



# **Lancaster Real Estate Market Overview**

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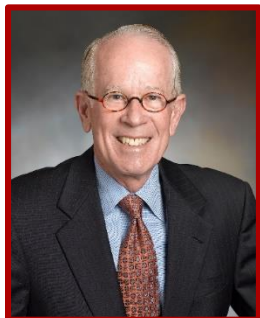
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|                      | 2018 Actual  | 2019 Forecast  |
|----------------------|--|--|
| Total GDP            | 2.9%   | 2.25% to 2.5%  |
| Consumer Price Index | 2.4%   | 1.9% to 2.1%   |
| Unemployment         | January-December   |  |
| National             | 4.1% to 3.9%   | 3.6%   |
| State                | 4.8% to 4.2%   | 4.5%   |
| Lancaster            | 3.6% to 3.4%   | 3.0%   |
| 10-Year Treasury     | 2.65%  | 2.75% to 3.25%   |
| Credit Environment   | Ample availability,<br>competitive rates, looser<br>underwriting, higher LTV | Ample availability,<br>competitive rates, looser<br>underwriting standards |

| Upside Scenario   | Downside Risk   |
|---|---|
| Trade deal with China is reached early in year, removing uncertainty increasing global growth | Increased trade war with China                        |
| Greater growth in European markets  | Messy Brexit, weakening Europe's already tepid growth |
| Stronger productivity growth and less inflation   | Continued volatility in the stock market              |
| More accommodative monetary policy  | Additional Federal shutdown                           |

## ➤ Commercial Banks

- Will be more active for most asset classes
  - Underwriting standards will loosen
  - Loan-to-Value targets will increase (DSCR will be limiting factor)
  - Spreads will tighten
- Regulatory roll back of Dodd-Frank could free up more capital for CRE, increasing competition. (“HVCRE” continue to be an issue for most lenders)

## ➤ Life Companies

- Very active in 2018, continues into 2019
  - Loan portfolios grew by 8.4%, nearly twice the growth rate of all mortgage debt
- Underwriting more conservative than Banks, tighter spreads
- Very active in Multi-family and Office sectors

## ➤ Freddie Mac / Fannie Mae

- Experienced a 24% increase in loan production in 2018 over 2017
- Additional capital available in 2019, which will drive down spreads
- Uncertainty around privatization???

## ➤ Commercial Mortgage Backed Securities (“CMBS”)

- Volume is trending down
- Focus is on large single asset properties

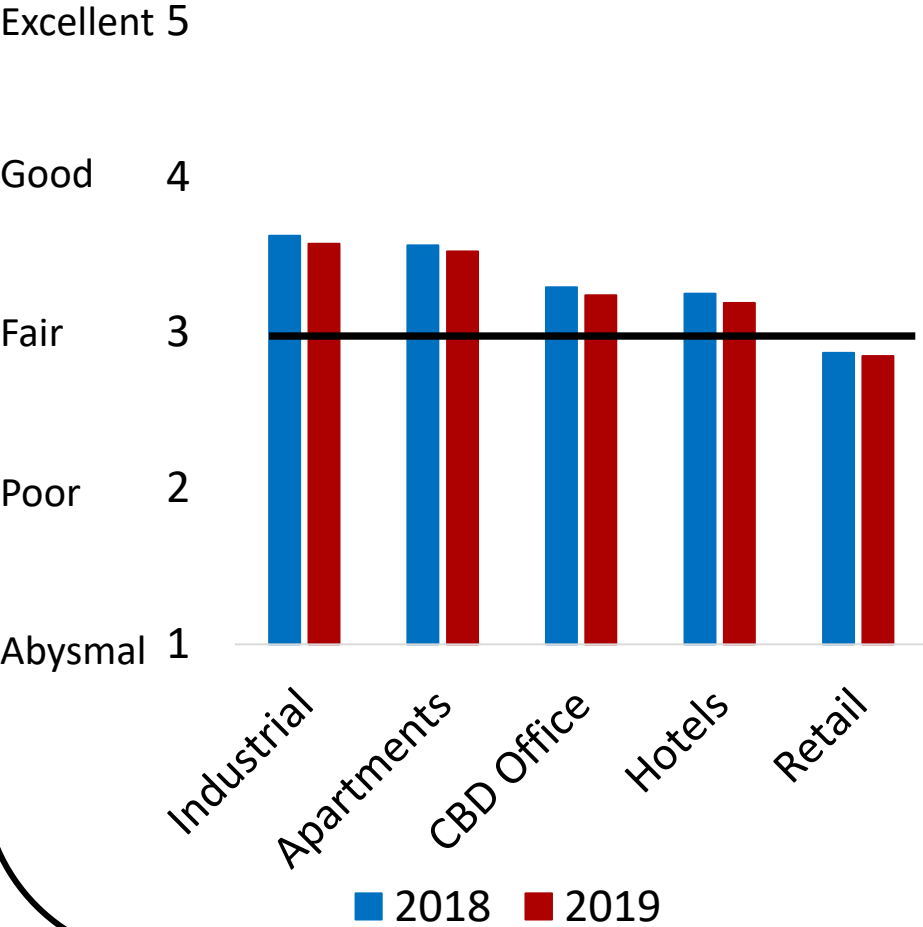
- Transaction volume was up significantly in 2018
  - 14.8% YOY all transactions
  - 4.9% excluding entity level sales
  - Tremendous amount of “dry powder” sitting on sideline
- With exception of International investors, buyers are increasingly moving into secondary/tertiary markets
  - Continue to look for yield and upside
  - Not as “overbuilt” as some primary markets

| Players                     |   | Net Activity 2Q17-2Q18 | 2019 Projected |
|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|----------------|
| Institutional /Equity Funds | Net sellers – all asset types except retail       |                        | ↔              |
| REITS                       | Net sellers – all asset types except industrial   |                        | ↔              |
| International               | Net buyers – all asset types                      |                        | ↔              |
| Private Equity              | Net sellers – all asset types except retail/hotel |                        | ↑              |

