# Growthpoint Properties Australia

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space to thrive.



# Growthpoint snapshot

as at 30 June 2024

### Growthpoint Properties Australia | AUM \$6.0b | 66 assets



AUM **\$1.6b** | 30 assets



Melbourne Airport, VIC



Office

AUM **\$3.0b** | 28 assets



Newstead, QLD



307 Queen Street, Brisbane, QLD

#### Retail

AUM **\$1.4b** | 8 assets



Rundle Place, Rundle Mall. Adelaide. SA



Cammeray Square Cammeray, NSW

Directly held \$4.4b

Rental & co-investment income \$313.7m

Third party \$1.6b

Management fee income \$8.0m



# Strategic highlights in FY24

Direct property portfolio



c.108,000 sqm of leasingcompleted across the directportfolio, representing 11.0%of portfolio income

Occupancy of 95% and 5.7-year WALE

Achieved positive industrial re-leasing spreads of 31%

Completed the sale of 1-3 Pope Court, Beverley, SA for \$35.0m, c.15% above the Jun-23 book value Financial and capital management



Delivered FFO of 23.9 cps, above guidance,

distributions of 19.3 cps in line with guidance

Gearing of 40.7%, around the midpoint of target gearing range 35%-45%

Extended \$470 million of bank debt, c.20% of total bank debt facilities, on favourable terms

Funds management



Sustainability



Disciplined approach to capital market transactions

in a challenging environment.

Narrowing bid/ask spreads
across various sectors is
encouraging for FY25

Focussing on core industrial, counter-cyclical office and opportunistic retail assets for institutional and wholesale investors

On track to achieve Net Zero Target by 1 July 2025

Issued a further \$500m of sustainability-linked loans, bringing the total on issue to \$1,020m, exceeding all targets to date leading to interest margin reductions

Maintained high portfolio average NABERS ratings, including NABERS Energy rating of 5.2 stars



# Direct property portfolio – key metrics

# Total property portfolio

Total portfolio value

\$4.4b

30 June 2023: \$4.8b

Occupancy

95%

30 June 2023: 93%

**WACR** 

6.3%

30 June 2023: 5.6%

WALE

5.7 years

30 June 2023: 6.0 years



# Office portfolio

Modern A-grade portfolio located predominantly across the Eastern seaboard in key fringe and metro locations with high green credentials and c.40% of income derived from Government tenants

Office portfolio value

\$2.8b

30 June 2023: \$3.1b

Occupancy

92%

30 June 2023: 90%

**WALE** 

6.1 years

30 June 2023: 6.3 years

**WACR** 

6.5%

30 June 2023: 5.7%



# Industrial portfolio

Modern logistics and warehouse portfolio with c.70% of assets located on the Eastern seaboard close to transport hubs and urban population centres, underpinned by quality tenants such as Woolworths and Australia Post

Industrial portfolio value

\$1.6b

30 June 2023: \$1.7b

WALE

4.9 years

30 June 2023: 5.4 years

Occupancy

100%

30 June 2023: 100%

**WACR** 

6.0%

30 June 2023: 5.4%



### Office leasing

92% occupancy (30 June 2024), up from 90% (30 June 2023)

**Key metrics** 

6.4 years

average new lease term

3.6% WARR<sup>1</sup>

46,834 sqm

of leasing completed

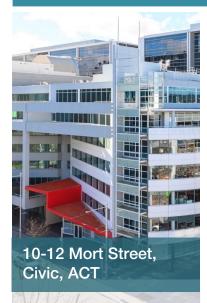
12.5%

of office income leased

7.9/10

Landlord satisfaction score, #1 relative to 11 peers<sup>2</sup>

#### Leasing highlights



<sup>15,398</sup> sqm

Australian Commonwealth Government

5.0-year term (renewal)



4,328 sqm

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

10.6-year term (new lease)



33-39 Richmond Road, Keswick, SA

4,771 sqm

**South Australian Government** 

10.0-year term (new lease)

Over 70% of leasing completed during FY24 was to Government and listed tenants

#### Office leasing success

33% increase in number of leases signed and 46% increase in office space leased





- 1. Weighted average rent review. Assumes CPI change of 3.8% per annum as per June 2024 ABS release.
- 2. Tenant engagement survey conducted by property research specialists Brickfields.



