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# Philadelphia Gains Momentum

Multifamily Report Winter 2018

Supply Influx Slows  
Rent Growth

Baby Boomers, Millennials  
Drive Demand

Transaction Volume Tops  
\$1B in 2017

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## Market Analysis

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## Mixed-Use Developments Pick Up Steam

Multifamily demand continues to be strong in Philadelphia, sustained by an influx of degree-holding Millennials drawn to the metro's expanding job market, as well as a growing population of Baby Boomers opting to rent within the city core while downsizing. Despite the recent spate of deliveries, occupancy remained high, reflecting the market's capacity to rapidly absorb new product.

Job gains were highest in professional and business services and leisure and hospitality, a trend fueled by new businesses, the organic growth of existing firms and large-scale projects, such as Schuylkill Yards—a \$3.5 billion innovation community that Brandywine Realty Trust is developing on land owned by Drexel University. The project's initial phase will bring entrepreneurial workspaces; corporate offices; educational and research facilities; and residential, retail and hotel space. Meanwhile, the soon-to-be-completed \$1.5 billion Comcast Center—Philadelphia's tallest building—is expected to become a catalyst for the local technology sector. The 60-story tower will host technologists, engineers and software architects, along with a media center and startup incubator.

As more institutional investors have entered the market, competition has spiked, pushing 2017 sales volume above the \$1 billion mark. Development is also likely to ramp up in the foreseeable future, with new deliveries concentrated in Center City. This uptick in supply should keep rent growth moderate in the coming months.

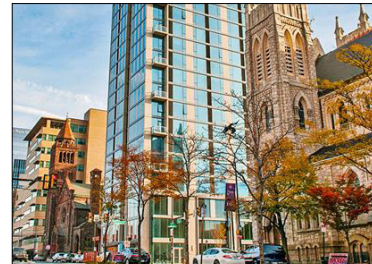
### Recent Philadelphia Transactions

The Grand at Neshaminy



City: Bensalem, Pa.  
Buyer: AJH Management  
Purchase Price: \$165 MM  
Price per Unit: \$154,229

3737 Chestnut



City: Philadelphia  
Buyer: Korman Residential Properties  
Purchase Price: \$118 MM  
Price per Unit: \$427,536

Exton Crossing



City: Exton, Pa.  
Buyer: Harbor Group International  
Purchase Price: \$96 MM  
Price per Unit: \$236,379

Village Square



City: Bensalem, Pa.  
Buyer: Berger Rental Communities  
Purchase Price: \$71 MM  
Price per Unit: \$102,305

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