

OMAHA-COUNCIL BLUFFS, NE-IA · MULTIFAMILY INVESTMENT SALES

Above-trend demand.
A receding supply peak.
An early window.

A market read on Omaha multifamily — submarket fundamentals and charts, the contracting development pipeline, the demographic engine under demand, and where institutional capital is establishing positions first.

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Q2 2026 · THE HEADLINE

An under-allocated secondary market *at a supply-driven entry point.*

EFFECTIVE RENT / UNIT

\$1,274

+2.2% YoY effective · RealPage 1Q26

VACANCY RATE (COSTAR)

9.2%

Incl. new-product lease-up. Axiometrics stabilized: **4.8% vac** · **95.2% occ** · CoStar forecast ~9.4% YE26 → 8.6%

TRAILING 12-MO VOLUME

\$367M

84 deals · +51% over 2024

12-MO ABSORPTION

2,020

~67% above the ~1,200-unit long-run average

The bottom line

Omaha is an **under-allocated secondary market where durable, above-trend demand is meeting a temporary, already-declining supply peak** — a rare window to acquire quality assets at attractive bases before vacancy normalizes and broader institutional capital arrives.

After a record **4,400+ deliveries in 2025**, units under construction have fallen to roughly 2,600 (~3.0% of inventory) from a late-2024 peak near 5,574. The forward construction ratio drops to **0.5 by 2027** — absorption running at twice deliveries.

National buyers are net acquirers by a wide margin — **\$168M of the \$198.7M in YTD purchases** — a clear signal that conviction capital is establishing positions ahead of the supply normalization.

Five takeaways

- ECONOMY

Four Fortune 500 HQs, finance/insurance location quotient **1.4×**, unemployment **3.4%** — 110 bps below the U.S.
- DEMAND

Household formation at **1.2%** — **roughly double the national pace**; absorption 67% above trend.
- SUPPLY

UC down to **~3.0% of inventory** from the 2024 peak; the pipeline is decisively contracting.
- YIELD

Proforma Yr 1 cap rates **~5.25%–6.25%+** (≈ high-4% to mid-5% going-in) — a premium over gateway markets.
- CAPITAL

Private capital still dominates both sides — **low institutional penetration**, less competition for deals.

LOCAL EXPERTISE · NATIONAL REACH

Omaha multifamily — *covered by the Midwest team that closes it.*

An under-allocated secondary market, *covered locally and capitalized nationally.*

Omaha pairs a diversified, recession-resilient economy with demographic momentum that converts directly into rental demand. Steady absorption above the long-run trend, a contracting supply pipeline, and low institutional penetration point to a market where conviction capital can be deployed early — ahead of the broader institutional rotation into the metro.

