

TD 100 Cities Survey 2016 The local market for residential, retail and office space

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Foreword

Dear readers,

This year's TD Cities Survey is the eleventh annual edition. We have continuously expanded our market participants' survey, and over the years it has become firmly established. We attribute its success to the keen interest of our readers and the consistently high willingness to support this unique market survey in 100 cities. We are happy to report that the response rate once again increased in 2016, and would like to take this opportunity to thank the many real estate companies who participated in our survey.

When we prepare our 100 City Survey, we always strive to find and evaluate reliable data outside of the Big 7. Though it is difficult to obtain dependable information for smaller markets, this area will continue to gain importance: A close look at the real estate market shows that investors are already widening their focus to include the periphery, paying particular attention to the suburban belts of large cities. The housing shortage in these cities and the resulting high rent prices lead market participants to look for affordable alternatives in the surrounding areas. As revealed by the recent report on residential and real estate markets in Germany released by the Federal Institute for Building, Urban Affairs and Spatial Research (Bundesinstitut für Bau-, Stadt- und Raumforschung BBSR), the number of building permits granted in the suburbs of large cities rose significantly during the first half of 2016. We expect this development to continue in the coming years, as the housing shortage in the core cities cannot be alleviated in the medium term.

While the search for reliable data is still difficult for certain regions, the overall data situation has improved: In international comparison, Germany takes ninth place in the current JLL transparency ranking, which is a better result than even two years ago, when the country was Number 12. We understand the necessity to keep improving our research in this area and thus contribute to more market transparency. To reach that goal, however, we rely on the assessments of local market participants. In this context, we would like to invite particularly those participants in smaller locations to contribute to our market report as "local experts".

We appreciate your interest in our market reports and hope you find them stimulating reading.

Tina Wegener and the Research Team

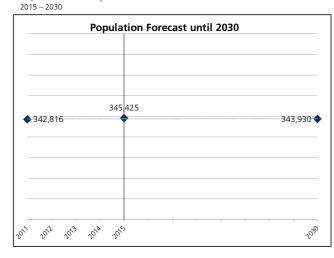


Key Socio-Economic Figures Wuppertal

All data on city level

Population and Household Size

Population (as of 2015-01-01) 345,425
Population Development Forecast -0.43 %



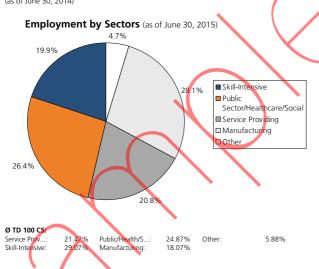


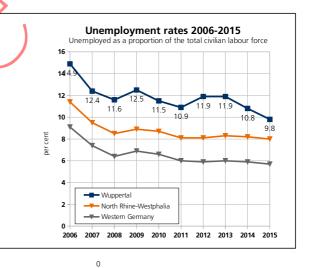
Employees and Labour Market

Employees subject to social insurance contributions Employees within the city limits (as of June 30, 2015)

118,123 1,370

Commuter Balance (as of June 30, 2014)





Key Figures Retail

General Purchasing Power 2016

Index 98.1 per capita in euros 21,637

Retail Related Purchasing Power 2016

Index 99.2 per capita in euros 6,434



Sources: destatis (federal statistical office); MB-Research Nürnberg; Federal Employment Agency; THOMAS DAILY's own calculations



Key Figures Building Sector Wuppertal

All data on city level.

Building Completion

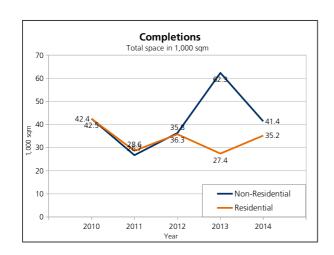
Residential units 2014 (as of 2014-01-01)

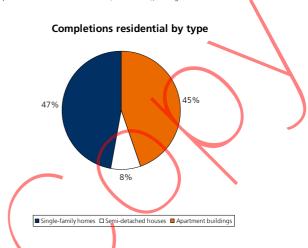
191,246 units

Completion residential 2010-2014

1,474 units

Completion 2010-2014 per 1,000 inhabitans 4.3 units/1,000 inh. as a proportion of number of inhabitans (2015-01-01); average TD 100 CS = 10.53





