# MARKET UPDATE Q1 2025 CUSHMAN & WAKEFIELD Realkapital

# GLOBAL UNREST BUT SIGNS OF INCREASING ECONOMIC GROWTH

The turbulent global macroeconomic landscape has led to volatile interest rate expectations and increased uncertainty. A potential trade war could drive up inflation while dampening economic growth. However, the Norwegian economy remains stable with low unemployment but also low growth. Increased purchasing power is boosting retail trade and leading to increased housing construction. Lower inflation and interest rate cuts among our trading partners provide Norges Bank with room for its first rate cut in March. While long-term interest rates remain volatile, are expectations of lower global growth currently pushing them lower. The transaction market is normalizing, supported by a positive financing market. Flat yield development, low rental growth, and slightly higher vacancy rates lead us to expect flat to mildly positive property value development in 2025.

# Editorial ended March 3, 2025

# MARKET UPDATE

Q1 2025

# **MACRO**

- Uncertain macro environment and volatile interest rate expectations
- Economic growth and robust rental markets

# TRANSACTION MARKET

- Better investor sentiment and continued improvement in financing market
- Transaction volume of NOK 84 bn in 2024

# **OFFICE MARKET**

- Robust office market despite flat rental growth and increased vacancy
- Attractive city centre triggers investment in new construction

# **RETAIL**

- Increased purchasing power to increase consumption
- Positive sentiment shift among retailers

# **LOGISTICS**

- Sideways in the rental market
- Liquid segment with broad investor appeal

# **RESIDENTIAL**

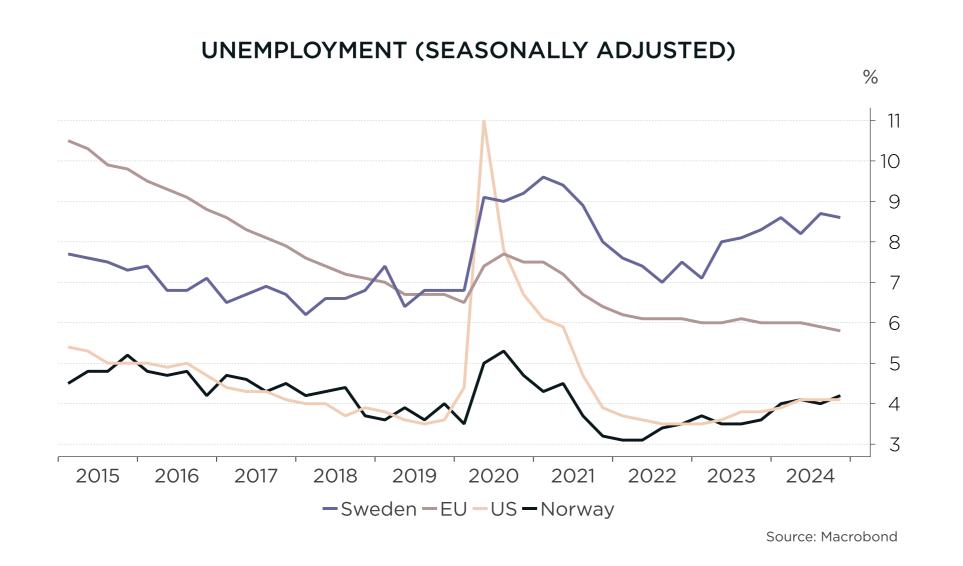
- Price growth in existing housing, while rental growth subdues
- New housing sales are increasing and will lead to more new construction

