Ottawa, ON

Industrial Q3 2020



\$10.75Asking Rent. PSF

Net Absorption, SF





Overall, Net Asking Rent

ECONOMIC INDICATORS Q3 2020

561.5KOttawa
Employment



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12-Mo.



8.7%

Ottawa Unemployment Rate





9.0% Canadian Unemployment Rate





Source: Statistics Canada

ECONOMY: Unemployment Rates Lower as Ottawa Copes With Recession

The National Capital Region (NCR) continues to cope with the COVID-19 pandemic heading into the third quarter of 2020. Employment within Ottawa has been bolstered by the presence of the federal government and a booming e-commerce sector that has adapted well to the remote workplace. Unemployment rates are down as the city benefited from low case numbers throughout the summer months, allowing for retailers, restaurants, and fitness centres to reopen as restrictions began to lift. Currently, Ottawa is in a second wave of the pandemic causing stricter restrictions for businesses and social gatherings which could potentially lead to another dip in employment.

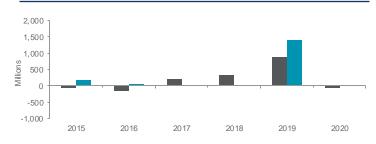
SUPPLY AND DEMAND

Despite the pandemic induced recession, Ottawa's industrial market continues to experience record low vacancies. Overall vacancy decreased slightly by 20 basis points from last quarter to 4.0%. The Ottawa Centre submarket saw ample action with 95,000 square feet (sf) of positive absorption. The majority of this was the result of the sale of 861 Clyde Avenue, a 89,000-sf building. This contributed to Ottawa's overall positive absorption for the quarter, and also resulted in the slight dip in vacancy. Vacancyfor all of West Ottawa has decreased to 2.3%, down a full percentage point since last quarter, while vacancy in East Ottawa has risen slightly from 4.7% to 5.0%. Although available space continues to remain scarce, there has been some considerable leasing activity just outside of the Ottawa area, an example of this being 65,000 sf of space that was leased in Vars, a town located 24 minutes outside of Ottawa. If larger pockets of industrial space do not become available within the city, we may see a migration of tenants to areas located just outside the city limits.

PRICING

Ottawa's industrial asking rates have been on a slow but steady climb quarter-over-quarter. While the second quarter saw a slight dip in asking rates, rates bounced back in the third quarter. As we head into the last quarter of 2020, in what has been an unprecedented year in real estate, Ottawa's industrial market to date has remained relatively unaffected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Net rents have continued to climb despite the pandemic, and if the market continues to tighten, expect to see rates continue to rise into 2021.

SPACE DEMAND / DELIVERIES



OVERALL VACANCY & ASKING NET RENT

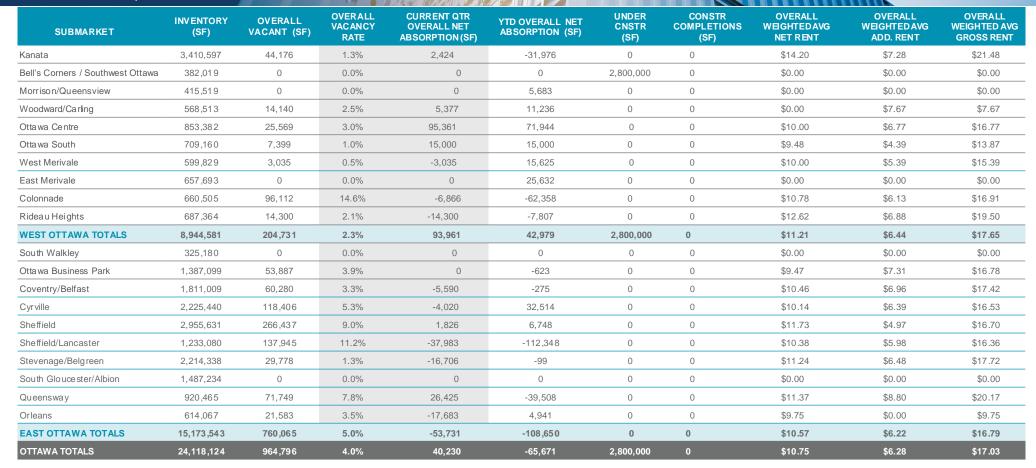


Asking Net Rent, \$ PSF Vacancy Rate

MARKETBEAT

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KEY LEASE TRANSACTIONS Q3 2020

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	TENANT	SF	TYPE
145 Spruce Street	Ottawa Centre	Wheelhouse Cycle	5,065	Warehouse

*Renewals not included in leasing statistics

210 Colonnade Road

KEY SALES TRANSACTIONS Q3 2020

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	SELLER / BUYER	SF	PRICE / \$ PSF
15 Bentley Avenue	Nepean	15-17 Bentley Holdings Inc / Adriatic Property Holdings Ltd	8,350	\$2,550,000/\$305
190 Colonnade Road	Nepean	Ottawa House of David Ltd / Fiera Real Estate Small Cap Industrial Fund GP Inc	141,020	\$22,000,000 / \$156
200 Colonnade Road				
203 Colonnade Road				

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