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# INTRODUCTION

According to the August 2013 Brooklyn Rental Market Report, overall rents increased for the fifth consecutive month, rising moderately by 1.37% or an aggregate value of \$35.09.



On a year over year basis, rental pricing has increased by 5.46% throughout Brooklyn. This upward mobility has been driven primarily by increased demand for 2 Bedroom units, which have undergone double-digit increases in pricing in DUMBO, Crown Heights, Boerum Hill Bushwick and Bedford-Stuyvesant since August 2012.

# A QUICK LOOK

Due to several months of successive price increases the summer rental market outpaced overall fluctuations seen last summer, increasing by an overall rate of 3%. Both Studio (+3.30%) and 1 Bedroom (+1.87%) rental units experienced upward price movements since July, while average rents for 2 Bedroom units (-0.12%) declined slightly for the first time since April. 1 Bedroom units in Bushwick saw the largest month over month price fluctuation, increasing by 13.68% or \$260 since July. Conversely, Studio units in Bay Ridge underwent a 13.46% or \$175 decline in market pricing.

Starting this month, The MNS Rental Market Report will integrate inventory levels and days-on-the-market coverage to further the scope of the Brooklyn rental market profile. With that said, the Williamsburg rental market offered the largest vacancy rate for 1 and 2 Bedroom units, which drove prices slightly downward compared to last month, declining 4.42% and 1.39%, respectively. Moreover, pricing levels for 1 and 2 Bedroom units in North Williamsburg remained significantly higher than those in greater Williamsburg, costing \$233 and \$1031 more per unit. Lastly, briefer time on the market corresponded with unit price increases in Greenpoint where Studios averaged six days on the market and experienced an 8.02% increase in price since July.

Overall rents in Park Slope revered a slight price decline in July experiencing the highest month over month price increase of any Brooklyn neighborhood (6.89%). This increase was driven primarily by an increased demand for 2 Bedroom units which rose 9.84% or an aggregate value of \$301.55, the highest monetary surge of any unit in Brooklyn. The Bedford-Stuyvesant rental market underwent similar levels of increased pricing, rising 5.42% since July. This trend continues the marked price ascension over the last year in Bedford-Stuyvesant, where rents have increased 26% on average since this time last year. Bay Ridge saw the largest drop in rents, as prices declined 4.05% or \$65.04 on average. The dip in prices was due to significant drops in pricing for Studio and 1 Bedroom units.

### Notable Trends Building (Average Prices)

Туре	Most Expensive	Least Expensive
Studios	<b>DUMBO</b> \$2,845	<b>Bay Ridge</b> \$1,125
One-Bedrooms	<b>Dumbo</b> \$3,789	Bay Ridge \$1,489
Two-Bedrooms	<b>Dumbo</b> \$5,677	Bay Ridge \$2,010



