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This report follows overall conditions in the Manhattan rental market during June as well as throughout the second quarter of the year. In addition, we track average and median rents for 14 neighborhoods in the borough of Brooklyn over the same period.

Our research found that rental market conditions shifted further to the tenants' favor during June, bucking the historic trend of a market that tightens as summer progresses. Average rents remained flat or declined slightly across the board month-over-month, while the vacancy rate climbed. Landlords' use of incentives also increased. This extends the string of double-digit concession percentages to 20 consecutive months.

From May to June, rents in Manhattan and Brooklyn remained stagnant.

Rents have climbed slightly but consistently since January, but this trend came to a halt in June, when rents declined overall - albeit very slightly. While home-seekers are out in force, the lack of rent increases reflects continued price-sensitivity in the marketplace.

In June, pricing in Manhattan declined an average of 1% for studio and two-bedroom units when compared to the month prior. Rents for one-bedroom homes rose, while they decreased for three-bedrooms – but by insignificant amounts for both categories.

In Brooklyn, average rents fell 2% for studio apartments during June. Pricing declined for one-bedrooms, while it increased for three-bedroom homes. However, the changes were negligible for both apartment sizes. Rents for two-bedroom units remained unchanged from May.

In addition, Manhattan rents remained stable year-over-year.

When compared to June 2016, rents in Manhattan increased 1% on average for studio, one- and three-bedroom homes. For two-bedroom units, prices decreased an average of 3%. Citi Habitats has tracked rents across the borough since 2002 - and according to our research, rents continue to hover near all-time highs, despite the lack of recent growth.

Meanwhile, the vacancy rate ticked upwards.

In June, 1.74% of Manhattan apartments were vacant, compared to 1.58% in May. The rate also rose slightly year-over-year. In June 2016, the vacancy rate was 1.70%. Vacancy rates were highest in the East and West Villages, where small homes often carry high price tags. In contrast, inventory was tightest in Murray Hill and the Upper East Side, both areas with a reputation for offering 'good value' for tenants.

Are incentives the market's 'new normal?'

In June, 28% of new leases signed with Citi Habitats included some form of concession, up from 22% in May. With increased options for apartment shoppers, both in Manhattan and the outer boroughs, many landlords continue to rely on concessions to keep rents at the levels they desire. The percentage of leases signed with Citi Habitats that include a move-in incentive has topped 20% since September of 2016, and has been higher than 10% from October 2015 onwards.

While the market has recently slowed, the quarterly data shows strength when compared to Q1.

During the second quarter of 2017, Manhattan rents increased overall when compared to the quarter that preceded it. Meanwhile, the borough's vacancy rate decreased to 1.78% from 1.93% in Q1. The percentage of concessions also fell quarter-over-quarter. During the most recent quarter, 26% of leases included one, compared to 34% in Q1.

Renters have more housing options, and in some cases, increased negotiability compared to years past. However, it's important to remember that the local rental market remains strong and competitive – a sign of our city's vitality. Our goal with this report is to create a better understanding our unique marketplace, and we hope you find it to be a valuable resource.

Gary Malin, President, Citi Habitats

When examining our report, please keep the following in mind:

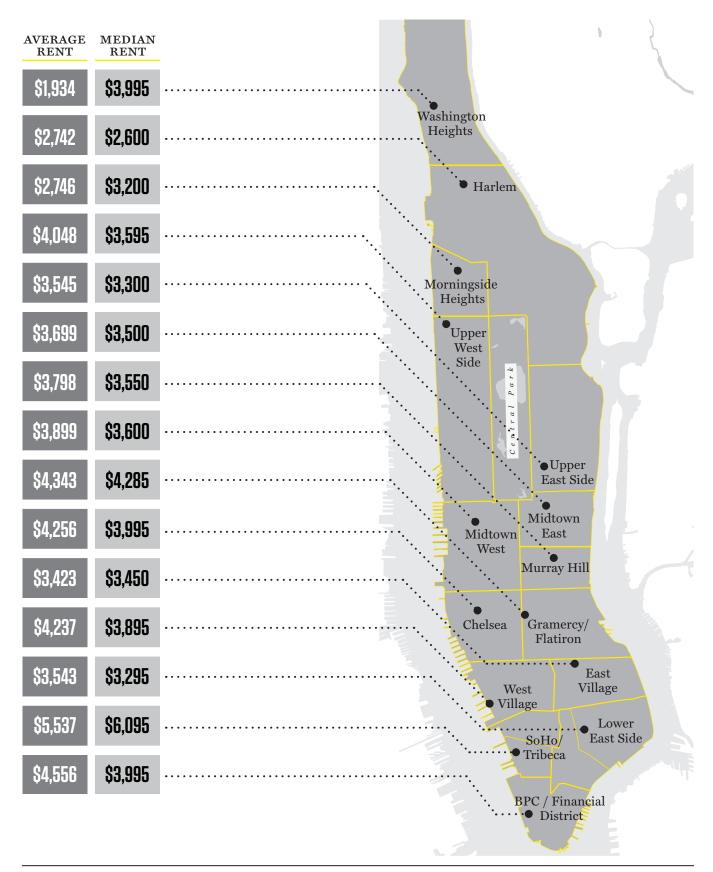
^{1.} The statistics in the letter above, and in the report that follows, are based on Citi Habitats' closed rental transactions, current rental listings in the firm's database and company research.