Land Value

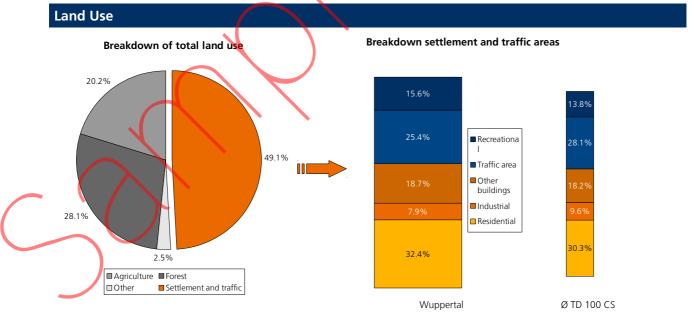
Wuppertal

Total land purchased (sqm)

Total value of all transactions (k EUR)

Land value average (EUR/sqm)

2014 2013 2012 2011 2010 44,000 6,000 22,000 37,000 6,429 7,540 3,095 5,099 5,150 88.90 145.02 143.29 139.36



Data as of 2014-12-31.

Sources: destatis (federal statistical office); THOMAS DAILY's own calculations

The term "built and unbuilt land" includes buildings (residential, commercial, industrial, other) and adjacent land which is used in conjunction with a building.

The term "recreational area" includes all land that is used for either sports and leisure, parks, gardens and zoos, camping sites and cemeteries also.

The term "traffic area" includes all unbuilt land that is used for roads, railway tracks and air traffic. It also includes industrial areas (unbuilt) which are used commerical, for landfill and storage.



Public Budget Wuppertal

All data on city level.

Municipal Budget

Public debt Ø TD 100 Cities 2,414 EUR/capita 5,467 EUR/capita Data as of 2014-06-30.

city states not included

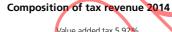
Tax Revenue

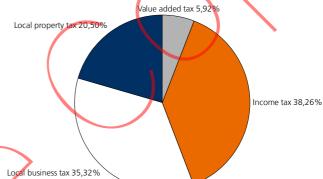
Tax revenue 2014

k EUR n/a

Development of tax revenue







-12% Average TD 100 Cities Wuppertal

Property acquisition tax 2016 defined by the German states since 2006

Collection rates 2015

-10%

Local business tax Local property tax (B) 490 %

620 %

6.5 %

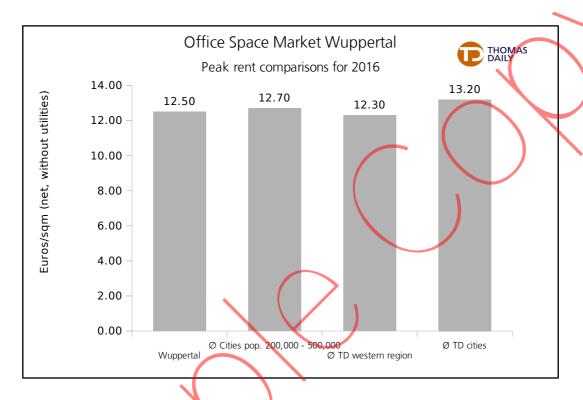
(range in Germany 200% - 900%) (range in Germany 80% - 900%)

Sources: destatis (federal statistical office); Federal Employment Agency; Deutscher Industrie- und Handelskammertag (DIHK) (Association of German Chambers of Industry and Commerce); THOMAS DAILY's own calculations.



The detailed results of the TD 100 Cities Survey 2016 are presented below, divided into office, retail and residential markets. For the office and retail segments, findings from previous years since 2012 are also included.

The Office Space Market



During the past 12 months, prime rents remained at the same level. Hardly any change in prime rents is expected for the coming 12 months.

Those polled estimate that demand for space will increase slightly over the next 12 months. For the coming 12 months, available space is expected to grow considerably. It is anticipated that vacancy rates will remain unchanged.

