Jersey House Price Index

Fourth Quarter 2017

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Annual Summary

In 2017:

- on a calendar year basis:
 - o the Jersey House Price Index was 3% higher than in 2016
 - all property types saw average prices increase in 2017
 - 2-bedroom flats together with 3- and 4-bedroom houses all recorded their highest ever annual averages
- **turnover** of properties was 7% higher than in the previous year; this increase in turnover was driven by increased sales of flats, where turnover increased by 26%; in contrast the number of house sales declined by 6% in 2017 compared to 2016.

Quarterly Summary

In the fourth quarter of 2017:

- on a **rolling four-quarter basis**, the mix-adjusted average price of dwellings sold in Jersey during the year ending Q4 2017 was 1% higher than the previous quarter (ending Q3 2017)
- on a quarterly basis:
 - o the *seasonally adjusted* mix-adjusted average price in Q4 2017 was 3% higher compared with the previous quarter and 4% higher than the corresponding quarter in 2016
 - all property types recorded higher mean prices than in the previous quarter
- the **turnover** of properties in Q4 2017 was higher than the previous quarter, but lower than the corresponding quarter in 2016
- overall housing market activity, on a rolling four-quarter basis, was essentially unchanged when compared with the previous quarter (Q3 2017) and 10% higher than the corresponding quarter of 2016
- on a rolling four-quarter basis, **rental prices** in Jersey were essentially unchanged during the year ending Q4 2017 compared with the previous quarter (ending Q3 2017)

Introduction

This report presents additional information and analysis generally included in the fourth quarter report of each calendar year and also presents a comparison over time of property, earnings and retail price indices in Jersey.

Included in this report are:

- calendar year, mean and median property prices (Appendix A Tables A3 and A4)
- turnover of properties by price band (page 12)
- first time buyer properties on an annual basis (page 10)
- comparison of indices: the Jersey House Price Index, the Index of Average Earnings and the Retail Prices Index (RPI) over the short-, medium- and long-term (pages 15 to 16)

Overall mix-adjusted Index

The Jersey House Price Index measures the combined average price of 1- and 2-bedroom flats and 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom houses. The index includes share transfer properties.

Figure 1 shows the Jersey House Price Index from 2002 to 2017 on a non-seasonally adjusted basis and also the rolling four-quarter average (see Note 6 and Appendix A). Figure 2 shows the Jersey House Price Index in the more recent period from 2008 to 2017.

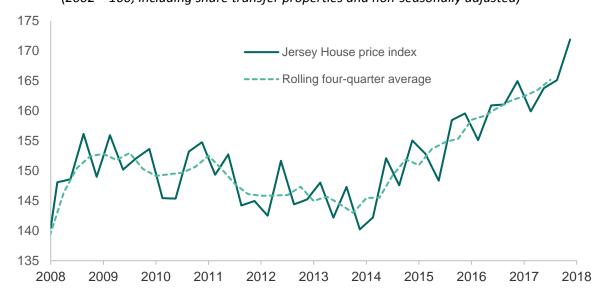
Figure 1 – Jersey House Price Index, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017

(2002 = 100; including share transfer properties and non-seasonally adjusted)



Figure 2 – Jersey House Price Index, Q1 2008 to Q4 2017

(2002 = 100; including share transfer properties and non-seasonally adjusted)



On a rolling four-quarter basis, the Jersey House Price Index during the year ending Q4 2017 was 1% higher than the previous quarter (ending Q3 2017).

On a quarterly basis, the *seasonally adjusted* average price in Q4 2017 was 3% higher when compared with the previous quarter and 4% higher than the corresponding quarter in 2016 (Q4 2016).

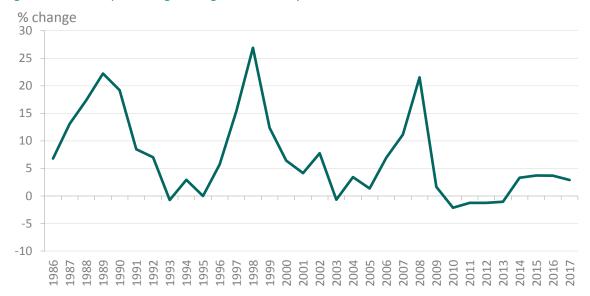


Figure 3 – Annual percentage change in the Jersey House Price Index 1986-2017

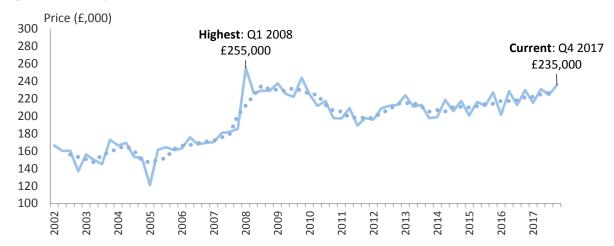
As is apparent from Figure 3, property prices in Jersey have seen three periods of strong growth during the last three decades, with peaks in the annual rate of increase occuring in 1989, 1998 and 2008; each of these years recorded annual price increases of more than 20%. In the past, such peaks were followed by periods of lower rates of increase or, more recently from 2010 to 2013, by a period of sustained decline in overall average price on an annual basis.

On a calendar year basis, the Jersey House Price Index in 2017 was 3% higher than in 2016. This is a slightly slower rate of increase than the 4% recorded in 2016.

Individual property types - 1-bedroom flats

The mean prices for 1-bedroom flats are shown in Figure 4.

