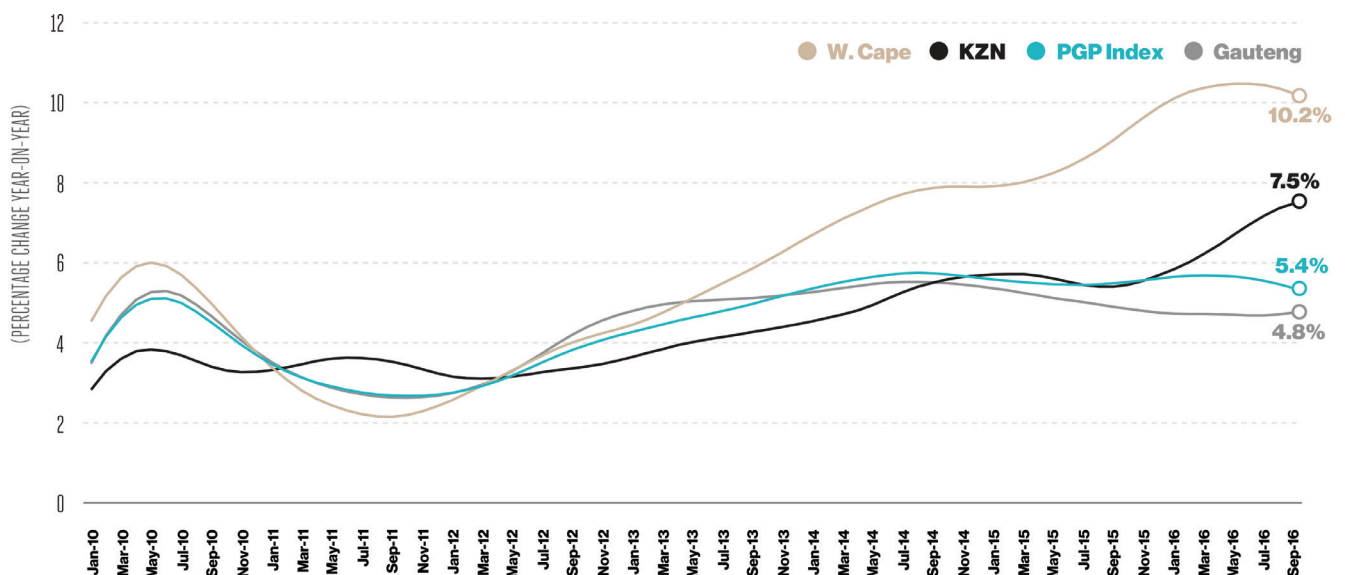


ROBUST ACTIVITY ON KZN NORTH COAST PROMPTS HOUSING REBOUND

In contrast to the cooling house price inflation in both the Western Cape and Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal (KZN) is experiencing a modest rebound – with growth in prices rallying from 5.4% in late-2015 to a level of 7.5% in September 2016. There is no sign as yet that the rebound in prices is losing momentum.

KZN experiences modest house price inflation rebound

SOURCE: PGP INDEX



Within the KZN market, house price inflation within the lower price band is accelerating strongly – rising by 14.8% from year-earlier levels in September and averaging 11.2% during the year to date. While house price inflation in the upper price band (>R2m) in KZN is slowing, it remains more resilient than in both the Western Cape and Gauteng.

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Housing demand appears to be particularly buoyant along the KZN coastline, with buyers showing a strong preference for properties within secure estates. There is significant demand in Umhlanga – with numerous new estates and beachfront complexes proving to be extremely popular.

Further north towards Umdloti, the new Sibaya precinct is the current hotspot in the KZN housing market. Sibaya will be a controlled precinct with security, retail and office components and prime residential nodes located above the forest and sea. The development is attracting interest from local buyers, notably from Johannesburg and KwaZulu-Natal along with some foreign interest.