

## Office Market Report

Population and available talent pool, continue to draw large corporate occupiers to the Raleigh-Durham market. While the post-pandemic hybrid-work model has slowed overall, leasing activities and high-end office supply outpaces the current demand. Vacancy in the market remains below the national average. These fundamentals have allowed for slower rent growth, most noticeably in the Downtown Raleigh submarket.

Raleigh's strong technology and life science industries will continue to support the office demand across the market. Given the available vacacy rate and new supply, rent growth could shift in the favor of tenants over the next few quarters.



### **Rental and Vacancy Rates**

Direct Asking Rent (\$/SF) Total Vacancy Rate YoY Change \$35.32 -0.3% Downtown Raleigh | Class A 15.3% \$29.35 3.8% Downtown Raleigh | Class B 8.1% \$30.61 -1.9% RTP/RDU | Class A 11.0% \$28.25 2.4% RTP/RDU | Class B 5.8% \$35.80 8.6% 0.4% Six Forks Falls of Neuse | Class A \$24.24 Six Forks Falls of Neuse | Class B 0.4% \$30.39 Research Triangle | Class A 15.7% 3.7% \$24.34 Research Triangle | Class B -3.2% Downtown Durham | Class A \$33.45 Downtown Durham | Class A 12.6% \$25.57 5.6%

### **Recent Transactions**

| Tenant |                             | Size      | Submarket                | Sector |
|--------|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|--------|
| 1      | Renesas Electronics America | 90,000 SF | Research Triangle        | Office |
| 2      | Enzyvant                    | 25,972 SF | RTP/RDU                  | Office |
| 3      | Confidential Client         | 20,341 SF | Six Forks Falls of Neuse | Office |
| 4      | Rite Aid Corporation        | 16,049 SF | Downtown                 | Office |
| 5      | Ford, Bacon & Davis         | 13,981 SF | RTP/RDU                  | Office |
| 6      | CAMPO                       | 13,086 SF | Cary                     | Office |
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# Occupier's Perspective

Workplace solutions remain a top priority for all firms navigating the ever-changing hybrid workforce.

Raleigh's premier suburban submarkets are outperforming as demand grows in the areas along high-growth submarkets, like Route 1 corridor and the RTP/RDU submarket.

### Market Trends

#### Construction and new deliveries

With the completion of 301
Hillsborough at Raleigh Crossing
in Downtown and work underway
on Bandwidth's campus in West
Raleigh, Raleigh is expected
to continue to benefit from
relocations and expansions as
firms see less expensive markets
to expand their footprints.
Construction is returning to prepandemic levels this quarter with
2.0M SF underway, with about
50% of this new supply preleased.

Vacancy rate stability Although Raleigh's overall vacancy rate at 8.1%, is below the national average, it is still well above the market's trough in 2018 at 4.6%.

Sublease availabilities now total 1.8M SF or approximately 2.3% of the current inventory. While this is down from first quarter, it remains nearly double the market's pre-pandemic trend.