

# MANHATTAN BUILDING SALES REPORT 

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## Transaction Volume and Turnover

During the first half of 2009 ( 1 H 09 ), the Manhattan building sales market (south of 96th St. east of Central Park and south of 110th St. west of Central Park) had 95 closed transactions consisting of 122 properties. The number of transactions was down $74.06 \%$ from 1 H 08 , and $84.08 \%$ from the 1 H 07 , the most active half year. Volume is running at $0.73 \%$ of the total stock of properties on an annualized basis. To put this number in perspective, the lowest turnover we have seen in the last 25 years was $1.6 \%$ in 1992 and 2003, both of which were years at the end of recessionary periods and cyclical highs in unemployment. Transaction volume for the second quarter of 2009 has remained flat when compared to the first quarter.

## Dollar Volume

The aggregate sales consideration in 1 H 09 was $\$ 1,900,689,724$. This figure was down $82.8 \%$ from 1 H 08 and down $93.8 \%$ from the peak half year of 1 H 07 . The trend has certainly been toward smaller transactions, with 84 of the 95 transactions being less than $\$ 25 \mathrm{~m}$. While the volume figures above reflect activity across all property types, below we examine pricing trends based on product type.

## Walk-Up Apartment Buildings

The average capitalization rate for walk-up apartment buildings was $4.58 \%$ in 1 H 09 , showing an upward shift of 38 basis points from 2 H 08 and 58 basis points from its low of $4.00 \%$ in 1 H 07 . The average gross income multiple (GIM) dropped to 14.6 in 1H09 from 15.2 in 2 H 08 and its peak 15.9 in 1 H 07 . Correspondingly, the median price per square foot $(\$ / \mathrm{SF})$ was $\$ 494$, down $22.7 \%$ from its 2 H 08 peak of $\$ 606$ per square foot.

## Elevatored Apartment Buildings

Elevatored apartment building cap rates in 1H09 averaged 4.08\%, up 58 basis points from 2 H 08 and up 128 basis points from its low of $2.80 \%$ in 1 H 06 . The average GIM dropped to 14.5 in 1 H 09

## DOLLAR VOLUME


from 17.4 in 2 H 08 and its peak 18.4 in 1 H 06 . Moreover, the median $\$ /$ SF was $\$ 468$, down $13.7 \%$ from its 1 H 08 peak of $\$ 532$ per square foot.

## Mixed-Use Apartment Buildings

Mixed-use properties produced average cap rates during 1 H 09 of $6.64 \%$ up 194 basis points from 2 H 08 which tied the low point of $4.70 \%$ from 1 H06. Median $\$ /$ SF was $\$ 535$, down $52.9 \%$ from its 1 H 08 peak of $\$ 1,135$ per square foot. This drop is due to the stresses in the retail markets as the recession has hit consumer spending quite hard, delivering a body blow to retail value.

## Other Property Types

In other property types, median $\$ / \mathrm{SF}$ for 1-4 family homes was $\$ 1,484$ per square foot in 1 H 09 . Office buildings came in at $\$ 392$ per square foot, hotels at $\$ 997$ per square foot and retail at $\$ 1,071$ per square foot. It should be noted that there were only 2 hotel sales in 1 H 09 , so this is statistically insignificant.

In general, the Manhattan building sales market has seen a reduction in activity and value. The trend has certainly been toward smaller transactions, for which there is plentiful debt available from community and regional banks. We have also seen a resurgence of high net worth individuals and old-line families who had been overpowered by operators backed by institutional capital for the past several years. We have also seen a noticeable impact on the market by high net worth, private individuals from overseas. We have not seen foreign investors in these numbers since the mid1980s. We anticipate the volume of sales increasing slightly as we move past the paralysis in the market which we witnessed after the failure of Lehman Brothers on September 15, 2008 and the dismantling of Wall Street as we knew it. Based on current market activity, we expect volume to increase as prices drop in 2 H 09 due to eroding fundamentals and increasing unemployment.

2005-2009


Data is based on all sales from the first half of 2009.