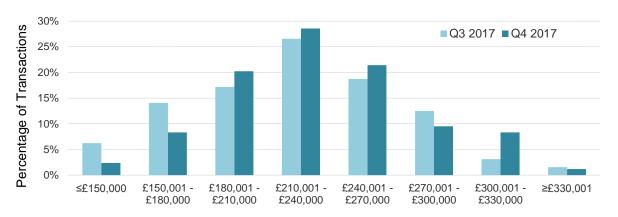
Figure 4 – Mean prices (£,000) for 1-bedroom flats, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017



Following the sharp increase in mean prices early in 2008, the remainder of 2008 and 2009 saw the mean price of 1-bedroom flats remain essentially stable at around £230,000. During 2010 and 2011 the mean price of this property type decreased, largely due to an increase in turnover of lower priced share transfer properties. In the most recent five-year period mean prices have slowly increased from around £200,000 to now approaching a mean price of around £230,000.

The mean price of 1-bedroom flats sold in the latest quarter was £235,000, which was around £11,000 higher than the previous quarter (Q3 2017) and around £16,000 higher than the annual average of the previous calendar year (2016). Figure 5 shows the distribution of prices for these properties sold in the last two quarters.

Figure 5 – Price distributions for 1-bedroom flats, Q3 2017 and Q4 2017



The *median* price of 1-bedroom flats sold in the latest quarter was £240,000 (£5,000 higher than the mean price) and the largest volume (almost 30% of total transactions) were sold in the £210,001 - £240,000 price bracket.

Table 1 – Mean prices for 1-bedroom flats

1-Bed Flats	2014	2014			2015			2016			2017					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Price (£,000)	199	219	205	217	201	216	212	227	201	228	212	230	215	231	224	235

The Q4 2017 mean price has a 95% confidence interval of ± £9,000

On a calendar year basis, the mean price for a one-bedroom flat in 2017 was £227,000, around £8,000 higher than 2016.

Individual property types - 2-bedroom flats

The mean prices for 2-bedroom flats are shown in Figure 6.

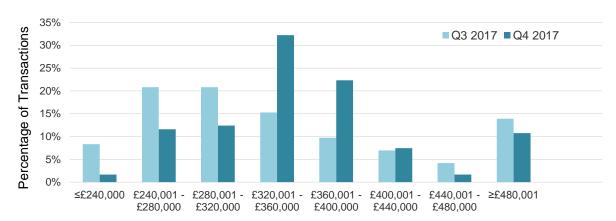
Figure 6 – Mean prices (£,000) for 2-bedroom flats, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017



Following a period of stability throughout 2008 and 2009, when the mean price of 2-bedroom flats was around £320,000, the subsequent two years saw increases, taking the annual mean price of this property type to around £340,000 in 2012. Since then the mean price of 2-bedroom flats has generally remained around this level.

The mean price of 2-bedroom flats sold in the latest quarter was £369,000, which was around £13,000 higher than the previous quarter (Q3 2017) and £20,000 higher than the annual average of the previous calendar year (2016). Figure 7 shows the distribution of prices for these properties sold in the last two quarters.

Figure 7 – Price distributions for 2-bedroom flats, Q3 2017 and Q4 2017



The median price of 2-bedroom flats sold in the latest quarter was £350,000 (£19,000 lower than the mean price) and the largest volume (over 30% of total transactions) were sold in the £320,001 - £360,000 price bracket.

Table 2 – Mean prices for 2-bedroom flats

2-Bed Flats	2014	2014			2015 20			2016			2017					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Price (£,000)	340	354	327	341	335	301	347	343	320	359	345	361	344	346	356	369

The Q4 2017 mean price has a 95% confidence interval of ± £19,000

On a calendar year basis, the mean price for a two-bedroom flat in 2017 was £355,000, which was £6,000 higher than 2016 and the highest recorded annual average to date.

Individual property types - 2-bedroom houses

The mean prices for 2-bedroom houses are shown in Figure 8.

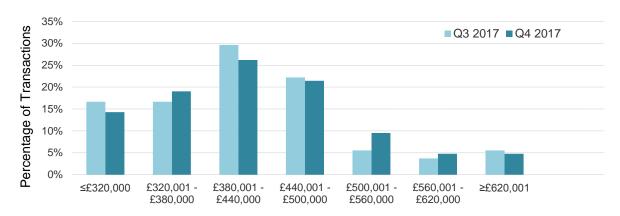
Figure 8 – Mean prices (£,000) for 2-bedroom houses, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017



The mean price of 2-bedroom houses sold from 2008 to 2010 was between £400,000 and £410,000. The mean price of this property type subsequently decreased, with the annual average price recorded in each year from 2011 to 2013 ranging from approximately £375,000 to £390,000. In the latter half of 2014 the mean price of 2-bedroom houses rose above £400,000 for the first time since early-2011 and has continued to remain above this level except for a downward fluctuation seen in Q4 2015 and Q1 2016.

The mean price of 2-bedroom houses sold in the latest quarter, at £427,000, was £7,000 higher than the previous quarter (Q3 2017) and £12,000 higher than the 2016 average. Figure 9 shows the distribution of prices for these properties sold in the last two quarters.

Figure 9 – Price distributions for 2-bedroom houses, Q3 2017 and Q4 2017



The *median* price of 2-bedroom houses sold in the latest quarter was £410,000 (£17,000 lower than the mean price) and the largest volume (over 25% of total transactions) were sold in the £380,001 - £440,000 price bracket.

Table 3 – Mean prices for 2-bedroom houses

2-Bed Houses	2014	2014			2015 20			2016	2016			2017				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Price (£,000)	377	382	412	436	438	418	443	394	396	421	440	407	404	424	420	427

The Q4 2017 mean price has a 95% confidence interval of ± £29,000

On a calendar year basis, the mean price for a two-bedroom house in 2017 was £420,000, an increase of £5,000 compared with 2016.

