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INTRODUCTION

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A QUICK LOOK

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Over the last year, prices have increased by an average of 5.5%. The smallest change was in the price of Long Island City rentals, which increased by 0.8%. High inventory levels often help to mitigate large swings, softening percentage swings to be more moderate, so this is not surprising. The largest change was a 13.1% increase in the price of rentals in Flushing, due mainly to increases in one and two bedroom prices. Flushing follows in the footsteps of Ridgewood and Long Island City. The neighborhoods, where growth over the last year was both under 2%, saw great rental activity when they were discovered as alternatives to expensive Manhattan neighborhoods. Flushing is now being viewed the same way, and as development of Willets Point is underway to bring a movie theatre and mall into the area, growth is only expected to persist.

At the time the sample was taken, the following neighborhoods had a sample size of less than 20 units on the market: studios in Ridgewood, Flushing, Rego Park, Forest Hills, and Jackson Heights; one bedroom units in Ridgewood; and two bedroom units in Flushing, Rego Park, and Jackson Heights. Smaller sample sizes often result in inflated price movements in average prices.

New developments in neighborhoods such as Flushing will challenge the notion that outer borough neighborhoods must be very commuter friendly in order to attract new renters.

Notable Trends

Building (Average Prices)

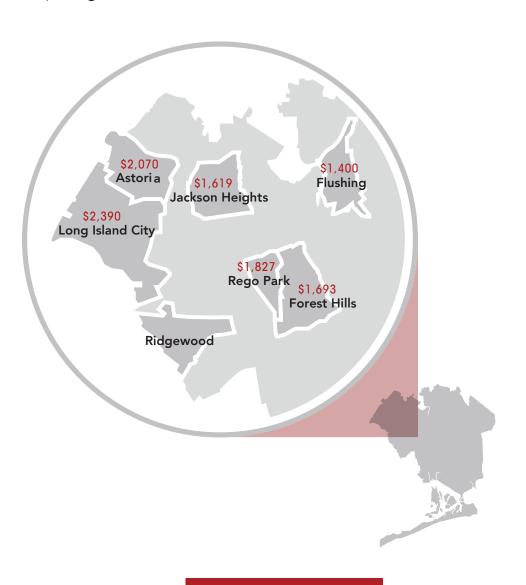
Туре	Most Expensive	Least Expensive	
Studios	Long Island City \$2,390	Flushing \$1,400	
One-Bedrooms	Long Island City \$2,886 Jackson Heights \$1,809		
Two-Bedrooms	Long Island City \$3,968	Ridgewood \$2,087	



A QUICK LOOK STUDIOS

Average Unit Prices

By Neighborhood



Greatest Changes Since September









Flushing

Heights

Market Inventory High Low





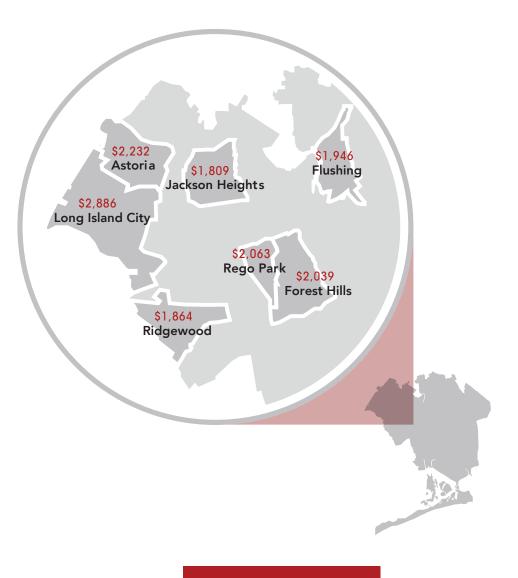
Average Price Queens Studios \$1,833



A QUICK LOOK 1 BEDS

Average Unit Prices

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Greatest Changes Since September



