

Atlanta industrial market report

Q4 2023



Atlanta industrial market trends

64%

Leasing activity increases in smaller space

Although the demand for more industrial space in Atlanta has remained consistent, more tenants in the market are now in search of smaller square footages compared to previous years. Deals signed for spaces less than 50k sf account for 64% of leasing activity in 2023. Atlanta experienced an influx of development deliveries the last couple of years, totaling over 32.7 msf in 2022 alone. Much of this has been absorbed by tenants with larger square footage needs. This has left smaller tenants without viable options and are now consistently searching and more active in the market.

11.2 msf

Available sublease space continues to increase

The fourth quarter ended with more than 11.2 msf of available sublease space, up 110% year-over-year. However, only 0.8% of that available space is truly vacant. A few of the larger sublease spaces in the market could be companies that are reevaluating their supply chain design due to economic uncertainty and decrease in product demand. They have since marketed the space to optimize their footprint or until they are ready to expand. Sublease space is seen as desirable for occupiers, as it can provide shorter terms and lower cost alternatives for tenants.

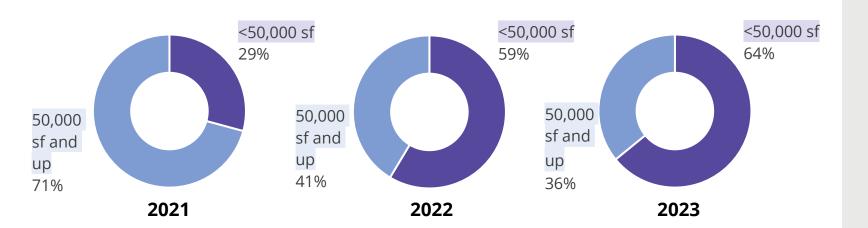
\$8.65

Rental rates continue to escalate on renewals

As activity remains steady in the market,
Atlanta is seeing an increase in rental rates for
lease renewals. Despite elevated sublease
availability, total available space remains
limited keeping landlords in the driver's seat
which has caused rental rates on new leases
to continue to climb. Landlords are also now
able to negotiate with their tenants to bump
up rates when it comes time for renewal to
remain competitive with market prices.



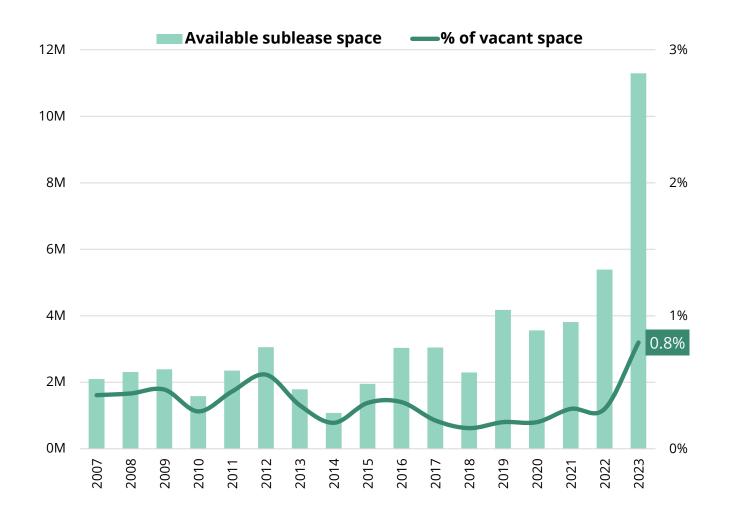
Leasing activity increases in smaller space



Leasing activity for space less than 50,000 sf continues to increase when compared to the number of leases signed during the same time in 2021.



