MARKET REPORT





MARKET INDICATORS

	Q1 2014 OUTLOOK	
VACANCY	+	
CONCESSIONS	+	
RENTS		
TRANSACTIONS		
PRICE PER UNIT		
CAP RATES	+	



Over-Supply Concerns Eased by Strong Demand

Atlanta's recovery from the recession remains steady yet unspectacular. Year-end non-farm employment was up 2.5% or 58,900 jobs from YE 2012, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Employment figures are still approximately 28,000 jobs away from December 2007, and many of the country's local economies have surpassed their pre-recession totals. Nonetheless, Atlanta is experiencing job growth at a favorable rate, with all major industry sectors (except manufacturing) seeing recent employment gains. The greatest job growth was seen in the construction sector due to new development of mixed-use projects as well as multi-family and single-family residences. The exciting new mixed-use developments for the Atlanta Braves and the Atlanta Falcons "will continue to fuel the turnaround for the beleaguered construction and design industries that [were] already underway", according to the Atlanta Business Chronicle.

Regarding the apartment market, Atlanta's occupancy climbed 30 basis points to finish off the fourth quarter at 93.0%. Year-over-year the metro's occupancy increased 60 basis points after a slight dip in occupancy earlier in 2013. This weak occupancy figure, relative to the averages in the region, is due in large part to poor performance of assets built pre-1980. These older properties averaged occupancy rates of 88%, while apartments built in 1980 or newer boasted occupancy rates averaging 94.5%.

The 4th quarter 2013 saw average monthly effective rents increase by 0.9% to \$864; year-over-year effective rent growth climbed 4.3%. This marks the 13th consecutive quarter of annual rent growth for the Atlanta MSA. In the Southern region, Atlanta was only outperformed by Miami in terms of annual rent growth. Apartment owners in the northern suburbs are expected to continue aggressively pushing rents while core, infill assets will experience much more modest rent growth due to the influx of new product in 2014.

According to REIS, more than 5,248 market-rate apartments in 19 projects are currently under construction in the metro Atlanta area. Of these 19 projects under construction, 12 projects totaling 3,167 units are slated for completion in 2014. This number is staggering compared to the 381 market-rate units delivered in 2012 and 2,460 market-rate units in 2013, but recent absorption figures and projected demand in the market indicate that these upcoming deliveries will not cause occupancy rates to plummet. REIS anticipates the decrease in occupancy to be minimal.



HISTORICAL APARTMENT RENTS



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ATLANTA MULTI-FAMILY

Investment for apartment properties in the Atlanta market has increased by 23.9% by 4Q13 from the previous year in total volume. There have been 206 properties sold YE 2013 representing an average of 72,000 per unit. The average cap rate for apartments in the Atlanta market dropped 20 bps from the end of 2012 to 6.9% YE 2013.

Source: Real Capital Analytics

UPDATE Recent Transactions in the Market

SALES ACTIVITY

PROPERTY SUBMARKET SALES DATE SALE PRICE # UNITS PRICE/UNIT BUYER Jasmine At Winters Chapel Northlake 10/03/2013 \$33,000,000 592 \$55,743 Spire Capital Pty Ltd The Falls At Gwinnett Place NE Atlanta 11/25/2013 \$31,981,300 520 \$61,503 Spire Capital Pty Ltd **Bexley Apartment** NW Atlanta 11/01/2013 \$30,600,000 496 \$61,694 American Property Holdings Corp Promenade At Berkeley 12/12/2013 \$33,700,000 492 \$68,496 Oak Coast Properties NE Atlanta Pinewood Manor 12/04/2013 \$9,650,000 460 \$20,978 Anthos Properties, LLC South Atlanta North Fulton \$60,189 Resource Real Estate Opportunty Jasmine At Holcomb Bridge 10/25/2013 \$26,302,500 437 Aventine At Vinings NW Atlanta 01/03/2014 \$46,566,000 403 \$115,548 Ram Realty Services Marquis 2200 Northlake 10/17/2013 \$51,900,000 399 \$130,075 **CWS** Capital Partners Alderwood Trails Northlake 11/08/2013 \$16,500,000 399 \$41,353 Kim Rock Capital, LLC Woodlands Park NW Atlanta 12/17/2013 \$7,900,000 386 \$20.466 City of Marietta



TOP EMPLOYERS	
COMPANY	# EMPLOYEES
Delta Airlines	27,000
Wal-Mart Stores	26,000
AT&T	19,000
Emory University	17,994
Publix Supermarkets	9,453
The Home Depot	9,000
Emory Healthcare	8,648 Source: Moody's Analytics

WORLD CLASS UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES			
UNIVERSITY	CITY	# STUDENTS	
University of Georgia	Athens	34,536	
Georgia State	Atlanta	32,000	
Kennesaw State	Kennesaw	24,600	
Georiga Tech	Atlanta	21,475	
Georgia Perimeter	Decatur	21,123	
Emory	Atlanta	13,898	
University of West GA Source: Atla	Carrollton nta Business Chron	11,952 icle 2013 Book of Lists	





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