^{2.} Average rents cited in this report are, for the most part, gross rents, not net effective rents, and do not include landlord incentives, unless the face rent reported on the lease was the net-effective amount.

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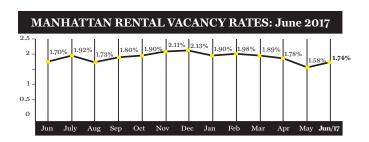
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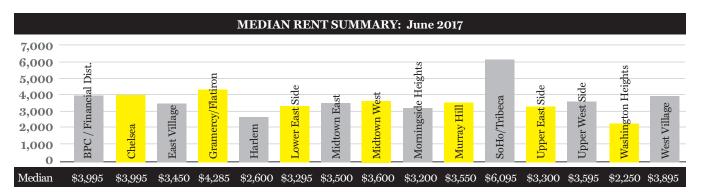
AVERAGE RENT SUMMARY: June 2017					
Location	Studio	1BR	2BR	3BR	
BPC / Financial Dist.	\$2,959	3,828	4,705	6,732	
Chelsea	\$2,697	3,530	4,789	6,007	
East Village	\$2,298	2,917	3,546	4,932	
Gramercy/Flatiron	\$2,767	3,900	4,891	5,813	
Harlem	\$1,900	2,294	3,257	3,515	
Lower East Side	\$2,350	3,325	3,861	4,635	
Midtown East	\$2,173	3,212	4,185	5,225	
Midtown West	\$2,362	3,251	4,584	5,397	
Morningside Heights	\$2,079	2,575	2,879	3,450	
Murray Hill	\$2,411	3,205	4,075	5,500	
Soho/Tribeca	\$3,200	4,345	6,184	8,420	
Upper East Side	\$2,152	2,854	3,304	5,868	
Upper West Side	\$2,239	2,881	4,549	6,524	
Washington Heights	\$1,550	1,664	2,080	2,442	
West Village	\$2,666	3,688	4,293	6,300	
Average: June	\$2,387	3,165	4,079	5,384	
Average: May	\$2,412	3,155	4,122	5,388	
% Change	-1%	0%	-1%	0%	

AVERAGE VACANCY RATE: June 2017				
Location	Vacancy Rate			
BPC / Financial Dist.	1.49%			
Chelsea	1.77%			
East Village	2.67%			
Gramercy	1.61%			
Midtown East	2.04%			
Midtown West	1.79%			
Murray Hill	1.36%			
Soho/Tribeca	2.00%			
Upper East Side	1.41%			
Upper West Side	1.51%			
West Village	2.58%			
Average: June	1.74%			
Average: May	1.58%			
Difference	-0.16			

% OF TRANSACTIONS WITH A CONCESSION JUNE 2017

OVERALL BLENDED AVERAGES: June 2017					
BLDG Classification	Studio	1BR	2BR	3BR	
New Development w/ DM*	\$3,436	4,691	7,562	10,538	
Doorman	\$2,892	4,066	6,782	8,918	
Elevator**	\$2,522	3,331	4,587	6,029	
Walkup***	\$2,233	2,827	3,569	5,075	