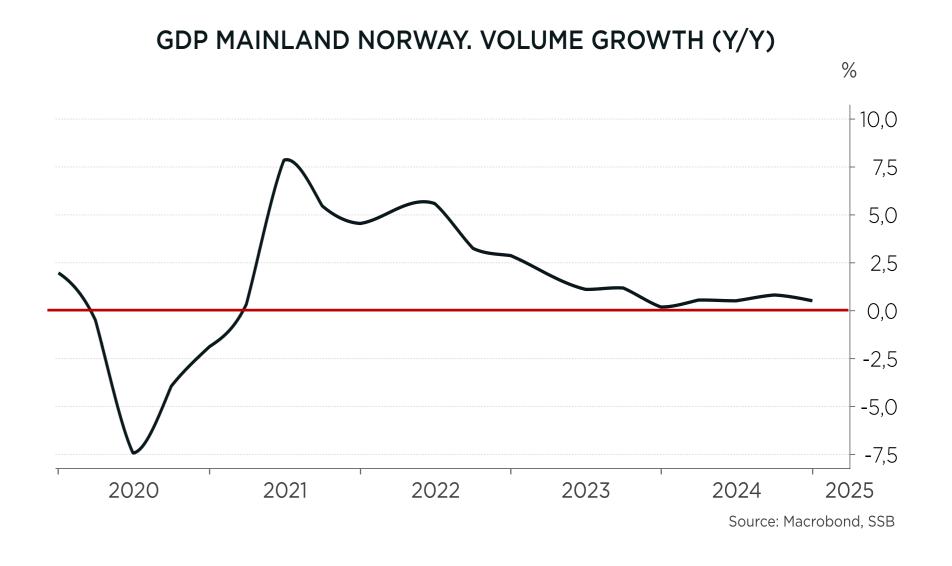


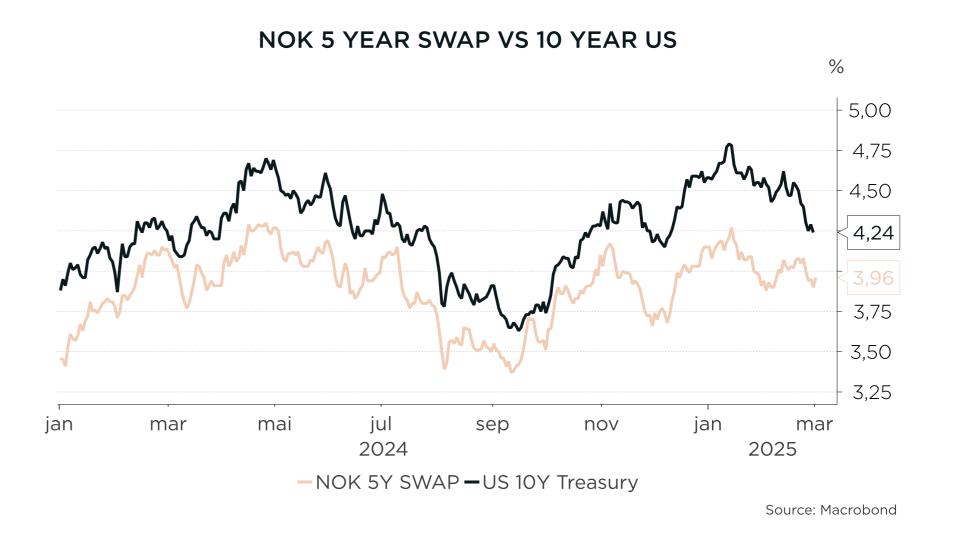
# **MACRO**

# Uncertain macro environment but robust Norwegian economy

- Global uncertainty caused by dramatic shifts in American trade- and foreign policy – expectations of increased inflation and lower growth
- Norwegian economy characterized by low growth, low unemployment and large differences between industries
- Construction of new housing to pick up throughout this year
- First interest rate cut to come in March, followed by two more in
   2025 significant increase in private consumption to come
- Volatile long-term interest rates







