# Fairfield County Office market snapshot | Q1 2024

In Q1 2024, the Fairfield County office market witnessed a 8.5% decrease in available space year-over-year, leading to a year-over-year drop in the availability rate by 220 basis points. Asking rents experienced a 1.0% rise, mainly due to a slight rise in Class B rents that could be attributed to some properties with new additions. Some positive trends may manifest during the rest of the year.

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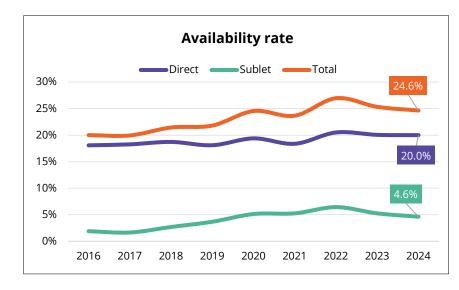
In Q1 2024, Fairfield County saw **280,800** sf of leasing activity, the lowest amount of Q1 leasing since 2020.

\$36.11

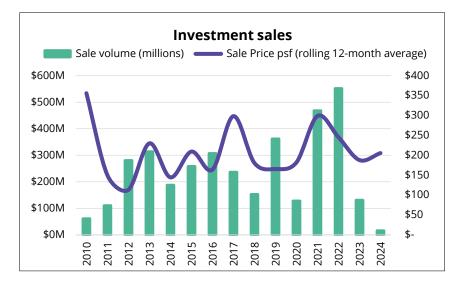
Quarter-over-quarter, overall asking rents experienced a **1.0%** increase, driven by a **1.8%** rise in Class B rents over the same time.

### 10.1 msf

Total available space has decreased **321,000 sf** compared to Q4 2023. Presently, direct available space stands at **8.2 msf**, while direct sublet space is at **1.9 msf**.



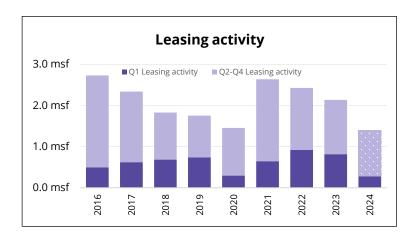
The total availability rate finished Q1 2024 at 24.6%, having an overall fall of 0.7% quarter-over-quarter.

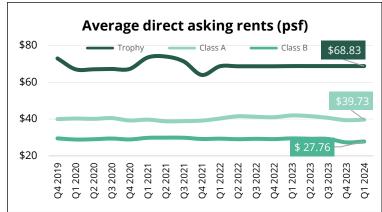


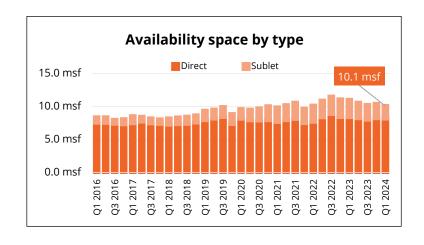
Investment sales started 2024 with \$16M in activity during Q1, a very slow start to the year.



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#### **Recent leasing activity**

| Tenant                 | Address                        | Size (sf) | Transaction type | Lease type |  |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|--|
| Stone Point<br>Capital | 20 Horseneck Ln,<br>Greenwich  | 43,368    | Renewal          | Direct     |  |
| Ascot Capital          | 695 E Main St,<br>Stamford     | 23,944    | Renewal          | Direct     |  |
| Stark Office<br>Suites | 777 W Putnam Ave,<br>Greenwich | 23,538    | Renewal          | Direct     |  |
| CxLoyalty              | 6 High Ridge Park,<br>Stamford | 22,408    | Renewal          | Direct     |  |

#### **Recent sales activity**

| Buyer                        | Address                      | Sale price  | Sale price psf | Seller                                     |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|----------------|--|
| Post West Park<br>LLC        | 315 Post Rd W,<br>Westport   | \$6,590,000 | \$206          | Deluca<br>Construction<br>Company          |
| 1583 POST RD<br>LLC          | 1583 Post Rd,<br>Fairfield   | \$2,490,000 | \$304          | H Murren &<br>Pellegrino Inc               |
| SNK Petroleum<br>Wholesalers | 26 Mill Plain Rd,<br>Danbury | \$2,100,000 | \$108          | Andrews Realty<br>Trust                    |
| Chestnut Realty              | 355 Hawley Ln,<br>Stratford* | \$1,680,777 | \$198          | KeyPoint Partners<br>& Directed<br>Capital |

Note: \*Denotes medical office sale & part of a portfolio Source: AVANT by Avison Young, CoStar



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|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Stamford     | 15,514,244            | 22.8%               | 5.7%                | 28.5%              | (14.3%)                            | 0.5%                                   | 0.5%                                   | \$43.36                             |
| Central      | 9,976,052             | 22.4%               | 5.2%                | 27.6%              | 5.0%                               | (0.3%)                                 | (0.3%)                                 | \$31.18                             |
| Eastern      | 6,488,985             | 20.2%               | 3.4%                | 23.6%              | (18.2%)                            | (0.5%)                                 | (0.5%)                                 | \$25.85                             |
| Northern     | 4,400,245             | 15.3%               | 0.9%                | 16.2%              | 2.3%                               | 0.1%                                   | 0.1%                                   | \$24.23                             |
| Greenwich    | 4,365,973             | 9.1%                | 5.3%                | 14.4%              | (1.2%)                             | 0.6%                                   | 0.6%                                   | \$80.26                             |
| Market total | 40,745,499            | 20.0%               | 4.6%                | 24.6%              | (8.5%)                             | 0.1%                                   | 0.1%                                   | \$36.11                             |

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| Trophy       | 873,115               | 0.9%                | 2.3%                | 3.2%               | 10.7%                              | 0.0%                                   | 0.0%                                   | \$68.83                             |
| Class A      | 27,278,536            | 22.1%               | 5.8%                | 27.9%              | (8.3%)                             | (0.1%)                                 | (0.1%)                                 | \$39.73                             |
| Class B      | 11,902,362            | 16.5%               | 2.5%                | 19.0%              | (6.1%)                             | 0.5%                                   | 0.5%                                   | \$27.76                             |
| Class C      | 691,486               | 21.9%               | 0.0%                | 21.9%              | (39.1%)                            | (0.1%)                                 | (0.1%)                                 | \$21.75                             |
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