## Industrial leasing

FY24 re-leasing spread of 31%<sup>1</sup>

Average letting up period for FY24 – c.1.5 weeks

**Key metrics** 

6.0 years

average new lease term

3.7%

WARR<sup>2</sup>

60,794 sqm

of leasing completed

7.9%

of industrial income leased

7.6 /10

Landlord satisfaction score, #2 relative to 11 peers<sup>3</sup>

#### Leasing highlights



28,100 sqm

#### Laminex

5.0-year term (extension)



13,625 sqm

TSS Sensitive Freight

10.0-year term (new)



8,461 sqm

Team Global Express

5.0-year term (extension)



34-44 Raglan Street, Preston, VIC

6,236 sqm

**Chemist Warehouse** 

3.0-year term (new)

- . Net effective basis relative to prior passing rent.
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- 3. Tenant engagement survey conducted by property research specialists Brickfields.



# Growthpoint Australian Logistics Partnership (GALP)

#### Key investment highlights:

- Industrial fund partnership formed, with a global institutional capital partner to acquire a circa 80% interest in a portfolio of six existing Growthpoint industrial assets at book value
- Net sale proceeds of \$181 million, with 30 June 2024 pro forma gearing to reduce by 2.0% to 38.7%
- Special distribution of 2.1 cents per security (cps) forecast subject to completion of the transaction
- As part of the transaction, the capital partner will acquire a circa overall 80% interest in six Growthpoint industrial assets in line with 30 June 2024 book values. Growthpoint entities will hold the remaining circa 20% interest and will be the investment and property manager.













# Growthpoint Canberra Office Trust (GCOT)

#### Key investment highlights:

#### High-yielding asset

- 9.0% average distributions<sup>1</sup>
- 88% income from Government tenants<sup>2</sup>

#### Deep value buying

- Purchasing at c.\$4,626/sqm¹
- Replacement cost 80% higher and peak valuation 44% higher than purchase price

#### Proven leasing ability

 8,379 sqm leased since May 2023

#### Brown to Green Energy Pathway

- Electrification and Net Zero<sup>3</sup> by 2028
- Targeting 4.0 star to 5.5 star NABERS Energy rating by 2029

#### **Strong Market Fundamentals**

 Canberra CBD vacancy at 9.5%, equal lowest of major Australian office markets

### Growth in public sector driving office demand

 Government staffing levels expected to increase by c.9% in 2024-25<sup>4</sup>

- 1. Forecast/ estimate as at 1 January 2025. All returns are quoted post asset management fees, and pre performance fees.
- 2. Includes Government funded/affiliated tenants.
- 3. Base building. Strategy is based on net zero operational carbon emissions and does not include embodied carbon emissions.
- 4. Commonwealth of Australia Budget 24-25, Budget Paper No. 4, Agency Resourcing



## Key real estate drivers

Real estate fundamentals strong, with high occupancy, limited supply and ongoing population growth underpinning demand

# Population Growth

Underpins demand for all real estate asset classes

+615,000 people added in past 12 months

Expected to continue at +300,000-500,000 per annum



# Underlying high occupancy rates

Across all asset classes (ex-office)

GOZ portfolio occupancy (at 30 September 2024)<sup>1</sup>

• Office: 91%

• Industrial: 98%



# Limited new supply

Due to cost and labour implications driving increases in economic rents of +65% in some sectors



# Interest rates

Expected to remain elevated by forecast to decrease 60-90bps in 2025



Transaction volumes demonstrate >30% from foreign investors with Singapore and Japan most active







