Outlook for yields

Most Savills research heads expect prime yields to remain static over the 12 months to Q2 2022, but there are exceptions. For industrial and residential, more respondents expect yields to move in than to remain static or rise, reflecting investor interest in these sectors. Offices show resilience from an investor perspective, with 97% of our researchers anticipating yields to remain static or fall.

Prime yields: direction of travel Q2 2021 to Q2 2022



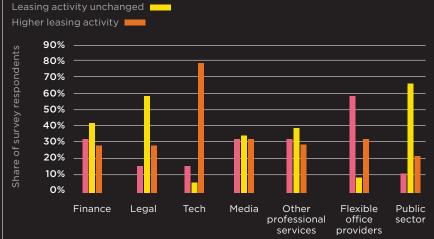
FIVE FOR 2022

Our survey of research heads across Savills global network provides a view on 2022 for investment, leasing and the importance of ESG across 36 cities globally. The findings point to the resilience of real estate in an era of accelerated change and evolution, rather than revolution, in the wake of the pandemic

Words Paul Tostevin, Director, Savills World Research

Lower leasing activity

Office leasing activity compared to pre-pandemic levels (2022 vs 2019)



Tech occupiers to drive leasing activity

Savills research heads expect to see office leasing activity comparable with pre-pandemic levels by 2022 – but this varies by city. Those in emerging markets such as China, Indonesia and Vietnam are the most bullish on leasing activity, spurred by strong economic growth and a slower shift to flexible working.

Tech occupiers are expected to lead demand across the board, with 79% of respondents anticipating higher leasing activity than in 2019. In spite of embracing flexible working practices, the office will remain integral to tech companies.

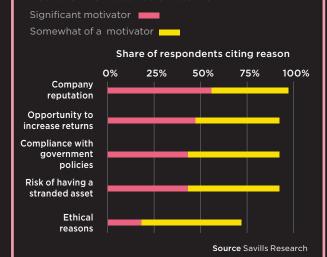
SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS

75% of Savills research heads indicated that sustainability is an important consideration for investors. Cities in Asia-Pacific dominate those where it is not yet deemed important, such as Hong Kong, Tokyo, Jakarta and Seoul. Given the significance of the ESG agenda, it is unlikely to be long before they do. Company reputation is the strongest motivation behind sustainable investment, cited by 54% of respondents as

Motivations for sustainable investment

significant, while 46% indicated the opportunity to

increase returns was also an important motivator



Share of international capital to rise

Investment is predicted to become more international as travel restrictions ease. In 2022, research heads expect, on average, 47% of all investment to come from international investors (of which just under half from

Note Average across respondents Source Savills Research

neighbouring countries).

Offices rule, beds and sheds in demand

Offices, the largest real estate sector, will remain in demand. In more than half of cities surveyed, offices are expected to be the dominant asset class for investment in 2022. In Shenzhen, Beijing, Guangzhou and Seoul, 60% of all investment is expected to flow into this sector.

Logistics and residential are the next top picks as investors pivot to 'beds and sheds' strategies, with investors in North America in particular expected to favour residential, the world's biggest market for investable product in this space.

Dominant asset class for investment, for selected cities, in 2022

	Region	Dominant sector for investment in 2022	Predicted % of total investment in 2022
Beijing	Asia-Pacific	Office	60%
Guangzhou	Asia-Pacific	Office	60%
Shenzhen	Asia-Pacific	Office	60%
Seoul	Asia-Pacific	Office	60%
Delhi	Asia-Pacific	Office	55%
London	Europe	Office	50%
Shanghai	Asia-Pacific	Office	50%
Hong Kong	Asia-Pacific	Office	48%
Singapore	Asia-Pacific	Office	40%
Tokyo	Asia-Pacific	Office	40%
Warsaw	Europe	Office	40%
Dubai	Middle East	Logistics/ Residential	40%
Berlin	Europe	Office/ Residential	35%
Madrid	Europe	Office	35%
Sydney	Asia-Pacific	Logistics	35%
New York City	North America	Residential	35%
Los Angeles	North America	Residential	35%
Ho Chi Minh City	Asia-Pacific	Office/ Logistics	30%
Kuala Lumpur	Asia-Pacific	Logistics	30%
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