Days on Market







Forest Hills

Astoria

Market Inventory





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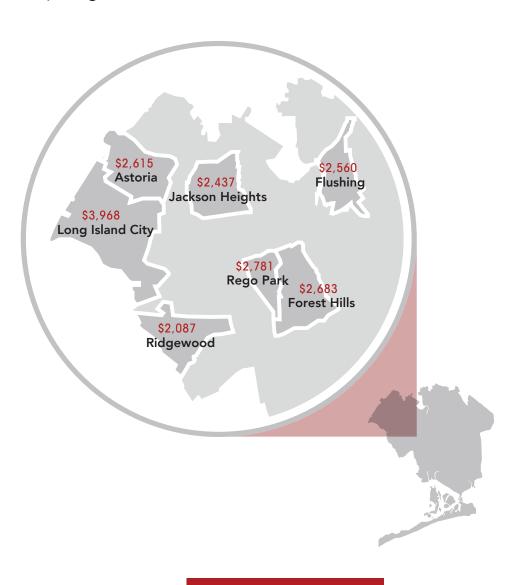
Average Price Queens 1 Beds \$2,120



A QUICK LOOK 2 BEDS

Average Unit Prices

By Neighborhood



Since September

Greatest Changes



Days on Market High



Market Inventory High Low

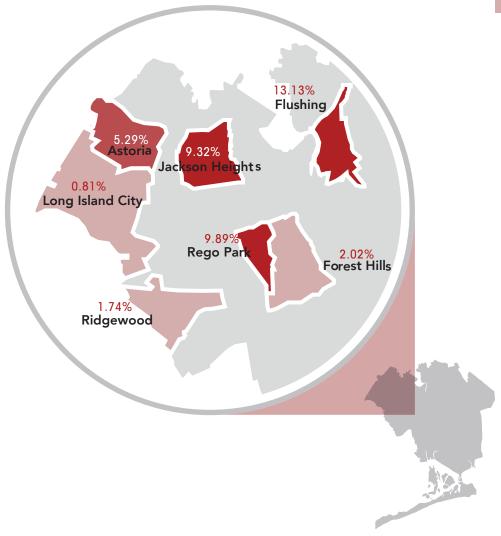


Average Price Queens 2 Beds \$2,733



A QUICK LOOK





Queens Rents: October 2015 vs. October 2016

Туре	October 2015	October 2016	Change
Studios	^{\$} 1,666	\$1,833	↑ 10.06%
One-Bedrooms	\$2,070	\$2,120	2.40%
Two-Bedrooms	\$2,538	\$2,733	† 7.68%



A QUICK LOOK

Where Prices Decreased (monthly)

↓ Long Island City

Studios -1.5% One-Bedroom -1.9%

Astoria

One-Bedroom -2.8%

■ Ridgewood

One-Bedroom -0.1% Two-Bedroom -3.6%

■ Flushing

Studios -5.1%

↓ Jackson Heights

One-Bedroom -1.2% Two-Bedroom -8.4%

Where Prices Increased (monthly)

↑ Long Island City

Two-Bedroom 1.2%

↑ Astoria

Studios 3.8% Two-Bedroom 0.7%

▲ Flushing

One-Bedroom 6.0% Two-Bedroom 1.6%

▲ Rego Park

Studios 5.5% One-Bedroom 2.3% Two-Bedroom 15.8%

Forest Hills

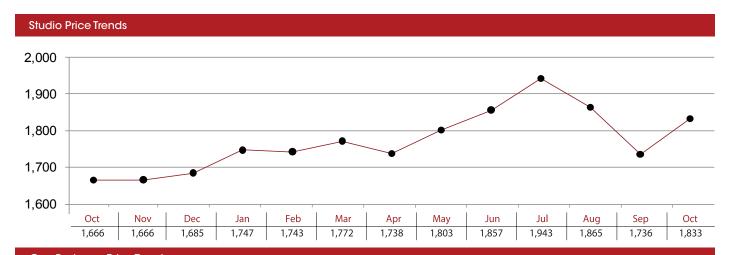
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▲ Jackson Heights