\$669M

TEAM CLOSED VOLUME

Midwest multifamily · 12 transactions since Jan 2024

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OUR TRACK RECORD · MIDWEST MULTIFAMILY · SINCE JANUARY 2024

+ \$175M+ under agreement, preparing to close, or actively marketed

\$669M

CLOSED VOLUME

12

TRANSACTIONS

3,100+

UNITS SOLD

\$230K+

AVG PRICE / UNIT

4.80%

AVG GOING-IN CAP RATE

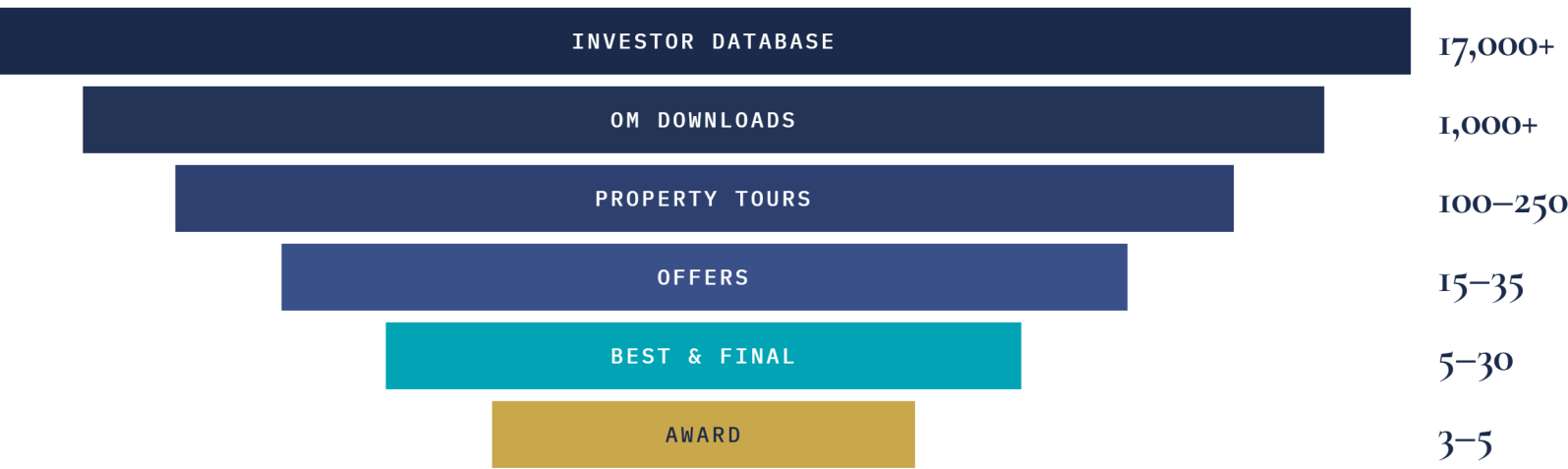
National platform — \$21.8B+ transaction volume · 690+ capital markets transactions · 45+ multifamily markets · \$9.4B C&W global revenue (2024)

HOW WE CLEAR THE MARKET

Quick to market. *Further to investors.* Higher pricing. Surety of closure.

The Touchpoint Pyramid

AVERAGE FUNNEL PER C&W MULTIFAMILY ENGAGEMENT



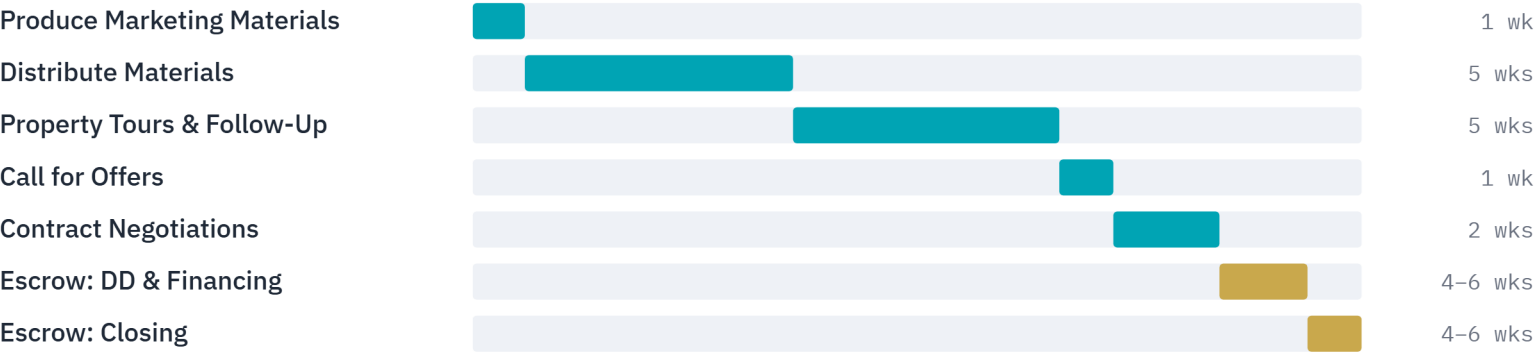
AVERAGE PUBLIC OFFERING • RECORD-SETTING MARKET EXPOSURE



Per active listing — exposure consistently above prior market benchmarks before a buyer is selected.

Marketing Timeline

APPROXIMATELY 4–5 MONTHS FROM ENGAGEMENT TO CLOSE



32–34%
C&W EMAIL OPEN RATE

~52% more exposure than the **21% industry average** — driven by C&W's proprietary investor database, real-time tracking, and weekly campaign reporting.

