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# *Market Trends Seminar*

*Post-Brexit Prospects for Property*

*October 26<sup>th</sup> 2016*

# *Your Panel.....*



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- **Marcus Geddes**
  - Head of London Portfolio, Land Securities (Land Economy)
- **James Gulliford**
  - Joint Head of National Investments, Savills (Land Economy)
- **Andrew Hook**
  - Fund Manager, Aviva Investors Property Trust (Law, Real Estate Finance & Geography)
- **Dominic Smith**
  - Head of Real Estate Debt Analytics, CBRE (Geography)

*Agenda.....*



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# *Introduction*

*Steve Mallen*

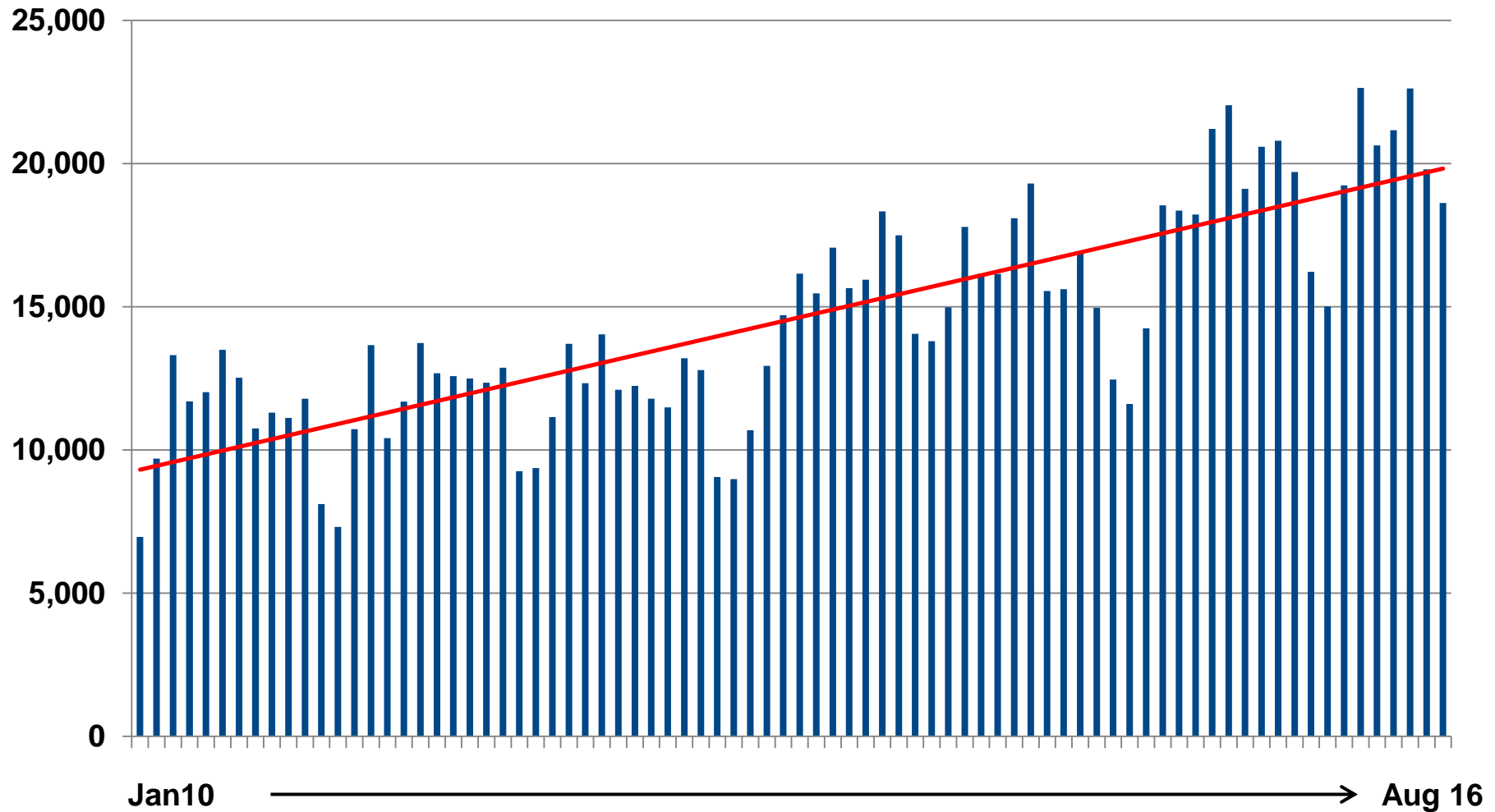
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# *Brexit – Does it matter ?*



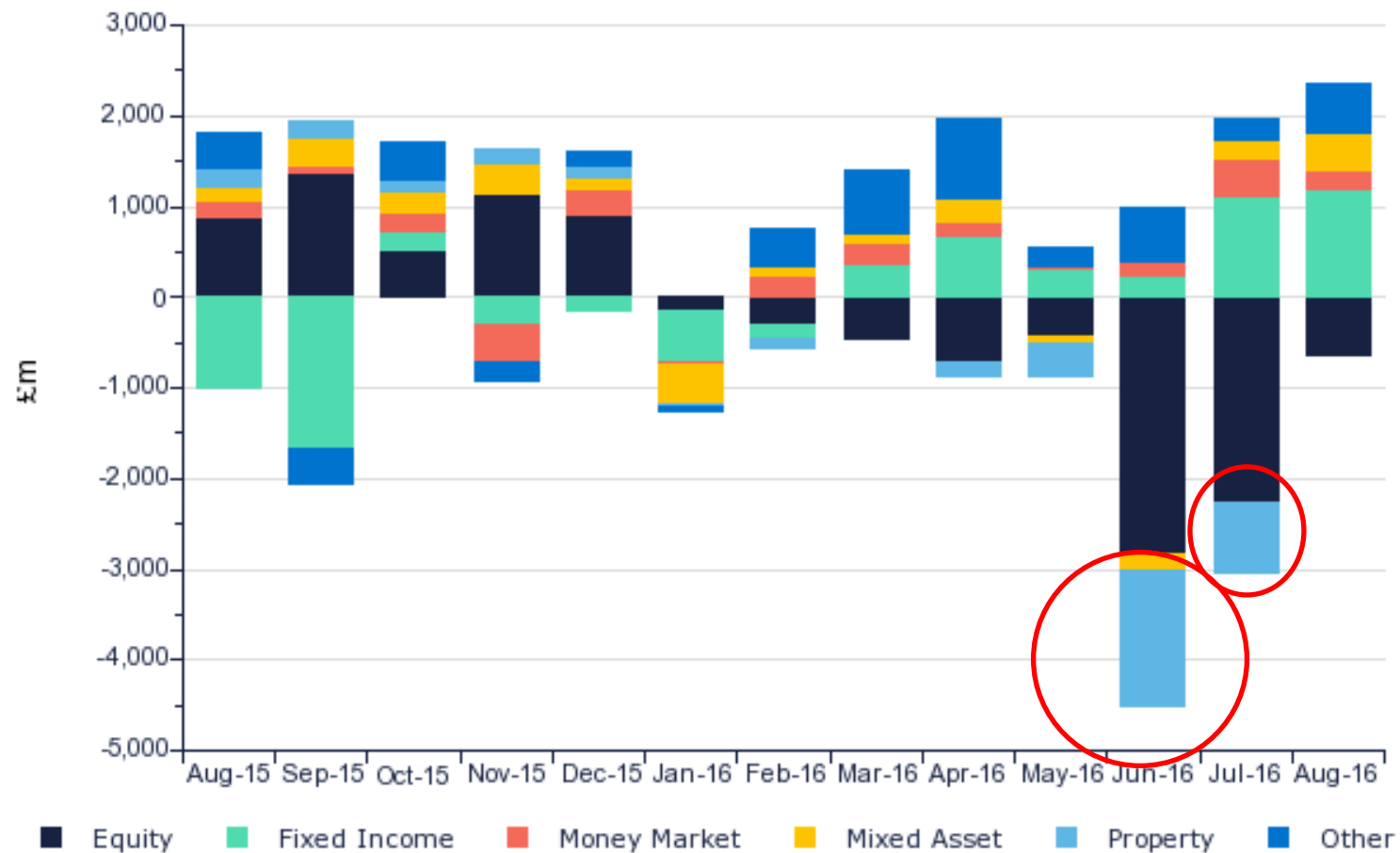
# Total Value of UK Mortgage Approvals



Source: BSA

Steve Mallen

# Retail sales – UK Investment Funds.....



Source: Investment Association

Steve Mallen



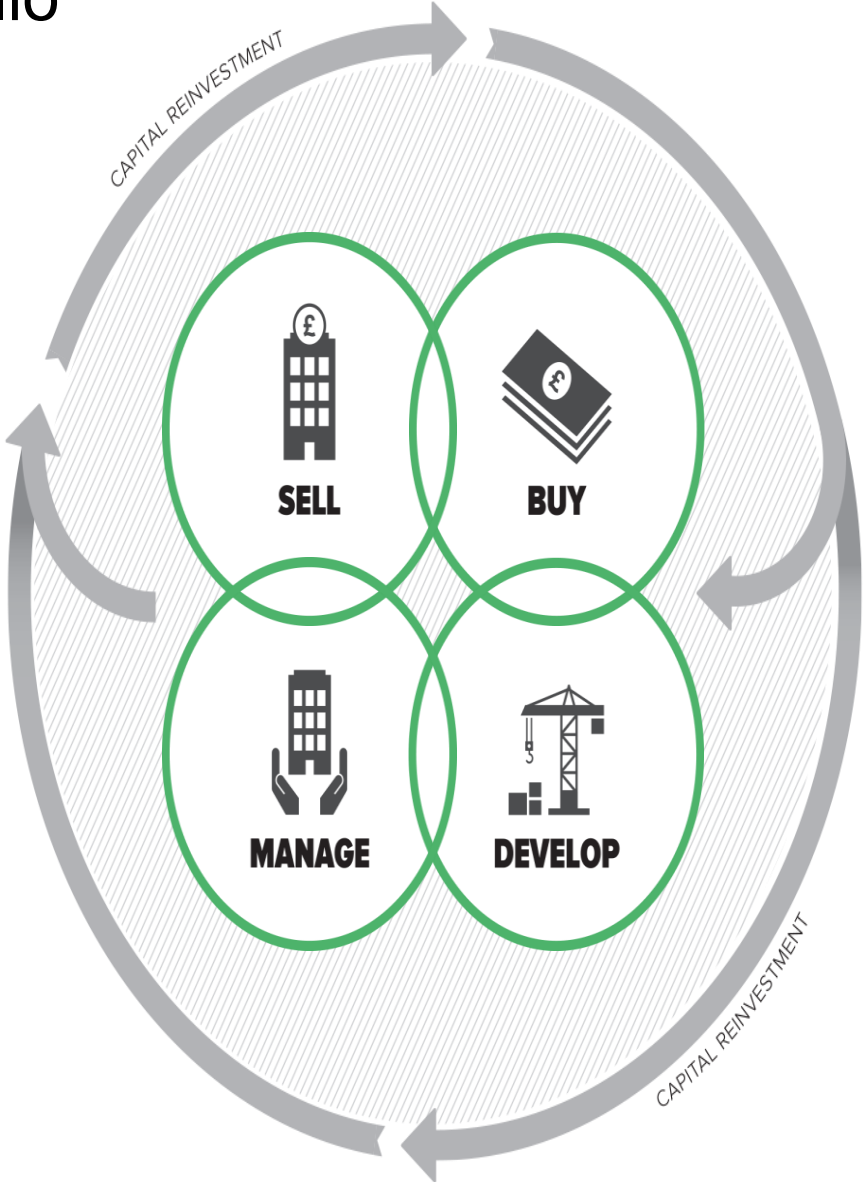
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# Marcus Geddes

