

Retail Market Insights

Greater Lansing Area, Michigan / H2 2021

Retail Leasing Gains Momentum; **Development Pipeline Aiding Recovery**

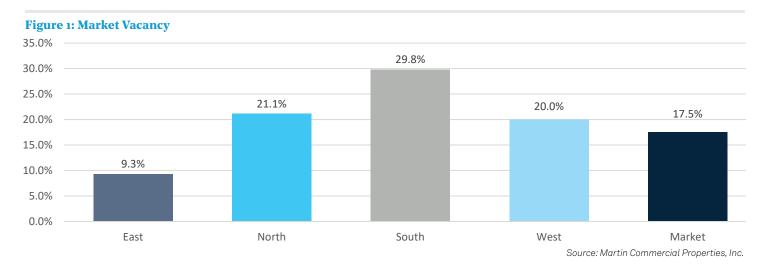
Market at a Glance:

Arrows indicate change from previous period.









Market News

- Vacancy rose from 16.9% in H1 2021 to 17.5% in H2 2021; while absorption improved from 78,140 SF in H₁ 2021 to 218,528 SF in H₂ 2021.
- Retailers continue to experience issues with the global supply chain and labor shortages.
- To compete for tenants, landlords are giving incentives including free rent and tenant improvement allowances in exchange for long-term leases.
- A host of new restaurants debuted, including Sidecar Slider Bar, Lefty's Cheesesteaks, Aloha Cookin', Capo's Cheese Steak, That's What Cheese Said, Clean Juice, Meet Sweet, PappaRoti, Gravity Smokehouse, and Crepe Nation; and more are on the way, including Feng Cha Tea, Pablos Mexican Restaurant, Detroit Wing Company and others.
- Over 135,000 SF of new space opened at Delta **Crossings** (West Submarket), fully occupied by TJ Maxx, Sierra Trading Post, Hobby Lobby and Bob's Discount Furniture. In 2022, BJ's Wholesale, Texas Roadhouse and Olive Garden will join them.
- First National Bank leased 17,950 SF in the Heights of Eastwood on Showtime Dr. (North Submarket).

- The Old Bag of Nails Pub will soon join Feng Cha Tea, Hooked and Orthopaedic Rehab Specialists in the new Red Cedar Mixed-Use Development on Michigan Ave. (East Submarket).
- High Caliber expanded by 25,000 SF and Gymkind opened in Meridian Mall (East Submarket), while BootBarn leased 12,600 SF west of I-96 on W. Saginaw Hwy. (West Submarket).
- **Trader Joe's** is planning a store on E. Grand River (East Submarket) and Starbucks Community Store will open in the renovated former Clara's building on E. Michigan (Central Urban Area).
- Stock + Field vacated its 135,498 SF building on Edgewood (South Submarket).
- Coolidge Court Shopping Center across from Meijer (East Submarket) will be redeveloped in 2022.
- The largest investment sales included the W. Saginaw Walgreens (\$6.2 Million - West Submarket); the Jimmy Johns & Sleep Number strip center on E. Grand River (\$3.25 Million - East Submarket); Walgreens on E. Saginaw (\$3.1 Million - East Submarket); and the W. Saginaw Verizon building (\$2.5 Million - West Submarket).

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Figure 2: Market Statistics | H2 2021

SUBMARKET	MARKET RENTABLE AREA (SF)	MARKET SHARE (%)	VACANT (SF)	VACANCY RATE (%)	ABSORPTION (SF)	ASKING LEASE RATES (\$/SF/YR)
EAST	3,840,431	40.7	357,521	9.3	115,161	12-35.00
NORTH	812,493	8.6	171,401	21.1	33,872	8-32.00
SOUTH	1,691,661	17.9	503,915	29.8	-29,290	7-16.00
WEST	3,082,975	32.7	616,802	20.0	94,139	9-25.00
MARKET	9,427,560	100.0	1,649,639	17.5	213,882	7-35.00

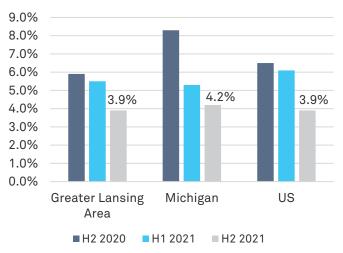
Source: Martin Commercial Properties, Inc.