# A QUICK LOOK STUDIOS

### Average Unit Prices By Neighborhood



Greatest Changes Since July

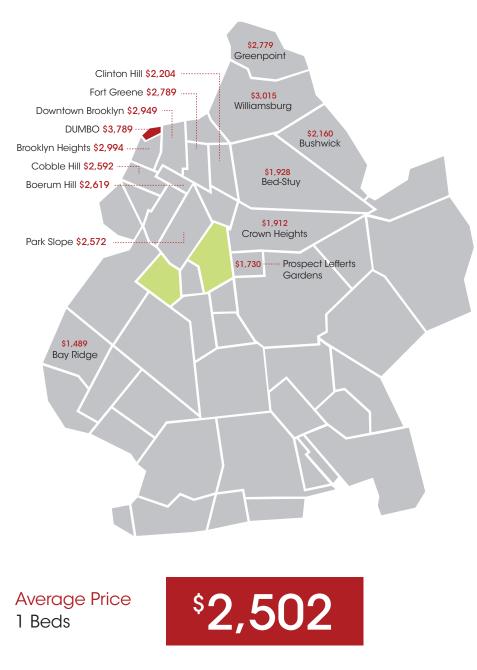






# A QUICK LOOK 1 BEDS

### Average Unit Prices By Neighborhood



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Fort Greene

Prospect Lefferts Gardens

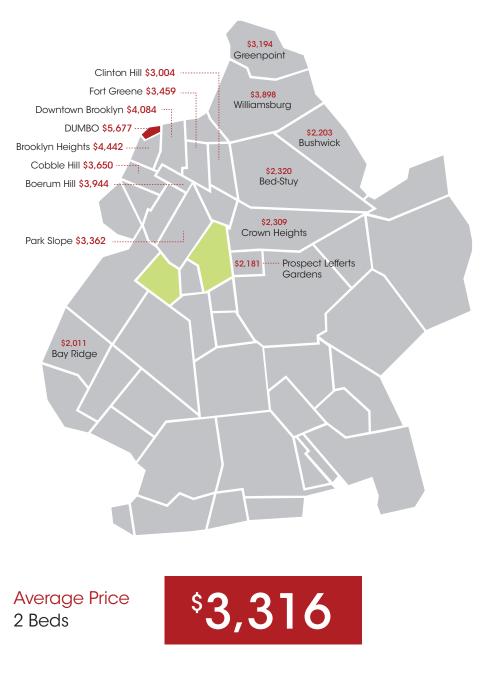
### Market Inventory High Low





# A QUICK LOOK 2 BEDS

### Average Unit Prices By Neighborhood



Greatest Changes Since July





Cobble Hill

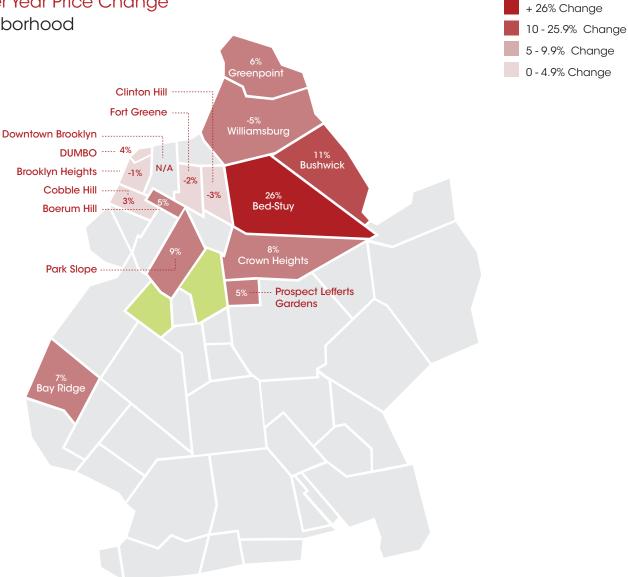
Prospect Lefferts Gardens





### , QUICK LOOK

Year Over Year Price Change By Neighborhood



### Brooklyn Rents: August 2012 vs. August 2013

Туре	August 2012	August 2013	Change
Studios	\$1,895	<sup>\$</sup> 1,980	<b>↑</b> 4.5%
One-Bedrooms	<sup>\$</sup> 2,415	<sup>\$</sup> 2,501	<b>↑</b> 3.6%
Two-Bedrooms	\$3,083	<sup>\$</sup> 3,316	↑ 7.5%



### A QUICK LOOK

#### Where Prices Decreased

Bay Ridge Studios -13.46% Two-Bedroom -5.16%

Brooklyn Heights One-Bedroom -0.41% Two-Bedroom -0.51%

Clinton Hill One-Bedroom -6.68%

Cobble Hill Two-Bedroom -4.50% ↓ Dumbo Two-Bedroom -5.11%

Downtown BK (New) Studios -1.19% One-Bedroom -3.33% Two-Bedroom -5.30%

Fort Greene Studios -4.21%

PLG Two-Bedroom -2.93% ↓ Williamsburg One-Bedroom -4.42% Two-Bedroom -1.39%

#### Where Prices Increased

Bay Ridge One-Bedroom 6.38%

#### Bed Stuy

Studios **2.59%** One-Bedroom **8.48%** Two-Bedroom **4.82%** 

#### Boerum Hill

Studios **2.60%** One-Bedroom **1.56%** Two-Bedroom **5.40%** 

Brooklyn Heights Studios 11.48%

#### Bushwick

Studios **1.49%** One-Bedroom **13.68%** Two-Bedroom **3.85%** 

- Clinton Hill Studios 4.81% Two-Bedroom 1.26%
- ↑ Cobble Hill Studios 0.26% One-Bedroom 5.35%
- Crown Heights Studios 5.00% One-Bedroom 2.62% Two-Bedroom 5.42%
- Dumbo Studios 8.38% One-Bedroom 4.07%
- ▲ Fort Greene One-Bedroom 0.62% Two-Bedroom 0.69%

