

### Second Quarter 2020 / Retail Market Report

# Atlanta



#### Market Snapshot

	2Q19	2Q20
Inventory	163.0 msf	162.1 msf
Vacancy	6.1%	6.4%
YTD Net Absorption	533,351 sf	-70,072 sf
YTD Deliveries	90,783 sf	127,537 sf
Under Construction	593,401 sf	393,865 sf
Unemployment	3.2%	10.3%

### Absorption, Deliveries & Vacancy



Atlanta's retail market struggled at the end of the second quarter as numerous national and local retailers continue to witness stress on their businesses from COVID-19. As real estate is often a lagging indicator, the true impact of this pandemic will likely not begin to show in the numbers until later this year. While the depth and duration still remain to be seen, the Atlanta retail market is sure to see negative impacts of differing degrees due to the public health emergency as retail is often seen as a social experience.

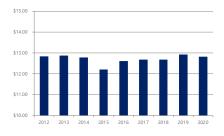
Metro Atlanta recorded negative absorption in the second quarter, -231,374 square feet (sf), the largest amount since 2011. Even though the market saw a strong first quarter, this brings year-to-date absorption to -70,072 sf. Power centers were the only property type to record positive absorption during the guarter, 46,637 sf, due to a few large retailers, such as Ashley Furniture, taking new space. The vacancy rate saw an increase during the second quarter, ending at 6.4%, up 30 basis points (bps) year-over-year. As market conditions continue to change, and online shopping increases due to the pandemic, it is anticipated the vacancy rate will see an upward trend through the remainder of 2020.

Average asking rental rates recorded a significant decline, down 5.5%, to \$12.80 per square foot (psf) NNN in the second quarter. This is the largest year-over-year decline the market has seen since 2015. However, it was not a trend in all sectors as Power Centers saw their rates increase 10.3% to finish the quarter at \$15.46 psf. The Central Perimeter submarket saw the largest increase in average asking rental rates, up 9.4%, to end the second quarter at \$22.40 psf.

Retail construction activity remained tempered during the second quarter with 393,854 sf currently underway. Approximately 34,000 sf delivered in the quarter for a 12 month total of 466,537 sf of new inventory. While some developers have put plans on hold until they have a better understanding of how the pandemic will affect the retail market, there are a few new projects in the works as a few new centers have been announced.

Retail investment sales activity saw a signficant decline in the second quarter, the same as the office and industrial sectors. Most of the deals that closed were already underway before the pandemic, and while some investors are still active in the market, majority have put a hold on any new transactions.

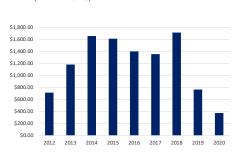
# Average Asking Rental Rate (psf/year/NNN)



## Metro Atlanta Employment (May of each year)



### Retail Investment Sales (in millions)



#### Select 2Q 2020 Sale Transactions

Property	City	Submarket	Buyer	Seller	Total SF	Sale Price	Price/SF
North Logan Commons	Loganville	Northeast	Big V Property Group	CIM	176,042	\$15,600,000	\$89
7050 Highway 85	Riverdale	South Atlanta	NetSTREIT	Tramlaw LLC	216,772	\$13,000,000	\$60
8610 Roswell Road	Sandy Springs	Central Perimeter	Delza Management, Inc	Najco, Inc	95,360	\$7,775,000	\$82
6580 Douglas Boulevard	Douglasville	West Metro	Sunrise Builders Inc	Sears Holding Corporation	132,912	\$4,200,000	\$32
4235 Stone Mountain Highway	Lilburn	Gwinnett	Toyota	Starwood Capital Group	66,893	\$3,500,000	\$52

### Select Construction Projects

Property	Submarket	Projected Completion	Total SF	% Preleased	Major Tenant
Kroger MarketPlace	Gwinnett	Third Quarter 2020	102,877	100%	Kroger
Life Time Atletic	Buckhead	Third Quarter 2021	90,000	100%	Life Time Athletic
Matt Town Center	Georgia 400	Fourth Quarter 2020	56,647	100%	Publix
5827 Campbellton Road	West Metro	Third Quarter 2020	48,394	100%	Publix

### Trends to Watch

Look for these three key trends to continue throughout 2020 in the Atlanta retail market.



Investors will be drawn to the market for value-add properties



Rental Rates
Will fluctuate as construction
activity slows but vacancy rises



Will be limited as more existing space enters the market

<sup>\*</sup>Single-tenant leased property

### Market By The Numbers

		VACANCY	NET ABSORPTION		SF Under	AVERAGE ASKING RENT	
BY SUBMARKET	Inventory	Total	2Q20	YTD	Construction	Total	
Buckhead	7,523,326	3.2%	(5,384)	(54,980)	90,000	\$30.93	
Downtown	539,535	5.8%	(3,345)	1,007	-	\$22.00	
Midtown	3,234,839	2.2%	32,170	17,565	-	\$29.45	
CBD Total	11,297,700	3.1%	23,441	(36,408)	90,000	\$30.27	
Central Perimeter	7,186,784	4.0%	73,784	85,338	-	\$22.40	
Dekalb	12,527,332	9.8%	(21,753)	(45,219)	-	\$11.20	
Georgia 400	17,200,143	5.6%	(3,102)	71,911	78,247	\$16.89	
Gwinnett	32,297,971	6.9%	(706)	23,578	102,877	\$12.92	
North Cobb	21,012,263	6.7%	(139,565)	(228,806)	25,960	\$14.43	
Northeast	5,818,817	6.6%	(20,432)	(11,308)	-	\$9.76	
South Atlanta	15,148,604	7.6%	(120,409)	6,440	-	\$11.03	
South Cobb	9,862,227	4.1%	(24,264)	(65,704)	-	\$14.05	
South Metro	18,175,679	6.1%	77,693	213,165	48,387	\$10.07	
West Metro	11,541,106	6.8%	(76,061)	(83,059)	48,394	\$8.91	
Suburban Total	150,770,926	6.6%	(254,815)	(33,664)	303,865	\$12.59	
Total Market	162,068,626	6.4%	(231,374)	(70,072)	393,865	\$12.80	

BY PROPERTY TYPE	Inventory	Vacancy	2Q Absorption	YTD Absorption	SF Under Construction	Average Rent
Community Center	41,048,316	7.8%	(22,704)	(166,161)	102,877	\$12.25
Mall	27,175,424	7.1%	(91,622)	(25,253)	90,000	\$8.68
Neighborhood	57,637,333	6.0%	(158,824)	(5,862)	152,594	\$13.11
Power Center	25,770,988	3.8%	46,637	216,849	-	\$15.46
Strip Center	10,436,565	7.2%	(4,861)	(89,645)	48,394	\$14.28
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