

Hotel Transaction Almanac 2019

For the year 2018



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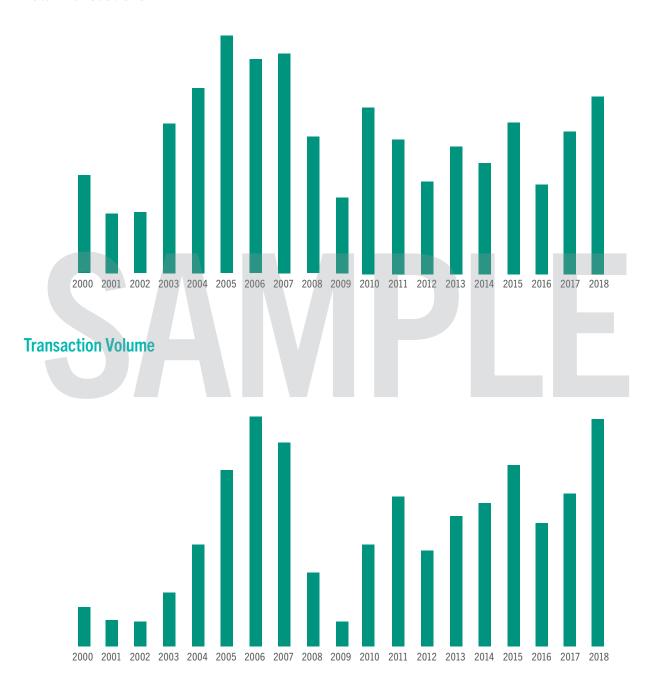
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Overview

Total Transactions



It was a very active year for hotel transactions in 2018. In fact, it was the best year in terms of transaction activity this cycle, and the best since 2007. The number of U.S. hotel transactions increased 25% over 2017 levels for a total of 707 total sales. The increased sales activity, along with a rebound in average pricing, produced a substantial increase in total transaction volume. Total transaction volume for 2018 reached \$29.5 billion, which was a 49% increase over 2017 levels. The transaction volume in 2018 was the second highest since 2000, only slightly bested by 2006 levels.

The expectations for 2019 hotel transaction volume are for a lower level of activity, and a similar level of asset pricing. Strong projected operating fundamentals should be balanced by increased interest rates and concerns over broader U.S. economic performance in the coming 1 to 2 years.