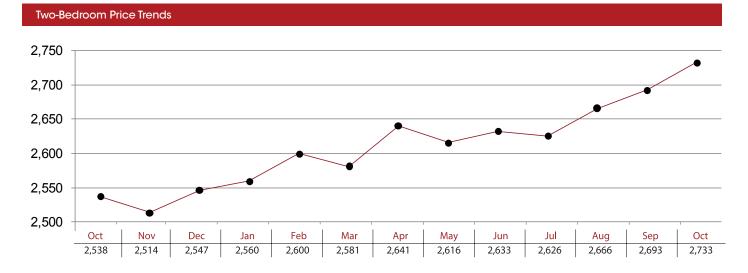
Studios 5.6%



QUEENS PRICE TRENDS



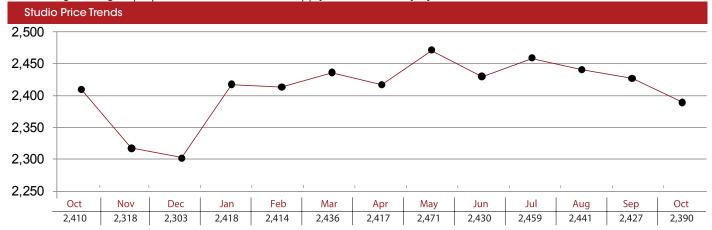


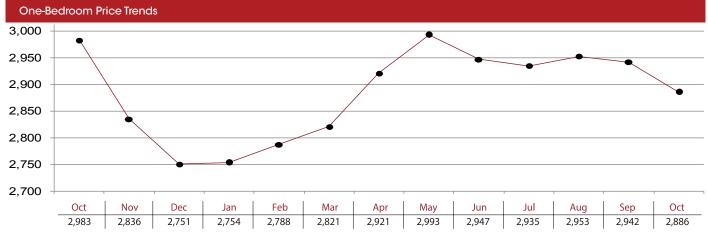


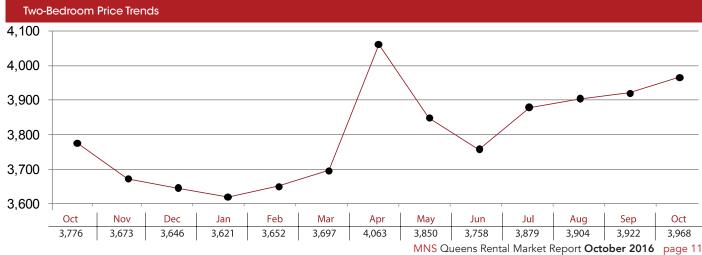


LONG ISLAND CITY

• Prices in Long Island City decreased 0.5% this month, following a 0.1% decrease last month. This equals a \$15.85 drop in rents. One bedroom prices fell the most, by 1.9%, followed by a 1.5% drop in studio prices. Two bedroom prices were the only ones to increase this month (by 1.2%), and they were the only price to increase last month as well. Over the last year, two bedroom prices were still the only ones to increase, and did so by 5.1%. Studio and one bedroom prices have both decreased, by 0.8% and 3.3%, respectively. Inventory levels in Long Island City remain strong since last month, at 482 units and 39.8% of the market, again constituting the largest proportion of Queens' rental supply, followed closely by Astoria.