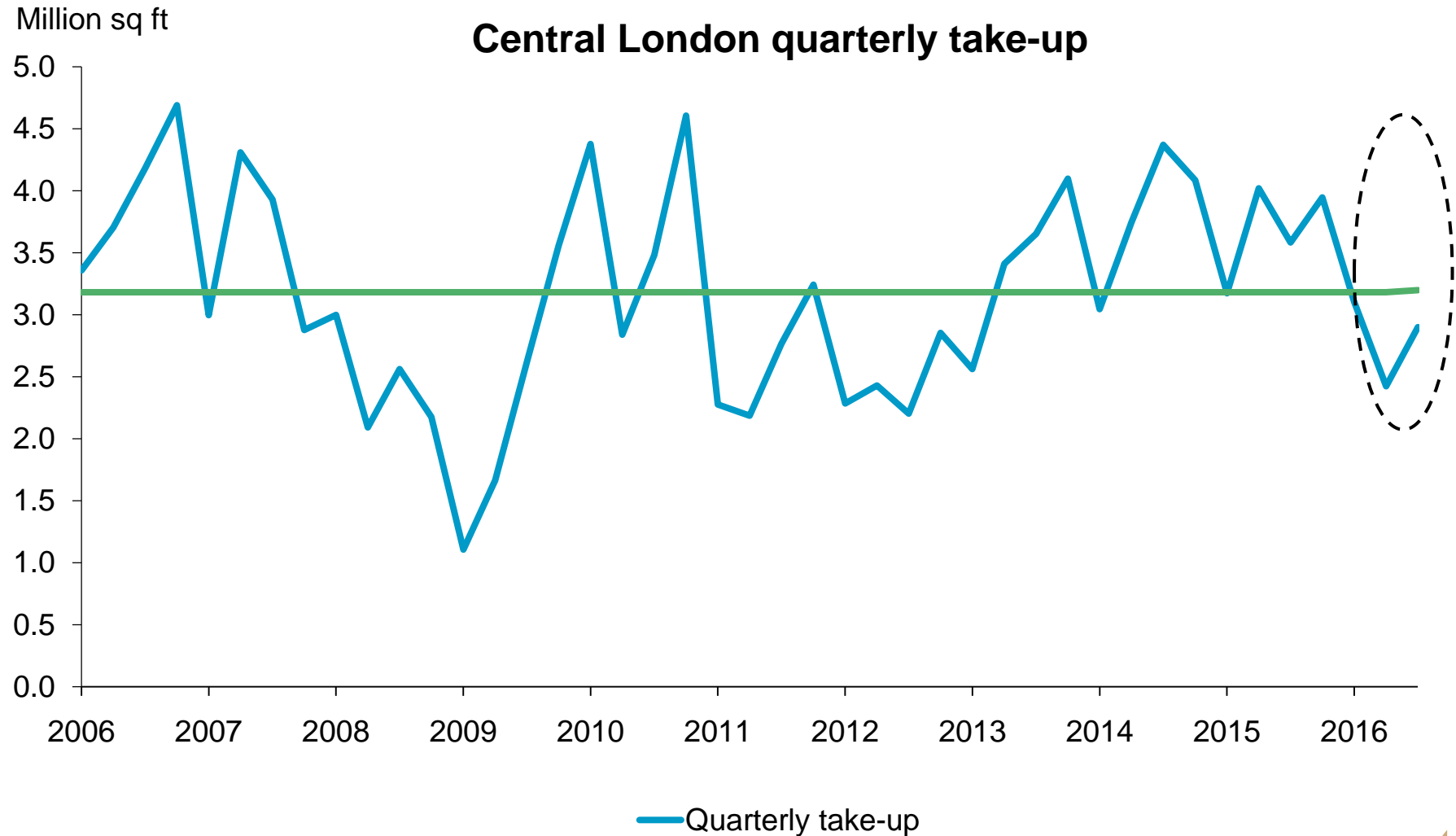
Head of Property, London Portfolio



# London Portfolio

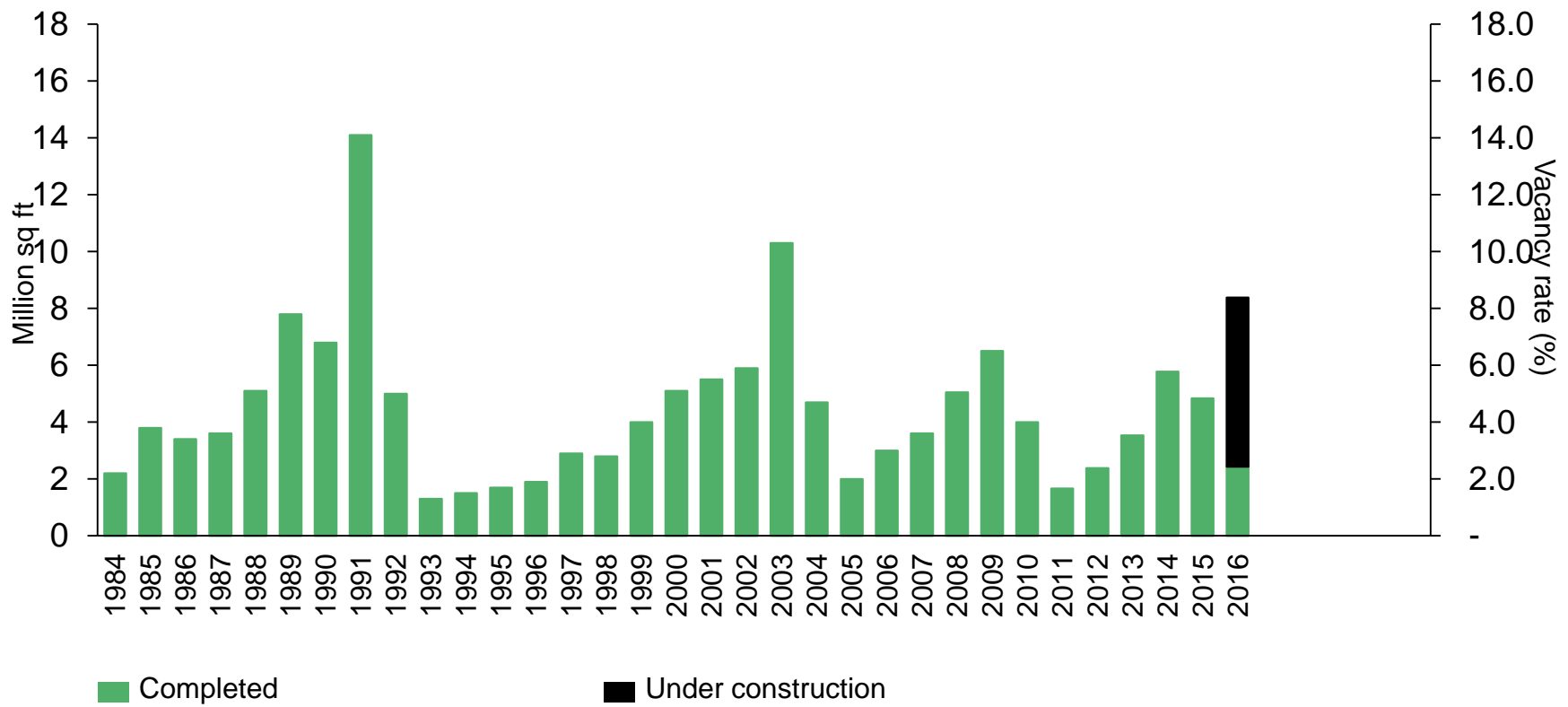


# Take-up falling



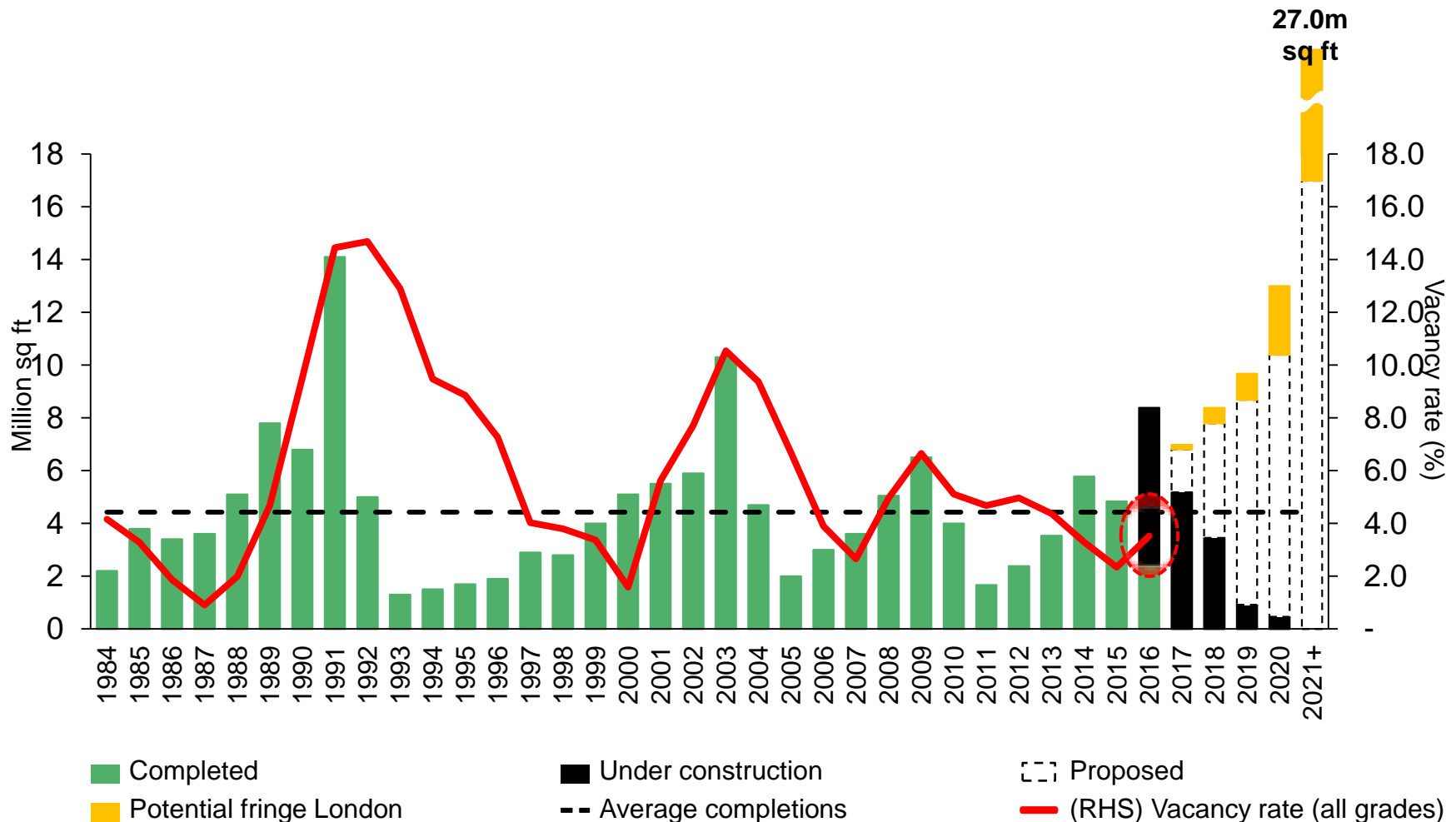
