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Upscale Assets Drive Rent Growt

**Investment Activity Remains High** 

Job Gains Decelerate

### MANHATTAN MULTIFAMILY

### Market Analysis

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### **Construction Ramps Up, Demand Lingers**

Although it remains a poster child for the country's affordability crisis, Manhattan's rental market is powering through, bracing for sustained development while rates continue to inch up. The average Manhattan rent was up 1.0% year-over-year through April, mainly driven by gains in upscale assets, while occupancy remained among the highest in the U.S.

New York City job gains decelerated and trailed the U.S. average in the 12 months ending in March. Nonetheless, employers still added 103,300 positions during this time, with more than half in education and health services. While smaller, non-coastal tech metros across the U.S. continue to expand at a much faster rate than in New York City, the city remains one of the country's top economic juggernauts and, at the same time, one of the most stable and relatively safest real estate havens.

Manhattan remained a top destination for institutional and crossborder investors looking to deploy large sums, and the multifamily sector is no stranger to this. More than \$1 billion in multifamily assets traded in the first quarter of 2019, following last year's \$3.4 billion. With 12,150 apartments slated to come online across the metro this year amid regulatory uncertainties and already deep affordability issues, we expect the average overall New York City rent to advance only 0.7% in 2019.

#### **Recent Manhattan Transactions**

#### Truffles



City: New York City Buyer: Related Cos. Purchase Price: \$260 MM Price per Unit: \$893,471

#### The Hanley New York



City: New York City Buyer: CIM Group Purchase Price: \$210 MM Price per Unit: \$ 1,381,579

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City: New York City Buyer: Greystar Purchase Price: \$238 MM Price per Unit: \$892,857

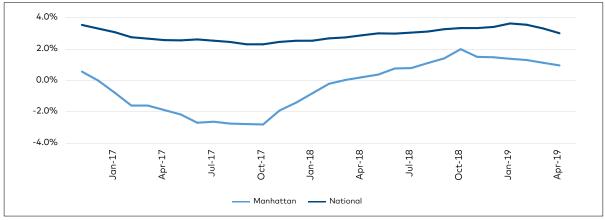
#### Stonehenge 86



City: New York City Buyer: Pan Am Equities Purchase Price: \$91 MM Price per Unit: \$1,810,000

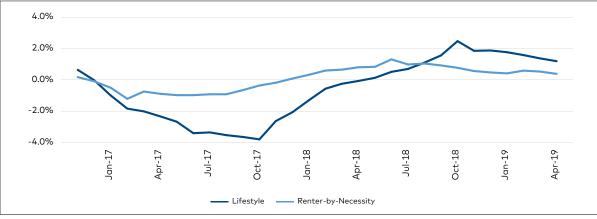
### **Rent Trends**

- Rents in Manhattan rose 1.0% year-over-year through April, as appreciation continued, albeit at a limited rate. Manhattan's overall average rent was \$4,130, way above Brooklyn (\$2,878), Queens (\$2,464), Long Island (\$2,119) and Northern New Jersey (\$1,928), as well as nearly triple the \$1,436 national average.
- Lifestyle rents led gains year-over-year through April, up 1.2% to \$4,498 and bucking nationwide trends. While the majority of U.S. metros register significantly higher growth in workforce assets, Manhattan's high concentration of capital, chronic affordability issues and tight overall stock continued to push up demand at the higher end of the quality spectrum. Meanwhile, the average working-class Renter-by-Necessity rate in Manhattan advanced just 0.4%, reaching \$3,394.
- Growth was uneven across the map. Tribeca rents were up 5.9% to \$5,932 and remained the highest across the borough. Meanwhile, rates contracted across several submarkets, including the Flatiron District (-1.9% to \$4,026) and Central Midtown (-1.8% to \$3,686).
- With deliveries expected to ramp up across the metro this year and factoring in regulatory uncertainties and affordability issues, we expect the average New York City rent to advance just 0.7% in 2019.