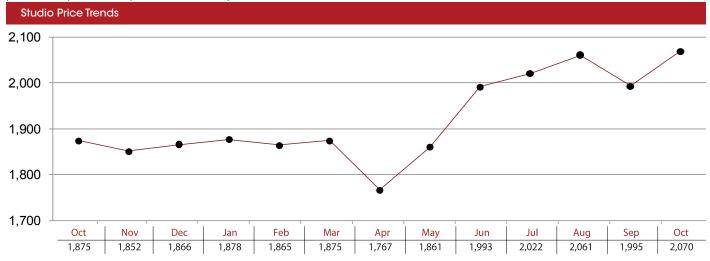


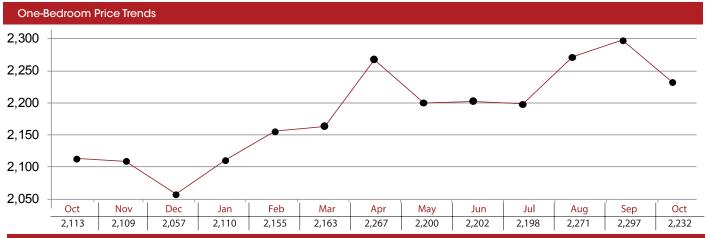


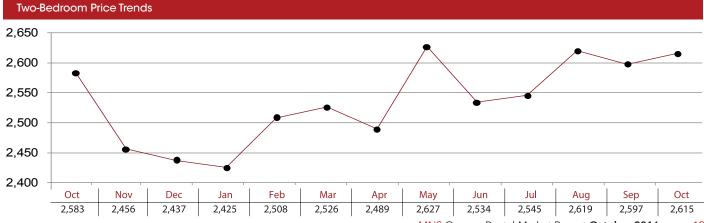


ASTORIA

• Over the last month, Astoria prices increased by 0.4%, following a 0.9% decrease last month. Studio prices increased by 3.8%, one bedroom prices decreased by 2.8%, and two bedroom prices increased by 0.7%. Over the last year, studio prices increased by 10.4%, one bedroom prices increased by 5.7%, and two bedroom prices increased by 1.3%, for an average overall yearly increase of 5.3%. Inventory levels were impressive last month, constituting 35% of the supply in the borough, and they increased by .6% this month. At 431 units, it is the only neighborhood in Queens to come close to the mammoth 482 units in Long Island City (Forest Hills, at 88 units, is third to Astoria).





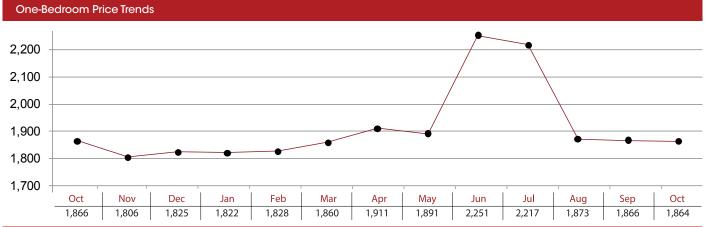




RIDGEWOOD

• Prices in Ridgewood increased by 9.2%. This increase is large partly because there were no studio units on the market this month, which affected the average. One bedroom prices actually fell by 0.1%, and two bedroom prices fell by 3.6%. Over the last year, one bedroom prices have decreased by 0.1%, and two bedroom prices have increased by 3.4%. There were no studios on the market in Ridgewood this month, and although that may seem extreme, this has occurred multiple times over the last year in this neighborhood. Overall, however, inventory levels remained intact, increasing from 68 to 73 units.