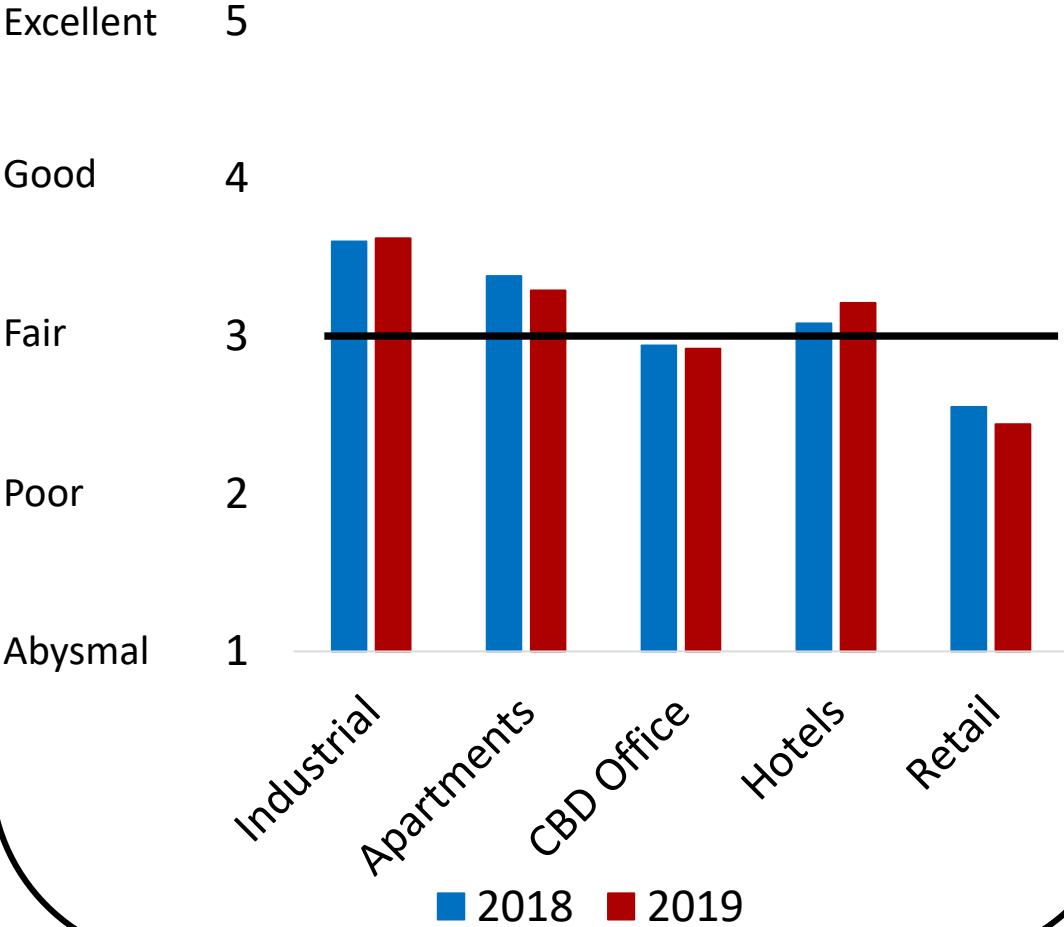


|                     | <b>Max<br/>LTV</b> | <b>Vacancy</b> | <b>Cap<br/>Rate</b> | <b>Spread</b> | <b>10-Year<br/>Treasury</b> | <b>All in Rate</b> |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Residential         | 65-75%             | 5-7%           | 5.0-7.0%            | 1.35-1.95%    | 2.65%                       | 4.00-4.60%         |
| Industrial          | 65-75%             | 5-10%          | 5.5-8.0%            | 1.50-1.80%    | 2.65%                       | 4.15-4.45%         |
| Office Suburban     | 60-70%             | 10-15%         | 7.5-9.5%            | 1.60-1.90%    | 2.65%                       | 4.25-4.55%         |
| Retail (“Anchored”) | 65-75%             | 7-10%          | 6.0-7.5%            | 1.50-1.90%    | 2.65%                       | 4.15-4.55%         |
| Hotel               | 55-60%             | 25-35%         | 7.0-8.5%            | 2.25-2.50%    | 2.65%                       | 4.90-5.15%         |

## Acquisitions



## Development



|                                | Range       | 2018<br>Average | Change<br>from 2017 | BPS    |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------|
| Apartments                     | 3.5 - 8.5%  | 5.16%           | ↓                   | 16 bps |
| Industrial                     | 1.0 – 6.5%  | 4.56%           | ↓                   | 50 bps |
| Limited Service Hotels         | 7.5 – 11.0% | 9.15%           | ↑                   | 15 bps |
| CBD Office                     | 3.0 - 7.5%  | 5.44%           | ↑                   | 29 bps |
| Suburban Office                | 5.0 – 10.0% | 6.63%           | ↓                   | 9 bps  |
| Neighborhood/Community Centers | 4.0 - 9.5%  | 6.70%           | ↓                   | 32 bps |

