# MANHATTAN, BROOKLYN & QUEENS RENTALS

Monthly Survey of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens Rentals

## MANHATTAN RENTALS ASHBOA

year-over-year

**PRICES** Median Rental Price

VACANCY

Vacancy Rate

**NEW RENTALS Excludes Renewals** 

CONCESSIONS

Market Share

**MARKETING TIME** Days on Market

**NEGOTIABILITY** Listing Discount

- Pace of price growth continued to rise
- July vacancy rate declinded to a five-year low
- · Use of concessions fell to a nominal level

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| Manhattan I   | Pontal Markot                   | JUL-14  | %Chg (MO) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
|               |                                 | \$4,022 | -1.4%     | \$4,079 | 5.2%      | \$3,822 |
|               |                                 | \$50.80 | -3.3%     | \$52.52 | 0.1%      | \$50.73 |
| Median Rent   |                                 |         | -2.9%     |         | 5.4%      |         |
|               |                                 | \$3,205 |           | \$3,300 |           | \$3,042 |
| Number of N   |                                 | 4,938   | 18.8%     | 4,158   | 7.2%      | 4,605   |
|               | ket (From Original List Date)   | 43      | -12.2%    | 49      | 2.4%      | 42      |
|               | ount (From Original List Price) | 1.0%    |           | 1.8%    |           | 3.0%    |
| Listing Inven |                                 | 5,690   | -0.5%     | 5,719   | -4.4%     | 5,952   |
| Vacancy Rat   |                                 | 1.82%   |           | 1.64%   |           | 1.94%   |
| Manhattan F   | Rental w/Concessions            | JUL-14  | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Median Rent   | al Price                        | \$3,200 | -2.8%     | \$3,293 | 5.5%      | \$3,034 |
| Number of N   | ew Rentals w/Concessions (%)    | 1.6%    |           | 2.6%    |           | 3.1%    |
| Free Rent/O   | wner Paid (Mos)                 | 1.1     | 10.0%     | 1.0     | 10.0%     | 1.0     |
| Manhattan F   | Rental Market by Size           | JUL-14  | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Studio -      | Average Rental Price            | \$2,573 | -0.2%     | \$2,578 | 7.1%      | \$2,402 |
|               | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$56.55 | 6.8%      | \$52.93 | 5.1%      | \$53.79 |
|               | Median Rental Price             | \$2,425 | -1.3%     | \$2,457 | 4.1%      | \$2,329 |
|               | Number of New Rentals           | 1,201   | 18.9%     | 1,010   | 6.6%      | 1,127   |
| 1-Bedroom     | - Average Rental Price          | \$3,349 | -1.0%     | \$3,382 | 4.3%      | \$3,212 |
|               | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$53.01 | -0.7%     | \$53.36 | 2.7%      | \$51.60 |
|               | Median Rental Price             | \$3,264 | 0.0%      | \$3,263 | 5.7%      | \$3,089 |
|               | Number of New Rentals           | 2,070   | 19.3%     | 1,735   | 7.9%      | 1,918   |
| 2-Bedroom     | - Average Rental Price          | \$4,817 | -3.5%     | \$4,993 | 0.5%      | \$4,794 |
|               | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$49.01 | -6.0%     | \$52.13 | -1.5%     | \$49.74 |
|               | Median Rental Price             | \$4,100 | -7.9%     | \$4,450 | 0.1%      | \$4,095 |
|               | Number of New Rentals           | 1,208   | 15.7%     | 1,044   | 7.6%      | 1,123   |
| 3+ Bedroom    | - Average Rental Price          | \$8,554 | -3.6%     | \$8,869 | 11.6%     | \$7,666 |
|               | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$50.87 | -14.7%    | \$59.67 | 3.1%      | \$49.33 |
|               | Median Rental Price             | \$5,485 | -15.6%    | \$6,498 | 2.5%      | \$5,350 |
|               | Number of New Rentals           | 458     | 24.5%     | 368     | 4.8%      | 437     |
|               |                                 |         |           |         |           |         |

Consistent with the declining vacancy rate, the Manhattan rate of rental price growth has steadily increased over the past 5 months. Tight mortgage underwriting standards and an increase in city employment levels continue have helped press rental prices higher. For the 5th consecutive month, the median rental price rose from the year ago period at a higher rate. Median rental price increased 5.4% to \$3,205 from the year ago period, the highest result this guarter has experienced in more than 6 years. The number of new rentals increased modestly by 7.2% to 4,938, reflecting that in rental values, renters and landlords are highly in sync. The use of landlord concessions fell to 1.6% of all transactions, the lowest market share in nearly



two years. Marketing time, the number of days from the original list date to the rental date, remained essentially unchanged as compared to the same period a year ago, averaging 43 days. Listing discount, the percentage difference between the original list price to the rental price fell to 1% from 3% over the same period, the lowest rate in more than 6 years.