ECONOMY · DEMAND · SUPPLY

A diversified, recession-resilient metro *absorbing a historic supply wave.*

ECONOMIC BASE

A corporate base larger than its size.

- 4

Fortune 500 headquarters — Berkshire Hathaway, Union Pacific, Kiewit, Mutual of Omaha — anchor the central Plains.
- 3.4%

Unemployment — ~110 bps below the 4.5% national figure across ~513,000 jobs.
- 1.4×

Finance/insurance location quotient — a structural specialization underpinning office-using employment.

DEMAND & OCCUPANCY

Demand accelerating into supply.

- 2,020

12-mo absorption — ~67% above the long-run ~1,200-unit annual average.
- 1.2%

Annual household formation — roughly double the national 0.7% pace; the key driver of rental absorption.
- +23%

Cumulative 5-yr rent growth — mark-to-market upside as 2021-era leases roll to current rates.

SUPPLY CYCLE

The peak is behind the market.

- 4,400+

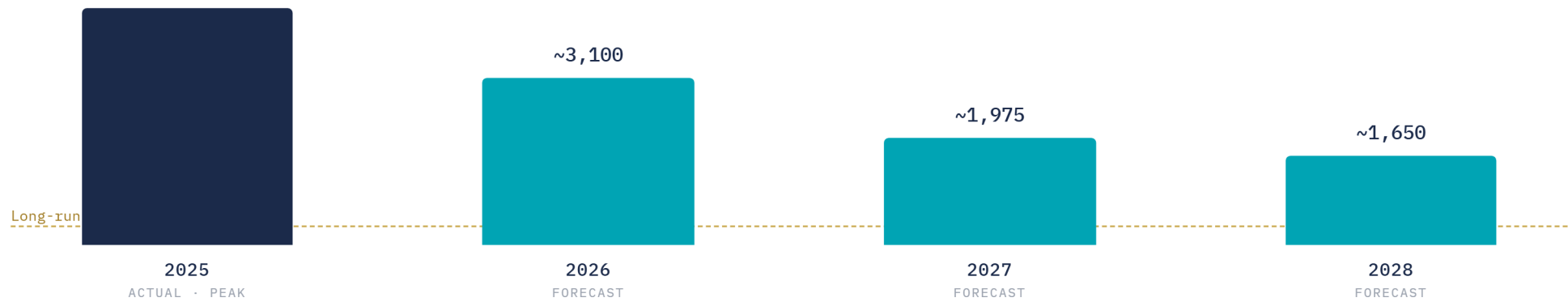
2025 deliveries — the largest single-year figure on record, 3× the long-run average.
- ~2,600

Units under construction — ~3.0% of inventory, down from a late-2024 peak near 5,574.
- 0

UC in the 1&2-Star tier — workforce product insulated from supply-driven softening.

MSA Deliveries — Peaked and Falling Fast

UNITS DELIVERED 2025 ACTUAL, 2026–2028 FORECAST · COSTAR SUPPLY APPENDIX



Fortune 500 Headquarters

FOUR ANCHORS IN A NO-SINGLE-INDUSTRY ECONOMY

Berkshire Hathaway

FINANCE & INSURANCE

Union Pacific

RAIL & LOGISTICS

Kiewit

CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEERING

Mutual of Omaha

INSURANCE

OMAHA VS. NATIONAL BENCHMARKS · OXFORD ECONOMICS

Demographic momentum *is the foundation of the demand case.*

CATEGORY	OMAHA METRO	UNITED STATES	OMAHA 12-MO Δ
Population	1,017,658	342,377,250	+0.8%
Households	409,136	134,410,531	+1.2%
Median Household Income	\$89,208	\$84,839	+3.3%
Labor Force	540,563	170,464,156	+1.1%
Unemployment Rate	3.4%	4.5%	—

2×

HOUSEHOLD FORMATION VS. NATION

Household formation at **1.2%** is roughly double the national 0.7% pace — the single most important driver of rental absorption.

7.2%

HISTORICAL AVERAGE VACANCY

Omaha avoids boom-and-bust cycles. Effective rent growth has averaged **1.8% historically** with positive absorption in nearly every year on record.