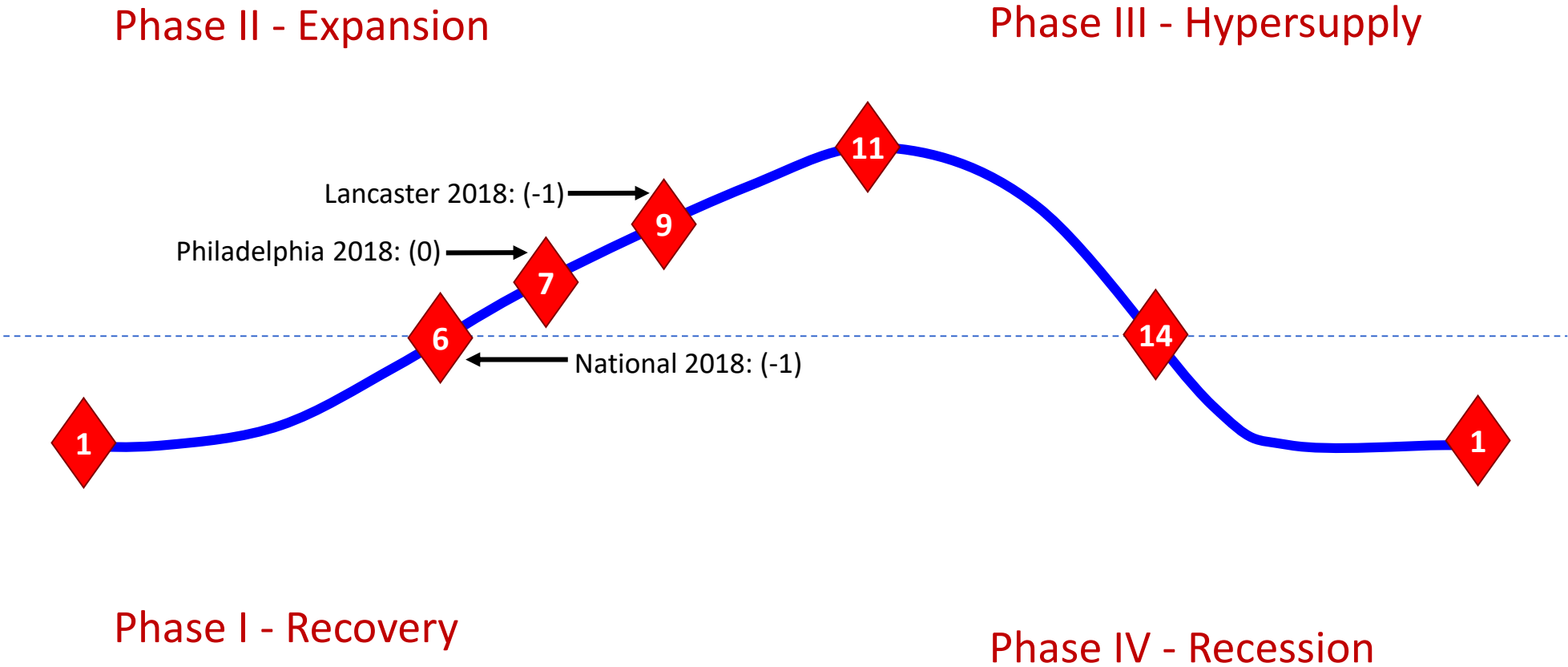
- Cap rates should remain steady, downside risk due to increasing interest rates
- Market fundamentals solid in most sectors
- Equity is abundant, looking for “Core”, “Core Plus” and “Value Added Opportunities” in primary and secondary, and tertiary markets

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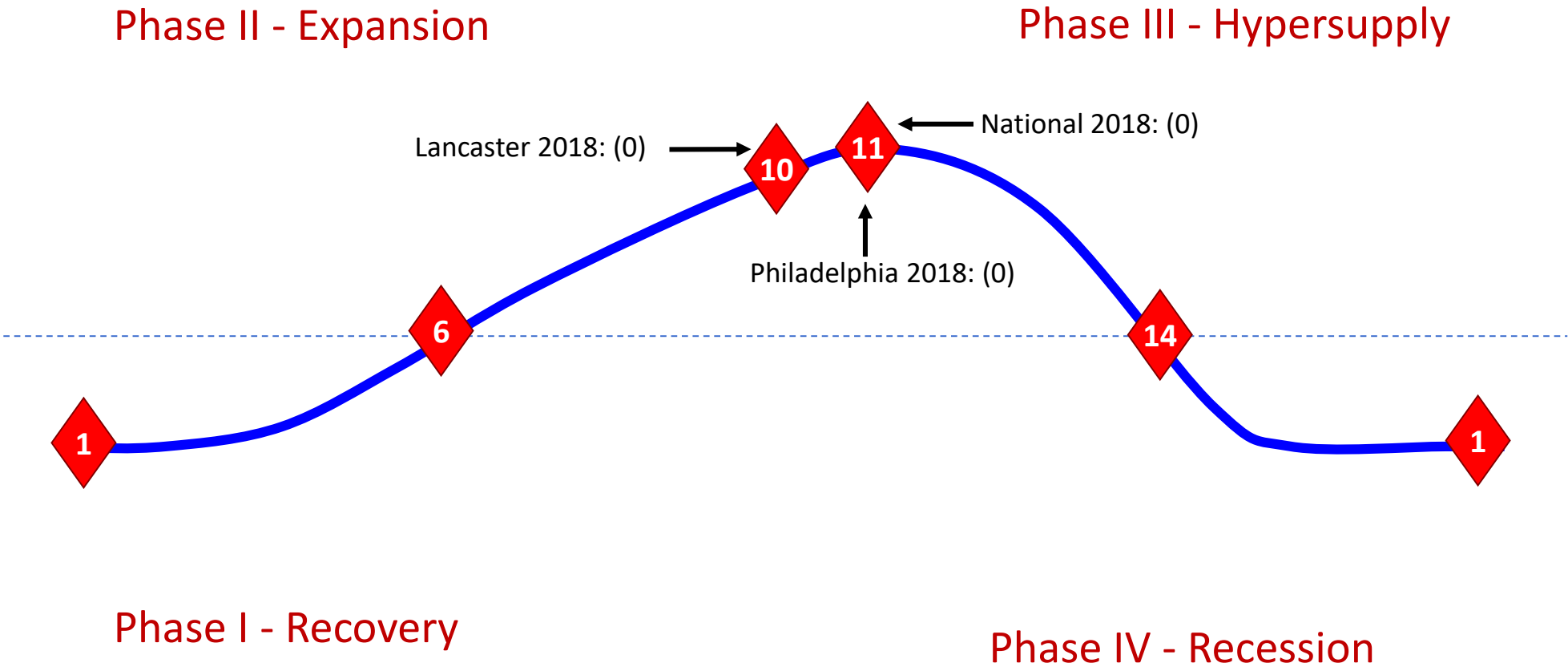
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- Rents grow 2.2% year over year
- Occupancy grew by .1%; growth constrained by full employment
- Higher construction cost is impacting new development
- Design Trends:
  - Successful new projects have close proximity to food, entertainment, and housing
  - Shared office environments, or non-office (WIFI) is the fast growing segment
  - Companies looking at space as extension of their brand in attracting workers
  - 2019 outlook: rents +1.5%, occupancy flat