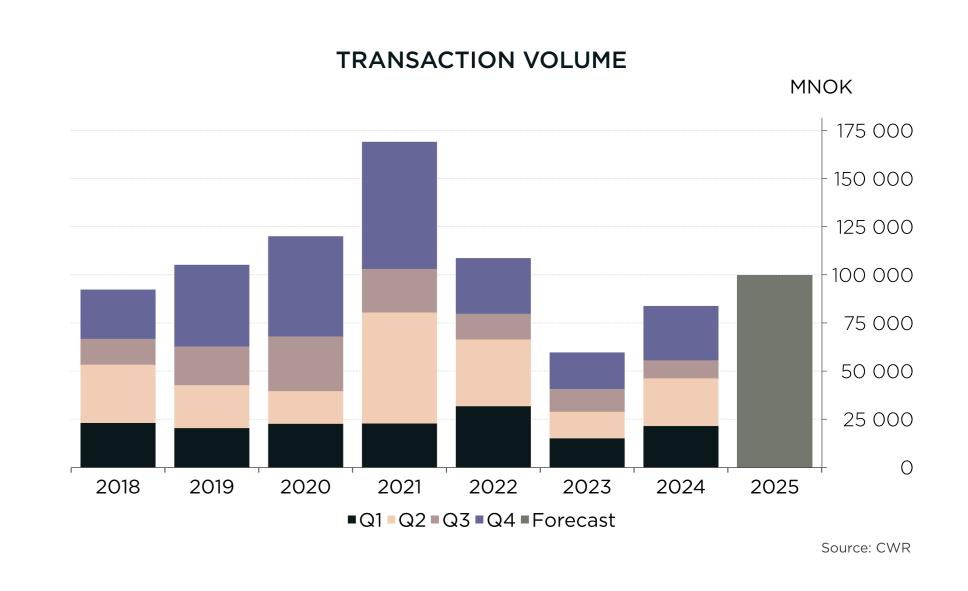


# TRANSACTION MARKET

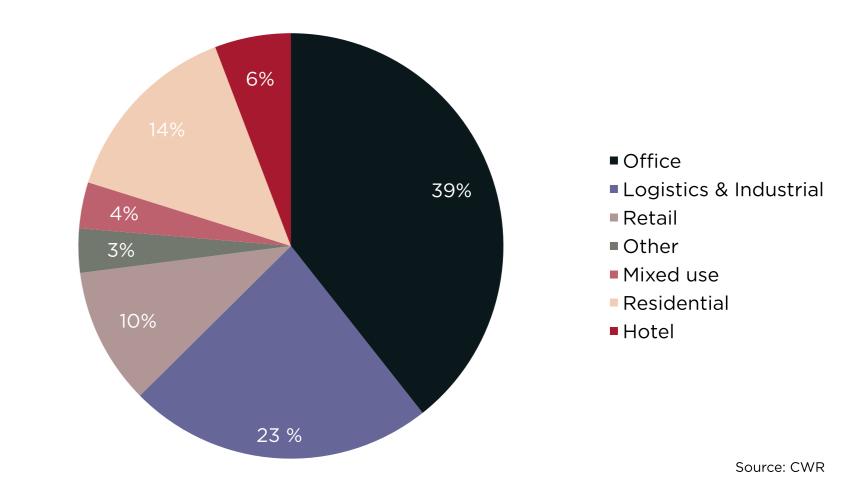
# Market is normalizing

- Transaction volume of NOK 84 bn in 2024
- Broad based improvement in the transaction market, driven by improved investor sentiment and improvements in the financing market
- Commercial real estate an attractive asset class going forward, more funds to shift from stocks to CRE
- Prime (office) yield flat at 4.50%, level confirmed by transactions





