

# Residential Real Estate Batumi, Bakuriani, Gudauri

2Q23 Overview

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## 2Q23 overview

### **Recent performance**

Real estate market in Batumi, Bakuriani, and Gudauri heavily relies on foreign buyers. In 2022, demand surged due to recovering tourism and migration, leading to higher prices driven also by increased construction costs and wages. In 2023, residential demand slowed down, but prices remained high.

Currently, there are 167 projects under development in Batumi, 18 in Bakuriani, and 9 in Gudauri. A steady supply and stable construction material prices are expected to stabilize price growth in these regions.

### Residential market in Batumi

In 2Q23, the number of apartments sold in Batumi reached 3,944 units, down 10.2% y/y and 10.0% q/q. This decrease was mainly attributed to sales on a primary market (-15.9% y/y), while sales on secondary market reduced slightly (-1.8% y/y).

Notably, there is a gradual shift of the real estate development from the central districts to Batumi surroundings (across Gonio/Kobuleti coastal line) due to scarce land resources left inside the city.



In 1H23, small (26-50 m<sup>2</sup>) and medium sized (51-80 m<sup>2</sup>) apartment sales accounted for 90.1% of total sales.

Additionally, demand has been gradually shifting from budget/midscale price segments towards premium segment due to rising prices rather than change of consumer preferences.

In 2Q23, average price of apartments increased the most on a primary market to US\$ 1,219 (+33.0% y/y), while secondary market posted a smaller increase (+15.7% y/y). Prices were up the most in Gonio-Kvariati (+67.7% y/y) and Inner areas (+45.2% y/y).

In 2Q23, total market size of apartments sold in Batumi stood at US\$ 242.1mn, up by 2.6% y/y and down by 8.1% q/q.

### **Residential market in Bakuriani**

In 2Q23, the number of apartments sold in Bakuriani reached 209 units, down 9.9% y/y and 10.7% q/q.

In 1H23, small and medium sized apartment (26-80 m<sup>2</sup>) sales accounted for 96.0% of total sales. Moreover, majority of sold apartments were in the midscale price segment (\$801-1,200).



In 2Q23, weighted average price of apartments in Bakuriani reached US\$ 1,112 up by 0.9% y/y. In 2Q23, total market size of apartments sold in Bakuriani stood at US\$ 9.0mn, down by 6.6% y/y and 14.6% q/q.

### **Residential market in Gudauri**

In 2Q23, the number of apartments sold in Gudauri reached 75 units, down 34.8% y/y and 18.5% q/q.

In 1H23, small and medium sized apartments (26-80 m<sup>2</sup>) accounted for 96.6% of the total sales. In addition, 49.3% of sold apartments fell into upscale (\$1,201-1,800) and 13.6% into upper-upscale (\$1,801-3,000) price segments.

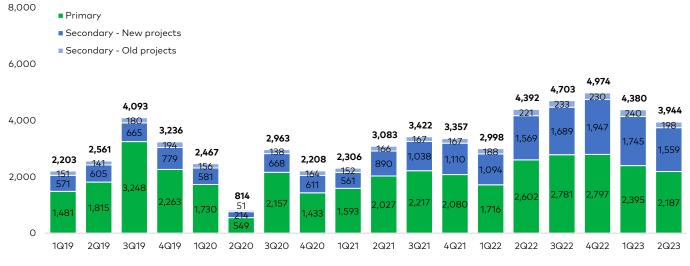
In 2Q23, weighted average price of apartments in Gudauri reached US\$ 1,400 up by 4.4% y/y. In 2Q23, total market size of apartments sold in Gudauri stood at US\$ 4.0mn, down by 22.9% y/y and 13.5% q/q.



# **Residential market in Batumi**

**Methodological note** - we divide real estate sales in three categories:

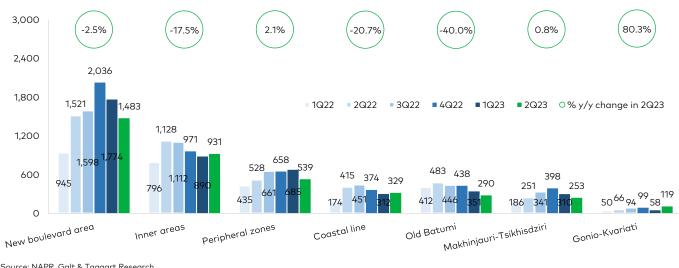
- 1) Primary sales real estate sold directly by construction companies/developers
- 2) Secondary sales in new projects real estate sold by an individual owner in projects built by construction permits issued after 2013
- **3)** Secondary sales in old projects real estate sold by an individual owner in projects built by construction permits issued before 2013



### Figure 1: Number of sold apartments in Batumi by type

Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research

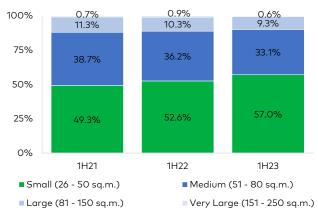




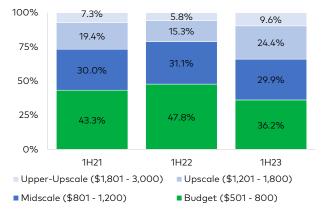
Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research Note: See Annex for district mapping