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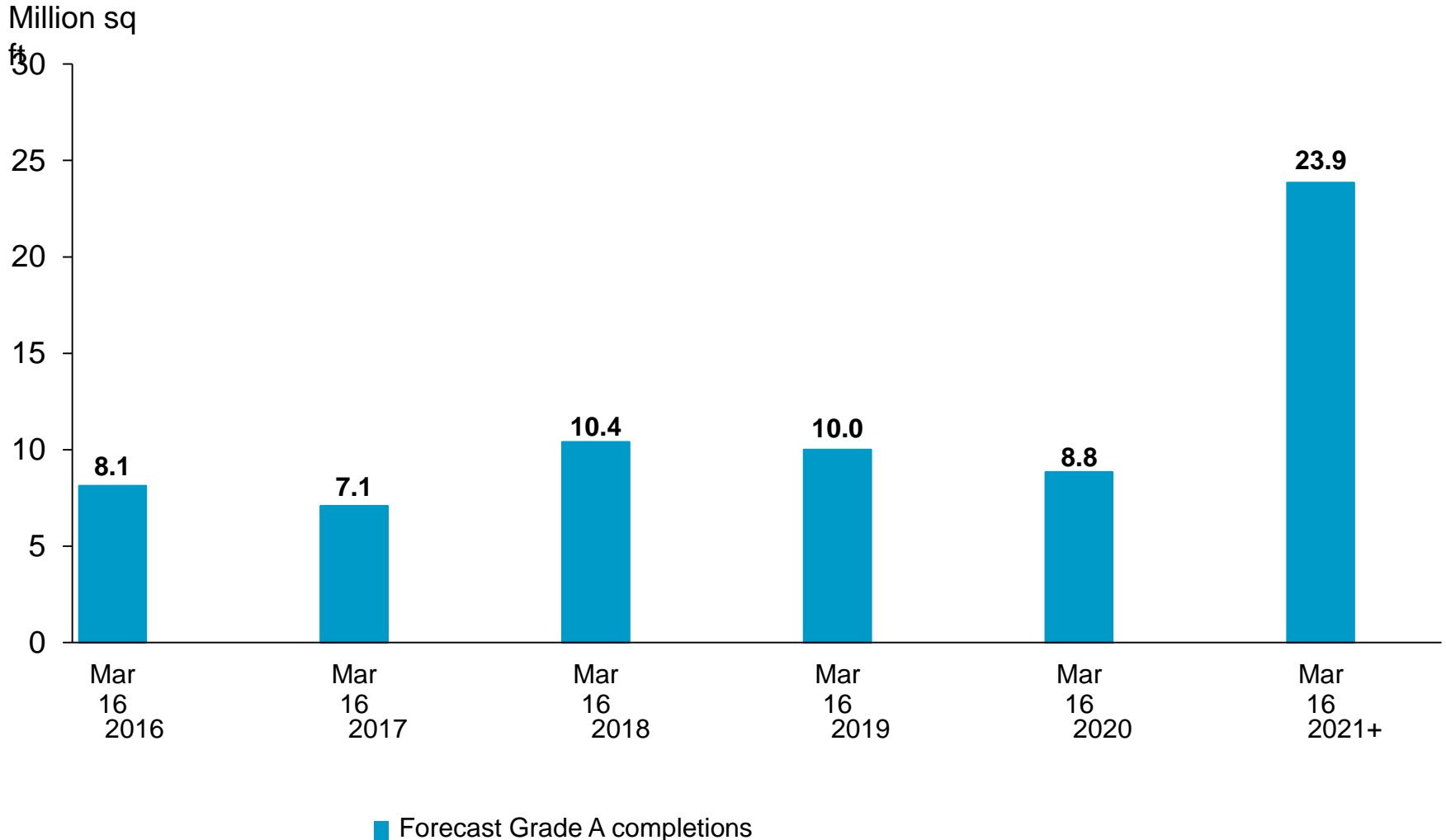


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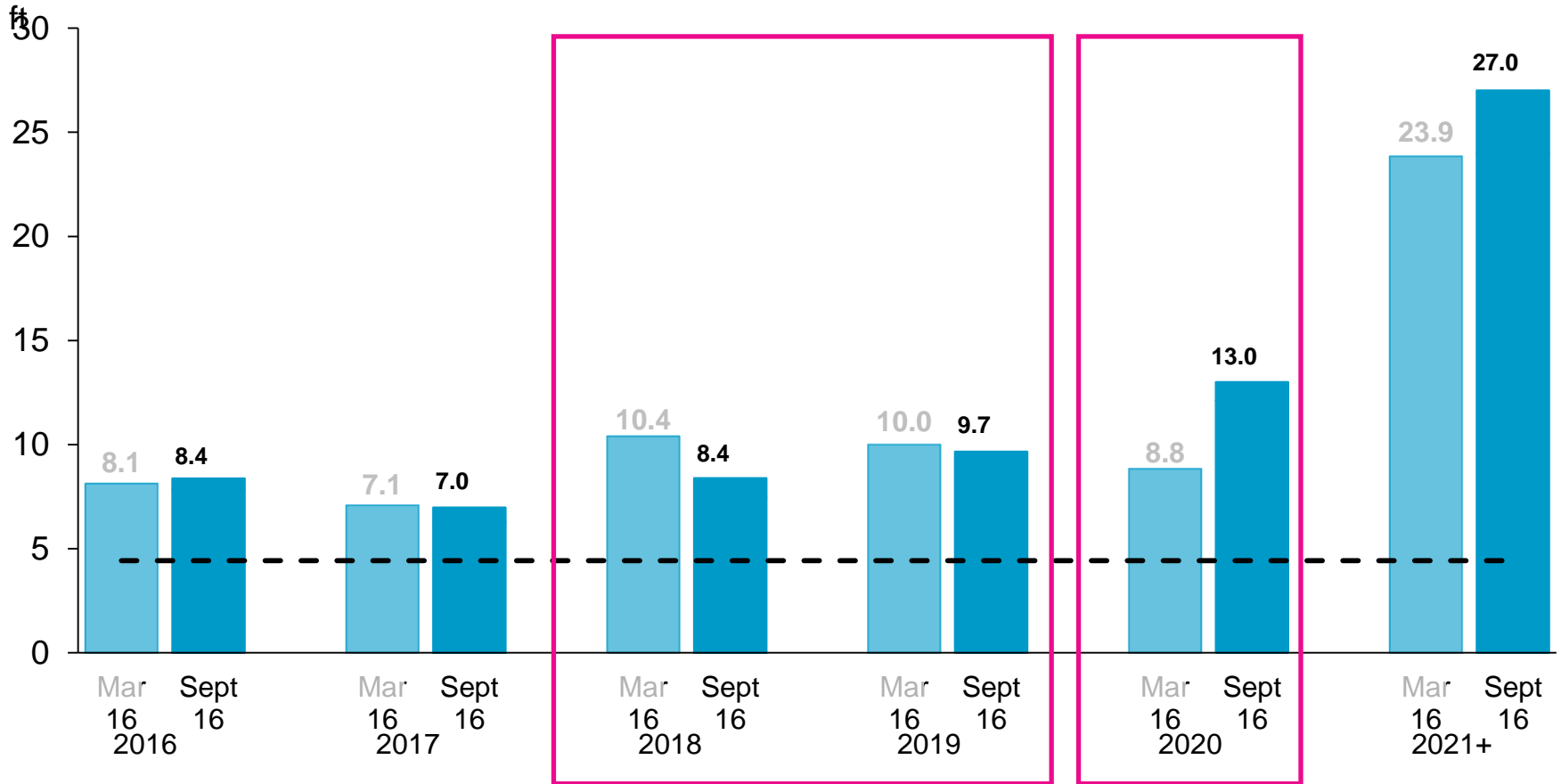


