# Aegon Asset Management Fixed Income & Real Estate Insights

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# Macroeconomic outlook

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## Gross domestic product (GDP)

- Average annual increase +50 basis points over the next two years
- End-of-cycle slowdown pushed out towards end of the decade
- Net positive skew to growth

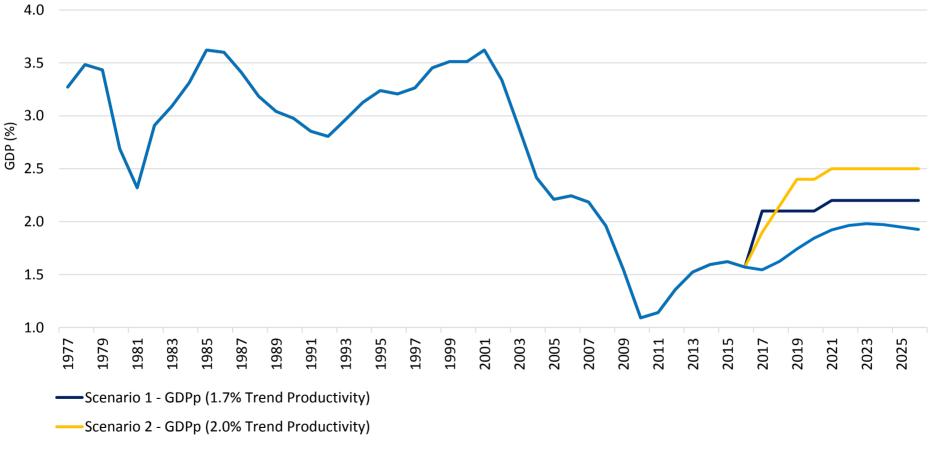
AUIM economic forecasts												
	2014	2015	1Q16	2Q16	3Q16	4Q16	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
GDP (Real %, YoY)	2.40	2.60	1.60	1.30	1.70	2.00	1.60	2.25	2.50	1.80	1.00	2.50
GDP (Real, QoQ, AR %)	-	-	0.80	1.40	3.50	2.10	-	-	-	-	-	-

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## Trump's potential impact on long-term growth

Can "Trumponomics" boost long-term productivity? If so, real trend growth can accelerate, but upside is limited.

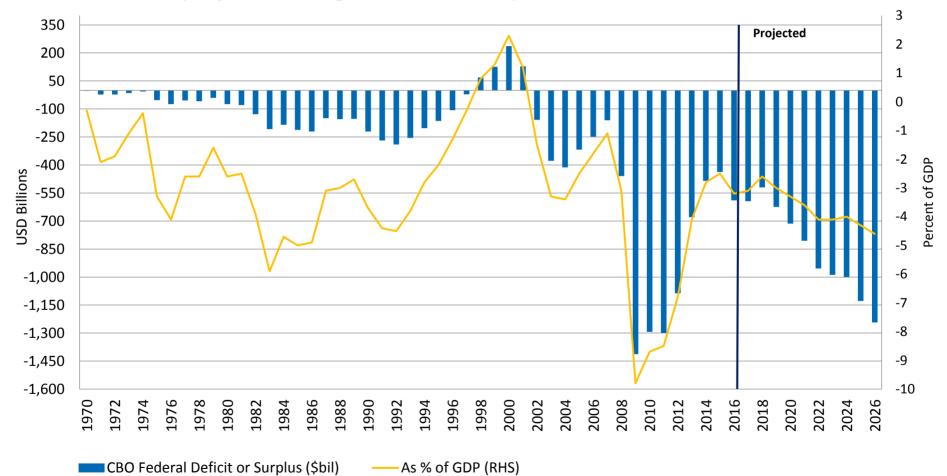


<sup>——</sup>CBO's Official Potential Real GDP Growth (Implies 1.4% Trend Productivity)