Individual property types - 3-bedroom houses

The mean prices for 3-bedroom houses are shown in Figure 10.

Figure 10 - Mean prices (£,000) for 3-bedroom houses, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017

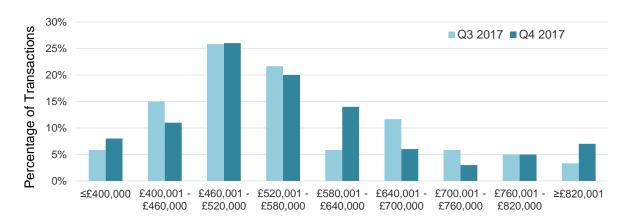


After a period of strong growth from 2006 to early 2008, the mean price of 3-bedroom houses remained relatively stable throughout the subsequent four-year period from 2008 to 2011, at between £510,000 and £520,000.

At the end of 2011 the mean price of this property type fell below £500,000 for the first time since 2007 and remained below this level for almost three years. In Q2 2014 it once again rose above the £500,000 mark and has subsequently remained above this level.

The mean price of 3-bedroom houses which sold in the latest quarter was £573,000 which was £13,000 higher than the previous quarter (Q3 2017), and £39,000 higher than the 2016 average. Figure 11 shows the distribution of prices for these properties sold in the last two quarters.

Figure 11 - Price distributions for 3-bedroom houses, Q3 2017 and Q4 2017



The *median* price of 3-bedroom houses sold in the latest quarter was £545,000 (£28,000 lower than the mean price) and the largest volume (over 25% of total transactions) were sold in the £460,001 - £520,000 price bracket.

Table 4 – Mean prices for 3-bedroom houses

3-Bed Houses	2014				2015 201			2016	2016			2017	2017			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Price (£,000)	458	508	512	526	524	503	530	545	516	519	538	555	541	549	560	573

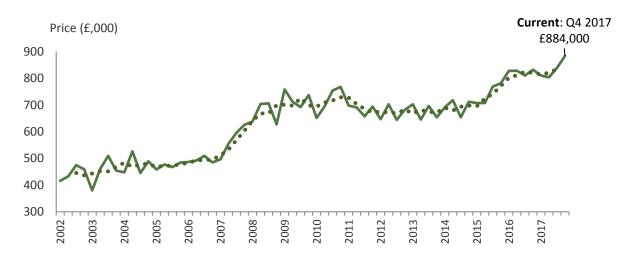
The Q4 2017 mean price has a 95% confidence interval of ± £56,000

On a calendar year basis, the mean price for a three-bedroom house in 2017 was £556,000, an increase of £22,000 compared with 2016 and the highest recorded annual average to date.

Individual property types - 4-bedroom houses

The mean prices for 4-bedroom houses are shown in Figure 12.

Figure 12 – Mean prices (£,000) for 4-bedroom houses, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017

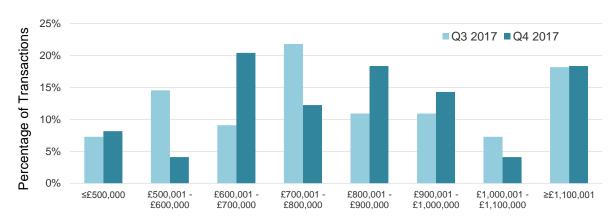


Although this category of property has seen some volatility in price on a quarterly basis since 2008, for the most part the mean price of this property type has fluctuated around £700,000. More recently from Q3 2015 we have seen the average recorded price increase, with mean prices exceeded £800,000 for the first time in Q1 2016.

The mean price of 4-bedroom houses which sold in the latest quarter was £884,000, an increase of £44,000 compared to the previous quarter and £60,000 higher than the annual average for 2016. This most recent figure represents the highest mean price for this class of property so far recorded.

Figure 13 shows the distribution of prices for these properties sold in the last two quarters.

Figure 13 – Price distributions for 4-bedroom houses, Q3 2017 and Q4 2017



The *median* price of 4-bedroom houses sold in the latest quarter was £825,000 (£59,000 lower than the mean price) and the largest volume (over 20% of total transactions) were sold in the £600,001 - £700,000 price bracket.

Table 5 – Mean prices for 4-bedroom houses

4-Bed Houses	2014	2014			2015			2016			2017					
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Price (£,000)	691	718	654	712	707	708	769	771	828	829	811	832	810	804	840	884

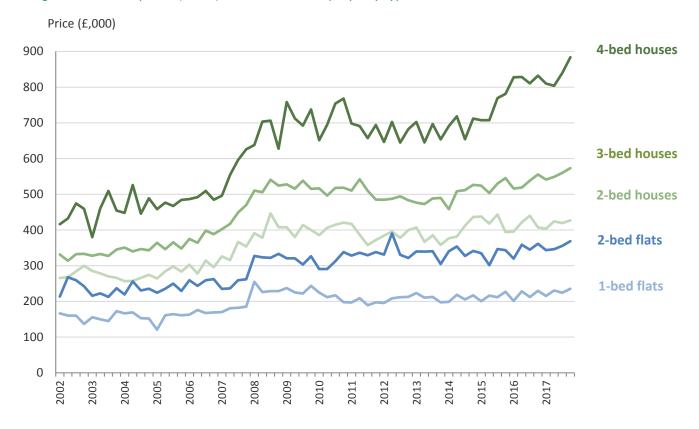
The Q4 2017 mean price has a 95% confidence interval of \pm £140,000

On a calendar year basis, the mean price for a four-bedroom house in 2016 was £835,000, an increase of £11,000 compared with 2016 and the highest recorded annual average to date.

Individual property types - Combined

Each of the mean prices for the period of 2002 to 2017, for the individual categories of dwelling are shown in Figure 14.