### Figure 3: Real estate sales in Batumi by size (% of total apartments sold)

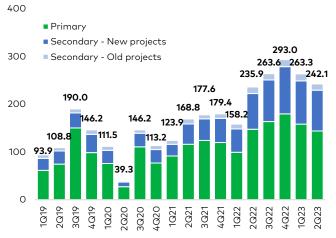


# Figure 4: Real estate sales in Batumi by segment (% of total apartments sold)



Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research

### Figure 5: Batumi real estate market size by type, US\$ mn



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## Figure 6: Batumi real estate average prices by type, US\$/m<sup>2</sup>

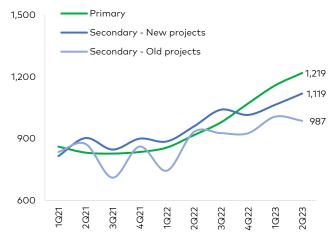


Figure 7: Real estate prices on primary market (from developers) by districts in Batumi,  $US\$/m^2$ 



Source: Galt & Taggart Research

Note: Old Batumi district is excluded due to small size of a sample (less than 5 projects)



### **Residential markets in Bakuriani and Gudauri**

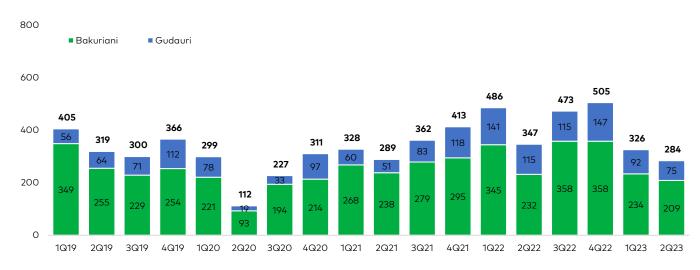


Figure 8: Number of residential real estate sales in Bakuriani and Gudauri

Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research

# Figure 9: Real estate market size in Bakuriani and Gudauri, US\$ mn

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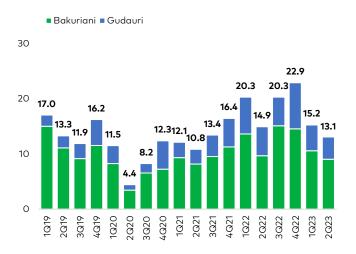
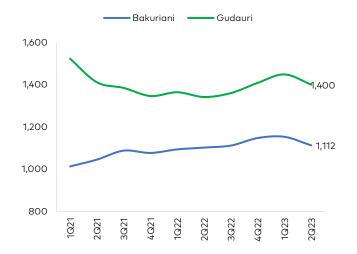


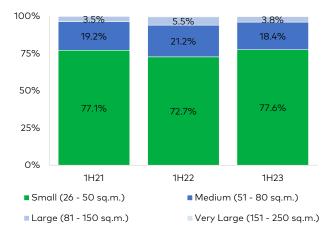
Figure 10: Weighted average prices in Bakuriani and Gudauri, US\$/m²



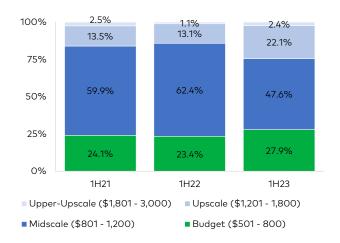
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### Figure 11: Real estate sales in Bakuriani by size (% of total apartments sold)

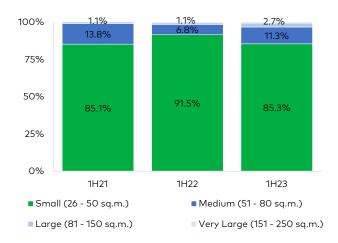


### Figure 12: Real estate sales in Bakuriani by segment (% of total apartments sold)



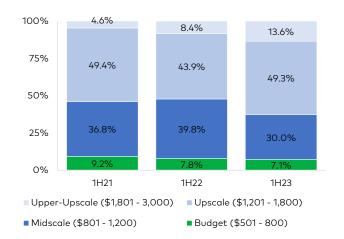
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### Figure 13: Real estate sales in Gudauri by size (% of total apartments sold)



Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research

### Figure 14: Real estate sales in Gudauri by segment (% of total apartments sold)





# Annex

#### Map 1: District distribution in Batumi



Source: Galt & Taggart Research

### Table 1: Real estate sales by cities – value, number and area, 1H23

City	Value (US	\$ mn)	Number	Area ('000 m²)
Batumi		505.4	8,324	432.1
Bakuriani	19.6	443		19.5
Gudauri	8.7	167		6.6

Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research

### Table 2: Real estate sale patterns by cities – average size and prices, 2Q23

City	Average apartment size (m²)	Average price per m² (US\$)	Average price per apartment (US\$)
Batumi	52	1,219	65,203
Bakuriani	42	1,112	47,051
Gudauri	42	1,400	59,111

Source: NAPR, Galt & Taggart Research



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