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Real Strategy Market Outlook: Q4 2019



The final quarter of 2019 in Ottawa's office market saw a slight rise in overall office availability, as over 180K SF of primarily surplus government space came back into the marketplace. In the 12 months since Q4 2018, greater Ottawa's office availability fell 0.6% to 8.9%.

If there was a theme for 2019, it was marked by high demand by our local high tech sector, especially in Kanata. Looking forward to 2020, Real Strategy expects demand for quality office space to be very strong.

DOWNTOWN SUBMARKET ANALYSIS

Downtown office availability fell from 22.7% to 21% primarily as a result of a couple older Class C buildings going through a renovation process. We expect these buildings to re-enter the inventory as available Class A or B properties in late 2020 or early 2021.

Real Strategy expects that as Ottawa's new light rail service becomes more reliable and the conversion of outdated space continues, that tenant demand for downtown space will increase.



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How to retain top talent by effectively using workpoints in your office

A workpoint can be anything from a desk to a meeting room or even a kitchen/lounge. It's any place where work happens.

We're going to break down workpoints into three categories; individual, collaborative and support/ special purpose.

The autonomous profile fits those who thrive on focused, independent and self-driven work and therefore requires more individual seats. The most common tasks which require focus and privacy, such as reading, heavy computing, and creative thinking, are generally completed in primary individual workpoints. Visual and acoustic shields are created using optional low dividing panels, as well as semi-enclosed furniture. Typically, more privacy equals a better environment for highly focused work. Activities that may occur for shorter periods throughout the day and contribute to the health/wellbeing of employees are completed in secondary individual workpoints.

Primary individual open workpoints include:









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Primary individual enclosed workpoints include:

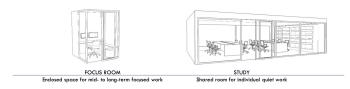


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Secondary individual workpoints include:





ACTIVE WORKSTATION



PHONEBOOTH





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Largest Downtown Vacancies Total Available 100% 21% 33% 15% 35% Rate: **Export Building Constitution Square World Exchange Plaza Constitution Square** Place De Ville 350 Sparks Street **Constitution Square** One Nicholas **Building Name (B)** 307,000 Tower II **Office** Tower III Total Office Area (sq. ft.) 144,256 193,021 Class B Class B Class A Class A Class A Class B Class A Class B Total Available Area (sq. ft.) 193,021 151,054 104,327 68,139 64,654 57,497 50,153 49,842 Total Available Rate (%) 100 39 25 21 33 15 35

EAST END SUBMARKET ANALYSIS



East end availability remained relatively unchanged quarter to quarter for all of 2019. The largest current vacancy remains the 117K SF located at 1601 Telesat Court. This space is a likely target for the Federal Government. Once this building is off the market, Real Strategy predicts the East end will return to a balanced availability of 5% in contrast to the current rate of 7.5%. This is a significant change from the availability rate of 16.2% in Q4 2018.

Real Strategy would remind readers that the East end inventory is relatively small in actual square footage and one or two large vacancies can significantly skew availability rates.



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The interactive profile fits those who rely on frequent or exclusive collaboration and therefore requires more collaborative workpoints both open and enclosed. Formal meetings or presentations, group strategizing and co-creation, one-on-one conversations or informal social interaction all take place in collaborative workpoints. Collaborative environments utilize tools such as shared monitors and smart screens, writeable surfaces and reconfigurable furnishings. Spontaneous interaction and sharing of ideas, as well as planned collaborative activities, are made possible in collaborative workpoints.

Collaborative open workpoints include:



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Collaborative enclosed workpoints include:

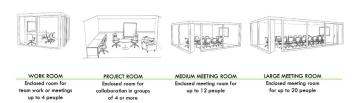


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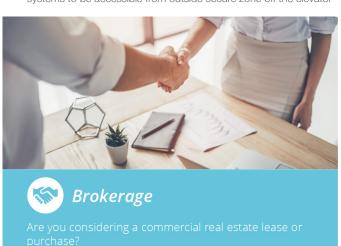


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In addition to understanding the ratio of requirements for autonomous, interactive or balanced activity profiles, there is an additional set of support/special purpose spaces necessary for any team. Kitchenettes, equipment areas, telecommunications rooms, lockers and shared storage are just as important as workstations and chat points for the success of your office. Productivity and employee health/wellness all benefit from these auxiliary spaces.

