

## **Key Takeaways**

- Retail vacancy remained at 7.1 percent this quarter
- Net absorption was very low, but remained positive
- Retail asking rates increase to \$1.51 psf NNN







**Net Absorption** 99K SF





Under YOY Construction



**Overall Asking** Lease Rates (NNN)



## **Retail Recovery**

Southern Nevada's retail market showed surprising resiliency in 2020, but to say it was unaffected by that year's business closures would be incorrect. Entering 2021, the retail market looked like it was on pause, with relatively low net absorption, stable vacancy and an asking rental rate that increased by only \$0.01 psf on a triple-net (NNN) basis.

## **Market Indicators**



Unemployment



GDP - Quarterly %



**Treasury Note** 

## **Historic Comparison**

|  | 20Q1   | 20Q4   | 21Q1   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Total Inventory<br>(in Millions of SF)     | 70.5   | 71.0   | 71.1   |
| New Supply<br>(in Thousands of SF)         | 21.9   | 161.8  | 62.0   |
| Net Absorption<br>(in Thousands of SF)     | 414.8  | 178.9  | 99.0   |
| Total Vacancy                              | 6.5%   | 7.2%   | 7.1%   |
| Under Construction<br>(in Thousands of SF) | 844.8  | 260.1  | 310.9  |
| Overall Asking Lease<br>Rates (NNN)        | \$1.48 | \$1.50 | \$1.51 |

## **Market Graph**



2020 was a happy surprise for Southern Nevada's retail market, but the first quarter of 2021 shows that the market is not out of the woods yet.

## **Recent Transactions**













Lease 8945 W Charleston

Lease 4360 E Craig

Lease 4364 E Craig

Lease 2475 E Tropicana

Lease 5075 S Decatur Lease

1100 S Fort Apache 20,100 SF | \$1.38 NNN 10,659 SF | \$0.75 NNN 5,350 SF | \$0.77 NNN 4,913 SF | \$1.00 NNN 3,801 SF | \$2.11 NNN 3,000 SF | \$4.17 NNN

#### **Employment and Taxable Sales**

According to the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, Southern Nevada added 4,100 retail jobs between February 2020 and February 2021. While the Valley lost 600 jobs in the health and personal care stores sector, it added 2,100 jobs in the food and beverage stores sector. Southern Nevada lost 18,700 jobs in the food services and drinking places sector over the same period. Limited-service restaurants added 1,200 jobs, while full-service restaurants lost 13,300 jobs.

The Unemployment in the Las Vegas-Paradise MSA was 9.3 percent in February 2021, the first time it dipped beneath double-digits since before last year's business closures. Over the past 12 months, total employment in Southern Nevada decreased by 129,900 jobs, a 12.6% decrease. Between April 2020, when business closures were instituted, and February 2020, the Valley has added 112,000 jobs.

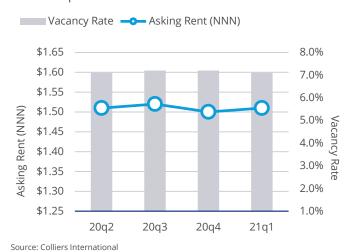
Clark county's taxable retail sales were \$5.9 billion in the fourth quarter of 2020 (the most recent quarter of data), dominated by \$1.1 billion in general merchandise stores and \$1.6 billion in eating and drinking places.

#### **Construction and Absorption**

The first quarter saw the completion of the 62,000 square foot Durango Beltway Plaza in North Las Vegas. Additional retail deliveries are expected in the third and fourth quarters of 2021 totaling 270,910 square feet.