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Figure 3: Unemployment Statistics

History of Unemployment / Local, State, U.S.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Market Composition & Growth

The Greater Lansing Area comprises over 9.4 million SF of leasable retail space, up from 9.1 million SF in H1 2021, largely due to 135,000+ SF of new retail space in **Delta** Crossings, the mixed-use development adjacent to I-96, (West Submarket); the vacated 124,550 SF former Stock + Field building (previously owner-occupied) on Edgewood Blvd. near I-96 (South Submarket); and the opening of the Red Cedar Mixed-Use Development adjacent to Michigan State University near US-127 (East Submarket).

The largest concentrations of retail space are found in the East Submarket (3.8 million SF), home to MSU and the Meridian Mall, and the West Submarket (3.1 million SF), home to Delta Crossings and the Lansing Mall; while the smallest sector is the North Submarket (812,493 SF), home to Eastwood Towne Center.

The most dynamic retail corridors in the market include Grand River Ave. from MSU to the Meridian Mall (East Submarket); West Saginaw Hwy. from Waverly to Broadbent Rd (West Submarket); Lake Lansing Rd. from Coolidge Rd. to Wood St. (North Submarket); and Cedar St. from Jolly Rd. to Willoughby Rd. (South Submarket).

Speculative construction this period was limited to 25,358 SF in the Red Cedar Mixed-Use Development (East Submarket). BJ's Wholesale. Texas Roadhouse and Olive Garden are under construction at **Delta Crossings**. Another development to watch is The Village of Okemos, a mixed-use development soon to be underway at Hamilton Rd. and Okemos Rd. (East Submarket).

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Vacancies

Market vacancies averaged 17.5%, up from 16.9% charted in H1 2021.

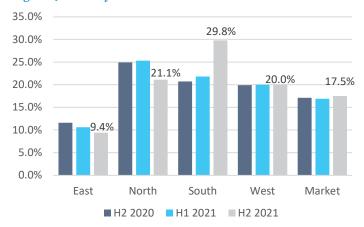
The East Submarket performed well, with vacancies dipping from 10.6% in H1 2021 to 9.3% in H2 2021. The largest lease this period was the 25,000 SF expansion by High Caliber in the Meridian Mall.

The North Submarket is Greater Lansing's smallest retail sector, and vacancies fell from 25.3% in H1 2021 to 21.1% in H2 2021, largely due to the 17,950 SF lease by First National Bank in the Heights of Eastwood.

The South Submarket experienced the greatest loss in the market, as Stock + Field vacated its 135,318 SF building. Vacancies soared from 21.8% in H1 2021 to 29.8% in H2 2021.

Vacancies remained at 20.0% in the West Submarket. Though several big box retailers opened in Delta Crossings this period, TJ Maxx and Hobby Lobby vacated large blocks of space along West Saginaw Hwy. after relocating to Delta Crossings, negatively impacting the submarket.

Figure 4: History of Vacancies



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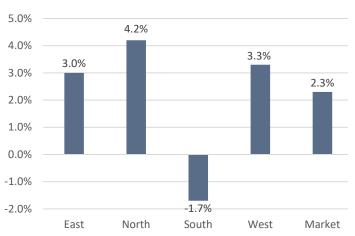
Absorption

Absorption is the net change in physically occupied space from one period to the next.

Over the past six months, the Greater Lansing retail market absorbed 213,882 SF (2.3%), up from 78,140 SF charted during H1 2021. Over half of the absorption was due to the addition of 124,550 SF of fully occupied space at Delta Crossings. The balance was comprised of smallto moderate lease transactions.

All submarkets charted positive absorption except the South Submarket, which experienced negative 29,290 SF absorption.

Figure 5: Absorption During H2 2021



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