Manhattan vs. National Rent Growth (Sequential 3 Month, Year-Over-Year)

Source: YardiMatrix

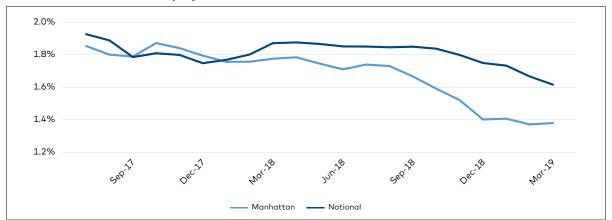


Manhattan Rent Growth by Asset Class (Sequential 3 Month, Year-Over-Year)

Source: YardiMatrix

### **Economic Snapshot**

- With affordability issues dampening demographic expansion and migration patterns favoring smaller, non-coastal tech metros in the second half of this cycle, New York City job growth continued to decelerate over the past two quarters. The metro gained 103,300 positions in the 12 months ending in March for a 1.4% uptick, trailing the national figure by 20 basis points.
- Nonetheless, New York remains the East Coast's main economic engine and the country's top gateway metro for both domestic and foreign capital. The city's deep talent pool and large academic network continued to generate high-paying jobs, while international migration boosted the labor pool across employment sectors, keeping the metro's demographic dynamics positive. Education and health services and professional and business services—Manhattan's main traditional drivers—accounted for nearly three-quarters of the metro's job gains in the 12 months ending in March.
- Towering costs are pushing many companies toward late-cycle bloomers such as Austin, Phoenix and Denver, but New York City remains a business epicenter and development hotbed. Amazon dropped its HQ2 plans in Queens but is looking to expand in Manhattan. Meanwhile, Google plans to double its footprint in the borough by 2030, and the \$25 billion Hudson Yards megaproject, the city's largest private project in more than seven decades, is powering through after an official March opening.



New York vs. National Employment Growth (Year-Over-Year)

Sources: YardiMatrix, Bureau of Labor Statistics (not seasonally adjusted)

### New York Employment Growth by Sector (Year-Over-Year)

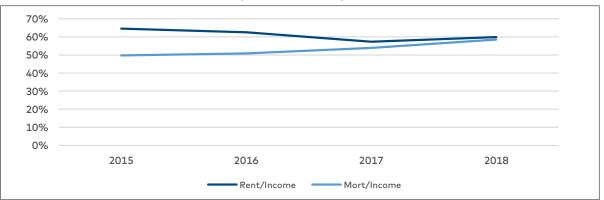
		Current Employment		Year Change	
Code	Employment Sector	(000)	% Share	Employment	%
65	Education and Health Services	1543	21.6%	52,700	3.5%
60	Professional and Business Services	1155	16.2%	20,800	1.8%
15	Mining, Logging and Construction	271	3.8%	9,000	3.4%
80	Other Services	307	4.3%	7,700	2.6%
90	Government	940	13.1%	7,300	0.8%
70	Leisure and Hospitality	674	9.4%	3,100	0.5%
50	Information	254	3.6%	2,700	1.1%
40	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	1181	16.5%	2,200	0.2%
30	Manufacturing	207	2.9%	1,000	0.5%
55	Financial Activities	618	8.6%	-3,200	-0.5%

Sources: YardiMatrix, Bureau of Labor Statistics

### Demographics

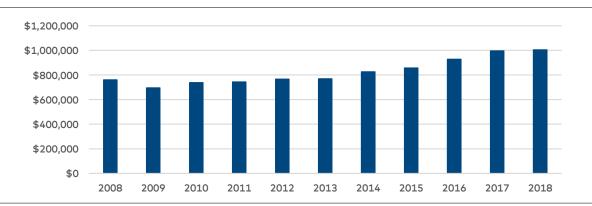
### Affordability

- Manhattan home prices continued their climb in 2018, with the median value surpassing the \$1 million threshold, way above neighboring Brooklyn (\$791,495) and Queens (\$585,752). That marks a 17% hike in three years and a 45% improvement in less than a decade, since the 2009 trough.
- Living costs are pushing the affordability crisis even further: Last year, the average Manhattan mortgage payment equated to 58% of the area median income, while the average rent accounted for as much as 60%.



### Manhattan Rent vs. Own Affordability as a Percentage of Income

Sources: YardiMatrix, Moody's Analytics



### **Manhattan Median Home Price**

Source: Moody's Analytics

### Population

- The borough added 26,000 people between 2013 and 2017. That marks a 1.6% uptick.
- Manhattan gained 2,600 residents in 2017 for a 0.2% expansion, trailing the 0.7% U.S. figure.

