

Q3 Snapshot & What to Look for in Q4 2025

Vacancy & Availability

- In Q2 overall vacancy was reported at 10.4%, with sublease availability climbing to ~3.4 million SF (about prior cycles, constrained by high interest rates and 1.5 % of inventory), nearing cyclical highs.
- Meanwhile, construction activity has significantly cooled relative to the peak pipeline years. Now, speculative or delayed, upward supply pressure may moderate.
- Pay attention to sublease inventory; an increase there (or reluctance by tenants to relinquish space) could push vacancy higher creating a drag on absorption and new leasing.

Leasing, Absorption & Demand

- Leasing volumes in Q2 2025 recovered somewhat from Q1, with ~2.5 million SF leased in the warehouse segment (the first positive since Q2 2024).
- Overall momentum remains cautious: many tenants
 Projects that are speculative (vs preleased or BTS) are choosing renewals or subleases rather than expansion. Some users may reoptimize footprints (downsizing, shifting toward densification) given economic uncertainty.
- Large build-to-suits or relocations (e.g. by logistics, e-commerce, biomanufacturing) may buck the trend lending availability could help invigorate leasing or and represent leading indicators.

Rents, Incentives & Leasing Terms

- · Asking rents have softened a bit with average rents at ~\$16.02/SF in Q2 2025, ~1.9% below year-ago levels. In some submarkets (e.g. Metro West), rents declined ~3% quarter-over-quarter in Q2. Continued downward trade flows, supply chain policy) will continue to pressure on asking rents is plausible, especially in secondary submarkets.
- Landlords may offer more aggressive incentives (abatements, tenant improvement allowances, free rent) to compete for tenants. Additionally, Flexible lease terms and escalation structures will likely become more important negotiation levers.

Investment & Capital Markets

- Investment sales have been muted compared to increasing vacancy risk. Interest rates and tighter debt markets remain key risk factors for transactions.
- Owner/user acquisitions, sale-leasebacks, or opportunities in adaptive reuse may attract more capital as investors search for safer or value-add bets.
- · Properties with strong occupancy, credit tenants, or redevelopment upside will likely see better investor interest.

Supply Pipeline & Delivery Timing

- Even if new construction is down relative to prior cycles, some developments slated for Q3/Q4 may still deliver. The timing of those deliveries will matter.
- are at higher risk if they deliver but can't lease, they will exacerbate vacancy pressure.

Macro / Financing / Policy Environment

- · Any easing in interest rates, credit conditions, or transaction activity.
- Incentives or support for manufacturing, biotech, or reshoring of supply chains in the state and federal levels could drive demand for certain industrial / lab / light industrial types.
- Broader economic conditions (consumer demand, influence logistics and warehouse demand.
- · Trade policy uncertainty, inflation, and broader macro risks (e.g. recession) will still be clouding near-term sentiment.

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Q3 CRE REPORT

ALL DAY. EVERYDAY. WE WORK HARDER.

BOSTON

INDUSTRIAL

MARKET

SNAPSHOT

12 Month Leased SF

9.9 M SF

Average Asking Rent

\$17.08/SF

Average Cap Rate

7.1%

Under Construction

2.5M SF

Vacancy Rate

8.2%

Market Asking Rent Growth

2.66%

Average Sale Price/SF

\$196/SF

12 Mo Net Absorption SF

2.6M SF

REMEMBERING CHARLIE KIRK

"If you believe in something, you need to have the courage to fight for those ideas - not run away from them or try and silence them." -Charlie Kirk

This month, we pause to remember Charlie Kirk — a bold Christian and strong voice in the conservative movement, a champion of young Americans, and a devoted husband and father.

From founding Turning Point USA to fearlessly speaking out on free speech, faith, and the founding principles of our country, Charlie lived by conviction. His tragic death has left a hole in our movement – but his legacy of courage, conviction, and activism lives on.



We are grateful for the countless ways Charlie inspired many to get involved — and to stand strongly for our beliefs and principles. May we each carry forward his boldness of faith, freedom, and truth.

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