Greenpoint Studios 8.02% One-Bedroom 2.52% Two-Bedroom 0.85%

Park Slope Studios 7.68% One-Bedroom 2.67% Two-Bedroom 9.84%

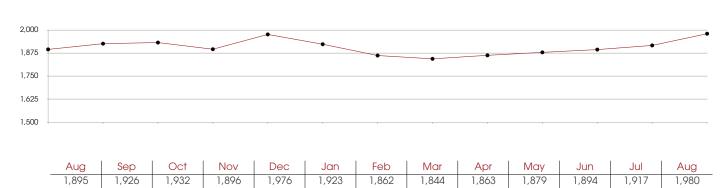
PLG Studios 9.83% One-Bedroom 4.85%

Williamsburg Studios 1.68%

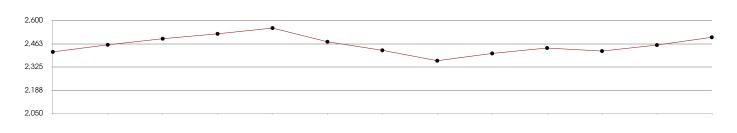


## BROOKLYN PRICETRENDS

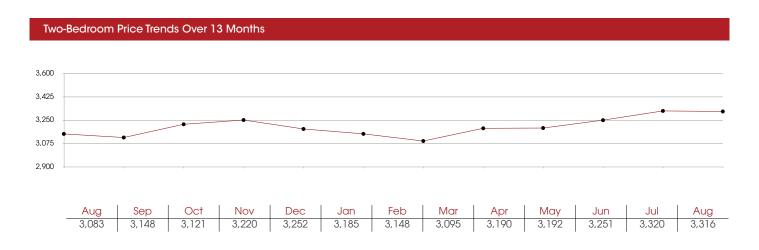
#### Studio Price Trends Over 13 Months



One-Bedroom Price Trends Over 13 Months





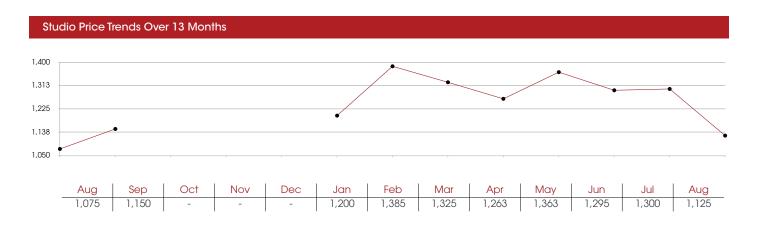


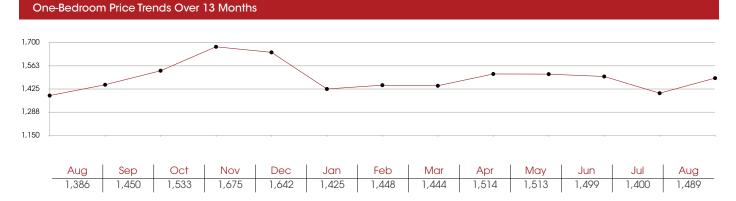


## BAY RIDGE

• Rents for 2 BD units fell following five consecutive months of upward price movement.

Overall rents dipped 4.05% in August, the greatest drop of any Brooklyn neighborhood.



