

ECONOMY OVERVIEW

The PEI (Prince Edward Island) economy has a strong forecast, with an after-inflation adjustment of 2.0% of consumer spending year-to-date. The consumption growth is due to the province's population growth, answering PEI's growing demand for labour. Another vital factor for the increases in consumption is softening inflation and increased wages, allowing households to increase their saving and lower debt. Residential investment has also seen strong growth, specifically an increase in purpose-built rentals as a response to the influx of population growth. The forecast for PEI in 2025 continues to be strong, with falling interest rates leading to a boost in the housing market, consumption and business investments. This growth is expected to be unsustainable as the federal government plans to limit the number of non-permanent residents coming to the province in 2025. (Sources: Statistics Canada, RBC, TD Economics)

DEMAND

The total amount of vacant space available in Charlottetown this quarter was 59k square feet (sf), all direct vacancy, a 16k-sf decrease quarter-over-quarter (QOQ). Both the Central and Suburban markets witnessed a decline in vacant space in the third quarter of 2024.

The Charlottetown office market posted an overall vacancy rate of 4.8% in the third quarter of 2024, a decrease of 130 basis points (bps) from last quarter. Central market vacancy declined by 110 bps QOQ to 5.0%, while vacancy in the Suburban market declined 220 bps QOQ to 4.0%. In the Central submarket at 176 Great George Street, an undisclosed IT company moved in, taking 1,770 sf.

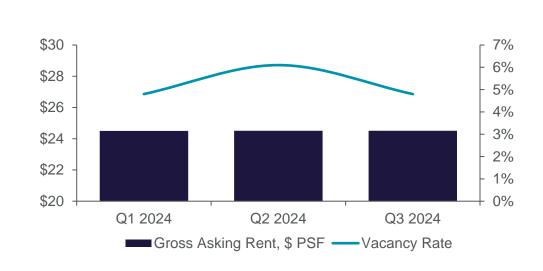
PRICING

The average net rent in the Charlottetown office market remained stable at \$15.91 per square foot (psf) this quarter. The overall average additional rent was \$8.61 psf, bringing the overall gross rent to \$24.51 psf.

SPACE DEMAND / DELIVERIES



OVERALL VACANCY & ASKING RENT



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CHARLOTTETOWN OFFICE Q3 2024

MARKET STATISTICS

SUBMARKET	INVENTORY (SF)	SUBLET VACANT (SF)	DIRECT VACANT (SF)	OVERALL VACANCY RATE	CURRENT QTR OVERALL NET ABSORPTION (SF)	YTD OVERALL NET ABSORPTION (SF)	UNDER CNSTR (SF)	OVERALL AVG ASKING RENT (ALL CLASSES)*	OVERALL AVG ASKING RENT (CLASS A)*
Charlottetown- Central	1,035,199	-	51,594	5.0%	11,039	21,056	0	\$25.21	\$25.21
Charlottetown- Suburban	197,704	-	7,908	4.0%	4,400	3,217	0	\$29.50	\$29.50
Charlottetown Totals	1,232,903		59,502	4.8%	15,439	24,273	0	\$24.51	\$24.28

^{*}Rental rates reflect full service asking

KEY LEASE TRANSACTIONS Q3 2024

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	TENANT	SF	TYPE*
176 Great George Street	Central	Maximus Canada Services	5,000	Direct
284 Freetown Road	Suburban	PEI Bag Company	7,618	Direct
18 Queen Street	Central	Undisclosed	5,800	Direct

^{*}Renewals not included in leasing statistics

KEY SALES TRANSACTIONS Q3 2024

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	SELLER/BUYER	SF	PRICE / \$ PSF
NA				

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