

Despite increasing availability rates and another quarter of significant negative absorption, the start of 2024 sees signs of hope that the East Bay office market has begun its recovery. Leasing activity sees a significant improvement over previous quarters, while a rebound in non-remote job postings hint at a potential recovery in the job market and return-to-office prevailing at last.

+13.8%

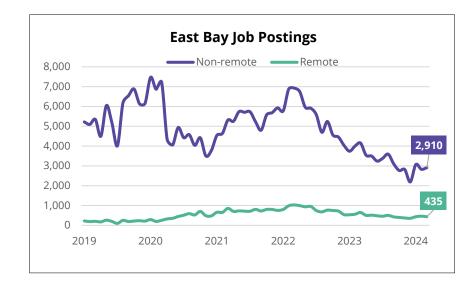
Job postings have **rebounded** from the lows experienced in Q4, with a notable 13.8% increase in the monthly average postings in O1 2024.

228K sf

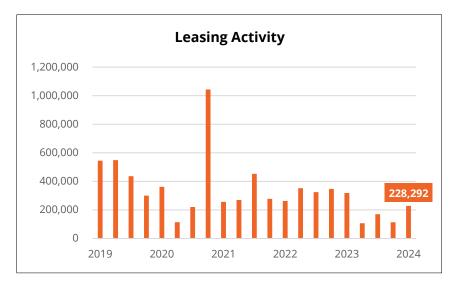
Leasing activity sees notable **improvement** compared to previous quarters, though it remains below the levels of previous years.

-218K sf

Despite the significant improvement in leasing activity, Q1 sees further **negative absorption** due to a swath of expired leases that came to market at year end.



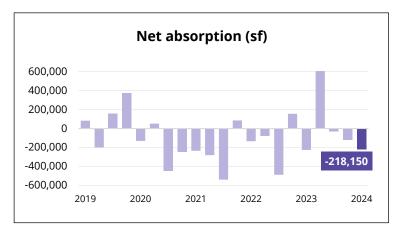
Non-remote job postings have notably increased compared to the previous quarter, whereas remote job postings have remained relatively stable. This trend suggests a potential focus on return-to-office and may indicate the beginning of the recovery for the East Bay economy.

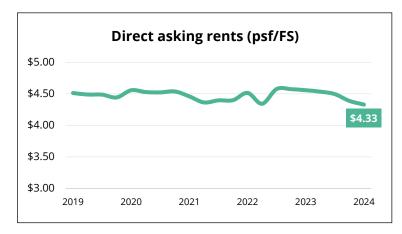


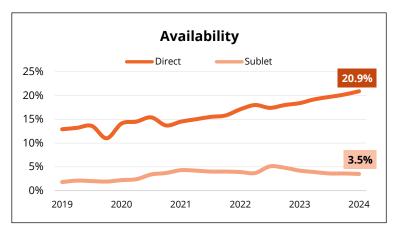
Leasing activity has experienced a substantial boost, more than doubling the activity of the previous quarter. Although it remains below the levels observed in Q1 2023, this surge may signal a breakout from the sluggishness experienced in the latter half of 2023.











Recent leasing activity

Tenant	Address	Size (sf)	Transaction type	Lease type		
Silverado Contractors	2200 Powell St, Emeryville	20,242	New	Direct		
BioMADE	1900 Powell St, Emeryville	21,246	New	Direct		
Husch Blackwell	1999 Harrison St, Oakland	16,038	Renewal	Direct		

Recent sales activity

Buyer	Address	Sales Price	Total RSF	Seller
Quarterra	Two property portfolio in San Ramon	\$40,500,000	210,056	Nearon Enterprises
PSAI Realty Partners	Six property portfolio in Pleasanton	\$73,500,000	341,392	Stockbridge Capital Group



East Bay - Oakland

Office market snapshot

Q1 2024

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	Inventory			Availability			Absorption		Direct Asking Rent (FS)				
	Existing inventory	Deliveries	Under development	Direct %	Sublet %	Total %	Class A %	Class B %	QTD Net absorption sf	YTD Net absorption sf	Class A	Class B	Total
Oakland – Downtown	6,746,630	0	0	33.6%	4.6%	38.2%	41.2%	43.6%	-31,805	-31,805	\$4.94	\$4.04	\$4.64
Oakland – Uptown /Lake Merritt	7,506,411	0	0	19.7%	3.9%	23.7%	25.4%	25.8%	-101,733	-101,733	\$5.30	\$3.20	\$4.58
Oakland – Jack London Square	1,224,216	0	0	16.5%	1.2%	17.6%	6.6%	38.0%	-11,276	-11,276	-	\$3.76	\$2.95
CBD Total	15,477,257	0	0	25.5%	4.0%	29.5%	32.8%	31.9%	-144,814	-144,814	\$5.06	\$3.65	\$4.54
Alameda	1,316,132	0	0	11.6%	0.0%	11.6%	20.1%	18.6%	-29,220	-29,220	-	\$3.48	\$3.48
Berkeley	3,005,926	0	0	8.6%	4.0%	12.6%	19.2%	14.0%	-11,146	-11,146	\$3.66	\$3.04	\$3.29
Emeryville	2,266,108	0	0	30.1%	8.4%	38.5%	46.2%	37.1%	-46,487	-46,487	\$4.55	-	\$4.55
Oakland - Airport	2,457,743	0	0	11.9%	0.0%	11.9%	-	11.6%	3,385	3,385	-	\$2.78	\$2.40
Richmond	1,111,267	0	0	11.7%	0.0%	11.7%	-	16.8%	8,682	8,682	-	\$2.44	\$2.44
San Leandro	927,060	0	0	8.6%	0.0%	8.6%	8.4%	10.8%	1,450	1,450	\$4.15	\$2.65	\$2.43
Non-CBD Total	11,084,236	0	0	14.4%	2.8%	17.2%	32.0%	17.1%	-73,336	-73,336	\$4.41	\$2.80	\$3.58
Overall	26,561,493	0	0	20.9%	3.5%	24.4%	32.6%	24.3%	-218,150	-218,150	\$4.94	\$3.41	\$4.33