Figure 14 – Mean prices (£,000) for the individual property types, Q1 2002 to Q4 2017



When comparing the different property types it can be seen that:

- the differences in mean prices between 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom flats increased slightly in Q4 2017 when compared to the previous quarter
- the differences in mean prices between 2-bedroom flats and 2-bedroom houses decreased in Q4 2017 when compared to the previous quarter
- the difference in the mean price of smaller properties (1-, 2-bedroom flats and 2-bedroom houses) and larger properties 3- and 4-bedroom houses) increased in Q4 2017 when compared to the previous quarter

First Time Buyer properties

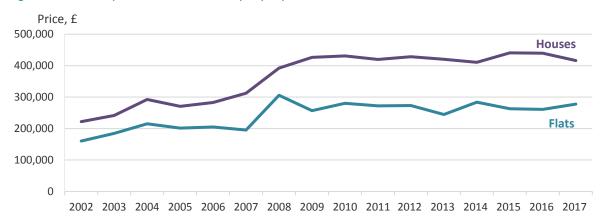
There are a number of sites in Jersey which have had dwellings built exclusively for First Time Buyers (FTBs). Due to the relatively small number of such transactions taking place in a given quarter, FTB properties are presented in Table 6 and Figure 15 on an annual basis and at a combined flat and a combined house level.

Table 6: First Time Buyers' properties, 2010-2017

		Mean price	Transactions	
Flats	2010	280	6	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
	2011	272	13	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
	2012	273	9	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
	2013	245	3	Woodville re-sale
	2014	284	6	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
	2015	263	8	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
	2016	261	8	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
	2017	278	4	Woodville & Albert Place re-sale
Houses	2010	431	18	La Providence
	2011	420	22	La Providence
	2012	429	29	Jardin de Haut & Uplands Drive
	2013	420	31	Le Champ Pres De L'Eglise / Various re-sale
	2014	411	14	Various & re-sale
	2015	441	25	Various & re-sale
	2016	440	15	Various & re-sale
	2017	416	37	Le Grand Clos / various re-sale

The general behaviour of the prices of such properties is apparent from Figure 15 which shows the mean prices of designated FTB properties on a calendar year basis from 2002 to 2017.

Figure 15 - Mean price of First Time Buyer properties, 2002-2017



Between 2004 and 2007 the mean price of FTB flats was around £200,000. The price of such properties which sold in 2008 was 50% higher than this level, taking the mean price to over £300,000. Between 2009 and 2017 the mean price of FTB flats has been relatively more stable, at around £250,000 to £280,000.

The mean price of FTB houses saw ongoing price increases on an annual basis between 2005 and 2009, such that the mean price increased from around £270,000 to almost £430,000 over this period. From 2009 to 2017 the mean price of FTB houses remained relatively more stable at between £410,000 and £440,000.

Turnover

A total of 396 eligible properties (see <u>Note 2</u>) were reported as being sold in Jersey in the latest quarter, Q4 2017. A degree of caution is required in making comparisons between quarters due to the variation in the frequency of sittings of the Royal Court and also due to seasonal variations. Nevertheless, the number of properties sold in Q4 2017 was:

- higher than the previous quarter
- lower than the corresponding quarter of 2016

On a calendar year basis the turnover of properties was 7% higher than in the previous year. This increase in turnover was driven by increased sales of flats, where turnover increased by 26%. In contrast the number of house sales declined by 6% in 2017 compared to 2016.

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Figure 16 – Number of dwellings included in the Jersey House Price Index by property type

Table 7 - Number of dwellings included in the Jersey House Price Index by property type

		Fla	ats		Houses		Tatal	Bulletins
		1-bed	2-bed	2-bed	3-bed	4-bed	Total	published
2015	Q1	64	44	34	84	38	264	6
	Q2	74	49	45	101	59	328	6
	Q3	60	53	47	92	44	296	6
	Q4	63	61	47	132	63	366	7
	Total 2015	261	207	173	409	204	1,254	25
2016	Q1	58	46	34	103	43	284	6
	Q2	62	96	23	105	45	331	6
	Q3	77	78	38	134	62	389	7
	Q4	78	70	58	144	56	406	6
	Total 2016	275	290	153	486	206	1,410	25
2017	Q1	86	76	30	84	45	321	6
	Q2	102	108	49	116	49	424	6
	Q3	64	72	54	120	55	365	7
	Q4	84	121	42	100	49	396	6
	Total 2017	336	377	175	420	198	1,506	25

In Q4 2017 share transfer transactions (see Note 3) accounted for three-quarters (75%) of all eligible flat sales, a higher proportion than that recorded in calendar year 2016.

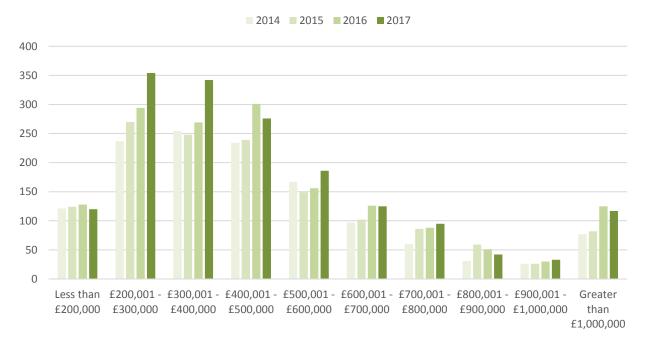
Price distributions

The following table details all recorded residential property transactions over the last four years broken down into price bands. Whilst not included in the main house price index figures, the figures in this table also includes bedsits, 3- or more bedroom flats, 1- and 5- or more bedroom houses in order to provide a more complete picture of the Jersey residential property market.

