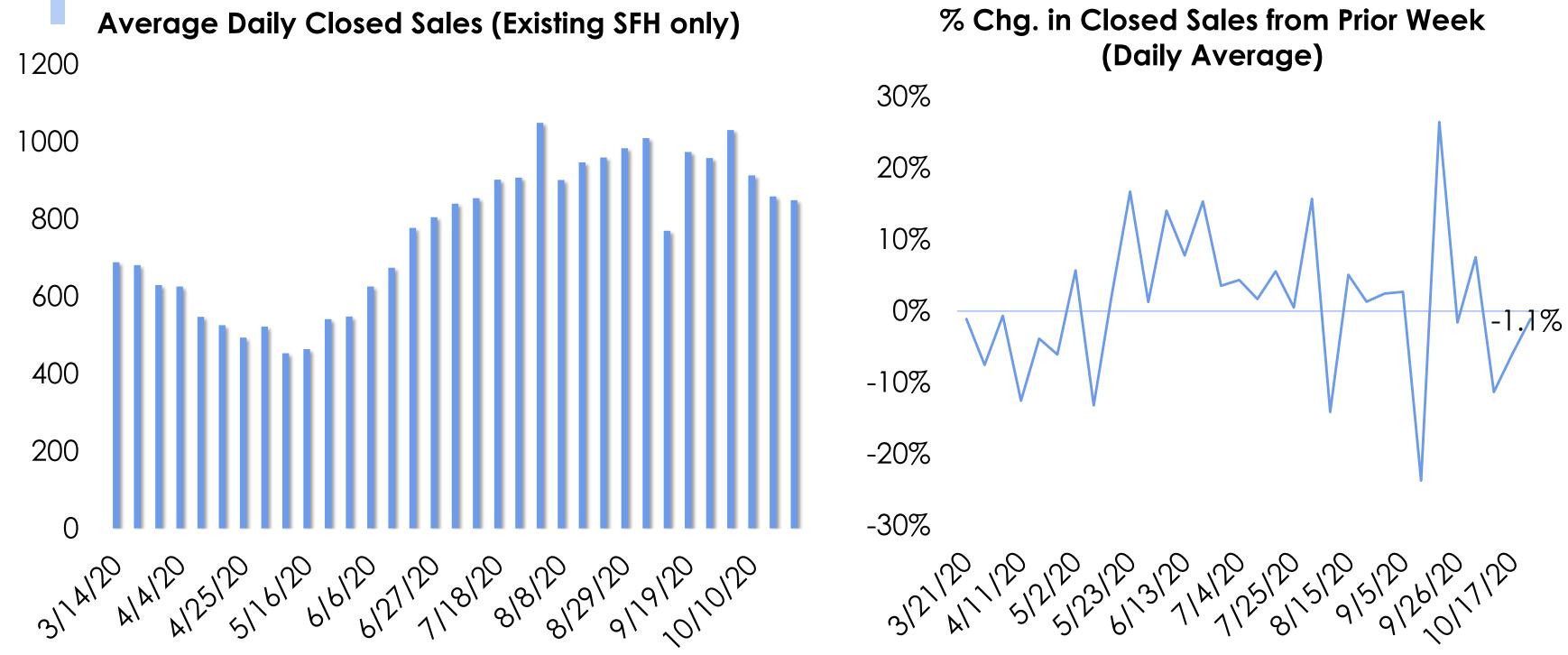
Lots of delinquency to reckon with eventually

California Mortgage Delinquencies





Sales unseasonably strong, but not actually growing



**Closed sales for the latest week will likely be revised upward due to recording delays.

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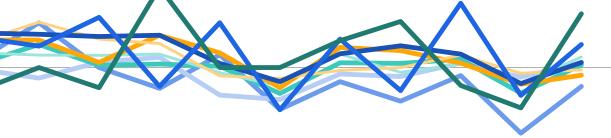
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Slower across most price segments California Existing SFR Sales Growth (mtm %) —< \$200K 250 200 150 100 50 0 -50 -100

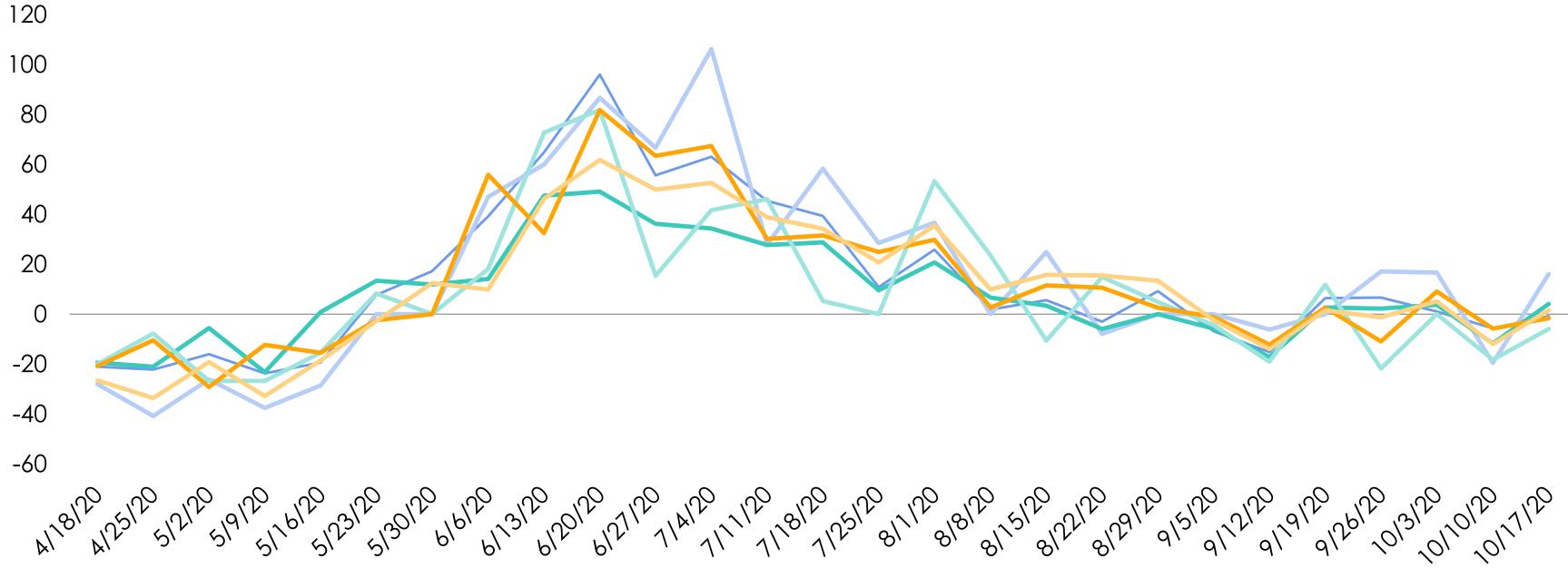
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Slower across most regions as well

California Existing SFR Sales Growth (mtm %)