- Lancaster market sees first sizable expansion in two decades
- Four new projects near completion
  - 2301 Harrisburg Pike: 12,000 SF
  - Citygate Corporate Center: 60,000 SF
  - 101 North Queen: 50,000 SF
  - Lime Spring Penn State/Hershey: 80,000 SF
- Six new Class A projects are proposed totaling 147,744 SF
- Occupancy at an all time high of 94.1% for Class A
- Class A Lancaster market rental rates decreased -0.4% in 2018

Third Quarter 2018





- Rents grew by 5.9% year over year
- Occupancy grew by .2% (95.7%)
  - Supply and demand are at equilibrium
- 35 straight quarters of positive absorption
- eCommerce and final mile continue as key drivers
- A new driver is the legalization of marijuana
- Users are demanding warehouse space where workforce is available
- 2019 outlook: rents +4.2%, occupancy flat

- Lancaster experienced an increase in occupancy and rates, new development in sight
- Two new projects completed or near completion
  - 201 Enterprise, Lititz: 80,000 SF
  - 1897 River Road, Bainbridge: 40,718 SF
- Six projects are proposed, totaling 572,700 SF
- Lancaster market rate increased 6.4%
- Lancaster market rate increased 17.5% for flex

- Research – Primary Research
  - Secondary sources (CoStar, MLS)
  - Owner occupied properties are excluded (e.g. Nordstrom and Urban Outfitters)
- Office – Institutional-grade, for lease (248 buildings, 5.5M SF)
  - Over 5,000 SF in size
  - City of Lancaster, Manheim, East Hempfield, and East Lampeter Townships
- Industrial – Institutional-grade, for lease (378 buildings, 22.3M SF)
  - Over 10,000 SF in size
  - Lancaster County

|                  |                    | 2014     | 2015     | 2016    | 2017    | 2018     | 5-Year Average |
|------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|----------------|
| Class "A" Office | Absorption         | (12,320) | (10,447) | 87,988  | 75,273  | 203,039  | 68,706         |
|                  | Vacancy            | 13.9%    | 14.8%    | 10.9%   | 10.2%   | 5.9%     |                |
|                  | Amount Constructed | 0        | 0        | 28,000  | 0       | 152,000  | 36,000         |
|                  | Available Supply   | 257,044  | 267,491  | 207,503 | 132,230 | 81,191   |                |
| "B/C" Office     | Absorption         | 6,753    | 86,396   | 59,167  | 36,732  | 136,537  | 65,117         |
|                  | Vacancy            | 19.0%    | 15.6%    | 13.2%   | 8.5%    | 5.3%     |                |
|                  | Amount Constructed | 9,700    | 0        | 0       | 0       | 0        | 1,940          |
|                  | Available Supply   | 506,090  | 419,694  | 360,527 | 323,795 | 187,258  |                |
| Business Center  | Absorption         | 14,594   | 18,690   | 14,873  | 32,739  | (20,828) | 12,014         |
|                  | Vacancy            | 14.2%    | 12.6%    | 11.2%   | 13.2%   | 15.8%    |                |
|                  | Amount Constructed | 0        | 0        | 0       | 0       | 0        | 0              |
|                  | Available Supply   | 167,645  | 148,955  | 134,082 | 101,343 | 122,171  |                |

