The Housing Decision

• Millennial Preferences

Housing Alternatives

Rental Housing

Home Ownership

Millennial Preferences

- Largest generation 87 million; Born 1978 1995; In 2016, ages 21 38
- Also known as Echo Boomers and Generation Y: Gen Z is next
- Characteristics affecting Real Estate choices
 - always connected generation
 - marry later
 - fewer children; love pets
 - less thrilled with automobiles; bikes are "in"
- Impact on residential real estate development
 - fueled tremendous demand for multi-family rental units creating dramatic growth in new apartments
 - catalysts for urban redevelopment flight back to cities

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Millennial Preferences ... continued

- Growth in tech centers: San Francisco, Silicon Valley, Austin, Denver, Boston, New York
- Ok with smaller spaces as long as they are rich with amenities (internet, gym, social activities)
- Don't throw in towel on home ownership
 - survey shows Millennials want to own
 - financial crisis impact



Source: Personal Finance, 10th Edition, Kapoor

Rental Housing - Advantages/Disadvantages

<u>Advantages</u>

- Mobility
- Fewer responsibilities
- Lower initial costs

Disadvantages

- Few financial benefits
- Restricted lifestyle
- Legal details

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Home Ownership – Advantages/Disadvantages

Advantages

- Financial benefits
- Lifestyle flexibility
- Pride of ownership

Disadvantages

- Financial uncertainty
- Limited mobility
- Higher living expenses

Home - Buying Process



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Thank you

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