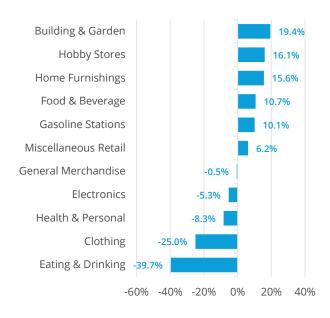
#### Vacancy vs. Rents

#### Past four quarters



#### **Taxable Sales Growth by Sector**

#### Year-over-year



Job Change (000s)

Source: Colliers International

Net absorption was 99,045 square feet in the first quarter. Net absorption was concentrated in community centers and freestanding retail buildings, and net absorption was negative in power centers and strip centers. The North Las Vegas and University East submarkets had the Valley's strongest net absorption this quarter, while net absorption was negative in Henderson, West Central, Downtown, Southwest and Northwest submarkets. This points to the scars that last year's business closures left on the Valley's retail market. While demand in 2020 was strong considering the circumstances, and continued to be positive in the first quarter of 2021, it would be a mistake to think that the retail market is firing on all cylinders.

The subsectors most active in occupying retail space over the past four quarters were involved in eating and drinking (23.4%), health services (14.1%), amusement and recreation (11.8%) and personal services (11.0%). Local companies took 82.3% of the leased square footage we tracked over the past four quarters, followed by companies from the Northeast U.S. (5.1%) and Southwest U.S. (3.9%).

#### Vacancy

Retail vacancy remained at 7.1% this quarter, the same as one quarter ago, and one year ago – though there has been some movement between those quarters. Vacancy was stable over the course of 2021, probably due to the foreclosure moratorium and the willingness of landlords to work with their tenants. Vacancy was highest in strip centers at 8.0% and lowest in freestanding retail buildings at 5.7%.

Among submarkets, North Las Vegas, Northwest, Southwest and West Central had vacancy rates below the Valley average, while Downtown, Henderson, Northeast and University East had above average vacancy. The Valley's lowest vacancy was in Southwest at 4.7% and highest in Northeast at 10.5%.

#### Rents

The average asking rental rate for retail space in Southern Nevada was \$1.51 psf NNN this quarter. This was \$0.01 psf higher than one quarter ago, and \$0.03 psf higher than one year ago. The most recent peak asking rent was recorded in the third quarter of 2020, at \$1.52 psf. In all, rents have remained as stable through the past year as vacancy, indicating a market that is waiting to see what happens next.

| Single-Tenant<br>Investments | 2019       | 2020       | 2021      |  |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|--|
| No. Sales                    | 91         | 59         | 21        |  |
| Square Footage               | 1,334,815  | 887,621    | 203,743   |  |
| Sales Volume                 | \$326.0 MM | \$191.7 MM | \$58.9 MM |  |
| Average Price/SF             | \$244.23   | \$215.99   | \$289.15  |  |
| Average Sale Size            | 14,700     | 15,000     | 9,700     |  |
| Cap Rate                     | 5.6%       | 6.0%       | 6.1%      |  |

| 2019       | 2020  | 2021  |
|------------|---|---|
| 51         | 21  | 3   |
| 3,092,770  | 865,059   | 297,709   |
| \$586.0 MM | \$155.7 MM  | \$90.4 MM   |
| \$189.47   | \$179.99  | \$303.70  |
| 60,600     | 41,193  | 99,200  |
| 7.1%       | 7.0%  | n/a   |
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#### Sales

Investment sales of single-tenant retail buildings were weak in 2020 compared to 2019, but bounced back this quarter. Single-tenant retail investment sales volume was \$58.9 million in 21 sales totaling 203,743 square feet at an average sales price of \$289.15 psf. Single-tenant investments were primarily in the Northwest and West Central submarkets. The average cap rate for single-tenant properties was 6.1%.

Shopping center investment sales have not bounced back to the degree of single-tenant retail. Sales volume was \$90.4 million in 3 sales totaling 297,709 square feet at an average sales price of \$303.70 psf. There was one sale each in the Northeast, Northwest and Southwest submarkets.

#### **Forecast**

Any rational person would have expected a retail apocalypse in 2020. Restrictions on retailers, especially restaurants and bars, were enacted in March to combat the spread of the COVID-19 virus and were not eased until June. Even after June, the odds seemed stacked against retail, yet the market saw very little increase in vacancy in 2020, suffered only negative 190,855 square feet of net absorption during the middle two quarters of the year and over 400,000 square feet of net absorption for the year as a whole.

