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About 3.1 mn sq. ft. of leasing witnessed in H1 2024, up by 7% Y-o-Y; supply addition of 0.5 mn sq. ft.

Leasing denotes space take-up in investment-grade malls, prominent high streets and standalone developments; supply includes investment-grade malls for top 8 cities

RETAIL SENTIMENT TO REMAIN UPBEAT DESPITE INFLATIONARY HEADWINDS

- India's retail inflation (measured by the Consumer Price Index, or CPI) increased to 5.08% in June 2024, up from 4.75 % in May 2024, after witnessing a continuous decline since January 2024. This upturn was primarily due to a rise in Consumer Food Price Index Inflation to 9.36% from 8.69% in the previous month. However, despite anticipated elevated headline inflation for July, favourable base effects from last year may bring the annualised figure closer to the RBI's target of 4% by the end of the year².
- Despite persistent inflation, total consumer spending and retail sales are expected to
 witness growth of 5% and 9% Y-o-Y*, respectively, by the end of 2024³. Consumer spending
 across some discretionary categories, such as restaurants and hotels, recreational and
 cultural goods and services, etc., are expected to see an uptick compared to the previous
 year.



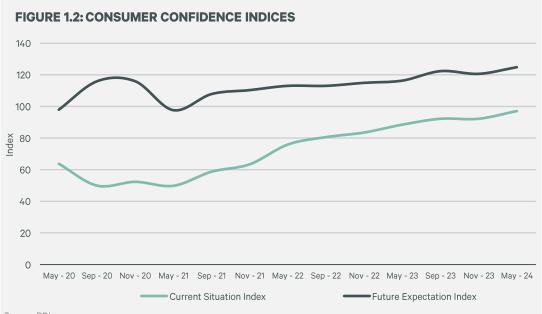
¹ MoSPI, May 2024

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³ Oxford Economics and EMIS

Consumer confidence remains positive

- The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Current Situation Index (CSI) exhibited a Y-o-Y growth of 97.1 in May 2024, up from 88.5 during the same period the previous year. This was attributable to a positive shift in sentiment regarding consumer spending, general economic situation, and current income levels.
- Respondents also maintained a positive outlook on the economic situation in 2024, as
 reflected in the 7% Y-o-Y growth in the RBI's Future Expectations Index (FEI). Consumers'
 long-standing confidence is also underscored in the FEI maintaining its growth trajectory
 compared to November 2023.

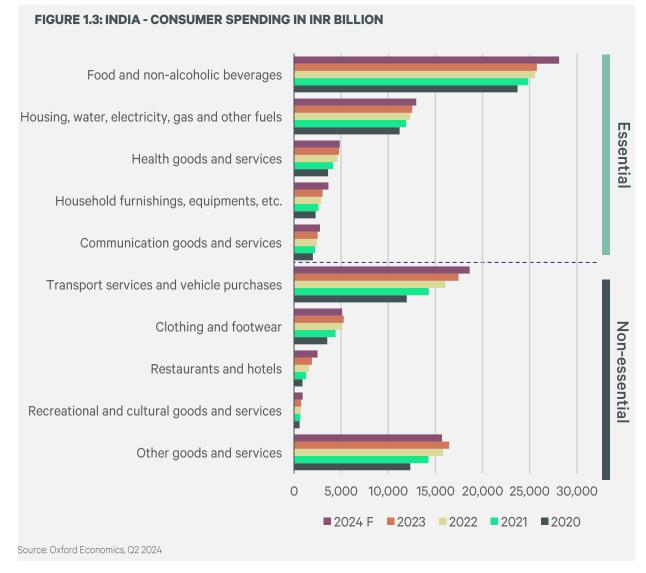


Source: RBI

Consumer confidence survey is a bi-monthly survey which obtains current perceptions (vis-à-vis a year ago) and one year ahead expectations on general economic situation, employment scenario, overall price situation and own income and spending across 19 major cities. The latest round of the survey was conducted during May 2-11, 2024, covering 6,083 respondents.