Table 8: Property sales by price band, 2014 to 2017

Price band	2014	2015	2016	2017
Less than £200,001	121	124	128	120
£200,001 - £300,000	237	270	294	354
£300,001 - £400,000	254	248	269	342
£400,001 - £500,000	234	239	301	276
£500,001 - £600,000	167	149	156	186
£600,001 - £700,000	97	102	126	125
£700,001 - £800,000	60	86	88	95
£800,001 - £900,000	31	59	51	42
£900,001 - £1,000,000	26	26	30	33
£1,000,000 - £1,500,000	37	46	78	59
£1,500,000 - £2,000,000	21	19	18	25
Greater than £2,000,000	19	17	29	33

Figure 17: Property sales by price band, 2014 to 2017



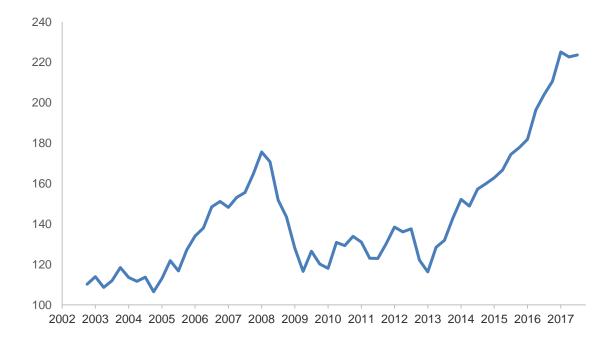
Housing Market Activity

The Jersey Housing Market Activity Index measures the total market activity of 1- and 2-bedroom flats and 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom houses in Jersey. The index includes share transfer properties.

Figure 18 shows the Jersey Housing Market Activity Index from 2002 to 2017 as a rolling four-quarter average (see Note 8 and Appendix B):

Figure 18 – Jersey Housing Market Activity Index

(2002 = 100; including share transfer properties and on a rolling four-quarter basis)



On a **rolling four-quarter basis**, the total activity of the Jersey housing market during the year ending Q4 2017 was essentially unchanged (increased less than 1%) when compared with the previous quarter and was 10% higher than the corresponding quarter in 2016 (ending Q4 2016).

A degree of caution is required in making comparisons between quarters due to seasonal variations, nevertheless, on a **quarterly** basis:

- the total market activity in Q4 2017 was 13% higher than the previous quarter (Q3 2017)
- the total market activity in Q4 2016 was 2% higher than the corresponding quarter in 2016 (Q4 2016)

Comparison with Guernsey

The Guernsey comparable¹ mix-adjusted average price of properties sold in Jersey in the most recent quarter was £501,000. This is £76,000 higher than the mix-adjusted average price of Local Market properties sold in Guernsey of £425,000.

In Guernsey, the mix adjusted average purchase price for Local Market properties in the fourth quarter of 2017 was 0.3% higher than in the previous quarter and 2.5% higher than in the same quarter of 2016.

Turnover in Guernsey during the fourth quarter of 2017 was 7% lower than the previous quarter and 27% higher than the corresponding quarter of 2016.

Comparison with United Kingdom

The UK House Price Index in the fourth quarter of 2017 (October to December 2017) was 5% higher on an annual basis (non-seasonally adjusted) and 1% higher on a quarterly basis (compared with July to September 2017, seasonally adjusted). On a rolling four-quarter basis, the mix-adjusted index for the UK was 1% higher than in the previous quarter.

The mix-adjusted average prices of dwellings sold in the UK (overall and by region) in the latest quarter are shown in Table 9.

Table 9: Mix-adjusted average prices in Jersey and the UK (in £,000's)

	Q4 2017
Jersey	483
UK	226
England	243
Wales	154
Scotland	148
Northern Ireland	130
London	483
South East (excluding London)	324
East	290
South West	253
West Midlands (region)	190
East Midlands	185
Yorkshire & The Humber	157
North West	158
North East	129

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¹ The Guernsey mix-adjusted price uses a different methodology to the current Jersey House Price Index to calculate the average property price. For the purposes of comparison, that same methodology has been used to create a comparable figure for Jersey.

House prices, Earnings and Retail prices

In this section we provide a comparison of the Jersey House Price Index with both the Index of Average Earnings and the All Items Retail Prices Index (RPI) over the short-, medium- and long-term.

Long-term change, 1990 to 2017

Figure 19 shows the long-term growth of property prices, earnings and consumer prices in Jersey from 1990 to 2017, as measured by the Jersey House Price Index, the Index of Average Earnings and the Retail Prices Index (RPI), respectively².

Index, 1990 = 100

450
400
350
300
250
200
150

2004

2006

2008

2010 2012 2014 2016

Figure 19: Long-term change in property prices, earnings and retail prices, 1990 to 2017.

2000

It is apparent from Figure 19 that over the long-term, since 1990, the overall growth in property prices in Jersey has been greater than that of both earnings and retail prices.

2002

Since 1990:

100 50 0

1990

1992

1994

1996

1998

- the Jersey House Price Index has quadrupled (increased by 307%), corresponding to property prices in Jersey having increased at an average annual rate of 5.3% per annum
- average earnings have increased by 204% over the same period, corresponding to an average annual rate of increase of 4.2% per annum
- the Jersey RPI has increased by 155% (i.e. prices have more than doubled), corresponding to an average annual rate of increase of 3.5% per annum

Medium-term (10-year) change, 2007 to 2017

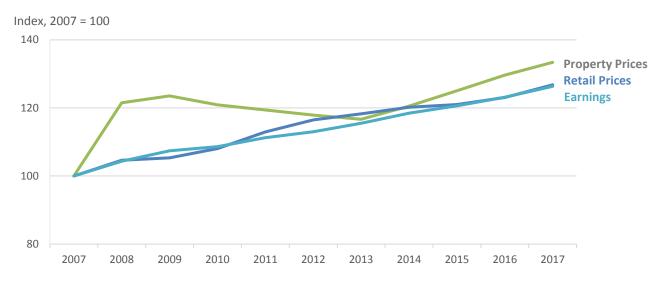
Over the last ten years, property prices in Jersey have increased by more than both earnings and consumer prices (See Figure 20).

