

MULTIFAMILY REPORT

Demand Persists In Denver

September 2024

Rent Growth Outperforms US

Construction Pipeline Still Robust

Investment Reaches \$1.4B

DENVER MULTIFAMILY



Demand Outpaces Supply, Leads US

Steady population and employment expansion helped Denver's rent growth rebound toward the end of the first quarter, and the positive momentum continued amid a strong development pipeline. Average advertised asking rents rose 0.5% on a trailing threemonth basis through July, to \$1,960, while the occupancy rate for stabilized properties declined 30 basis points year-over year, to 94.8%, in June. The average U.S. advertised asking rent was up 0.3%, on a T3 basis through July, to \$1,743, while occupancy declined 40 basis points, to 94.6%.

Denver's jobless rate rose to 4.0% in June. The rate was the highest it's been since early 2022 and 10 basis points ahead of the U.S. figure, according to preliminary data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Employment slowed to 0.9% over the 12-month period ending in May, below the 1.3% national average. The metro gained 6,400 jobs. The government and education and health services sectors added a combined 24,100 positions. Meanwhile, the largest losses were recorded in trade, transportation and utilities (-8,700 jobs) and mining, logging and construction (-5,100 jobs).

Development was strong, with a robust pipeline and steady deliveries, but new construction decelerated significantly. In 2024 through July, developers delivered 6,871 units and had another 39,088 underway. Investment activity remained limited, totaling just \$1.4 billion, with the average per-unit price down 14.3% since December.

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Recent Denver Transactions

Viridian



City: Greenwood Village, Colo. Buyer: Pacific Urban Investors Purchase Price: \$117 MM Price per Unit: \$278,571

Columbine Towers



City: Denver Buyer: Ulysses Development Group Purchase Price: \$34 MM Price per Unit: \$200,000

Ascent at Lowry



City: Denver Buyer: Jackson Square Properties Purchase Price: \$23 MM Price per Unit: \$164,319

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City: Longmont, Colo. Buyer: Two Arrows Group Purchase Price: \$19 MM Price per Unit: \$182,108