MARKETBEAT

SACRAMENTO

Office Q1 2021



YOY 12-Mo. Chg **Forecast** 12.6% Vacancy Rate 51K

\$2.15 Asking Rent, PSF

Net Absorption, SF





(Overall, All Property Classes)

ECONOMIC INDICATORS Q1 2021

968.5K Sacramento MSA **Employment**



YOY Chg





12-Mo.



7.3% Sacramento MSA **Unemployment Rate**





6.0% **Unemployment Rate**





Source: BLS

ECONOMY OVERVIEW: Local Economy Outlook is Cautiously Optimistic

Sacramento is recovering from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic with the region seeing improving signs of economic life as restrictions begin to lift. With that said, the market's unemployment rate remains elevated reaching 7.3% during the first quarter of 2021, up 360 basis points (bps) year-over-year (YOY). But, the total impact of the pandemic to date has been less than was initially feared.

DEMAND: Demand slows with economic shutdown

The first quarter of 2021 ended with positive net absorption, totaling 51,000 square feet (sf). The first positive total in the last three periods. However, this was almost entirely due to the completion of Centene's 513,000 sf building for their new headquarters in North Natomas. The balance of market activity totaled -462,000 sf, with Downtown reporting -125,000 sf to start the new year.

The long-term impact of COVID-19 on the office market is becoming clearer. While most tenants recognize the continued need for office space, they are reducing their footprint and shifting towards a hybrid real estate strategy by either allowing a portion of their workforce to go remote permanently or adopting a rotating workforce that comes in a reduced number of days. The result is an increased number of tenants in the market but with smaller requirements in terms of square footage. For example, the market currently has 87 tenant requirements for an average size of 17,000 sf compared to the market's peak in the fourth quarter of 2019 which had 68 requirements with an average size of 31,000 sf.

PRICING: Asking rents show signs of stabilization

Lease rates remained stable increasing by only \$0.02 during the quarter to \$2.15 per square foot per month on a full-service gross basis. Year-over-year rates are up \$0.10 (4.7%). Asking rates are largely inflated as landlords are hesitant to lower a building's rate to compete on price. This trend is not expected to continue for much longer as competition for quality tenants of size grows. While a pricing correction is likely, lease rates are not expected to fall as much as they did during the Great Financial Crisis as market vacancy is consistent with recent historical averages and most tenants demonstrate a continued need for office space.

Overall Net Absorption/Overall Asking Rent / 4 Qtr **Trailing Average**



Overall Vacancy



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SUPPLY

The vacancy rate increased by 90 bps quarter-over-guarter (QOQ) and 240 bps YOY ending the first quarter of 2021 at 12.6%. Despite the rapid rise in supply, market vacancy sits at mid 2017 levels and is well below the worst point of the Great Financials Crisis of 20.7% in the fourth quarter of 2011.

Prior to the first quarter, sublease activity had relatively little impact on the market. While no large companies have left the region as a result of the pandemic, many are taking the opportunity to reevaluate their real estate needs and reducing their office footprint. However, Sacramento remains in a much better situation than neighboring markets as the increase in sublease space is not expected to continue beyond the near term.

CAPITAL MARKETS

Sales volume totaled just \$76 million during the first quarter of 2021, down from \$124 million in the prior period. But once again, property values have not eroded and remain in line with pre-pandemic levels on a per square foot basis, averaging \$188 psf.

Sales volume is expected to increase significantly in the coming periods, as large projects like the 373,725 sf Ziggurat building at 707 3rd St in West Sacramento are back on the market.

MARKET OVERVIEW

Market activity is starting to increase as the economy reopens and tenants recognize the need for office space 13.00 although often in a different footprint than they previously occupied. Overall, the impact of the pandemic on the Sacramento office market has been less than initially feared.

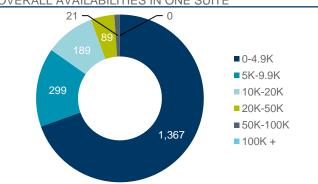
While it will likely take some time for market fundamentals to reflect growth once again, there are continued 9.00 reasons for optimism. For example, new developments like Aggie Square continue to draw interest with the promise of new tenants and employment growth and vacancy remains largely in line with historical averages.

OUTLOOK

- Tenants active in the market but on a smaller footprint, likely leading to increasing vacancy in the near term
- With increasing vacancy landlords will be more willing to compete on price leading to decreases in the overall asking rate.
- Beyond the short-term, recovery will be tied to occupier and employee willingness to return to the office. If companies find synergy and innovation is lacking in a remote environment, they will be incentivized to return sooner.