CAP RATE $\qquad$
$I^{\text {sT }}$ HALF 2009


TRANSACTION VOLUME BY PROPERTY TYPE $\qquad$
IST HALF 2009


## ANNUALIZED TURNOVER RATE

 BY PROPERTY TYPE $\qquad$I ${ }^{\text {ST }}$ HALF 2009


GROSS RENT MULTIPLE
$I^{\text {ST }}$ HALF 2009


FIRST HALF BUILDING SALES VOLUME \& ANNUALIZED TURNOVER RATE


MEDIAN PRICE PER SQUARE FOOT BY PROPERTY TYPE $\qquad$



PRICE: $\quad \$ 4,550,000$
DATE: 05-15-09
GROSS SF: 4,307
PRICE I SF: \$1,056



259 EAST $78^{\text {TH }}$ STREET
PRICE: \$2,050,000
DATE: 04-17-09
GROSS SF: 2,600
PRICE I SF: $\$ 788$


PRICE: \$4,000,000
DATE: 05-08-09
GROSS SF: 2,560
PRICE / SF: \$1,563


| PRICE: | $\$ 6,450,000$ | PRICE: | $\$ 18,125,000$ | PRICE: | $\$ 6,800,000$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DATE: | $05-22-09$ | DATE: | $05-26-09$ | DATE: | $05-22-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 22,600 | GROSS SF: 8,150 | GROSS SF: 24,400 |  |  |
| PRICE I SF: | \$285 | PRICE ISF: \$2,224 | PRICE / SF: $\$ 279$ |  |  |
| UNITS: | 36 | UNITS: | 5 | UNITS: | 24 |
| CAP RATE: | $3.07 \%$ | PR. I UNIT: $\$ 3,625,000$ | CAP RATE: $3.90 \%$ |  |  |
| GRM: | 17.54 |  |  | GRM: | 13.78 |
| PR. I UNIT: $\$ 179,167$ |  |  | PR. UNIT: $\$ 283,333$ |  |  |


$5+$ FAM|LY WALK-UP avg.price: $\$ 4,904,533$ avg. price / SF: $\$ 429$


29 BANK
STREET
PRICE: \$7,110,000
DATE: 05-07-09
GROSS SF: 4,044
PRICE / SF: \$1,758
UNITS:
PR. I UNIT: $\$ 1,185,000$


224 EAST $12^{\text {TH }}$ STREET

PRICE: \$4,300,000 DATE: 06-17-09 GROSS SF: 8,050 PRICE I SF: \$534 UNITS: 5 PR. I UNIT: \$860,000


318 EAST $30^{\text {TH }}$ STREET
PRICE: $\$ 2,000,000$ DATE: 05-12-09 GROSS SF: 3,850 PRICE / SF: \$519 UNITS: 5 PR. I UNIT: \$400,000

##  <br> 527 WEST $46^{\mathrm{TH}}$ STREET

PRICE: \$4,747,000
DATE: 05-11-09 GROSS SF: 9,075
PRICE I SF: \$523
UNITS:
PR. I UNIT: \$237,350


I I 5 WEST $69^{\text {TH }}$ STREET

PRICE: $\$ 4,500,000$ DATE: 04-30-09 GROSS SF: 6,514 PRICE I SF: \$691 UNITS: PR. I UNIT: \$450,000


159 WEST 73 ${ }^{\text {RD }}$ STREET

PRICE: \$3,703,333 DATE: 05-29-09 GROSS SF: 5,817
PRICE I SF: \$637 UNITS:
CAP RATE: $4.80 \%$ GRM: $\quad 14.05$
PR.I UNIT: \$370,333


PRICE: $\quad \$ 15,500,000$
DATE: 04-03-09
GROSS SF: 58,723
PRICE ISF: \$264
UNITS: 106
CAP RATE: 6.79\%
PR./UNIT: \$146,226



PRICE: $\quad \$ 3,125,000$
DATE: 05-28-09
GROSS SF: 6,570 PRICE / SF: \$476
UNITS: 10 PR.I UNIT: \$312,500

##  <br> 136 MANHATTAN AVENUE

PRICE: \$1,100,000
DATE: 06-12-09
GROSS SF: 3,264
PRICE I SF: \$337
UNITS: 8
PR. I UNIT: \$137,500

MIXED-USE
RETAIL / RETAIL CONDO


226 EAST 59TH STREET

PRICE: \$4,450,000 DATE: 04-23-09
GROSS SF: 11,827 PRICE I SF: \$376


I76 EAST 75 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ STREET

PRICE: $\$ 8,600,000$ DATE: 05-20-09 GROSS SF: 4,610 PRICE / SF: \$1,866



I21 LUDLOW STREET

PRICE: \$3,450,000 DATE: 05-14-09 GROSS SF: 4,560 PRICE I SF: $\$ 757$ CAP RATE: 4.40\% GRM: $\quad 17.25$


214 EAST 45 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ STREET

PRICE: \$2,700,000 DATE: 04-01-09 GROSS SF: 1,674 PRICE / SF: \$1,613
\$3,383,333
14,186 AVG.PRICE ISF: $\$ 715$


I67 ORCHARD STREET

PRICE: DATE: LOT AREA: ZONING: FAR: BSF: PRICE I BSF: \$503


240 WEST $30^{\text {TH }}$ STREET

| PRICE: | \$1,525,000 |
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| DATE: | $05-11-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 8,500 |
| PRICE I SF: | $\$ 179$ |



| PRICE: | $\$ 42,500,000$ |
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| DATE: | $05-14-09$ |
| GROSS SF: | 55,138 |
| PRICE I SF: | $\$ 771$ |

