

# Construction Lenders Risk Management Roundtable

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TAILWINDS	HEADWINDS
Rising corporate profits, optimism	Rising interest rates
2 <sup>nd</sup> longest economic expansion in history	Slowing appreciation rates on commercial properties
Labor market continued to fuel CRE	Moderating property sales
Federal tax reform, spending stimulus	Less abundant opportunities, most inventory has already traded
Strength in CRE fundamentals	Growing geo-political, trade tensions
Abundant debt and equity targeted commercial real estate	Uncertainty about market's endurance





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A NEW NORMAL:

Rate of growth in property deals is decelerating.

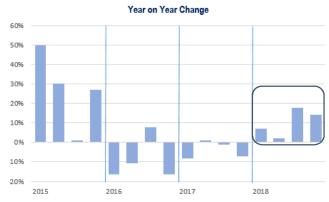




### 2018's REVERSAL IN CRE TRANSACTIONS

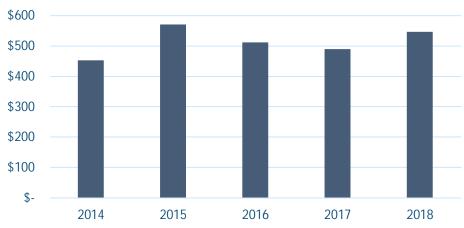
#### **QUARTERLY**





#### **ANNUAL**







# Development Site Sales Rebounded in 2018

	Q4 '18		2018		
	Vol (\$b)	YOY	Vol (\$b)	YOY	
Office	41.3	11%	134.6	1%	Π
Retail	17.4	12%	84.5	32%	
Industrial	27.2	44%	92.4	25%	
Hotel	14.2	125%	42.0	50%	
Apartment	50.9	9%	172.6	12%	
Seniors Housing & Care	3.5	14%	14.1	-14%	
Dev Site	5.4	-2%	21.8	9%	
Total	160.0	20%	562.1	15%	
Major Metros	65.9	35%	214.6	16%	_
Secondary Mkts	70.4	10%	253.4	12%	
Tertiary Mkts	22.0	9%	89.9	18%	
Portfolio & Entity	53.7	83%	174.5	41%	
Single Asset	106.2	2%	387.5	6%	







## The CRE Forecast: Is 2018 As Good As It Gets?





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CONSTRUCTION SPENDING AND LENDING:

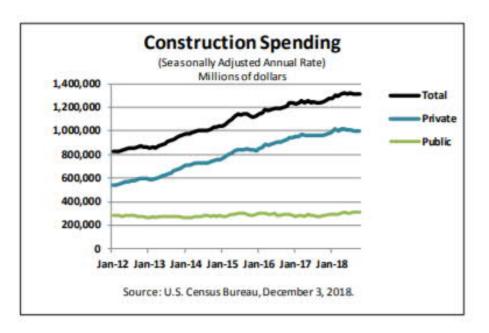
Will remain active amid stiff competition from the unregulated





# U.S. Construction Spending On the Rise

Through October 2018, construction spending up 5.1% above the same period of 2017.





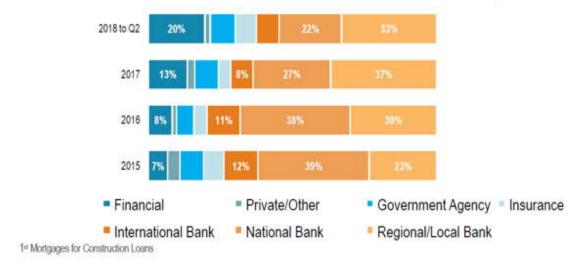


Most Commercial Lenders in U.S. Expect Originations to Increase in 2019

#### SHIFTS IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF CONSTRUCTION LENDERS

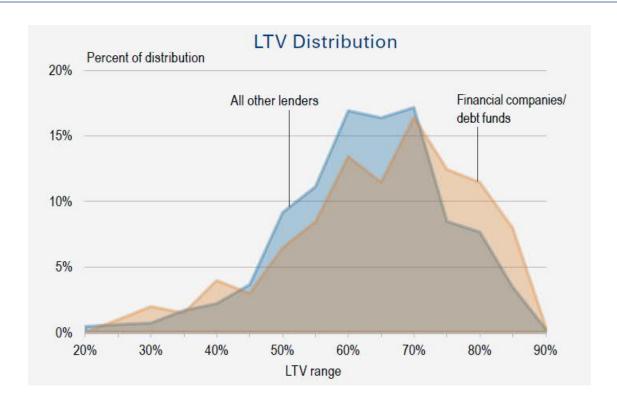
- Debt funds stepped into the gap left when 2015 HVCRE regulations led big banks to curtail construction lending.
- Local/regional banks still lend more, but debt funds have posted a sharp increase for their market share.
- Uber-competitive playing field:
   6 out of 8 classes had at least
   10% of the market in 1H18