## **PROPERTY TYPE**

- Price increase of non-doorman outpaced doorman
- Loft rental price increased

| Manhattan Rental Market By Property Type | JUL-14  | %Chg (MO) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
|--|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| Doorman Median Rental Price              | \$3,712 | -2.2%     | \$3,795 | 3.3%      | \$3,595 |
| Non-Doorman Median Rental Price          | \$2,795 | -0.1%     | \$2,799 | 7.0%      | \$2,612 |
| Loft Median Rental Price                 | \$6,967 | 40.7%     | \$4,950 | 40.3%     | \$4,966 |
| New Development Median Rental Price      | \$3,842 | -18.9%    | \$4,735 | -24.2%    | \$5,070 |

## **BY PRICE**

- · Higher price gains seen in lower tiers
- Luxury median rental price saw nominal rise

| Manhattan Rental Market By Price                  | JUL-14   | %Chg (MO) | JUN-14   | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13   |
|---|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Average Rental Price           | \$11,100 | 2.1%      | \$10,871 | 7.9%      | \$10,290 |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Rental Price per Sq Ft         | \$75.15  | -2.8%     | \$77.30  | 5.8%      | \$71.00  |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Median Rental Price            | \$8,500  | -3.9%     | \$8,848  | 1.0%      | \$8,412  |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Number of New Rentals          | 494      | 18.8%     | 416      | 7.2%      | 461      |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Entry Threshold                | \$6,195  | -4.7%     | \$6,500  | 0.3%      | \$6,178  |
| Upper Tier (30% below Luxury) - Med. Rental Price | \$4,209  | -5.4%     | \$4,450  | 1.2%      | \$4,159  |
| Mid Tier (2nd 30%) - Median Rental Price          | \$3,065  | -2.7%     | \$3,150  | 5.5%      | \$2,904  |
| Entry Tier (1st 30%) - Median Rental Price        | \$2,179  | -2.1%     | \$2,225  | 9.0%      | \$2,000  |

## **BY LOCATION**

### **DOWNTOWN**

- Median price increased
- · Rise in number of new rentals

### **EAST SIDE**

- Vacancy rate fell sharply
- Decline in number of new rentals

### **WEST SIDE**

- Number of new rentals increased
- Vacancy rate declined

### **UPTOWN**

- Median rental price increased
- More new rentals

| JUL-14  | %Chg (мо)   | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
|---------|---|---------|-----------|---------|
| \$3,495 | -2.8%   | \$3,595 | 4.3%      | \$3,350 |
| 2,145   | 4.0%  | 2,062   | 6.6%      | 2,013   |
| 1.75%   |   | 1.72%   |           | 1.32%   |
|         |   |         |           |         |
| JUL-14  | %Chg (мо)   | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| \$2,998 | 3.4%  | \$2,900 | 5.2%      | \$2,850 |
| 1,174   | 19.4%   | 983     | -2.7%     | 1,207   |
| 1.59%   |   | 1.86%   |           | 2.25%   |
|         |   |         |           |         |
| JUL-14  | %Chg (мо)   | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| \$3,267 | -5.3%   | \$3,450 | 5.4%      | \$3,100 |
| 1,192   | 93.5%   | 616     | 21.1%     | 984     |
| 1.89%   |   | 1.24%   |           | 2.35%   |
|         |   |         |           |         |
| JUL-14  | %Chg (мо)   | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| \$2,150 | -17.3%  | \$2,600 | 7.5%      | \$2,000 |
| 427     | -14.1%  | 497     | 6.5%      | 401     |
| 2.30%   |   | 1.60%   |           | 2.66%   |
|         | \$3,495 2,145 1.75%  JUL-14 \$2,998 1,174 1.59%  JUL-14 \$3,267 1,192 1.89%  JUL-14 \$2,150 427 | \$3,495 | \$3,495   | \$3,495 |



# BROOKLYN RENTALS

year-over-year

**PRICES** Median Rental Price

INVENTORY Total Inventory

**NEW RENTALS Excludes Renewals** 

CONCESSIONS Market Share

## Days on Market

**NEGOTIABILITY** 

Listing Discount

- Number of new rentals surged
- Median rental price rose for 14th consecutive month
- Rental prices of luxury market outpaced by overall market