# **TRANSACTION VOLUME BY SEGMENT (2024)**

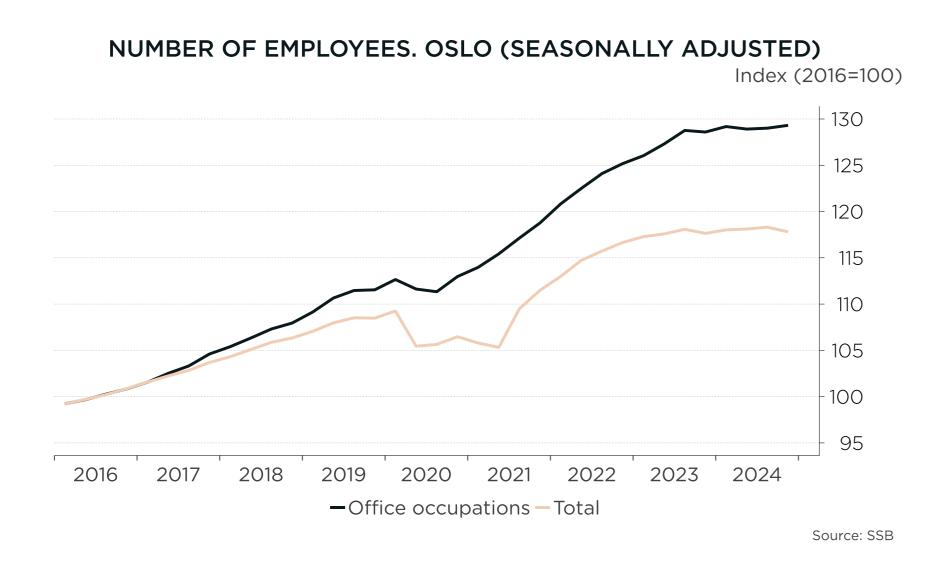


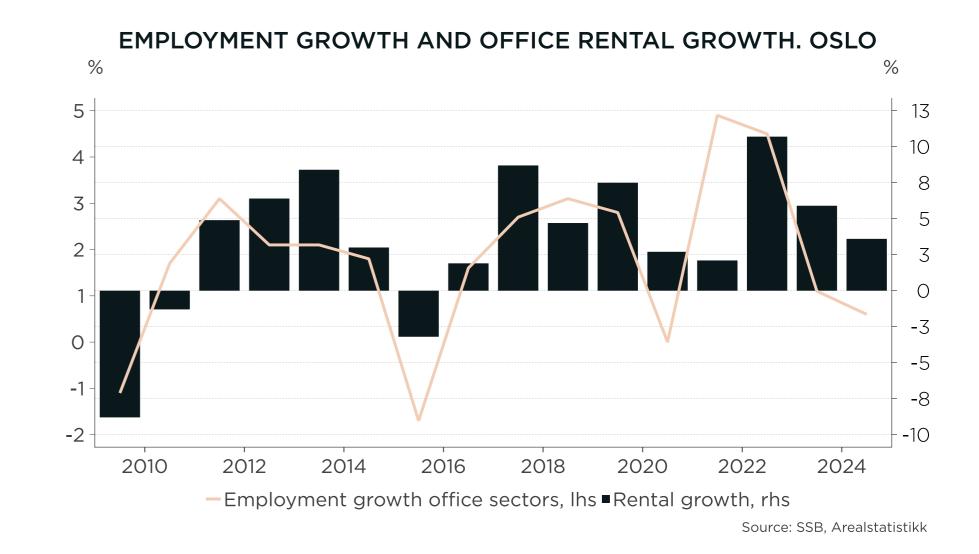


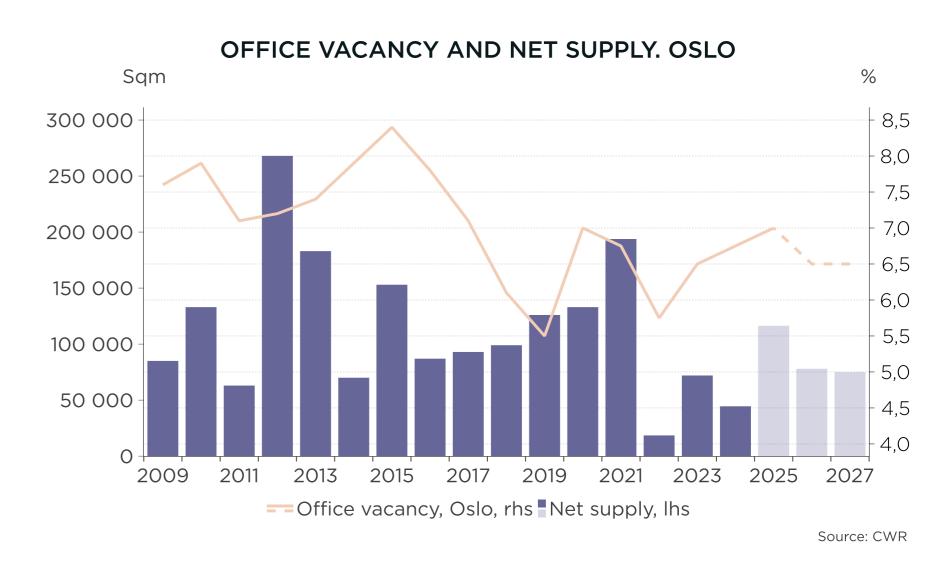
# **OSLO OFFICE MARKET**

# Attractive city centre triggers new construction

- Slow start to the new year
- Vacancy increased from 6.75% to 7.00%
- Still a robust office market due to low new supply, few companies that are downsizing and some growth in "office sectors"
- Labour market moving sideways with continued low unemployment
- CPI adjustment of 2.4% in January 2025 we expect about the same in January 2026











### SKØYEN

High std: 3 500 - 4 250 Moderate std: 2 800 Prime Yield: 5,00 % Vacancy: 7 % \*New construction 25-27:  $0 \text{ m}^2$ 

# MAJORSTUEN

High std: 3 500 - 4 100 Moderate std: 2 600 Prime Yield: 5,25 % Vacancy: 3 % \*New construction 25-27: 0 m<sup>2</sup>

CBD2

High std: 4 800 - 5 700

\*New construction 25-27:

Moderate std: 4 200

Prime Yield: 4,75 %

Vacancy: 2 %

1000 m<sup>2</sup>

# NYDALEN/STORO

High std: 2 400 - 2 900 Moderate std: 1950 Prime Yield: 5,50 % Vacancy: 10 % \*New construction 25-27:  $0 \text{ m}^2$ 