-Central Coast -Central Valley -Far North -Rest of California -Bay Area

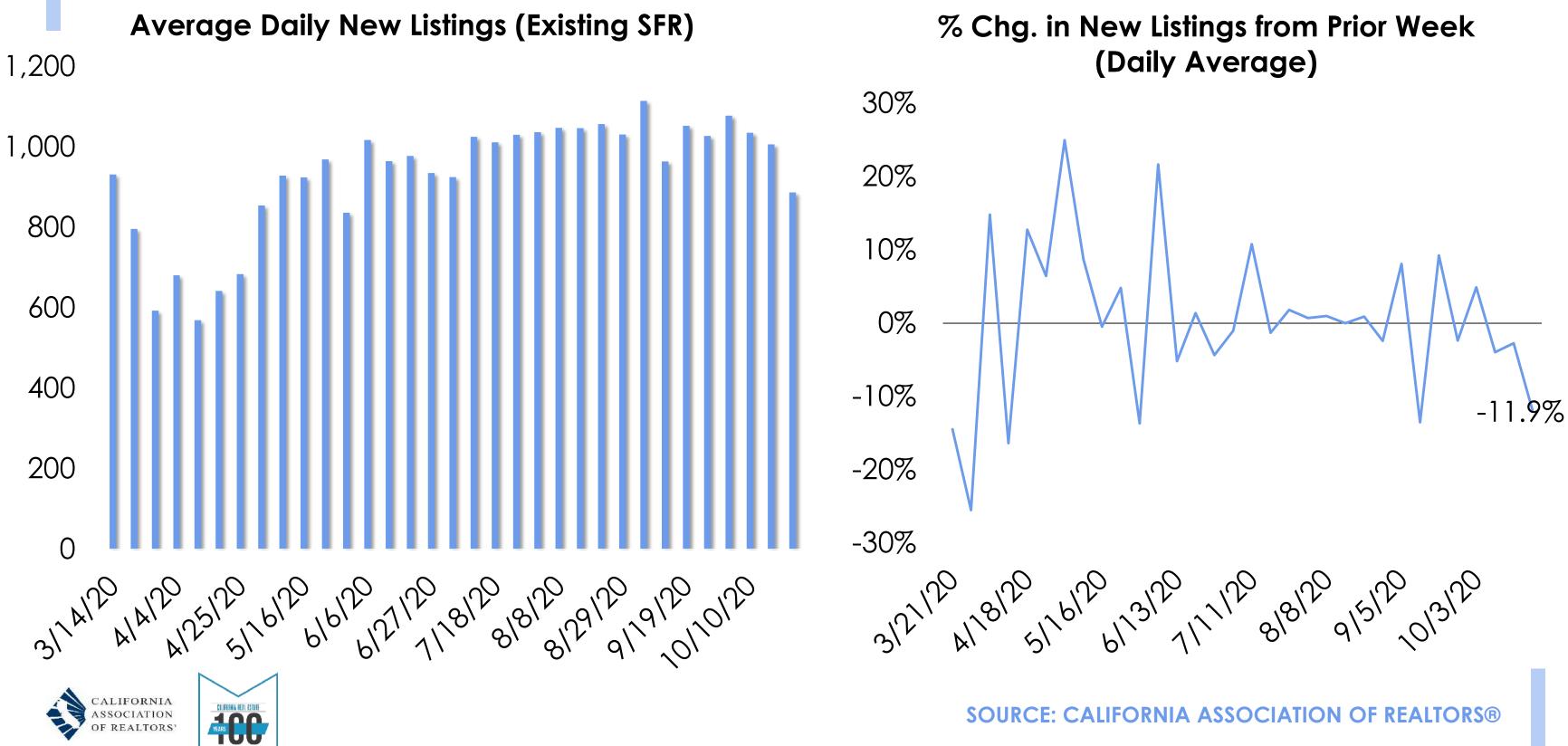


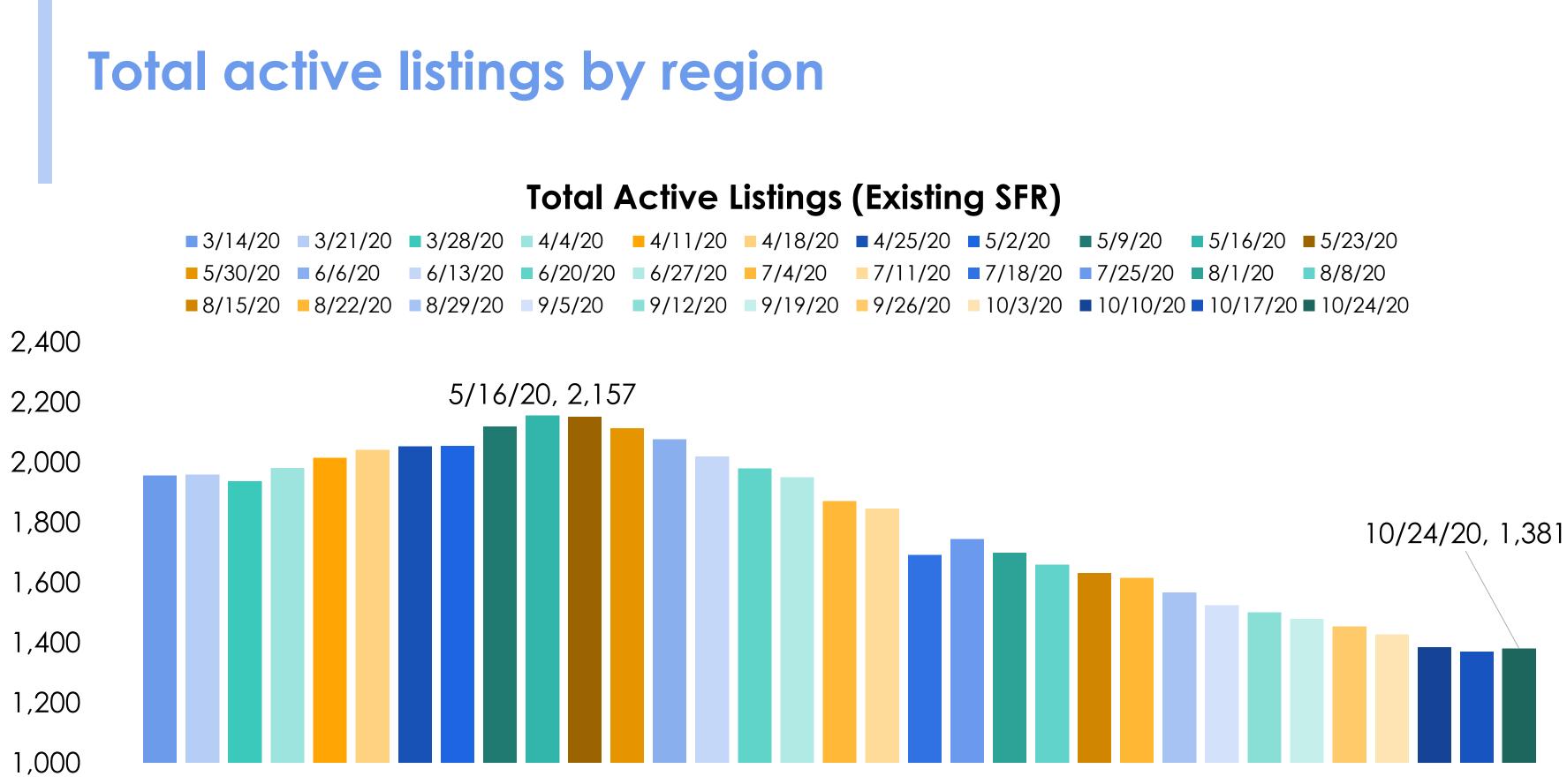


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California new listings tighten up further





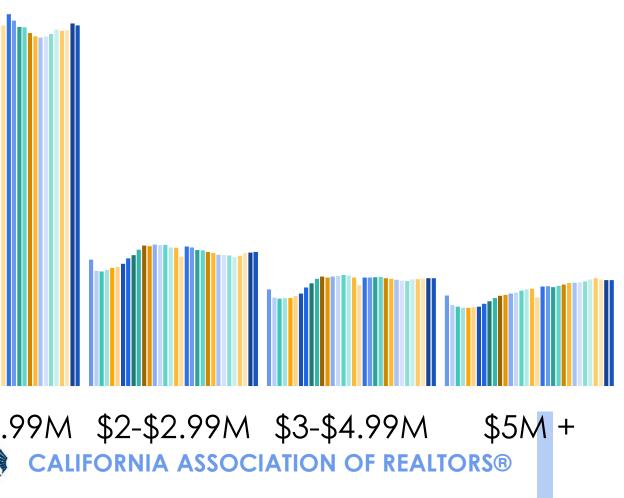
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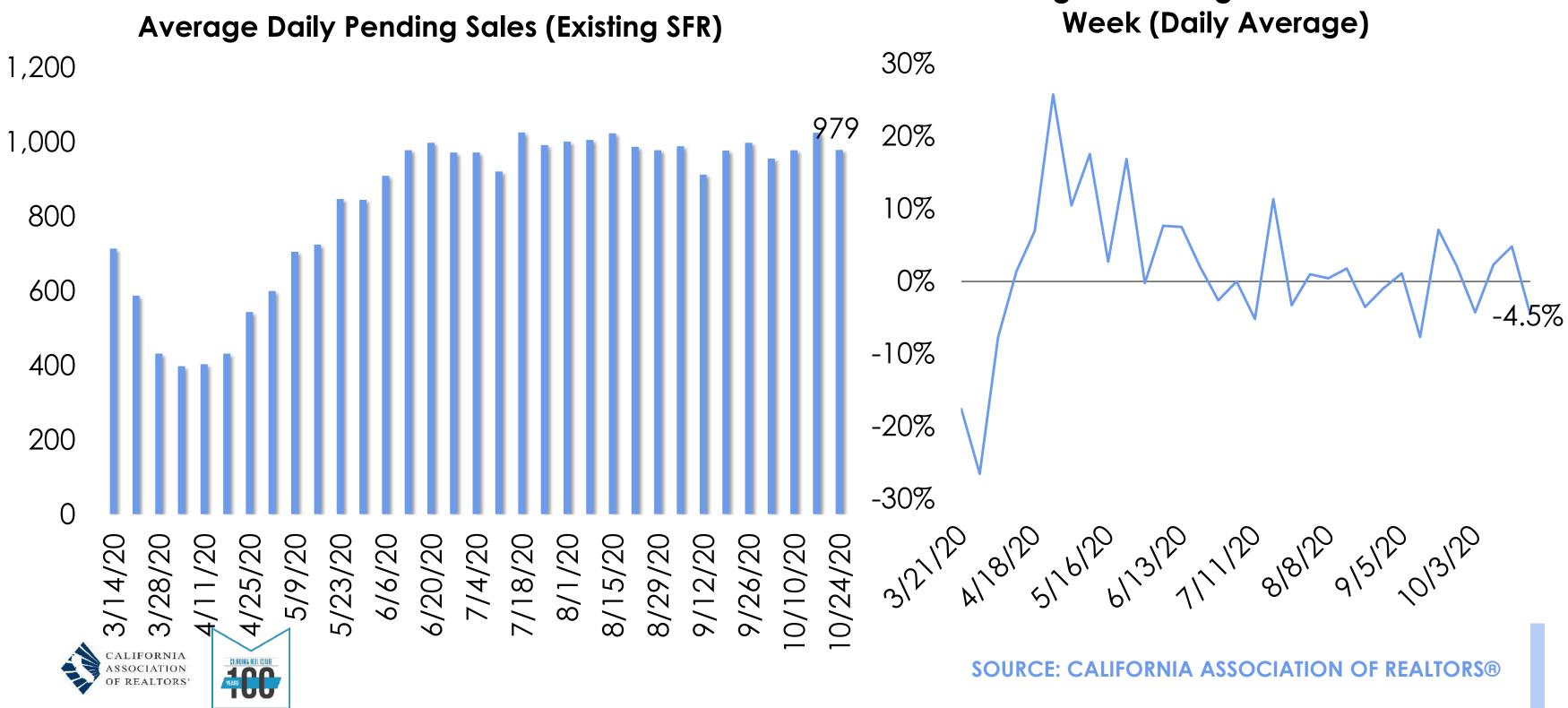


Total active listings by price range Total Active Listings (Existing SFR) ■ 4/11/20 ■ 4/18/20 ■ 4/25/20 ■ 5/2/20 ■ 3/21/20 ■ 3/28/20 ■ 4/4/20 **5/9/20** ■ 6/13/20 ■ 6/20/20 ■ 6/27/20 ■ 7/4/20 **7/11/20 7/18/20 7/25/20 8/1/20** 6/6/20 **8**/22/20 **8**/29/20 **9**/5/20 ■ 9/12/20 ■ 9/19/20 ■ 9/26/20 ■ 10/3/20 ■ 10/10/20 ■ 10/17/20 ■ 10/24/20 10,000 9,000 8,000 7,000 6,000 5,000 4,000 3,000 2,000 1,000 0 \$200-\$399K \$400-\$599K \$600-\$799K \$800-\$999K \$1-\$1.99M \$2-\$2.99M \$3-\$4.99M < \$200K

