

### A Snapshot of the Pacific Northwest Multifamily Housing Market

There is only good news for multifamily investors! While 2020 had a lulling effect at its start, it rebounded guickly in the second half of 2020 and has continued to gain momentum in nearly all markets. Class B & C properties stayed strong throughout 2020 & 2021 and Class A properties had notable gains in Q2 2021. Overall, Q2 rents in nearly all metro markets were higher than pre-COVID levels, and signs point to continued growth. Vacancy in many markets is at an all-time low even as new construction properties are coming on line at a steady pace. Net absorption is nearly 5x higher than this time last year and 4.5% above pre-COVID 2019 levels. Read below for specific submarket snapshots.

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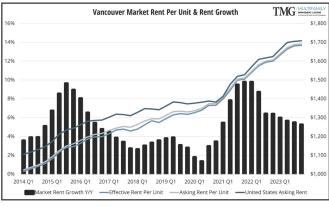
# **VANCOUVER***Multifamily*

12 Mo.	12 Mo.	Vacancy	12 Mo.
Delivered Units	Absorption Units	Rate	Asking Rent Growth
1,709	1,881	3.3%	9.4%

- ► Construction has continued at a guicker pace in Vancouver than almost anywhere else in the metro. Despite this construction surge, demand is high and vacancies remain low.
- ► Vancouver's year-over-year rent growth is consistently outpacing the Portland metro's overall performance.
- ▶ Vancouver has around 940 units under construction, more than almost any other area submarket, set to expand existing inventory by 2.9%.







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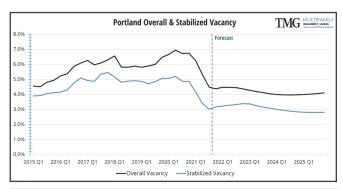
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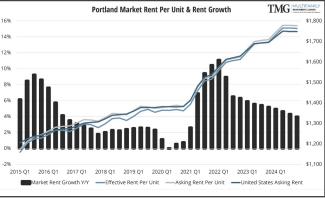
## **PORTLAND** Multifamily

12 Mo.	12 Mo.	Vacancy	12 Mo.
Delivered Units	Absorption Units	Rate	Asking Rent Growth
6,612	11,204	4.4%	9.4%

- ➤ Vacancies have trended downward since mid-2020, and have dipped below the frictional 5% mark.
- ➤ Apartment demand remains strong going into Q4 2021. The region's affordability and high quality of life are driving robust in-migration, which underpins apartment demand.
- ➤ Average rent levels are rising fast. Market rent metro-wide is currently \$1,520 per month.
- ➤ Portland's outlying suburband communities continue to post the strongest rent growth, while Downtown Portland has seen some visible rent growth in 2021 following a more than 6% decrease in 2020.

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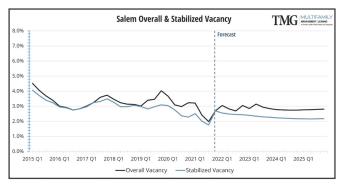


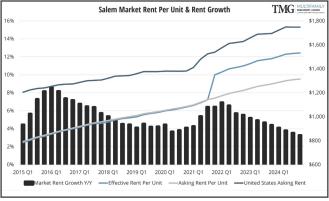
## **SALEM***Multifamily*

12 Mo.	12 Mo.	Vacancy	12 Mo.
Delivered Units	Absorption Units	Rate	Asking Rent Growth
597	843	2.0%	

- ➤ The strength of Salem's apartment sector has helped it weather lingering effects of the pandemic.
- ▶ Boasting exceptionally low vacancy rates, Salem's 2.0% is substantially lower than the national figure of 4.5%.
- ➤ Continued demand for apartments has fueled strong rent growth in Salem, which is now performing near the top of all Oregon metros.
- ➤ Cumulative rent gains over the past ten years of 57.1% outpace national performance at 39.4%.

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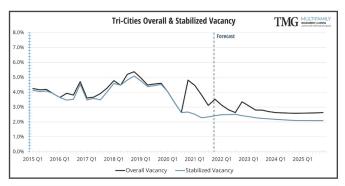
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### **TRI-CITIES***Multifamily*

12 Mo.	12 Mo.	Vacancy	12 Mo.
Delivered Units	Absorption Units	Rate	Asking Rent Growth
507	461	3.0%	13.7%

- Apartment rents in the Tri-Cities market rose at a 13.7% annual rate by the start of Q4 2021, and have posted an average annual gain of 6.4% over the past three years.
- ▶ In addition to the 540 units delivered over the past three years, there are 340 units currently underway.
- ► Vacancies were somewhat below the 10-year average at the start of Q4 2021, but were essentially flat over the past 4 quarters.

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### **Eviction Moratoriums:**

On August 26, 2021, the US Supreme Court struck down the CDC's federal eviction moratorium, declaring it unconstitutional. Any landlords who had cases on hold due solely to a receipt of a CDC declaration may now proceed with termination of tenancy due to non-payment.

**Oregon:** Oregon's Eviction Moratorium ended on **June 30, 2021**, and regular rent payments resumed on **July 1**, **2021**. The grace period for repayment of rent balances owed during the Emergency Period (April 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021) in Oregon ends February 28, 2022. Several Emergency Senate Bills (SB 282, SB 278) have provided "safe haven" periods of 60-90 days for tenants who are unable to pay their rent and offers them time to apply for rental assistance under the OERAP program. SB 278 has also offered a Landlord Guarantee Program (LGP) which provides funding for landlords with tenants unable to pay rent during the safe haven period.

Washington: Washington's "The Bridge" eviction moratorium was extended through October 31, 2021. At a glance, this Proclamation does not further limit any actions when it comes to addressing past due rent. Rent increases are permitted as of **July 1, 2021**. Tenants are still required to pay rent on time, as has been expected since **August 1, 2021**. All of Washington is required to participate in an Eviction Resolution Pilot Program (ERP) through local dispute resolution centers to assist tenants in achieving reasonable repayment plans before serving a 14-day notice to vacate.

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