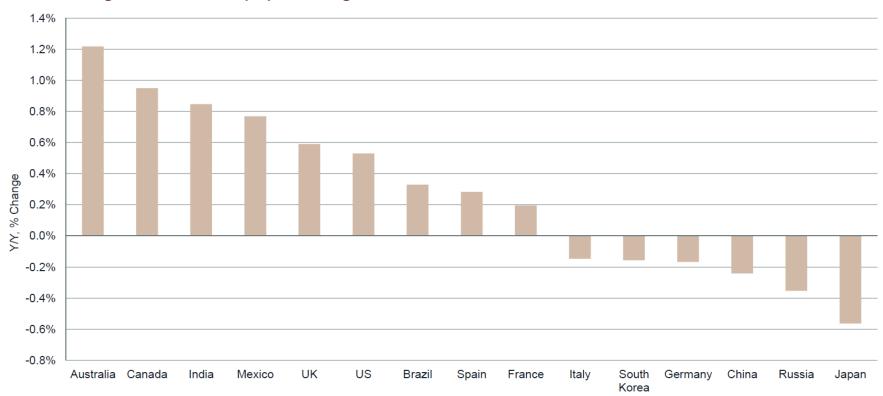


# Key real estate drivers

#### Australia has strong population growth forecasts

natural demand driver

#### World's largest economies population growth (2024 to 2029)



Source: Oxford Economics, JLL Research

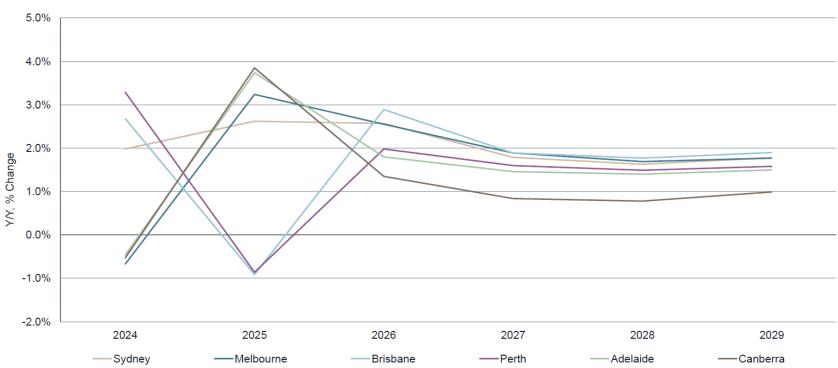


# Key real estate drivers

#### Population growth flows through to employment

- positive for office demand

#### City-level office aggregate employment growth (2024 to 2029)



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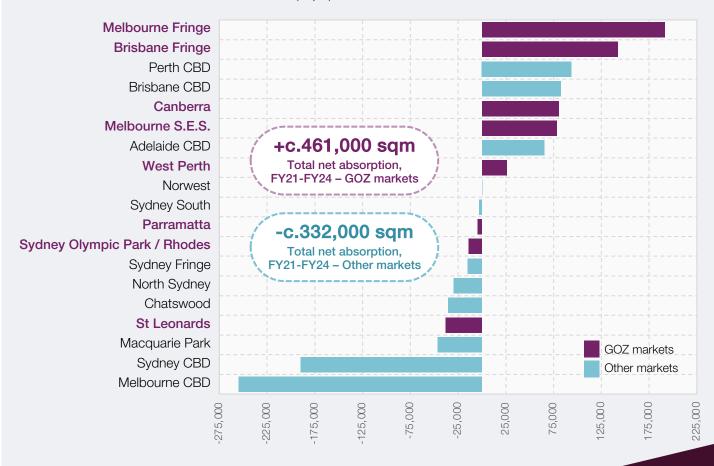


# Strong demand in Growthpoint office markets

- Demand in Growthpoint markets has consistently outperformed other markets over the last four years
- Brisbane fringe and Melbourne fringe have recorded the highest net absorption across all national office markets over the last four years
- Growthpoint exposure in these markets is over 50% of the office portfolio by value
- Flight to quality evident in Growthpoint markets as occupiers seek well located, highly green-credentialed, modern office space close to amenities

Growthpoint markets net absorption consistently outperformed other markets over the last four years by c.800,000sqm

Net absorption – Growthpoint markets vs other markets FY21-FY24 <sup>1</sup> (sqm)



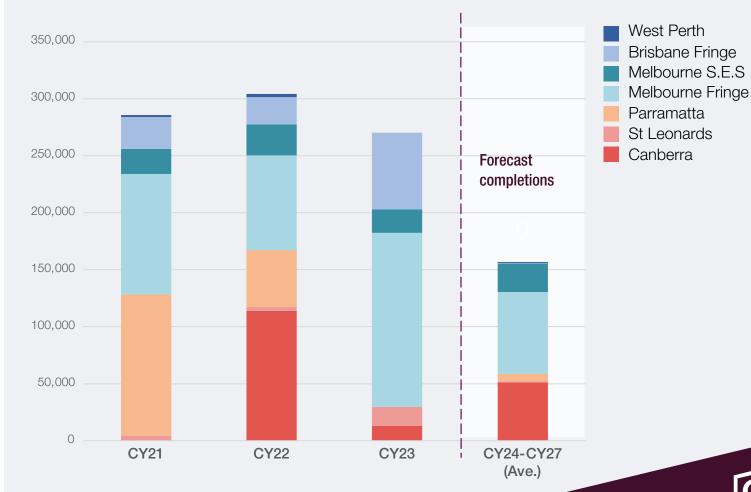


# Office supply in Growthpoint markets

- High construction, labour and finance costs are deterring new supply, most notably in fringe markets
- Limited supply additions are expected to be exacerbated by large Government infrastructure projects
- Economic rents for new developments have increased considerably in recent years
- CBRE estimates economic rent in Sydney CBD has increased 44% from \$1,418/sqm in Jun-20 to \$2,038 in Jun-24

