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**June 2020** 

Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens Rentals

# Manhattan Rentals

Dashboard

YEAR-OVER-YEAR

- 4.8%
  Prices
  Median Rental Price
- + 2.06% Vacancy Vacancy Rate
- 35.6% New Leases Excludes Renewals
- + 12.5%
  Market Share
  OP + Concessions
- + 3 days
  Marketing Time
- + 1.1%

  Negotiability

  Listing Discount
- The highest vacancy rate in nearly fourteen years of tracking
- The lowest number of June new lease signings in a decade
- The fall in median rent reversed all gains seen in 2019 and 2020

Manhattan F	Rentals Matrix	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Average Rental Price		\$4,032	-2.7%	\$4,144	-4.8%	\$4,236
Rental Price	Per Sq Ft	\$65.00	-4.2%	\$67.82	-5.7%	\$68.96
Median Rent	al Price	\$3,378	-4.7%	\$3,546	-4.8%	\$3,550
Number of N	lew Leases	3,171	44.8%	2,190	-35.6%	4,926
Days on Mar	ket (From Last List Date)	27	-12.9%	31	12.5%	24
Listing Disco	unt (From Last List Price)	2.0%		1.7%		0.9%
Listing Inven	tory	10,789	45.4%	7,420	84.7%	5,842
Vacancy Rat	te	3.67%		2.88%		1.61%
Manhattan R	entals With Concessions	JUN-20	$\Delta (MO)$	MAY-20	$\Delta (YR)$	JUN-19
Median Rent	al Price	\$3,242	-5.1%	\$3,415	-6.6%	\$3,471
Market Share of New Leases (with OP + Concessions %)		44.7%		41.9%		32.2%
Free Rent/Owner Paid (Mos)		1.5	0.0%	1.5	25.0%	1.2
Manhattan F	Rentals Matrix By Size	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Studio	Average Rental Price	\$2,705	-4.9%	\$2,844	-2.7%	\$2,781
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$67.59	-6.4%	\$72.22	-3.4%	\$69.94
	Median Rental Price	\$2,600	-6.0%	\$2,765	-3.6%	\$2,697
	Number of New Leases	671	41.9%	473	-35.7%	1,044
1-Bedroom	Average Rental Price	\$3,469	-6.1%	\$3,694	-5.5%	\$3,669
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$64.15	-7.3%	\$69.21	-5.2%	\$67.66
	Median Rental Price	\$3,350	-6.8%	\$3,595	-5.6%	\$3,548
	Number of New Leases	1,323	29.1%	1,025	-33.2%	1,982
2-Bedroom	Average Rental Price	\$4,756	-0.6%	\$4,784	-2.2%	\$4,863
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$63.37	-0.1%	\$63.45	-5.3%	\$66.92
	Median Rental Price	\$4,395	-2.2%	\$4,495	5.9%	\$4,150
	Number of New Leases	810	63.6%	495	-36.3%	1,271
3-Bedroom	Average Rental Price	\$6,886	-13.9%	\$7,996	-3.9%	\$7,168
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$67.52	-1.3%	\$68.40	-7.8%	\$73.21
	Median Rental Price	\$5,317	-18.2%	\$6,500	-4.4%	\$5,560
	Number of New Leases	367	86.3%	197	-41.7%	629

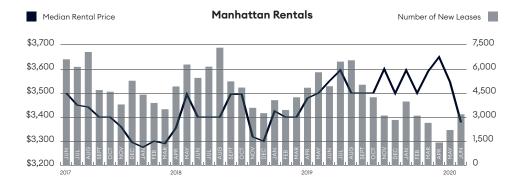
The state mandate that prevented real estate brokers to physically show property was removed before the last week of the month but there was not enough time to have a material influence on market conditions for the month.