# OFFICE MARKET

# OSLO

# LYSAKER

High std: 2 700 - 3 200 Moderate std: 2 100 Prime Yield: 5,50 % Vacancy: 8 % \*New construction 25-27:  $0 \text{ m}^2$ 

# **FORNEBU**

High std: 2 100 - 2 400 Moderate std: 1800 Prime Yield: 5,90 % Vacancy: 15 % \*New construction 25-27: 0 m<sup>2</sup>

High std: 5 600 - 6 400 Moderate std: 4 300 Prime Yield: 4,50 % Vacancy: 7 % \*New construction 25-27: 0 m<sup>2</sup>

# HELSFYR

SENTRUM

Vacancy: 7 %

68 000 m<sup>2</sup>

High std: 4 100 - 5 400

\*New construction 25-27:

Moderate std: 3 200

Prime Yield: 4,90 %

High std: 2 400 - 2 900 Moderate std: 1 900 Prime Yield: 5,60 % Vacancy: 14 % \*New construction 25-27: 9 000 m<sup>2</sup>

# ØKERN/HASLE

High std: 2 200 - 2 700 Moderate std: 1600 Prime Yield: 5,75 % Vacancy: 12 % \*New construction 25-27: 85 000 m<sup>2</sup>

# CBD -

# BRYN

High std: 2 100 - 2 600 Moderate std: 1 600 Prime Yield: 6,00 % Vacancy: 11 % \*New construction 25-27: 19 000 m<sup>2</sup>

Last updatet: February 2025 \* Confirmed net supply 2025-2027

# **REGIONAL CITIES**

Solid rental markets

# **BERGEN**

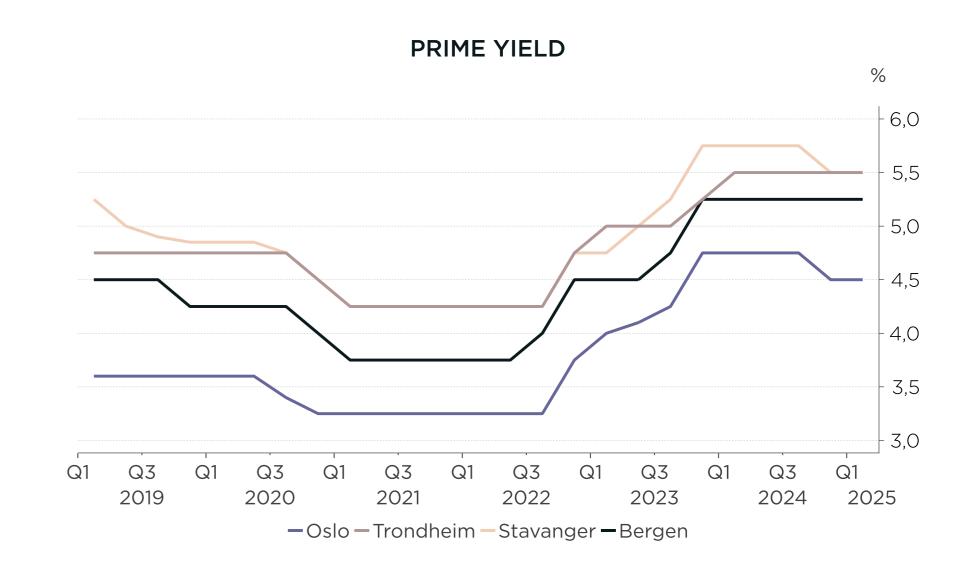
- Investor consensus that the yields have passed their peak
- Vacancy at 8.3%, but varies significantly between areas
- High rental growth of 9% in 2024, but the growth slowed through the year