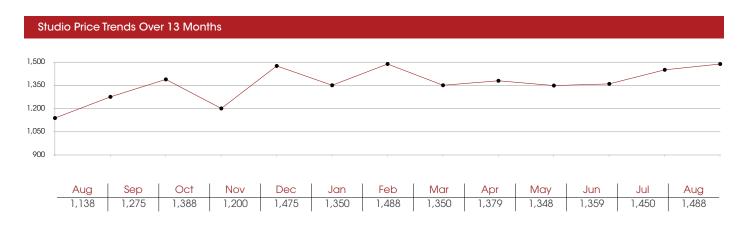


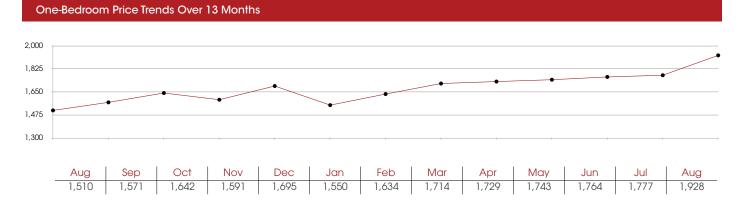


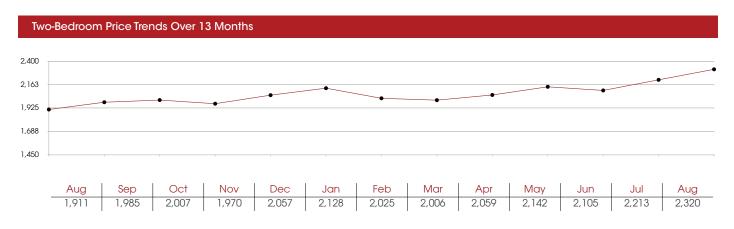


## BEDFORD-STUYVESANT

- Overall rent prices rose over 5% in August, contributing to 26% rise in year over year rents, the largest increase in that time for any Brooklyn neighborhood.
- 1 BD units have maintained a steady increase in rent since the beginning of 2013.







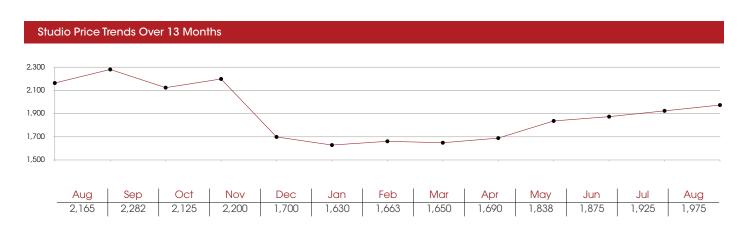


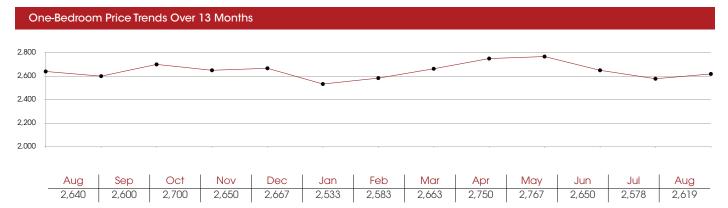


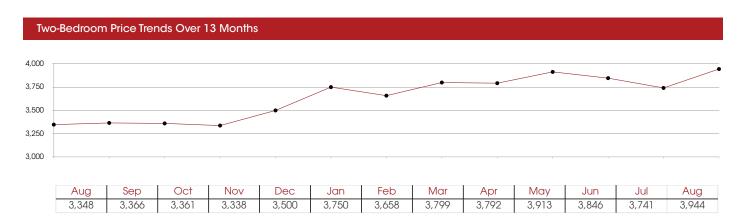
## BOERUM HILL

• 1 BD units ended a consecutive summer dip in rent prices, posting a moderate increase of 1.56% in August.

• Since November, rental prices for 2 BD units have continued to surge contributing to a 26% increase since August 2012.





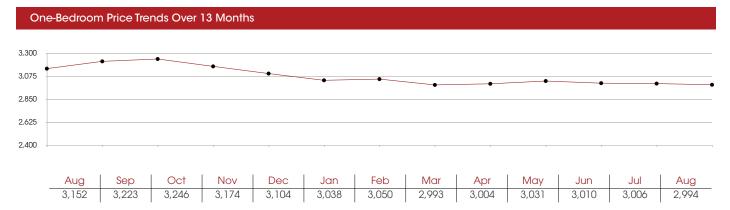


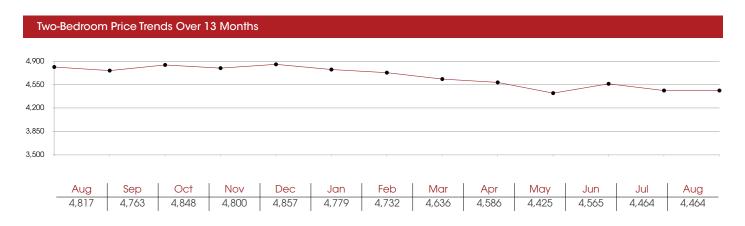


## BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

Although experiencing an 8% decrease in price since August 2012, rents for 2 BD units topped all other Brooklyn neighborhoods.
Augmented by low inventory, Studio rents increased 11.48% on average in August.



