# **NORTHERN MANHATTAN 2021 YEAR-END SALES REPORT**

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## **NEW REPORT FEATURE**

To help digest the reports at a glance, we've introduced pricing and volume icons for each asset class. The colors represent the following trends:





## **2021 YEAR-END OVERVIEW**







Northern Manhattan investment property sales concluded a challenging 2021 on a positive note as the market displayed recovery on several fronts. Crucially, the number of transactions returned to a level last seen pre-Covid in 2019. A few institutional-caliber transactions and a rebound in mid-range transactions drove tremendous improvement in dollar volume. With residential rents, residential sales and retail rents in full Covid recovery mode, buyers and sellers are showing more confidence.

Multifamily property prices are reverting to trends evident before the pandemic as values of predominantly free market versus rent regulated diverge. Despite continued caution, development site sales volume and pricing picked up in the second half. Provided the Affordable New York Program is not drastically reformed, we expect development site sales to show continued improvement.

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- Sales volume up from Covid levels, but remains well below pre-HSTPA levels
- Average cap rate rose 16 basis points to 5.41%, average GRM steady at 10 with a divergence between buildings that are predominantly rent-stabilized versus mark-rate buildings
- · With Covid impact hopefully fading this year, investor focus will return to ongoing impact of the HSTPA on pricing

## DEVELOPMENT (\$

- Average price per buildable marginally ticked up to \$176, but area saw a wide range (\$58 to \$536) depending on location, retail potential and affordability requirements like MIH
- Transaction activity had been declining since 2017, but modestly ticked up in 2021 as developers had more confidence due to improving fundamentals and lower seller price expectations

## IND / WH / STO

- · With zero transactions in these asset classes since 2017, Northern Manhattan
- As part of a \$2.9 billion portfolio. Manhattan Mini Storage sold their uptown storage facilities for \$665.1 million which represents \$794 per square feet (above grade)

saw two closings in 2021

New York City appears to be on the cusp of a significant jump in investment property sales activity. Challenges remain, especially with respect to the threat of persistent inflation, the market's response to inevitable interest rate hikes and regulatory uncertainty. The upcoming expiration of the Affordable New York tax abatement program and the potential enactment of Good Cause Eviction legislation may have a significant impact on pricing.

At the same time, many are surprised at just how guickly New York real estate fundamentals have recovered from the pandemic. Investors are once again underwriting with proformas, not just in place cash flow. Recent re-zonings in Soho and Gowanus may mark the beginning of more pro-development policies coming out of City Hall. Debt will remain historically cheap even after interest rate hikes.

Lastly, there are a lot of owners interested in selling properties who understandably held off on marketing their properties until the pandemic receded and showed meaningful improvement. As several recent sales indicate, those owners will be selling into a much more confident market that is flush with capital.

We're confident the City's real estate market is poised to build on the strength seen in the second half of 2021, leading to many more transactions in 2022 and beyond.







# **REAL ESTATE TIMELINE / PRICING METRICS**

\$283 \$/SF - Multifamily\* \$214,364 \$/Unit - Multifamily\*\* 5.41% Cap Rate - Multifamily\*\*

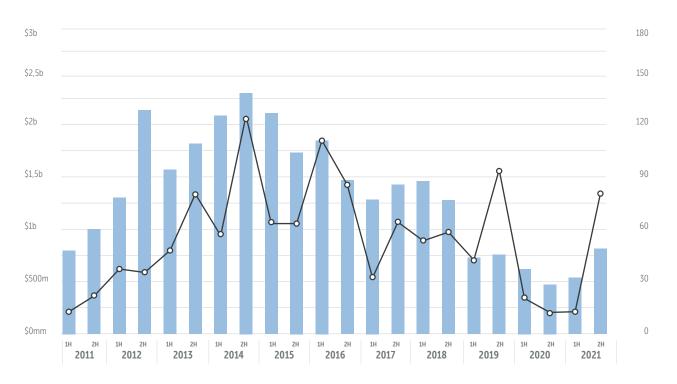
10.06 GRM - Multifamily\*\*

\$176 \$/BSF - Development\* \$870 \$/SF - Commercial

2021 Property Value Metrics

## NORTHERN MANHATTAN 2011 - 2021 REAL ESTATE TIMELINE

Transaction Volume | Dollar Volume O



## PROPERTY VALUE METRIC COMPARISON (2014 - 2021)

INDICATOR	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
\$/SF - Multifamily**	\$271	\$337	\$361	\$382	\$376	\$353	\$321	\$283
\$/Unit - Multifamily**	\$236,520	\$273,232	\$315,261	\$320,729	\$314,012	\$307,738	\$220,654	\$214,364
Cap Rate - Multifamily**	4.56%	4.28%	3.95%	4.08%	4.06%	4.73%	5.25%	5.41%
GRM - Multifamily**	12.82	14.66	15.87	15.24	15.36	13.72	10.08	10.06
\$/BSF - Development*	\$135	\$199	\$228	\$209	\$218	\$216	\$169	\$176
\$/SF - Commercial	\$496	\$635	\$838	\$1,240	\$759	\$725	\$678	\$870