Source: Haver Analytics, CBO, AUIM



## If not addressed, structural deficit is projected to worsen



### CBO actual and projected budget deficit or surplus

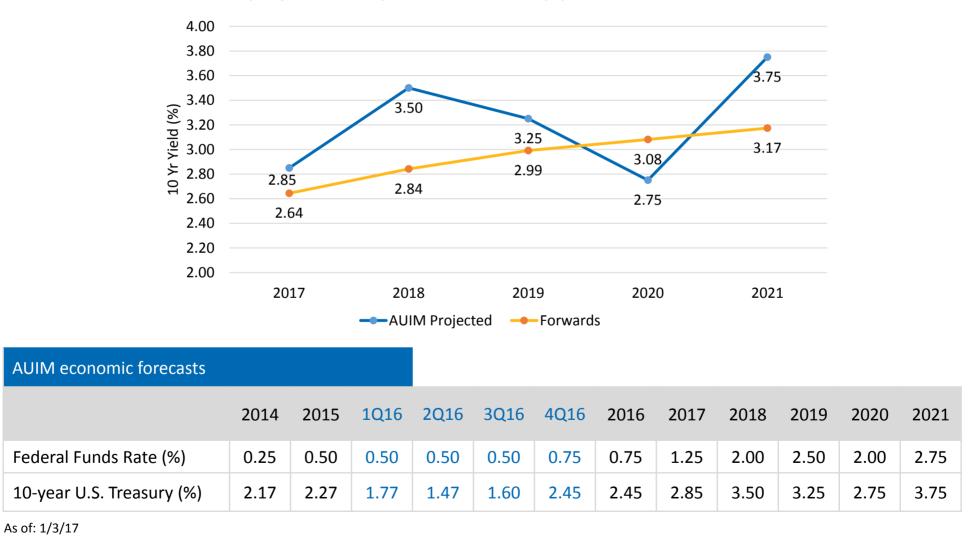
Source: Congressional Budget Office, AUIM Investment Strategy Team, Haver Analytics



### Interest rate outlook

Faster growth + small output gaps = higher rates

### AUIM projected 10-year U.S. Treasury yield vs. forwards





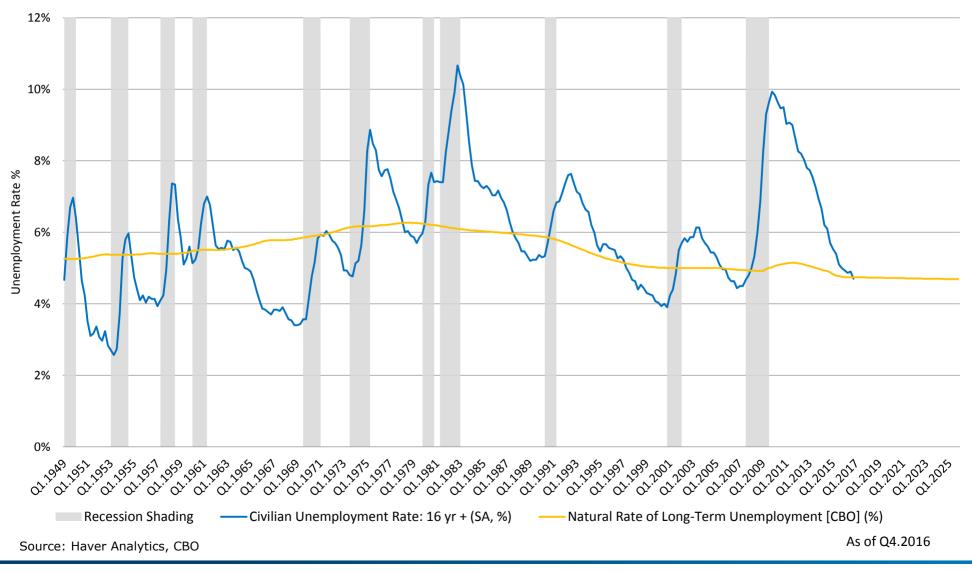
## **Unemployment outlook**

- Near cyclical lows
- Expect modest headline rate improvements
- Likely further absorb labor slack
- Anticipate a bottom around 2018

AUIM economic forecasts												
	2014	2015	1Q16	2Q16	3Q16	4Q16	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Unemployment (%)	5.6	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.8	5.2	5.2
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## Unemployment vs. the natural rate