Availabilities by Size Segment

OVERALL AVAILABILITIES IN ONE SUITE



Direct vs. Sublease Space Available Comparison SUBLEASE SPACE STARTING TO INCREASE

15.00 11.00 7.00



5.00

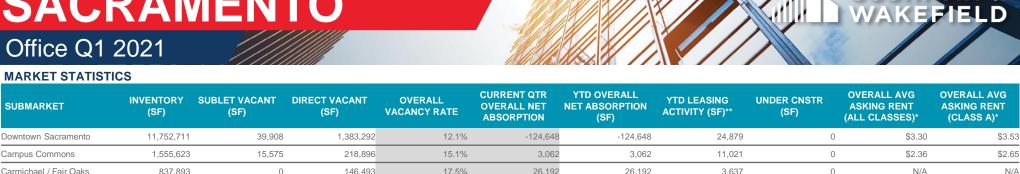
CLASS A & CLASS B RENTS BEGIN CORRECTION



2018

Sublease

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	(SF)	(SF)	(SF)	VACANCY RATE	ABSORPTION	(SF)	ACTIVITY (SF)**	(SF)	(ALL CLASSES)*	(CLASS A)*
Downtown Sacramento	11,752,711	39,908	1,383,292	12.1%	-124,648	-124,648	24,879	C	\$3.30	\$3.53
Campus Commons	1,555,623	15,575	218,896	15.1%	3,062	3,062	11,021	C	\$2.36	\$2.65
Carmichael / Fair Oaks	837,893	0	146,493	17.5%	26,192	26,192	3,637	C	N/A	N/A
Citrus Heights / Orangeville	1,415,040	9,030	132,730	10.0%	7,064	7,064	9,022	C	\$1.51	N/A
Auburn / Lincoln	1,253,531	0	67,657	5.4%	-3,658	-3,658	5,779	C	\$1.72	N/A
Davis/Woodland	1,952,410	13,640	100,250	5.8%	28,085	28,085	10,458	C	\$1.99	N/A
East Sacramento	1,214,549	0	3,889	0.3%	1,396	1,396	0	C	\$3.00	N/A
El Dorado Hills	1,542,655	0	187,220	12.1%	-14,259	-14,259	18,416	C	\$2.05	N/A
Elk Grove	1,298,6003	3,025	49,889	4.1%	15,382	15,382	5,682	C	\$2.25	\$1.89
Folsom	3,362,240	91,117	267,627	10.7%	47,578	47,578	9,190	C	\$2.33	\$2.18
Highway 50 / Rancho Cordova	12,758,997	448,829	1,742,863	17.2%	-146,091	-146,091	116,556	C	\$1.82	\$2.07
Howe Ave / Fulton Ave	3,364,149	7,675	612,650	18.4%	-4,407	-4,407	26,345	C	\$1.64	\$2.22
Midtown	2,790,550	6,363	294,307	10.8%	-37,101	-37,101	34,584	С	\$2.18	N/A
North Natomas	3,090,272	40,397	325,393	11.8%	496,724	496,724	27,123	C	\$1.64	\$2.21
Point West	2,538,320	5,511	278,610	11.2%	-6,874	-6,874	17,891	C	\$2.03	\$2.15
Roseville / Rocklin	10,082,963	259,119	1,164,692	14.1%	-171,272	-171,272	76,891	C	\$1.79	\$2.23
South Natomas	3,305,861	15,536	497,544	15.5%	-105,944	-105,944	11,201	C	\$2.32	\$2.34
South Sacramento	2,136,710	2,795	148,589	7.1%	34,441	34,441	5,519	C	\$1.69	N/A
West Sacramento	2,006,062	0	32,372	1.6%	4,870	4,870	0	C	N/A	N/A
Market Totals	68,259,145	985,520	7,654,963	12.6%	50,540	50,540	414,191	0	\$2.15	\$2.64

KEY LEASE TRANSACTIONS Q1 2021

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	TENANT	RSF	ТҮРЕ
2880 Gateway Oaks Dr, Sacramento	South Natomas	State of CA – Dept of Aging	48,808	New Lease
1610 Arden Way, Sacramento	Point West	SSA Office of Disabilities	26,958	Renewal
428 J St, Sacramento	Downtown	Trifecta	20,584	Renewal
10540 White Rock Rd, Rancho Cordova	Highway 50	Child Action USA, Inc	22,521	New Lease

KEY SALES TRANSACTIONS Q1 2021

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	SELLER / BUYER	SF	PRICE/\$ PSF
Olympus Corporate Center, Roseville	Roseville/Rocklin	Barker Pacific Group / KB Property Advisors	196,467	\$45.5M/\$232
1300 U St, Sacramento	Downtown	Fernbacher-Herzog-Ziegler, LLC / Clippinger Investment Properties	47,541	\$9.87M/\$208
1401 21st St., Sacramento	Midtown	Tarigo Family Holding Co. / Friendly Grizzly, Co	26,440	\$4.95M/\$187

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