# DENMARK

Office Q3 2022



RED

7oY Chg 12-Mo. Forecast

6.8% Vacancy Rate

141K
Take-Up sgm

2,100 DKK Asking Rent, PSM



YoY Chg 12-Mo.

**Forecast** 

Source: Ejendomstorvet & C&W I RED

# ECONOMIC INDICATORS Q3 2022

989K Copenhager

Copenhagen Employment

3.40%

Copenhagen City Unemployment Rate

2.70%

Denmark Unemployment Rate



### **OVERVIEW**

Current market and economic uncertainties driven by the high inflation and interest rate hikes has resulted in a significantly lower investment activity in the third quarter of 2022 compared to both Q1 and Q2 of 2022. With a share of 53% of the total volume in Q3 the residential segment remains the largest segment. The office segment has regained its position as the second largest segment with a share of 18%. The office segment is followed by the logistics segment (share of 10%) and the retail segment (share of 9%). The slowdown in the activity in Q3 is primarily caused by the uncertainties in the market, which has resulted in the investors being nervous and transactions being put on hold with demands for downward adjustments in the price levels if the transactions are to be completed.

## **OCCUPIER FOCUS**

In the current market, office tenants have realized that the office hybrid is here to stay. Therefore, in the remaining part of 2022 we expect the high level of activity to continue as the economic uncertainties still impact the occupier market less than the investment market. In the near future, we expect that the tenants' relocation decisions will be driven by the tenants wanting to have the right solution with the right characteristics in terms of interior, location, flexibility and sustainability. It should be mentioned, that the very possible recession might result in a decreasing demand on the occupier market going forward.

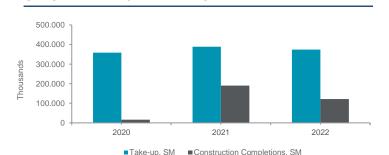
### **INVESTMENT FOCUS**

In 2021, the office transaction volume reached a record high of DKK 18.6bn. In 2022 YTD we have seen a more limited investment activity, especially in Q3, which is due to a combination of economic uncertainties and an extremely limited supply of the safest assets, prime office properties located in central Copenhagen. Investor demand in Copenhagen continues to be high and yields low, but the uncertainties has put a slight upward pressure on the prime yield level, which is now at around 3.25% for prime office properties.

### OUTLOOK

The tenants' increased focus on having the right lease at the right location implies that we expect to see an increasing spread in the primary and secondary rent levels. For the most well-located unique and/or modern leases that live up to tenants' demands for sustainability, we expect to see decreasing vacancy and upward pressure on rent levels in the remaining part of 2022 and primo 2023. Conversely, we expect the vacancy rate and rent level for the less well-located older office properties to stay more or less unchanged. For the investment market we expect a continued high interest for the most attractive office properties located centrally in Copenhagen in the remaining part of 2022. However, due to the more limited access to capital, we expect the investment activity to decrease in 2023. As a result of the uncertainties in the market, we expect the yield level to be increasing slightly in the coming time.

## **SPACE DEMAND / DELIVERIES**



#### **OVERALL VACANCY & ASKING RENT**



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#### **MARKET STATISTICS**

| SUBMARKET                                    | BUILT STOCK (SQ.M) | AVAILABILITY<br>(SQ.M) | OVERALL VACANCY RATE (%) | TAKE-UP (SQ.M) | YTD TAKE-UP (SQ.M) | UNDER CONSTRUCTION (SQ.M) | PRIME RENT<br>(LOCAL CONVENTION) | PRIME YIELD* |
|--|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Copenhagen (Greater Copenhagen incl. Centre) |                    |                        |                          |                |                    |                           |                                  |              |
| - Copenhagen City Centre                     | 6,287,129          | 468,294                | 7.45%                    | 22,428         | 87,311             | -                         | 2,100 DKK                        | 3.25%        |
| - Greater Copenhagen                         | 10,632,210         | 719,695                | 6.77%                    | 141,232        | 374,355            | -                         | -                                | -            |
| - Northern Copenhagen                        | 1,315,585          | 51,548                 | 3.92%                    | -              | -                  | -                         | 1,650 DKK                        | 4.50%        |
| - Eastern Zealand                            | 609,200            | 19,967                 | 3.28%                    | -              | -                  | -                         | 1,100 DKK                        | 5.25%        |
| Copenhagen TOTALS                            | 12,557,000         | 791,210                | 6.42%                    | 163,660        | 374,355            | 421,557                   | 2,100 DKK                        | 3.25%        |

<sup>\*</sup>Rental rates reflect a net level

### **KEY LEASE TRANSACTIONS 2021-2022**

| PROPERTY          | SUBMARKET     | TENANT                  | SIZE (SQ.M) | TYPE      |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Strandgade 3      | Copenhagen C  | Netcompany              | 23,906      | New lease |
| Axel Torv 2       | Copenhagen W  | Gorrisen Federspiel     | 16,009      | New lease |
| Trekronergade 36  | Valby         | H. Lundbeck             | 14,545      | New lease |
| Rentemestervej 3  | Copenhagen NW | Bygningsstyrelsen       | 14,472      | New lease |
| Sundkrogsgade 7-9 | Copenhagen E  | A.P. Møller – Mærsk A/S | 9,489       | New lease |

### **KEY SALES TRANSACTIONS 2021-2022**

| PROPERTY       | SUBMARKET     | SELLER / BUYER                         | SQ.M   | PRICE / DKK P SQ.M |
|----------------|---------------|--|--------|--------------------|
| Ørsted HQ      | Gentofte      | ATP Ejendomme / Pensam, AIP, and Artha | 84,437 | 2,475M / 29.3K     |
| Svanemølleholm | Copenhagen E  | AP Pension / KanAm Group               | 74,000 | 1,595M / 21.6K*    |
| CPH Highline   | Copenhagen SW | Skanska / Aviva                        | 21,852 | 918M / 42.0K       |
| Neroport       | Copenhagen S  | Genesta / Castellum                    | 39,332 | 824M / 21.0K       |
| Fadet 14       | Copenhagen W  | Carlsberg Byen / ATP Ejendomme         | 18,083 | 818M / 45.2K       |

<sup>\*</sup>Only 50% of the property is bought why the real DKK pr. SQ.M is expected to be double

### **KEY CONSTRUCTION COMPLETIONS 2021-2022**

| PROPERTY                                      | SUBMARKET     | MAJOR TENANT                   | SQ.M   | OWNER / DEVELOPER            |
|---|---------------|--------------------------------|--------|------------------------------|
| HUB One                                       | Copenhagen S  | Multi-tenant property          | 50,047 | KLP Ejendomme / Hoffmann A/S |
| Carlsberg Byen Dahlerups<br>Tårn/Caroline Hus | Copenhagen W  | N/A                            | 36,000 | Carlsberg Byen P/S           |
| Woods Augusthus                               | Copenhagen S  | ZeroNorth                      | 24,000 | NREP / NREP                  |
| CPH Highline                                  | Copenhagen SW | Global Connect / SAS Institute | 21,852 | Aviva / Skanska Øresund      |
| Carlsberg Byen Emil Christans<br>Hansens Hus  | Copenhagen W  | Visma                          | 19,800 | Carlsberg Byen P/S           |

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