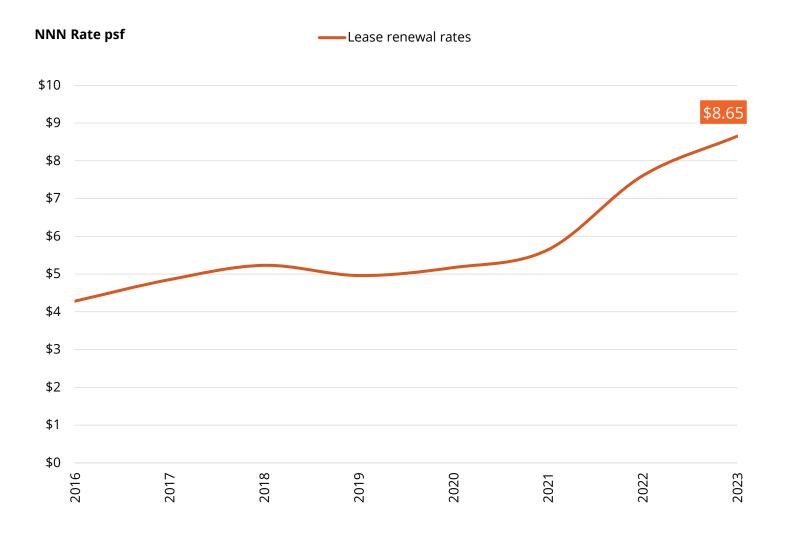
Available sublease space continues to increase



Over 11.2 msf of sublease space is available, up 110% year-over-year.



Rental rates continue to escalate on renewals



Landlords continue to hold steady on pricing even for tenant renewals. Average asking renewal rates are up 13.8% year-over-year.

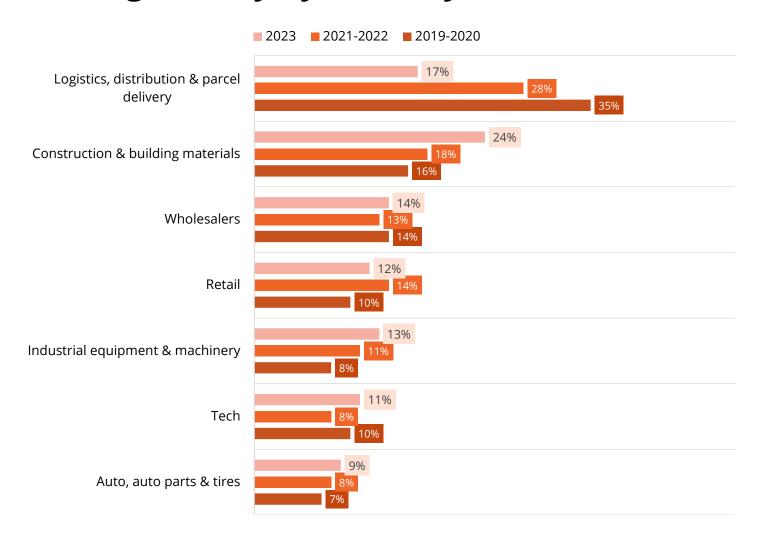


Atlanta industrial market insights

Let's examine more prevailing industrial trends



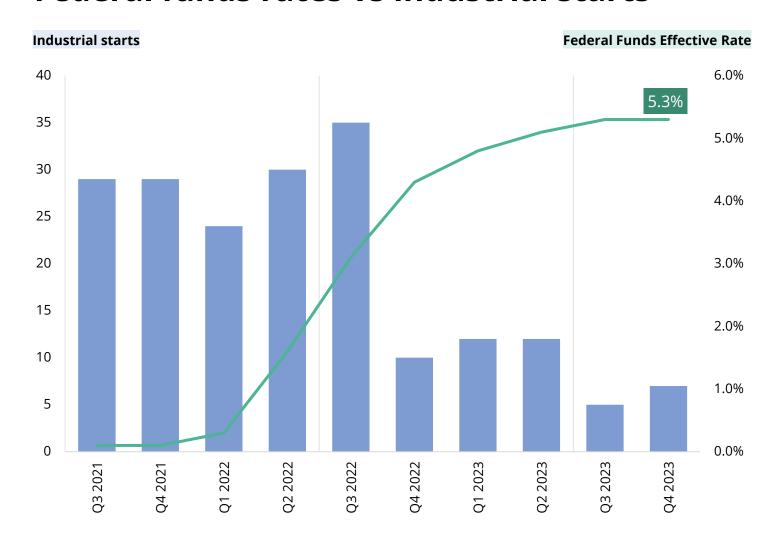
Leasing activity by industry sector



Construction and building material tenants account for 24% of 2023 leasing volume, followed by distributionrelated tenants with a 17% share.