Incentives Offered

initial rent reduction

Percentage of annual net rent: 2-4 %

Prime Office Locations

Elberfeld City

Total office stock (in millions): 1.85

Office space take-up in the last 12 month: n/a



Rent Prices and Yields

•	Peak rent* Office space over 200 sqm, in euros/sqm (monthly net, without uti- lities)	2016: 12.50	2015: 12,50	2014: 13,00	2013: 13,00	2012: 12,50
•	Average rent* Office space over 200 sqm, in euros/sqm (monthly net, without uti- lities)	2016: 6.50	2015: 8,25	2014: 8,50	2013: 8,50	2012: 7,00
•	Development of peak rent* during the past 12 months	2016: →	2015:	2014: →	2013:	2012: →
•	Peak rent forecast* for the next 12 months	2016: →	2015:	2014: →	2013.	2012:
•	Initial net return*	2016: n/a	2015: 6,63	2014: 6,80	2013: 6,40	2012: 6,60
•	Transaction volume (sales)* during the past 12 months	2016: ->	2015:	2014: →	2013:	2012: →

Vacancy

Vacancy rate* (per cent)	2016: 5.8	201) : 7,00	2014: 6,20	2013: 6,20	2012: 7,00
Vacancy development* during the past 12 months	2016:	2015:	2014: →	2013:	2012: →
Vacancy forecast* for the next 12 months	2016; →	2015:	2014: →	2013:	2012:

Demand

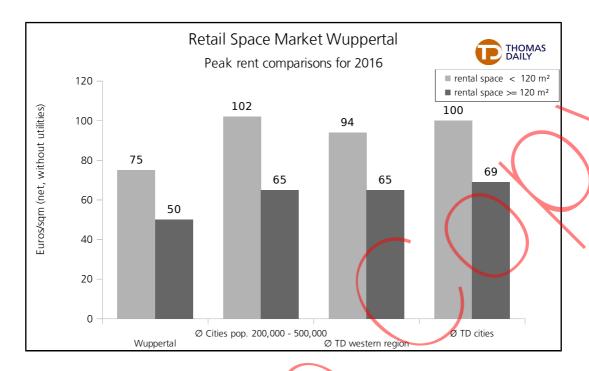
Office demand space* during the past 12 months	2016; →	2015: →	2014:	2013:	2012: →
Office space demand forecast* for the pext 12 months	2016:	2015: →	2014: →	2013: 7	2012: →
 Praxis der Gewährung von Incentives* in den Vergangenen 12 Monaten 	2016: →	2015: →	2014: →	2013:	2012:
Space expansion* for the next 12 months	2016:	2015:	2014:	2013:	2012:

^{*}Note: a comparison of the arrow diagrams (evaluation questions) to the actual numerical values, as well as a historical view of the arrow and value series other does not necessarily show an immediate correlation. Contradictions between trend statements and real price developments could have various reasons, for example different respondents or past inaccurate prognoses

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The Retail Space Market



Prime rents for smaller retail units in prime locations remained almost unchanged during the past 12 months. Rents for up to 120 sqm of space are assumed to grow slightly over the next 12 months.

All in all, no change is expected in the demand for retail space.





Rent Prices and Yields

Peak rent prime location* (60 - 120 sqm of top rent space) in euros/sqm (monthly net, without utilities)	2016:	2015:	2014:	2013:	2012:
	75	90,00	80,00	85,00	90,00
 Peak rent prime location, larger areas* (> 120 sqm of top rent space) in euros/sqm (monthly net, without utilities) 	2016:	2015:	2014:	2013:	2012:
	50	55,00	50,00	50,00	55,00
Peak rent near-prime location* (60 - 120 sqm of top rent space) in euros/sqm (monthly net, without utilities)	2016:	2015:	2014:	2013:	2012:
	50	48,50	50,00	40,00	48,50
Peak rent near-prime location, larger areas* (> 120 sqm of rent space) in euros/sqm (monthly net, without utilities)	2016:	2015:	2014:	2013.	2012:
	25	30,00	20,00	25,00	30,00
Initial net return* Retail space in prime locations	2016:	2015:	2014:	2013:	2012:
	4.70	6,30	6,80	6,10	6,30

•	Development of peak rent in prime locations* (60 - 120 sqm of top surfaces) during the past 12 months	2016: →	2015: →	2014: →	2013:	2012: →
•	Development of peak rent in prime locations, larger areas* (> 120 sqm of top surfaces) during the past 12 months	2016:	2015: →	2014:	2013:	2012: →
•	Peak rent forecast in prime locations* (60 - 120 sqm of top surfaces) for the next 12 months	2016.	2015:	2014:	2013:	2012: →
•	Peak rent forecast in prime locations, larger areas* (> 120 sgm of top surfaces) for the next 12 months	2016:	2015: →	2014:	2013:	2012: →