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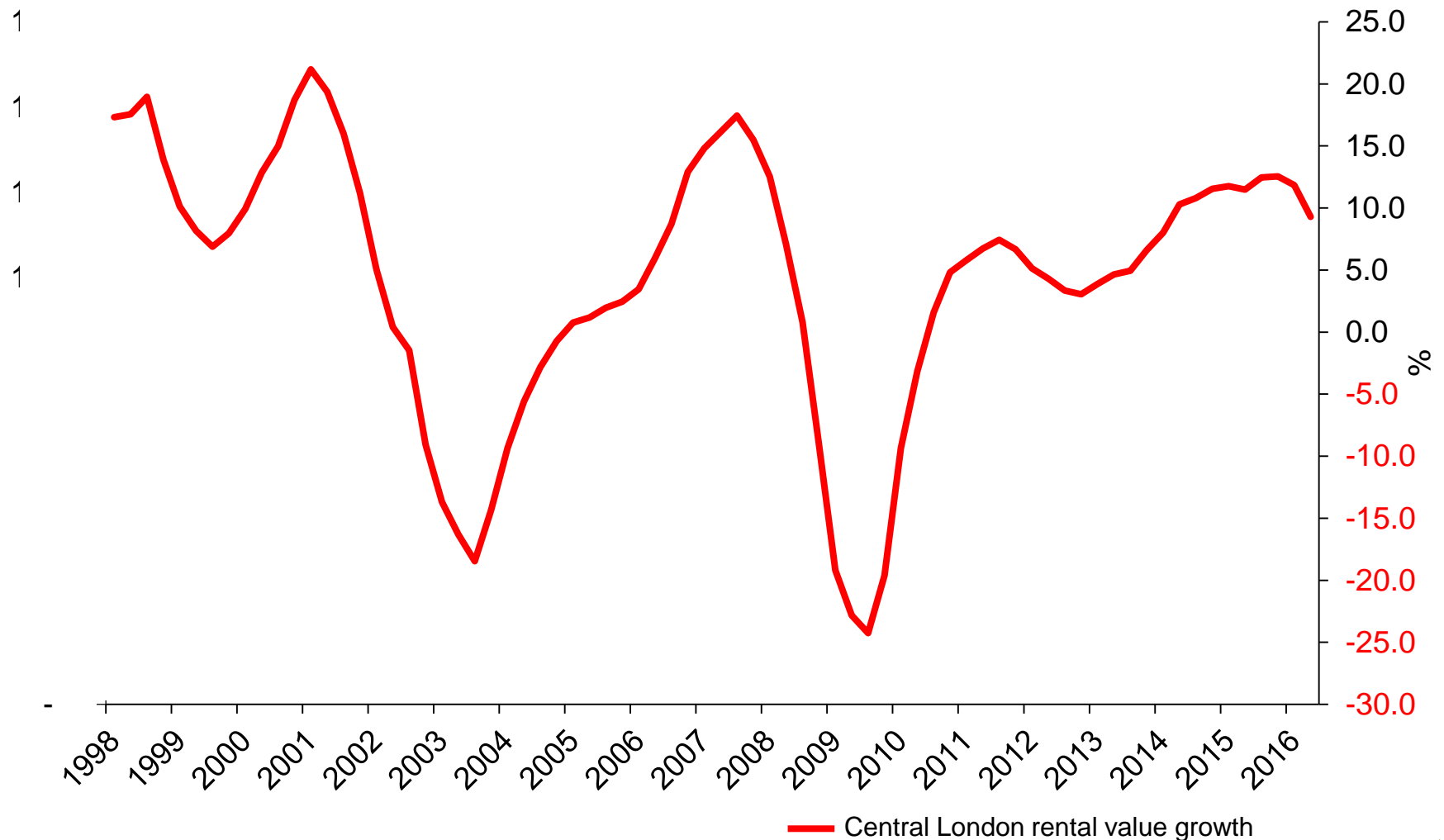
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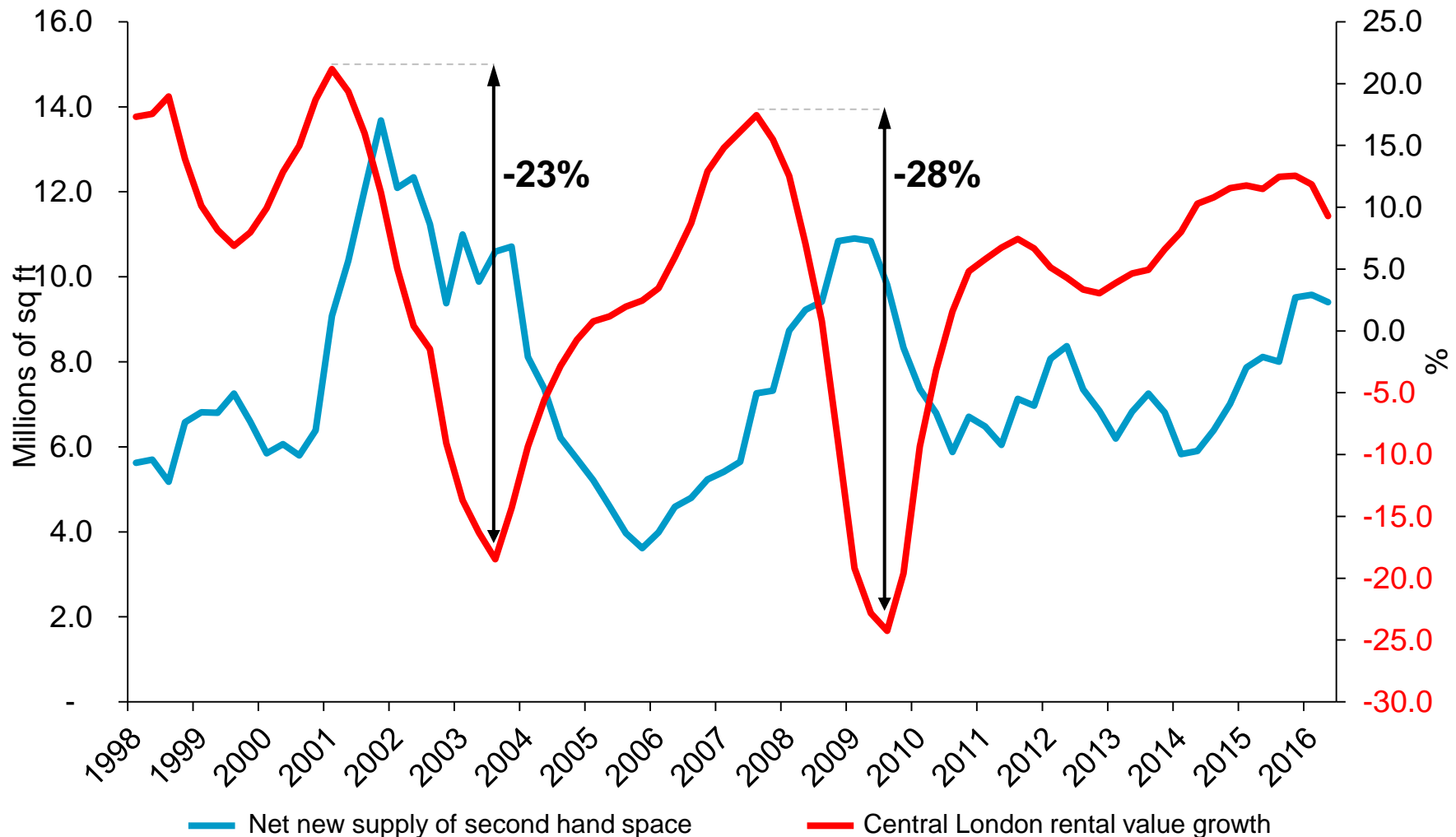
■ Forecast Grade A completions . - - Average completions

# Rents fall as occupiers release space





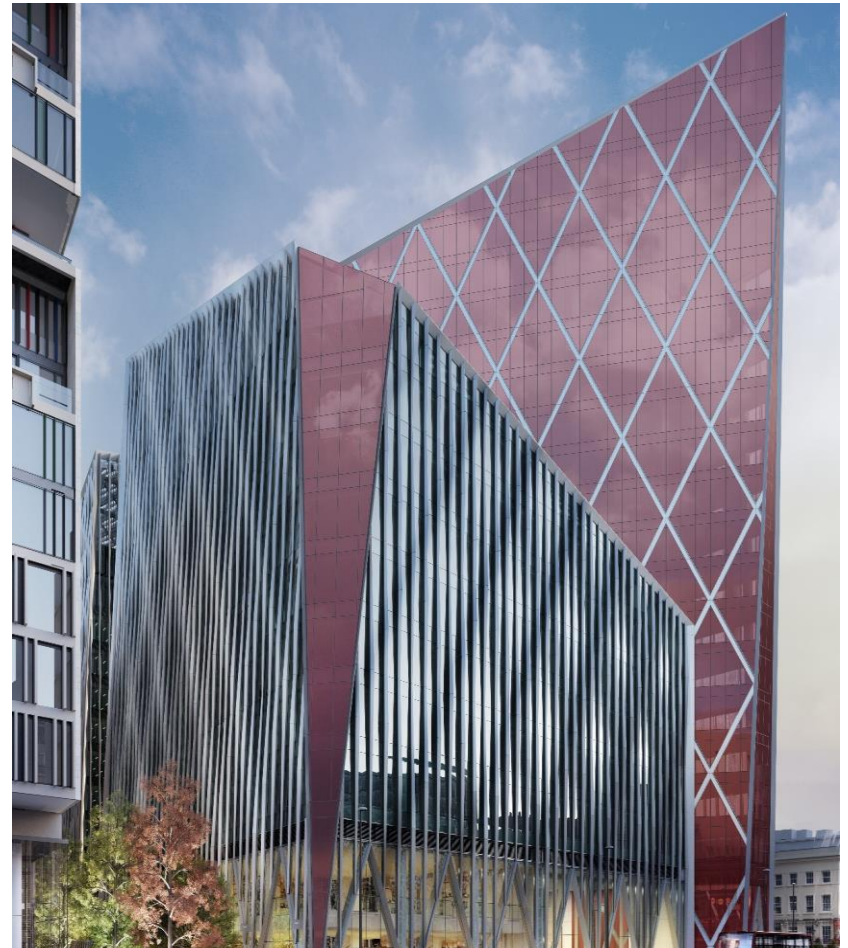
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# Investment Market

- Volumes down 36% compared to Q3 2015\*, slowing ahead to 23 June
- Well let, high quality assets most resilient
- Limited transactional evidence on higher risk properties