5/16/20 5/23/20 5/30/20 ■ 8/8/20 8/15/20



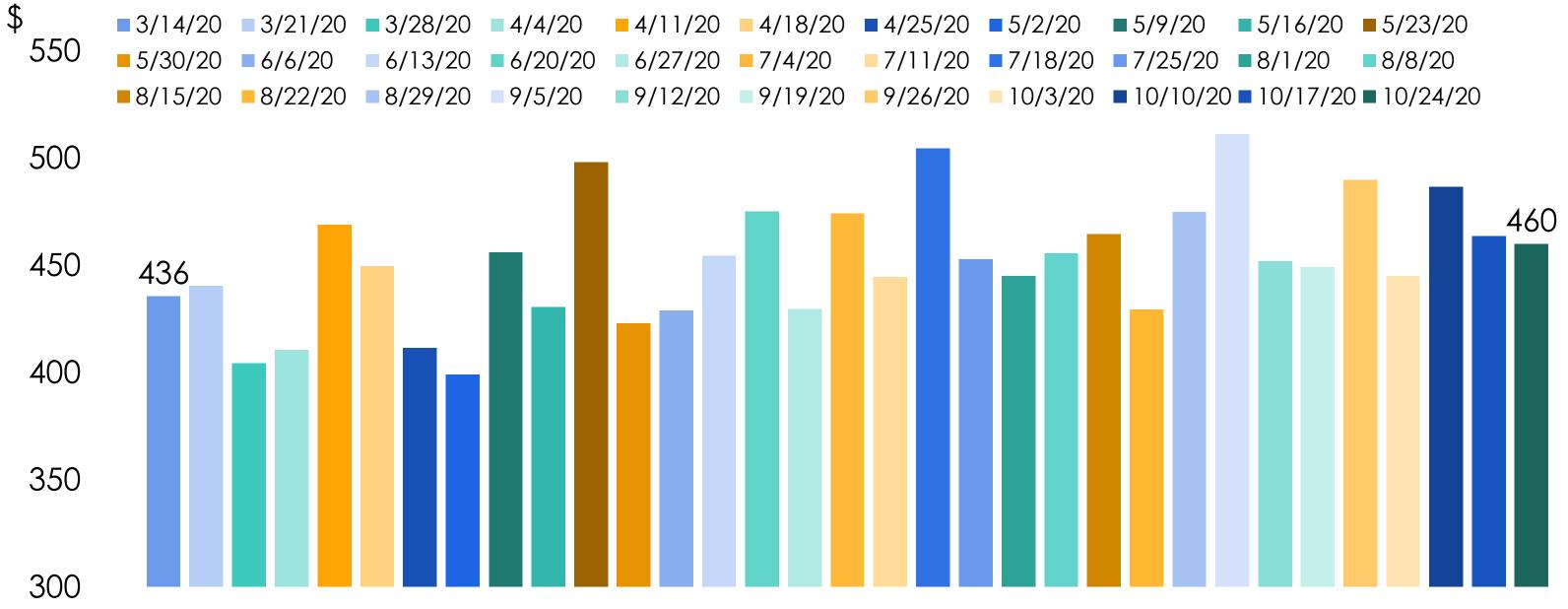
Pending sales virtually unchanged



% Chg. in Pending Sales from Prior

Asking price by region

Median List Price (\$/SF)



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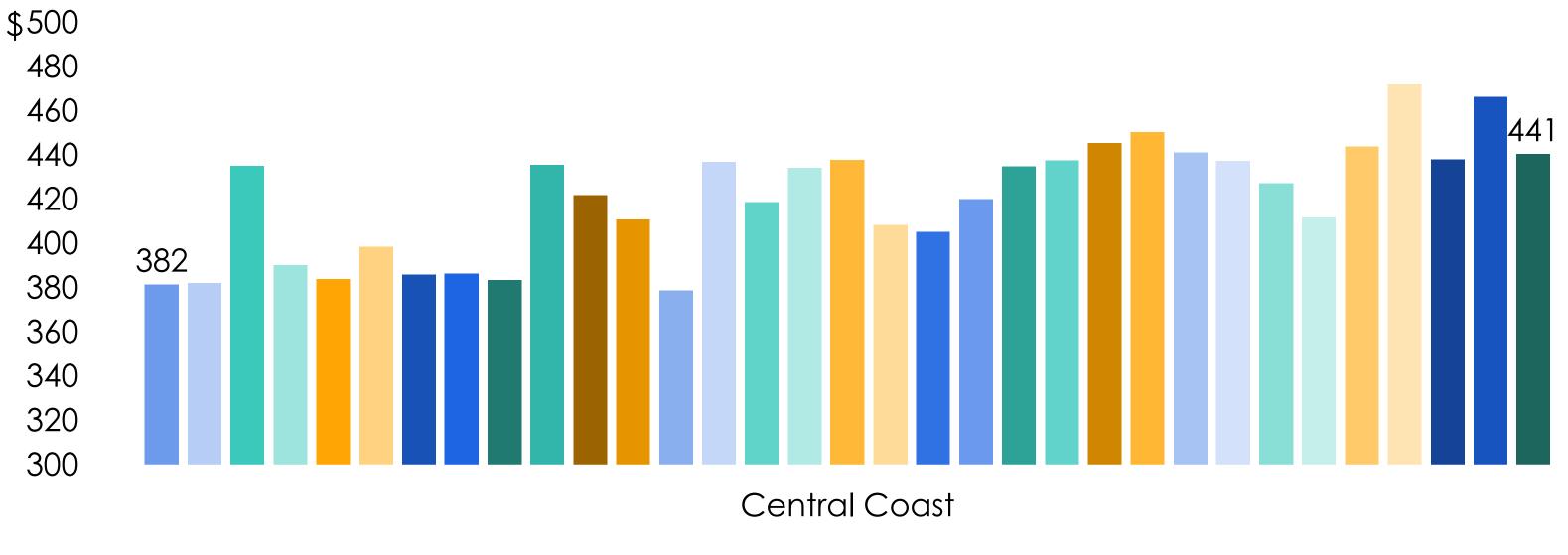




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Sold price by region

Median Closed Sale Price (\$/SF)



■ 3/14/20 ■ 3/21/20 ■ 3/28/20 ■ 4/4/20 ■ 4/11/20 ■ 4/18/20 ■ 4/25/20 ■ 5/2/20 **5/9/20** ■ 5/16/20 **■** 5/23/20 ■ 6/13/20 ■ 6/20/20 ■ 6/27/20 ■ 7/4/20 ■ 7/11/20 ■ 7/18/20 ■ 7/25/20 ■ 8/1/20 **5/30/20 6/6/20** 8/8/20 ■ 8/15/20 ■ 8/22/20 ■ 8/29/20 ■ 9/5/20 ■ 9/12/20 ■ 9/19/20 ■ 9/26/20 ■ 10/3/20 ■ 10/10/20 ■ 10/17/20 ■ 10/24/20

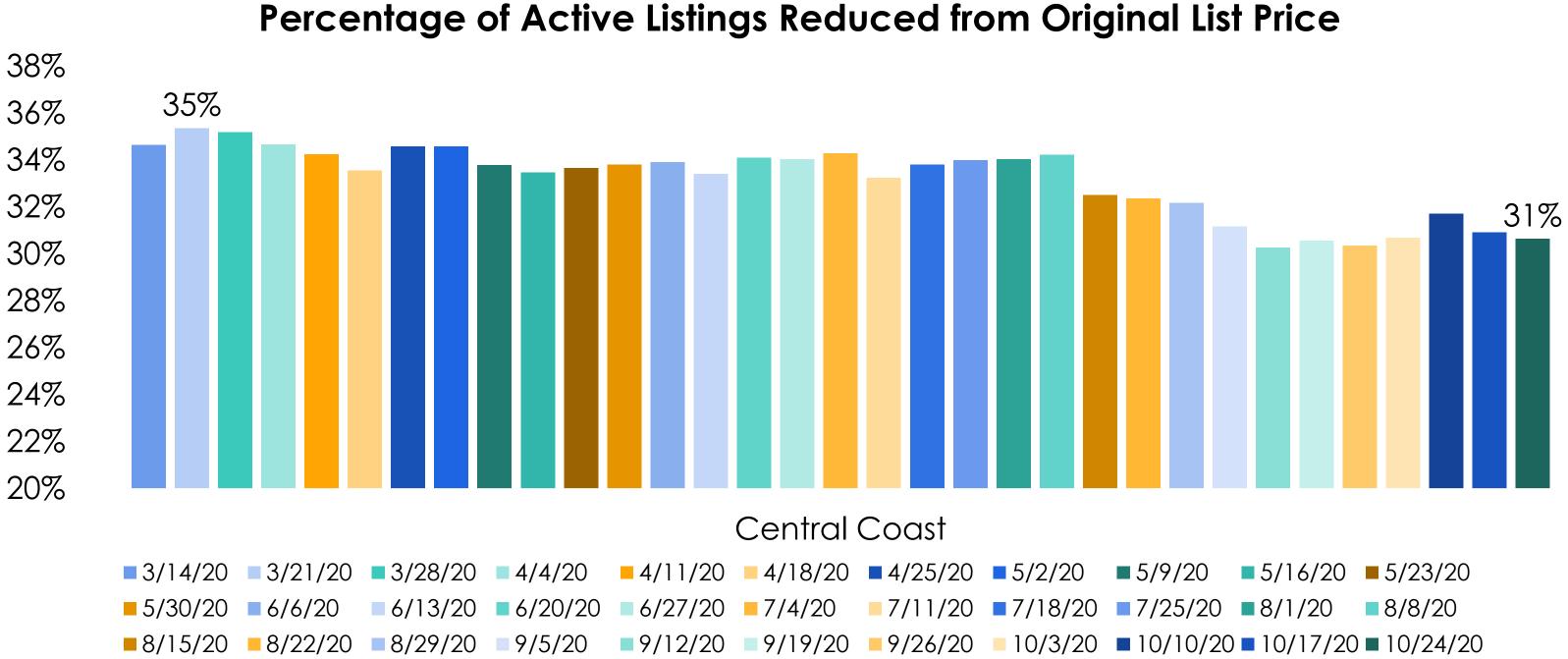






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Rest of California had the highest share of active listings with price reduction