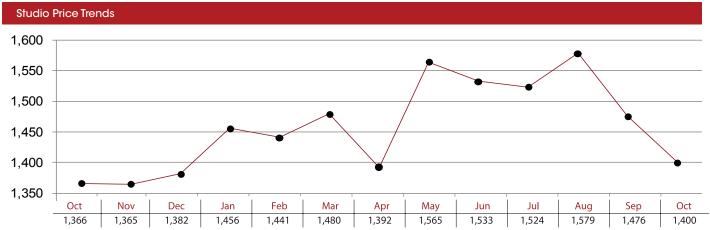


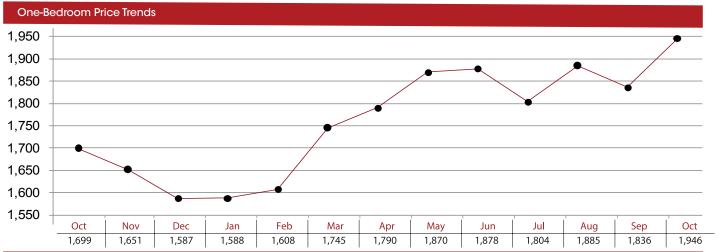


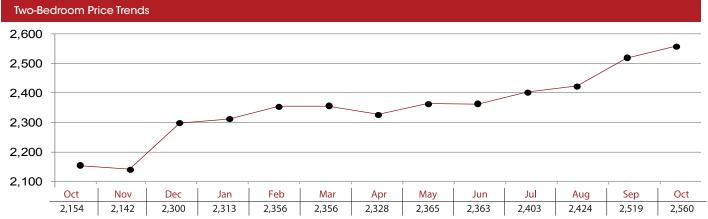


FLUSHING

• Although the average monthly change in Flushing prices this month was +1.3%, changes within apartment sizes were varied: studio prices dropped 5.1%, one bedroom prices increased by 6.0%, and two bedroom prices increased by 1.6%. This represents average changes of -\$76, +110, and +41, respectively. Over the last year, price increases have been great, averaging 13.1%. Inventory levels in Flushing are generally very low. Last month, it accounted for the second smallest proportion of the borough's units, and this month it accounted for the absolute smallest- at 39 units, or 3.2%.



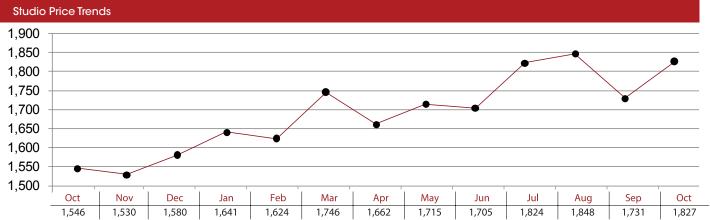


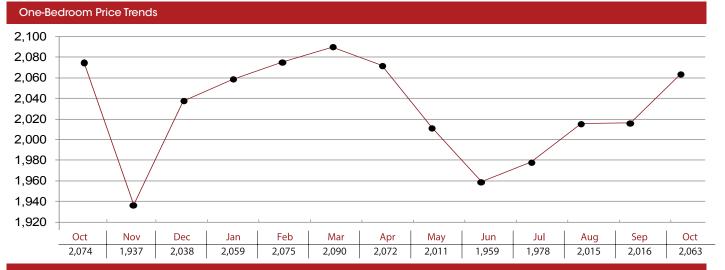


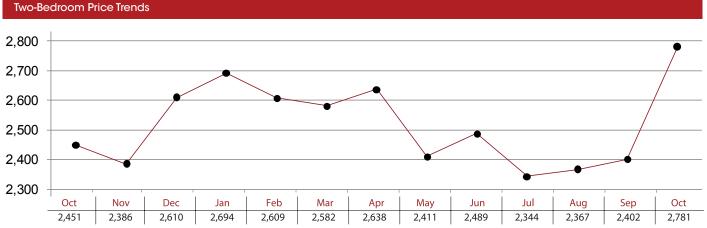


REGO PARK

• Prices in Rego Park increased across the board: studio prices increased by 5.5%, one bedroom prices increased by 2.3%, and two bedroom prices increased by 15.8%. Over the last year, price changes were also large. Studio prices increased by 18.2% and two bedroom prices increased by 13.5%. Rego Park represented 4.7% of the total market this month, down 25 units from last month. When the total inventory is so small, a seemingly small drop in unit count will affect percentages a lot.