\* Rolling 4 quarters year-on-year



Nova South, SW1

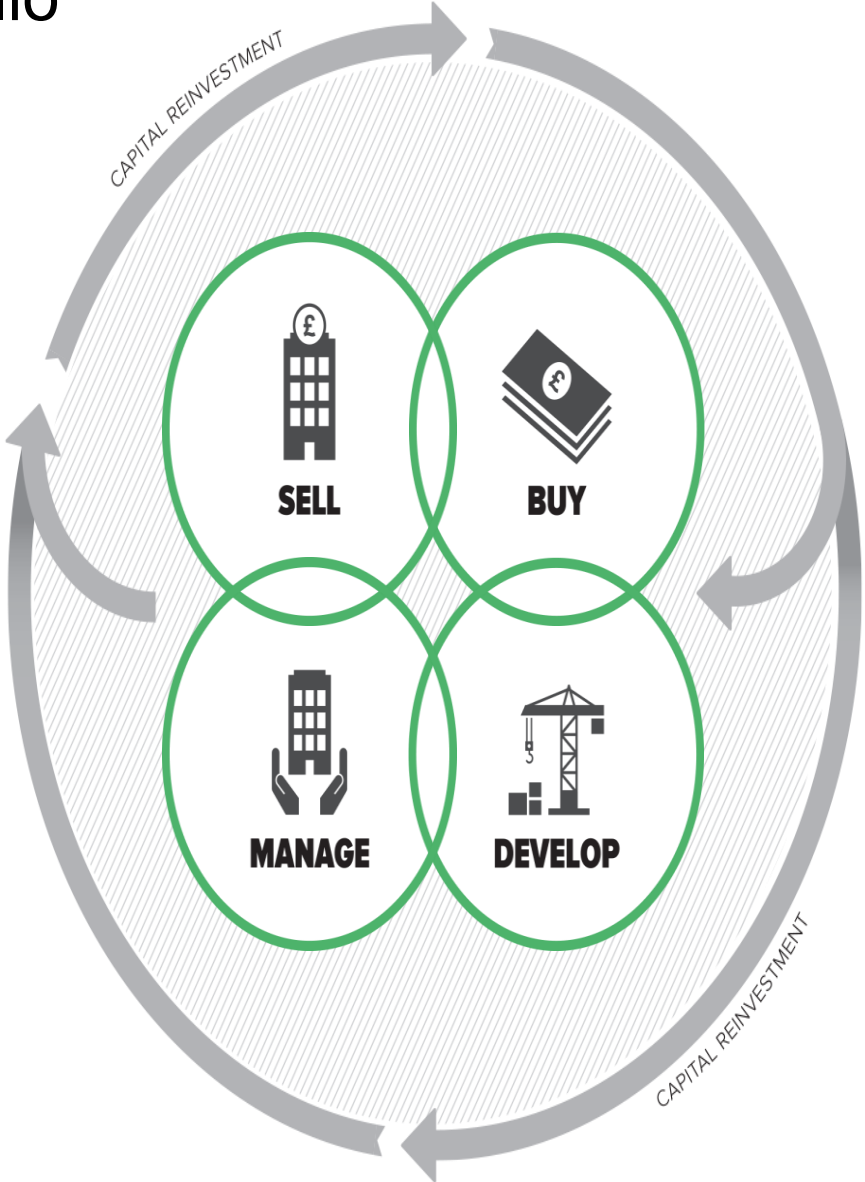
# Investment Market - Land Pricing

- Re-pricing of risk
- Marginal movement of assumptions
- Significant impact on land value

	SCN1	SCN2	DIFF
HEADLINE+	£70	£68	-3%
BLENDED RENT	£60	£58	
INCENTIVE (M)	21	23	-10%
YIELD	4.00%	4.25%	-6%
P. COSTS	6.75%	6.75%	
GDV	£1,307	£1,174	-10%
HARD COST	£350	£350	
ON COSTS / FIN	£500	£500	
PROFIT	17.5%	20.0%	14%
LAND	£308	£154	-50%



# London Portfolio



# Sales – crystallising value

- £3bn of disposals in London over the last six years
- Crystallising early profit on developments
- Disposal of non-core assets with limited look ahead returns after adding value



Thomas More Square, E1



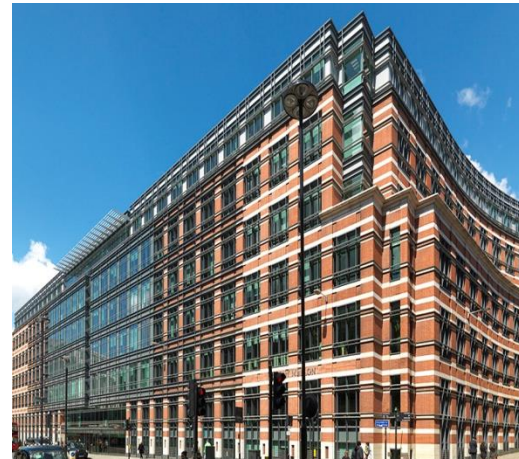
Arundel Great Court, WC2



Holborn Gate, WC1



Empress State, SW6



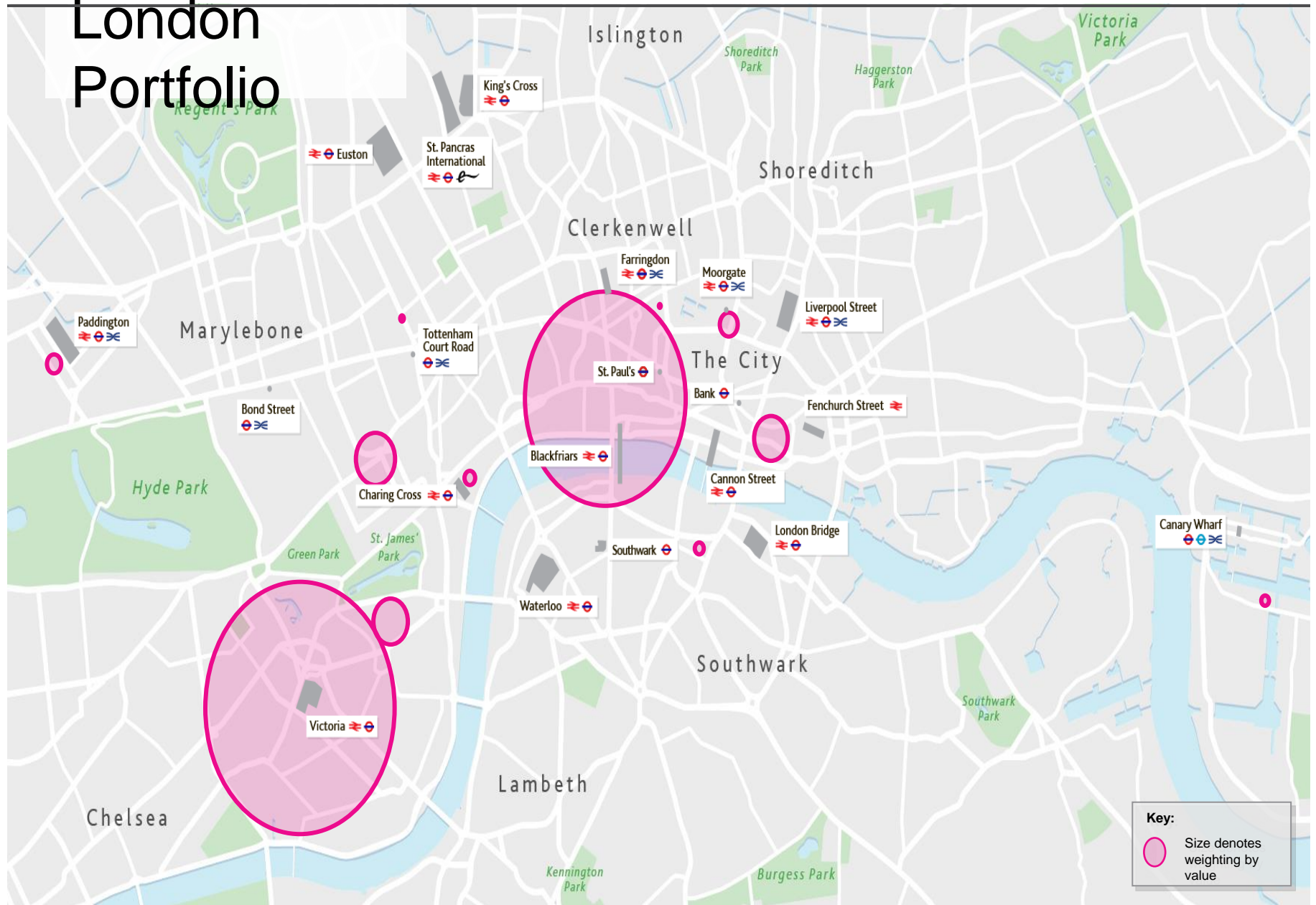
Times Square, EC4



110 Cannon Street, EC4

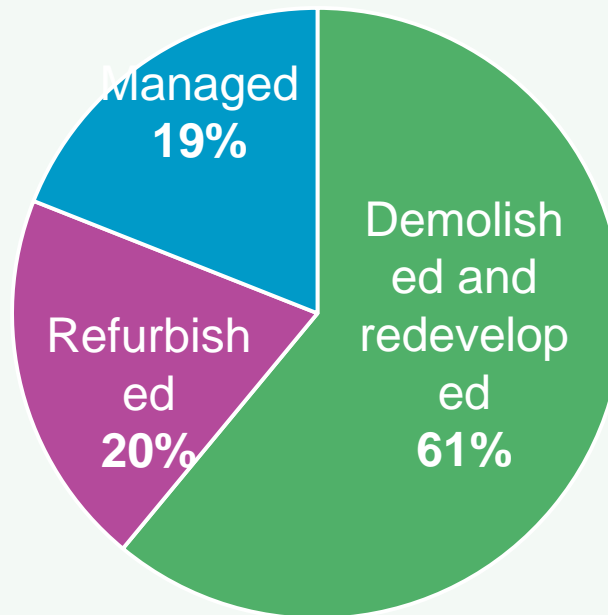


# London Portfolio



# A modern relevant office portfolio

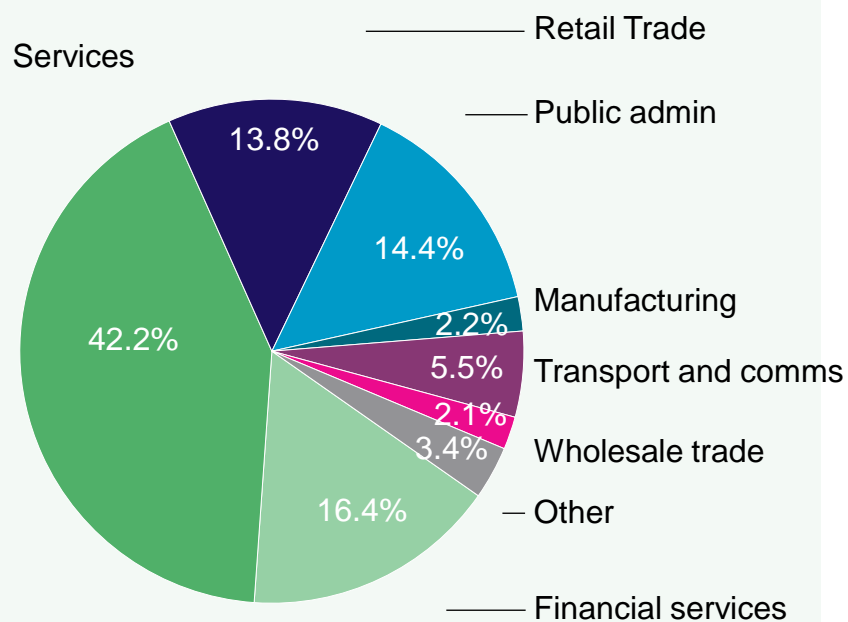
Portion of London Portfolio refurbished or developed since 2006