<sup>\*</sup>reflects transactions of vacant land or equivalent development sites
\*\*reflects multifamily transactions of 10+ residential units



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# **OBSERVATIONS BY PRODUCT TYPE**

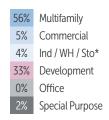
	PROPERTY TYPE	2021	% CHANGE '21 - '20	2020	% CHANGE '21 - '19	2019
	Multifamily	\$450,340,862	65%	\$273,282,610	-74%	\$1,711,776,385
	MF-MU 10+ resi units	\$428,386,202	76%	\$244,002,610	-74%	\$1,658,175,000
ш	MF-MU 6-9 resi units	\$15,341,618	-15%	\$17,975,000	-58%	\$36,649,973
DOLLAR VOLUME	MF-MU Small	\$6,613,042	-42%	\$11,305,000	-61%	\$16,951,412
9	Commercial	\$55,456,647	55%	\$35,881,875	48%	\$37,391,000
AR	Ind / WH / Sto*	\$707,826,590	N/A	\$0	N/A	\$0
OCT	Development	\$268,130,240	37%	\$196,248,732	-5%	\$281,801,000
	Office	\$0	N/A	\$58,997,291	N/A	\$8,000,000
	Special Purpose	\$89,157,225	643%	\$12,000,000	-69%	\$291,464,429
	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,570,911,564	173%	\$576,410,508	-33%	\$2,330,432,814
	Multifamily	46	24%	37	-8%	50
	MF-MU 10+ resi units	37	61%	23	32%	28
UME	MF-MU 6-9 resi units	6	-33%	9	-57%	14
WI V	MF-MU Small	3	-40%	5	-63%	8
N N	Commercial	4	-33%	6	-33%	6
Ĕ	Ind / WH / Sto*	2	N/A	0	N/A	0
TRANSACTION VOLUME	Development	28	40%	20	17%	24
. RA	Office	0	N/A	3	N/A	1
_	Special Purpose	2	100%	1	-71%	7
	GRAND TOTAL	82	22%	67	-7%	88
	Multifamily	73	9%	67	-30%	105
	MF-MU 10+ resi units	63	21%	52	-24%	83
끧	MF-MU 6-9 resi units	7	-30%	10	-50%	14
	MF-MU Small	3	-40%	5	-63%	8
9	Commercial	4	-43%	7	-50%	8
PROPERTY VOLUME	Ind / WH / Sto*	7	N/A	0	N/A	0
OPE	Development	41	71%	24	24%	33
R	Office	0	N/A	4	N/A	1
	Special Purpose	2	100%	1	-71%	7
	GRAND TOTAL	127	23%	103	-18%	154

## **DOLLAR VOLUME COMPARISON BY PROPERTY TYPE**

28%	Multifamily
4%	Commercial
45%	Ind / WH / Sto*
17%	Development
0%	Office
6%	Special Purpose



## TRANSACTION VOLUME COMPARISON BY PROPERTY TYPE





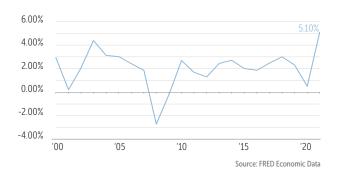
\*Ind / Wh / Sto: Industrial / Warehouse / Self Storage

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# MACRO-ECONOMIC OVERVIEW & MARKET FUNDAMENTALS

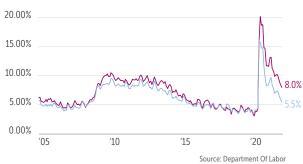
## % Change in Real Gross Domestic Product:

Change in GDP as of 3Q 2021: 5.10%



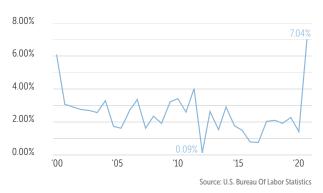
## **Unemployment:**

NYS: 5.50% | NYC: 8.00% as of November 2021
Unemployment Rate History | NYS (Seasonally Adjusted) & NYC (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



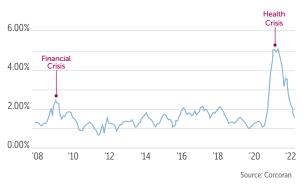
## Consumer Price Index (CPI):

National CPI Growth - December Y-O-Y



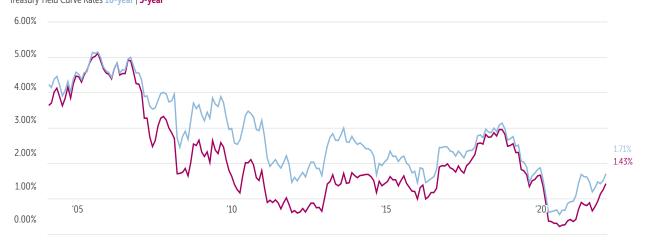
## Rental Market / Vacancy:

Manhattan Residential Rental Vacancy 2008-2021



## Financing:

**10-Year: 1.71% | 5-Year: 1.43% |** as of January 2022 Treasury Yield Curve Rates **10-year | 5-year** 



Source: U.S. Department Of The Treasury



## FEATURED TRANSACTIONS

West Harlem Northern Manhattan Mini Storage Portfolio\*



Property Type: Warehouse Sale Amount: \$665,100,000 \$/SF: **\$795** Sale Date: **12/16/2021** 

\*Part of a \$2.9 Billion Portfolio

Central Harlem 56 West 125th Street



Property Type: Multifamily Sale Amount: \$105,000,000 \$/SF: \$754 Sale Date: 9/15/2021

Property Type: **Development** Property Type: **Special** 

West Harlem

Avenue

2298,2310 & 2328 12th

Sale Amount: **\$84,000,000** \$/BSF: \$384 Sale Date: 12/30/2021

Morningside Heights 415 West 120th Street



**Purpose** Sale Amount: \$83,750,000 \$/SF: **\$1.408** Sale Date: **11/3/2021** 

WOODSIDE

Morningside Heights 2871-2877 Broadway



Property Type: Commercial Building Sale Amount: \$35,000,000 \$/SF: **\$1,434** Sale Date: 10/28/2021

## NORTHERN MANHATTAN PROPERTY SALES HEAT MAP 2021 BY ZIP CODE

	ZIP CODE	# OF PROPERTIES
1.	East Harlem	37
2.	Washington Heights	33
3.	Central Harlem	33
4.	Inwood	11
5.	Hamilton Heights	10

**TOP 5 ZIP CODES BY PROPERTY VOLUME** Van Cortlandt WAKEFIELD Park Englewood Englewood Cliffs KINGSBRIDGE 95 Expres EAST BRONX Hudson P New York erpeck **Botanical Garden** ity Park Heights Park WEST BRONX Fort Lee MORRIS PARK Palisades Park TREMONT BRONX WASHING Moonachie arlstadt PARKCHESTER Ridgefield erford Cliffside Park Soundview HUNTS POINT North Bergen Rikers Island Secaucus West New York COLLEGE PO MANHATTAN DITMARS Union City EAST ELMHURST FLUSH ASTORIA CHEN 21 DOWN FLUS

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Aug 6, 2021

## Q2 2021 Numbers Affirm New York City's Multifamily Comeback

There was a major uptick across indicators in Q2 2021 as the city recorded 74 transactions comprising 118 properties for a total \$1.24 billion in dollar volume.



| Aug 26, 2021

## Manhattan's Recovery Is Defined By A Flight To Quality

As New York begins to embrace the pandemic recovery, workers head back to the office and students refill classrooms, Manhattan's investment sales numbers show a complex market but one that is in the middle of a robust recovery marked by a flight to quality.



| Sep 27, 2021

# Affordable Housing Drives The Bronx And Northern Manhattan's Investment Sales Market

While the Bronx has lately seen a huge resurgence of interest in industrial properties and Northern Manhattan has a growing life sciences industry, affordable multifamily is still the leading bellwether for the investment sales markets in these boroughs.



Oct 27, 2021

## Small Deals Are Attracting Big Money In NYC

While the overall multifamily volume of transactions in New York City has been slow, one segment in particular is showing explosive growth.



Nov 4, 2021

# NYC's Q3 Numbers Show Increasing Clarity For Multifamily Investors

New York City's multifamily market continued along the promising trajectory indicated by 2021's first half. Q3 2021 showed increases of 20% in building volume and 6% in dollar volume despite five fewer transactions overall at 85 across 199 properties.



Nov 18, 2021

## What You Need To Know About CPACE Financing

If you own property in New York City larger than 25,000 square feet, then you need to meet Local Law 97 benchmarks soon as a result of the Climate Mobilization Act.



Dec 16, 2021

# Why Life Sciences Will Drive Robust Office Growth In New York City

Recent office development and leasing activity momentum suggests New York is poised to rise up the rankings—and the Life Sciences segment diversification is changing the dynamics of the city's commercial market.



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## **OUR METHODOLOGY**

### Data collection:

- Property transfers are collected through ACRIS and Property Shark each week, vetted by the research team, and cross-checked with news articles
- Information obtained from third-party sites such as Costar and LoopNet, along with news articles from sites such as The Real Deal.
- Information from appraisers and brokers on sales not yet publicized.

### Criteria:

- Minimum sales price of \$1mm
- Does not include city transactions, internal sales, notes & ground leases

## **Projections:**

- Sales are averaged on a per-day basis throughout the year and projected as such
- The assumed ACRIS transfer lag time is 30 days -if final data collection is December 31st, we are projecting the sales that will eventually surface from December 17th-31st.

## **Location Definitions:**

- Manhattan South of East 96<sup>th</sup> Street and South of West 110<sup>th</sup> Street
- Northern Manhattan North of East 96th Street, North of West 110th Street
- The Bronx Bronx Borough
- Brooklyn Brooklyn Borough
- Queens Queens Borough



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