\$89,208

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Above the U.S. median of \$84,839 and growing **3.3% YoY** — income gains feeding directly into rent affordability and demand.

COSTAR ESTIMATED PRICING BY ASSET TIER · PROFORMA YEAR 1

A clear, quality-tiered yield curve — *value-add to trophy infill.*

4 & 5 STAR · CLASS A Newer institutional core	3 STAR · CLASS B Workforce · value-add core	1 & 2 STAR · CLASS C Workforce-affordable
PROFORMA YR 1 CAP RATE ~5.25% – 5.75% ≈ high-4% to 5% going-in · Est. PPU \$175K – \$300K+	PROFORMA YR 1 CAP RATE ~5.75% – 6.25% ≈ low-5% going-in · Est. PPU \$125K – \$190K	PROFORMA YR 1 CAP RATE 6.25%+ ≈ mid-5% going-in · Est. PPU \$81,384
POSITIONING Conviction core	COMP-SET AVG CAP 6.05% (median)	UC PIPELINE 0 units
TOP TRADE PPU \$311K (Deer Creek)	GOING-IN CAP RANGE 5.0% – 6.5%	SUPPLY EXPOSURE Insulated
BUYER PROFILE National acquirers	AVG PPU AT SALE ~\$128,256	VALUE-ADD TRADE \$104K (Bellevue Hills)
AVG. YEAR BUILT ~2020	AVG VACANCY AT SALE 7.2%	YIELD PREMIUM Highest in metro

HOW TO READ THESE CAPS

Figures shown are **proforma Year 1 cap rates** (Class A ~5.25%–5.75% · Class B ~5.75%–6.25% · Class C 6.25%+). In-place **going-in cap rates run from the high-4%'s up to the mid-5%'s** depending on product and location. Developers report mid-5% returns on new development are difficult at current construction costs — favoring acquisition of in-place product over ground-up risk.

9 SUBMARKETS · 4 TIERS

A tiered read on the metro — *where to lean in, where to wait.*

PREMIUM

Sub-5.5% vacancy · Pricing power

West Omaha	4.6% vac · +0.5%
Central Omaha	4.7% · +2.5%
Bellevue	5.4% · 0.0%

STRONG

Deep, durable absorption

Downtown Omaha	10.4% · abs #1
Midtown Omaha	9.9% · largest
Papillion—La Vista	9.8% · +1.1%

VALUE

Supply-cleared · Lease-up basis

Council Bluffs	16.0% · UC 0
North Omaha	13.1% · UC 0

MONITOR

Top rents · Near-term supply

Elkhorn	15.8% · \$1,543 rent
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TIER THESIS

Premium — supply-protected infill at sub-5% vacancy and the metro's strongest rent growth. **Strong** — the urban core's deepest, most liquid demand; buy the concession window to a 2027 recovery. **Value** — contrarian basis plays where vacancy is elevated but pipelines have cleared to zero. **Monitor** — Elkhorn's record rents against a near-term delivery wave; rent-growth runway as supply absorbs.

DOWNTOWN · MIDTOWN · CENTRAL

The urban core leads absorption — *and offers a concession-window basis.*

Downtown Omaha

7,460 units · 343 UC · 448 delivered TTM

STRONG

VACANCY

0%

MSA 9.2%

10.4%

18%

EFFECTIVE RENT

12-MO ABSORPTION

\$1,305

608

+0.2% YoY

8.1% of inv · #1 MSA

Strongest absorption-to-inventory ratio in the MSA. Renters drawn to new product near Mutual of Omaha HQ and the Riverfront. The 307-unit Thread headlines the pipeline; demand outpacing remaining supply.

Midtown Omaha

12,768 units · 604 UC · 653 delivered TTM

STRONG

VACANCY

0%

MSA 9.2%

9.9%

18%

EFFECTIVE RENT

12-MO ABSORPTION

\$1,230

368

-0.6% YoY

#2 absolute · largest UC

Metro's largest and most liquid submarket (14.4% of MSA). Led the MSA in absolute net absorption while carrying the largest pipeline — developers building into proven demand. The 194-unit Oxworth is in the pipeline.