Entering 2021, any rational person might conclude that with many COVID-19 restrictions eased or lifted, the retail market was poised to get back to business as usual. Instead, we see a continuance of the stable market we got in 2020. In a way, this makes sense. Without a precipitous dive in 2020, a sharp recovery in 2021 was unlikely. More to the point, though, is that the retail market's troubles are not over yet. Taxable sales have shown little real recovery yet, especially in the eating and drinking places subsector, and employment losses in that subsector persist.

We think 2021 will show improvement as the year proceeds, but a sluggish employment recovery may complicate things.

## **Sales Activity**



## **Glossary**

#### **General Definitions**

Direct Lease: Space in a building offered for lease directly by the owner of the building.

Sublease: Space in a building that is offered for sublease by the primary tenant.

Net Absorption: The difference in occupied square footage from one period to another.

Direct Availability Rate: The percentage of total inventory available for direct lease, regardless of whether it is vacant.

Sublease Availability Rate: The percentage of total inventory available for sublease, regardless of whether it is vacant.

Availability Rate: The percentage of total inventory available for direct lease or sublease, regardless of whether that space is vacant or occupied.

Vacancy Rate: The percentage of total inventory that is available for direct lease or sublease that is vacant.

#### **Retail Subtypes**

Community Center (CC): Retail centers anchored by supermarkets, drug stores and discount department stores. Tenants include off-price retailers selling apparel, home furnishings, toys, electronics or sporting goods.

Neighborhood Center (NC): Retail centers anchored by supermarkets and drug stores. Neighborhood centers are intended for day-to-day convenience shopping.

Power Center (PC): Retail centers dominated by several large anchors including discount department stores, off-price stores, warehouse clubs or "category killers". Power centers generally do not include much inline space.

Strip Center (SC): Unanchored retail centers that are 20,000 square feet in size or larger.

Freestanding (FR): Freestanding retail buildings that are 10,000 square feet in size or larger.

## **Retail Demographics**

| Submarket       | bmarket Households (2020) |          | erage Household<br>Income<br>(2020) Occupied Retail SF<br>(2020) |            |  |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|--|------------|--|
| Downtown        | 39,500                    | \$44,000 | 2,617,128  | 2,849,560  |  |
| Henderson       | 127,000                   | \$99,000 | 11,154,608   | 11,071,356 |  |
| North Las Vegas | 75,900                    | \$74,200 | 6,214,175  | 6,658,918  |  |
| Northeast       | 50,700                    | \$57,500 | 2,021,513  | 3,773,626  |  |
| Northwest       | 230,500                   | \$93,200 | 14,708,019   | 14,675,051 |  |
| Southwest       | 92,400                    | \$97,700 | 9,016,868  | 9,330,377  |  |
| University East | 145,000                   | \$67,300 | 9,555,083  | 9,572,324  |  |
| West Central    | 43,800                    | \$56,900 | 7,686,113  | 8,095,287  |  |