# Forecast office supply in Growthpoint markets is trending lower

#### Supply in Growthpoint markets <sup>1</sup> (completions, sqm)





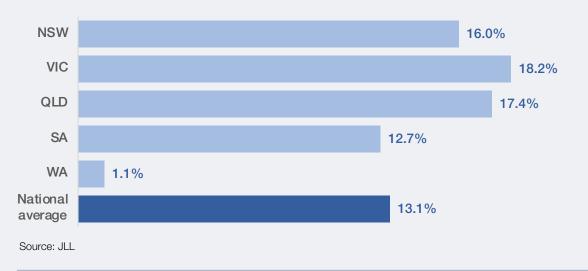


# Industrial markets remain strong

- Demand is being supported by growth in the logistics and warehousing sectors, with leasing activity in the Melbourne and Sydney markets remaining strong
- Demand-supply imbalance has left most markets with limited relocation options for occupiers
- Face rent growth remains strong, but incentives have increased modestly in some markets from historically low levels
- Forecast population growth of 1.4% p.a.<sup>1</sup> remains supportive of industrial markets
- The national average vacancy rate remains low at 1.9%<sup>2</sup> and well below the long-term average

#### Industrial prime net face rent growth

(12 months to 30 June 2024)





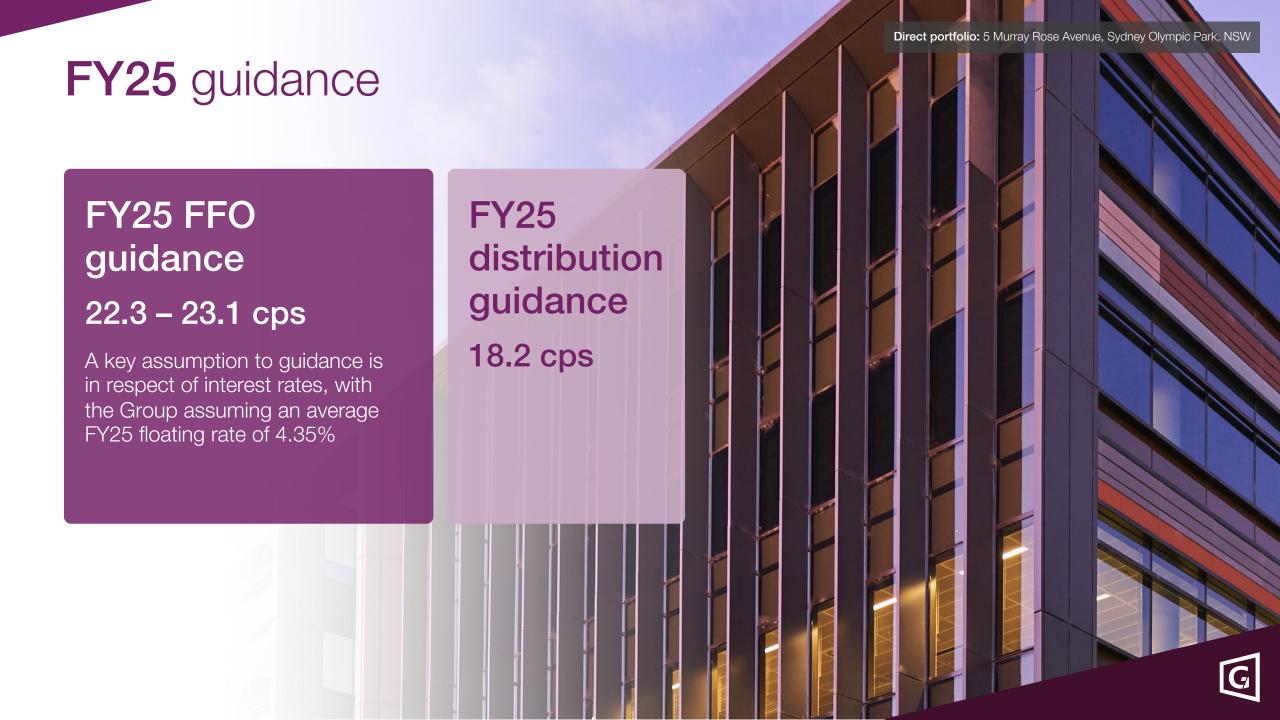


Source: CBRE Research



<sup>1.</sup> RBA Statement on Monetary Policy 6 August 2024.

<sup>2.</sup> CBRE.





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