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2019 MARKET REPORT Baltimore, MD

OVERVIEW

THE BALTIMORE market has historically been flat in terms of population and labor growth, both of which have grown less than 1% over the last ten years. The unemployment rate in Baltimore is 4.0%, placing it slightly above the national average of 3.7%. The largest employment sectors in Baltimore are the education and health sectors, which employ nearly 20% of workers. Security and military tech companies are also growing in the Baltimore market due to the proximity to the Washington DC market.

This map showcases all active industrial submarkets in Baltimore, along with relevant metrics for the four largest industrial submarkets:



Route 1 Corridor \$2. Baltimore - MD	22		
Inventory SF	24.3 M 🗼	Market Rent/SF	\$7.47 #
Under Constr SF	175 K 🛊	Annual Rent Growth	4.1%
12 Mo Net Absorp SF	182 K	Market Sale Price/SF	\$107
Vacancy Rate	7.2% ∦	12 Mo Sales Vol	\$234 M
Baltimore County East Baltimore - MD	\$2.6 B As	set Value	10
Inventory SF	33.5 M 🛦	Market Rent/SF	\$6.14
Under Constr SF	3.9 M A	Annual Rent Growth	3.3% #
12 Mo Net Absorp SF	1.9 M	Market Sale Price/SF	\$68 Å
Vacancy Rate	14.6% 🗍	12 Mo Sales Vol	\$186 M Å
BWI/Anne Arundel \$ Baltimore - MD	1.8 B Asset	Value	
Baltimore - MD			\$8.46 Å
	15.7 M ≱	Value Market Rent/SF Annual Rent Growth	\$8.46 A 3.8% A
Baltimore - MD Inventory SF	15.7 M ≬ 137 K ∳	Market Rent/SF	
Baltimore - MD Inventory SF Under Constr SF	15.7 M Å 137 K ∳ 650 K	Market Rent/SF Annual Rent Growth	3.8%
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Baltimore is benefited by its location between Washington DC and Boston. The Port of Baltimore is a top 10 American port in terms of total value of foreign cargo handled. It is one of only two East Coast ports with a channel depth of 50 feet, allowing access for the largest ships in the world.

MARKET REVIEW

The Baltimore industrial market consists of 246 million square feet of inventory, 65% of which is warehouse and distribution space. Warehouse and distribution product have seen only two quarters of negative absorption over the past five years. The market experienced 4 million square feet of positive absorption in 2018, 271,494 square feet of which was in Q4. Over 18 million square feet of industrial space has been delivered in Baltimore since 2010.

The Baltimore market is set to have record construction starts in 2019; there is currently 4.47 million square feet of industrial space in development as of May 2019. The largest construction projects in the Baltimore industrial market that are breaking ground in 2019 include:

Under Construction (2019)							
Developer	Address	City	Submarket	SF	Estimate Completion		
Tradepoint Atlantic	7015 Tradepoint Ave (Building X)	Sparrows Point	Baltimore County East	1,500,400	Mar-20		
Tradepoint Atlantic	7005 Tradepoint Ave (Building XII)	Sparrows Point	Baltimore County East	812,250	Dec-19		
Tradepoint Atlantic	7005 Tradepoint Ave (Building XI)	Sparrows Point	Baltimore County East	698,880	Dec-19		
MRP Industrial	1100 Woodley Rd	Aberdeen	Aberdeen	628,320	Jun-19		
Atapco Properties, Inc	5300 Nottingham Dr	White Marsh	Baltimore County East	585,338	Feb-20		
James Pomeroy	727-811 Old Philadelphia Rd	Aberdeen	Aberdeen	500,625	Aug-19		

Over 50% of all new industrial construction is occurring in the Baltimore County East submarket including a 3,100-acre mega-site being developed by Tradepoint Atlantic. This project will be developed in multiple phases with projected completion in 2020. Development of similar large projects is concentrated in the Baltimore County East and Aberdeen submarkets, north and east of the Baltimore CBD.

The Tradepoint Atlantic project is far and away the biggest industrial development in recent Baltimore history. This redevelopment if a former steel mill site will create one of the country's largest industrial facilities. This site has already locked up national tenants such as Under Armour, Amazon, and FedEx. It

has also recently been announced that Home Depot, Floor & Décor, and Volkswagen Group of America will collectively be leasing more than 2.8 million square feet.

The following table is a sampling of some of the largest lease transactions to occur in the Baltimore market in Q4 2018:

Key Industrial Lease Transactions (Q4 2018)								
Tenant	Address	City	Submarket	SF				
Best Buy	7550 Perryman Ct	Glen Burnie	Route 2 Corridor	500,400				
Domino Sugar	7600 Assateague Dr	Jessup	Route 1 Corridor	315,770				
Metrie Inc	9325 Snowden River Pky	Columbia	Columbia South	280,142				
Barrett Distribution Centers	7603 Energy Pky	Curtis Bay	Route 2 Corridor	274,152				
Baltimore International Warehouse & Transportation	5250 Holabird Ave	Baltimore	Baltimore SE	127,138				
Keolis Transit America	2940 Waterview Ave	Baltimore	Baltimore SW	117,612				

The Baltimore/Washington corridor is located south of Baltimore and most tenants occupy less than 100,000 square feet. This corridor is located along I-95, north to Route 100 and south to Route 32. Route 32 is the dividing line between Washington DC and Baltimore. This corridor provides a logistical advantage for operations that need access to both Baltimore and Washington D.C. One noteworthy development occurring in this corridor is the 175,000 square foot distribution facility being constructed at 7951 Oceano Ave. This project is projected to be completed by year-end 2019. Other projects in this corridor include a 180,000 square foot building being developed by Clarion and a 100,000 square foot building being developed by Clarion and a 100,000 square foot building being a developed by Cabot. Relevant tenants in this corridor include Amazon who leases 150,000 square feet and Domino Sugar which leases 315,000 square feet, shown in the previous table.

Baltimore's industrial market has followed suit with the rest of the country in terms of rent growth. Both Baltimore and the national average are in line with four-quarter trailing gains of 3.2%. Class A product in Baltimore is averaging \$6.50 to \$6.75/SF. This is about a \$1.00 discount compared to the neighboring southern market of Washington DC.

Baltimore has historically operated with vacancy levels in the double digits. Vacancy ended slightly higher in 2018 compared to 2017 due to the 3.9 million square feet of deliveries that occurred. Vacancy is at 7.8% as of May 2019. According to local market experts, the Baltimore industrial market is expected to remain relatively stable in the near term.

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