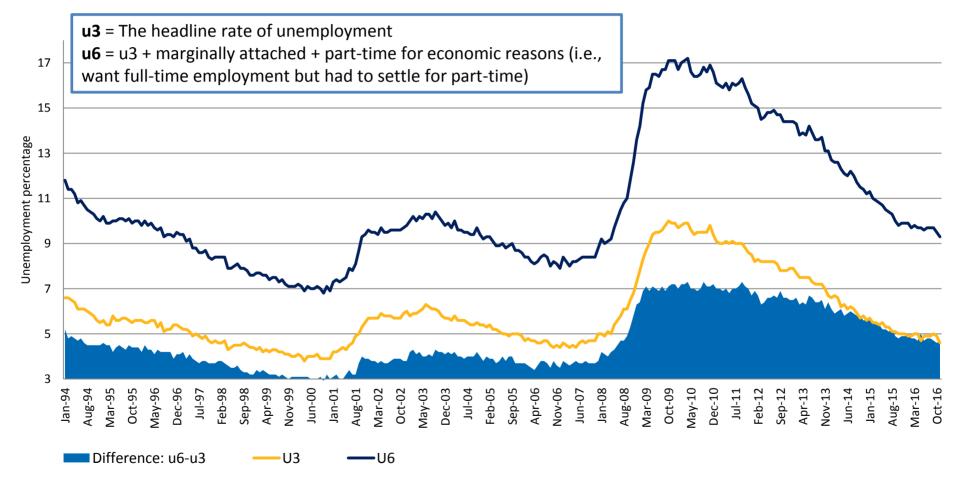


### Long-term natural rate of unemployment vs. actual unemployment



## Persistent labor underutilization

### Quantifying the 'real' labor slack: U-3 vs. U-6 (in percentage points)



Source: BLS, Haver Analytics, AUIM Investment Strategy

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## Inflation outlook

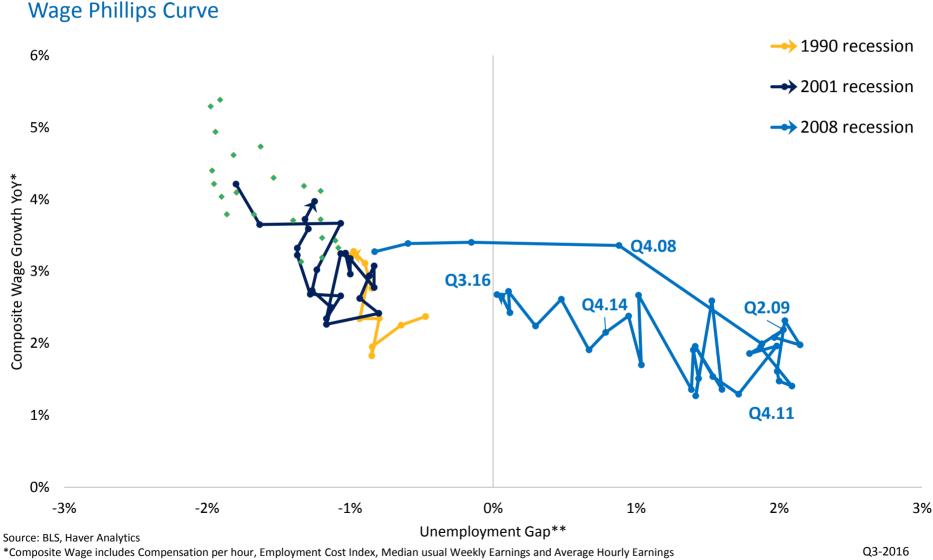
- Shift to reflationary policy puts a net tailwind behind inflation forecasts
- Phillips curve has flattened in recent years
- Expect core inflation to gradually rise, peaking a touch ahead of 2% in 2018
- Continued strong dollar would offset some inflationary pressures

AUIM economic forecasts												
	2014	2015	1Q16	2Q16	3Q16	4Q16	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Core Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE)	1.4	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.7	2.0	2.2	2.0	1.7	1.7

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## Will the Phillips curve finally start to steepen?