| Subtype                  | Total Inventory<br>SF          | Direct<br>Availability Rate | Sublease<br>Availability Rate | Availability Rate    | Vacancy Rate        | Vacancy Rate<br>Previous Quarter | Net<br>Absorption<br>Current | Net<br>Absorption<br>YTD | Under<br>Construction<br>SF | Deliveries YTD | Average<br>Direct Asking<br>Rate<br>(NNN) |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|---|
| Downtown<br>PC           | 0                              | n/a                         | n/a                           | n/a                  | n/a                 | n/a                              | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | n/a                                       |
| СС                       | 1,003,090                      | 8.6%                        | 0.0%                          | 17.1%                | 8.5%                | 8.5%                             | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | \$1.20                                    |
| NC                       | 470,630                        | 16.9%                       | 0.0%                          | 24.6%                | 7.7%                | 9.6%                             | 9,210                        | 9,210                    | 0                           | 0              | \$1.25                                    |
| SC<br>FR                 | 1,006,955<br>635,033           | 11.8%<br>4.8%               | 0.0%                          | 23.6%<br>8.9%        | 11.8%<br>4.1%       | 7.9%<br>6.5%                     | -39,075<br>15,347            | -39,075<br>15,347        | 0<br>12,417                 | 0              | \$1.72<br>\$1.85                          |
| Total                    | 3,115,708                      | 10.1%                       | 0.0%                          | 18.7%                | 8.5%                | 8.1%                             | -14,518                      | -14,518                  | 12,417                      | 0              | \$1.50                                    |
| Henderson                |                                |                             |                               |                      |                     |                                  |                              |                          |                             |                |   |
| PC                       | 2,896,215                      | 8.7%                        | 0.0%                          | 17.3%                | 8.7%                | 8.6%                             | -2,678                       | -2,678                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.53                                    |
| CC<br>NC                 | 2,912,338<br>2,930,045         | 8.8%<br>8.0%                | 0.0%                          | 15.5%<br>16.1%       | 6.7%<br>8.0%        | 6.2%<br>6.7%                     | -15,852<br>-37,837           | -15,852<br>-37,837       | 236,700<br>0                | 0              | \$1.52<br>\$1.54                          |
| SC                       | 2,047,610                      | 12.6%                       | 0.0%                          | 24.4%                | 11.7%               | 11.7%                            | -613                         | -613                     | 50,800                      | 0              | \$1.70                                    |
| FR                       | 1,218,473                      | 0.9%                        | 0.9%                          | 2.7%                 | 0.9%                | 0.9%                             | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | \$1.20                                    |
| Total<br>North Las Vegas | 12,004,681                     | 8.4%                        | 0.1%                          | 16.3%                | 7.8%                | 7.3%                             | -56,980                      | -56,980                  | 287,500                     | 0              | \$1.57                                    |
| PC PC                    | 774,065                        | 10.9%                       | 0.0%                          | 21.8%                | 10.9%               | 10.8%                            | -1,200                       | -1,200                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.28                                    |
| СС                       | 2,462,873                      | 5.0%                        | 0.1%                          | 7.9%                 | 2.9%                | 3.0%                             | 62,241                       | 62,241                   | 0                           | 62,000         | \$1.93                                    |
| NC                       | 2,065,576                      | 9.5%                        | 0.2%                          | 17.7%                | 8.2%                | 8.8%                             | 13,882                       | 13,882                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.80                                    |
| SC<br>FR                 | 1,312,196<br>452,493           | 5.1%<br>1.1%                | 0.0%                          | 9.8%                 | 4.8%<br>4.9%        | 5.9%<br>4.9%                     | 14,717<br>0                  | 14,717<br>0              | 0                           | 0              | \$1.40<br>\$1.50                          |
| Total                    | 7,067,203                      | 6.7%                        | 0.3%                          | 12.5%                | 5.8%                | 6.2%                             | 89,640                       | 89,640                   | 0                           | 62,000         | \$1.64                                    |
| Northeast                |                                |                             |                               |                      |                     |                                  |                              |                          |                             |                |   |
| PC                       | 0                              | n/a                         | n/a                           | n/a                  | n/a                 | n/a                              | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | n/a                                       |
