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VACANCY 4.5%



AVAILABILITY

3.1 MSF 5.6%





6K SF



NET ABSORPTION

213,587_{SF}



\$14.51



BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

62,900 SF



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LEXINGTON + RICHLAND COUNTIES *

INVENTORY: 50.6 MSF

VACANCY

0

Q3: 4.5% Q2: 4.9%

ABSORPTION

0

Q3: 203K SF Q2: 78K SF

RENTAL RATE

0

Q3: \$15.24 Q2: \$15.10

- CBD + FOREST ACRES =

INVENTORY: 6.9 MSF

VACANCY

0

Q3: 4.3% Q2: 5.3%

ABSORPTION

Q3: 66K SF Q2: 15K SF

Q3: \$18.04

RENTAL RATE

0

Q2: \$17.91

MIDLANDS MARKET REVIEW

After five consecutive quarters of negative absorption and rising vacancies, Columbia's retail sector turned a corner in 21Q2 as leasing activity improved. Vacancy rates at 4.5% are slightly below the national average and rent growth is outpacing national trends. Rents in the metro average roughly \$14.80/SF, making space here more affordable than nearby metros such as Charleston or Charlotte, but population and job growth in Columbia is less intense than these other markets, slowing the trajectory of longer-term consumer spending growth.

Still, University of South Carolina's continued enrollment growth and the relatively steady employment base created by state government agencies in the state capital help produce steady, if slower, returns. Investor interest in the market continues, and roughly \$264 million has traded over the past year.



NOTABLE Q3 TRANSACTIONS



LEASE

Ben Kelly, CCIM, Patrick Chambers, & Jack Springs leased a 70,000 retail development for \$3.2 million. The development in located at 2708 Clemson Road



LEASE

Patrick Palmer, CCIM and Bobby Balboni leased a 2,500 SF retail suite to Nick's Gyros and Subs located in Marshbrook Plaza at 7355 Two Notch Road



LEASE

Patrick Palmer, CCIM and Bobby Balboni leased 9,600 SF of retail space to Traditions Fine Jewelers in the Village at Sandhill, Town Center 1

MIDLANDS SC DEMOGRAPHICS







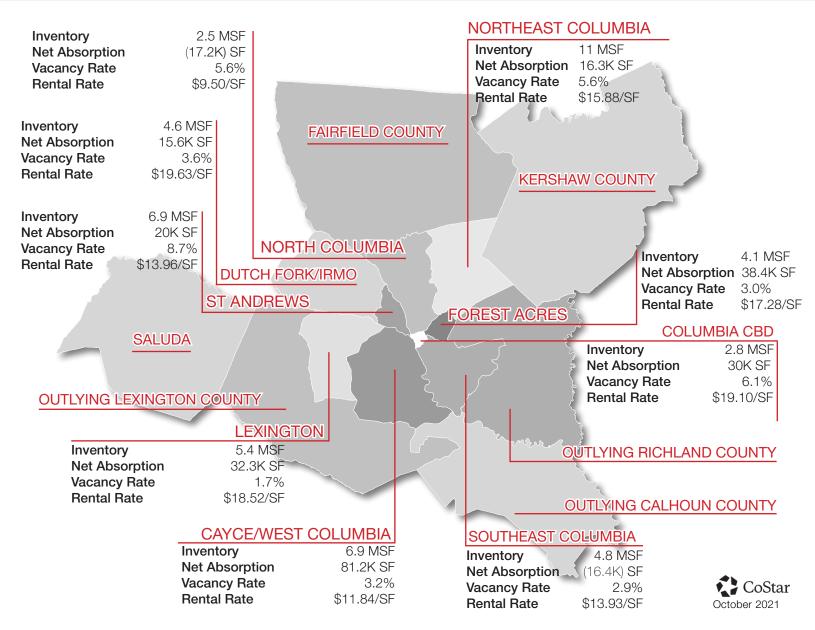








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