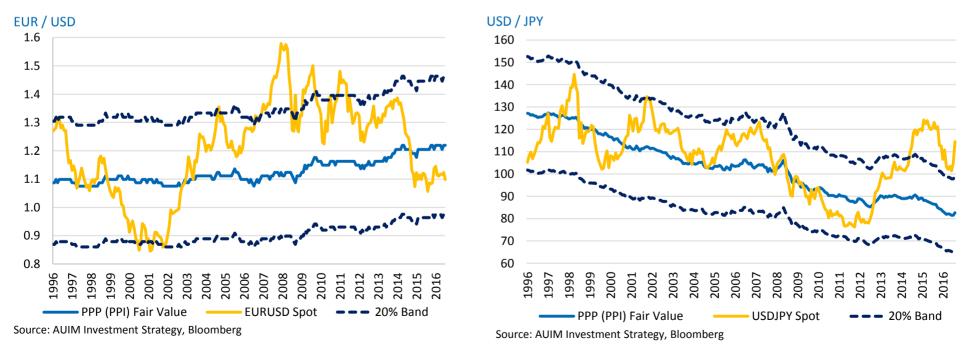
\*\*Unemployment Gap is difference between the spread of U-6 & U-3 unemployment rate and NAIRU



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## U.S. dollar valuations already extended

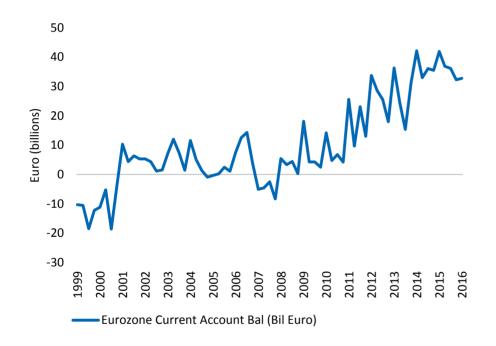
- Potential speed governor for economic growth
- Continued strength would weigh on trade deficit
- Short term: factors in place for a stable / modestly stronger dollar
- Medium / long term: lower likelihood of pronounced strength given fundamentals and valuation



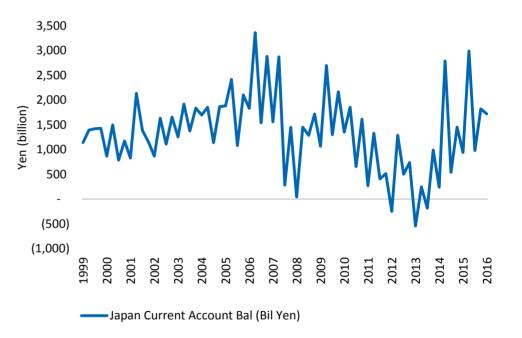


## U.S. dollar - shift in current accounts creates headwinds

### Eurozone current account balance



### Japan current account balance

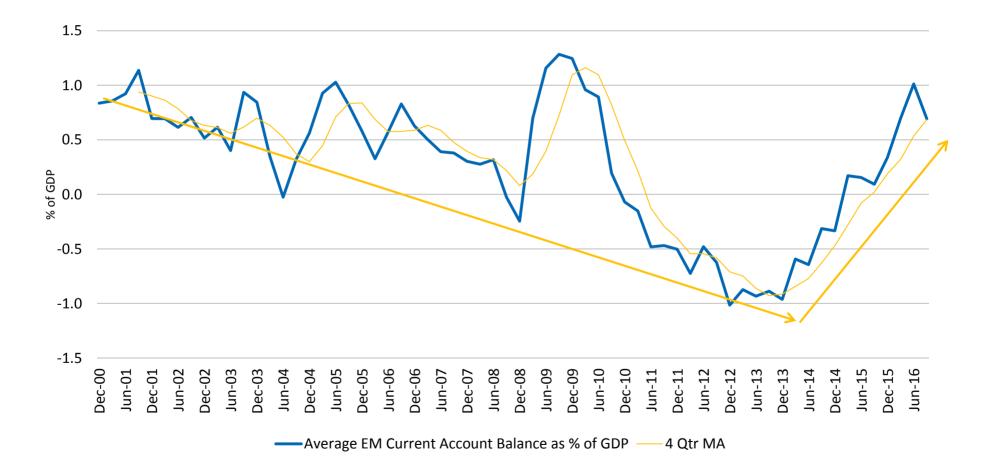


Source: AUIM Investment Strategy, Bloomberg



## U.S. dollar - shift in current accounts creates headwinds

Average emerging market current account balance as a % of GDP



Source: AUIM Investment Strategy, Bloomberg



### Summary

- GDP Average annual increase +50 basis points over the next two years
- **Unemployment** Modest improvements in headline rate
- Inflation Core inflation to gradually rise, peaking a little above 2% in 2018
- USD Strength in the short term, less likely in medium/ long term