Since 2007:

- the Jersey House Price Index has increased by 33%, corresponding to property prices in Jersey having increased at an average annual rate of 2.9% per annum
- average earnings have increased by 26% over the same period, corresponding to an average annual rate of increase of 2.4% per annum
- the Jersey RPI has increased by 27% corresponding to an average annual rate of increase of 2.4% per annum

² Index values plotted in Figures 19-21 are annual averages.

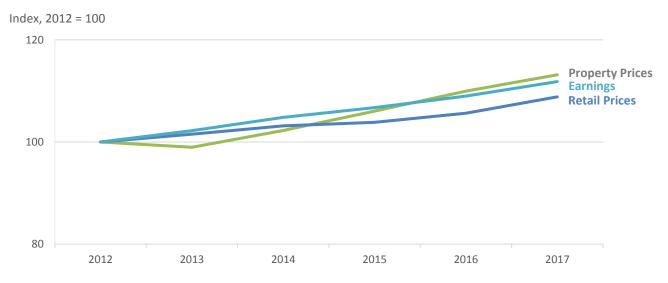
Figure 20: Medium-term change in property prices, earnings and retail prices, 2007 to 2017.



Short-term (5-year) change, 2012 to 2017

More recently, over the latest five-year period, the relative behaviour of the three indices has been different to that seen over the medium- and long-term, with the change in in property prices and average earnings being largely comparable whilst retail prices have increased at a slower rate (see Figure 21).

Figure 21: Short-term change in property prices, earnings and retail prices, 2012 to 2017.



Since 2012:

- the Jersey House Price Index has increased by 13%, comprising a year of falling prices on an annual basis followed by increases in the last four years
- average earnings have increased by 12%
- the Jersey RPI has increased by 9%

Notes

1. Data sources:

The principal data sources on the transaction prices of property sales used in the Jersey House Price Index are:

- the Jersey Property Bulletin for freehold and flying freehold properties;
- the States of Jersey Income Tax Department for share transfer transactions.

The above price data are supplemented by information on the type and size of each property provided by the States of Jersey Population Office.

2. Excluded properties:

Derelict buildings, commercial properties with associated residential units, apparent intra-family transactions, retirement community developments and properties designated by the States of Jersey solely for purchase by first-time buyers are excluded from the final data set from which the average prices and the Index are determined. Furthermore, due to the small numbers of properties and high variability of prices, the following categories of dwelling are also excluded: bedsits; 3 or more bedroom flats; 1 and 5 or more bedroom houses; and multi-dwelling properties. New dwellings, other than those removed by the above exclusion criteria, are implicitly included in the final data set.

3. Share transfer transactions:

Sales occurring via share transfer are not processed through the Royal Court and hence do not appear in the Jersey Property Bulletin. Price data are instead provided by the States of Jersey Tax Department. Share transfer transactions have constituted around three-fifths of all sales of flats since Q1 2002, with the proportion varying between half and three-quarters at the quarterly level as new developments come onto the market.

Although the transaction prices of properties purchased by share transfer were not included in the compilation of the Jersey House Price Index prior to Q1 2011, the Land Transaction Tax, which came into effect on 1st January 2010, has enabled the transaction prices of properties purchased by share transfer to be recorded. Share transfer property transactions are therefore now incorporated in the compilation of the Jersey House Price Index.

In respect of these transactions, the value recorded in the Land Transaction Tax data will only reflect the value of the shares transferred that confer a right of occupation to a dwelling within their articles of association. They will therefore not include any transactions that do not relate to a dwelling, such as the separate sale of parking spaces and storage areas which may ordinarily be included in the sale price of other property types.

Comparative studies have shown that including share transfer properties in the assembly of the House Price Index does not significantly affect annual or quarterly percentage changes, although including share transfer properties does reduce the level of the mix-adjusted mean property price by around 8% - see Annex B of "Jersey House Price Index – First Quarter 2011", States of Jersey Statistics Unit, May 2011.

4. Mix-adjusted average price

The mix-adjusted average price of dwellings is calculated by weighting together the geometric mean price for each of the following five categories: 1- and 2-bedroom flats; 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom houses ("houses" includes houses and bungalows). The resulting mix-adjusted average dwelling price (see Note 5) is converted into the Jersey House Price Index (based to 100 for calendar year 2002).

5. Mix-adjustment:

In order that the average price in a given period is independent of the particular "mix" of properties sold in that period, a "mix-adjusted" average is calculated for each period by weighting each property type by a constant proportion.

Each year revised property-type weights are incorporated within each Q1 analysis, derived from the full preceding three-year period and including share transfer properties. In order to produce a continuous index series over time, the Q1 results are chain-linked.

It should be emphasised that, as a consequence of re-weighting, mix-adjusted mean prices will not be comparable between calendar years, although they will be comparable within each calendar year. In order to calculate change between years, the mix-adjusted <u>index</u> should be used.

6. Four-quarter rolling average

Due to the relatively low turnover of properties in Jersey, the mix-adjusted House Price Index is susceptible to fluctuations which occur due to variance in the mix of properties sold from one quarter to another, in terms of quality, location and age, particularly when a number of properties from a new development become available for purchase in the same period. To moderate such effects, the Jersey House Price Index is presented on a rolling four-quarter basis in Figure 1.