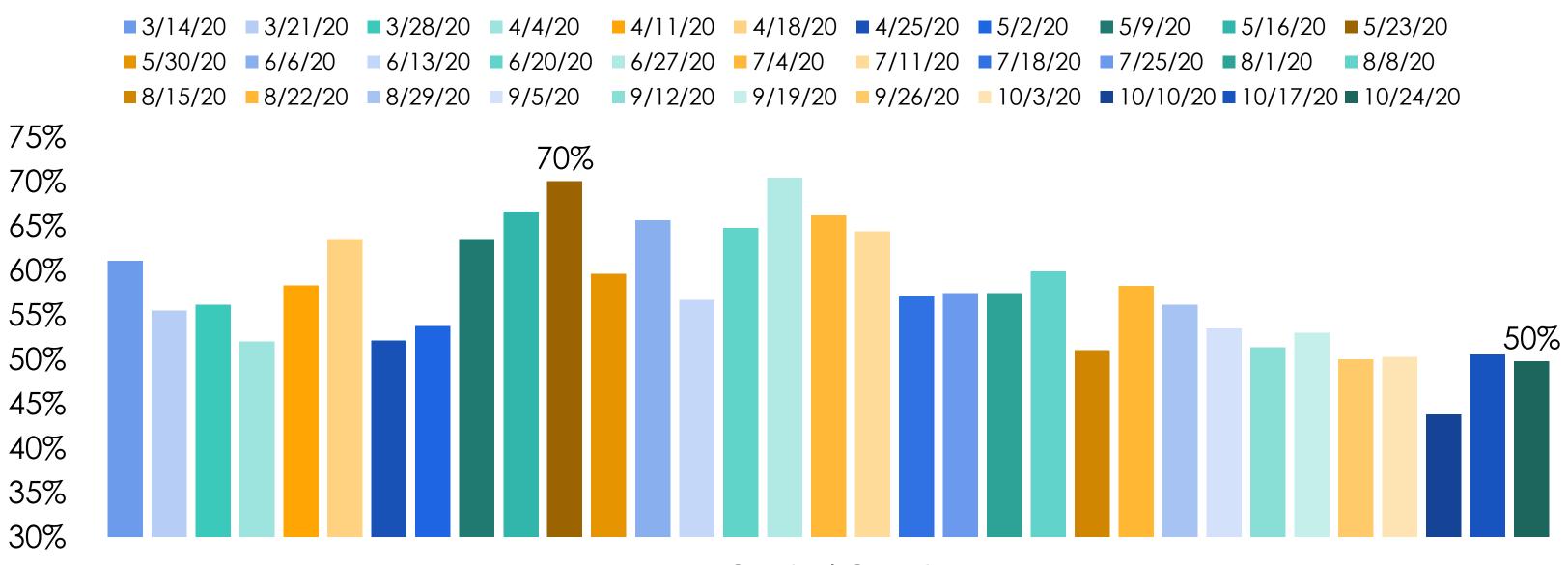






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Bay Area had the lowest share of homes sold with a discount



Percentage of Closed Sales with Price Reduction

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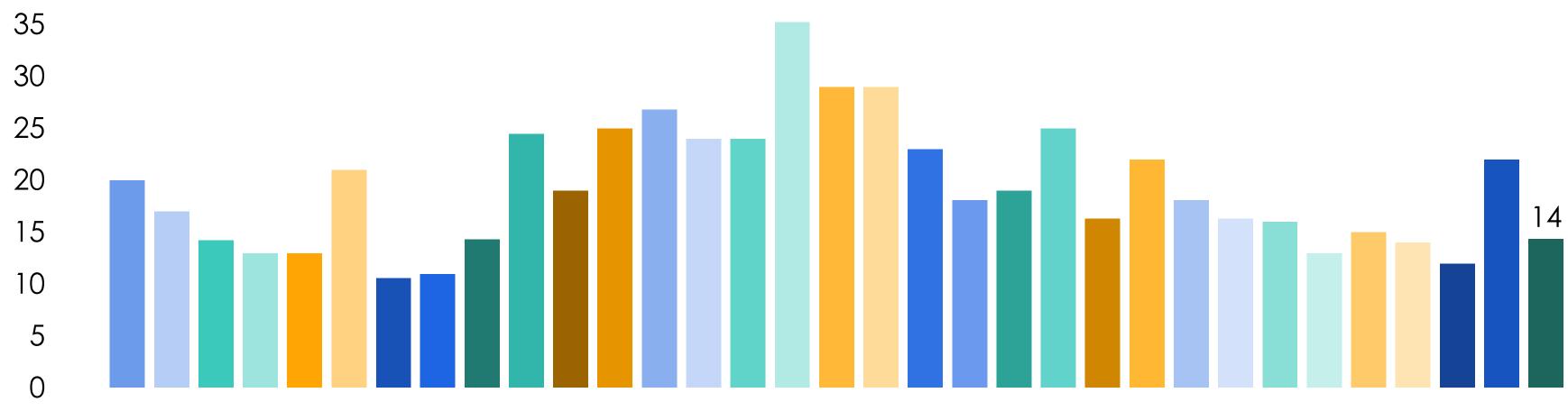
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Median time on market (list date to pending date)

Median Time on Market by Region

3/14/20	3/21/20	3/28/20	4/4/20	4/11/20	4/18/20	■ 4/25/20	5
5/30/20	6/6/20	6/13/20	6/20/20	6/27/20	7/4/20	7/11/20	7
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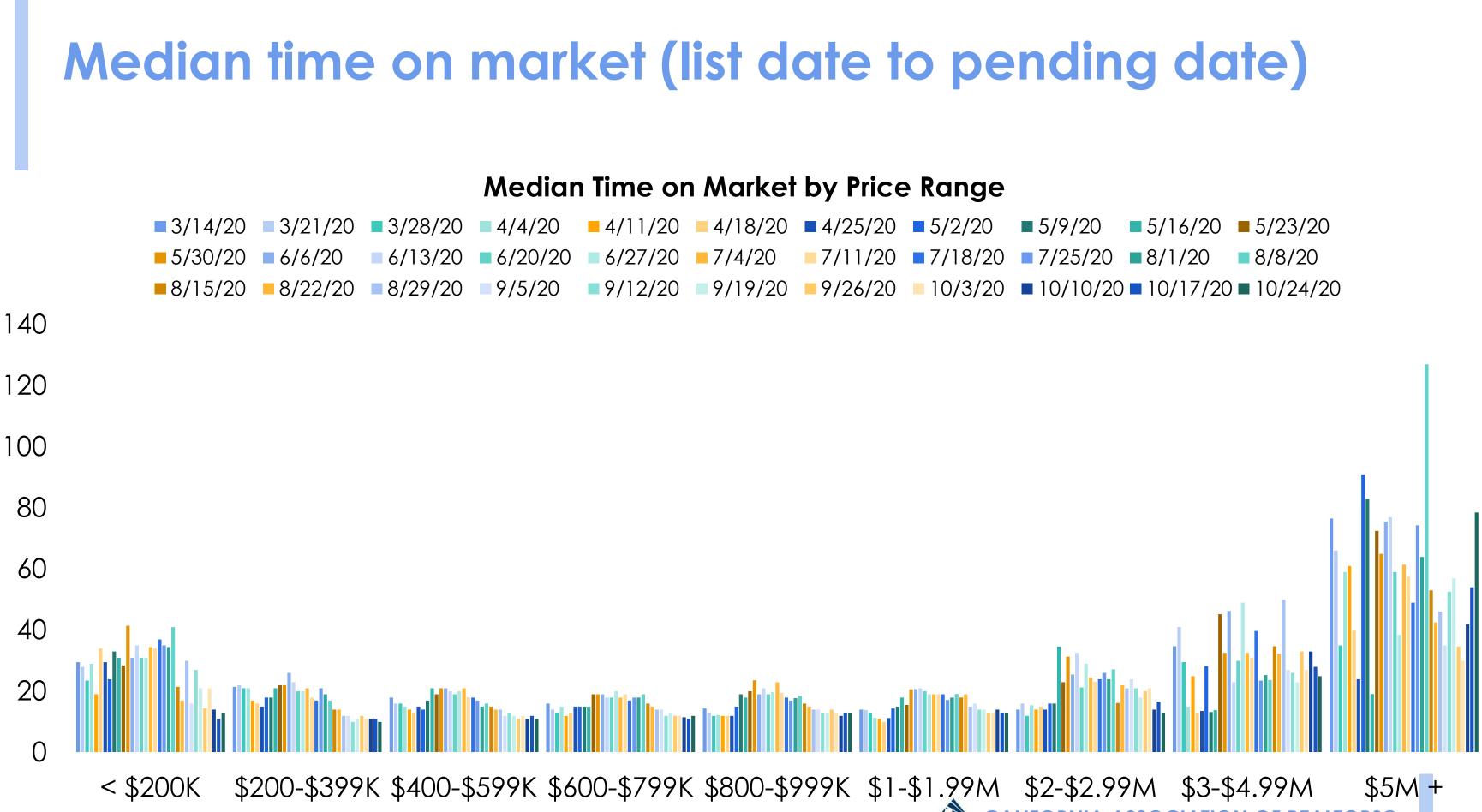