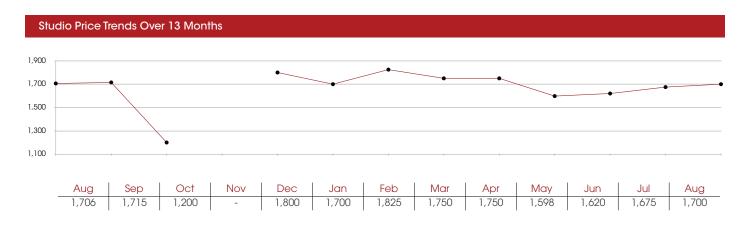


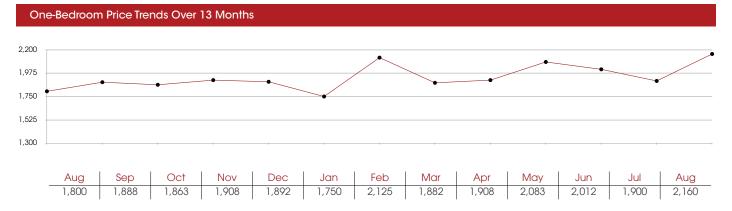


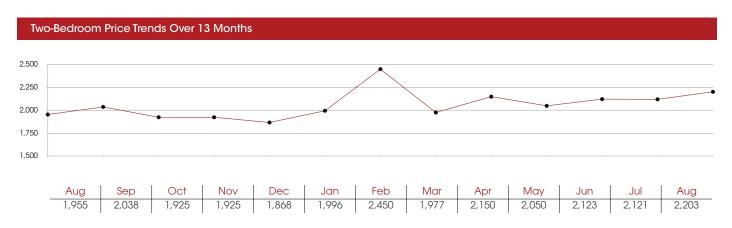


### BUSHWICK

- Overall rents in Bushwick rose by 6.4% in August, the most of any Brooklyn neighborhood.
- Bushwick rents have seen an overall increase of 11% driven by 1 BD units that have increased by 20% in that time. (13.68% prince increase in August alone)









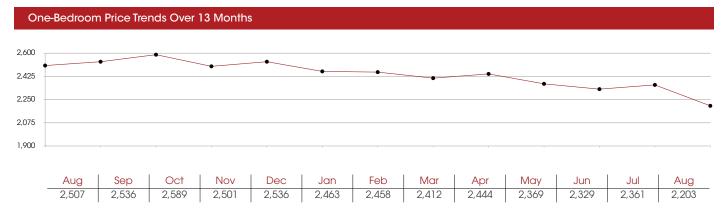


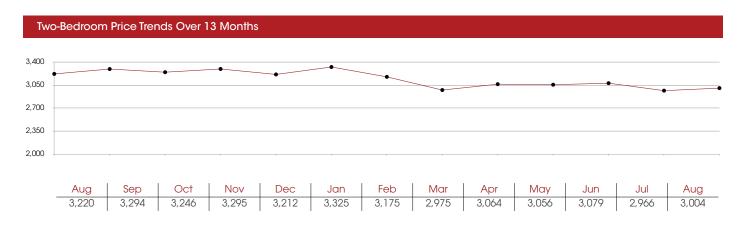
# CLINTON HILL

• Since October, 1 BD rents have continued to fall contributing a 12% decline in price over the past year.

Studio rents continued to rise for five consecutive months.





