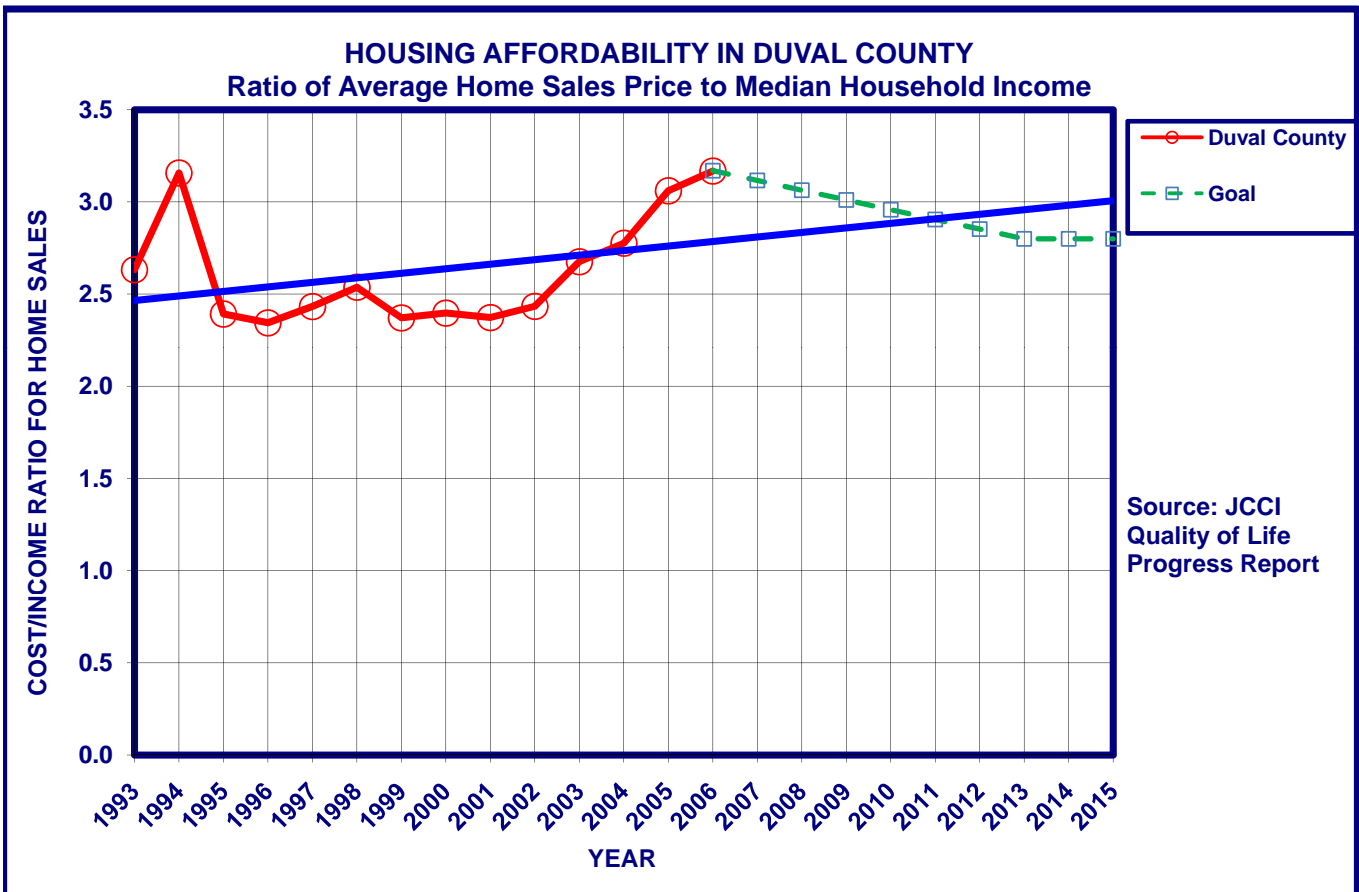


9. Housing

a. Reduce the ratio of average home sales price to median family income to 2.8 by 2013.

This Benchmark indicator measures the affordability of housing in Duval County by comparing the average price of a single family home to the median household income. Keeping housing costs affordable helps maintain a healthy economy. In Duval County, average housing prices have risen steadily through 2006. The Blueprint for Prosperity Executive Committee has set a goal of 2.8 for the Duval County housing affordability ratio.



Housing Cost/Income Ratio:

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Duval County	2.43	2.54	2.37	2.40	2.37	2.43	2.68	2.78	3.06	3.17

Sources: Northeast Florida Association of Realtors Multiple Listing Service, Real Estate Strategy Center, and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; JCCI Quality of Life Progress Report