Housing

When coupled with Per Capita Income indicators, comparisons of the Median Value for Owner-Occupied Housing Units with a mortgage and without a mortgage between the nation, state and region provide a measure of how well a regional economy is performing.

According to Figure 1, the median value for owner-occupied housing units with a mortgage was lower in the Northeastern Pennsylvania region ($160,900) and in Carbon ($157,300), Lackawanna ($161,800), Luzerne ($141,700), Pike ($190,800) and Schuylkill ($120,900) counties than in the state ($196,600) and nation ($239,100). In Monroe County ($171,900) and in Wayne County ($182,200) it was higher than the region.

Figure 1. Median Value for Owner-Occupied Housing Units with a Mortgage, 2015 - 2019

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
According to Figure 2, when looking at the median value for owner-occupied housing units without a mortgage, the average for Northeastern Pennsylvania ($138,000) was lower than the state ($158,700) and the nation ($175,000). This median value was lower than the state and nation in Lackawanna County ($138,300). This median value was lower than the region, state, and nation in Carbon ($121,300), Luzerne ($110,000) and Schuylkill ($83,800) counties. In Monroe ($159,700), Pike ($172,700) and Wayne ($180,300) counties, this median value exceeded the region, state, and nation.

**Figure 2. Median Value for Owner-Occupied Housing Units without a Mortgage, 2015 – 2019**

Source: U.S. Census Bureau