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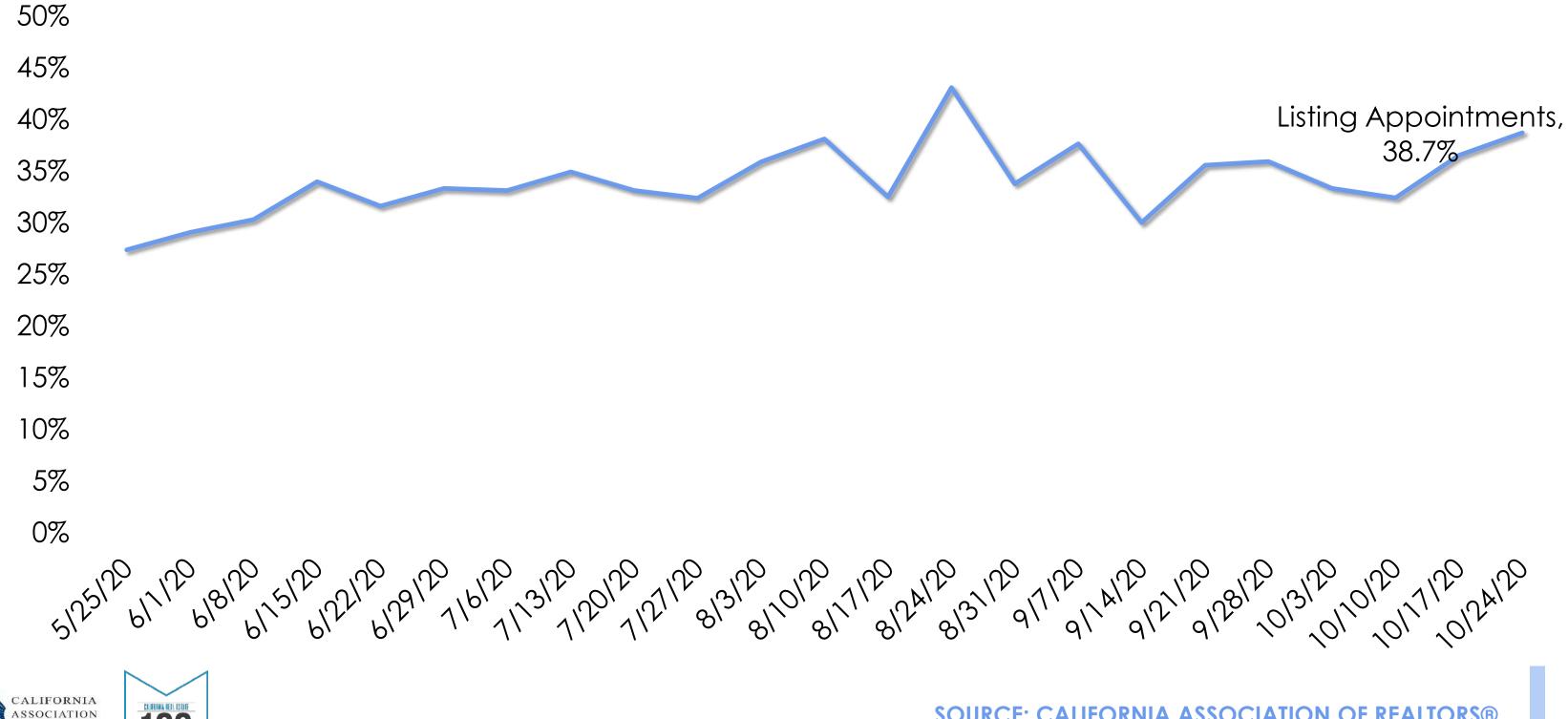


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What Are REALTORS® Saying?

Market Conditions: REALTOR® Viewpoint

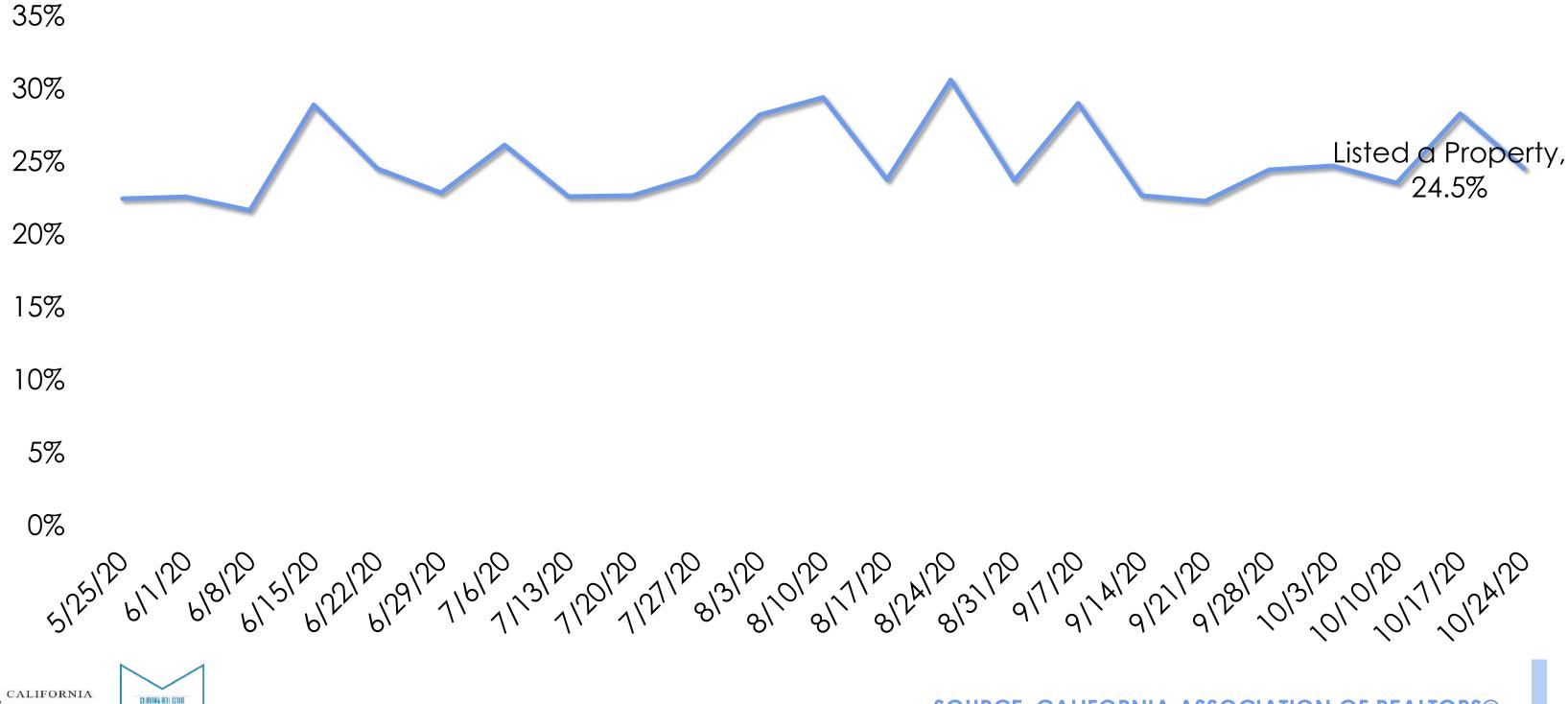
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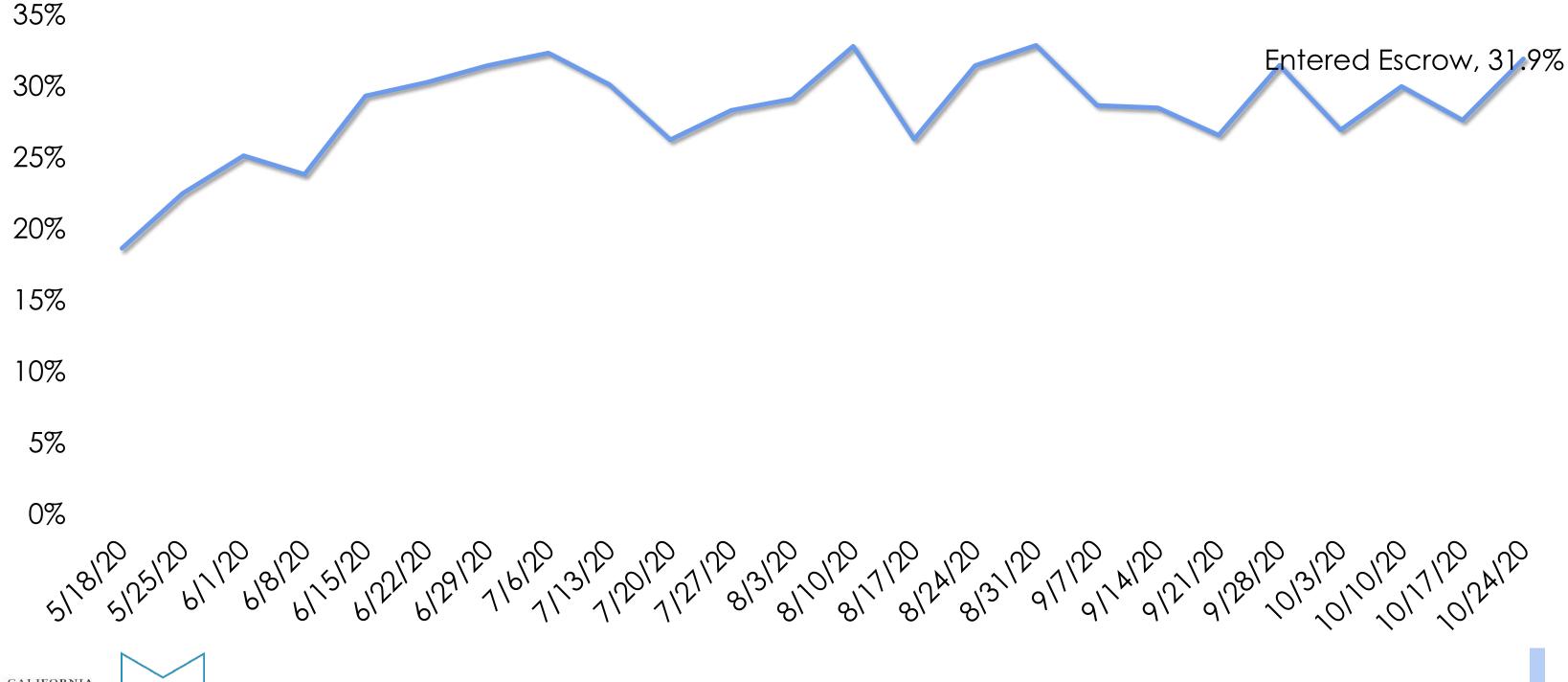