*CSI / FEI = 100 + Average of Net Responses of (General Economic Situation, Employment Scenario, Price Level, Household income and Overall Spending) 'Net response' is the difference between the percentage of respondents reporting optimism and those reporting pessimisms. It ranges between -100 and 100. Any value greater than zero indicates expansion/ optimism and values less than zero indicate contraction/ pessimism.

Consumer spending across most categories is set to witness an uptick in 2024



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An Overview of the Retail Sector in H1 2024

- After a remarkable 2023, expansionary sentiments amongst retailers continued to remain
 robust as retail leasing touched nearly 3.1 million sq. ft. across tier-I cities* during H1 2024.
 CBRE's latest Asia Pacific Leasing Sentiment Survey revealed that nearly 76% of retailers
 have expressed positive leasing sentiments, indicating their strong interest in establishing
 new setups, expanding operations, and upgrading existing stores in the APAC region⁴.
- Despite a record 2023, the first half of 2024 was able to register a growth of 7% Y-o-Y in space take-up across tier-I cities, totalling 3.1 million sq. ft. compared to 2.9 million sq. ft. of leasing recorded during H1 2023. The absorption was led by Bengaluru, followed by Chennai and Delhi-NCR, accounting for nearly 59% of the total leasing. In the coming quarters, the influx of investment-grade mall supply is expected to dictate primary leasing trends, while leading malls across key cities will likely continue witnessing a strong demand for secondary spaces.
- The first half of the year witnessed continued to witness robust demand for fashion and apparel products, primarily led by mid-range, value fashion, and athleisure brands. This resulted in a ~39% share in absorption by fashion & apparel retailers. The entertainment sector (~13%) and homeware and department store (~11%) were the other categories that drove leasing during H1 2024.
- Surging interest in family entertainment centres led to an uptick in leasing across the entertainment category (~13%). On expected lines, the F&B sector, driven by coffee shops and casual dining restaurants, remained another active retail category with ~11% share in H1 2024.
- Propelled by the sustained demand for premium products and the robust spending capacity
 of the affluent consumer segment, luxury brands accounted for ~7% of the total retail leasing
 activity during the first half of 2024.
- About 0.5 million sq. ft. of retail space was introduced across tier-I cities during H1 2024.
 Given the election year dynamics, a degree of delay or uncertainty in supply addition was anticipated. However, we expect an increase in supply in the coming quarters as few investment-grade malls are set to begin operations in cities such as Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Mumbai, etc. These malls are projected to add 3 4 million sq. ft. of new retail space in H2 2024.

- Fuelled by continued demand for quality retail space, especially by numerous homegrown direct to consumer (D2C) brands, rental values increased on a half-yearly basis in select micro-markets across most cities. Among the high streets, rents rose by about 2-11% in Chennai, Pune, Bengaluru, and Delhi-NCR. While prominent mall clusters in Delhi-NCR and Bengaluru reported a rental growth of 4-12%, Chennai and Ahmedabad witnessed rental growth of 2-4% during H1 2024.
- Tier-II cities** registered an overall space take-up of 0.4 million sq. ft. in H1 2024, with the absorption dominated by Indore and Kochi, accounting for a cumulative share of ~56%. These two cities were followed by Lucknow and Chandigarh, each with ~17% share in leasing.
- India continues to experience positive retail growth, attracting foreign retailers to establish a presence in key locations. Charles Tyrwhitt, a men's luxury fashion brand from the United Kingdom, opened its first store in Ahmedabad. Additionally, Maison Margiela, a French luxury fashion brand, and Franck Provost, a French beauty and wellness brand, entered the Indian market by opening their first stores in Mumbai and Bengaluru, respectively. Other noteworthy expansions include the opening of stores by international brands such as the Swiss luxury watch brand Breitling and the American luxury fashion brand Michael Kors, in Chennai and Pune, respectively. In addition, the Japanese homeware brand Daiso Japan and the skincare and cosmetics brand ILEM Japan also opened stores in Chennai.
- Several notable investments were reported in the e-commerce and retail sectors during H1 2024. Some of the key transactions are listed below:

TABLE 1.1: KEY INVESTMENTS IN H1 2024

SECTOR	INVESTOR	INVESTEE	DEAL VALUE (USD MILLION)
E-commerce	Glade Brook, Nexus, StepStone , Goodwater, Lachy Groom, Avenir, Lightspeed and Avra	KiranaKart Technologies Pvt Ltd (Zepto)	665
E-commerce	SoftBank, Elevation Capital, Prosus , and Peak XV Partners	Fashnear Technologies Pvt. Ltd (Meesho)	275
E-commerce	ADIA	Purplle	100

Source: Grant Thornton, VCC Edge, CBRE Research, H1 2024

⁴Asia Pacific Leasing Market Sentiment Survey, April 2024

^{*}Tier-I cities include Delhi-NCR, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Chennai, Pune, Kolkata and Ahmedabad

^{**}Tier-II cities include Chandigarh, Jaipur, Lucknow, Indore and Kochi

Absorption tempered by lack of supply infusion

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SUPPLY (mn sq. ft.) in H1 2024

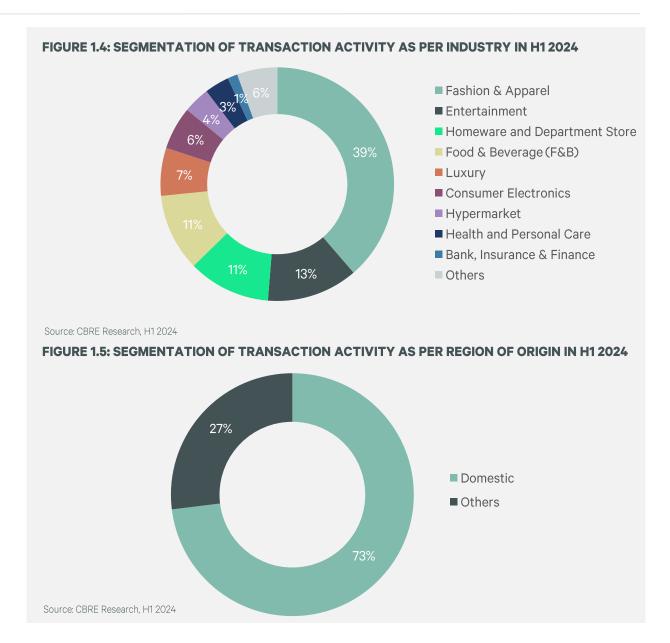
ABSORPTION (mn sq. ft.) In H1 2024

Note: Arrows indicate half-yearly change

Absorption includes leasing in investment-grade malls, high streets and standalone developments; supply includes investment-grade malls only

TABLE 1.2: CITY-WISE SUPPLY AND DEMAND IN H1 2024

CITIES	SUPPLY (HALF-YEARLY)	ABSORPTION (HALF-YEARLY)
Delhi-NCR	▼	▼
Bengaluru	▼	▼
Mumbai	▼	▼
Chennai	▼	A
Hyderabad	A	▼
Pune	▼	▼
Kolkata	•	A
Ahmedabad	▼	A



Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

Bengaluru: Fashion & Apparel and F&B players drive space take-up



Note: Arrows indicate annual change

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FIGURE 2.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS

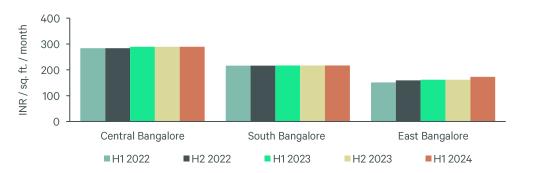


FIGURE 2.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS



TABLE 2.1: KEY RETAIL CATEGORIES DRIVING ABSORPTION IN H1 2024

SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	40%	A
Food & Beverage (F&B)	15%	▼
Homeware and Department Store	12%	A