While the Brooklyn rental price has seen yearover-year gains for the past 14 months, rents have showed stability since the beginning of the year. Rental price gains were seen across the studio and 1-bedroom markets with more mixed results in the larger size categories. Median rental price for the overall market expanded 6.6% to \$2,852 from the same month last year. The median rental price gain outpaced the luxury market, which increased 1.8% to \$4,500 from the same period last year. Average rental price and average rental price per square foot increased 2.5% and 3% respectively over the same period. The number of new rentals

| Brooklyn B                                   | ontal Markot                    | II II _1 <i>1</i> | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| Brooklyn Rental Market  Average Rental Price |                                 | \$3,111           | -2.0%     | \$3,176 | 2.5%      | \$3,035 |
| Rental Price per Sq Ft                       |                                 | \$38.78           | -4.0%     | \$40.39 | 3.0%      | \$37.66 |
| Median Rer                                   |                                 | \$2,852           | 1.9%      | \$2,800 | 6.6%      | \$2,675 |
|  | New Rentals                     | φz,o52<br>892     | 33.3%     | 669     | 127.0%    | 393     |
|  |                                 | 42                | -10.6%    | 47      | 16.7%     | 36      |
|  | arket (From Original List Date) |                   | -10.0%    |         | 10.7%     |         |
|  | OUNT (From Original List Price) | 1.3%              | 0.50/     | 4.4%    | 05.00/    | 6.0%    |
| Listing Inve                                 | •                               | 1,727             | 8.5%      | 1,592   | 35.3%     | 1,276   |
| ,  | ental w/Concessions             | JUL-14            | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Median Rer                                   |                                 | \$2,847           | 1.8%      | \$2,796 | 6.5%      | \$2,673 |
|  | ew Rentals w/Concessions (%)    | 2.0%              |           | 1.6%    |           | 0.8%    |
| Free Rent/0                                  | Owner Paid (Mos)                | 1.0               | 0.0%      | 1.0     | 0.0%      | 1.0     |
| Brooklyn R                                   | ental Market by Size            | JUL-14            | %Chg (MO) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Studio -                                     | Average Rental Price            | \$2,117           | -2.3%     | \$2,167 | -0.9%     | \$2,136 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$40.50           | -17.2%    | \$48.94 | 18.2%     | \$34.27 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$2,187           | 0.4%      | \$2,179 | 9.4%      | \$2,000 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 110               | 41.0%     | 78      | 83.3%     | 60      |
| 1-Bedroom                                    | - Average Rental Price          | \$2,658           | -1.2%     | \$2,691 | 6.2%      | \$2,504 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$42.85           | 0.4%      | \$42.66 | 6.0%      | \$40.44 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$2,650           | 2.0%      | \$2,599 | 8.3%      | \$2,446 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 322               | 21.1%     | 266     | 107.7%    | 155     |
| 2-Bedroom                                    | - Average Rental Price          | \$3,421           | 1.3%      | \$3,376 | -3.7%     | \$3,553 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$38.35           | -2.1%     | \$39.19 | 0.6%      | \$38.14 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$3,250           | 3.6%      | \$3,138 | -4.4%     | \$3,400 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 295               | 32.3%     | 223     | 128.7%    | 129     |
| 3+ Bedroor                                   | m - Average Rental Price        | \$4,075           | -15.1%    | \$4,800 | -8.4%     | \$4,449 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$33.73           | -11.2%    | \$37.99 | -4.4%     | \$35.29 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$3,582           | -7.5%     | \$3,874 | 2.3%      | \$3,500 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 164               | 62.4%     | 101     | 234.7%    | 49      |
| Brooklyn Rental Market by Type               |                                 | JUL-14            | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Median Rental Price       |                                 | \$5,535           | 2.5%      | \$5,400 | 1.8%      | \$5,435 |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Entry Threshold           |                                 | \$4,500           | -3.2%     | \$4,650 | -2.2%     | \$4,600 |
| New Development - Median Rental Price        |                                 | \$3,018           | -3.5%     | \$3,128 | -16.2%    | \$3,600 |
|  |                                 |                   |           |         |           |         |

Note: The Brooklyn rental market analysis is comprised of transactions in the north, northwest and east regions of the borough.



jumped 127% to 892 over the same period reflecting the strong tenant resistance to price increases. The use of concessions remained nominal, reflecting 2% of rental transactions, up from 0.8% in the same period last year. Days on market expanded by 6 days to 42 days over the same period. Listing discount fell sharply to 1.3% from 6 % over the same period.