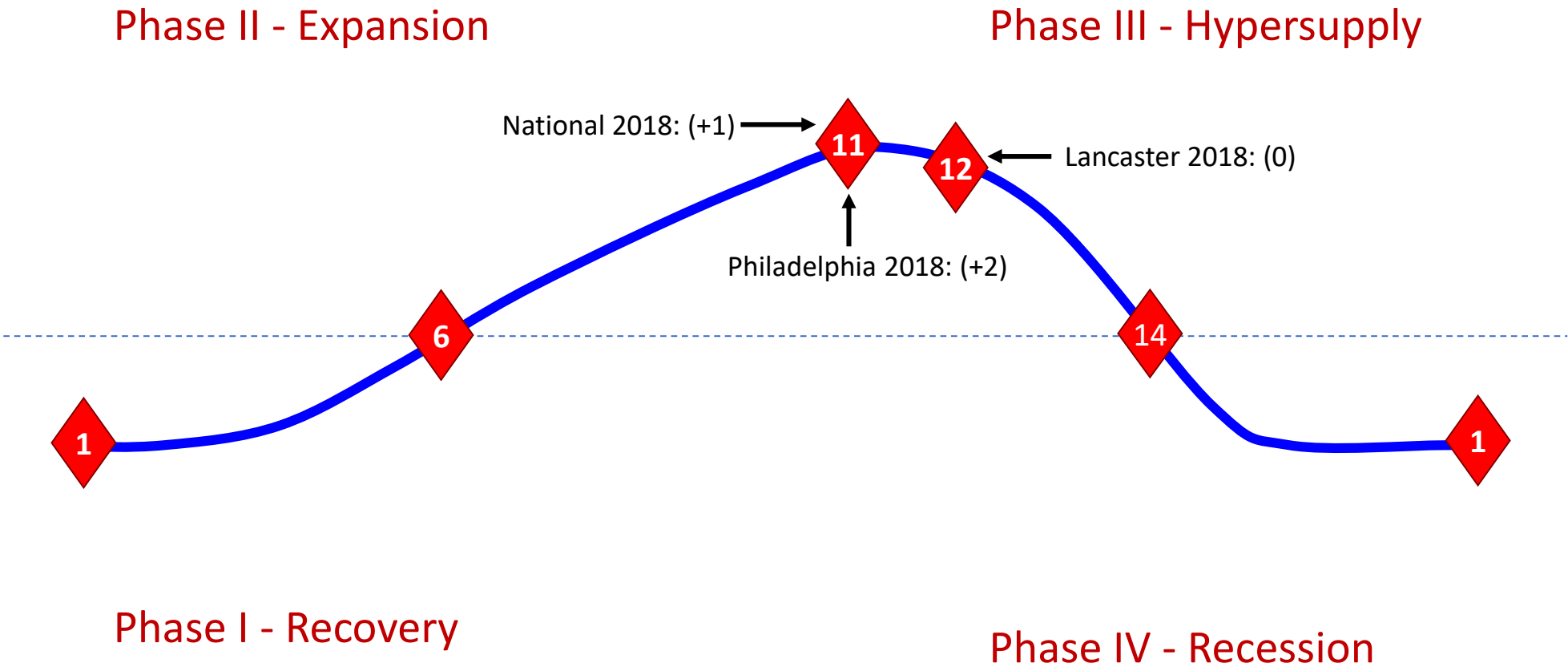
|                  |                    | 2014    | 2015    | 2016      | 2017    | 2018    | 5-Year Average |
|------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|----------------|
| Industrial Space | Absorption         | 549,424 | 223,333 | (232,207) | 552,062 | 109,123 | 240,347        |
|                  | Vacancy            | 6.0%    | 5.7%    | 7.5%      | 3.2%    | 3.5%    |                |
|                  | Amount Constructed | 0       | 186,322 | 199,800   | 0       | 120,718 | 101,368        |
|                  | Available Supply   | 916,024 | 879,013 | 1,311,020 | 758,958 | 770,553 |                |
| Flex Space       | Absorption         | (2,345) | 77,172  | 23,125    | 21,899  | (9,339) | 18,160         |
|                  | Vacancy            | 11.6%   | 12.7%   | 10.2%     | 4.1%    | 4.5%    |                |
|                  | Amount Constructed | 0       | 105,432 | 0         | 0       | 0       | 21,086         |
|                  | Available Supply   | 89,696  | 117,956 | 94,831    | 72,932  | 82,271  |                |

## Steve Evans



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- Technology, is intensifying transformation of retail at a rapid pace
- Free delivery is not free
- The real story behind the headlines: retail is robust and diversifying
  - Adapting to consumer preferences and behavior
  - A tale of two cities: legacy malls and retailers vs. emerging new concepts and anchors
- Supply and demand: in balance in Lancaster?
  - New development: Yes
  - Obsolete retail assets: No, not yet, but it's coming and will take time
- It's a new paradigm with mixed-use, particularly redevelopment