7. Seasonal adjustment

Housing markets can, in principle, exhibit seasonal effects that affect property prices. In order to enable meaningful quarter-on-quarter comparison, the mix-adjusted house price index is seasonally adjusted using the Eurostat Demetra software package.

Seasonal adjustment is based on ongoing estimation of seasonal trends and as such is subject to revision. In order to ensure a reasonably stable series of data for the user, the seasonal model is revised once a year, in Q1, at which point the entire historic series will potentially be revised. These revisions are welcome as they derive from an expanded set of data and lead to better estimates of the seasonal pattern. Throughout the calendar year the most recent model will be utilised and therefore the monthly figures will not be subject to revision.

All other figures presented in this report, are based on the non-seasonally adjusted measures, unless otherwise stated.

8. Jersey Housing Market Activity Index

The Jersey Housing Market Activity Index is a derived index compiled from existing data sourced to produce the Jersey House Price Index and combines the mix adjusted average price of dwellings sold in Jersey with the total number of transactions that occurs during the same period to provide an indication of the total market activity.

The principal data sources are therefore the same as utilised for the Jersey House Price Index, and the list of excluded properties is the same as listed in <u>Note 2</u> above.

In respect of share transfer properties, whilst the individual share transfer transactions were not included in the compilation of the Jersey House Price Index prior to Q1 2011, the total number of transactions in each period were recorded via the share transfer consent process. This has allowed us to provide a full historical series back to Q1 2002, when the current House Price index methodology commenced.

The nature of the Jersey property market is that the turnover of properties is susceptible to seasonal fluctuations and therefore to moderate such effects, the Index is presented on a rolling four-quarter basis.

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Table A1: Jersey House Price Index (including share transfer properties)

		Index (n.s.a)	Rolling four-quarter average (n.s.a)	Seasonally adjusted index series
2007	Q1	114.1	112.3	115.1
	Q2	119.1	115.1	119.6
	Q3	129.0	118.6	126.0
	Q4	132.9	123.8	135.4
2008	Q1	148.0	132.3	145.3
	Q2	148.6	139.6	152.0
	Q3	156.1	146.4	152.7
	Q4	149.0	150.4	152.1
2009	Q1	155.9	152.4	151.3
	Q2	150.2	152.8	150.7
	Q3	152.1	151.8	150.9
	Q4	153.6	152.9	150.2
2010	Q1	145.4	150.3	146.8
	Q2	145.4	149.1	146.7
	Q3	153.2	149.4	151.6
	Q4	154.7	149.7	153.9
2011	Q1	149.3	150.6	152.9
	Q2	152.7	152.5	149.3
	Q3	144.2	150.2	145.6
	Q4	144.9	147.8	143.6
2012	Q1	142.5	146.1	146.1
	Q2	151.6	145.8	147.1
	Q3	144.4	145.9	145.6
	Q4	145.2	145.9	145.3
2013	Q1	148.0	147.3	145.9
	Q2	142.2	144.9	145.7
	Q3	147.3	145.7	143.8
	Q4	140.2	144.4	142.2
2014	Q1	142.2	143.0	144.5
	Q2	152.1	145.4	148.6
	Q3	147.6	145.5	150.3
	Q4	155.0	149.2	152.7
2015	Q1	152.8	151.9	153.0
	Q2	148.3	150.9	152.3
	Q3	158.4	153.6	156.1
	Q4	159.5	154.8	157.9
2016	Q1	155.1	155.3	155.2
	Q2	160.9	158.5	160.6
	Q3	161.0	159.1	161.5
	Q4	164.9	160.5	164.3
2017	Q1	159.9	161.7	160.2
	Q2	163.7	162.4	163.6
	Q3	165.1	163.4	165.5
	Q4	171.8	165.1	170.1

n.s.a. non-seasonally adjusted;

Table A2: Jersey House Market Activity Index

	_	Index	Rolling four-quarter average
2005	Q1	75.9	106.5
	Q2	137.3	113.0
	Q3	137.6	121.9
	Q4	116.4	116.8
2006	Q1	117.3	127.2
	Q2	164.9	134.1
	Q3	153.5	138.0
	Q4	158.1	148.5
2007	Q1	128.1	151.2
	Q2	153.0	148.2
	Q3	173.3	153.2
	Q4	167.9	155.6
2008	Q1	164.8	164.8
	Q2	196.5	175.6
	Q3	154.1	170.8
	Q4	92.3	151.9
2009	Q1	130.9	143.4
	Q2	135.0	128.1
	Q3	108.0	116.6
2010	Q4	132.2	126.6
2010	Q1	105.5	120.2
	Q2	126.4	118.0
	Q3	159.6	130.9
2011	Q4	125.6 123.9	129.3
2011	Q1 Q2	115.2	133.9 131.1
	Q2 Q3	113.2 127.4	123.0
	Q3 Q4	125.5	123.0
2012	Q4 Q1	153.0	130.3
2012	Q2	148.2	138.5
	Q3	117.7	136.1
	Q4	131.5	137.6
2013	Q1	90.9	122.1
2013	Q2	125.1	116.3
	Q3	166.7	128.5
	Q4	145.1	131.9
2014	Q1	134.3	142.8
	Q2	162.8	152.2
	Q3	153.2	148.9
	Q4	178.8	157.3
2015	Q1	144.9	159.9
	Q2	174.7	162.9
	Q3	168.4	166.7
	Q4	209.7	174.4
2016	Q1	158.2	177.8
	Q2	191.3	181.9
	Q3	226.2	196.4
	Q4	240.5	204.1
2017	Q1	184.4	210.6
	Q2	249.3	225.1
	Q3	216.5	222.7
	Q4	244.4	223.7