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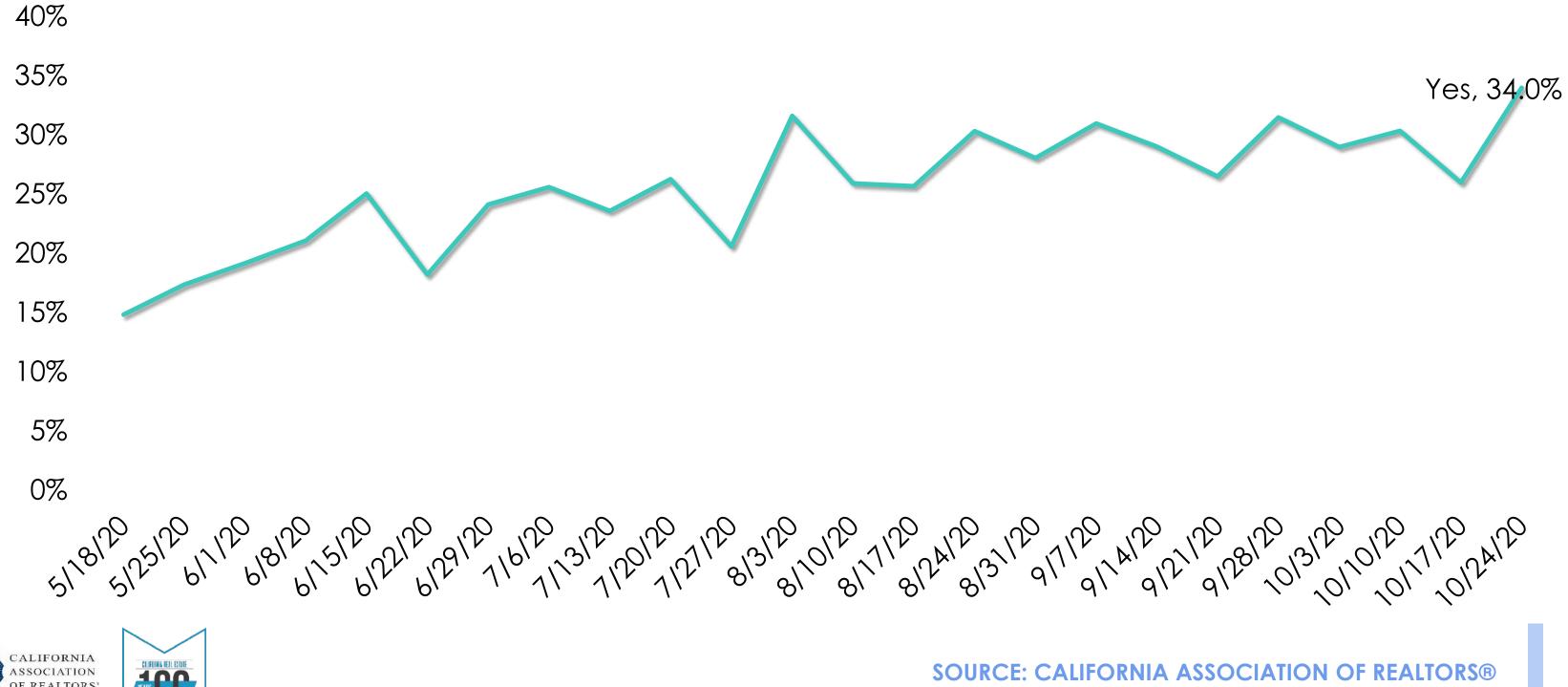




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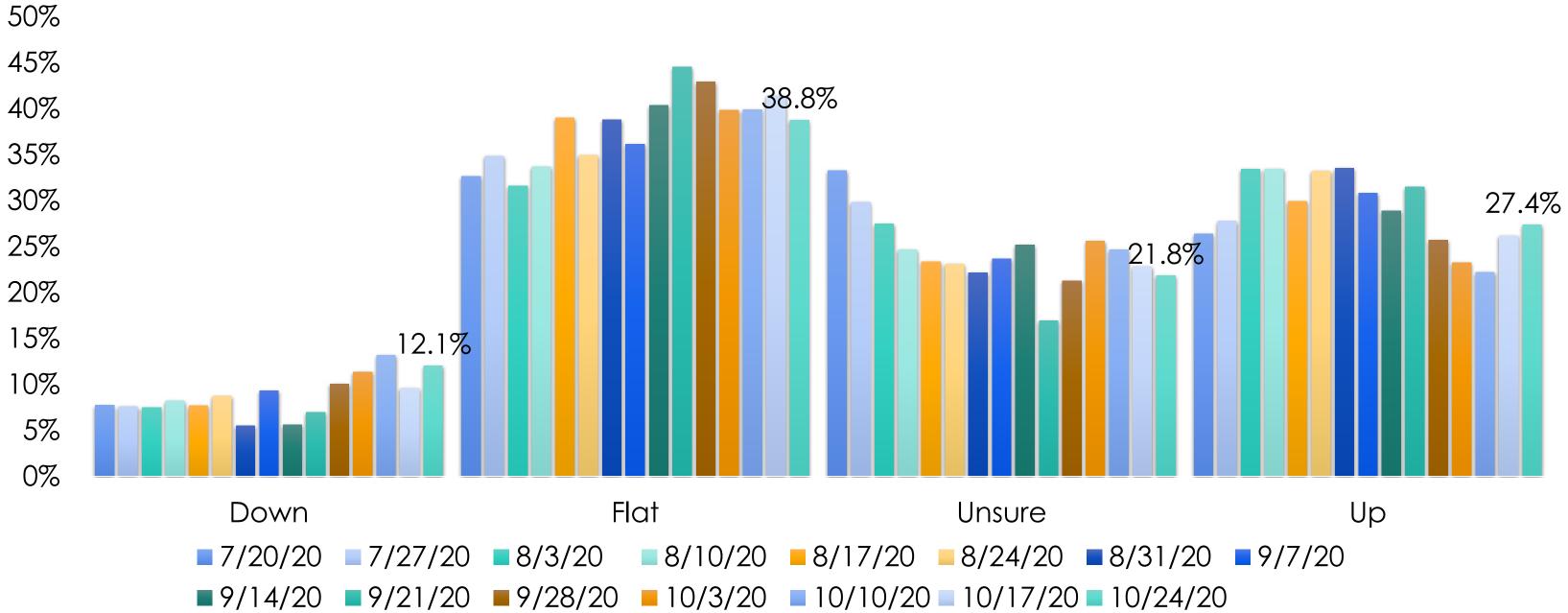
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Q: Have you had a transaction close this week?



Listings Looking Ahead

Q: Do you think next week **listings** will go:



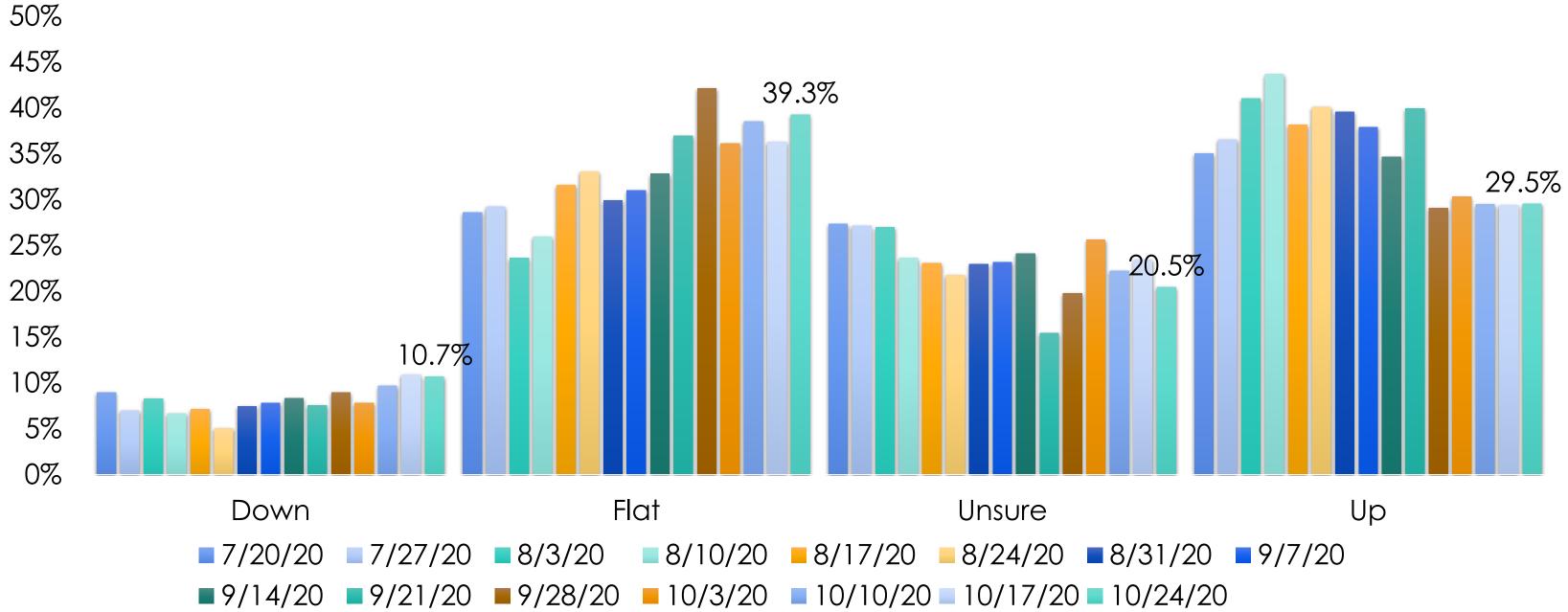




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Sales Looking Ahead

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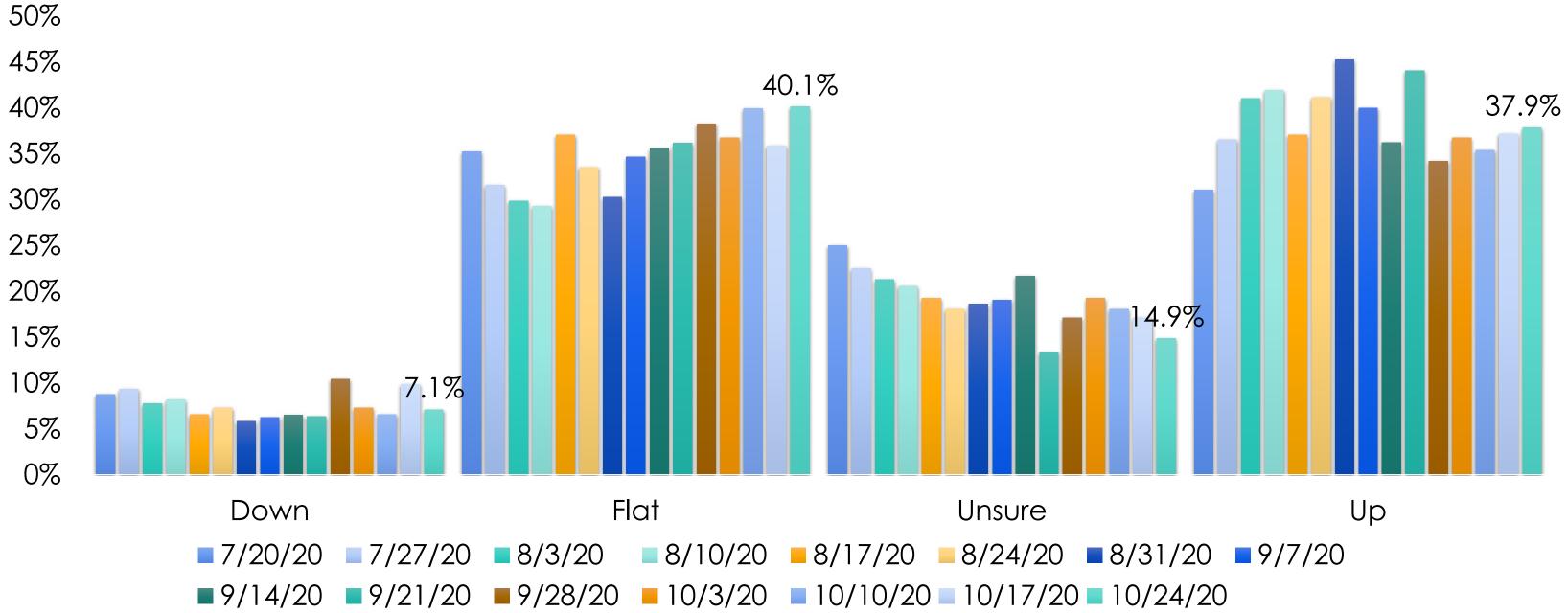