The decline in new leases during the lockdown that began in mid-March continued, falling 35.6% to 3,171 from the year-ago period. The sharp year over year

drop in new leasing activity matched the timeline of the crisis with a 37.7% decline in March, a record 70.9% decline in April and a 62.2% decline in May. Much of the landlord-



tenant price discovery occurred on the renewal side of the market, not public-facing. For the last two months, the market share of rentals with a landlord concession moved higher. The share of concessions for June was 44.7%, up by 12.5%, from 32.2% in the same month last year. The monthly equivalent of free rent and payment of broker commissions expanded 25% to 1.5 months from 1.2 months in the yearago period. The median net effective rent, which is comprised of face rent less landlord concessions, was \$3,242, down 6.6% from the same month last year, the first decline since 2018. Because of the lockdown, the vacancy rate surged to a fourteen-year record of 3.67%.



### **Property Type**

- Both doorman and non-doorman median rent posted annual declines
- New development median rent increased as existing median rent declined annually

#### **Price Tier**

- All price segments presented showed year over year declines in median rent
- The market share of concessions in each price segment surged
- The price entry threshold declined year over year for the second time

#### **Downtown**

- New leases fell sharply
- Vacancy surged to another record

#### **Eastside**

- New leases fell sharply
- Vacancy more than doubled

#### Westside

- Median rent slipped
- Vacancy more than tripled

#### Northern Manhattan

- A decline in median rent
- New leases edged higher

Manhattan Rentals Matrix By Property Type	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	$\Delta (YR)$	JUN-19
Doorman Median Rental Price	\$3,995	-3.1%	\$4,123	-1.1%	\$4,039
Non-Doorman Median Rental Price	\$2,850	-3.5%	\$2,953	-8.1%	\$3,100
Loft Median Rental Price	\$4,995	-3.7%	\$5,185	-9.1%	\$5,495
New Development Median Rental Price	\$4,972	5.9%	\$4,695	3.7%	\$4,795
Existing Median Rental Price	\$3,295	-5.7%	\$3,495	-5.9%	\$3,500

Manhattan Rentals Matrix By Price	JUN-20	$\Delta$ (мо)	MAY-20	$\Delta (yr)$	JUN-19
Luxury (Top 10%) Average Rental Price	\$9,757	3.6%	\$9,415	-2.8%	\$10,034
Luxury (Top 10%) Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$74.94	-1.1%	\$75.80	-4.9%	\$78.76
Luxury (Top 10%) Median Rental Price	\$7,975	1.9%	\$7,825	-1.8%	\$8,120
Luxury (Top 10%) Number of New Leases	319	45.0%	220	-37.8%	513
Luxury (Top 10%) Entry Price Threshold	\$6,250	-2.6%	\$6,420	-3.8%	\$6,500
Upper Tier (30% below Luxury) - Med. Rental Price	\$4,512	-5.1%	\$4,753	-5.0%	\$4,750
Mid Tier (2 <sup>nd</sup> 30%) - Median Rental Price	\$3,200	-4.7%	\$3,359	-5.8%	\$3,396
Entry Tier (1st 30%) - Median Rental Price	\$2,292	-5.5%	\$2,425	-4.5%	\$2,400

Downtown Rentals Matrix	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Median Rental Price	\$3,909	0.4%	\$3,895	-2.3%	\$4,000
Number of New Leases	1,306	37.8%	948	-41.0%	2,215
Vacancy Rate	5.28%		3.65%		2.30%

Eastside Rentals Matrix	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Median Rental Price	\$3,390	-3.0%	\$3,495	2.7%	\$3,300
Number of New Leases	636	40.1%	454	-49.1%	1,250
Vacancy Rate	1.97%		1.53%		0.71%

Westside Rentals Matrix	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	$\%\Delta$ (yr)	JUN-19
Median Rental Price	\$3,415	-3.8%	\$3,550	-3.8%	\$3,550
Number of New Leases	723	31.5%	550	-24.9%	963
Vacancy Rate	4.18%		3.27%		1.31%