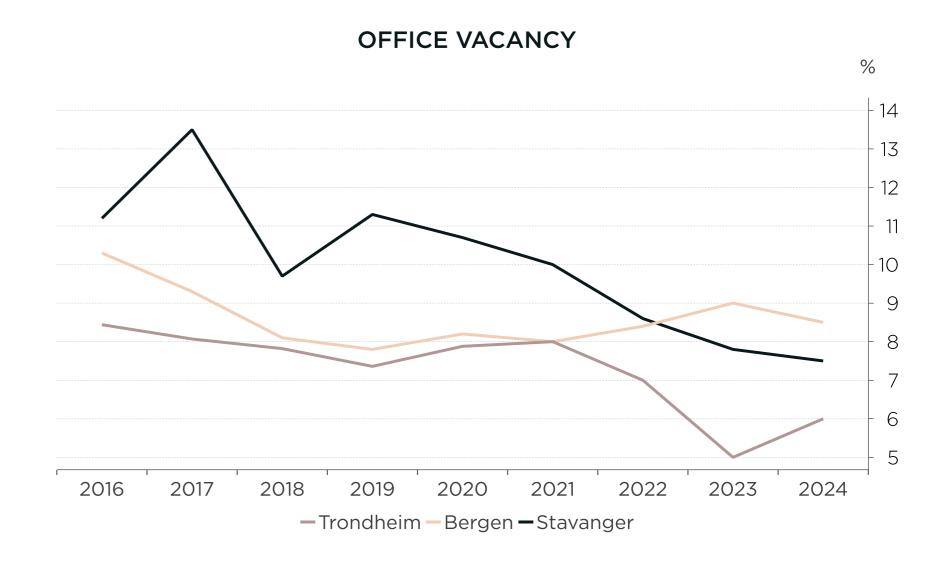
# **TRONDHEIM**

- Entra and KMC deals drove the transaction volume to a record high in 2024
- Vacancy increased to 7.3%, but low new supply ensures no further increase
- Solid rental growth of approx. 6% in in 2024

# **STAVANGER**

- Increased transaction volume in 2024
- Vacancy at its lowest since 2014 at 7.60%
- No rental growth in H2 2024, but strong rental growth in H1 2024



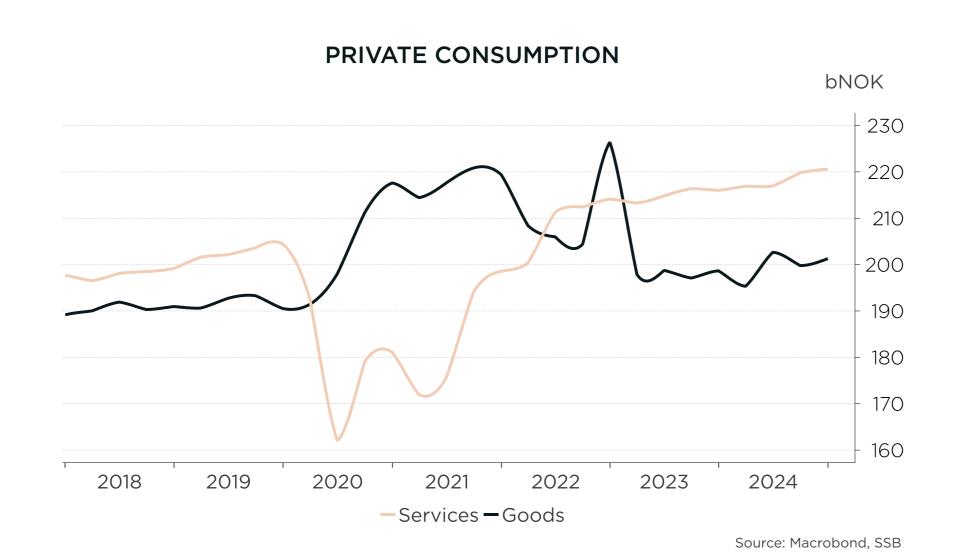




# RETAIL

# Increased purchasing power to boost consumption

- Real wage growth and interest rate cuts will boost private consumption in 2025
- Demand for consumer durable goods to pick up
- Positive sentiment shift among retailers
- Strong start to the year for shopping centres