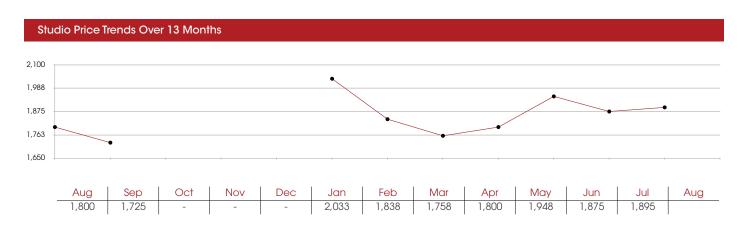


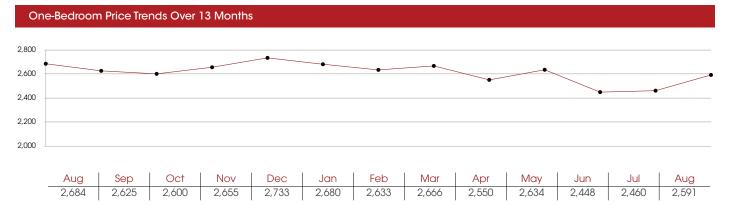


# COBBLE HILL

Cobble Hill posted the lowest monthly inventory of any Brooklyn neighborhood for Studio, 1 and 2 BD units.

• Although dropping 4.5% in August, rents for 2 BD units have surged since October.



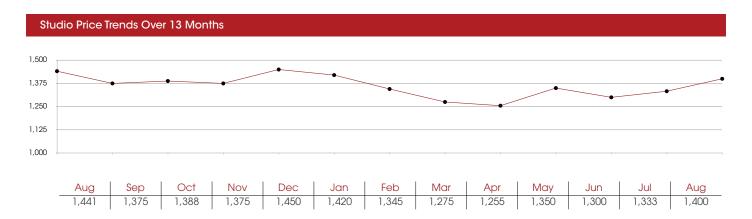


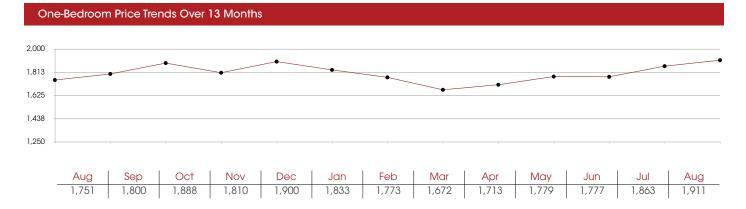


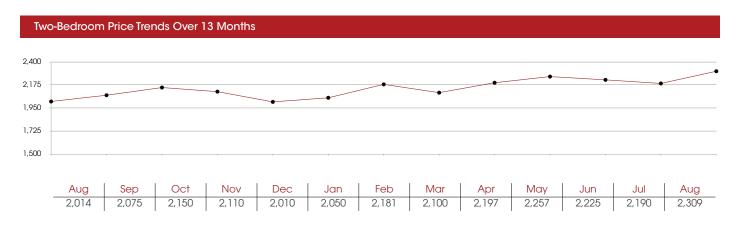
### CROWN HEIGHTS

• Each unit posted moderate increases in rent, contributing to an overall increase of 4.35%.

• On a year over year basis, 2 BD units have had a significant upward effect on local prices rising 15% attributing to an overall neighborhood increase of 8%.









## DOWNTOWN BROOKLYN

• Studio, 1 BD and 2 BD each saw a dip in market rental prices in August, contributing to an overall decrease of 3.69%

#### Studio Price Trends Over 13 Months 2,600 • 2,475 2,350 2,225 2,100 Aug Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul 2,539 2,329 2,301 One-Bedroom Price Trends Over 13 Months 3,100 -2,950 2,800 2,650 2,500 Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug 3,050 2,949 2,986 Two-Bedroom Price Trends Over 13 Months 4,400 4,050 3,700 3,350 3,000 Feb Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug 4,029 4,312 4,084

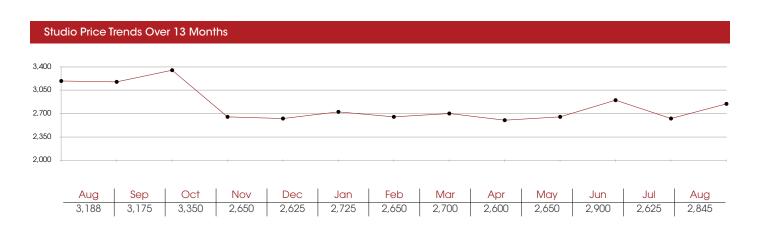


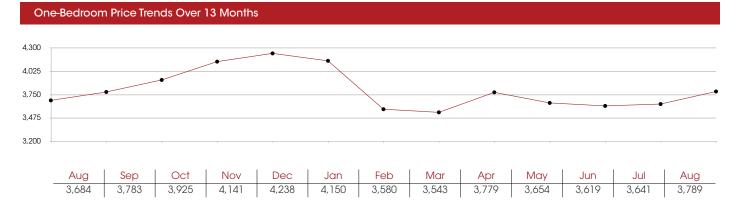


## DUMBO

• Following a significant six month increase in price for 2 BD units, rents dropped 5.41% in August.