Central Omaha

7,221 units · 407 UC · 0 delivered TTM

PREMIUM

VACANCY

0%

MSA 9.2%

4.7%

18%

EFFECTIVE RENT

12-MO ABSORPTION

\$1,227

-17

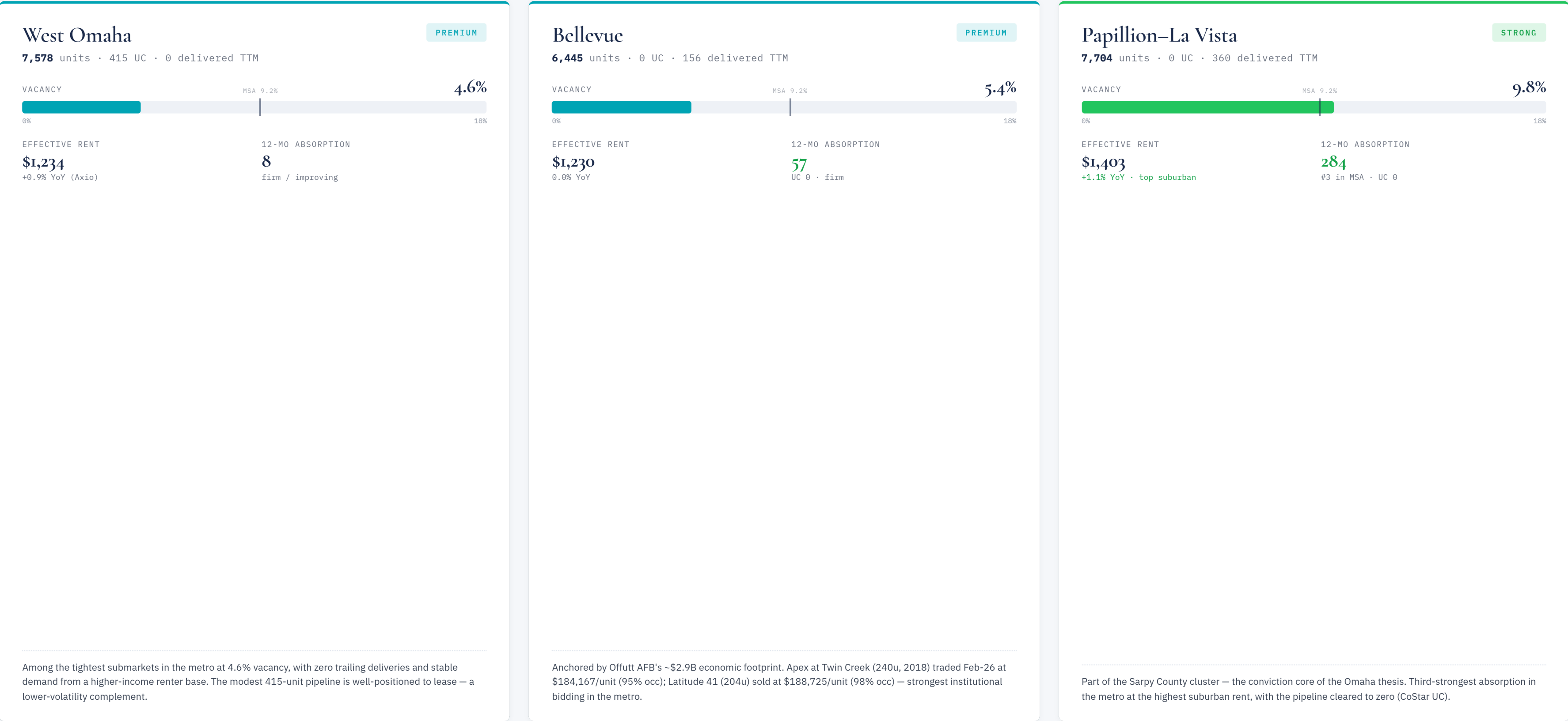
+2.5% YoY (Axio)

supply-constrained

Sub-5% vacancy with the metro's strongest Axiometrics rent growth (2.5%) and no trailing deliveries. Blackstone Corner (112u, 2019) traded Mar-26 at \$242,410/unit — pricing power in a supply-protected corridor.

