The total residential building permits nearly doubled between Quarter 1 and 3.

Multi-Family Permits increased close to 130% (2,875) during the same period.

The total number of residential permits significantly increased from 4,615 in 2009 to 14,898 in 2013 showing a 223% gain.

“Business Week” in its article “Houston Issues as Many Single-Family Housing Permits as All of California” reported that metro Houston (including Sugar Land and the Woodlands) issued more permits for construction of single-family homes than did the entire state of California, which has six times the population.