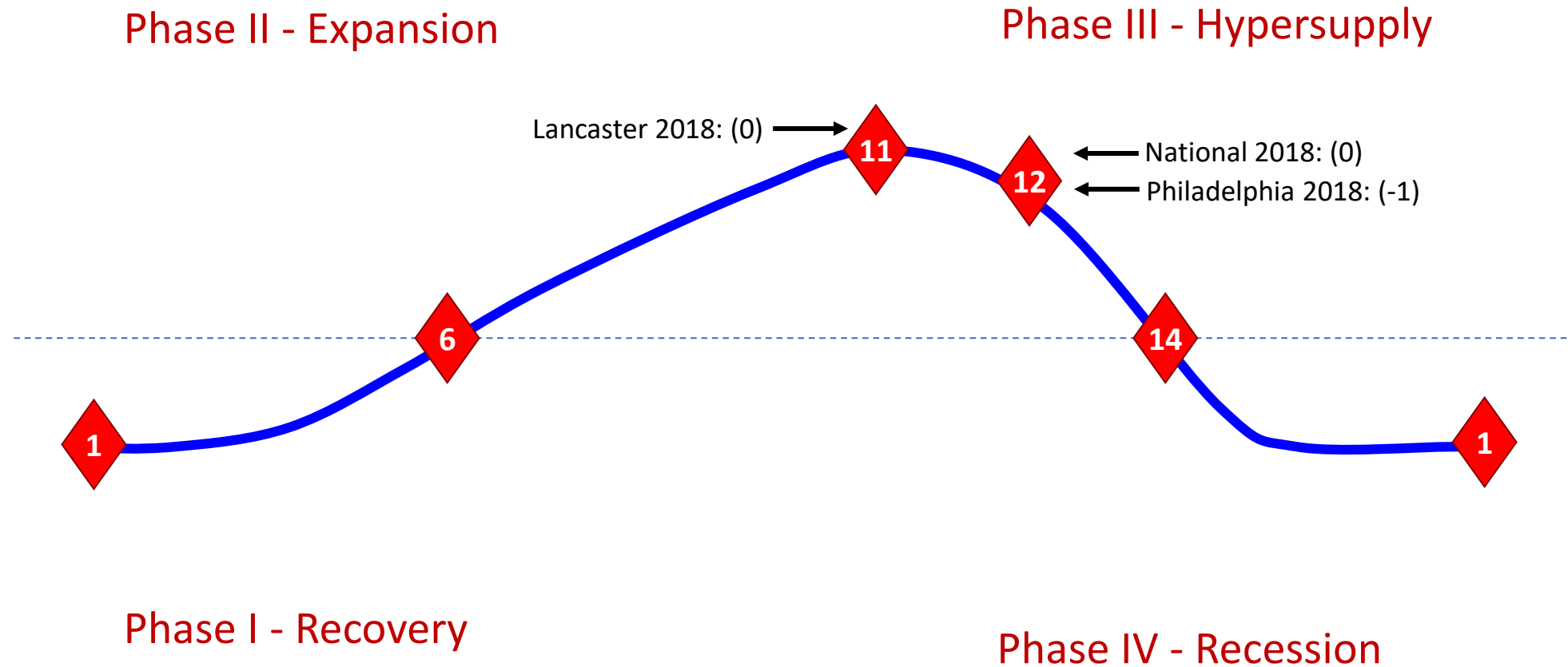


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- Anticipate steady multi-family demand at a national level
  - NMHC & NAA estimate 4.3 million new units needed by 2030 to keep up with demand
- Key demand drivers
  - Tax Cut and Jobs Act, decreases tax incentive for home ownership
  - Shift in household composition
  - Preference for flexibility
  - Affordability major issue, falling vacancy rates in Class B & C communities compounded with rising rents
- Supply constraints
  - Tariffs, rising labor costs & subcontractor availability is increasing construction costs
  - Cautious lenders, decreasing LTC
  - Local land use policy restrict density
- National vacancy rates estimated to increase 30 bps in 2019 after a stronger than anticipated 2018.

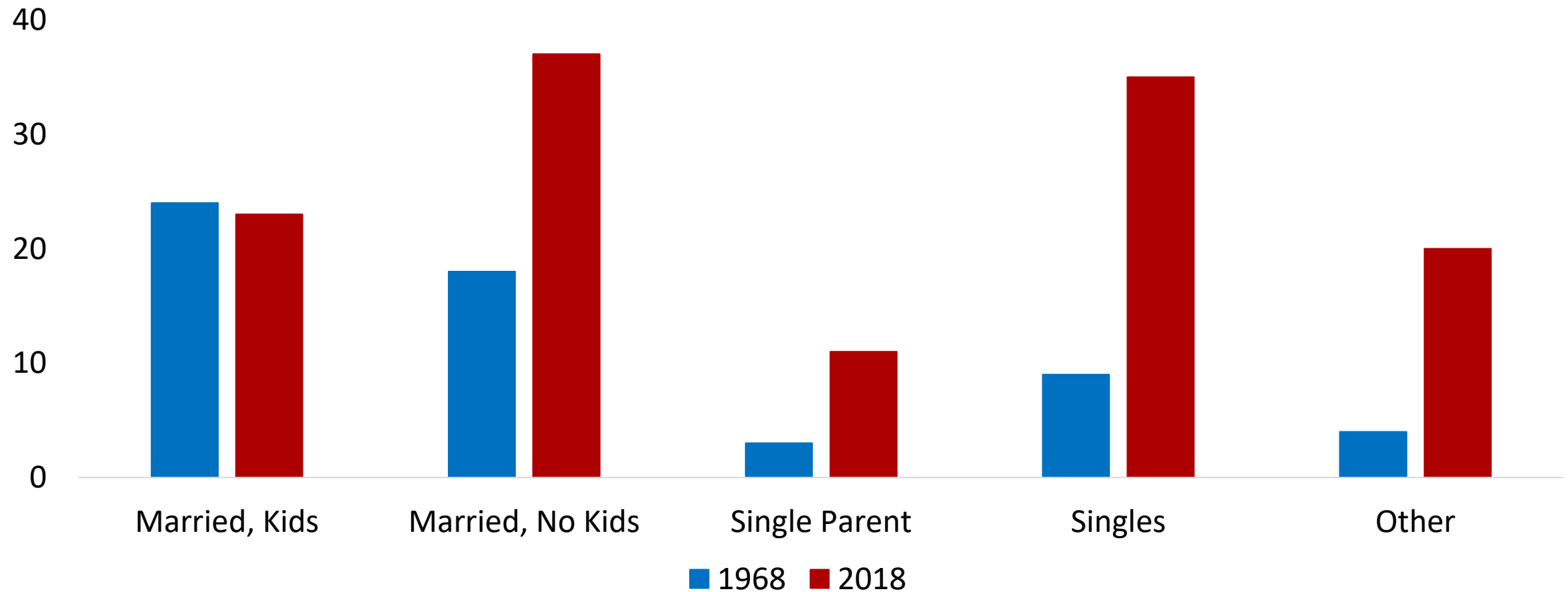
- Tax Cuts and Jobs Act gives renters same federal income tax benefits as many homeowners
  - Single – increased from \$6K to \$12K
  - Married/Joint Filing – increased from \$12K to \$24K
  - \$10,000 cap on local property tax deduction

