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Should You Invest In Residential Real Estate In A Down Market?



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Are We Headed For Another Recession?



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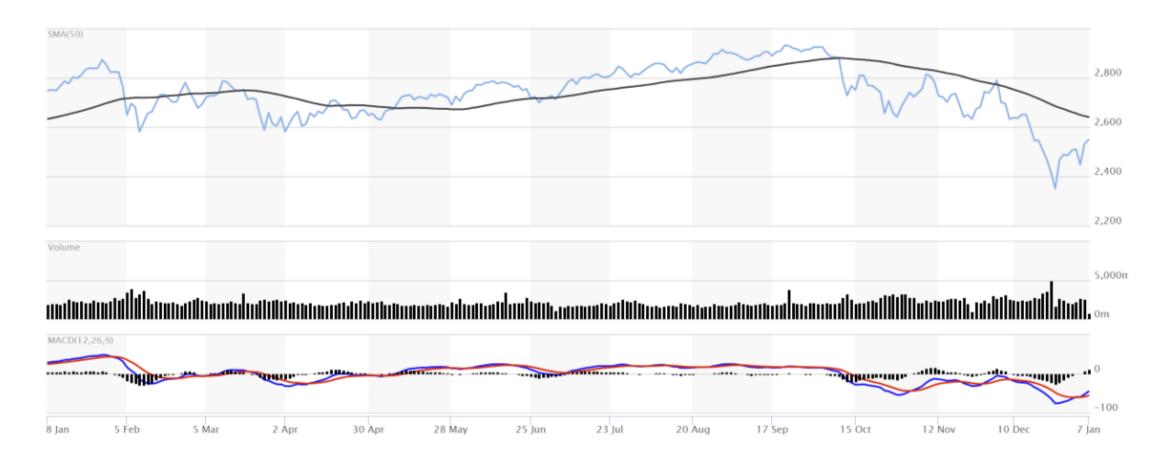
Major Economic Indicators

- Stock markets
- Yield curve
- Interest rates
- Volatility index
- Housing market





S&P 500





Treasury Yields

Both short-term and long-term yields are rising





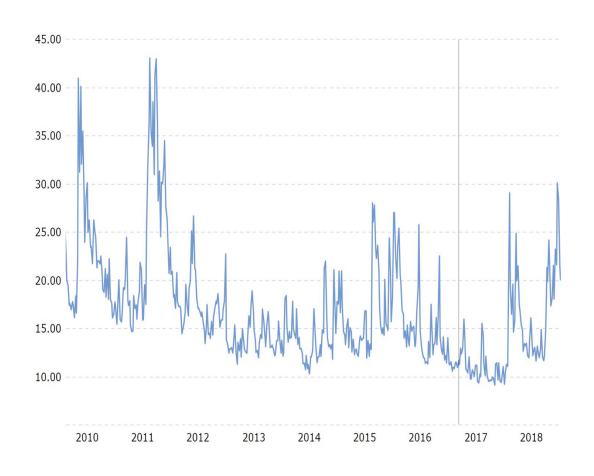
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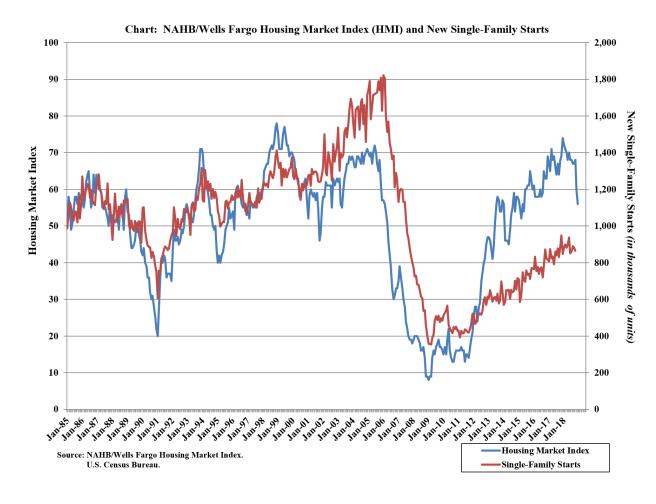






