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Overall, Net Asking Rent

ECONOMIC INDICATORS Q4 2023



Greenville-Spartanburg Employment

2.9%

Greenville-Spartanburg Unemployment Rate

3.7% U.S. Unemployment Rate

Source: BLS

ECONOMY: Jobs Added and Population Growth

Amid shifting economic tides across the nation, Greenville-Spartanburg notched another quarter of employment growth by adding 2,400 jobs, pushing total nonfarm employment to 633,200, a 1.8% increase year-over-year (YOY). Multiple new capital investment announcements were made across the Upstate during Q4, totaling nearly \$1.0 billion with over 1,600 new jobs planned. Consistent job gains held the unemployment rate below 3.0% for a second consecutive quarter while the national unemployment rate inched up 10 basis points (bps) to 3.7% in 2023. Despite forecasts of an increasing unemployment rate throughout 2024, the Greenville-Spartanburg economy is well-positioned to weather economic headwinds as economic investment and population growth remain healthy. Notably, South Carolina was reported as the fastest-growing state in 2023 in terms of population due to strong domestic migration according to the United States Census Bureau.

SUPPLY and DEMAND: Space Options Expand while Demand Recalibrates

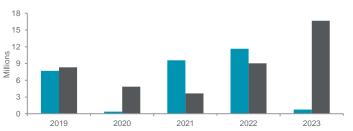
Supply of vacant space in the market rose sharply for the fourth consecutive quarter as multiple new construction projects were delivered fully available, increasing the overall vacancy rate by 170 bps to 8.6%. With 4.3 million square feet (msf) of speculative product delivered in the fourth quarter, bringing the annual deliveries total to a record-setting 16.7 msf, Greenville-Spartanburg was the 11th fastest-growing market out of 83 markets tracked nationally in 2023. A noteworthy delivery in Q4 was the SC Global Logistics Center located within the Hwy 290 Corridor submarket. The warehouse/distribution (W/D) facility measures a remarkable 1.9 msf and was the largest existing Class A availability in the nation.

Demand for industrial space receded slightly in Q4 with 1.5 msf of new deals signed, marginally below the average of the three previous quarters. Only two full-building deals were inked in Class A W/D product during the quarter as the average lease size in 2023 was 33.2% smaller than the 2022 average. As space requirement sizing has contracted significantly, the willingness of landlords and developers to demise larger properties into multi-tenant configurations remains a key factor in an asset's lease-up velocity moving into 2024.

PRICING: Direct and Sublease Rents Balance

Asking rents remained steady quarter-over-quarter, with an overall market average of \$5.90 per square foot (psf) recorded as available supply remained abundant. Direct asking rents grew by 1.5% in Q4; however, sublease asking rents moved in the opposite direction during 2023, decreasing by 3.1% YOY as many occupiers have cost bases that are below market pricing and possess downward flexibility. Rents for smaller W/D and flex space are forecasted to continue rising throughout 2024 while bulk W/D asking rent growth is expected to pause, and possibly abate until the excess supply is absorbed.