Table A3: Calendar year, mean property prices, 2010-2017

	Flat	s		Houses	
	1-bed	2-bed	2-bed	3-bed	4-bed
2010	£213,000	£308,000	£409,000	£512,000	£715,000
2011	£198,000	£333,000	£383,000	£511,000	£680,000
2012	£205,000	£342,000	£391,000	£487,000	£671,000
2013	£210,000	£332,000	£375,000	£484,000	£674,000
2014	£211,000	£341,000	£405,000	£502,000	£694,000
2015	£214,000	£332,000	£422,000	£527,000	£744,000
2016	£219,000	£349,000	£415,000	£534,000	£824,000
2017	£227,000	£355,000	£420,000	£556,000	£835,000

Table A4: Calendar year, median property prices, 2010-2017

	Flats			Houses		
	1-bed	2-bed	2-bed	3-bed	4-bed	
2010	£214,000	£295,000	£393,000	£475,000	£716,000	
2011	£182,000	£295,000	£375,000	£465,000	£688,000	
2012	£198,000	£300,000	£390,000	£455,000	£638,000	
2013	£210,000	£305,000	£360,000	£445,000	£650,000	
2014	£210,000	£320,000	£375,000	£475,000	£660,000	
2015	£215,000	£315,000	£400,000	£483,000	£740,000	
2016	£220,000	£320,000	£400,000	£495,000	£770,000	
2017	£226,000	£330,000	£407,000	£525,000	£755,000	

Jersey Private Sector Rental Index

The Statistics Unit published a rental index from 2007 until 2012 using prices recorded by the Population Office. The index has not been produced since December 2012 following a change in law that meant the Population Office no longer recorded this data.

Since June 2015, the Statistics Unit has been collecting data in order to produce a revised index and this was first published in the Second Quarter 2016 House Price Index report. The revised index uses advertised rental prices from both internet and classified adverts. Other jurisdictions currently use this method where there is no suitable administrative data source. The index is:

- mix adjusted
- weighted to reflect the private rental property stock on the island
- chain linked to the original Jersey Private Sector Rental Index

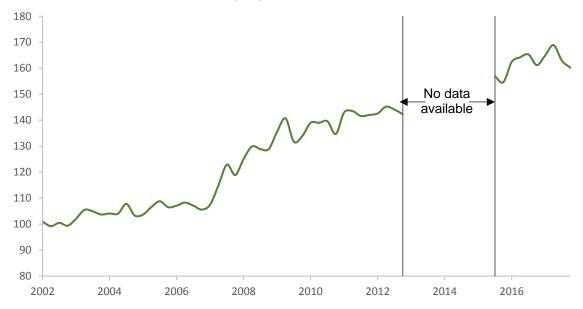
Due to the small numbers of properties and high variability of rents, the following categories of dwelling are excluded: 3- or more bedroom flats, 1-bedroom and 5- or more bedroom houses. All non-domestic dwellings are also excluded. The average (geometric mean) rental price of dwellings is calculated by weighting together the average rents for each of the following categories: bedsits, 1- and 2- bedroom flats and 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom houses. "Qualified" (entitled and licensed) and registered are also weighted separately.

As in the methodology for the Jersey House Price Index, to ensure the average rental cost in a given period is independent of the particular "mix" of properties recorded in that period, a "mix adjusted" average is calculated for each period by weighting each property type by a constant proportion based on details of the rental market stock gathered in the 2011 census.

The resulting mix-adjusted average rental price is converted into the Jersey Private Sector Rental Index (based to 100 for calendar year 2002).

Figure B1 and Table B1 below detail this revised index





- On a rolling four-quarter basis, rental prices in Jersey was essentially unchanged during the year ending Q4 2017 compared with the year ending Q3 2017
- On a quarterly basis, rental prices in Jersey have decreased by 1% compared to the previous quarter and are essentially unchanged (an increase of less than 1%) compared to the corresponding quarter of 2016 (Q4 2016).

Table B1: Jersey rental index

		Rollin	Rolling four-quarter	
		Index	average	
2004	Q1	104.1	104.6	
	Q2	104.0	104.2	
	Q3	107.8	104.9	
	Q4	103.3	104.8	
2005	Q1	103.7	104.7	
	Q2	106.6	105.4	
	Q3	108.8	105.6	
	Q4	106.5	106.4	
2006	Q1	107.1	107.3	
	Q2	108.3	107.7	
	Q3	107.1	107.3	
	Q4	105.6	107.0	
2007	Q1	107.5	107.1	
	Q2	115.0	108.8	
	Q3	122.9	112.8	
	Q4	118.9	116.1	
2008	Q1	125.1	120.5	
	Q2	129.9	124.2	
	Q3	128.9	125.7	
	Q4	128.9	128.2	
2009	Q1	135.6	130.8	
	Q2	140.7	133.5	
	Q3	131.7	134.2	
	Q4	133.9	135.5	
2010	Q1	139.0	136.3	
	Q2	139.0	135.9	
	Q3	139.6	137.9	
	Q4	134.7	138.1	
2011	Q1	143.0	139.1	
	Q2	143.5	140.2	
	Q3	141.6	140.7	
	Q4	142.0	142.5	
2012	Q1	142.6	142.4	
	Q2	145.2	142.9	
	Q3	144.1	143.5	
	Q4	142.3	143.6	
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2015	Q3	156.9	Not available	
	Q4	154.6	Not available	
2016	Q1	162.4	Not available	
	Q2	164.2	159.5	
	Q3	165.3	161.6	
	Q4	161.2	163.3	
2017	Q1	164.9	163.9	
	Q2	168.9	165.1	
	Q3	162.9	164.5	
	Q4	160.7	164.2	