# MARKETBEAT Retail Snapshot Q4 2017

# Omaha

## ECONOMIC INDICATORS

National			
	Q4 2016	Q4 2017	12-Month Forecast
GDP Growth	1.8%	2.3%*	
CPI Growth	1.8%	2.0%*	
Consumer Spending Growth	2.8%	2.6%*	
Retail Sales Growth	3.7%	4.3%*	

\*Q3 values. \*\* Forecast by Cushman & Wakefield. Values represent year-over-year % change.

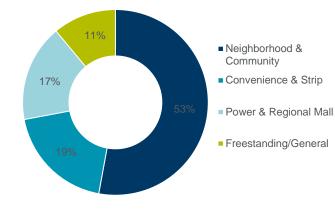
Regional	Q4 2016	Q4 2017	12-Month Forecast
Household Income	\$62,999	\$63,382	
Population Growth	1.04%	0.9%	
Unemployment	3.4%	2.7%	

Source: Moody's Analytics



#### Rental Rate vs. Overall Vacancy

### Availability by Type



# Economy

Economic conditions remain solid in the Omaha MSA, with yearover-year (YOY) unemployment rates improving by 70 basis points (bps) through the end of 2017. The strengthening of the labor market is a major factor in the economic growth, with local job creation totaling 9,100 from fourth quarter 2016. The overall performance of the U.S. economy remained positive, demonstrating a surprisingly strong annual growth rate. In December, the Federal Reserve raised its benchmark interest rate for the third time in 2017. It is anticipated that interest rates will increase at least four times in 2018.

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## **Market Overview**

The Omaha retail market recorded 67,199 square feet (sf) of positive net absorption in fourth guarter 2017 and 213,513 sf yearto-date. The vacancy rate held steady at 8.4% from third quarter 2017 to present. However, the YOY vacancy rose by 30 bps, up from 8.1% in fourth guarter 2016. Over the past 12 months, asking rents fell by 1.8%, averaging \$12.85 per square foot (psf) NNN at quarter close. Trends suggest that retail market health is on the decline, but what we're seeing is a digital transformation driven by a shift in consumer shopping behaviors. We live in the digital era where online shopping is estimated to be the fastest growing area of internet usage. According to the U.S. Census Bureau's third quarter 2017 report, eCommerce sales increased by 15.5% yearover-year, while overall retail sales improved by 4%. This eCommerce boom led many retailers to reduce their physical presence by closing underperforming store locations to fund digital footprint expansions. The hike in store closures has opened the door to a new age in retail, where rules and boundaries are becoming non-existent. As retailers evacuate space, landlords have gotten creative to fill the empty vacancies, resulting in diverse tenant mixes of traditional and non-traditional occupants. The two largest retail spaces leased in fourth guarter 2017 were to nontraditional occupants; Prime Time Health Care and Maserati accounted for 73% of the total net absorption.

# Outlook

Consumer confidence reached a 17-year high in fourth quarter 2017 and is expected to lead the economy to a 3% growth in 2018. The U.S. unemployment rate decreased by 60 basis points YOY to 4.1% and is predicted to fall to under 4% in 2018. Though we will continue to see store closures and bankruptcy announcements in the new year, the overall retail market will see growth in 2018.

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SUBMARKET	TOTAL BLDGS	INVENTORY (SF)	OVERALL VACANCY RATE	OVERALL CURRENT NET ABSORPTION (SF)	OVERALL YTD NET ABSORPTION (SF)	UNDER CNSTR (SF)	OVERALL AVERAGE ASKING RENT (NNN)
Sarpy West	70	3,184,646	8.5%	-4,993	-15,406	N/A	\$15.83
Sarpy East/Bellevue	62	2,189,629	5.5%	9,358	-8,817	N/A	\$11.53
Southwest	183	8,638,143	7.8%	36,081	238,515	14,675	\$13.20
South Central	106	6,002,562	6.3%	10,612	65,071	35,614	\$13.48
West Dodge Corridor	32	2,158,788	7.4%	25,277	-4,851	12,000	\$12.12
East	85	2,563,703	9.1%	1,459	-3,018	68,905	\$13.43
Northwest	87	3,154,560	7.2%	5,977	28,810	N/A	\$14.67
Council Bluffs	56	3,661,869	9.5%	-2,250	32,003	N/A	\$11.95
North Central	43	2,380,193	18.6%	-14,322	-118,794	N/A	\$8.53
OMAHA TOTALS	724	33,934,093		67,199	213,513	131,194	\$12.85

\*Rental rates reflect gross asking \$psf/year

MARKET SEGMENT	TOTAL BLDGS	INVENTORY (SF)	OVERALL VACANCY RATE	CURBENT NET	YTD NET	UNDER CNSTR (SF)	OVERALL AVERAGE ASKING RENT (NNN)
Conv/Strip Center	355	5,382,166	9.9%	37,586	159,197	12,000	\$15.53
Neighborhood/Community Center	157	13,631,032	11.5%	45,209	52,051	26,675	\$12.57
Freestanding/General (Specialty)	190	9,056,158	2.6%	24,156	29,404	92,519	\$7.37
Regional/Power Center	22	5,864,737	8.9%	-39,752	-27,139	N/A	\$15.56

#### Key Lease Transactions Q4 2017

PROPERTY	SF	TENANT	TRANSACTION TYPE	SUBMARKET
Walnut Grove Plaza-15370 Weir St	27,810	Prime Time Healthcare	Relocation	Southwest
17101-17305 Davenport St	21,156	Maserati	New	West Dodge Corridor
3601-3677 N 129th St	5,512	Family Ties Child Enrichment Center	Relocation	Northwest
3125-3129 Oak View Dr	4,886	Trademark Uniforms	Relocation	Southwest

#### Key Sales Transactions Q4 2017

PROPERTY	SF	SELLER / BUYER	PRICE / \$PSF	SUBMARKET
Starwood Shopping Center-9931-9959 Redick Cir	23,383	Palmer & Company/Midwest Retail Properties	\$2,411,500/\$103	North Central
Lakeview Plaza-5170-5182 S 72nd St	9,610	Prairie Home Builders, Inc/Anjaneyulu Katam	\$2,400,000/\$250	South Central
119 N 72 <sup>nd</sup> St	31,590	Furniture Row COLO, LLC/R.S. Holdings I, LLC	\$1,550,000/\$49	South Central

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