WEST OMAHA · BELLEVUE · PAPILLION-LA VISTA

The suburban cluster is the conviction core — *tight vacancy, top trade pricing.*



COUNCIL BLUFFS · NORTH OMAHA · ELKHORN

Elevated vacancy, cleared pipelines — *supply-driven softness, not demand failure.*

Council Bluffs

3,963 units · 0 UC · 637 delivered TTM

VALUE

VACANCY

MSA 9.2%

16.0%

0%18%

EFFECTIVE RENT

12-MO ABSORPTION

\$1,163

246

-0.9% YoY

6.2% of inv · #4 MSA

The clearest contrarian play: elevated vacancy and the widest concession rate (4.0%) reflect a recent supply surge — yet absorption is strongly positive and the UC pipeline is now zero. Softness paired with an empty pipeline sets up a supply-cleared recovery.

North Omaha

6,227 units · 0 UC · 406 delivered TTM

VALUE

VACANCY

MSA 9.2%

13.1%

0%18%

EFFECTIVE RENT

12-MO ABSORPTION

\$1,014

60

-0.2% YoY · lowest basis

1.0% of inv · UC 0

Elevated vacancy is a function of recent deliveries working through lease-up rather than demand failure — absorption is positive and UC has cleared to zero. Buyers underwriting a completed lease-up can establish the metro's lowest basis ahead of stabilization.

Elkhorn

7,574 units · 358 UC · 506 delivered TTM

MONITOR

VACANCY

MSA 9.2%

15.8%

0%18%

EFFECTIVE RENT

12-MO ABSORPTION

\$1,543

86

highest in MSA · +0.3%

1.1% of inv

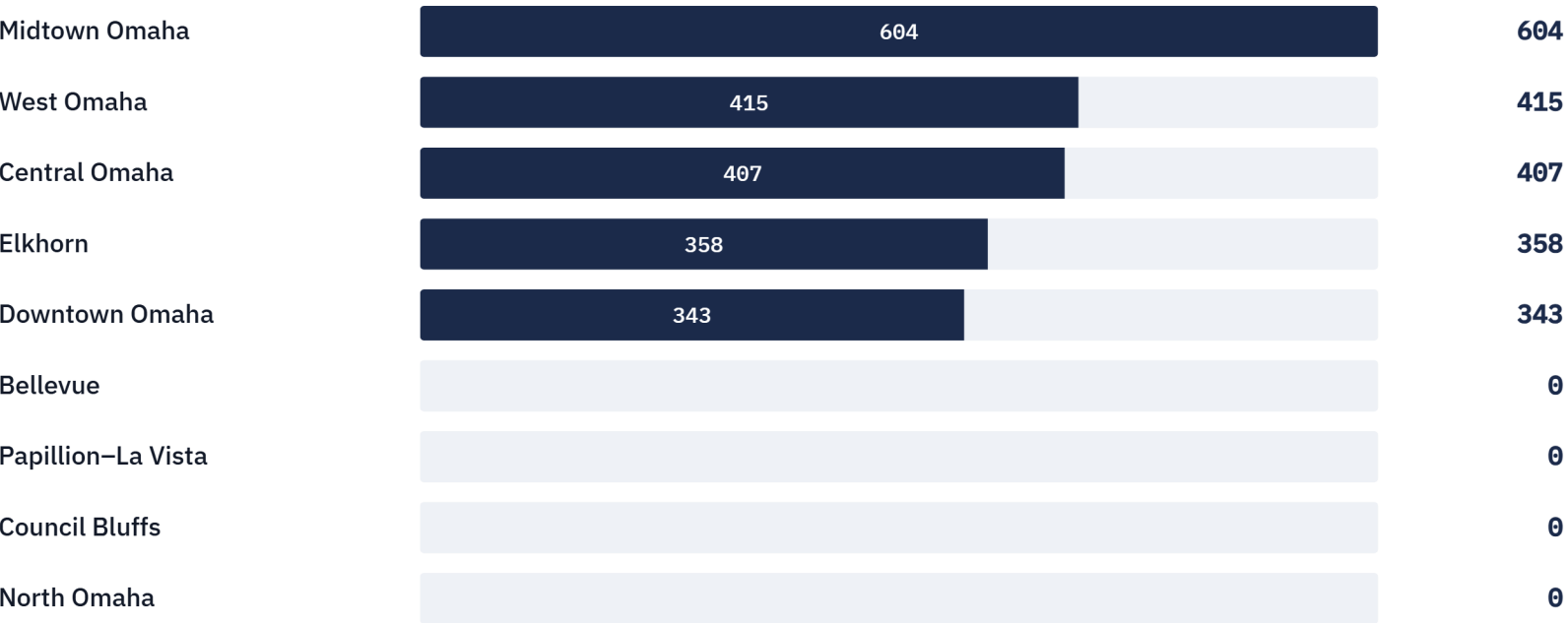
Commands the metro's highest rents (\$1,609 asking / \$1,543 effective). Juniper Row Townhomes (101u, 2023) traded Feb-26 at \$267,411/unit. Elevated vacancy reflects delivery timing; top rent basis offers runway as supply absorbs.