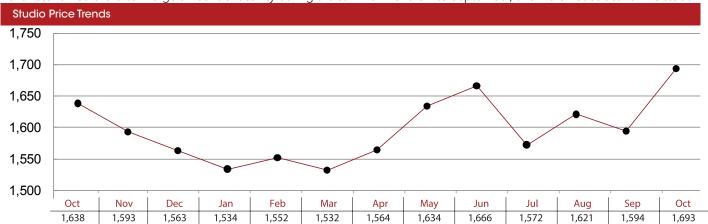


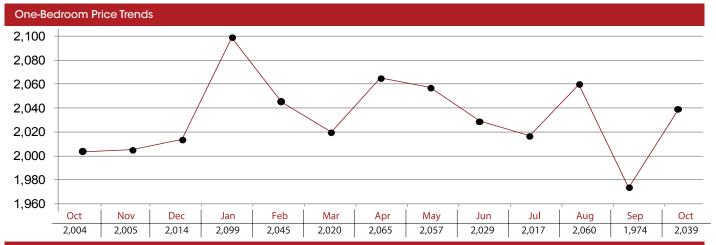


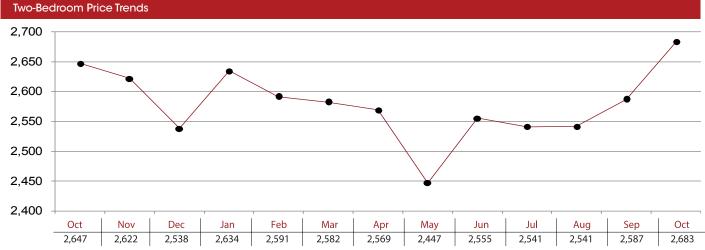


FOREST HILLS

• Prices were strong in Forest Hills this month, increasing by an average of 4.2% and across all apartment sizes. Over the last year, prices also increased across all apartment sizes, by an average of 2%. Inventory levels in Forest Hills, however, dropped by 46% this month, decreasing from 164 units to 88, and accounting this month for only 7.3% of the total market. Between August and September, inventory levels in Forest Hills increased across all apartment sizes, so this drop is due in part to market adjustment not only to this increase, but also to the change in seasons. Also, large rental buildings like 150 Greenway Terrace and 67-12 Yellowstone Boulevard saw large amount of activity during the summer months into September, and were not as active in October.



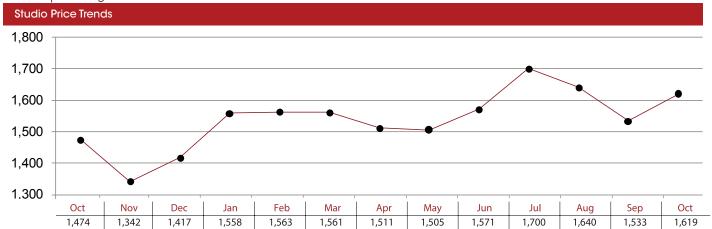


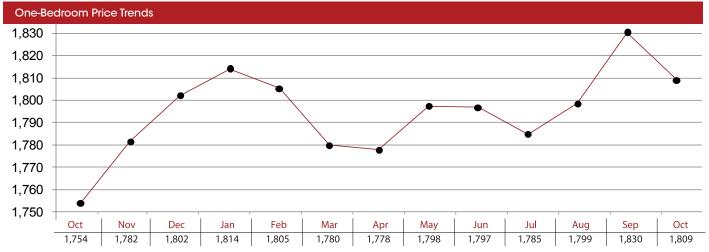


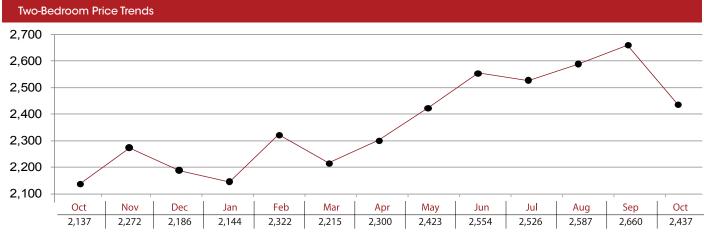


JACKSON HEIGHTS

• While studio prices in Jackson Heights rose by 5.6%, two bedroom prices fell by 8.4%. One bedroom prices fell by 1.2%. This is an average decrease of \$52.98. Over the last year, prices increased in all apartment sizes: studio prices increased by 9.8%, one bedroom prices increased by 3.1%, and two bedroom prices increased by 14.1%. Inventory increased over the last month in Jackson Heights from 31 units to 40 units, and from 2.4% of total units to 3.3% of total units. Jackson Heights is second only to Flushing as the smallest percentage of Queens' total units.









THE REPORT EXPLAINED

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



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