

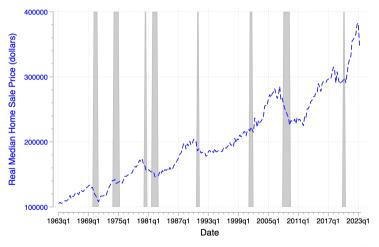
Fall 2023 ICF Real Estate Colloquium

Challenges & Progress towards Providing Affordable Housing in the U.S.

Opening Remarks by Prof. Cameron LaPoint

Wednesday, September 27th

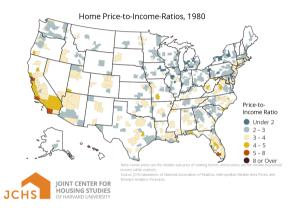
WHAT DO WE MEAN BY HOUSING AFFORDABILITY?



Notes: Seasonally adjusted median real housing sale prices from HUD. Grey shaded regions indicate official NBER recessions.

• Median U.S. home price has more than tripled in real terms since the 1960s

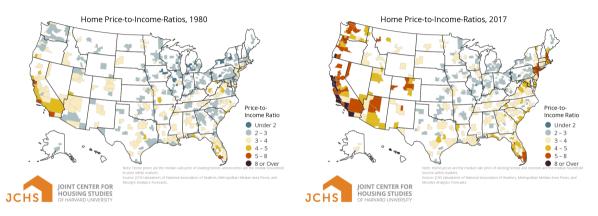
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Source: Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies, "The State of the Nation's Housing 2018."

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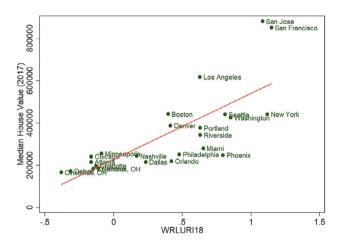
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HOUSING COSTS ARE <u>POSITIVELY</u> CORRELATED WITH THE STRICTNESS OF LOCAL LAND USE REGULATION

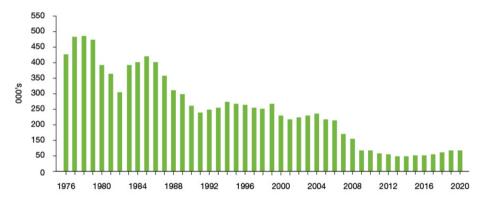


Source: Gyourko & Krimmel (2021) using Wharton Land Use Regulatory Index and house prices from the American Community Survey (ACS).

Going into COVID, entry-level home construction was at

Number of new homes constructed below 1,400 square feet

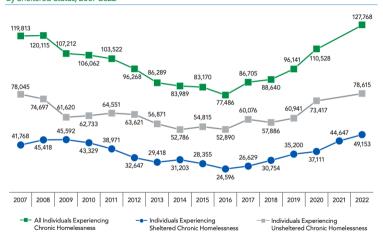
Entry-Level home construction collapsed after the Great Recession and never recovered



Source: Freddie Mac Research Note: "Housing Supply: A Growing Deficit" (May 7, 2021).

AT THE SAME TIME, CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS IS ON THE RISE

EXHIBIT 6.1: PIT Estimates of Individuals Experiencing Chronic Homelessness By Sheltered Status. 2007-2022



Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), 2022 Annual Homelessness Assessment Report to Congress.

GOALS FOR THIS PANEL DISCUSSION

- 1. **Dissect the origins** of the current U.S. housing affordability crisis.
- 2. **Identify challenges** faced by the private, public, and non-profit sectors in working towards increasing the housing supply.
- 3. Outline a sustainable roadmap for local and national policymakers to tackle root causes of the lack of affordability.



Introducing our panelists

RAMON JACOBSON ('98 MBA)



Executive Director of LISC D.C.

- LISC is a national community development finance institution working towards preserving economic diversity
- Managed more than \$400 million in CDFI Fund investments, loans, grants, and tax credit equity
- Started career working in late 1980s NYC shelter system developing programs to get single adults off the streets
- Serves on board of Preservation of Affordable Housing in Boston, among other boards
- B.A. from Harvard and MBA from Yale SOM

JOLIE ANDLER MILSTEIN ('84 MBA)



- President and CEO of the New York State Association for Affordable Housing
 - NYSAFAH is the largest affordable housing trade group in the country
- Experience prior to NYSAFAH:
 - Developer at Praxis Housing Initatives
 - Executive Director of the Ulster County Development Corporation
 - Commercial and residential investment banker at First Boston Corporation
 - Project architect at Moore Ruble Yudell Architects
- Bachelor's in Architecture from UC Berkeley, Master's in Architecture from UCLA, and MBA from Yale SOM

Peter Simons ('82 B.A., '89 MBA)



- Recently retired after 7 years as CEO of HomeAid America (HAA)
 - Added 8 new chapters to bring HAA to 20 markets in 13 states
 - During Peter's tenure, HAA completed 457 housing projects valued at \$187 million
- Experience prior to HomeAid:
 - 23 years as a building industry executive
 - 13 years at Beazer Homes, a top 10 homebuilder, as Division President for Colorado and SVP for Corporate Development
 - 5 years as Sr. Legislative Aide to Senator Daniel K. Inouye of Hawaii
- B.A. from Yale and MBA from Yale SOM



