RICCS Cyprus Property Index with KPMG in Cyprus

Quarterly publication of the property price and rental index, tracking property and rental prices across all Cyprus districts and main property types.

2022Q4

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Real estate price indices

2022Q4 saw a further increase in the price of residential properties (Apartments and Houses), both of which continue to be relatively strong performers over the quarter. Offices also recorded a solid gain while the increase in Warehouses was a little more modest. In contrast, Retail remains relatively stagnant.

Market values - YoY% change (by sector)

A YoY comparison of values shows an increase in all asset classes, with the largest evident in Apartments, followed by Offices and Houses. Retail is exhibiting the lowest increase.

Market values - QoQ% change (by sector)

2022Q4 demonstrates increases in all asset classes, apart from Retail in Larnaca which has shown a decrease. Paphos has shown the largest increases, whilst Larnaca the lowest.

The asset class with the best performance is once again Apartments followed by Offices and Houses. The biggest increases were exhibited in Nicosia for Apartments and Paphos for Offices and Houses.

By way of contrast, Warehouses showed increases only in Larnaca and Limassol, whilst Retail has exhibited a sharp drop in Larnaca and only a marginal increase in Limassol.
Holiday assets (Apartments & Houses) recorded further quarterly increases, continuing therefore the upward trend in values, with Holiday Houses exhibiting a larger increase than Holiday Apartments.

On a YoY comparison, both categories experienced growth with Holiday Houses leading the way.

Comparing QoQ changes at a regional level, Larnaca has shown the largest increase in Holiday Houses, and Famagusta the largest increase in Holiday Apartments. Limassol has shown a drop in Holiday Apartments prices, albeit a very modest one and a marginal increase in Holiday Houses.

On a YoY comparison, rental values showed an increase, with the largest identified in Holiday Apartments, followed closely by the residential sector properties (Apartments, Houses). Retail and Warehouse asset classes are at the lower end of the increase, with Retail showing the lowest increase.

Meanwhile, yields recorded increases since last year, the largest in Holiday Apartments followed by Apartments and Houses. Retail and Warehouse recorded marginal decreases.
Index parameters and methodology

Methodology
The methodology underpinning the RICS Cyprus Property Index with KPMG in Cyprus was developed by the University of Reading, UK. The report is available upon request at ricscyprus@rics.org

Coverage and Variables Monitored
The RICS Cyprus Property Price Index with KPMG in Cyprus monitors the urban centres of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Paphos and Paralimni-Famagusta. The Index only tracks prices in Republic of Cyprus’ government controlled area and not in the occupied North.

In each of these centres, the index monitors the Market Value and Market Rent, as defined in the RICS Red Book, across the four main property sectors – office (CBD), retail (high street), industrial (warehouse) and residential (houses and apartments).

Recognising that there are sub-districts within these urban areas which operate and behave in a varying manner, a number of these is monitored in order to derive the composite index for each category per urban area.

The information provided in this publication is based on the average price and rent of the sub-districts monitored per urban centre per sector. The complete list of these sub-districts can be found in the University of Reading’s report which is available upon request at ricscyprus@rics.org

Nature of Notional Buildings
The RICS Cyprus Property Price Index with KPMG in Cyprus monitors hypothetical or notional buildings, each having specific characteristics. Details of these hypothetical properties are provided in the University of Reading’s report.

The provided price per sqm is based on the Gross External Area of the property (as defined in the RICS’ Code of Measurement Practice 8th Edition), which includes the living area and covered verandas but excludes common areas.

Frequency
The index is produced on a quarterly basis.

Monitoring Process
The estimation of price levels is carried out by accredited RICS property professionals who are active in the relevant markets.
Contributing professional bodies

Profile of RICS
RICS is a global professional body. We promote and enforce the highest professional qualification and standards in the development and management of land, real estate, construction and infrastructure. Our name promises the consistent delivery of standards – bringing confidence to the markets we serve. The work of our professionals creates a safer world: we are proud of our profession’s reputation and we guard it fiercely. RICS in Europe is based in Brussels and represents 17 national associations, with over 8,150 members in Continental Europe. Visit www.rics.org for more information.

Profile of KPMG in Cyprus
KPMG has been operating in Cyprus since 1948 and currently employs more than 800 professionals working from 6 offices across the island. It is a member of KPMG International Limited, a global organisation of independent professional services firms providing Audit, Tax and Advisory services. KPMG operates in 143 countries and territories and has approximately 265,000 people working in member firms around the world. Clients look to KPMG for a consistent standard of service based on high-order professional capabilities, industry insight, local knowledge and expertise.

Profile of ΣΕΕΟΚΚ
The Cyprus Association of Quantity Surveyors and Construction Economists (ΣΕΕΟΚΚ) is the association that represents Chartered Quantity Surveyors and Quantity Surveyors whose main area of work is in Cyprus and they permanently live in Cyprus. Visit www.seeokk.org for more information.

Profile of Cyprus Association of Valuers and Property Consultants
The Association was founded in 1972. At present there are about 100 members registered with the Association and concurrently with the Cyprus Scientific and Technical Chamber (CSTC), which is the official body that regulates the Valuation Profession in Cyprus. Our members are also members of RICS and are operating in accordance with the International Valuation Standards and the RICS Appraisal and Valuation Manual (Red Book).

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