## Real estate outlook

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## **Apartment fundamentals**

### Property type outlook



AURA's view is derived by the Applied Research Group and is based on both forward and backward looking measures.

### Leaders\*

	Vacar	псу	Rent (\$/Unit)				
	15Q3	16Q3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change	
Sacramento	4.1%	3.7%	-0.4%	\$1,086	\$1,192	9.8%	
Seattle	5.3%	4.7%	-0.6%	\$1,405	\$1,510	7.5%	
Salt Lake City	6.0%	4.8%	-1.2%	\$962	\$1,023	6.4%	
Phoenix	6.1%	5.9%	-0.2%	\$862	\$916	6.3%	
Татра	5.4%	5.1%	-0.3%	\$988	\$1,043	5.5%	

### Laggards\*\*

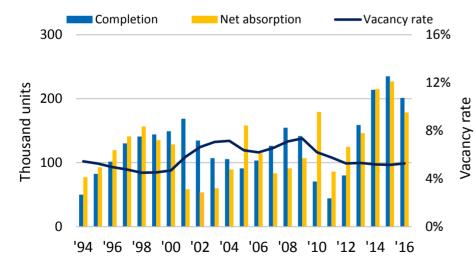
	Vacar	псу	Rent (\$/Unit)				
	15Q3	16Q3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change	
San Francisco	3.7%	4.3%	0.7%	\$3,075	\$3,020	-1.8%	
Oklahoma City	8.9%	10.4%	1.5%	\$704	\$699	-0.7%	
Houston	7.1%	8.7%	1.6%	\$1,022	\$1,013	-0.9%	

CoStar Portfolio Strategy, 2016 Q3. MSA - Top 54 Metropolitan Statistical Area in the United States.

\*Leaders have a favorable vacancy trend and rent growth of 3% or higher.

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### Apartment market



Source: Annual Data, CoStar Portfolio Strategy, Q3 2016



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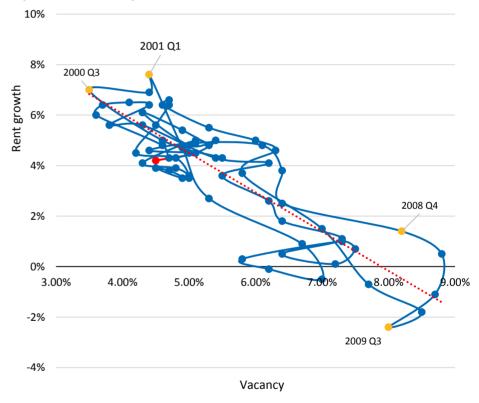
## Apartment class A