SUPPLY & DEMAND · THE PIPELINE IS CONTRACTING

The supply peak is behind the market — *absorption outpaces supply by 2027.*

Units Under Construction by Submarket

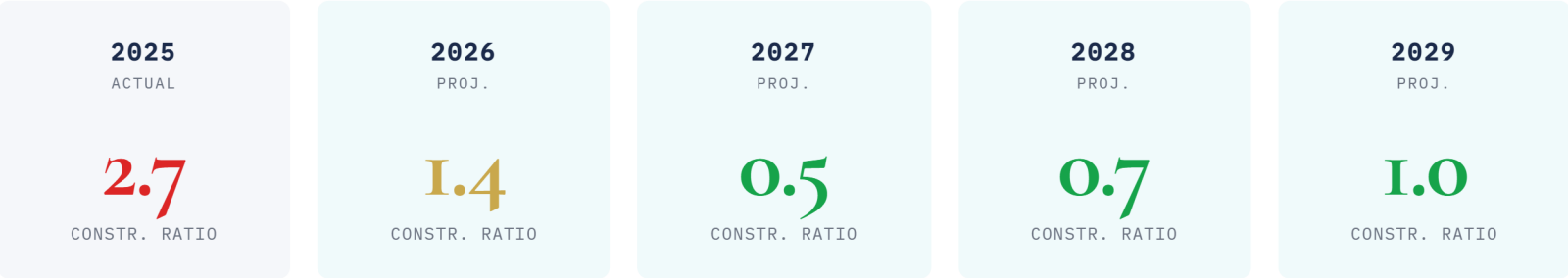
COSTAR CURRENT QUARTER · UNITS



Units under construction

Construction Ratio · Supply & Demand Appendix

COSTAR — A RATIO BELOW 1.0 MEANS ABSORPTION OUTPACES NEW SUPPLY



Net absorption (units): 1,620 ('25) → 2,191 ('26) → 2,572 ('27) → 2,268 ('28) → 1,769 ('29)

Inventory growth: 5.3% ('25) → 3.6% ('26) → 1.5% ('27) → 1.8% ('28) → 1.8% ('29)

Vacancy forecast: peaks near **9.4%** at YE2026, improving toward **8.6%** in 2027 as deliveries fall to ~1,975 units.

COSTAR SIGNIFICANT-SALES RECORD • \$367.4M / 84 DEALS

Conviction capital is moving first — *national buyers net acquirers by a wide margin.*

PROPERTY	SUBMARKET	YR BUILT	UNITS	SALE DATE	PRICE	PRICE / UNIT
The Apex at Twin Creek	Bellevue	2018	240	Mar-26	\$44.2M	\$184,166
Latitude 41	Sarpy County	2020	204	Feb-26	\$38.5M	\$188,725
Deer Creek Townhomes	Suburban	2022	92	Feb-26	\$28.6M	\$311,320
Bellevue Hills	Bellevue	1974	264	Nov-25	\$27.5M	\$104,166
Blackstone Corner	Central Omaha	2019	112	Mar-26	\$27.2M	\$242,410
Juniper Row Townhomes	Elkhorn	2023	101	Feb-26	\$27.0M	\$267,411
The Reserve at The Knolls	Suburban	1976	246	Apr-26	\$26.5M	\$107,723
Benson Lights Apartments	Benson	2017	99	Oct-25	\$17.2M	\$173,474