Federal funds rates vs industrial starts



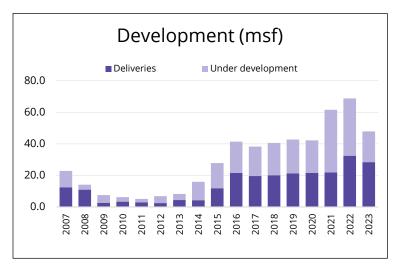
Historical change in interest rates correlates with industrial starts in Atlanta. Developers are less inclined to break ground on new projects due to rise in costs.

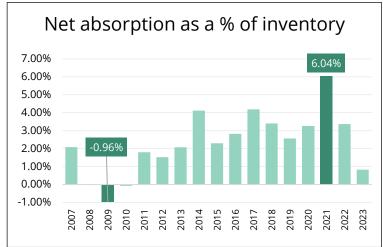


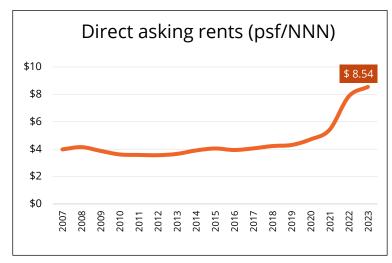
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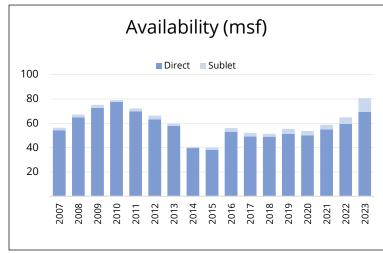


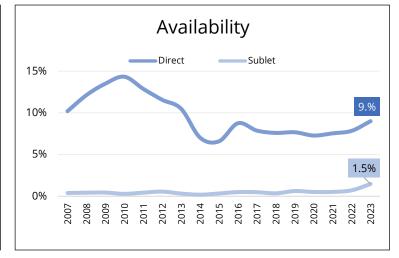
Atlanta industrial market indicators















Atlanta industrial market activity

Recent leasing activity

| Tenant | Address | Submarket | Sign date | Size (sf) | Transaction type | Lease type |
|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------|-----------|------------------|------------|
| Wayfair | 130 Distribution Dr | I-75 South | 10/20/2023 | 846,496 | Renewal | Direct |
| Yita | 200 Metcalf Rd | Airport/ North Clayton | 10/13/2023 | 472,767 | New | Direct |
| RealTruck | 500 Valentine Industrial Pky | Northeast | 10/19/2023 | 416,255 | New | Direct |

Recent sales activity

| Buyer | Address | Sale date | Building size (sf) | Sale price | Sale price psf | Seller |
|-----------------------|--|------------|--------------------|------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| KKR | Cass-White Logistics Center (3 property portfolio) | 11/6/2023 | 1,215,146 | \$116.1M | \$95.59 | Reliant Real Estate Partners |
| ARKA Properties Group | 3611 Jonesboro Rd SE | 10/12/2023 | 171,183 | \$25.0M | \$146.00 | Grind Capital Group |
| Unimat Commercial | 400 Princeton Blvd | 12/18/2023 | 292,000 | \$16.3M | \$56.00 | Dixie Group |

