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Las Vegas Fires On All Cylinders

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Rent Growth Leads West Coast

Construction Drives Employment Gains

Investment Sales Stay Elevated

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Growth Outpaces Nation

Las Vegas capped a strong year for rent growth, as the 7.3% year-overyear improvement was high enough to lead all major metros through 2018. Following what has been an entire cycle of finding its footing, the metro is now a hot spot for commercial development, as well as multifamily investment opportunities. With employment and population on the up and up, further attention is flowing Las Vegas' way, boosting demand for housing. As a result, the average rent hit a new cycle peak, standing at \$1,052 as of December 2018. However, that's still far more affordable than across most coastal markets in the West.

Las Vegas gained 33,900 jobs year-over-year as of October. Construction soared, adding 7,400 positions, with several massive developments underway, including the \$1.9 billion stadium for the Raiders of the National Football League and Southern Highlands—the Olympia Cos.' 2,750-acre master-planned development, which is expected to house 25,000 residents.

Multifamily investment sales in 2018 crossed the \$2 billion mark for the third year in a row. The average price per unit also reached a cycle peak, at \$122,810. Some 3,477 units were completed, while another 17,400 were in the planning and permitting stages. With only 2,340 units scheduled to come online in 2019, demand is expected to push rents up by another 4.0%.

Recent Las Vegas Transactions

Avanti



City: Las Vegas Buyer: LivCor Purchase Price: \$68 MM Price per Unit: \$163,647

Villa Serena



City: Henderson, Nev. Buyer: Sunroad Enterprises Purchase Price: \$53 MM Price per Unit: \$182,291

The Grove



City: Las Vegas Buyer: Bean Investment RE Purchase Price: \$68 MM Price per Unit: \$264,347

Reflections at the Lakes



City: Las Vegas Buyer: Bridge Investment Group Purchase Price: \$51 MM Price per Unit: \$156,441