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Solid Fundamentals, Positive Momentum

Atlanta has become an economic powerhouse in recent years. It's currently one of the fastest-growing metro areas in the nation—a result of its broad-based job growth, 18-hour lifestyle and healthy rental and housing market. A rapidly rising population is adding to the city's congestion issues, but also fostering demand for apartments and pushing rents higher.

The metro's favorable business climate continues to entice companies to relocate. Through March, the job market added103,100 positions, the bulk of which were in professional and business services. The hospitality industry is booming, as the state generated a record-breaking \$61.1 billion in commercial sales in 2016. Furthermore, the presence of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention boosts medical research and has helped to propel health-care employment to record highs. Meanwhile, Atlanta's growing film industry is making the city competitive with Hollywood.

Although multifamily demand is robust, concerns abound around overbuilding and the lack of affordable housing. The metro is adding 10,000-plus units per year, most of them in the luxury segment. Strong property fundamentals drive investor interest, with \$1.7 billion in multifamily assets already trading in the first quarter. Rents increased 2.9% to \$1,108 as of May, and Yardi Matrix forecasts rents will increase by 3.5% in 2017.

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City: Atlanta Buyer: LivCor Purchase Price: \$199 MM Price per Unit: \$265,333

Avia at North Springs



City: Atlanta Buyer: Harbor Group International Purchase Price: \$93 MM Price per Unit: \$176,121

The Residence Buckhead Atlanta



City: Atlanta Buyer: Simpson Housing Purchase Price: \$137 MM Price per Unit: \$368,919

WestHaven at Vinings



City: Atlanta Buyer: GoldOller Real Estate Investments Purchase Price: \$91 MM Price per Unit: \$149,180

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