• In DUMBO, 2 BD units remain the most expensive of any Brooklyn neighborhood.





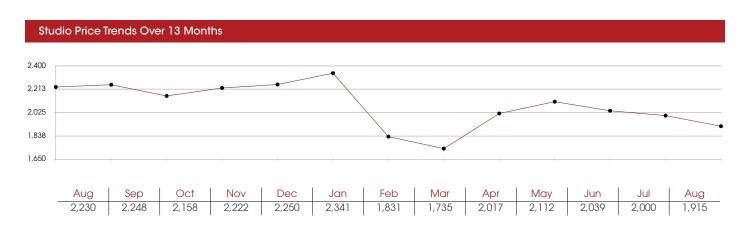


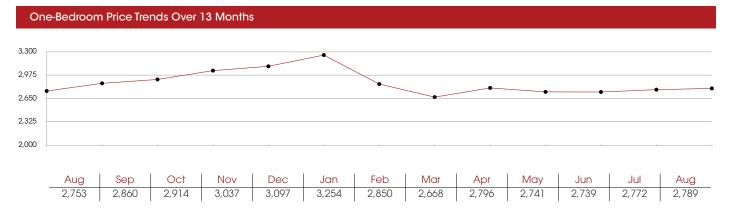


### FORT GREENE

• After a sharp decrease in price in early 2013, 1 BD units have seen market rentals stabilize over the past five months.

• Driven primarily by a sharp decline in Studio prices, overall rents have decreased 4% since August 2012.





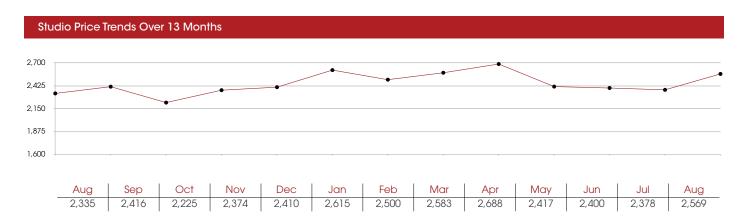


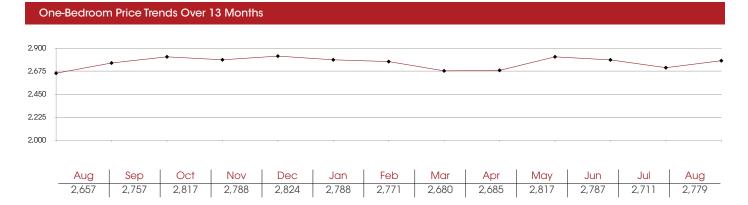


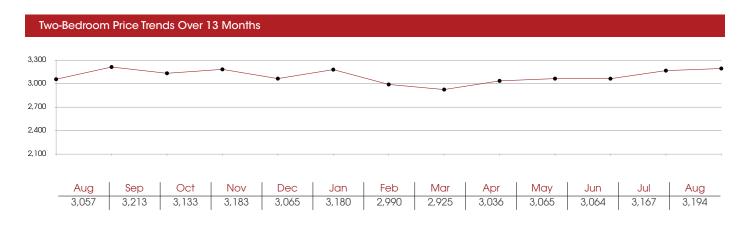
### GREENPOINT

• Studio rent prices returned to pre-summer levels after a three month dip in price.

• Led by the Studio unit rebound, overall neighborhood rents rose 3.46% in August contributing to a combined year-over-year rise of 6% for all units throughout Greenpoint.