| CC<br>NC                 | 1,295,615<br>1,404,861         | 6.6%                        | 0.0%                          | 13.2%<br>13.3%       | 6.6%                | 8.6%<br>7.4%                     | 26,399<br>11,112             | 26,399<br>11,112         | 0                           | 0              | \$1.25<br>\$1.23                          |
| SC                       | 769,047                        | 7.2%                        | 0.0%                          | 13.4%                | 6.2%                | 6.0%                             | -2,050                       | -2,050                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.31                                    |
| FR                       | 746,059                        | 29.0%                       | 0.0%                          | 58.0%                | 29.0%               | 29.0%                            | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | \$0.88                                    |
| Total                    | 4,215,582                      | 10.7%                       | 0.0%                          | 21.2%                | 10.5%               | 11.3%                            | 35,461                       | 35,461                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.07                                    |
| Northwest<br>PC          | 3,171,110                      | 5.4%                        | 0.0%                          | 10.8%                | 5.4%                | 3.9%                             | -47,386                      | -47,386                  | 0                           | 0              | \$2.09                                    |
| cc                       | 5,064,446                      | 6.4%                        | 0.4%                          | 12.5%                | 6.0%                | 6.8%                             | 39,383                       | 39,383                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.64                                    |
| NC                       | 3,595,985                      | 10.3%                       | 0.0%                          | 19.3%                | 9.0%                | 8.7%                             | -11,499                      | -11,499                  | 0                           | 0              | \$1.28                                    |
| SC<br>FR                 | 2,524,698<br>1,256,900         | 4.9%<br>1.9%                | 0.0%                          | 9.5%<br>3.7%         | 4.6%<br>1.9%        | 4.7%<br>3.0%                     | 2,130                        | 2,130<br>14,400          | 0                           | 0              | \$1.49<br>\$1.43                          |
| Total                    | 15,613,139                     | 6.5%                        | 0.1%                          | 12.5%                | 6.0%                | 6.0%                             | 14,400<br>-2,972             | -2,972                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.57                                    |
| Southwest                |                                |                             |                               |                      |                     |                                  | -                            | •                        |                             |                |   |
| PC                       | 944,314                        | 6.5%                        | 0.0%                          | 12.8%                | 6.3%                | 6.3%                             | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | \$1.59                                    |
| CC<br>NC                 | 2,688,783<br>2,566,980         | 3.9%<br>5.2%                | 0.9%                          | 8.6%<br>10.2%        | 3.9%<br>5.0%        | 4.2%<br>5.2%                     | 9,426<br>5,188               | 9,426<br>5,188           | 0                           | 0              | \$2.12<br>\$1.98                          |
| SC                       | 2,574,735                      | 6.3%                        | 0.6%                          | 12.9%                | 6.6%                | 5.8%                             | -20,028                      | -20,028                  | 0                           | 0              | \$2.22                                    |
| FR                       | 1,016,432                      | 0.0%                        | 0.0%                          | 0.0%                 | 0.0%                | 0.0%                             | 0                            | 0                        | 0                           | 0              | n/a                                       |
| Total                    | 9,791,244                      | 4.7%                        | 0.4%                          | 9.7%                 | 4.7%                | 4.7%                             | -5,414                       | -5,414                   | 0                           | 0              | \$2.04                                    |
| University East<br>PC    | 1,210,223                      | 9.6%                        | 0.0%                          | 19.1%                | 9.6%                | 9.4%                             | -2,429                       | -2,429                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.57                                    |
| cc                       | 2,946,813                      | 9.4%                        | 0.9%                          | 19.6%                | 10.1%               | 10.4%                            | 7,477                        | 7,477                    | 0                           | 0              | \$1.14                                    |
| NC                       | 2,069,675                      | 9.6%                        | 2.1%                          | 18.2%                | 8.6%                | 10.9%                            | 47,544                       | 47,544                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.34                                    |
| SC                       | 2,943,601                      | 12.1%                       | 0.0%                          | 24.3%                | 12.1%               | 12.5%                            | 10,789                       | 10,789                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.42                                    |