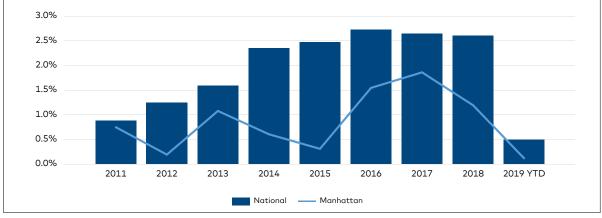
### Manhattan vs. National Population

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
National	316,234,505	318,622,525	321,039,839	323,405,935	325,719,178
Manhattan	1,638,790	1,646,521	1,657,183	1,662,164	1,664,727

Sources: U.S. Census, Moody's Analytics

### Supply

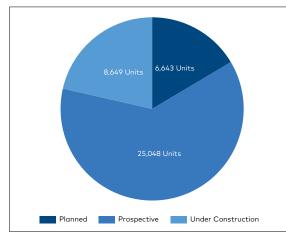
- The borough had 8,649 units underway as of April, as construction activity stayed solid during the second half of the current expansion. Since 2016, developers added an average of 4,800 units each year, the vast majority of them in upscale assets. We expect rental deliveries to reach 12,150 apartments this year for New York City as a whole.
- Another 32,000 units were in the planning and permitting stages as of April, pointing to further inventory growth, should market fundamentals stay positive. Although some uncertainty regarding the future of rent control lingers, demand continues to be high, reflecting further increase in multifamily supply over the five boroughs.
- The average occupancy rate in stabilized properties was 98.6% as of March, one of the highest in the country. The borough is undersupplied across the quality spectrum: Assets in the Renter-by-Necessity segment had an occupancy rate of 98.8%, while the Lifestyle occupancy rate was just 30 basis points lower.



### Manhattan vs. National Completions as a Percentage of Total Stock (as of April 2019)

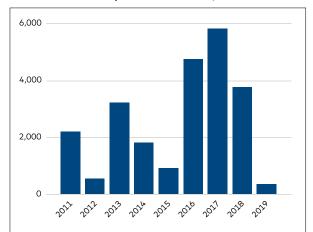
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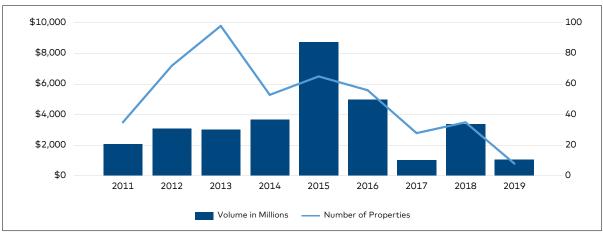
### Manhattan Completions (as of April 2019)



Source: YardiMatrix

### Transactions

- Coming off a strong 2018 for multifamily sales, when \$3.4 billion in assets traded, Manhattan's rental investment market remained frothy, raking in more than \$1 billion in transaction activity during the first four months of 2019.
- Although value-add plays continue to be popular in the borough, deal distribution between Renter-by-Necessity and Lifestyle assets remained balanced this year through April. As a result, per-unit prices in Manhattan were up \$300,000 compared to last year, even as the national average stagnated.
- The largest deal completed in 2019 through April was Related Cos.' \$260 million purchase of the 291unit Truffles in Tribeca. The Jack Parker Corp. sold the Class A property after holding it since its 2007 completion. The asset traded at \$893,471 per unit.



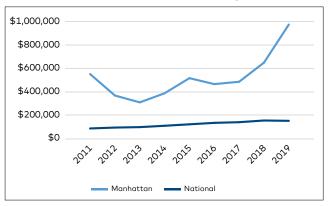
Manhattan Sales Volume and Number of Properties Sold (as of April 2019)

Source: YardiMatrix

### Top Submarkets for Transaction Volume<sup>1</sup>

Lincoln Square643Upper West Side367Carnegie Hill358	
Carpogio Hill 250	
Curriegie mili 556	
Theater District 290	
Lennox Hill 263	
Tribeca 260	
NoMad 238	
Hell's Kitchen 193	

### Manhattan vs. National Sales Price per Unit



Source: YardiMatrix

<sup>1</sup> From May 2018 to April 2019

Source: YardiMatrix

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Turtle Bay Building Receives \$72M Refi

PGIM Real Estate Finance originated the Fannie Mae financing for the 240-unit Olympia House, located within two blocks of Grand Central Station.



