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Baltimore's Industrial Market Springs to Life During Winter Months

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First quarter net absorption in the Baltimore regional industrial market was strong. Nearly 1.8 million square feet of warehouse space was net absorbed during the year's initial three months, a reflection of strong Port-related activity, an economy driven largely by the movement and purchase of consumer goods, and greater urgency among lessees in the face of declining vacancy rates.

Warehouse space absorption was most pronounced in the BWI Corridor, Baltimore City, and in Baltimore County East, which collectively net absorbed approximately 1.4 million square feet of space. Vacancy rates continue to tilt lower. In the BW Corridor, for instance, vacancy has dipped from 11.2% to 10.1% over the past year. In Baltimore County East, vacancy has declined from nearly 16% to 14.2%. However, in a handful of submarkets, warehouse vacancy has actually risen over the past year, including in the Harford/Cecil submarket (6.3% to 7.5%). Accordingly, overall regional vacancy has barely shifted over the past year (8.4% to 8.3%) and average asking rents have hardly budged (\$5.02/sf to \$5.14/sf).

For its part, the region's flex market registered positive net absorption of 247,368 square feet during the 1st Quarter 2016, helping to bring vacancy down into the single digits (9.7%). Baltimore City led the way, with nearly 129,000 square feet net absorbed during the quarter. This is one of many indicators suggesting that the city's economy is coming back to life. Regionally, average asking rent has grinded higher over the past four quarters, from \$11.18/sf during the 1st Quarter of 2015 to \$11.33/sf one year later.

Recent national indicators of retail and manufacturing activity have been reasonably upbeat, suggesting that the ongoing economic recovery remains firmly in place. With the dollar weakening and the Port of Baltimore continuing to reap the benefits of recent investments and upgrades, the Baltimore regional industrial market is positioned to remain active in 2016.

THE NUMBERS

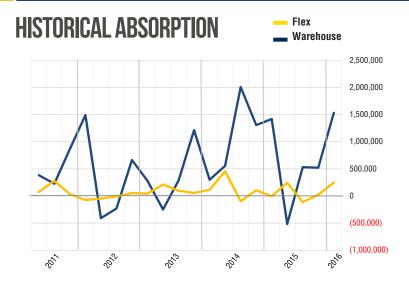
Submarket	Bldgs	Market Size SF	Vacant SF	Total Vacancy	Current Absorption	YTD Absorption	Avg. Asking Rent
Annapolis/Route 2 Corridor	169	4,984,762	356,362	7.15%	37,169	37,169	\$13.23
Arbutus	57	2,127,088	93,498	4.40%	17,125	17,125	\$9.53
Baltimore County East	130	4,130,324	522,454	12.65%	128,696	128,696	\$8.11
Baltimore City	114	3,733,937	378,375	10.13%	(28,604)	(28,604)	\$9.46
BW Corridor	333	14,928,605	1,560,270	10.45%	48,620	48,620	\$13.53
Carroll County	53	1,166,702	190,855	16.36%	(10,507)	(10,507)	\$9.23
Harford/Cecil	136	3,059,260	357,921	11.70%	8,787	8,787	\$11.36
I-83 Corridor	107	4,929,452	189,487	3.84%	10,509	10,509	\$10.56
Reisterstown Rd Corridor	83	3,066,003	363,682	11.86%	88,469	88,469	\$9.80
Woodlawn/Catonsville	53	2,564,283	320,277	12.49%	(52,896)	(52,896)	\$9.03
Totals	1,235	44,690,416	4,333,181	9.70%	247,368	247,368	\$11.33
Annapolis/Route 2 Corridor	197	8,989,309	110,039	1.22%	84,509	84,509	\$6.29
Arbutus	98	7,492,066	987,282	13.18%	(12,144)	(12,144)	\$4.78
Baltimore County East	1,086	40,052,904	2,407,644	6.01%	431,890	431,890	\$4.75
Baltimore City	327	20,021,177	2,847,867	14.22%	263,024	263,024	\$5.02
BW Corridor	558	43,500,085	4,400,547	10.12%	716,439	716,439	\$5.54
Carroll County	154	7,698,162	543,058	7.05%	(56,415)	(56,415)	\$5.31
Harford/Cecil	331	32,735,243	2,447,780	7.48%	100,113	100,113	\$4.49
I-83 Corridor	83	4,381,581	95,899	2.19%	2,000	2,000	\$9.94
Reisterstown Rd Corridor	55	1,482,569	41,500	2.80%	2,089	2,089	\$8.13
Woodlawn/Catonsville	48	1,287,509	25,142	1.95%	0	0	\$6.90
Totals	2,937	167,640,605	13,906,758	8.30%	1,531,505	1,531,505	\$5.14
Industrial Market Totals	4,172	212,331,021	18,239,939	8.59%	1,778,873	1,778,873	\$6.50



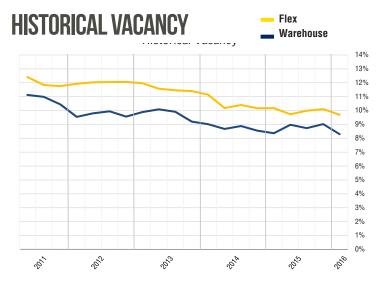
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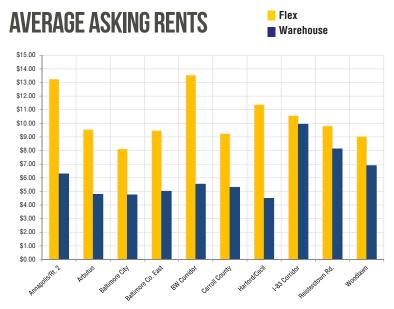




Strong activity during the 1st Quarter 2016 resulted in a positive 1.778 million square feet absorption for the overall industrial market. Among flex product, Baltimore City absorbed the most at 128,696 sf while Woodlawn noted the largest loss, a negative 52,896 sf. The leading submarket within the warehouse sector was the ever-popular BW Corridor with 716,439 sf absorbed. This was a result of not only consistent activity during the 1st Quarter 2016 but also tenants moving into spaces that signed during the very active 4th Quarter 2015.