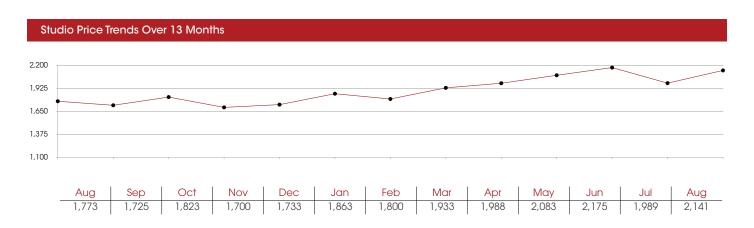






• Rents for 1 BD units continued to rise for the fifth consecutive month.

• 2 BD units saw a return to early 2013 price levels, the highest since January.





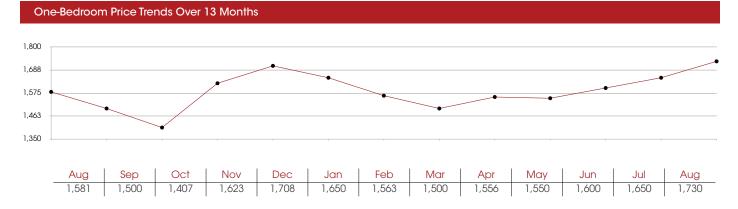


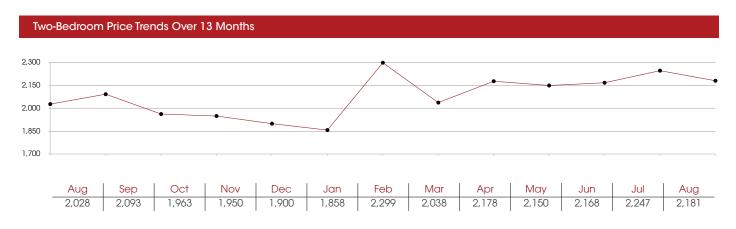


### PROSPECT-LEFFERTS GARDENS

Rents for 1 BD units finished the summer on a four month climb in pricing. This unit has risen by 23% in price since October.
After four consecutive months of decline, Studio rents rose almost 10% in August.





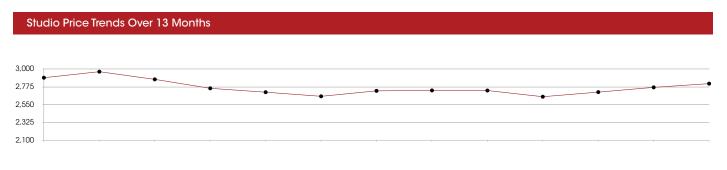




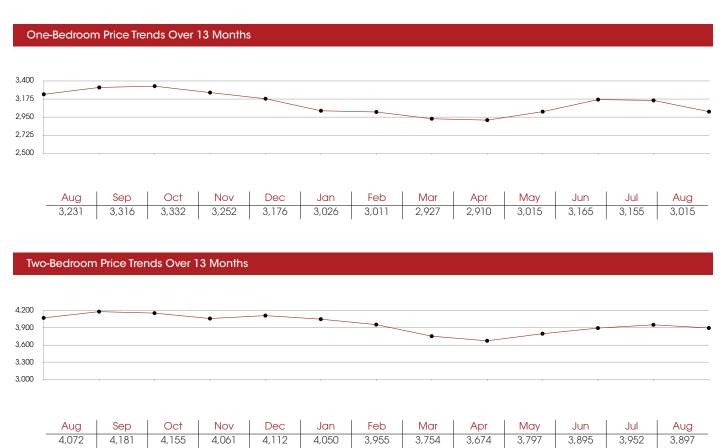
## WILLIAMSBURG

• After modest increases in rent, pricing for 2 BD units declined for the first time in three months. The unit has seen a 4.4% drop since August 2012.

• 1 BD units continued a three month decline in pricing, as overall rents declined 5% compared to August 2012.



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2,892	2,968	2,871	2,758	2,709	2,657	2,726	2,731	2,730	2,652	2,710	2,770	2,817





# THE REPORT EXPLAINED

The Brooklyn Rental Market Report<sup>™</sup> compares fluctuation in the borough's rental data on a monthly basis. It is an essential tool for potential renters seeking transparency in the Brooklyn apartment market and a benchmark for landlords to efficiently and fairly adjust individual property rents in Brooklyn.



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