

The top markets CRE investors are buying to position themselves for the next growth cycle.





Population Growth Population growth: +0.55%



Job Creation Employment growth: +0.4%



Infrastructure Investment Forecasted annual funding: \$545B



Economic Growth Projected GDP growth: +1.5%



2025 Market Guide

Property Prices Y-O-Y in Q1 of 2025: +0.6%

These 10 Cities are Outperforming the National CRE Market

NATIONAL GDP GROWTH



GDP GROWTH OF TOP 10 CITIES

1.5%



2.73%

10 HOTTEST US CITIES FOR CRE INVESTMENT



Nashville, TN

Affordable with thriving health and tech sectors

Key statistics:

1.37% Population growth 0.9% Job growth 3% GDP growth



Dallas/Ft Worth, TX

Big corporate relocations and logistics

Key statistics:

1.6% Job arowth 8.8% Office Cap Rate GDP growth 2.8%



Charlotte, NC

Growing financial hub with fintech and services

Key statistics:

1.3% Population growth + 13% Investment (YoY)

2.5% GDP growth

Raleigh-**Durham**, NC

Life sciences and research hub

Key statistics:

1.7 % <u>Job growth</u> \$4.4B Funding 3.1 % GDP growth



Phoenix, AZ

Semiconductor and advanced manufacturing

Key statistics:

1% Population growth \$97B Chip investment 2.5% GDP growth



Salt Lake City, UT

Attracts tech talent and companies

Key statistics:

2.1% Job growth 6% Retail rent growth 2.9% GDP growth



Atlanta, GA

Port and last-mile warehouse demand

Kev statistics:

+22.5% TEU volume (YoY) 1.4% Job growth

2.1% GDP growth



Austin, TX

Al and robotics drive office and lab demand

Kev statistics:

+ 3.2% YoY Al job market \$25B Infrastructure investment

4.1% GDP growth



Miami, FL

Strong luxury retail/ apartment demand

Key statistics:

1.37% Population growth + 23.8% Multifamily stock

1.9% GDP growth



Denver, CO

Renewable energy and sustainable development

Key statistics:

+ 5.8% Median annual pay (YoY) \$17.2B Energy market 2.4% GDP growth

Key takeaways for investors

Sunbelt dominance

7 of the top 10 markets are in the Sun Belt, driven by population migration, business-friendly policies, and lower cost of living compared to coastal markets.

Specialized industry clusters

Markets with concentrated industry ecosystems show the strongest property price growth and demand for specialized commercial space.

Look for infrastructure investments

Markets with infrastructure investment are seeing accelerated growth, particularly in transportation, technology, and manufacturing sectors.