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Prices Looking Ahead

Q: Do you think next week **prices** will go:







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The Forecast

U.S. economic outlook

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 p	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%



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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 June
- Could impact prices (but single digit impacts)

Reasons to Be Hopeful:

- Government on board this time
- 5-year + workouts
- Lots of home equity/minimal cashing out
- No NINJA loans/option ARMs

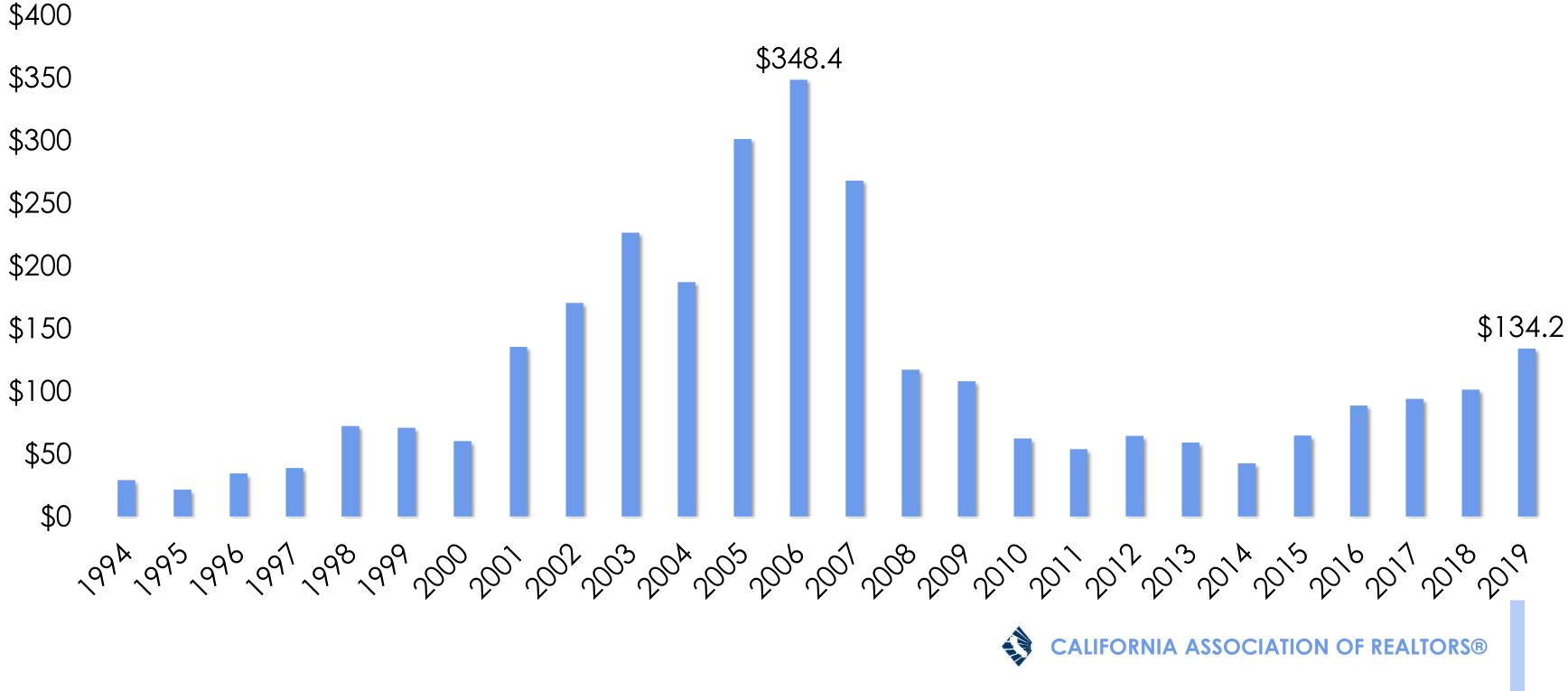


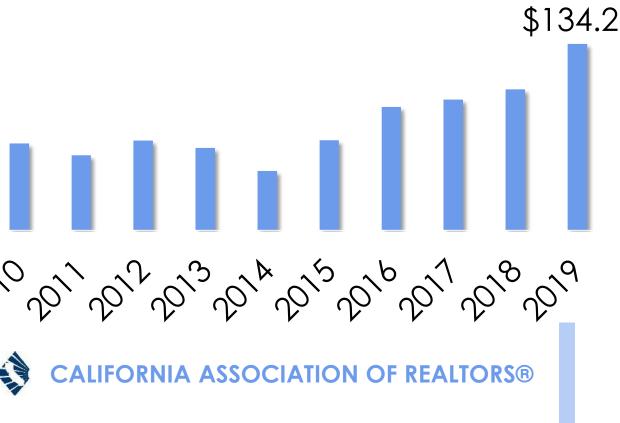


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Many homeowners still have skin in the game

