

OMAHA OFFICE			
Economic Indicators			
	Q2 17	Q2 18	12-Month Forecast
Omaha Employment	500k	505k	
Omaha Unemployment	3.0%	2.9%	
U.S. Unemployment Numbers above are quarterly averages: N	4.3%	3.8% represent Q2 2018	S for Omaha

Market Indicators (Overall, All Classes)

	Q2 17	Q2 18	12-Month Forecast
Vacancy	6.8%	6.6%	
Net Absorption (sf)	128k	69k	
Under Construction (sf)	583k	918k	
Average Asking Rent**	\$20.15	\$20.29	

^{*}Historical data differences due to change of data provider from Xceligent to Costar
**Rental rates reflect gross asking \$psf/year

Overall Net Absorption/Overall Asking Rent 4-QTR TRAILING AVERAGE





Economy

The Omaha MSA unemployment rate dropped to 2.9% in the second quarter of 2018, and the local economy added 5,100 jobs year-over-year. The low unemployment rate continues to signal a tight labor market, which brings some concern. Employers face the challenge of filling open positions with a much smaller talent pool to choose from. In an attempt to attract qualified job candidates, they may have to offer more money than in the past. In addition to employers increasing their competitive offering wages, they may have to provide pay increases to existing employees to retain them.

Market Overview

Downtown leasing drove office activity for the second quarter in a row, producing nearly 100,000 square feet (sf) of positive net absorption and more than 220,000 sf, year-to-date. The large blocks of space that were once available in the downtown submarket, have recently been leased to Mutual of Omaha, Alvine Engineering, Omaha Chamber of Commerce, MetLife, Kirsch Transportation, and a boutique hotel. Toast snagged the last large office space downtown and will soon call Central Park Plaza home. The company plans to initially bring 400 to 500 new jobs to the downtown area. Other commercial real estate property types may benefit from the substantial number of office jobs being brought to the submarket. More people means, arearestaurants will see increased business, apartment leasing will rise, and more transportation will be necessary. With only 4.3% of vacant inventory left downtown, new development is essential to accommodate users with the need for sizeable amounts of space. Suburban markets are benefitting from the lack of space downtown, and several new office projects are on the horizon. More than 900,000 sf of new office product is under construction, with less than 350,000 sf available after pre-leasing. Limited supply caused asking rents in the Suburban West Dodge submarket to increase significantly quarter-over-quarter, averaging \$26.03 per square foot (psf) in Q1 2018, and reaching \$26.87 psf at the close of Q2 2018.

Outlook

Positive growth is expected throughout 2018, as notable tenants such as HDR, Core Bank and Sojern will occupy sizeable amounts of office space slated for delivery before year-end. Asking rents will continue to improve, primarily in submarkets with the tightest office vacancies. Added inventory due to new speculative space coming online, combined with leasing and tenant expansions may cause a minimal and temporary fluctuation in the vacancy rate.

MARKETBEAT

Omaha

Office Q2 2018



SUBMARKET	INVENTORY (SF)	SUBLET VACANT (SF)	DIRECT VACANT (SF)	OVERALL VACANCY RATE	CURRENT QTR OVERALL NET ABSORPTION (SF)	YTD OVERALL NET ABSORPTION (SF)	YTD LEASING ACTIVITY (SF)*	UNDER CNSTR (SF)	OVERALL AVERAGE ASKING RENT (ALL CLASSES)**	OVERALL AVERAGE ASKING RENT (CLASS A)**
Midtown	5,285,253	0	145,926	3.2%	14,039	35,407	73,850	357,987	\$21.36	\$32.73
Southwest	3,726,842	15,702	269,839	7.7%	-15,386	34,776	99,988	60,000	\$20.08	\$25.21
Downtown	9,117,986	15,898	375,342	4.3%	97,603	223,891	109,527	0	\$18.42	\$23.36
Northwest	2,217,058	1,796	342,703	15.5%	-31,951	-106,097	41,969	65,469	\$20.35	\$0.00
Central West Dodge	2,523,697	45,375	166,536	8.4%	16,630	29,316	49,648	97,600	\$23.73	\$29.00
Old Mill	2,327,494	16,907	240,362	11.8%	-28,819	-63,354	13,656	0	\$20.67	\$0.00
Regency	1,238,273	0	56,483	6.8%	-2,543	-16,497	33,351	0	\$24.62	\$31.43
Northeast	458,571	0	9,712	2.1%	-5,212	-5,212	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
South Central	2,357,458	0	148,449	6.7%	20,290	46,152	141,632	135,510	\$17.07	\$0.00
Southeast	1,891,338	0	225,481	13.2%	21,401	25,517	15,052	0	\$18.13	\$16.00
Suburban West Dodge	3,145,215	22,004	47,154	2.8%	-3,432	15,942	38,817	201,500	\$26.87	\$30.75
Miracle Hills	1,027,243	14,787	15,358	6.8%	-13,282	-22,355	28,281	0	\$20.72	\$0.00
OMAHA TOTALS	35,316,428	132,469	2,043,345	6.6%	69,338	197,486	645,771	918,066	\$20.29	\$26.17

^{*}Renewals are not included in YTD Leasing Activity (SF) **Rental rates reflect gross asking \$psf/year

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Class A	8,575,217	19,580	227,036	3.3%	69,712	164,243	187,618	718,969	\$26.17	\$26.17
Class B	22,865,829	82,891	1,393,570	7.0%	-28,832	25,056	246,422	199,097	\$20.36	\$20.36
Class C	3,875,382	29,998	422,739	12.1%	28,458	8,187	211,731	0	\$16.30	\$16.30

Key Lease Transactions Q2 2018

PROPERTY	SF	TENANT	TRANSACTION TYPE	SUBMARKET
1331 Capitol Ave	39,293	Metlife	New Lease	Downtown
4502 Maass Rd	14,280	DMV	New Lease	Southeast
10825 Farnam	13,204	Wex Health	New Lease	Old Mill
802-810 S 169th St	10,285	Lanoha Development	New Lease	Suburban West Dodge

Key Sales Transactions Q2 2018

PROPERTY	SF	SELLER/BUYER	PRICE / \$PSF	SUBMARKET
North Park Bldgs 7 & 8	177,323	VK Blondo Properties LP/NP78 LLC	\$22,403,000/\$126	Northwest
Embassy Plaza	142,059	SCI Real Estate Investments LLC/Dennis & Kathleen Esch	\$13,000,000/\$91	Central Dodge
17001 Lakeside Hills Plaza	27,819	IRET Properties/HSRE-MN Lakeside LLC	\$6,600,000/\$237	Southwest
1102 Douglas St	23,712	Alvine Engineering/Kirsch Transportation	\$2,275,000/\$96	Downtown

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