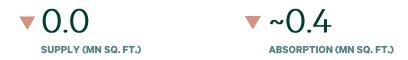
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 2.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Phoenix Mall of Asia	North	50,000	lnox	Entertainment
Salarpuria Divinity Mall	West	37,000	Reliance Smart Point	Hypermarket
Phoenix Mall of Asia	North	36,500	H&M	Homeware and Department Store
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024				

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Delhi-NCR: Fashion & Apparel and entertainment sector dominate leasing



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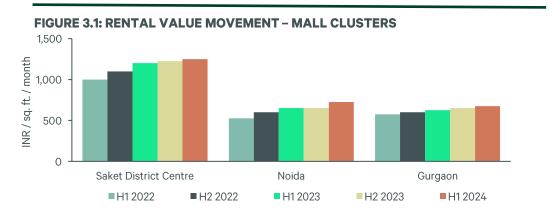


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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	31%	V
Entertainment	29%	A
Hypermarket	13%	A

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 3.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Others - Delhi	47,000	DMart	Hypermarket
Others - Gurugram	46,000	NY Cinemas	Entertainment
Sector 29	10,000	Azorte	Fashion & Apparel
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Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

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Mumbai: Fashion & Apparel sector powers leasing activity in the city

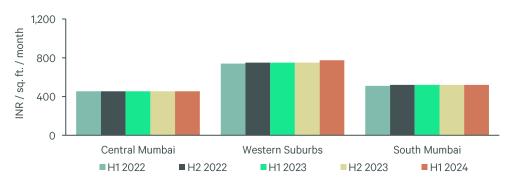


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FIGURE 4.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 1,500 INR / sq. ft. / month 1,000 Central Mumbai Western Suburbs Eastern Suburbs ■ H1 2022 ■ H2 2022 ■H1 2023 H2 2023 ■H12024

FIGURE 4.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS



SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	46%	A
Food & Beverage (F&B)	12%	▼
Luxury	5%	V

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 4.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Sunrise Plaza Vasai (High Street)	Navi Mumbai	10,000	Intune	Fashion & Apparel
Shiv Solitaire – Jogeshwari (High Street)	Western Suburbs	9,700	Zudio	Fashion & Apparel
Infiniti Mall, Andheri	Western Suburbs	9,000	Fresh Signature	Hypermarket
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024	, +			

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Chennai: Homegrown brands drive leasing across high streets



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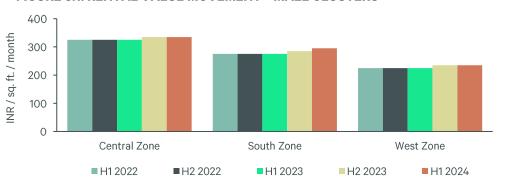


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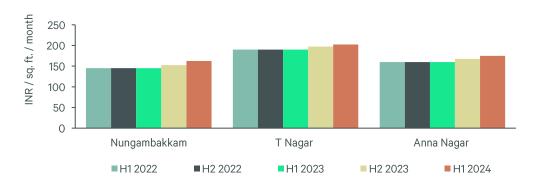


TABLE 5.1: KEY RETAIL CATEGORIES DRIVING ABSORPTION IN H1 2024

SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	26%	V
Homeware and Department Store	26%	A
Food & Beverage (F&B)	12%	A

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 5.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Independent development (High Street)	Velachery	27,000	Westside	Homeware and Department Store
Ampa Skyone (Mall)	Central Zone	25,000	Lifestyle	Homeware and Department Store
Independent development (High Street)	Anna Nagar	18,000	Nalli	Fashion & Apparel
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024				

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Hyderabad: Primary leasing dominates absorption due to supply influx



