3Q 2021 OFFICE MARKET REPORT



VACANCY



AVAILABILITY

3.6 MSF



10.6%

DELIVERED



NET ABSORPTION

(212,822) SF

BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

260,207 SF

MARKET RENT/SF **\$19.93**

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LEXINGTON + RICHLAND COUNTIES :

INVENTORY: 33 MSF

VACANCY

0

Q3: 9.7% Q2: 9.1%

ABSORPTION

0

Q3: (212K) SF Q2: (266K) SF

RENTAL RATE

0

Q3: \$19.99 Q2: \$19.82

· COLUMBIA CBD + FOREST ACRES =

INVENTORY: 11.9 MSF

VACANCY

0

Q3: 10.7% Q2: 9.9%

ABSORPTION

0

Q3: (119K) SF Q2: (67K) SF

RENTAL RATE

4

Q3: \$20.87 Q2: \$20.66

MIDLANDS MARKET REVIEW

Columbia's office-using sectors are dominated by state government, education, and healthcare-related tenants and professional services supporting those industries. These steady, if slow-growing, sectors shield the office market here from the boom and bust cycles of more dynamic metros. Vacancy rates typically track lower than the national average, and new construction is relatively slow. While Columbia's vacancy rates remained below the national average through the pandemic, some large move-outs have led negative absorption and slowing rent growth in 21Q3.

Several factors, including low business and living costs, local tax incentives, and a central location near major interstates, have attracted a variety of businesses to the area. Columbia is becoming an increasingly attractive location for technology companies in search of top talent, particularly graduates of the University of South Carolina. Columbia's established base of long-term tenants should help reverse absorption losses in the coming quarters, and with limited supply in the works, rent growth has begun to recover heading into 21Q4.

NOTABLE Q3 TRANSACTIONS



SALE

Jeff Hein, SIOR & Thomas Wyatt sold a 6,300 SF medical office building located at 7620 Trenholm Road. The building sold for \$2.1 million.



SOLD

John Gregory, CCIM & Cam Kreps represented a buyer in purchasing 7,800 SF of office space for \$1.2 million. The property is located at 3115 Sunset Blvd. in West Columbia



LEASE

Petyton Bryant, CCIM, Ryan Causey, & Alex Johnson executed a lease of a 12,875 SF office space located at 140 Stoneridge Dr.

Source: CoStar

MIDLANDS SC DEMOGRAPHICS







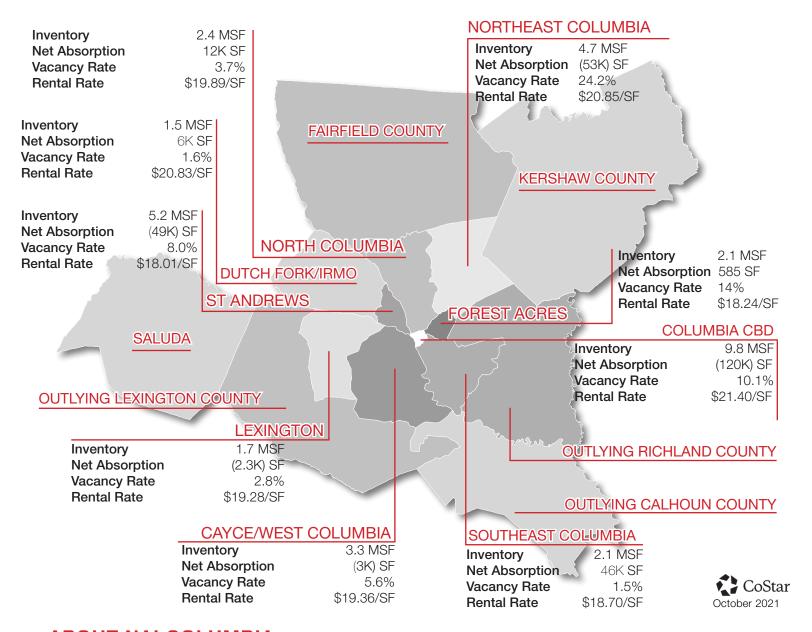








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