| FR<br>Total              | 1,420,385<br>10,590,697        | 3.7%<br>9.5%                | 1.2%<br>0.8%                  | 8.5%<br><b>19.1%</b> | 4.9%<br><b>9.6%</b> | 6.5%                             | 23,502<br><b>86,883</b>      | 23,502<br><b>86,883</b>  | 0                           | 0              | \$1.75<br><b>\$1.36</b>                   |
| West Central             | 10,000,000                     |                             |                               |                      | 5.010               |                                  | 33,732                       |                          |                             | -              | , , , , ,                                 |
| PC                       | 1,138,224                      | 7.7%                        | 0.0%                          | 14.4%                | 6.8%                | 6.7%                             | -967                         | -967                     | 0                           | 0              | \$1.55                                    |
| CC<br>NC                 | 1,673,635<br>1,777,642         | 17.3%<br>7.8%               | 0.0%                          | 23.7%<br>15.4%       | 6.4%<br>7.6%        | 6.2%<br>6.1%                     | -2,544<br>-26,736            | -2,544<br>-26,736        | 0                           | 0              | \$1.17<br>\$1.60                          |
| SC                       | 2,449,865                      | 7.8%<br>5.7%                | 0.0%                          | 15.4%                | 7.6%<br>n/a         | 6.1%<br>n/a                      | -26,736                      | -26,736<br>-2,808        | 0                           | 0              | \$1.50                                    |
| FR                       | 1,629,325                      | 6.2%                        | 0.6%                          | 12.9%                | 6.7%                | 6.7%                             | 0                            | 0                        | 10,998                      | 0              | \$1.08                                    |
| Total                    | 8,668,691                      | 8.7%                        | 0.2%                          | 15.3%                | 6.6%                | 6.2%                             | -33,055                      | -33,055                  | 10,998                      | 0              | \$1.40                                    |
| Grand Total<br>PC        | 10,134,151                     | 7.6%                        | 0.0%                          | 15.1%                | 7.5%                | 6.9%                             | -54,660                      | -54,660                  | 0                           | 0              | \$1.64                                    |
| CC                       | 20,047,593                     | 7.7%                        | 0.4%                          | 14.1%                | 6.2%                | 6.6%                             | 126,530                      | 126,530                  | 236,700                     | 62,000         | \$1.47                                    |
| NC                       | 16,881,394                     | 8.6%                        | 0.3%                          | 16.3%                | 7.7%                | 7.8%                             | 10,864                       | 10,864                   | 0                           | 0              | \$1.51                                    |
| SC                       | 15,628,707                     | 8.2%                        | 0.1%                          | 16.2%                | 8.0%                | 7.8%                             | -36,938                      | -36,938                  | 50,800                      | 0              | \$1.62                                    |
| FR<br>Total              | 8,375,100<br><b>71,066,945</b> | 5.2%<br><b>7.1%</b>         | 0.6%                          | 11.1%<br>13.6%       | 5.7%<br><b>7.1%</b> | 6.3%<br><b>7.2%</b>              | 53,249<br><b>99,045</b>      | 53,249<br><b>99,045</b>  | 23,415<br><b>310,915</b>    | 62,000         | \$1.13<br><b>\$1.51</b>                   |
| HISTORICAL               | . 1,000,545                    |                             | J /3                          | .5.5.3               |                     |                                  |                              | 25/010                   | 3.0,513                     | 52,550         | 7   |
| Q1-21                    | 71,066,945                     | 7.1%                        | 0.2%                          | 13.6%                | 7.1%                | 7.2%                             | 99,045                       | 99,045                   | 310,915                     | 62,000         | \$1.51                                    |
| Q4-20                    | 71,004,945                     | 6.8%                        | 0.3%                          | 13.3%                | 7.2%                | 7.2%                             | 178,883                      | 402,827                  | 260,115                     | 373,325        | \$1.50                                    |
| Q3-20                    | 70,843,180                     | 6.1%                        | 0.4%                          | 12.5%                | 7.2%                | 7.1%                             | -21,454                      | 223,944                  | 410,882                     | 247,880        | \$1.52                                    |
| Q2-20<br>Q1-20           | 70,794,066                     | 6.0%                        | 0.4%                          | 12.4%<br>11.6%       | 7.1%<br>6.5%        | 6.5%<br>9.7%                     | -169,401                     | 245,398                  | 699,989                     | 234,880        | \$1.51<br>\$1.48                          |
| Q1-20                    | 70,548,596                     | 5.6%                        | 0.470                         | 11.070               | 0.570               | 5./70                            | 414,799                      | 414,799                  | 844,826                     | 21,860         | ⊅1.48                                     |

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