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year-over-year

### **PRICES**

Median Rental Price

### INVENTORY

**Total Inventory** (month-over-month)

## **NEW RENTALS**

**Excludes Renewals** 

### **NEW DEVELOPMENT**

Market Share

### **MARKETING TIME** Days on Market

## NEGOTIABILITY

Listing Discount

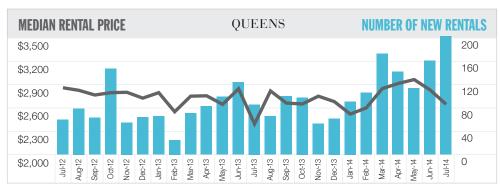


- Price indicators above year ago levels
- Average marketing time remained stable
- Number of new rentals surged

Median rental price increased for the 5th time in the last 6 months. The decline observed in the prior month's report had reflected a surge in 1-bedroom rental activity. Median rental price increased 10.5% to \$2,646 from the same month last year. Average rental price rose 3.4% to \$2,709 and average rental price per square foot increased 20.3% to \$42.42 respectively over the same period. New rental activity surged 136% to 203 from the same month in the prior year, indicating a combination of new rental housing

| Queens Rental Market                   |                                 | JUL-14  | %Chg (MO) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
|--|---------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| Average Rental Price                   |                                 | \$2,709 | -6.5%     | \$2,896 | 3.4%      | \$2,621 |
| Rental Price                           | e per Sq Ft                     | \$42.42 | -7.2%     | \$45.69 | 20.3%     | \$35.26 |
| Median Rer                             | ntal Price                      | \$2,646 | -6.5%     | \$2,830 | 10.5%     | \$2,394 |
| Number of                              | New Rentals                     | 203     | 26.1%     | 161     | 136.0%    | 86      |
| Days on Ma                             | arket (From Original List Date) | 31      | 0.0%      | 31      | 6.9%      | 29      |
| Listing Disc                           | ount (From Original List Price) | 0.2%    |           | 0.2%    |           | 0.5%    |
| Listing Inve                           | ntory                           | 340     | -26.2%    | 461     |           | N/A     |
| Queens Re                              | ntal Market by Size             | JUL-14  | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Studio -                               | Average Rental Price            | \$2,202 | -5.6%     | \$2,333 | 2.8%      | \$2,141 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$48.96 | 5.4%      | \$46.43 | 3.1%      | \$47.49 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$2,275 | -2.2%     | \$2,325 | 6.2%      | \$2,142 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 42      | 44.8%     | 29      | 200.0%    | 14      |
| 1-Bedroom                              | - Average Rental Price          | \$2,571 | -5.7%     | \$2,725 | 7.0%      | \$2,402 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$41.65 | -11.6%    | \$47.10 | 16.2%     | \$35.85 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$2,696 | -3.7%     | \$2,800 | 23.2%     | \$2,189 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 109     | 12.4%     | 97      | 153.5%    | 43      |
| 2-Bedroom - Average Rental Price       |                                 | \$3,464 | -9.1%     | \$3,812 | 18.2%     | \$2,931 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$42.53 | -4.6%     | \$44.58 | 31.2%     | \$32.41 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$3,494 | -10.4%    | \$3,899 | 28.5%     | \$2,719 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 45      | 40.6%     | 32      | 87.5%     | 24      |
| 3+ Bedroon                             | n - Average Rental Price        | \$2,706 | -14.6%    | \$3,170 | -37.9%    | \$4,356 |
|  | Rental Price per Sq Ft          | \$33.31 | 17.8%     | \$28.27 | 32.4%     | \$25.15 |
|  | Median Rental Price             | \$2,623 | -17.3%    | \$3,170 | -34.1%    | \$3,981 |
|  | Number of New Rentals           | 6       | 200.0%    | 2       | 20.0%     | 5       |
| Queens Rental Market By Type           |                                 | JUL-14  | %Chg (мо) | JUN-14  | %Chg (YR) | JUL-13  |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Median Rental Price |                                 | \$4,037 | -5.6%     | \$4,275 | -7.5%     | \$4,365 |
| Luxury (Top 10%) - Entry Threshold     |                                 | \$3,769 | -5.5%     | \$3,989 | -5.0%     | \$3,966 |
| New Development - Median Rental Price  |                                 | \$2,750 | -7.0%     | \$2,958 | 2.8%      | \$2,676 |
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Note: The Queens rental market analysis is comprised of transactions in the northwest region of the borough.



stock and tenant resistance to rental price increases. Marketing time remained consistent with the year ago period, averaging 31 days. Listing discount followed the same pattern

averaging a nominal 0.2%. Averaging 25.6% of all new rental activity, negotiability remained low due to the above average concentration of new development housing stock. .

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