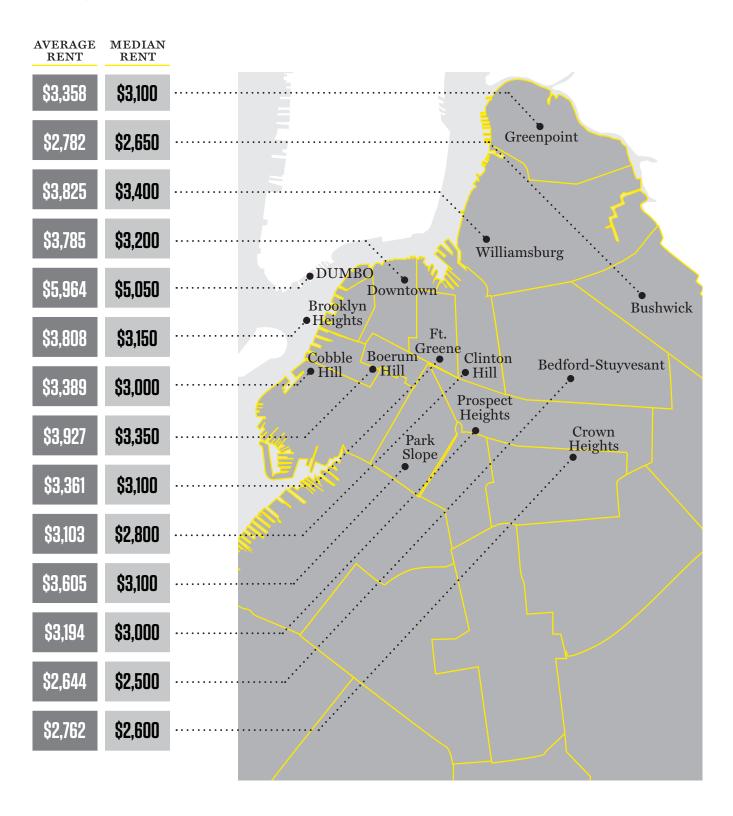


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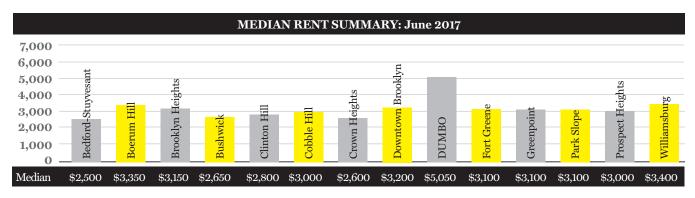


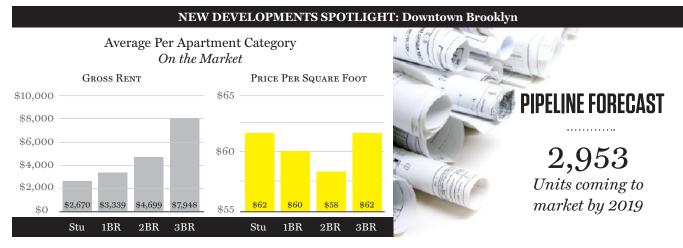
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Location	Studio	1BR	2BR	3BR	
Bedford-Stuyvesant	\$1,814	2,177	2,610	3,015	
Boerum Hill	\$2,203	2,787	3,824	5,590	
Brooklyn Heights	\$2,383	3,164	4,665	7,537	
Bushwick	\$1,786	2,182	2,481	3,032	
Clinton Hill	\$2,033	2,581	3,230	4,460	
Cobble Hill	\$2,107	2,728	3,641	5,263	
Crown Heights	\$2,104	2,379	2,626	2,888	
Downtown Brooklyn	\$2,634	3,153	4,941	8,201	
DUMBO	\$2,732	4,595	6,441	9,311	
Fort Greene	\$2,418	3,040	3,944	4,653	
Greenpoint	\$1,808	2,656	3,320	3,776	
Park Slope	\$2,108	2,624	3,575	4,548	
Prospect Heights	\$2,393	2,924	3,481	4,324	
Williamsburg	\$2,805	3,253	3,889	5,261	
Average: June	\$2,238	2,875	3,762	5,133	
Average: May	\$2,277	2,868	3,762	5,140	
% Change	-2%	0%	0%	0%	