Top projects under development

| Address | Submarket | Delivery date | Building size sf | % Preleased | Developer |
|--|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Bridgeport Blvd -Bridgeport Building D | I-75 South | July 2024 | 1,201,200 | 0% | CRG |
| 2630 Gravel Springs Rd | Northeast | March 2024 | 1,001,424 | 0% | IDI Logistics |
| 950 Logistics Pky | Logistics Pky I-75 South | | 1,800,000 | 100% | Havenwood Realty |



Atlanta industrial market stats

| | Existing inventory sf | Deliveries sf (YTD) | Under development sf | Direct vacancy | Sublet vacancy | Total vacancy | Net absorption sf (YTD) | Net absorption % of inventory (YTD) | Annual direct asking rent psf NNN |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Airport/North Clayton | 121,571,696 | 3,736,998 | 1,963,004 | 8.2% | 1.4% | 6.4% | 532,604 | 0.4% | \$7.97 |
| I-75 South | 73,618,120 | 3,199,816 | 4,502,360 | 7.9% | 2.9% | 6.7% | 1,609,470 | 2.2% | \$7.41 |
| I-85 South | 27,843,862 | 310,375 | 2,008,996 | 14.1% | 0.1% | 2.4% | 412,551 | 1.5% | \$7.30 |
| South Atlanta Total | 223,033,678 | 7,247,189 | 8,474,360 | 4.9% | 1.1% | 6.0% | 2,554,625 | 1.1% | \$7.56 |
| Central Atlanta | 6,818,394 | 0 | 0 | 8.0% | 0.0% | 8.0% | -242,900 | -3.6% | \$11.26 |
| Chattahoochee | 13,350,440 | 0 | 0 | 6.9% | 1.1% | 8.0% | -415,614 | -3.1% | \$12.41 |
| Fulton Industrial | 53,295,312 | 0 | 0 | 5.1% | 0.8% | 5.9% | -94,667 | -0.2% | \$7.30 |
| I-20W/Douglasville | 62,206,287 | 3,552,388 | 1,735,875 | 5.9% | 0.3% | 6.2% | 1,049,297 | 1.7% | \$6.33 |
| North Central | 21,775,107 | 284,926 | 105,000 | 3.2% | 0.0% | 3.2% | 412,172 | 1.9% | \$12.94 |
| Northeast | 216,966,982 | 8,248,593 | 6,343,233 | 7.0% | 0.4% | 7.3% | 1,774,477 | 0.8% | \$7.91 |
| Northwest | 79,907,341 | 6,520,579 | 1,733,588 | 9.5% | 2.1% | 11.6% | 1,259,873 | 1.6% | \$9.49 |
| Snapfinger/I-20 East | 48,402963 | 2,484,570 | 1,132,014 | 7.6% | 0.0% | 7.6% | 555,870 | 1.2% | \$7.07 |
| Stone Mountain | 24,947,368 | 0 | 0 | 4.1% | 0.8% | 4.1% | -655,701 | -2.6% | \$8.53 |
| Market total | 750,703,872 | 28,388,245 | 19,524,070 | 6.2% | 0.8% | 7.0% | 6,197,432 | 0.8% | \$8.54 |