Volatility Index Related to Housing Market Index







Investing in Residential Real Estate

Real Estate Pros

- General
 - Writing off depreciation
 - Tax deductions
 - 1031 Exchanges
 - Owning a physical asset
 - Cashflow
 - Asset Allocation

- During a Down Market
 - It's often a buyer's market
 - Motivated sellers



Real Estate as Part of Your Asset Allocation

- What's your risk tolerance?
- Rebalancing your portfolio
- Diversification



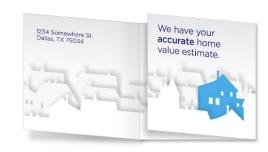


Is This a Buyer's Market?

 About 14% of all homes listed for sale on Zillow saw a price cut in June

 However, interest rates and home prices that continue to rise, mitigate some of the purchasing power

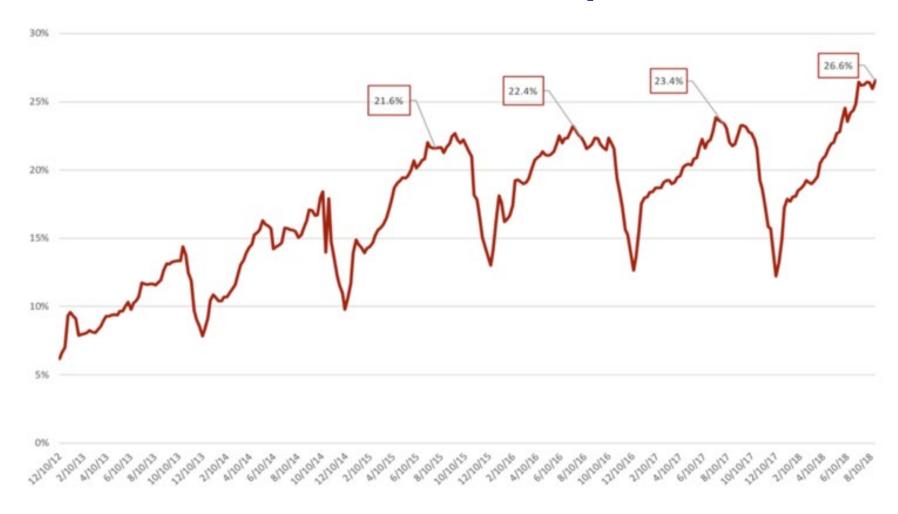








Share of Homes with Price Drops



Annual January troughs are due to more homes coming onto the market after the first of the year



Real Estate Cons

- General
 - The most illiquid asset
 - Difficult to diversify (more on this later)
 - Risky since you're betting on one property
 - Closing costs and holding costs

- During a Down Market
 - Competition
 - Financing



Real Estate Investment Options



Single Family & Condos

- Single family homes are always available but difficult to cash flow in this market
- Condos are the cheapest way to get started but also the slimmest margin real estate investments.





Multi-Family

- Multi-family units are extremely difficult to come by in the DFW area (but not impossible).
- These are the most profitable investments from a cashflow perspective





REITS

- Pros
 - Can outperform markets depending on the bundles
 - Less risky than buying a single rental property

Cons

- Not as flexible as buying a single rental unit
- Performs more like traditional S&P
 500 (5% 10% gains)



BRRR Overview

Buy

 Purchase fixerupper rental properties

Rehab

Repair the property

Rent

Lease the property to great tenants

Refinance

Refinance to get your money back and then repeat the process



So Should You Invest in Real Estate in a Down Market?

It depends....

Goals of the investor

Financial health of the investor

Risk tolerance of the investor





Asset allocation

Long term investments might be best allocated in real estate

Short term investments might work best in stocks

As usual, a diversified blend of assets will be the best bet



How Can Door Help?

- Gain back your purchasing power during a rising interest rate environment
- Don't give your equity away to a realtor when you sell your home





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