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California Home Prices Pulling Back

California appears to have **topped out** in terms of price increases, at least for the present. While Black Knight Financial Services reports a 0.2 percent increase in its Home Price Index for the country as a whole in October, California and five of its leading cities saw prices pull back.

Black Knight said the HPI for the country was at $254,000 in October, now **only 5.3 percent** off of the June 2006 peak of $268,000 and up by 5.5 percent from the previous October. The October number represented a 26.9 percent rebound from the bottom reached in 2012.

National Average Mortgage Rates



Mortgage News Daily	Rate	Change	Points
30YR Fixed	7.34%	+0.01	0.00
15YR Fixed	6.89%	0.00	0.00
30YR FHA	6.96%	+0.01	0.00
30YR Jumbo	7.45%	+0.01	0.00
7/6 SOFR	6.83%	+0.02	0.00
30YR VA	6.97%	0.00	0.00

Rates as of: 11/23

MBS and Treasury

	Price / Yield	Change
MBS UMBS 6.0	99.72	+0.17
10 YR Treasury	4.8914	-0.0548
30 YR Treasury	5.2789	-0.0295

Pricing as of: 11/24 12:10PM EST

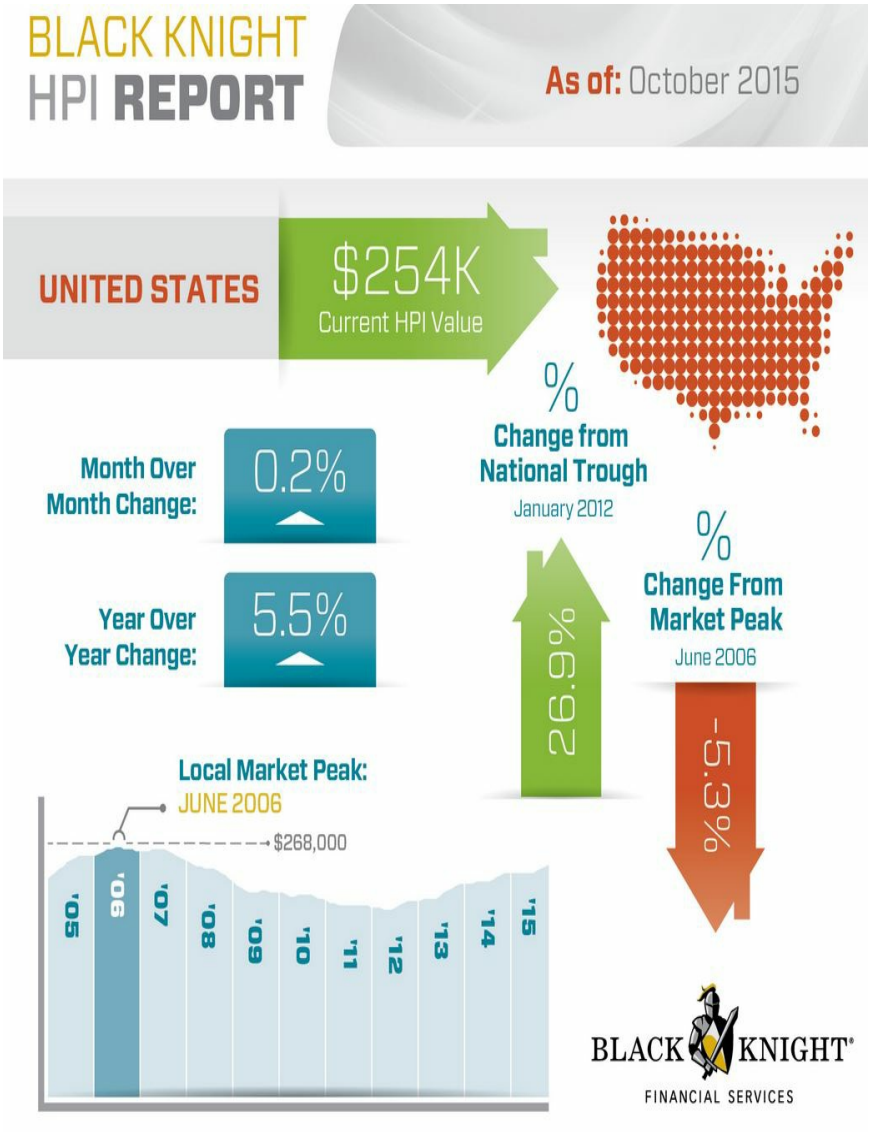
Recent Housing Data

		Value	Change
Mortgage Apps	Nov 11	199.8	-2.35%
Building Permits	Oct	1.3M	-7.5%
Housing Starts	Oct	1.31M	+7.21%
New Home Sales	Sep	676K	-1.17%
Pending Home Sales	Oct	63	-4.69%
Existing Home Sales	Oct	3.99M	+0.25%
Builder Confidence	Nov	25	-13.79%

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In contrast, in California, while up 7.5 percent on an annual basis, declined 0.2 percent from September to October. Los Angeles experienced an identical drop. California's HPI had been flat in September and increased by 0.1 percent in both July and August. The other two of the ten largest states posting **negative numbers in October** were Ohio down 0.3 percent and Illinois, down 0.1 percent.

At the other end of the spectrum, **New York led all states** for the fourth consecutive month with a 1.1 percent increase while prices in the New York City metro area were up 1.2 percent.

Nevada and **Utah** were tied for the second best month-over-month performances among the states with 0.8 percent gains in their HPI's followed by South Carolina and New Jersey at 0.7 percent.

New York, Tennessee and Texas hit **new peaks** again in October, as did seven of the nation's 40 largest metro areas

The Black Knight HPI utilizes repeat sales data from the nation's largest public records data set as well as its market-leading loan-level mortgage performance data to capture home price data from both disclosure and non-disclosure states.

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