With the majority of both flex and warehouse submarkets experiencing a decrease in vacancy during the 1st Quarter 2016, the end result for the industrial market as a whole was a decrease of 0.66% for an average rate of 8.59%. Increases in vacancies in Baltimore County East and Woodlawn flex submarkets, 1.7% and 2.10%, respectively, hindered more of a positive result; however, the total average remains lower than the same quarter in 2015, a difference of 0.16%.



Average rental rates during the 1st Quarter 2016 remained virtually unchanged for the Baltimore Metropolitan Industrial Market, decreasing by only \$0.12/sf for a rate of 11.33/sf for the flex market; and, increasing by a mere \$0.01/sf for a rate of \$5.14/sf for the warehouse market. Both flex and warehouse rental rates are higher than the same quarter in 2015, increasing by \$0.15/sf and \$0.12/sf, respectively.

HIGHLIGHTS

- 4611 North Point Boulevard, a 57,401 square foot industrial warehouse building situated on 17 acres in Baltimore County, Maryland sold this quarter.
- FedEx Ground has signed a lease for a new 300,000 sf distribution facility that will signal the start of a new era of commerce at the former Sparrows Point steel mill in eastern Baltimore County.
- Route 100 Distribution Center in the Baltimore Washington Corridor attracted three new tenants, leasing 67,300 sf total. The tenants include Old Castle Building Envelope, Wurth Wood Group and River City Cannery.
- Two-building, 51,600 sf flex/warehouse project situated at 1305 Governor Court, within the William Paca Industrial Park in the Abingdon section of Harford County, Maryland was purchased by Grander Capital Partners, a Boston-based real estate investment and management company, for \$3.25 million.
- Old Dominion Supply signed a lease for 81,240 sf at 6945 San Tomas Road in Elkridge. This lease brought the approximate 155,000 sf building to fully leased. The product supplier is expanding from about 45,000 feet in moving from Severn.
- RReef sold their two buildings located at 8255 8257 Patuxent Range Road to Colony Capital for \$17.625 million. Located in the Baltimore Washington Industrial Park, the pair of buildings are both older but functional and leased. Six tenants occupy the 193,525 sf space.



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NOTABLE TRANSACTIONS

Lease

Location	Submarket	Tenant	Amount Leased SF
1805 Fashion Court	Harford County	US Lumber	258,710 sf
8907 Bethlehem Boulevard	Baltimore County East	Caprock Milling and Crushing	120,288 sf
4711 Hollins Ferry Road	Arbutus	Bakery Express - Mid Atlantic, Inc.	30,000 sf
700 Evelyn Avenue	BW Corridor	A1 Pallet	18,000 sf
178 - 194 Alco Place	Arbutus	Charm City Hospitality, LLC	12,500 sf
10920 Pump House Road	BW Corridor	Cozi Furniture	11,925 sf
60-R Aileron Court	Carroll County	Airpark Automotive	5,040 sf
910 Bestgate Road	Route 2 Corridor / Annapolis	Prestige	4,160 sf

Sale

Location	Submarket	Price	PSF	Building Size
7565 Harmans Road	BW Corridor	\$6,000,000	\$31.21	192,266 sf
1760 - 1768 Union Avenue	Baltimore City	\$3,400,000	\$22.67	150,000 sf
1305 Governor Court	Harford County	\$3,250,000	\$62.98	51,600 sf
1120 - 1124 S. Hanover Street	Baltimore City	\$1,400,000	\$33.03	42,380 sf
1106 Business Parkway S	Carroll County	\$1,250,000	\$80.50	15,528 sf
3515 Marmenco Court	Baltimore County	\$950,000	\$33.34	28,495 sf
7677 Canton Center Drive	Baltimore County East	\$512,500	\$42.35	12,102 sf

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Although there was 1,700,000 sf of absorption in the 1st Quarter 2016, approximately 600,000 sf of this total was a result of deals that were signed in 2015 with occupancy (and thus absorption) taking place during the 1st Quarter of 2016. Our outlook moving forward is reduced demand for larger blocks of space and continued, steady demand for smaller blocks of space. Institutions' desire to dispose of industrial assets capitalizing on current market conditions hints that we may be at the top of the market.

Number of Buildings 4,172 Market Size 212,331,021

Report Criteria: MacKenzie's Industrial Market Report consists of currently available flex and warehouse properties throughout the Baltimore Metropolitan Area as noted on CoStar Property. We have classified the properties into 10 submarkets identified as the following: Annapolis, Arbutus, Baltimore County East, Baltimore City, BW Corridor, Carroll, Harford/Cecil, I-83 Corridor, Reisterstown Road Corridor, and Woodlawn/Catonsville. Flex buildings are limited to properties 5,000 sf and greater, while warehouse buildings are limited to single-story properties. Data does not include under construction or proposed projects. Contact: Katy Hayes, Marketing Director | 410.494.6649 | khayes@mackenziecommercial.com

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