MARKETBEAT

Industrial Q1 2022



\$11.78Asking Rent, PSF





Overall, Net Asking Rent

ECONOMIC INDICATORS Q1 2022

1.2M
Austin
Employment



YoY

Chg



12-Mo.

Forecast

3.4%Austin
Unemployment Rate





3.6%U.S.
Unemployment Rate



Source: BLS

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW: Austin remains one of the nation's fastest-growing cities

As the COVID-19 pandemic has slowly subsided, the Austin MSA has rebounded exceptionally well and continues to outperform nearly every major market in the country. The local unemployment rate declined once again and now sits at 3.4%, which is lower than both the state and national levels of 4.7% and 3.6% respectively. In addition, Austin continues to add new jobs at a record pace as more businesses make their way to the Texas capital.

SUPPLY AND DEMAND: Unprecedented demand keep vacancy rates near record lows

Austin's booming population coupled with continued e-commerce growth has resulted in an unprecedented demand for warehouse and distribution space across the Austin metro area. Vacancy rates remain near record lows for all types of industrial product, closing out the first quarter of 2022 with an overall vacancy rate of 3.3%. Significant demand for quality warehouse and distribution space has kept vacancy in that product type even lower, coming in at 3.0% to close out the first quarter. Industrial flex product has also faired well, with vacancy stabilized at a healthy 4.0%.

As is the case with many major metro areas, the industrial construction pipeline continues to grow across the Austin MSA in order to keep up with pent-up demand. At close of the first quarter, there was approximately 5.7 million square feet of industrial product under construction in the Austin metro area. The now completed \$1 billion Tesla Gigafactory in southeast Austin continues to spur warehouse demand in and around that area. Other areas experiencing a boom in industrial development include the south I-35 corridor between Austin and San Antonio, which continues to be a major logistics destination, as well as the Georgetown/Round Rock region in northern Austin, which has become one of the fastest-growing population centers in the nation.

PRICING: Rental rates remain elevated as demand spikes

The sustained demand for industrial space, particularly newer warehouse-distribution product, has asking rates trending upward. The average net rental rate for all property types for Q1 2022 was \$11.78 per square foot (psf). Warehouse/Distribution continues to be the most desired of all product types, with an average rate to \$10.73 psf. Office service (flex) properties also continue to perform well as vacancy rates remained low. Overall average rental rates of flex product finished the first quarter at \$15.40 psf.

SPACE DEMAND / DELIVERIES



OVERALL VACANCY & ASKING RENT



MARKET STATISTICS

SUBMARKET	INVENTORY (SF)	SUBLET VACANT (SF)	DIRECT VACANT (SF)	OVERALL VACANCY RATE	CURRENT QTR OVERALL NET ABSORPTION	2021 OVERALL ABSORPTION (SF)	UNDER CNSTR (SF)	2021 CNSTR COMPLETIONS (SF)	OVERALL WEIGHTED AVG NET RENT (OS)	OVERALL WEIGHTED AVG NET RENT (W/D)
Far Northwest	1,821,129	0	95,154	5.2%	-9,005	-9,005	0	0	\$19.11	\$12.00
North Central	6,343,823	7,445	337,742	5.4%	16,957	16,957	0	0	\$19.34	\$11.06
Northeast	11,790,599	0	286,792	2.4%	-15,945	-15,945	2,304,081	0	\$10.87	\$11.10
South Central	3,208,554	0	80,785	2.5%	17,205	17,205	1,544,960	767,000	\$16.24	\$10.80
Southeast	13,010,902	56,850	332,380	3.0%	426,762	426,762	54,850	317,572	\$13.70	\$11.52
Southwest	656,454	0	27,613	4.2%	-2,500	-2,500	0	0	\$15.96	\$13.50
Round Rock	9,996,026	22,803	303,492	3.3%	-62,175	-62,175	1,814,311	43,286	\$13.40	\$8.64
AUSTIN TOTALS	46,827,487	87,098	1,463,958	3.3%	371,299	371,299	5,718,202	1,127,858	\$15.40	\$10.73

^{*}Rental rates reflect weighted net asking \$psf/year

KEY LEASE TRANSACTIONS OF Q1 2022

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	TENANT	RSF	TYPE
Park 183	Southeast	American Canning	155,000	New
130 Logistics Center	Northeast	REE Automotive	118,000	New
Northpark35	Round Rock	Four Hands	100,504	Sublease
Crystal Park	Round Rock	Valex	57,000	New

KEY SALES TRANSACTIONS OF Q1 2022

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	SELLER / BUYER	SF
Brushy Creek Corporate Center	Round Rock	IGSouthwest / TPG Real Estate	232,868
Parmer 7.1 & 7.3	Northeast	Trammell Crow & Karlin Real Estate / Transwestern	223,308
MetCenter Building 14 & 15	Southeast	Mohr Capital / Radler	156,000

KEY CONSTRUCTION COMPLETIONS OF Q1 2022

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	MAJOR TENANT	SF	OWNER / DEVELOPER
Amazon Sat6	South Central	Amazon	767,000	Undisclosed
Park 183 – Bldg 3	Southeast	Move Solutions	162,786	Trammell Crow
Park 183 – Bldg 5	Southeast	American Canning	154,786	Trammell Crow

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