81% of the portfolio is less than 10 years old

# Diverse customer base

## Rental income by business sector



Standard Industrial Classification

## Selected key occupiers





# Development

- 3.5m sq ft development programme
- 11.5 acres of new public realm
- 20,000 employed on construction sites
- Community Employment Programme: trained 1,100 over last 5 years securing 826 jobs



# Development letting – maintaining momentum

## **20 Eastbourne Terrace, W2**

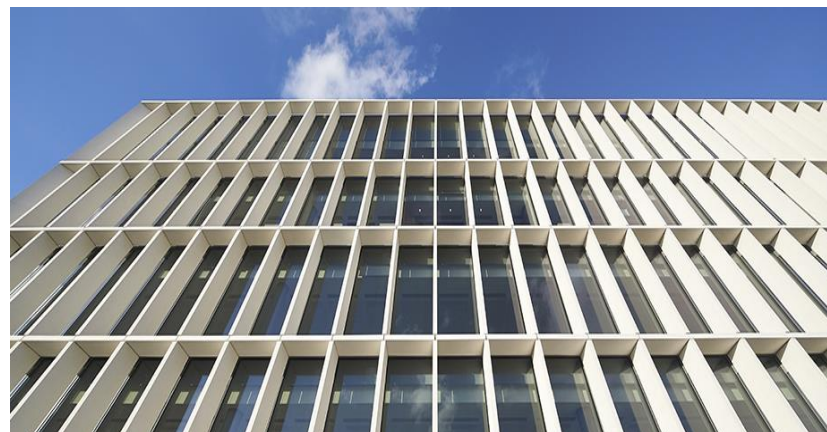
- Three lettings secured in August totalling 24,000 sq ft
- 10 year leases
- 90% let with two floors remaining

## **1 & 2 New Ludgate, EC4**

- 5,160 sq ft let since March
- 96% let with one floor remaining



20 Eastbourne Terrace, W2



New Ludgate, EC4

# Nova – good interest as we approach completion

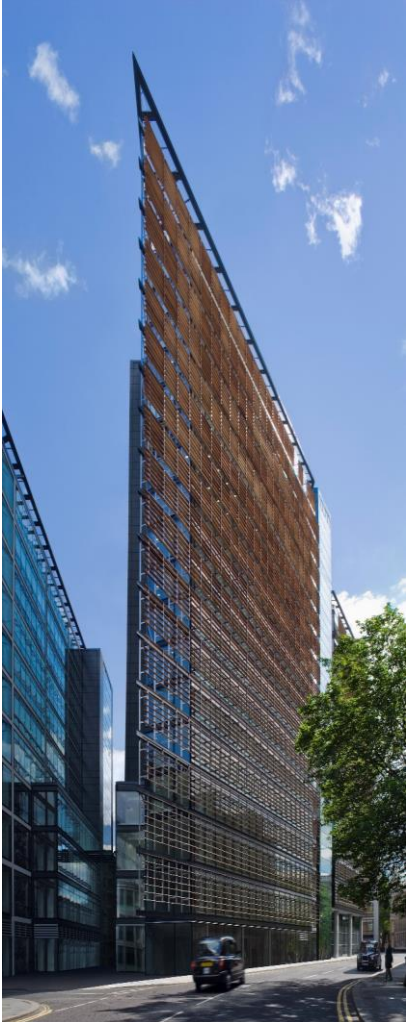
- 83,000 sq ft let since March 2016 on 15 year leases
- Now 35% pre-let
- 360,000 sq ft to let
- Retailers and office occupiers fitting out



Nova North, SW1



# Rigorous asset management





## 7 Soho Square – growing customer, lengthening income

- Located next to Tottenham Court Road Crossrail station
- Trip Advisor has taken an additional 8,500 sq ft of space
- Leases extended to 2023
- Pre-agreed 2018 rent reviews
- Rent increased by 38%





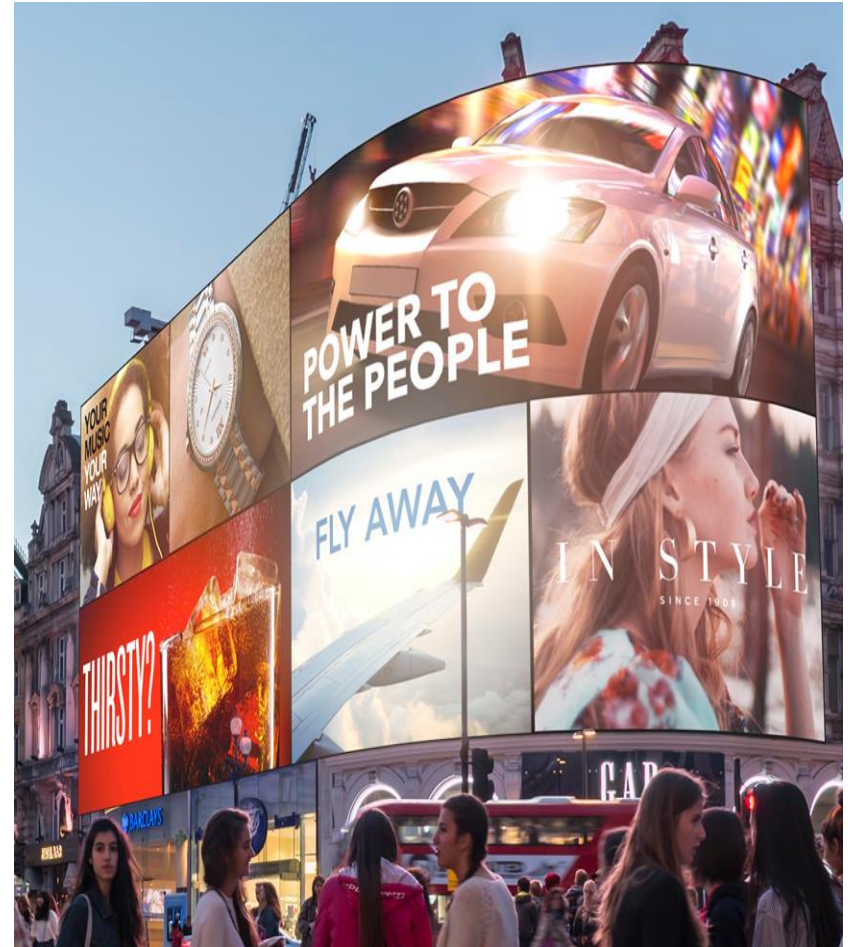
# Creating opportunities



Piccadilly Lights

# Creating opportunities – harnessing new technology

- Obtained planning consent to replace existing 6 screens with a single state of the art screen
- Flexibility over how space is used
- Interactive screen technology responding to public, environment and social media