Carlyle Group, Stonehenge Land \$235M Recap

The newly formed joint venture will invest in upgrades to The Ritz Plaza, a 479-unit residential community in Times Square.



### East Harlem Mixed-Use Project Breaks Ground

A trio of developers is behind the long-awaited 19-story building set to add more than 400 mixedincome apartments to the Manhattan neighborhood.



### Greystar Expands With \$240M Buy

The company acquired a 266-unit community in the NoMad neighborhood from Equity Residential at roughly \$900,000 per unit. The community came online in 2003.



### Exact Capital Rehabs Central Harlem Properties

The firm teamed with Harlem Congregations for Community Improvement Inc. and received private and city funding to help pay for the renovation of the 29 buildings.

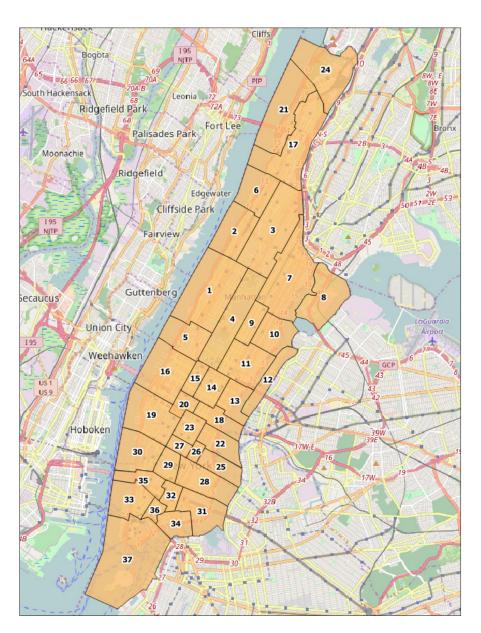


### Manhattan Community Scores \$136M Green Loan

Freddie Mac extended the 10-year loan to Rachel Bridge owner Clipper Equity. The financing will facilitate property renovations to cut down on energy and water usage.

### Manhattan Submarkets

Area #	Submarket
1	Upper West Side
2	Morningside Heights
3	Harlem
4	Central Park
5	Lincoln Square
6	Hamilton Heights
7	East Harlem
8	Randall and Ward Islands
9	Carnegie Hill
10	Yorkville
11	Lennox Hill
12	Roosevelt Island
13	Midtown East
14	Central Midtown
15	Theater District
16	Hell's Kitchen
17	Washington Heights
18	Murray Hill
19	Chelsea
20	Garment District
21	Hudson Heights
22	Kips Bay
23	NoMad
24	Inwood
25	Stuyvesant Town
26	Gramercy Park
27	Flatiron
28	East Village
29	Greenwich Village
30	West Village
31	Lower East Side
32	Chinatown
33	Tribeca
34	Two Bridges
35	SoHo
36	Civic Center
37	Financial District



### Definitions

**Lifestyle households (renters by choice)** have wealth sufficient to own but have chosen to rent. Discretionary households, most typically a retired couple or single professional, have chosen the flexibility associated with renting over the obligations of ownership.

Renter-by-Necessity households span a range. In descending order, household types can be:

- A young-professional, double-income-no-kids household with substantial income but without wealth needed to acquire a home or condominium;
- Students, who also may span a range of income capability, extending from affluent to barely getting by;
- Lower-middle-income ("gray-collar") households, composed of office workers, policemen, firemen, technical workers, teachers, etc.;
- Blue-collar households, which may barely meet rent demands each month and likely pay a disproportionate share of their income toward rent;
- Subsidized households, which pay a percentage of household income in rent, with the balance of rent
  paid through a governmental agency subsidy. Subsidized households, while typically low income, may
  extend to middle-income households in some high-cost markets, such as New York City;
- Military households, subject to frequency of relocation.

These differences can weigh heavily in determining a property's ability to attract specific renter market segments. The five-star resort serves a very different market than the down-and-outer motel. Apartments are distinguished similarly, but distinctions are often not clearly definitive without investigation. The Yardi® Matrix Context rating eliminates that requirement, designating property market positions as:

Market Position	Improvements Ratings
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High Mid-Range	A- / B+
Low Mid-Range	B / B-
Workforce	C+ / C / C- / D

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