Support/special purpose spaces include:

- Kitchenette: Kitchen millwork and appliances only to be combined with a lounge for seating
- Equipment: Business centre and printers
- Lockers: Individual storage lockers in centralized areas
- Fitness Centre & Bicycle Storage: Designated areas to support active lifestyles
- Shared Storage: Open or enclosed space for shared resources or coat storage
- Telecommunications Room: Enclosed room for telecommunications systems to be accessible from outside secure zone off the elevator







Notable Lease Transactions



Average Basic Rental Rates

Quarter / Year	Tenant	Area (sq. ft.)	Deal Type	Building Address
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2019 Q4	Kinaxis	153,000	New Tenant	Kanata West
2019 Q4	Canada Post	29,000	New Tenant	9 Auriga Drive
2019 Q4	Spaces	29,000	New Tenant	3 Eddy Street
2019 Q4	Public Services and	26.104	New Tenant	160 Elgin Street
	Procurement Canada	,		
2019 Q4	City Of Ottawa	15,000	New Tenant	141 Laurier Avenue West
2019 Q4	Undisclosed	14,684	Expansion	505 March Road
2019 Q4	City Of Ottawa	11,500	New Tenant	141 Laurier Avenue West
2019 Q4	London Life	11 046	New Tenant	112 Kent Street
2019 Q4	London Life	11,240	New Terrant	112 Nent Street
2019 Q4	Carierre	10,495	Expansion	1155 Lola Street
2019 Q4	Synopsys Canada ULC	10,265	New Tenant	84 Hines Road
2019 Q4	Turnstone Biologics	9,423	New Tenant	12-18 York Street
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2019 Q4	Rogue Wave	8,406	New Tenant	301 Moodie Drive
2019 Q4	Maxboutv ULC	7.814	New Tenant	1730 St. Laurent Boulevard
2019 Q4	Gartner	7.438	Expansion	1565 Carling Avenue
2019 Q4	Fotenn	7,318	New Tenant	396 Cooper Street
2019 Q4	Undisclosed	6,596	Expansion	80 Hines Road
2019 Q4	Undisclosed	6,151	New Tenant	885 Meadowlands Drive
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2019 Q4	Undisclosed	6100	New Tenant	885 Meadowlands Drive

Market	Avg Rent PSF 04		Avg Rent PSF 03		Margin \$	
Greater Ottawa - Overall	\$	15.22	\$ 15.00	\$	0.22	
Greater Ottawa - Class A	\$	18.71	\$ 17.99	\$	0.72	
Greater Ottawa - Class B	\$	14.29	\$ 14.09	\$	0.20	
Downtown Core - Overall	\$	18.14	\$ 18.36	\$	(0.22)	
Downtown Core - Class A	\$	23.60	\$ 22.63	\$	0.97	
Downtown Core - Class B	\$	17.40	\$ 17.18	\$	0.22	
Gatineau - Overall	\$	19.00	\$ 11.00	\$	8.00	
Gatineau - Class A	\$	25.00	nd *			
Gatineau - Class B	\$	13.00	\$ 11.00	\$	2.00	
Suburban East - Overall	\$	14.32	\$ 13.56	\$	0.76	
Suburban East - Class A	\$	16.68	\$ 15.39	\$	1.29	
Suburban East - Class B	\$	13.50	\$ 12.77	\$	0.73	
Suburban West - Overall		14.03	\$ 13.91	\$	0.12	
Suburban West - Class A	\$	16.28	\$ 15.83	\$	0.45	
Suburban West - Class B	\$	13.62	\$ 13.39	\$	0.23	

^{*} Insufficient number of buildings to provide adequate statistics.

Availability of office space in Kanata remained relatively unchanged moving slightly upwards from 10.3% at the end of Q3 to 10.5% at year's end. A few large pockets of space persist; specifically the current Entrust HQ at 1000 Innovation Dr. (127K SF), HP's space at 2500 Solandt Rd. (49K SF), and the last two floors of Mitel's former headquarters at 350 Leggett Dr. (90K SF).

Local tech firm Kinaxis announced mid
December that it would take posession of a 153K
SF new HQ to be constructed on Taggart's
Kanata West Development lands located near the
Tanger outlet mall. Significant traffic issues on
March Rd. were quoted as a major contributing
factor to their decision to leave Kanata North.
Real Strategy expects that lack of availability of
large pockets of space will lead to more new
construction.

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2019 Q4 Accenture



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