Demand

Demand* during the past 12 months	2016: →	2015: →	2014: →	2013:	2012: →
Demand forecast* during the coming 12 months	2016: →	2015: →	2014:	2013:	2012:

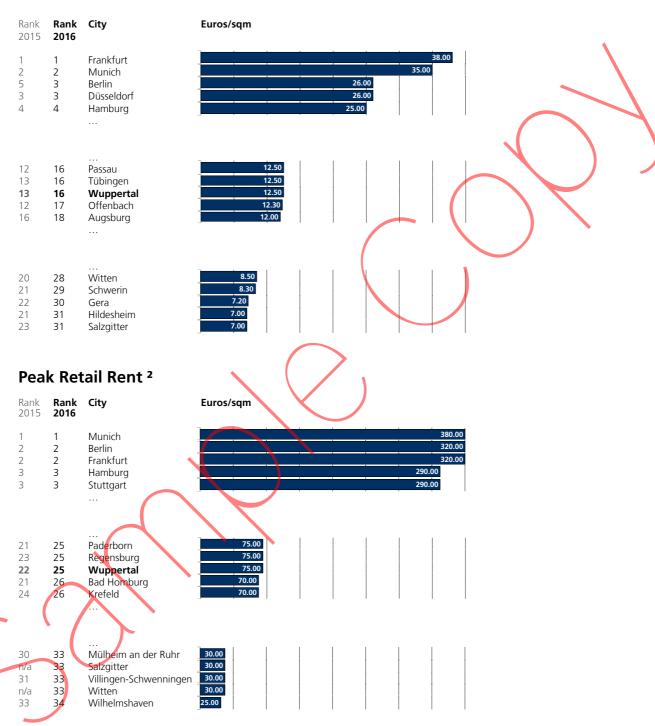
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100 Cities Ranking 2016

Peak Office Rent ¹



¹ Office space over 200 sqm; not reported for Hamm, Leverkusen and Pforzheim in 2016.

² Objects 60 – 120 sqm in 1A location; not reported for Bamberg, Hamm, Hildesheim, Ingolstadt, Leverkusen and Passau in 2016.

³ Due to various cities hitting the same rank, this year the ranking ends at rank 31 (Office) and rank 34 (Retail).



The Residential Market

Locations Overview

Prime Location:

e.g. Briller Viertel, Toelleturm, Zooviertel

Good Location:

e.g. Berghausen, Cronenberg, Dönberg, Hahnerberg, Katernberg, Lichtenplatz, Ronsdorf

Basic Location:

e.g. entlang der Talachse, Langerfeld, Oberbarmen, Rehsiepen

Purchasing Prices

Single or Double Family Homes

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Average price per building in euros, rounded, 100–150 sqm living space, year of constr. since 2000

Prime location	450000
Good location	350000
Basic location	200000
Tendency during the last 12 months	→
Forecast during the last 12 months	→

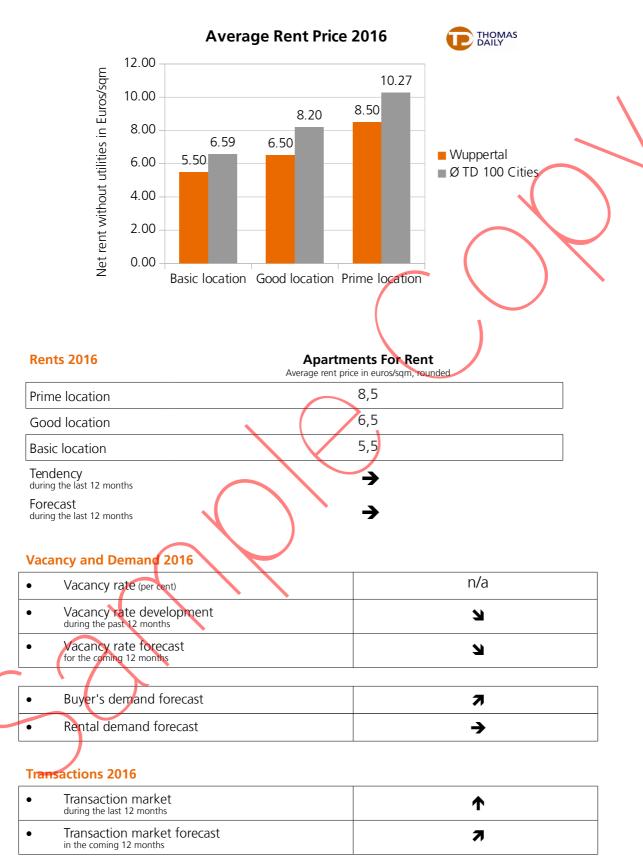
Purchasing Prices

Apartments

Average purchasing price in euros/sqm, rounded, 60–80 sqm living space, year of constr. since 2000