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FIGURE 6.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 150 INR / sq. ft. / month Central West East ■ H1 2022 ■ H2 2022 ■H1 2023 H2 2023 ■ H1 2024

FIGURE 6.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS

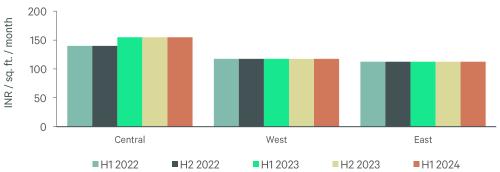


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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	59%	A
Homeware and Department Store	15%	•
Entertainment	11%	A

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 6.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
East	33,000	Westside	Homeware and Department Store
West	21,100	Azorte	Fashion & Apparel
West	12,400	Max	Fashion & Apparel
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Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

Pune: Entertainment players lead retail space demand



Note: Arrows indicate annual change

Absorption includes leasing in investment-grade malls, high streets & standalone; supply includes investment-grade malls only

FIGURE 7.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 300 INR / sq. ft. / month East West **PCMC** ■ H1 2022 ■H2 2022 H2 2023 ■H1 2023 ■H12024

FIGURE 7.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS

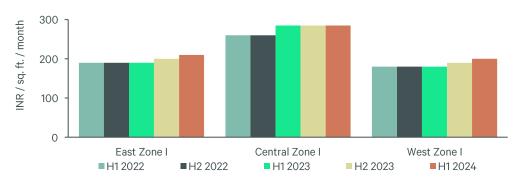


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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Entertainment	35%	
Fashion & Apparel	27%	•
Luxury	12%	

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 7.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
The KOPA Mall	East	35,650	PVR Inox	Entertainment
Voyage to the Stars (High Street)	West III	22,900	Shoppers Stop	Homeware and Department Store
Independent Development (High Street)	Central II	20,000	Tanishq	Luxury
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024				

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Kolkata: Domestic Fashion & Apparel brands drive space take-up



Note: Arrows indicate annual change

Absorption includes leasing in investment-grade malls, high streets & standalone; supply includes investment-grade malls only

FIGURE 8.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 500 INR / sq. ft. / month South Kolkata Central Kolkata East Kolkata ■ H1 2022 ■H2 2022 ■ H1 2023 H2 2023 ■H12024

FIGURE 8.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS

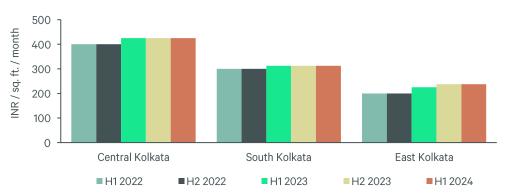


TABLE 8.1: KEY RETAIL CATEGORIES DRIVING ABSORPTION IN H1 2024

SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	46%	A
Consumer Electronics	21%	
Health and Personal Care	10%	A

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 8.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Independent development (High Street)	East Kolkata	17,000	Zudio	Fashion & Apparel
Independent development (High Street)	East Kolkata	10,000	Croma	Consumer Electronics
Quest Mall	Central Kolkata	9,000	SS Beauty	Health and Personal Care

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

Ahmedabad: Luxury and entertainment sectors gain traction



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FIGURE 9.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS

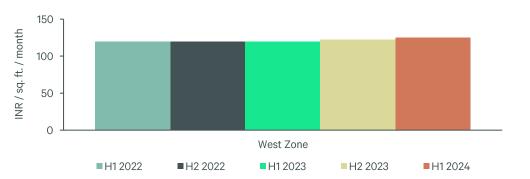


FIGURE 9.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS



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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	41%	A
Entertainment	21%	A
Luxury	15%	A

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 9.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

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Chandigarh: Domestic brands drive space take-up across high streets