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

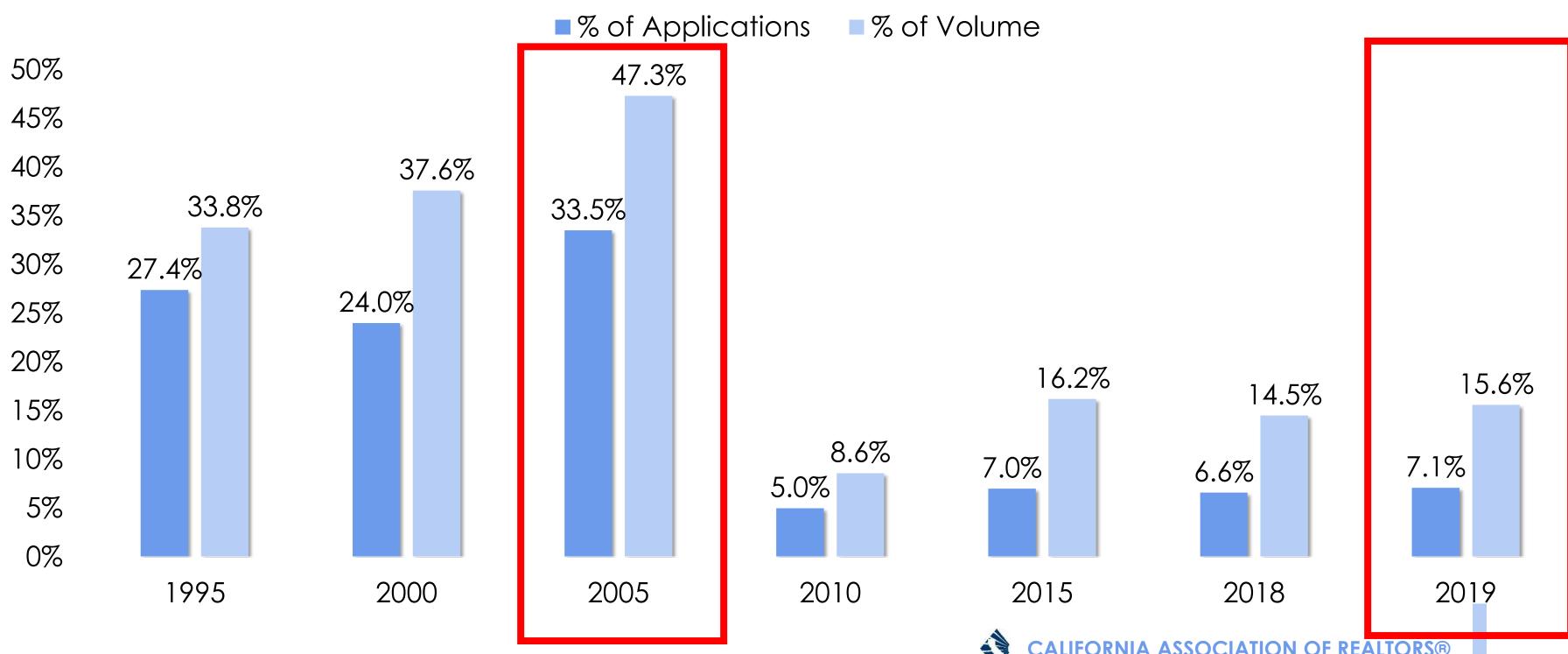




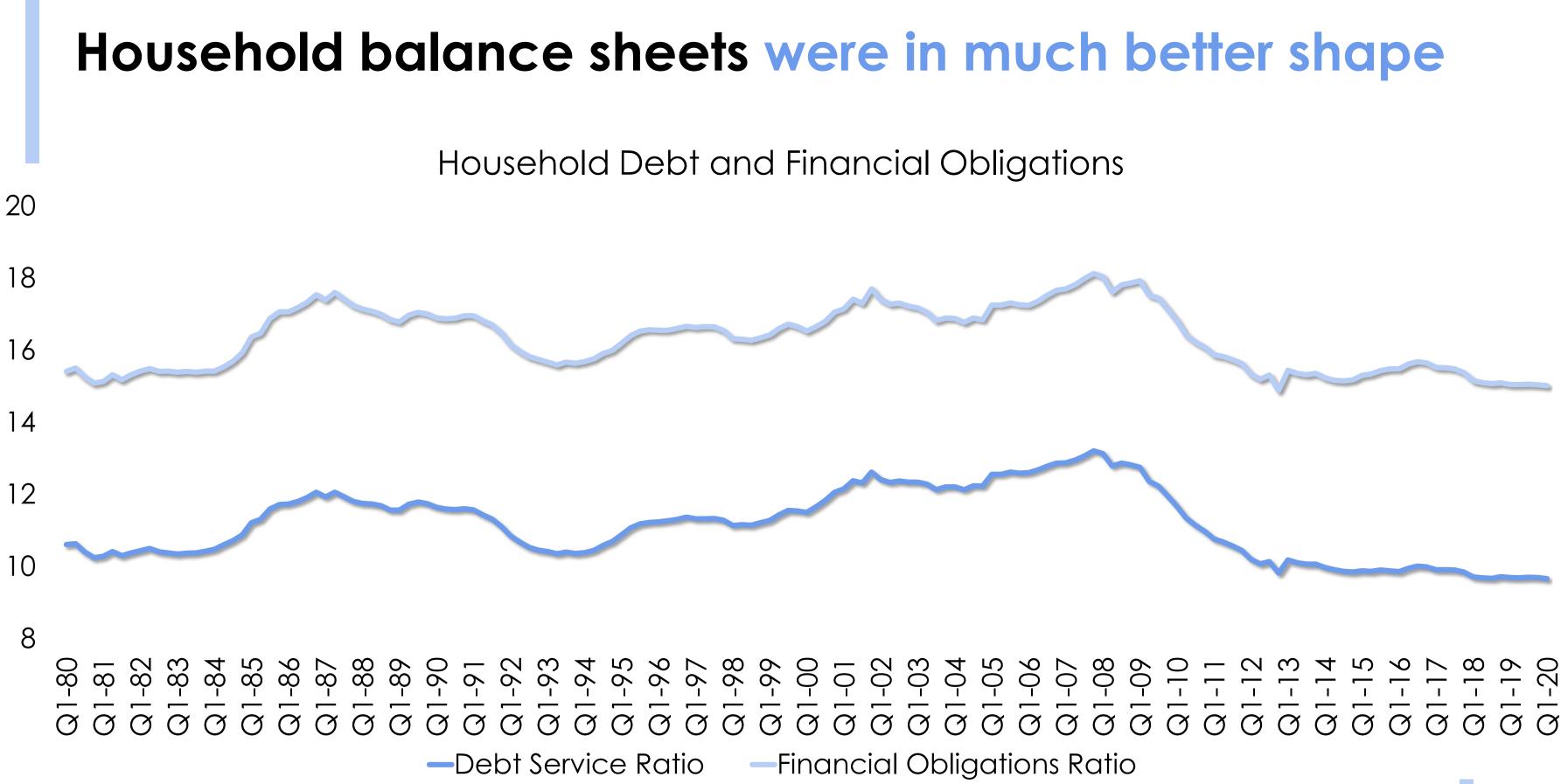


Not as many fundamental problems in mortgage market

U.S. ARM Lending

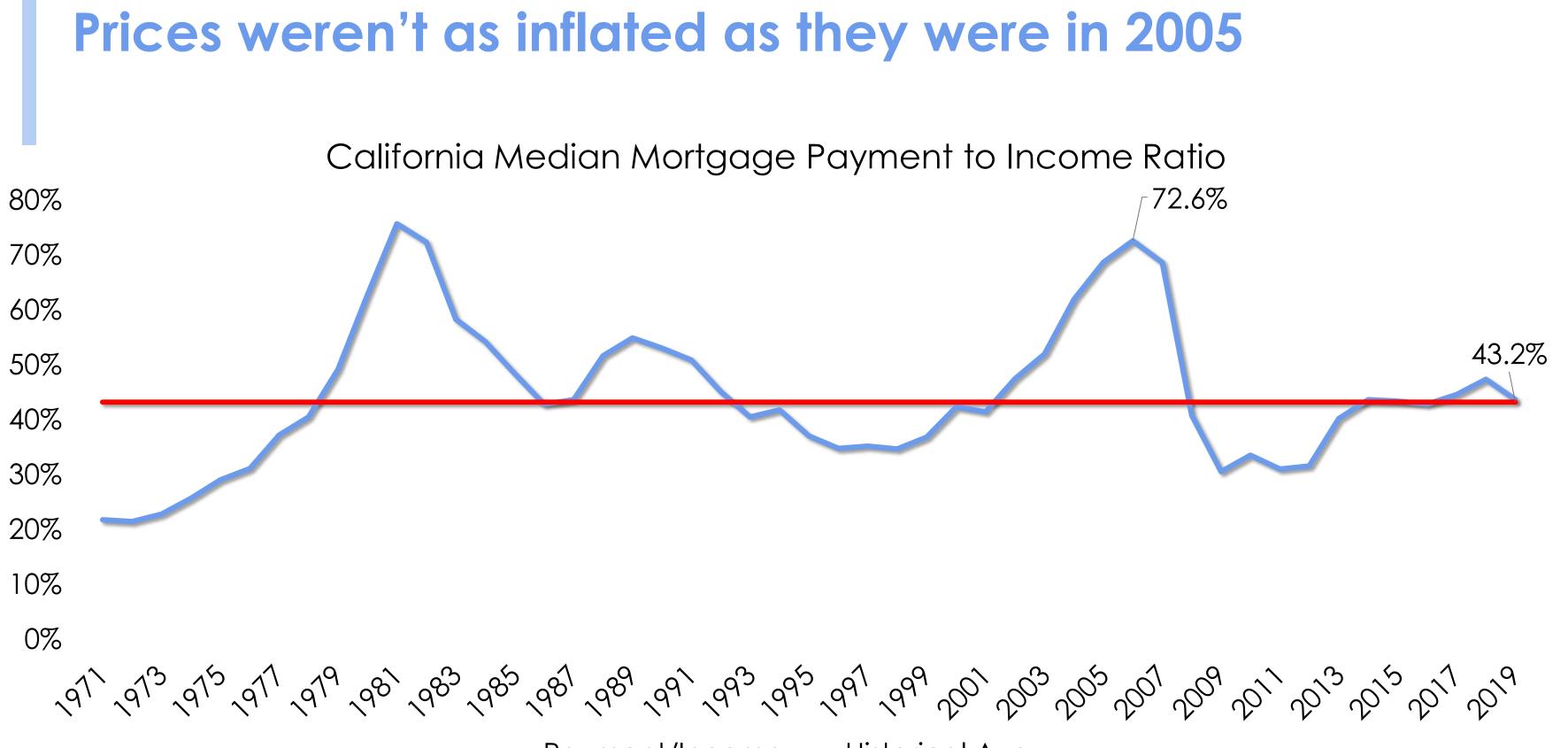


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-Payment/Income -Historical Avg.



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California housing market outlook (Baseline)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020p	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%



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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)
- Foreclosures average <10% discount





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





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California housing market outlook (Worst Case)

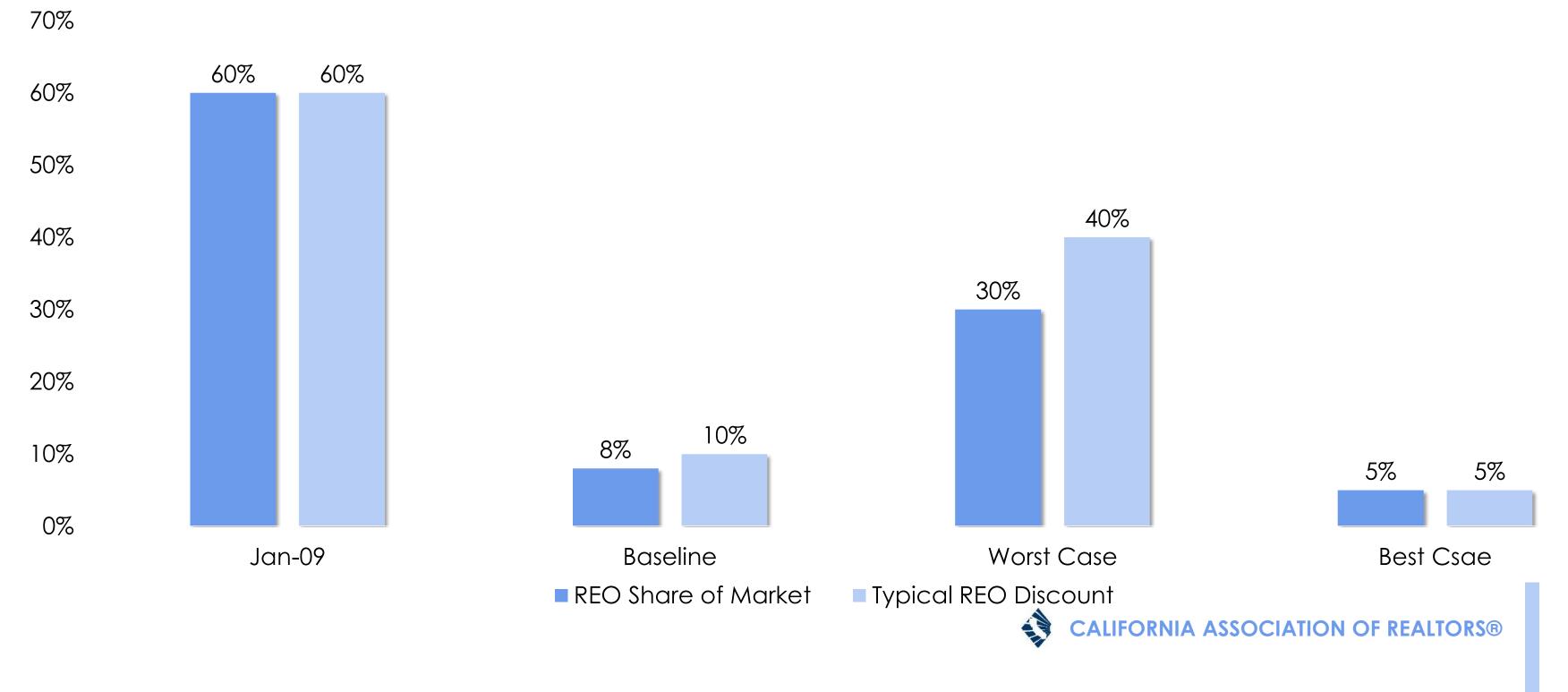
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Housing Affordability Index	31%	31%	29%	28%	31%	33%	41%
30-Yr FRM	3.9%	3.6%	4.0%	4.5%	3.9%	3.2%	3.2%



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Potential REO scenarios

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





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