Prime location	n/a	
Good location	n/a	
Basic location	n/a	
Tendency during the last 12 months	→	
Forecast during the last 12 months	→	





Purchasing prices for apartments in top locations remained stable. For apartments in very good locations, those polled expect stable prices over the next 12 months. In very good locations, no changes in rent prices are forecast for the next 12 months.

The municipality updates a rent list constantly.



DEFINITIONS AND CONCEPT EXPLANATIONS

Office space

Office space is the designation of office areas, which are for areas which typical writing desk activities can be conducted and which are sold or leased on the office space market. Among them are offices used by the owners and areas converted into offices, as well as surfaces leased individually/separately as offices in facilities with mixed usage such as commercial parks.

Retail turnover

Retail turnover/revenue describes the total purchases of all consumers, in order to be able to measure and compare local retail. These figures are based on all of the turnover/revenue obtained in stationary retail from the prices for the final consumers. Revenue/turnover from mail houses, car dealers and gas/petrol stations are not included.

Highest rent attainable

The nominal rents attainable at the time of the poll for high-quality leasable areas in the partial market under review. In the office sector, the figures are based on a minimum space of 200 sqm of leasable area. As for retail space, the figures in this report differentiate between smaller (60 – 120 sqm of leasable space) and larger areas (>120 sqm).

Purchasing power

Purchasing power relates to the available income of the population (net income from employment, assets, pensions, unemployment and welfare benefits, and/or other governmental transfer services).

The sum of all completed areas which, at the time of the poll, are unused or offered for leasing, sub-leasing or sale and can be occupied within three months.

The active requests for areas registered within a particular period of time on a precisely defined partial property market. Inquiries from potential tenants and from owners to whom a sustained wish to rent are attributed are both taken into account.

Initial return

Net initial return/yield is calculated as the annual net rent (minus operating costs that cannot be passed on) divided by the gross purchase price (including acquisition surcharges) multiplied by 100%. Gross initial return is calculated as net annual rent (excluding operating costs) divided by the net purchase price (excluding acquisition surcharges) multiplied by 100%.

Commuter balance

The commuter balance of a city visualises whether more employees come into the city to work, or whether more inhabitants of the city work outside its limits. If more commuters come into the city, this is called a surplus of incoming commuters. If more people work outside the city, this is a surplus of outgoing commuters.

Basic locations are defined as areas with some regative characteristics, such as noise-intensive locations due to traffic, inner city locations with a questionable social reputation, or insufficient options in shopping and healthcare infrastructure. Buildings are often simple and may be structurally outdated or dilapidated.

Good residential locations are situated mainly in quite well-defined areas with lots of greenery and spaces between the buildings, with good traffic connections and nearby recreation areas. High demand in inner cities residential areas are also included in this category.

As a rule, very good residential locations have all of the advantages of the good residential locations, plus at least one further outstanding advantage such as topography or a particularly beautiful landscape, neighborhood and environment. Very good residential locations are often distinguished by luxurious buildings with spacious grounds at a considerable distance from neighboring houses. Town houses, often from the Victorian era, are also included in this category.

Centrality

Retail centrality is a measurement of the attractiveness of a city as a place to go shopping. It describes the relationship between revenue/turnover from retail and the local retail-relevant purchasing power. If this rating surpasses 100, this means that more revenue/turnover is obtained in retail in the city than the local population spends; that is: there is an influx of purchasing power from the environs and the neighboring cities. On the other hand, if the centrality figure is less than 100, then there is an outflow of purchasing power.



TD 100 CITIES SURVEY 2016: COVERAGE



Nuremberg

Oberhausen

Oldenburg

Osnabrück

Offenbach am Main

Herne

Jena

Hildesheim

Ingolstadt

Kaiserslautern

Berlin

Bonn

Duisburg

Erfurt

Essen

Erlangen

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