GROSS SF: 55,138 PRICE I SF: \$771

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| PRICE: | $\$ 6,300,000$ | PRICE: | $\$ 2,500,000$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DATE: | $06-01-09$ | DATE: | $05-29-09$ |
| LOT AREA: | 1,636 | LOT AREA: | 1,883 |
| ZONING: | C5-3/C5-2.5 | ZONING: | R8 |
| FAR: | $15 / 12$ | FAR: | 4.20 |
| BSF: | 22,976 | BSF: | 7,909 |
| PRICE I BSF: | $\$ 274$ | PRICE /BSF: $\$ 316$ |  |


| PRICE: | $\$ 13,000,000$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| DATE: | $05-26-09$ |
| LOT AREA: | 12,500 |
| ZONING: | CI-8 |
| FAR: | 5.00 |
| BSF: | 62,500 |
| PRICE I BSF: | $\$ 208$ |



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## METHODOLOGY

The Cap Rates, Gross Income Multipliers, Median Price per Square Foot and Total Volume presented in this report pertain to closed sales researched by or sold by Massey Knakal Realty Services during the period $1 / 1 / 09-6 / 30 / 09$. These transactions occurred at a minimum sales price of $\$ 500,000$ and were located in Manhattan south of 96th Street east of Central Park, and south of 110th Street west of Central Park. These sales may be found in the public record and were reported by ACRIS and other sources deemed reliable. This information has been compiled for informational purposes only and Massey Knakal Realty Services shall not be liable for any reliance thereon.

We use the following City of New York classifications:

- 1-4 Family buildings: A, B, CO and C3.
- 5+ Family Walk-Up buildings: C1, C2, C4, C5, C7, C8 and C9 (excluding C6 which represent Co-Ops).
- 5+ Family Elevatored buildings: D1, D2, D3, D5, D6, D8 and D9 (excluding D0, D4 which represent Co-Ops).
- Mixed-Use buildings: K and S classes
- Retail buildings: L1, L8, L9, O, R5, R7 and R8.
- Office buildings and commercial condos: O, R5, R7 and R8.
- Hotel buildings: H classes.
- Development: VO, V1, V2 and other buildings that were purchased for development.
- Specialty Use: Buildings that, because of their intended uses (such as religious, medical, government, educational, non-profit uses), do not fall into any of the above building classes.
Each sale was analyzed and categorized on a case by case basis.
Cap Rate: net operating income divided by the sales price.
Gross Rent Multiplier: sales price divided by the gross income.
Median Price Per Square Foot: sales price divided by gross building area above grade, as reported in the public record.
Average Price Per Square Foot: sales price divided by the building's gross square feet.
Average Price Per Buildable Square Foot: sales price divided by the building's maximum buildable square feet as allowed by the zoning of New York City.
Turnover Rate: number of sales divided by total inventory.
When expenses were not available for calculating the cap rate and gross rent multiplier for multi-family buildings, we used the following guidelines:

|  | $\mathbf{6 - 2 0}$ Units | 21-50 Units | 51+ Units |
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| Real Estate Tax: | Actual | Actual | Actual |
| Vacancy \& Credit Loss: | $1.5 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ |
| Water \& Sewer: | $\$ .50 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .50 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .50 / \mathrm{sf}$ |
| Insurance: | $\$ 500 /$ unit | $\$ 400 /$ unit | $\$ 375 / \mathrm{unit}$ |
| Fuel: | $\$ 1.60 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ 1.60 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ 1.60 / \mathrm{sf}$ |
| Electric: | $\$ .25 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .25 / \mathrm{sf}$ | $\$ .25 / \mathrm{sf}$ |
| Payroll: | $\$ 4,800 /$ year | $\$ 20,000 /$ year | $\$ 20,000 /$ year |
| Cleaning \& Maintenance: | $\$ 300 /$ month | $\$ 400-\$ 600 / \mathrm{month}$ | $\$ 1,000 / \mathrm{month}$ |
| Elevator Maintenance: | $\$ 4,000$ elev $/ \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 5,000 \mathrm{elev} / \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 5,000 \mathrm{elev} / \mathrm{yr}$ |
| Repairs: | $\$ 550$ unit $/ \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 550 \mathrm{unit} / \mathrm{yr}$ | $\$ 550$ unit $/ \mathrm{yr}$ |
| Management: | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $3 \%$ |

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