■ Net Absorption, SF ■ Construction Completions, SF

OVERALL VACANCY & ASKING RENT



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MARKET STATISTICS

SUBMARKET	INVENTORY (SF)	OVERALL VACANT (SF)	OVERALL VACANCY RATE	CURRENT QTR OVERALL NET ABSORPTION (SF)	YTD OVERALL NET ABSORPTION (SF)	UNDER CONSTRUCTION (SF)	YTD CONSTRUCTION COMPLETIONS (SF)	OVERALL WEIGHTED AVG NET RENT (MF)*	OVERALL WEIGHTED AVG NET RENT (FX)*	OVERALL WEIGHTED AVG NET RENT (W/D)*
Anderson County	28,800,871	2,577,048	9.0%	41,387	-535,653	968,240	1,280,511	\$7.21	\$5.00	\$5.71
Cherokee County	10,935,831	582,033	5.3%	-374,033	-582,033	1,189,440	0	-	-	\$4.12
Greenville Downtown	3,121,179	19,040	0.6%	15,127	17,187	0	0	-	\$11.52	-
East Greenville	10,937,159	384,227	3.5%	-24,313	85,270	305,500	0	\$5.75	\$11.83	\$6.70
North Greenville	20,546,115	770,994	3.8%	-420,145	-520,185	0	11,760	\$6.50	-	\$6.27
South Greenville	40,358,886	3,098,216	7.7%	44,012	1,225,820	910,669	3,418,267	\$3.04	\$18.00	\$6.02
Greer/Hwy 101 Corridor	32,519,324	3,928,436	12.1%	258,138	863,584	1,405,580	4,159,757	-	\$10.23	\$6.20
Hwy 290 Corridor	19,242,442	4,894,139	25.4%	42,500	1,029,247	110,000	5,698,016	-	-	\$5.72
Laurens County	14,262,947	917,298	6.4%	0	-597,176	0	320,122	-	-	\$5.08
North Spartanburg	47,748,728	3,516,848	7.4%	227,830	-121,815	4,563,977	1,779,222	\$4.34	\$8.94	\$5.85
South Spartanburg	9,206,540	115,000	1.3%	0	-88,000	0	0	\$5.25	-	\$4.25
Pickens County	6,813,052	185,387	2.7%	0	-30,000	0	0	\$3.22	-	\$5.16
MARKET TOTALS	244,493,074	20,988,666	8.6%	-189,497	746,246	9,453,406	16,667,655	\$5.84	\$11.02	\$5.81

*Rental rates reflect weighted net asking \$psf/year

KEY LEASE TRANSACTIONS Q4 2023

FX = Flex MF = Manufacturing W/D = Warehouse/Distribution

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	TENANT	SF	ТҮРЕ
Smith Farms Industrial Park – Building 2	Greer/Hwy 101 Corridor	Dunlop Sports Americas	304,884	New Lease
Blackstock Commerce Center – Building A	North Spartanburg	Somnus Mattress International	233,280	New Lease
Hillside Industrial Park – 260 Parkway East	Hwy 290 Corridor	TEiC Construction Services	96,400	New Lease
Access Point – Building 3	South Greenville	Clickstop, Inc.	82,305	New Lease
Gateway 29	North Spartanburg	GCG	82,001	New Lease

KEY SALES TRANSACTIONS Q4 2023

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	SELLER BUYER	SF	PRICE \$ PSF
255 Black Hawk Rd	North Greenville	Sunland Logistics Solutions Woodhill Real Estate	404,000	\$17.9 M \$44.42
I-26 Logistics Center	North Spartanburg	Hughes Commercial Properties MSG Acquisitions	226,800	\$26.1 M \$115.00
Pelzer Point Commerce Center	Anderson County	Techtronic Industries EastGroup Properties	212,500	\$21.8 M \$102.59

KEY CONSTRUCTION COMPLETIONS Q4 2023

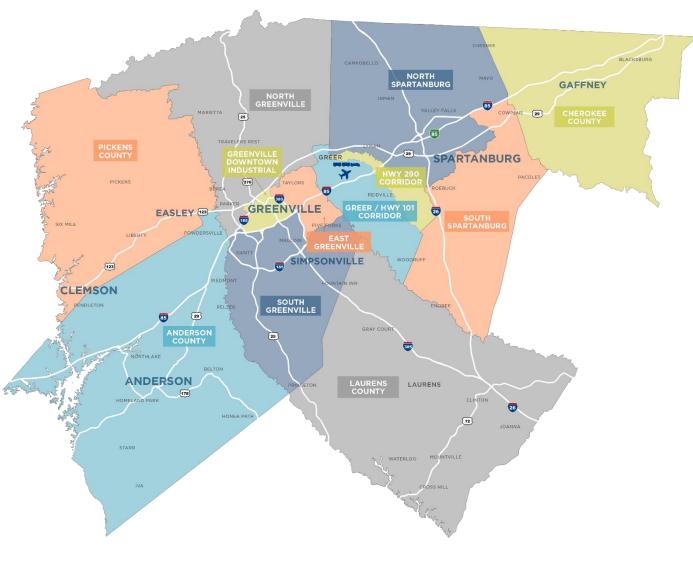
PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	MAJOR TENANT	SF	OWNER DEVELOPER
SC Global Logistics Center	Hwy 290 Corridor	N/A	1,850,113	PRP Real Estate Investment Management Flint Development
Crossroads Logistics Park – Building 3	North Spartanburg	N/A	477,360	Brennan Investment Group
Duncan Logistics Center – Building 1	Hwy 290 Corridor	N/A	431,460	Rockefeller Group

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