Volume signal: Trailing-12-month volume of \$367.4M is up ~51% over 2024. National buyers were net acquirers of **\$168M of the \$198.7M** in YTD purchases while local owners were net sellers (–\$58.8M) — a classic ownership transfer that typically precedes the next cycle of value creation. Disclosed buyers include Clipper Capital Group, Quantum Real Estate, Block & Company, Greystone Capital, and Bellino Enterprises.

EMPLOYERS & INSTITUTIONS DRIVING DEMAND

A no-single-industry economy — *the defensive base institutional capital prizes.*

FORTUNE 500 · FINANCE

Berkshire Hathaway & Mutual of Omaha

Anchor one of the highest concentrations of finance and insurance employment in the country — a 1.4× location quotient underpinning office-using and back-office demand.

FREIGHT & LOGISTICS

Union Pacific & Werner Enterprises

Union Pacific — the largest U.S. railroad — and Werner anchor a national freight crossroads; Kiewit anchors construction and engineering across the metro.

DATA CENTER CLUSTER

Google · Meta · Microsoft

Abundant, low-cost public power has made Sarpy County and Council Bluffs a major data-center hub — a fast-growing source of construction and operational employment.

FEDERAL & INSTITUTIONAL

Offutt AFB · UNMC · Creighton

Offutt Air Force Base — home to U.S. Strategic Command — carries a ~\$2.9B annual economic footprint, anchoring the Sarpy County demand thesis alongside major health and education employers.

~513K

TOTAL MSA EMPLOYMENT

3.4%

UNEMPLOYMENT · 110 BPS BELOW U.S.

+95K

EDUCATION & HEALTH JOBS · +2.16% YOY

\$2.9B

OFFUTT AFB ECONOMIC FOOTPRINT

WHY OMAHA NOW

Above-trend demand meeting a receding supply peak — *before the crowd arrives.*

Six reasons to move early

- AFFORDABILITY

Effective rents of ~\$1,274–\$1,320 sit far below gateway markets, while cumulative 5-yr rent growth exceeds 23% — meaningful mark-to-market upside as 2021-era leases roll.
- STABILITY

Four Fortune 500 HQs, a 1.4× finance LQ, a data-center cluster, and Offutt AFB anchor a no-single-industry economy at 3.4% unemployment.
- TIMING

UC down to ~3.0% of inventory from the 2024 peak; the forward construction ratio drops to 0.5 by 2027 — buyers lock in basis ahead of the vacancy recovery.
- DEMAND

Absorption ~67% above trend, powered by 1.2% household formation — a demand story temporarily masked by supply timing.
- YIELD

Proforma Yr 1 cap rates ~5.25%–6.25%+ (≈ high-4% to mid-5% going-in) across tiers offer a premium over gateway markets, with entry points from workforce value-add to premium townhome product.
- LOW PENETRATION

Private capital still dominates both sides; national-buyer accumulation is recent and competition remains far less intense than gateway cities.

Markets like Omaha reward *conviction and timing.*

Above-trend demand is meeting a receding supply peak while institutional capital is only beginning to establish positions. Investors who move early are positioned to capture outsized, risk-adjusted returns. C&W is prepared to source, underwrite, and execute.

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THE WINDOW

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Omaha pairs durable, above-trend demand with a temporary, already-declining supply peak. The construction ratio falls to 0.5 by 2027, vacancy is forecast to recover from ~9.4% toward 8.6%, and national capital is accumulating positions while local owners monetize. The opportunity is to acquire quality assets at attractive bases — before vacancy normalizes and broader institutional capital arrives.

0.5

2027 CONSTRUCTION RATIO

Absorption running at twice projected deliveries.

\$367M

TTM VOLUME · +51% YOY

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2,020

12-MO ABSORPTION

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