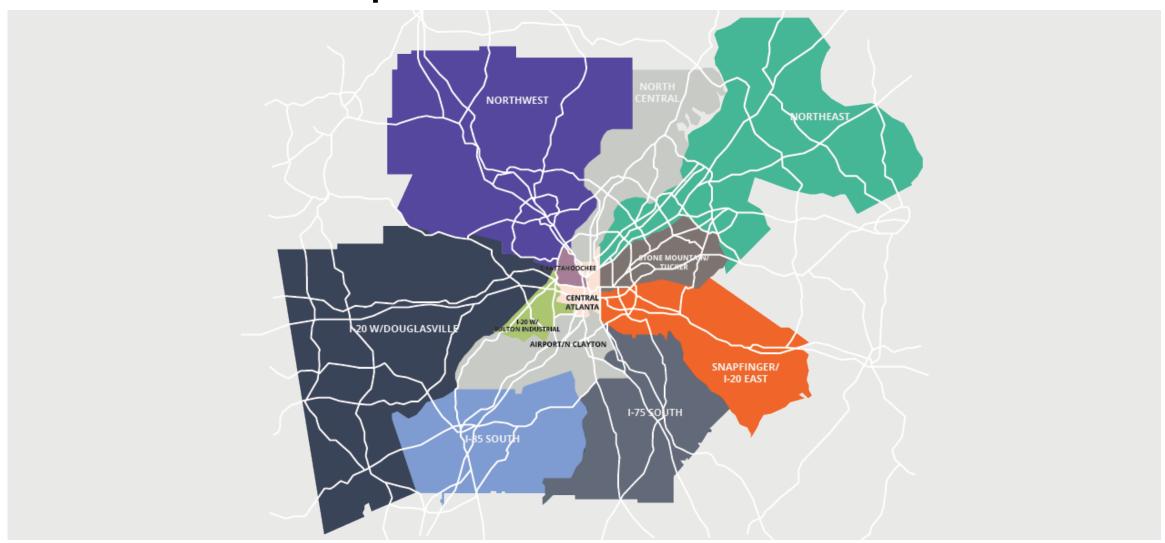


Atlanta industrial market stats by property subtype

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|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------------|--|---|
| Distribution | 325,601,985 | 16,312,547 | 11,944,764 | 6.9% | 0.9% | 7.8% | 4,053,325 | 1.2% | \$9.28 |
| General Warehouse | 345,368,949 | 12,025,698 | 7,079,306 | 6.2% | 0.9% | 7.1% | 2,564,567 | 0.7% | \$8.56 |
| Manufacturing | 79,732,938 | 0 | 500,000 | 3.3% | 0.0% | 3.3% | (420,460) | (0.5%) | \$6.20 |
| Market total | 750,703,872 | 28,338,245 | 19,524,070 | 46,706,482 | 0.8% | 7.0% | 174,837 | 0.8% | \$8.54 |



Atlanta submarket map





Industrial insights glossary of terms

Demand

- Leasing activity: total square footage of relocations, renewals, expansions and subleases expressed when the leases are signed, not when tenants take physical occupancy of the space
- Absorption: period-over-period change in occupied square footage

Supply

- Direct vacancy rate: space operated by landlords that is ready for immediate occupancy
- Sublease vacancy rate: space operated by sublandlords that is ready for immediate occupancy
- Total vacancy rate: sum of direct vacancy rate and sublease vacancy rate
- Availability rate: space that is vacant plus space that will become vacant over an indefinite time horizon, including spaces that are occupied by vacating tenants and under-construction properties

Industrial rents and concessions

- Triple net rents: tenant is responsible for paying rent, utilities, taxes, operating expenses and common area maintenance
- Asking rents: pricing guidance provided by landlords to tenants for available space expressed as triple net (NNN)
- Base rents: fair market value of market-level lease pricing based on representative executed leases, expressed as triple net (NNN)
- Free rent period: months of free rent that are typically provided upfront by landlords to tenants as a concession to offset the total cost of a lease and/or the construction timeline of an industrial suite
- Tenant improvement allowance: an allowance expressed in dollars per square foot provided from landlords to tenants to offset build-out, engineering, space planning and related permit costs
- Net effective rent: base rents discounted by the dollar values of tenant improvement allowance and free rent concessions expressed as full service (FS)

Property subtypes

- Distribution: properties used primarily to ship good with higher proportions of dock doors and taller clear heights
- General Warehouse: properties used to store goods and materials
- Manufacturing: properties where goods are produced and assembled with heavier power and stronger floor loads for equipment

Capital markets

- Investment volume: industrial sales dollars expressed when the transactions close and based on inventory thresholds; partial-interest sale dollar amounts are not grossed-up to reflect the 100% value of the sale
- Asset pricing: unweighted average per-squarefoot asset pricing of market-level closed sales
- Cap rate: net operating income divided by sale price; this measurement of market-level investment returns is calculated as an unweighted average based on closed investment sales



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