# Average annual rent growth (since 2000)



Vacancy cohorts



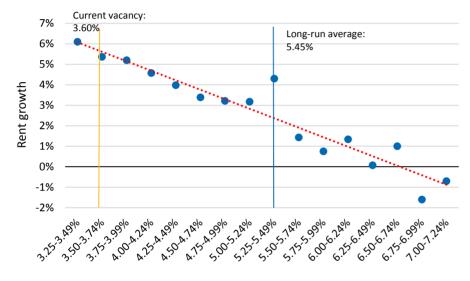


Source: MPF Research as of Q3 2016



## Apartment class B

## Average annual rent growth (since 2000)



Vacancy cohorts

## Rent growth (since 2000)

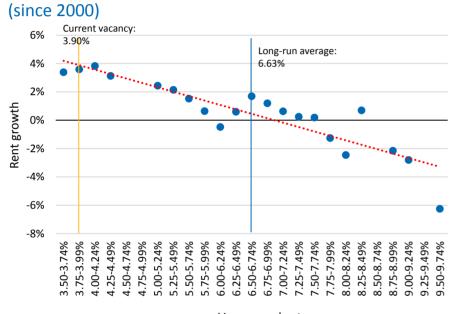


Source: MPF Research as of Q3 2016



## Apartment class C

### Average annual rent growth



Vacancy cohorts

## Rent growth (since 2000)



Source: MPF Research as of Q3 2016



## **Office fundamentals**

### Property type outlook

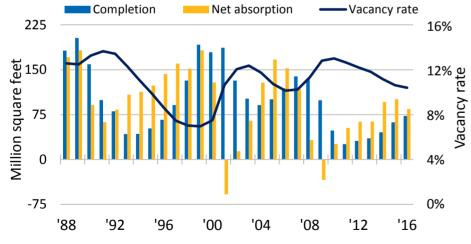


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### Leaders\*

	Vacar	псу	Rent (\$/SF)				
	15Q3	16Q3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change	
East Bay	8.8%	8.0%	-0.8%	\$25.86	\$28.87	11.6%	
Nashville	5.4%	4.1%	-1.3%	\$21.09	\$22.77	8.0%	
Boston	8.8%	8.4%	-0.4%	\$27.84	\$29.79	7.0%	
Orange County	9.5%	9.0%	-0.5%	\$24.68	\$26.24	6.3%	
Atlanta	12.7%	12.1%	-0.6%	\$19.36	\$20.49	5.8%	

### Office market



Laggards\*\*

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• No metropolitan statistical areas (MSA) met the criteria



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## Industrial fundamentals

### Property type outlook



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### Leaders\*

,	Vacan	су	Rent (\$/SF)			
	15Q3	16Q 3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change
San Jose	4.8%	2.4%	-2.4%	\$10.45	\$12.18	16.6%
San Francisco	3.7%	2.4%	-1.3%	\$14.89	\$17.24	15.8%
East Bay	4.7%	4.1%	-0.6%	\$8.34	\$9.48	13.7%
Nashville	5.5%	3.5%	-2.1%	\$4.88	\$5.49	12.5%
San Antonio	5.7%	5.0%	-0.6%	\$5.71	\$6.37	11.6%

### Laggards\*\*

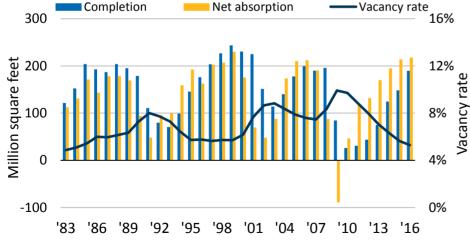
	Vaca	ancy	Rent(\$/SF)				
	15Q3	16Q3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change	
Hartford	6.5%	7.2%	0.7%	\$5.04	4.98%	-1.2%	

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### Industrial market



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## **Retail fundamentals**

### Property type outlook



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### Leaders\*

	Vaca	ancy	Rent (\$/SF)				
	15Q3	16Q3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change	
Austin	4.0%	3.7%	-0.3%	\$19	\$20.69	10.0%	
Boston	3.3%	3.0%	-0.3%	\$19	\$21.35	9.7%	
Nashville	5.4%	4.0%	-1.3%	\$16	\$16.82	8.4%	
Las Vegas	9.9%	8.9%	-1.0%	\$16	\$16.73	7.2%	
Los Angeles	4.6%	4.1%	-0.5%	\$2	\$29.41	6.6%	

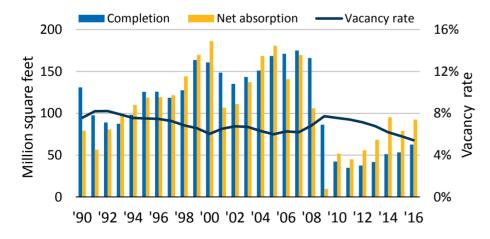
### Laggards\*\*

	Vacar	Rent (\$/SF)				
	15Q3	16Q3	Change	15Q3	16Q3	Change
Honolulu	1.9%	2.9%	1.0%	\$41	\$39	-4.7%
No. New Jersey	5.4%	5.8%	0.4%	\$21	\$21	-2.2%

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### Retail market





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