### March 2025

# Market Update

## Calgary | Industrial



**Current Market Metrics** Industrial

Vacancy Rate

Market Asking Rent Growth

**6.0**%

Deliveries in SF

7.4 M

12 Mo Net Absorption in SF

4.6 M



## How U.S. Tariffs Are Impacting Calgary's Commercial Real Estate Market

The recent implementation of 25% U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and 10% on energy exports is set to create ripple effects across Calgary's commercial real estate landscape. From rising construction costs to potential shifts in demand across different property types, these changes present both challenges and opportunities for investors, landlords, and tenants alike.

#### KEY MARKET IMPACTS

#### **Increased Construction Costs**

Tariffs on materials like steel and aluminum will drive up construction expenses, potentially slowing new commercial developments and increasing property costs.

#### **Economic Uncertainty**

Trade tensions may dampen business investment and consumer confidence, affecting demand for industrial, office, and retail spaces in Calgary.

#### Potential Interest Rate Adjustments

The Bank of Canada may adjust interest rates in response to inflationary pressures caused by tariffs, impacting financing costs for commercial real estate investors.

#### Supply Chain Disruptions

Tariffs may lead to delays in construction and increased costs for developers, reducing the availability of new commercial spaces.

#### Sector-Specific Impacts

Industrial properties tied to imports and exports will see greater effects, while sectors less reliant on international trade-such as tech-focused office spaces and essential retail-may remain stable.

Despite these challenges, opportunities still exist in Calgary's commercial real estate market. The following section dives into what to watch in the months ahead.

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#### TOP OPPORTUNITIES IN CALGARY

## Industrial Real Estate Warehousing & Logistics

- Why: Businesses may increase local inventory storage to adapt to supply chain disruptions and e-commerce growth will continue to drive demand for fulfillment centers.
- Tip: Look for properties near Calgary International Airport or major highways for logistics advantages.

## Multifamily Properties Apartments

- Why: Economic slowdowns can reduce homeownership rates, leading to increased demand for rental housing.
- Tip: Investors should focus on affordable housing and purpose-built rental units in high-growth areas.

#### Office Spaces

#### Tech & Professional Sectors

- Why: Calgary's tech industry continues to expand, and remote-based businesses are less affected by tariffs.
- Tip: Consider investing in flexible office spaces and coworking hubs in downtown Calgary or the Beltline.

#### Retail Real Estate Essential Services

 Why: Grocery stores, pharmacies, and healthcare service spaces tend to perform well during economic uncertainty. • Tip: Prioritize neighborhood shopping centers over large shopping malls for stronger tenant stability.

#### Land Investments

- Why: Land tends to appreciate during inflationary periods, making industrial-zoned and suburban land an attractive long-term investment.
- Tip: Target land near Calgary Ring Road or Calgary Logistics Park for future industrial growth.

#### Bonus Tip for Landlords & Buyers

- Highlight properties with long-term leases and stable tenants to attract risk-averse investors.
- Structure deals with inflation-adjusted lease clauses to protect income streams.

As Calgary's commercial real estate market navigates the effects of U.S. tariffs, staying informed and adapting investment strategies will be key. Our team is here to help you seize opportunities and mitigate risks in this evolving landscape!

Sources: CoStar, Real Estate Tax Tips, Real Estate Magazine, Colliers Canada, Can First, and Business Insider.

# Want insights on how these trends affect you?

Give Aaron a call: 88 403 200 4026







## Local Experts

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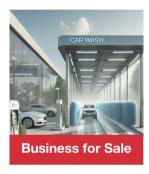
### **Active Listings**



#### **Turnkey Restaurant**

1125 KENSINGTON RD NW

- 7,484 SF ± (4 stories)
- Prime location
- High car & foot traffic



#### Car Wash Portfolio

INVESTMENT THREE PROPERTIES

- Established & profitable
- Annual sales over \$2M
  - Automated operations



#### **Foothills County Land**

306220 17 STREET EAST

- 72.2 acres
- Potential for subdivision
- Agricultural zoning



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### **Recent Transactions**



BAY 26,5555 51 AVE SE SELLER REP 6,000 SF END-UNIT BAY



3433 12 ST NE TENANT REP 2,324 SF BAY



BAY 6,2824 58 AVE SE SUBLANDLORD REP 1,500 SF BAY



4207 OGDEN RD SE LANDLORD REP 6,500 SF SPACE



UNIT 1, 2828 18 ST NE LANDLORD REP 6,500 SF SPACE



UNIT 127, 4999 43 ST SE **TENANT REP** 2,985 SF BAY



UNIT 11, 5915 40 ST SE **TENANT REP** 1,607 SF BAY



32ND AVE BUSINESS CENTRE LANDLORD REP 162K SF OF FLEX SPACE



1228 9 AVE SE **BUILDING IN INGLEWOOD** 6,190 SF PRIME RETAIL



235145 WRANGLER DR SELLER REP - 14,244 SF **BUILDING ON 3.51 ACRE** 



840 26 AVE SE SELLER REP 13,304 SF BUILDING



4380 104 AVE SE **BUYER REP** 11,513 SF BUILDING

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