## Economic tax incentive to own declines with 2018 returns

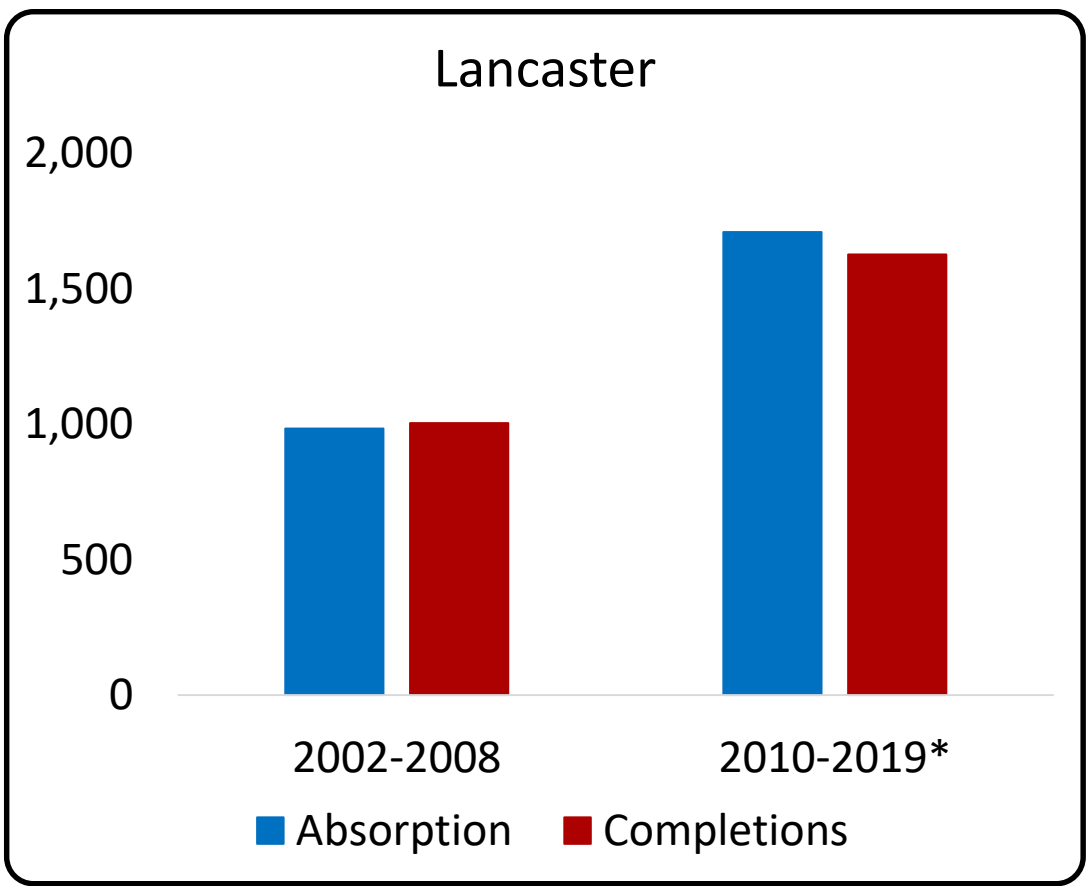
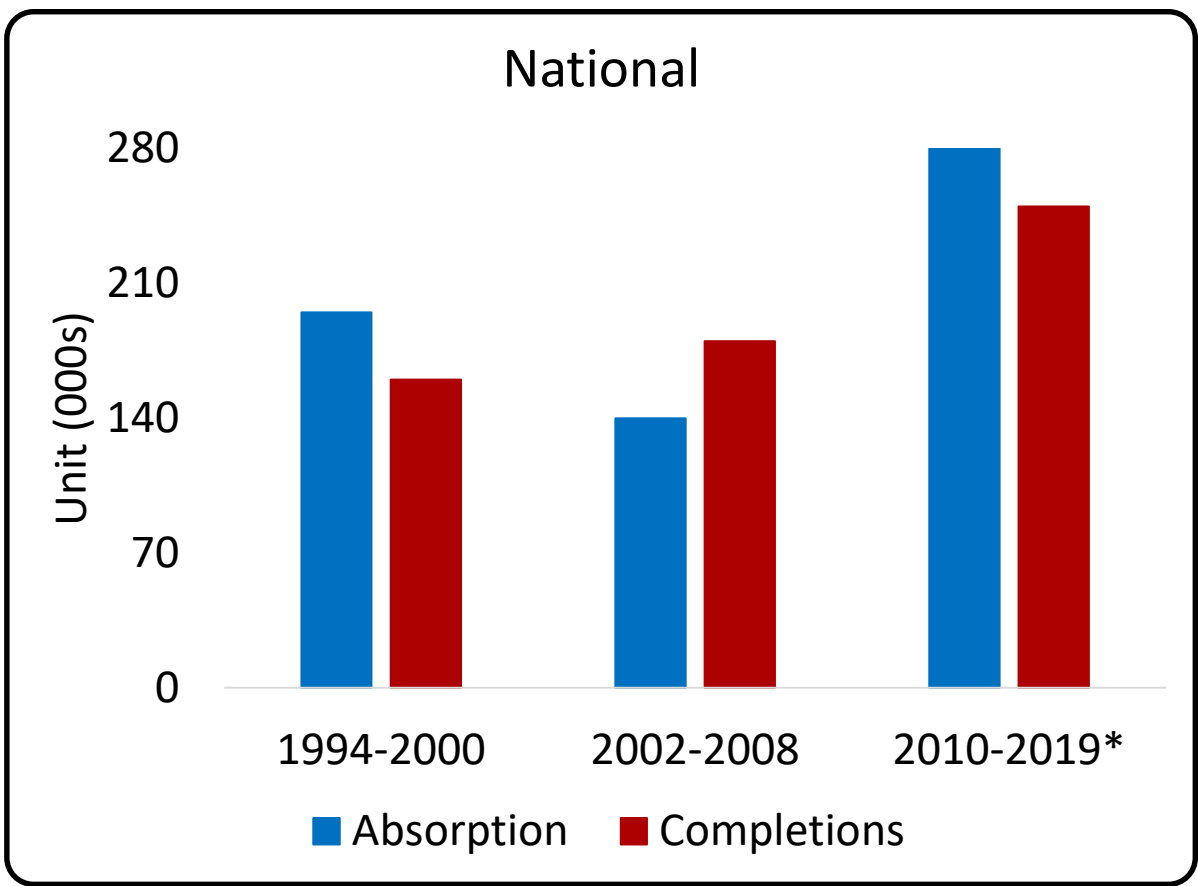
| HOMEOWNER          |            |         | RENTER  |
|--------------------|------------|---------|---|
| Home Value         | \$ 400,000 |         | USE \$80,000 FOR ...<br>vacations, life experiences, education,<br>investments, savings, charitable giving,<br>entrepreneurship, etc. |
| Equity             | 80,000     | 20%     |   |
| Debt               | 320,000    | 80%     |   |
|                    |            |         |   |
| Annual Interest    | 15,200     | 4.75%   |   |
| Taxes              | 8,000      | 20 mils |   |
| Insurance          | 1,000      |         |   |
| Itemized Deduction | \$ 24,200  |         | Standard Deduction \$ 24,000  |
| Monthly payment    | \$ 2,420   |         | Monthly payment \$ 2,100  |