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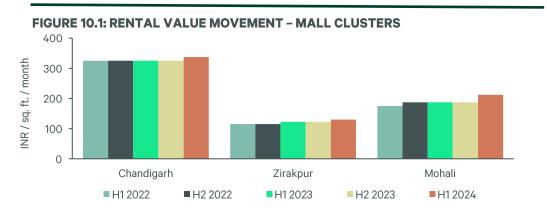
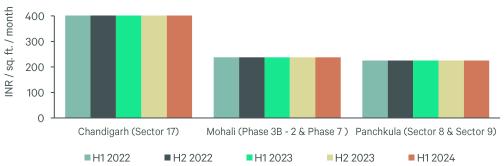


FIGURE 10.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS



% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
57%	A
15%	A
11%	•
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Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 10.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

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Indore: New entrants dominate leasing activity



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FIGURE 11.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 200 INR / sq. ft. / month 150 AB Road Central Indore East Indore ■ H1 2022 ■H2 2022 ■ H1 2023 ■H2 2023 ■ H1 2024

FIGURE 11.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS

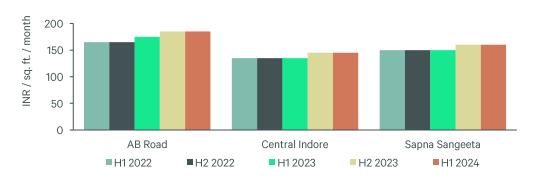


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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	46%	A
Food & Beverage (F&B)	46%	A
Homeware and Department Store	5%	•

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 11.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Apollo Highstreet (High Street)	AB Road	20,000	Romeo Lane	Food & Beverage (F&B)
Apollo Highstreet (High Street)	AB Road	8,000	Yousta	Fashion & Apparel
Phoenix Citadel (Mall)	East Indore	4,000	Snitch	Fashion & Apparel
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024				

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Kochi: Homegrown brands propel space take-up



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FIGURE 12.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 400 INR / sq. ft. / month 300 Central Zone East Zone ■ H1 2022 ■ H2 2022 ■ H1 2023 ■ H2 2023 ■ H1 2024

FIGURE 12.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS

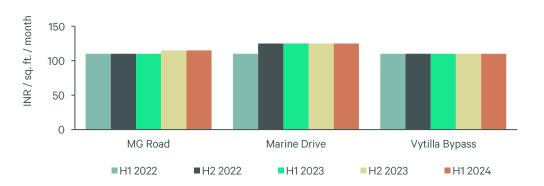


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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Fashion & Apparel	57%	▼
Homeware and Department Store	27%	A
Luxury	5%	A

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 12.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Kakkanad	28,000	Westside	Homeware and Department Store
Marine Drive	22,500	Raymond	Fashion & Apparel
Central Zone	10,000	R&B	Fashion & Apparel
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Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

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Jaipur: Leasing by International brands gains traction



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FIGURE 13.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS

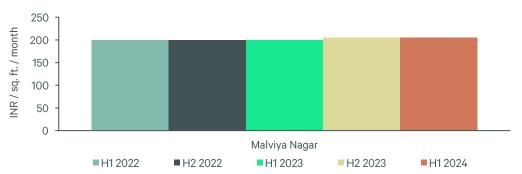


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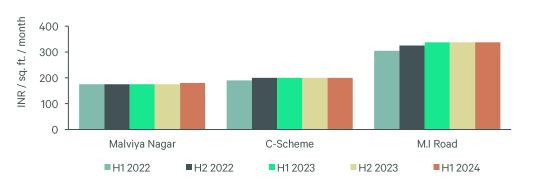


TABLE 13.1: KEY RETAIL CATEGORIES DRIVING ABSORPTION IN H1 2024

SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT
Homeware and Department Store	46%	A
Health and Personal Care	35%	
Luxury	15%	

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 13.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Vaishali Nagar (High Street)	Vaishali Nagar	14,000	Lotus Cosmetics	Health and Personal Care
Queen Corner (High Street)	Vaishali Nagar	13,000	Marks & Spencers	Homeware and Department Store
Tonk Road (High Street) Other - Jaipur		6,000	Malabar Gold & Diamonds	Luxury
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024				