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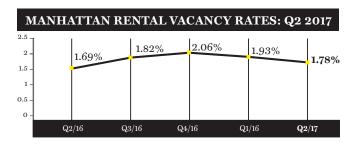
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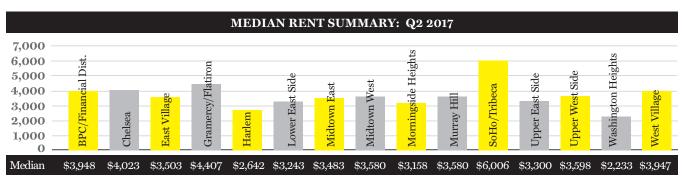
AVERAGE RENT SUMMARY: Q2 2017					
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Location	Studio	1BR	2BR	3BR	
BPC/Financial Dist.	\$2,805	3,751	4,856	6,748	
Chelsea	\$2,654	3,646	4,794	6,182	
East Village	\$2,356	2,914	3,523	4,929	
Gramercy/Flatiron	\$2,641	3,790	4,872	5,963	
Harlem	\$2,093	2,300	3,308	3,594	
Lower East Side	\$2,391	3,358	3,890	4,729	
Midtown East	\$2,200	3,223	4,246	5,057	
Midtown West	\$2,350	3,246	4,569	5,364	
Morningside Heights	\$2,035	2,463	2,843	3,540	
Murray Hill	\$2,398	3,163	4,105	5,480	
Soho/Tribeca	\$3,103	4,427	6,187	8,231	
Upper East Side	\$2,160	2,754	3,391	5,596	
Upper West Side	\$2,262	2,885	4,543	6,693	
Washington Heights	\$1,500	1,677	2,131	2,339	
West Village	\$2,754	3,772	4,382	6,184	
Average: Q2/17	\$2,380	3,158	4,109	5,375	
Average: Q1/17	\$2,328	3,098	4,098	5,261	
% Change	2.2%	1.9%	0.3%	2.2%	
Average: Q2/16	\$2,324	3,114	4,134	5,322	
% Change: Q2-16/17	2.4%	1.4%	-0.6%	1.0%	

AVERAGE VACANCY RATE: Q2 2017				
Location	Vacancy Rate			
BPC/Financial Dist.	1.63%			
Chelsea	1.86%			
East Village	2.14%			
Gramercy	1.48%			
Midtown East	1.95%			
Midtown West	1.91%			
Murray Hill	1.42%			
Soho/Tribeca	1.71%			
Upper East Side	1.51%			
Upper West Side	1.57%			
West Village	2.38%			
Average: Q2/17	1.78%			
Average: Q1/17	1.93%			
Difference	-0.15			
Average: Q2/16	1.69%			
Difference: Q2-16/17	0.09			



OVERALL BLENDED AVERAGES: Q2 2017					
BLDG Classification	Studio	1BR	2BR	3BR	
New Development w/ DM*	\$3,396	4,716	7,653	10,470	
Doorman	\$2,891	4,056	6,750	9,205	
Elevator**	\$2,497	3,299	4,604	6,142	
Walkup***	\$2,238	2,812	3,547	5,092	





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AVERAGE RENT SUMMARY: Q2 2017					
Location	Studio	1BR	2BR	3BR	
Bedford-Stuyvesant	\$1,798	2,170	2,571	3,011	
Boerum Hill	\$2,232	2,929	3,870	5,461	
Brooklyn Heights	\$2,387	3,144	4,753	7,855	
Bushwick	\$1,797	2,149	2,465	2,988	
Clinton Hill	\$2,063	2,597	3,238	4,327	
Cobble Hill	\$2,083	2,640	3,614	5,430	
Crown Heights	\$1,988	2,322	2,610	2,885	
Downtown Brooklyn	\$2,663	3,304	5,014	8,111	
DUMBO	\$2,894	4,467	6,267	9,208	
Fort Greene	\$2,434	3,070	4,054	4,571	
Greenpoint	\$2,047	2,562	3,257	3,876	
Park Slope	\$2,096	2,630	3,472	4,320	
Prospect Heights	\$2,331	2,899	3,361	4,144	
Williamsburg	\$2,831	3,219	3,979	5,317	
Average: Q2/17	\$2,260	2,865	3,752	5,107	
Average: Q1/17	\$2,296	2,809	3,645	4,908	
% Change	-1.6%	2.0%	2.9%	4.1%	