#### Financial includes debt funds which might be viewed as a shadow banking sector.





# ...Debt Funds' Lending Skewed to Higher LTVs





# TOP ORIGINATORS IN CONSTRUCTION LENDING

TOP CONSTRUCTION LENDERS, 1H2018				
1. Wells Fargo	11. Otera Capital			
2. Blackstone Mortgage Trust	12. CIBC			
3. Bank OZK	13. Comerica Bank			
4. Bank of America	14. BMO Financial Group			
5. JP Morgan	15. Dougherty & Company			
6. US Bancorp	16. Madison Realty Capital			
7. SunTrust	17. Goldman Sachs			
8. PNC Fin'l Services	18. Bank of the West			
9. M&T Bank	19. Starwood Property Trust			
10. Fifth Third Bank	20. MassMutual Life			



3.
RETAIL'S PAIN IS INDUSTRIAL'S GAIN:
Industrial will win the asset war





**EQUALS** 





EVERY \$1B IN E-COMMERCE SALES THE NEED FOR 1.25MSF OF WAREHOUSE SPACE AVAILABLE WAREHOUSE SPACE AT LOWEST LEVEL SINCE 2000



### MEANWHILE IN THE OTHER ACTIVE ASSET CLASSES:

#### **MULTIFAMILY:**

- Still strong in areas with constrained development
- · Benefits from dynamics that favor renting over homebuying

#### **RETAIL**:

• Strong demand for adaptive reuse and repurposing of vacant, underutilized or obsolete properties

#### **OFFICE**:

- Relatively moderate construction, benefits from strong job growth
- Demand for energy efficiency improvements



4.

THE QUEST FOR YIELD: Casting a Wider Net to Secondary Metros



#### CONTINUED MIGRATION TO SMALLER METROS

# HIGH-GROWTH DUE DILIGENCE MARKETS

- 1. San Francisco (19%)
- 2. Orlando (16%)
- 3. San Diego (15%)
- 4. Tampa (15%)
- 5. Indianapolis (14%)
- 6. Columbus (14%)
- 7. Houston (13%)
- 8. Stamford (12%)
- 9. Charlotte (11%)
- 10.Detroit (10%)

# THIS YEAR'S TOP CRE MARKETS

- 1. Dallas/Fort Worth
- 2. New York-Brooklyn
- 3. Raleigh/Durham
- 4. Orlando
- 5. Nashville
- 6. Austin
- 7. Boston
- 8. Denver
- 9. Charlotte
- 10. Tampa

Sources: EDR ScoreKeeper model; Urban Land Institute-PricewaterhouseCoopers Emerging Trends in Real Estate, 2019.



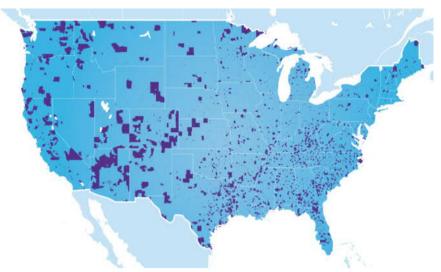


# 5. OPPORTUNITY IN OPPORTUNITY ZONES: Tax incentives lure investment capital



### Opportunity Zones: Tax Breaks Drive Reuse, Renovation

- Nearly 9,000 opportunity zones across the U.S.
- One of the most attractive tax incentives in years.
- Emphasis is on reinvestment into new construction or major rehabilitation
- Already seeing an increase in:
  - Interest from banks and insurance companies to lend in these areas
  - New funds deploying capital
  - State/local incentives added as icing on the cake
  - Broad interest from investors, developers...