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Lucknow: Fashion & Apparel and hypermarket players drive overall absorption



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FIGURE 14.1: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - MALL CLUSTERS 300 200 Gomti Nagar Ashiyana & Alambagh Hazratganj H1 2023 H1 2024

FIGURE 14.2: RENTAL VALUE MOVEMENT - HIGH STREETS



TABLE 14.1: KEY RETAI	L CATEGORIES DRIVING ABSORPTION	ON IN H1 2024
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SECTOR	% SHARE	Y-o-Y MOVEMENT	
Fashion & Apparel	54%	A	
Hypermarket	34%	A	
Bank, Insurance & Finance	6%	A	

Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024

TABLE 14.2: KEY LEASING TRANSACTIONS IN H1 2024

PROPERTY	MICRO- MARKET	SIZE (IN SQ. FT.)	TENANT	TENANT SECTOR
Mr Brown Tower (High Street)	Aliganj	24,000	Reliance Smart	Hypermarket
Spring Square (High Street)	Ayodhya Road	9,000	Zudio	Fashion & Apparel
Independent Development (High Street)	Ashiyana & Alambagh	7,000	Fashion City	Fashion & Apparel
Source: CBRE Research, H1 2024				

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India Retail Outlook

Leasing activity to remain steady; primary leasing hinges on supply

- Leasing in strategic locations is expected to remain steady, with a healthy mix of primary and secondary leasing projected to continue at a consistent pace.
- Segments such as jewellery, mid-range fashion & apparel, and gaming centres are
 experiencing significant growth, driving increased demand for retail spaces and larger
 formats. Millennial preferences are fuelling the expansion of mid-range fashion brands and
 gaming centres, leading to larger store sizes. Organised jewellery retailers are seeing
 similar trends as consumers shift their purchasing habits.
- However, any slowdown in the availability of new supply could potentially dampen this
 momentum, underscoring the need for a steady influx of quality supply to meet the
 ongoing demand.

Momentum in luxury retail to sustain

- The number of affluent consumers in India is expected to grow from approximately 60 million in 2023 to 100 million by 2027*, driven by rising spending power and an expanding middle-income class. This trend underscores the country's emerging prominence as a key market for luxury brands.
- Moreover, evolving lifestyles and global aspirations are driving demand for luxury goods, leading to substantial market growth fuelled by an influx of global brands. International luxury brands, including Maison Margiela and Time Vallée, made notable entries into the Indian market in the first half of 2024.
- The increasing demand from tier-II and III cities, coupled with the rise of e-commerce platforms, is further enhancing the accessibility and popularity of luxury products nationwide.

D2C brands keen to explore offline retail

- The direct-to-consumer (D2C) sector is experiencing robust growth, driven by increased e-commerce and internet penetration, improved last-mile logistics, and a rising consumer base of millennials and Gen Z.
- To harness this growth, D2C brands are employing data-driven strategies and focusing on delivering seamless customer experiences.
- A growing number of D2C brands are acknowledging the significance of establishing a
 physical presence alongside their online operations, aiming to offer customers a
 seamless multi-channel shopping experience. Developers are closely monitoring D2C
 brands with a robust online customer base and are actively exploring opportunities to
 venture into offline formats.

Transit retail poised for substantial growth

- Ongoing infrastructure development and increasing passenger traffic present significant opportunities for the expansion of transit retail nationwide.
- While airports are witnessing considerable development, much of the retail potential at other transit hubs—metros, railways, highways, and bus stations—remains untapped.
- India's ambitious plan to expand its airport infrastructure to 300 airports by 2047, driven by expectations of substantial passenger traffic growth, underscores this potential, according to a draft plan by the Airports Authority of India (AAI).
- Consequently, transit retail, across highways, metro stations, and railway stations, in addition to the fairly-established airport retail, is poised for sustained growth.

^{*}The Rise of Affluent Indians, Goldman Sachs Research, February 2024

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