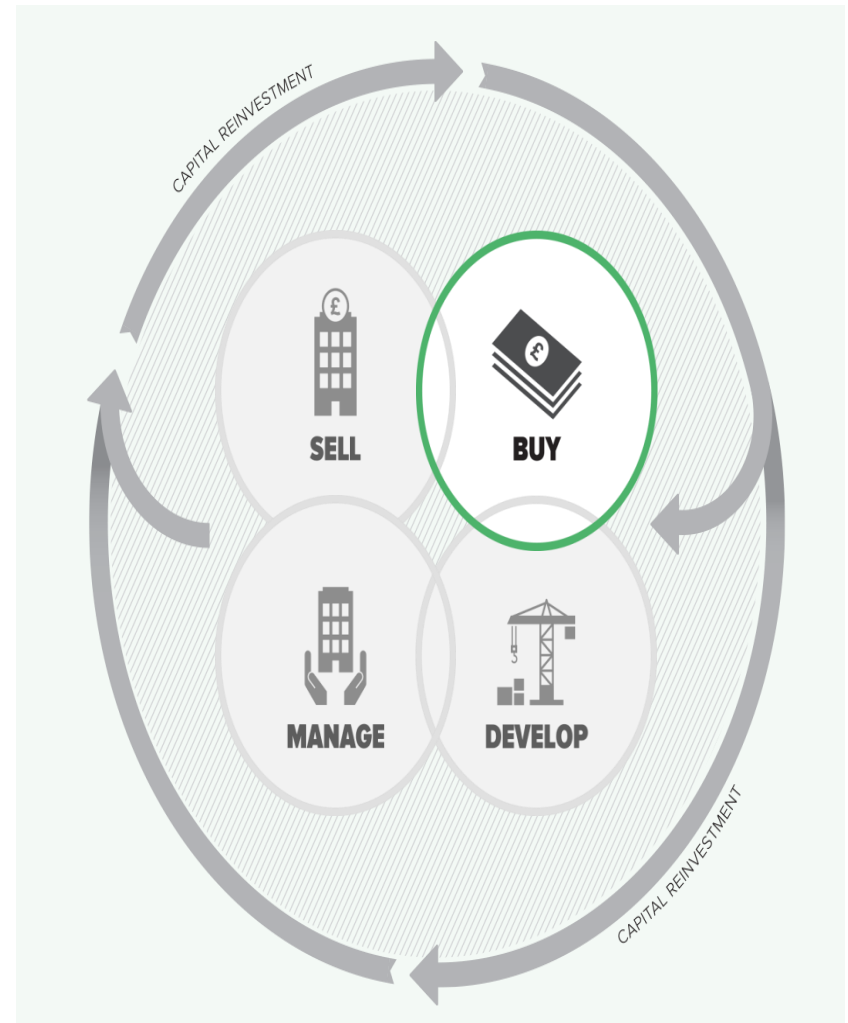


Piccadilly Lights, consented screen



# Restocking the portfolio

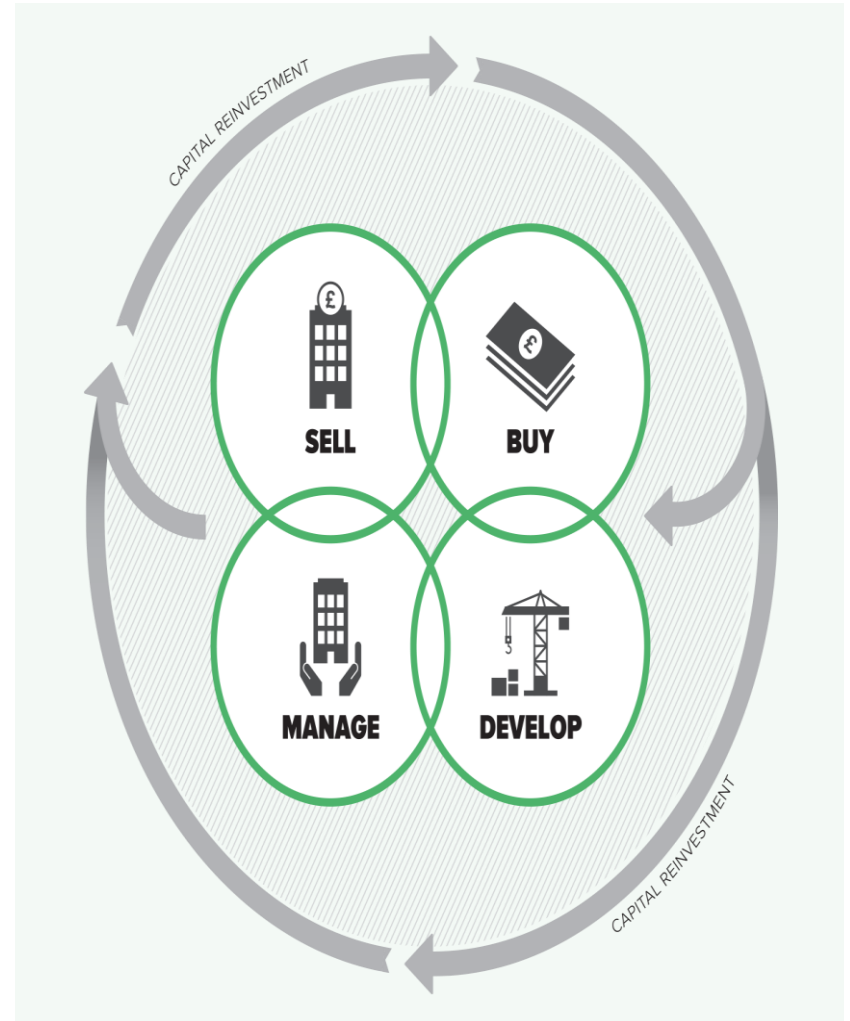
- Geography – well-connected locations across the whole of London
- Capitalise on development and refurbishment skills
- Pure yield / asset management opportunities to capture rental and capital value growth





# Replacing risk with resilience

- Development programme funded by judicious sales
- Created building and income resilience
- Creating and seizing opportunities to drive value
- Ready to restock...but patient



# **“Post Brexit Prospects for Property”**

26<sup>th</sup> October 2016

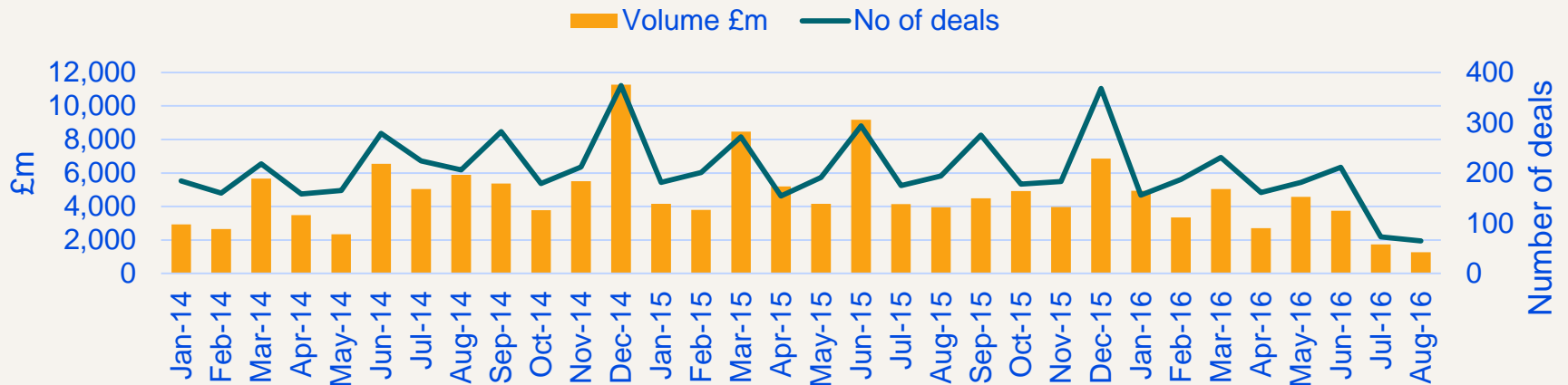
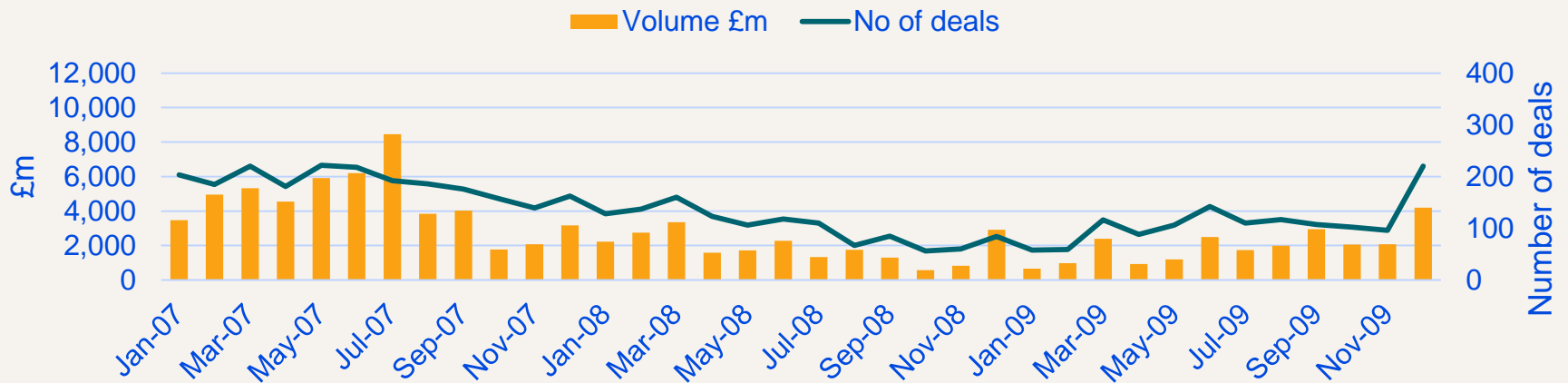
# Where were we before the Brexit?

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- Comparatively strong economic outlook, with some concerns about austerity
- Investment cycle slowing both in terms of volume and pricing (“depth” in bidding evaporated in Summer 15)
- Occupational markets robust:
  - Lower vacancies than previous cycles
  - Some questions about expanding development pipeline particularly in C London
  - Slowing investment volumes and prime yields not being met for 12 months +
  - Weakening (but positive) rental growth prospects
- Bank lending restrained and at low LTVs
- Property firmly in the “least worst asset” box

# The sentiment-based investment market has slowed to similar levels that we saw in 2008 and 2009

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# UK RE market performance since the vote

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- Initial turmoil created a perception of deep discounting (mainly from open ended daily dealt funds), but this was not supported two weeks later
- Over the last month clear signs have emerged from buyers that while secondary or short term income assets have seen declines, long term income and annuity type investments with fixed uplifts are maintaining their value
- The devaluation of sterling and some price discounts mean that entry prices are nearly 20% cheaper than prior to the referendum for some investors

# Biggest questions for 2016 and beyond are around the occupational markets

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## Retail

- Stable 2H 2016, then all eyes on consumer confidence, saving ratios and Christmas
- Weak pound, and minimum wage will drag on retailer profitability

## Logistics

- Consumer caution may result in an uptick in online sales and support logistics demand
- Stable occupational outlook

## Offices

- Needs-based occupational demand to be unaffected, though a rise in lease extensions likely as businesses evaluate the new world. Leasing volumes lower than original forecast of reversion to trend levels in 2017
- Regional office markets and outer London supported by lower supply and comparative cost savings for occupiers

# Conclusions and outlook

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- Remember we started 2016, 6 years into an “upcycle”, with capital values up 35%, commercial RE having outperformed all other asset classes and some yields were back to 2007 levels
- We are in a property boom and historically they have ended badly
- Investors don’t have confidence in the valuation system hence the discounts to NAV in public markets
- Declining lease lengths increase income and pricing volatility (question relevance of risk premium to gilt rate)
- Bull case revolved around low rates, the need for income plus increased allocations to RE
- IPD benchmarking is stifling creativity and dictating strategy
- Remember income makes up the vast majority of property’s long term performance and rental growth always underwhelms



An aerial photograph of London, showing the city skyline with the Shard and other skyscrapers in the distance. A prominent feature is a wide road in the foreground, painted with a rainbow-colored lane (yellow, blue, green, and red) that stretches towards the city center. The sky is filled with dramatic, dark clouds.