# The Locus of Development Is Already Shifting to Opportunity Zones



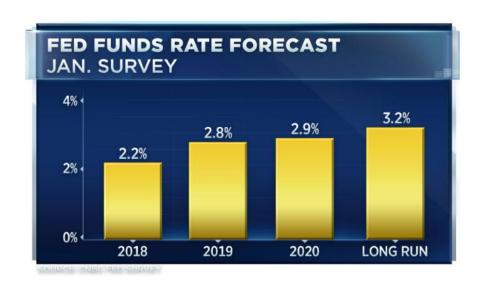
- Since Q4'17, development site sales within opportunity zones have grown at high double-digit rates.
- Value of construction starts within opportunity zones climbed to 18% of the market total by Q3'18.
- Development site sales are clearly a leading indicator of a shift in construction in the coming years to opportunity zones.

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DEAL OR NO DEAL? Rising interest rates/slowing appreciation will change the equation.



# Higher Cost of Capital As Yields Moderate: Be Diligent





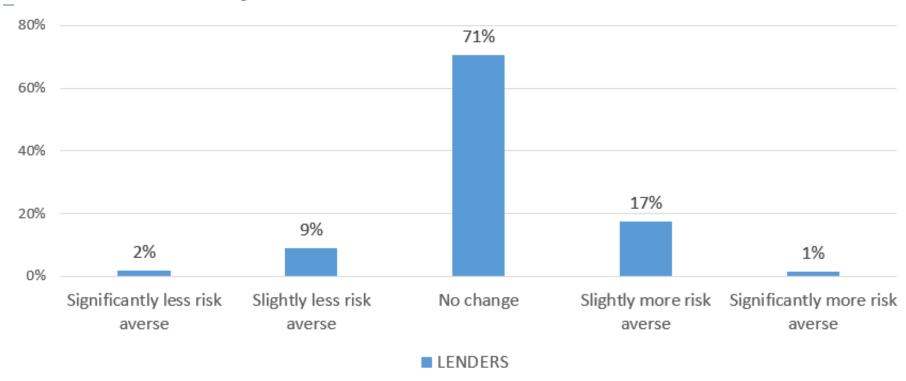


# 7. PAY ATTENTION TO THE "R" WORDS: Prepare for recession, protect from risk





# Are your clients more risk averse? or less?



SOURCE: EDR Industry Benchmark Survey of Environmental Professionals, August 2018. 424 responses



## How Are Things Different Than Before the GFC?

- Stronger capital buffers
- Smarter risk management
- Greater understanding of environmental risks
- Many economists peg 2020 as the year recessionary conditions take room

"Our banking system's risk management is the best it's ever been. Risk used to be stuffed in the legal department, and now it's been elevated to one of the most senior positions at a financial institution. There's an elevated status to being a risk officer today. Now CEOs are talking about practices that will or won't fit within their risk parameters."

Joseph Otting, Comptroller of the Currency



# 8. CONSTRUCTION FORECAST: Labor shortages, rising costs

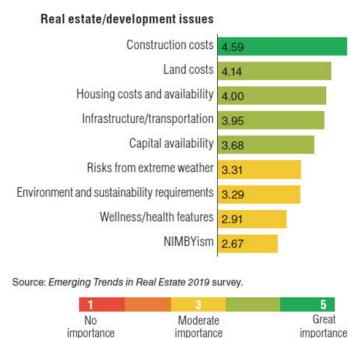


## Rising Construction Costs a Concern

- The #1 real estate and development concern today
- Land costs a close second.
- Margins are going to be squeezed, cost overruns incurred, and values under pressure unless rents and net operating income can be increased to cover the increasing costs of new construction.

"Rising construction costs may be the most undertold story of 2018 that should become a material story in 2019."

KC Conway, CCIM







## CONSTRUCTION FORECAST BY ASSET CLASS

	2019	2020	2021	
Multi-unit housing	-9.2%	-6.9%	2.3%	Despite recent growth, Starts will decline in the near term and into mid- 2020.
Office buildings	5.2%	-0.7%	8.8%	Activity will rise through the first half of this year before declining mildly through 2020.
Retail	7.0%	6.5%	-4.4%	Growth will take hold by the end of 2019 and persist through much of 2020.
Warehouse	14.9%	14.6%	9.8%	This market will expand throughout the length of this forecast



# **QUESTIONS?**

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