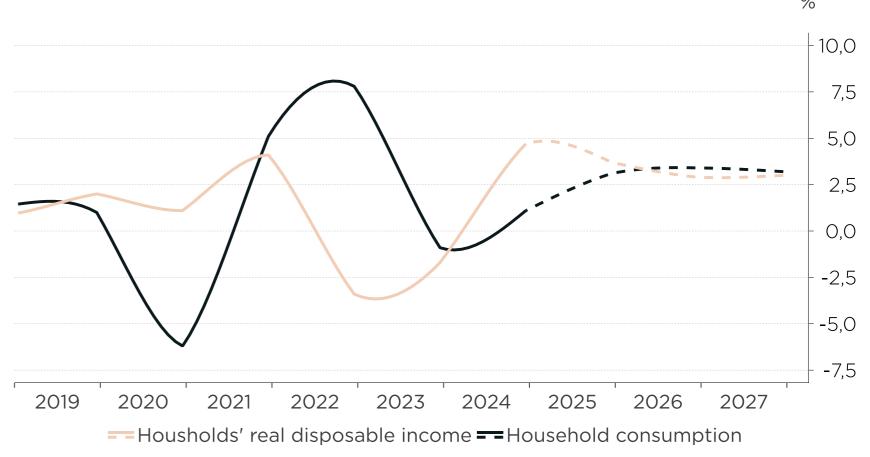




Source: Macrobond, SSB

# CONSUMPTION (VOLUME GROWTH) AND REAL DISPOSABLE INCOME

2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024



Source: SSB

# **LOGISTICS**

# Strong transaction market but flat leasing market

- Weaker demand from tenants leading to no rental growth
- High construction and financing costs, combined with higher return requirements, means new construction is low
- Prime yield unchanged at 5.75% the equity buyers that have put downward pressure on the office yields have not been as active in the logistics segment
- Segment continues to be liquid and attract interest from a broad set of investors

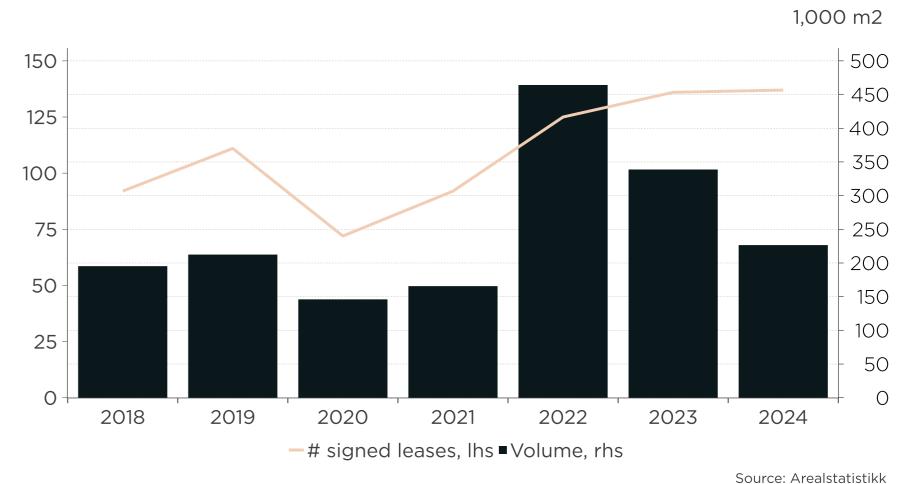
# Logistics rent in Greater Oslo. Q4 2024\*

	AVERAGE RENT	25% HIGHEST	MID 50%	25% LOWEST
Oslo West	1 430	1 970	1 420	930
Oslo South	1 340	1 790	1 330	910
Oslo North	1 460	1 950	1 430	1 080
Groruddalen	1 340	1 910	1 270	910

<sup>\*</sup> Leases signed during the last 12 months, as of 31.12.24.

Source: Arealstatistikk.

### LOGISTICS. SIGNED LEASES. GREATER OSLO



Arealstatistikk's coverage is approximately 40-50% of the total market. As such, the above figure does not represent the total logistics market in Greater Oslo.

# TRANSACTION VOLUME MNOK 35 000 40 35 30 000 30 25 000 25 20 000 15 000 10 000 5 000 2024 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 -Logistics & Industrial, share of total, rhs ■Logistics & Industrial, lhs



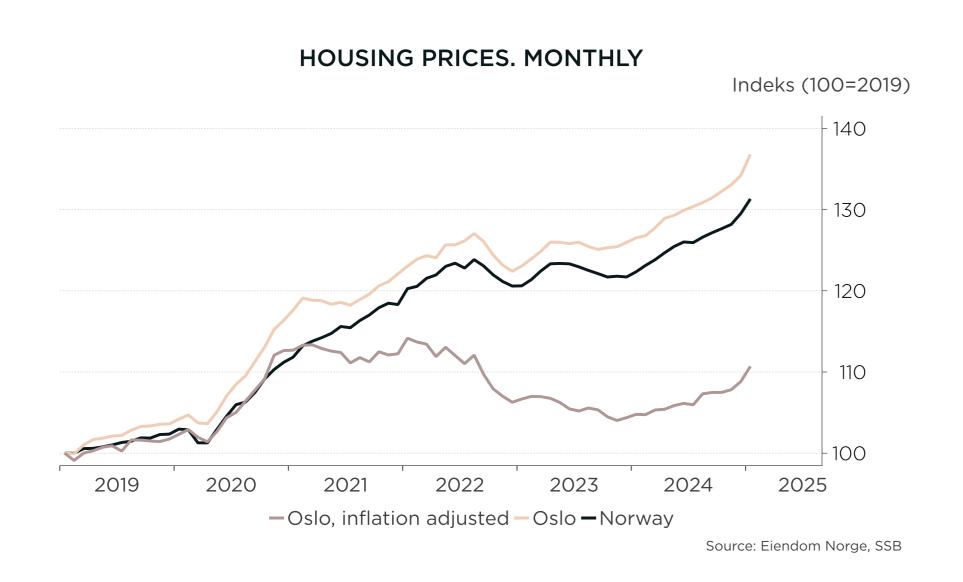
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<sup>\*\*</sup> Oslo West is the western corridor towards Drammen. Oslo North includes Lørenskog, Lillestrøm, Kløfta, Jessheim, and Gardermoen. Oslo South includes Ski, Moss, Langhus, and Drøbak.

