

# Major Sale Transactions Raised Average Sale Price to Record High

### HIGHLIGHTS

- As tenants stayed put to await the short-term effects of tariffs, vacancy dropped 39 bps and absorption continued its positive streak into a fifth year
- Q1 2025 delivered an incredible \$190.9M in total sales and saw a 46% increase to median sale price which rose for a third consecutive year
- Dutch Gold Honey executed two major Q1 transactions which included the sale/leaseback of their Lancaster headquarters as well as the transfer of majority stake to a private equity firm

#### OVERVIEW

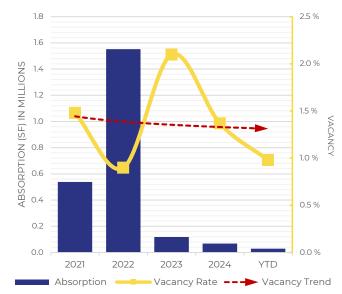
Nationally and locally, leasing activity within the industrial sector slowed as manufacturers monitored material costs, supply chain disruptions and an uncertain U.S. tariffs policy. Although reshoring initiatives continue to encourage and reshape demand for manufacturing in the region, the short-term effects of tariffs are delaying leasing decisions for many industrial tenants.

Favorably, this holding pattern further restricted an already tight local market and helped stabilize vacancy despite fewer new leases signed in Q1. Strong demand and competition grew overall lease rates to a new record high, most notably for spaces larger than 5,000 SF which saw rent growth of 6% YOY to \$7.20/SF/YR.

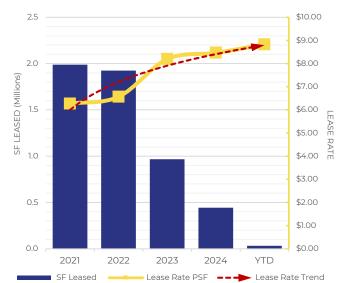
Four major sales accounted for 92% of total sales in Q1 and raised the overall average sale price to a record high \$13.2M. Lancaster Log Cabins spent \$15.1M purchasing nearly 70 acres in Ephrata with plans to build a 150,000 SF facility for their growing operations and expand their production line. Dutch Gold Honey sold their 200,000 SF facility in Lancaster for \$31M to an out of state investor but will continue leasing the space. LSC Communications sold two obsolete printing plants at 1375 Harrisburg Pike and 216 Greenfield Rd in a \$130M deal, and the new owners will convert the properties into data centers to meet rising demand for AI and cloud computing infrastructure.

High Real Estate Group announced plans to develop a 476-acre tract in Manor Township formerly owned by Armstrong World Industries into a mixed-use community that will include residential, commercial and industrial space needed to address urban growth demands in the area.

### **NET ABSORPTION & VACANCY**



### SF LEASED & AVG LEASE RATE



# **Key Sale Transactions**

216 Greenfield Rd, Lancaster	
758,973 SF	
LSC Communications MCL LLC	
Greenfield Road Owner LLC	
\$70,396,754	

1375 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster	
SIZE	826,042 SF
SELLER	LSC Communications MCL LLC
BUYER	Harrisburg Place Owner LLC
PRICE	\$59,603,246

2220 Dutch Gold Dr, Lancaster	
SIZE	198,538 SF
SELLER	Dutch Gold Business Center Lp
BUYER	FIP Pennsylvania II LLC
PRICE	\$31,000,000

55 New St, Ephrata	
SIZE	81,512 SF
SELLER	Hitech Commerce Llc
BUYER	DMJ LLC
PRICE	\$3,700,000

## 1463-1467 Manheim Pike, Lancaster

SIZE	34,448 SF
SELLER	Hunter Family Realty LP
BUYER	Hunter Lancaster RE LLC
PRICE	\$3,400,000

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# Key Lease Transactions

3531 Lincoln Hwy E, Paradise	
SIZE	13,251 SF
TENANT	Name Withheld
TRANSACTION	New

23 Prestige Ln, Lancaster	
SIZE	9,000 SF
TENANT	Name Withheld
TRANSACTION	New

2 Site Rd, Leola	
SIZE	5,590 SF
TENANT	Name Withheld
TRANSACTION	New

405 Brossman Rd, Ephrata	
SIZE	2,800 SF
TENANT	Name Withheld
TRANSACTION	New

301 E Liberty St, Lancaster	
SIZE	1,200 SF
TENANT	Name Withheld
TRANSACTION	New

