

QUEENS MULTIFAMILY



Rent Growth Among Nation's Highest

The Queens multifamily market approached the end of 2024 with good momentum. Average advertised asking rents were up 0.7% on a trailing three-month basis through November, to \$3,130, 90 basis points higher than the U.S. figure. Year-over-year, rents were up 5.9%, which was one of the highest rates in the nation. The figure was above the 0.9% U.S. rate, as well as New York City's 5.0%, which in turn ranked first among Yardi Matrix's top 30 major metros. This performance was mirrored in occupancy. Although the rate was down 20 basis points year-over-year, it remained at a whopping 98.8% in October.

New York City's unemployment rate reached 4.4% as of October, according to preliminary data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, down 20 basis points year-over-year and 30 basis points higher than the U.S. rate. Year-over-year job growth stood at 1.7% as of September. NYC gained 106,700 net jobs over a 12-month period ending in September, with education and health services (114,700 jobs) accounting for most of that.

Supply growth remained somewhat healthy, with developers bringing 2,337 units online year-to-date through November, about 600 units short of 2023's total. Queens had 11,671 units under construction, along with an additional 24,000 units in the planning and permitting stages.

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