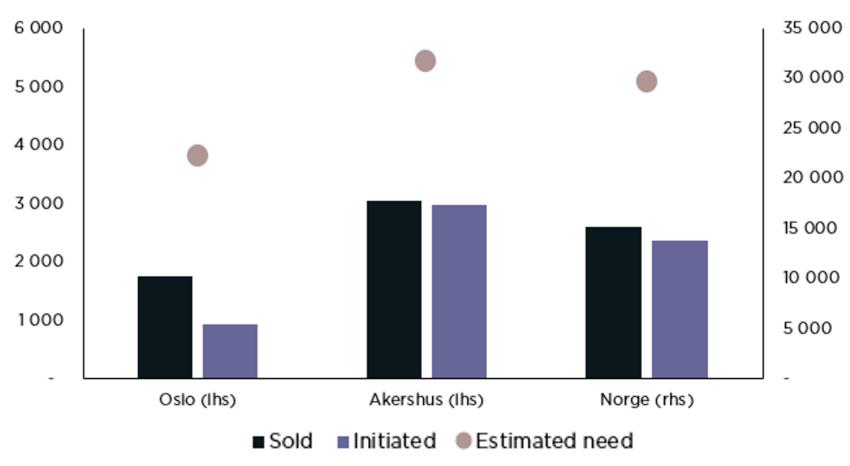
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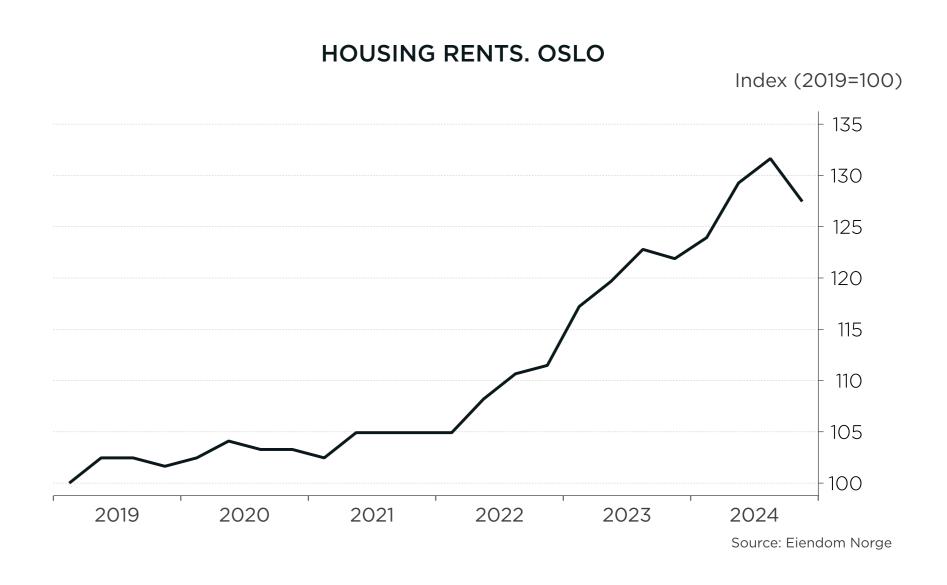
# Strong growth in existing housing prices

- Significant growth in existing housing prices in January
- New housing sales is past its trough
- The strong rental growth has slowed, and the annual growth in 2024 was 5-6% in Oslo
- Increased purchasing power and interest rate cuts will drive a further increase in housing prices through 2025



# SOLD AND INITIATED PAST 12 MONTHS. NEW HOUSING JANUARY 2025









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