Northern Manhattan Rentals Matrix	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (YR)	JUN-19
Median Rental Price	\$2,275	-0.8%	\$2,293	-5.2%	\$2,400
Number of New Leases	506	112.6%	238	1.6%	498
Vacancy Rate	1.06%		2.30%		1.51%

## Brooklyn Rentals

Dashboard

YEAR-OVER-YEAR

+ 1.7%
Prices
Median Rental Price

+ 57.3% Inventory Total Inventory

- 9.1%
New Leases
Excludes Renewals

+ 1.7%
Market Share
OP + Concessions

= 0 days
Marketing Time
Days on Market

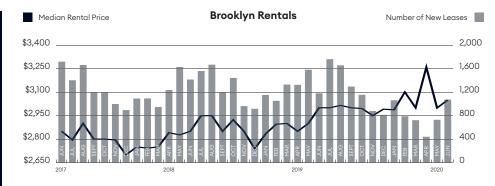
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Negotiability

Listing Discount

- Listing inventory surged as new leases continued to decline
- New leases declined annually for the ninth straight month
- Net effective median rent rose at the lowest rate in 18 months

With the lifting of the lockdown that prevented real estate brokers from doing in-person showings in the last week of the month, there will be greater transparency in the market.



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Average Ren		\$3,429	2.2%	\$3,356	-0.3%	\$3,440
Rental Price	'	\$45.14	-4.8%	\$47.44	-3.7%	\$46.89
Median Rent		\$3,050	1.7%	\$2,999	1.7%	\$3,000
Number of N		1,071	47.1%	728	-9.1%	1,178
	ket (From Last List Date)	25	4.2%	24	0.0%	25
	unt (From Last List Price)	0.9%		0.5%		0.9%
Listing Invent	,	3,125	34.8%	2,319	57.3%	1,987
•	tals With Concessions	JUN-20	%∆ (MO)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Median Rent		\$2,944	0.8%	\$2,921	1.0%	\$2,914
Market Share (with OP + Conc	e of New Leases essions %)	40.1%		33.0%		38.4%
Free Rent/O	wner Paid (Mos)	1.5	7.1%	1.4	15.4%	1.3
Brooklyn Rer	ntals Matrix By Size	JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Studio	Average Rental Price	\$2,524	-1.9%	\$2,574	-3.5%	\$2,616
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$46.19	-27.5%	\$63.68	-20.1%	\$57.81
	Median Rental Price	\$2,500	1.8%	\$2,455	-2.0%	\$2,550
	Number of New Leases	157	40.2%	112	-5.4%	166
1-Bedroom	Average Rental Price	\$3,033	4.2%	\$2,912	4.8%	\$2,894
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$50.97	2.3%	\$49.83	2.9%	\$49.52
	Median Rental Price	\$2,999	9.1%	\$2,750	7.1%	\$2,800
	Number of New Leases	389	28.4%	303	-13.7%	451
2-Bedroom	Average Rental Price	\$3,683	-2.6%	\$3,780	3.6%	\$3,554
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$44.20	-5.5%	\$46.77	-2.6%	\$45.37
	Median Rental Price	\$3,350	-4.3%	\$3,500	4.3%	\$3,213
	Number of New Leases	352	55.1%	227	-1.1%	356
3-Bedroom	Average Rental Price	\$4,625	-4.0%	\$4,818	-9.5%	\$5,112
	Rental Price Per Sq Ft	\$40.88	-1.8%	\$41.64	-5.3%	\$43.19
	Median Rental Price	\$4,000	0.0%	\$4,000	-6.5%	\$4,280
	Number of New Leases	173	101.2%	86	-15.6%	205
Brooklyn Rentals Matrix By Type		JUN-20	%∆ (мо)	MAY-20	%∆ (yr)	JUN-19
Luxury (Top 10	%) Median Rental Price	\$6,200	3.4%	\$5,995	-4.6%	\$6,500
Luxury (Top 10	%) Entry Price Threshold	\$5,250	1.0%	\$5,200	1.0%	\$5,200
New Develop	oment Median Rental Price	\$3,438	-1.4%	\$3,487	-4.1%	\$3,585

