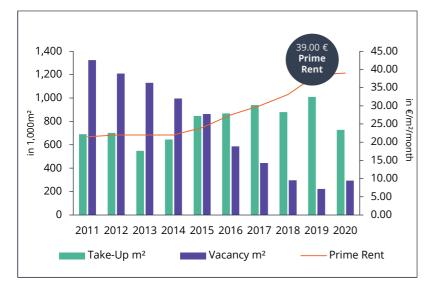


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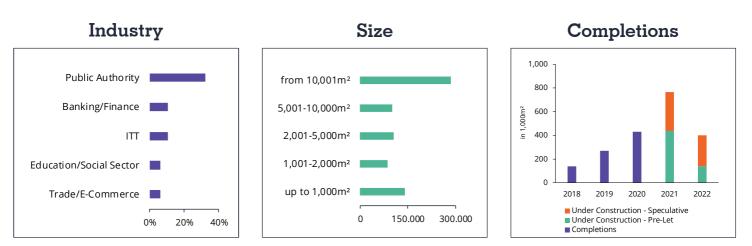
Take-Up, Vacancy and Prime Rent



Take-Up Q1 – Q4 2020 by:

Market Data Take-Up 727,000m² Vacancy 294,000m² Vacancy Rate 1.6% 430,000m² Completions **Under Construction** 1,186,000m² 39.00 €/m²/month Prime Rent Average Rent 27.10 €/m²/month Prime Yield (NIY) 2.60%

Market Area = State Berlin, Parts of Brandenburg (Airport Area)



Overview

With a take-up of 727,000m², the Berlin office market missed the five-year average by some 20%. In particular, the third quarter fell short of the previous year's result. In view of the uncertainties, many companies have postponed their decision to sign a new lease contract. Not so with the public sector, which contributed some 32% to the take-up of space. The vacancy rate rose slightly, but is still close to the long-standing record low. The prime rent remained stable over the course of the year, the average rent rose by 3.4%.

Berlin in Numbers

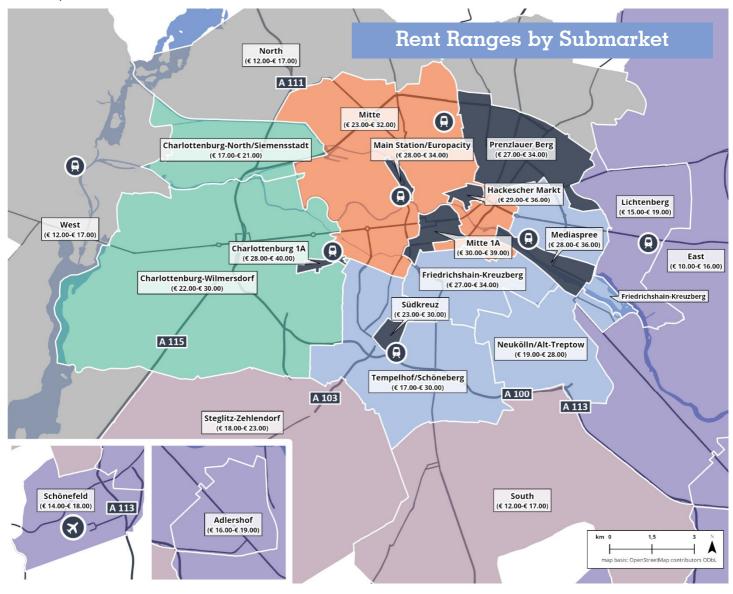


10.1% (GER 5.9%)

3,669,491



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Outlook

Landlords and tenants have partly come to terms with the unusual situation, which results from the COVID-19 pandemic. The further upturn in the market will depend on the vaccination coverage and the associated easing. This means, the take-up volume will not be able to match the strong previous years in 2021, however, we will see more prolongations and subleases. The vacancy rate, which previously tended towards zero, will rise slightly in the coming months. On the positive side, this may lead to a certain degree of relaxation and alleviate the extreme upward pressure on rents that we saw recently. Completions planned for 2020 have been delayed in some cases, overall construction activity is still at a high level: 764,000m² are to be completed in 2021, around 57% of the space has already been pre-let. The development of Berlin in recent years, with the differentiation of industries and the settlement of innovative companies, has increased the resilience of the metropolis on the Spree. When the economic recovery begins to pick up, Berlin has the potential to quickly return to its former momentum.

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