NOTE: This is not intended to be tax advice, see your individual tax advisor for further guidance as it relates to your situation.

## Fundamental Shift in Household Composition (millions)



## Average Annual Absorption Has Kept Up With Supply



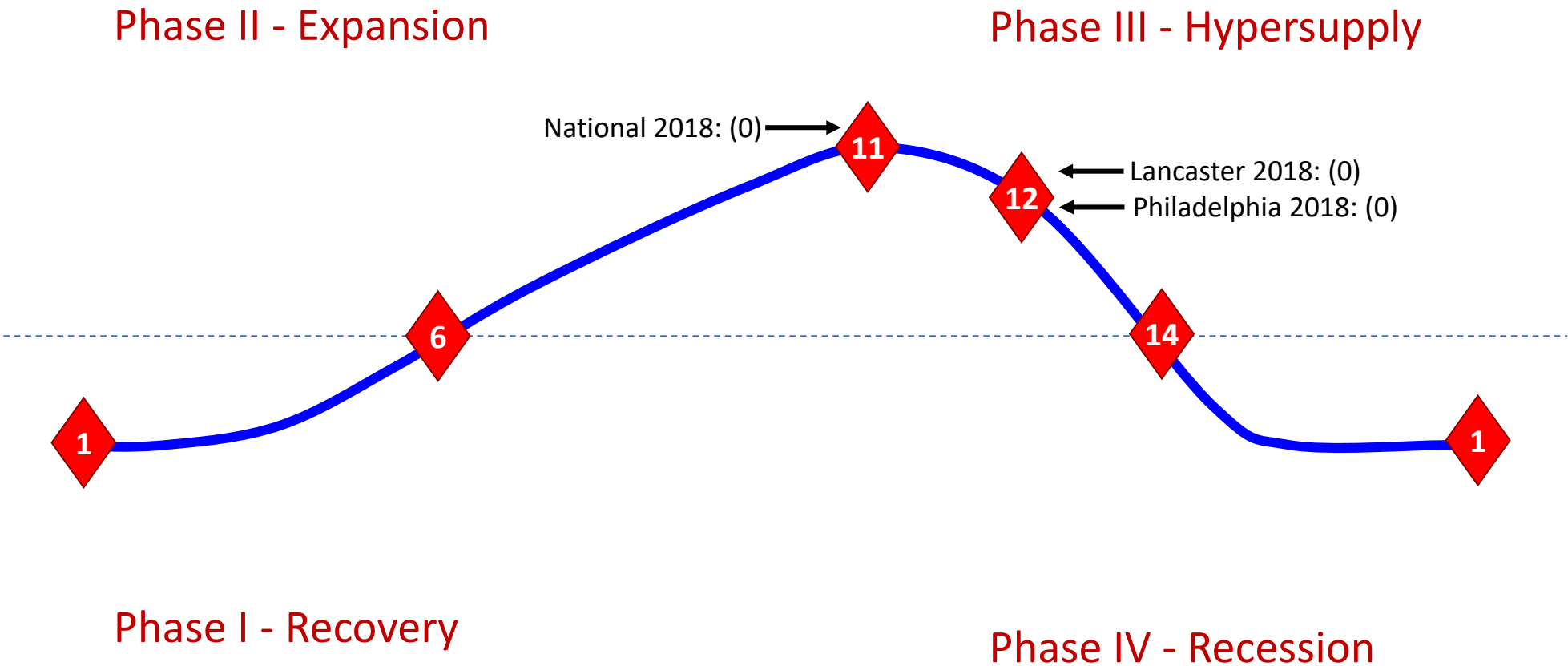
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- Record 2018 Demand
- Current economic expansion vs. last expansion:
  - Slower supply growth
  - Higher demand growth
  - Lower ADR growth - a paradox
- Low unemployment rate is yielding difficult recruiting and high turnover
- Select service hotels dominate
- Big brands continue to flourish: Hilton, IHG, Choice, Marriott
- Margins are tightening as costs are growing faster than REVPAR largely due to:
  - Increasing fees from OTAs (ie Hotels.com) and Brand programs
  - Labor

- Record 2018 Demand
  - Up 5.4% from 2017
  - Tourism is the primary driver
- New Supply is rampant
  - Current hotel supply is 7,741 rooms, growing to 8,851 by 2023
  - New supply includes 11 new hotels, a conversion and an expansion by end of 2020
  - 719 rooms being added in 2019 alone, the largest annual supply increase ever
- Hourly labor market is very tight
- Average rate growth will be muted
- Acute supply/demand imbalance exists for the coming years
  - 4-5 year absorption expected
  - Some replacement of older hotels



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