While price trend indicators showed mixed year over year results, the number of new leases declined annually for the ninth straight month. There were 1,071 new leases signed in June, down 9.1% year over year, to the lowest rate in five months. While median net effective rent, comprised of face rent less landlord concessions, rose 1% to \$2,944 year over year, it was the lowest annual growth rate since 2018. The market share of landlord

concession rose 1.7% to 40.1% market-wide from the same period last year. Concessions within the new development market, which represented 22.9% of new lease signings in June, had a 65.3% market share, double the 32.6% share of existing rentals. Before the most recent two months of annual increases in concession market share, the market share of landlord concessions had declined for sixteen straight months.

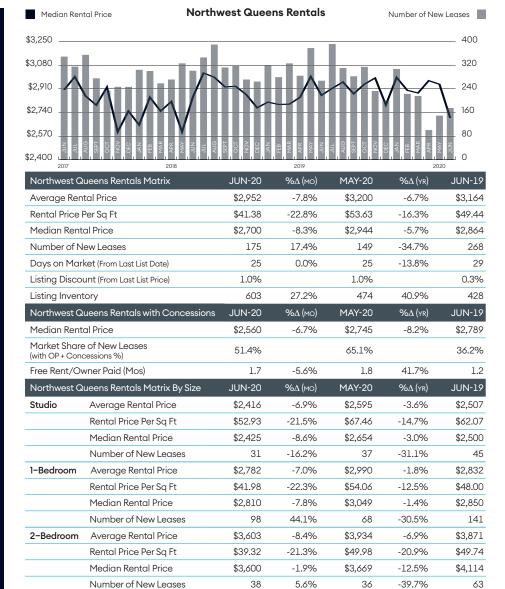
## Northwest Queens Rentals

#### Dashboard

YEAR-OVER-YEAR

- 5.7%
  Prices
  Median Rental Price
- + 40.9% Inventory Total Inventory
- 34.7% New Leases Excludes Renewals
- + 15.2%
  Market Share
  OP + Concessions
- 4 days
  Marketing Time
  Days on Market
- + 0.7%
  Negotiability
  Listing Discount
- New leases declined annually for the eleventh straight month
- The market share of landlord concessions rose annually for the third straight month
- Median rent declined year over year across all bedroom categories

While the decline in new leasing activity remained well below last year, the removal of 'shelter-in-place' restrictions in the final week of June that prevented in-person showings, is expected to expand activity.



\$4.027

\$38.58

\$3,150

JUN-20

\$4,690

\$4.235

\$3,350

26.9%

-10.0%

-17.2%

-24.3%

0.0%

 $\Delta$  (MO)

-14.7%

-16.2%

11.9%

After the highest and second-highest declines in new lease signings in the previous two months, the large but reduced decline was unexpected. New lease signings fell 34.7% to 175 from the year-ago period after the record decline of 64.9% in April and 60.7% decline in May. All price trend indicators fell year over year from prior-

Average Rental Price

Rental Price Per Sq Ft

Median Rental Price

Northwest Queens Rentals Matrix By Type

Luxury (Top 10%) Median Rental Price

Luxury (Top 10%) Entry Price Threshold

New Development Market Share

New Development Median Rental Price

Number of New Leases

3-Bedroom

year levels. Median net effective rent, face rent less landlord concessions, fell 8.2% to \$2,560, the most significant annual decline in more than two years. After reaching a 65.1% record market share of landlord concessions in May, the market share for June reached 51.4% for the third straight annual increase.

\$4,472

\$46.61

\$4,161

MAY-20

\$5,499

\$5,053

\$2,995

27.5%

-16.8%

-17.3%

-43.3%

-57 9%

 $%\Delta (YR)$ 

-14.9%

-11.8%

2.9%

\$4,841

\$46.65

\$5.560

JUN-19

\$5,512

\$4,800

\$3,255

31.7%

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