# MARKETBÉAT

# **TUCSON INDUSTRIAL REPORT**



3Q08

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#### AT A GLANCE

- Like many regions around the country, Tucson is seeing a softening market. Demand has diminished significantly across the investment, user, land and for lease markets, in large part due to reduced velocity in surrounding markets, as well as the tight credit arena.
- Corporate consolidation is also fueling the slowdown. With belt tightening throughout the manufacturing and retail sectors, supporting warehouse/distribution operations are being scaled back, effecting demand locally. While we are seeing few businesses close their doors, division closings and consolidations are making an impact and putting space on the market in Tucson.
- On the user side, tenants and buyers enjoy an advantage not seen in recent years. With more availability and downward pressure on lease rates and values, opportunities are fairly abundant.
- Despite the increase in space availability, user demand continues, although at a slower pace than last year.
  Vacancy rates are still way below distress levels, and we see some indication that users who have been on the sidelines as the economy declines are tired of waiting and exploring the market for opportunities to expand their facilities.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS								
National	2006	2007	2008F					
GDP Growth	2.8%	2.0%	1.9%					
CPI Growth	3.2%	2.9%	4.4%					
Regional								
Unemployment	3.9%	3.7%	4.4%					
<b>Employment Growth</b>	2.8%	2.0%	-0.5%					

Source: AZ Department of Commerce, Moody's  $\mid$  Economy.com

## MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

SIGNIFICANT 3Q08 NEW LEASE TRANSACTIONS							
BUILDING	TENANT	SF	PROPERTY TYPE				
UASTP Bldg 9040	Raytheon	39,709	НТ				
7775 N Casa Grande Hwy	Lasertel	37,312	M				
3340-3440 Global Loop	High Throughput Genomics	12,600	HT				
SIGNIFICANT 3Q08 SALE TRANSACTIONS							
BUILDING	BUYER	SF	PURCHASE PRICE				
7775 N Casa Grande Hwy	2030 East, LLC	68,304	\$8,750,000				
3450 S Broadmont	Tin Cup Properties	43,823	\$4,180,000				
6737 E Outlook	Raymond & Debra Croghan	23,100	\$2,400,000				
SIGNIFICANT 3Q08 CONSTRUCTION COMPLETIONS							
BUILDING	MAJOR TENANT	SF	COMPLETION DATE				
3761 E Farnum	LBS Door Plant	65,000	9/08				
3745 N Business Center	N/A	10,005	7/08				
SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION							
BUILDING	MAJOR TENANT	SF	COMPLETION DATE				
South Rita Road	Target	975,000	2/09				
6000 S Country Club	N/A	99,200	1/09				
Oro Valley	Sanofi Aventis	80,000	12/08				

## **BEAT ON THE STREET**

"In this time of decelerating leasing velocity, the market balance has shifted from the landlord's favor to the tenant's."

-Robert Glaser, CCIM SIOR, Principal



MARKET STATISTICS									
	OVERALL	YTD	DIRECT WEIGHTED AVERAGE			GE			
MARKET/	VACANCY	LEASING	NET RENTAL RATE*						
SUBMARKET	RATE	ACTIVITY	HT	MF	os	W/D			
Tuccon	6.0%	1 010 100	\$10.90	\$6.06	01.92	96.00			





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