# CULS – MARKET TRENDS 2016

## The Post Brexit Prospects for Property

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# AGENDA

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

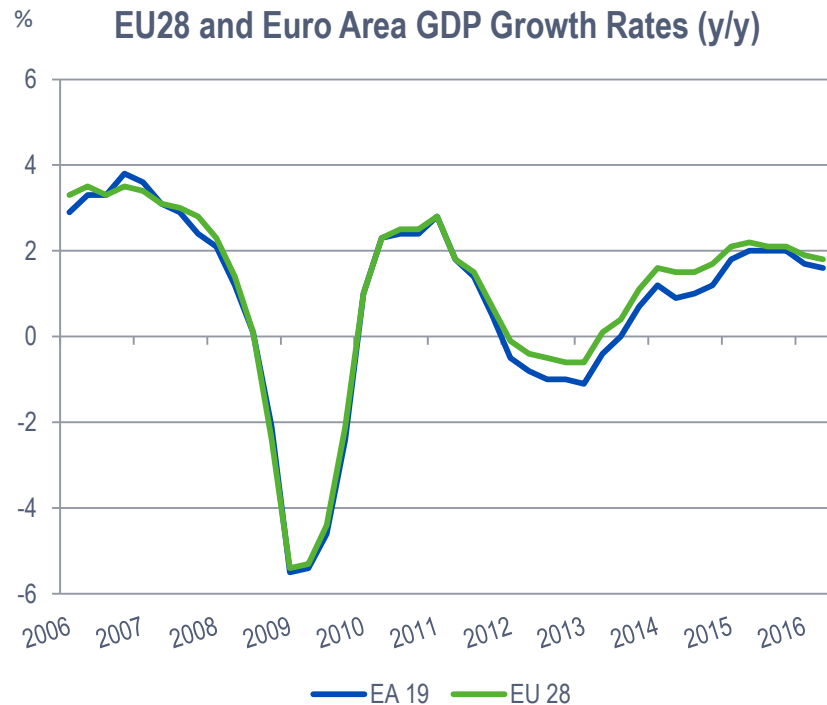
OCCUPIER MARKET BACKGROUND

CAPITAL MARKET PERSPECTIVE

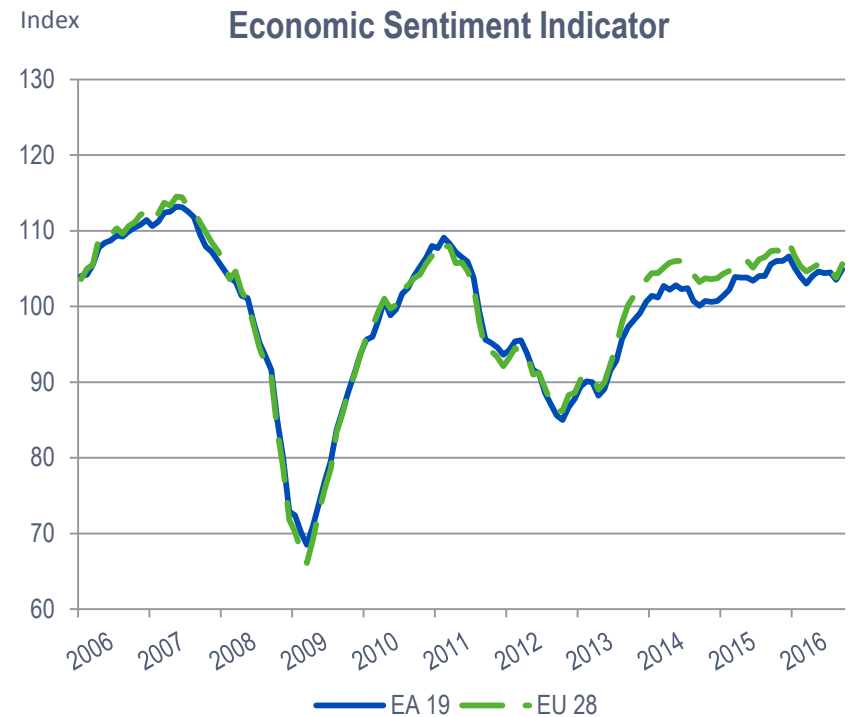
OUTLOOK

# European Economic Outlook

Eurozone economic sentiment recovers after the initial dip post Brexit vote



Source: Thomson Reuters Datastream

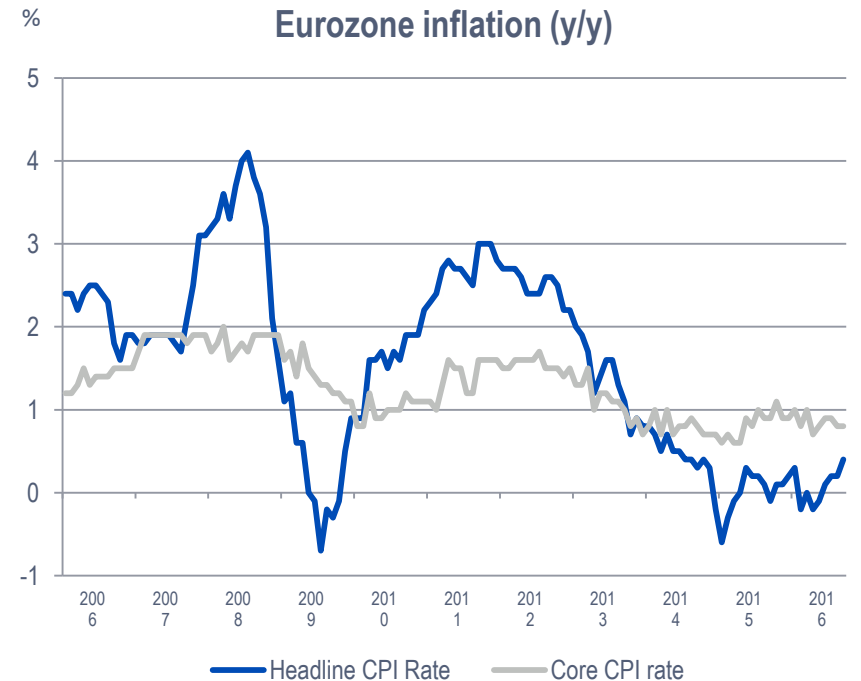
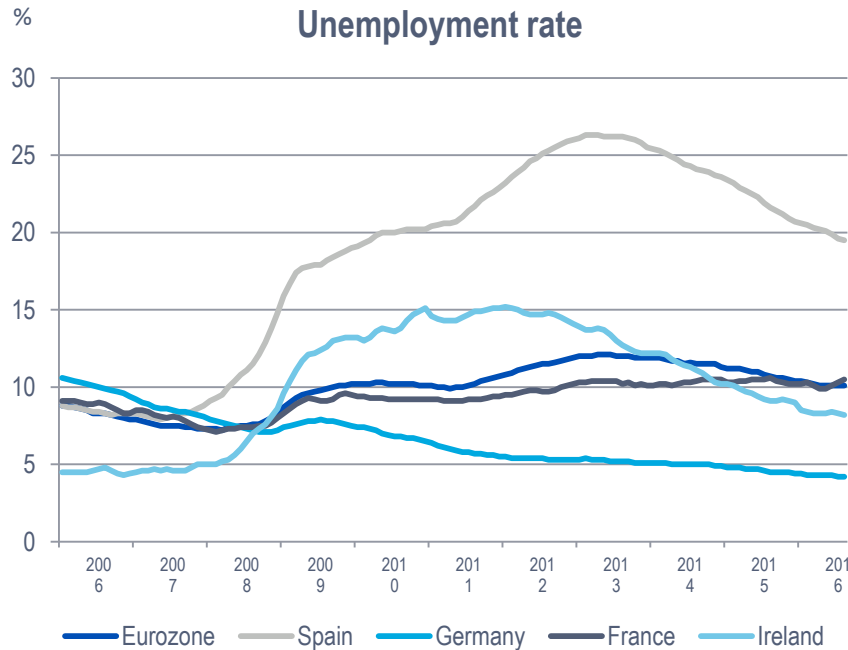


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- GDP in the Eurozone is likely to continue to grow at a modest pace
- Economic confidence in the Eurozone and EU overall recovered in September from a dip seen after the UK's EU referendum. For the Eurozone, it is now above the May 2016 levels.

# European Economic Outlook

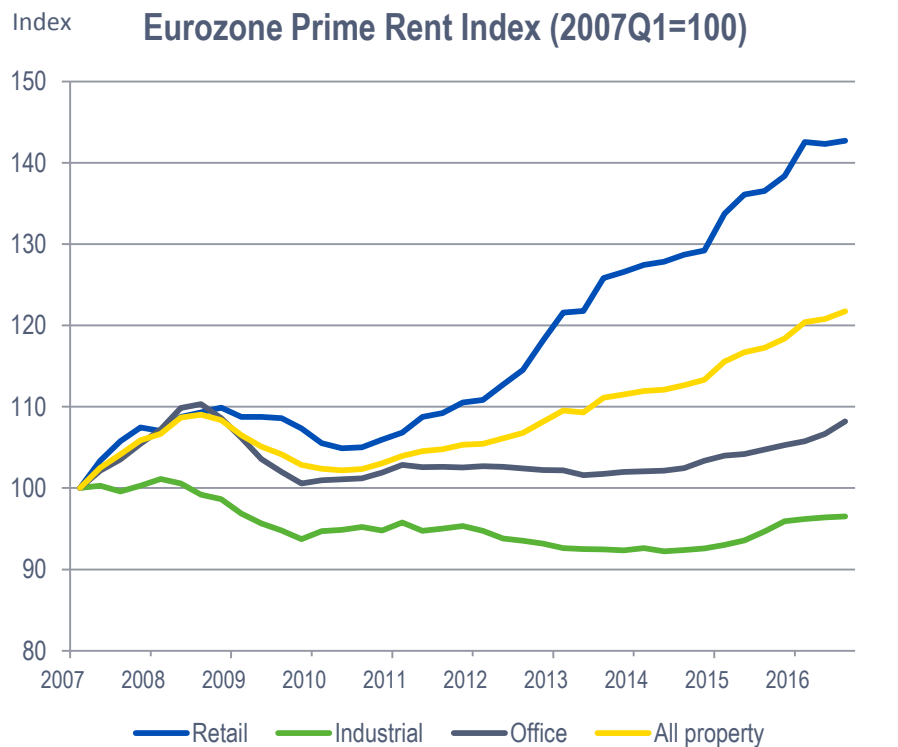
Unemployment and low inflation point to continued weakness in the European economy



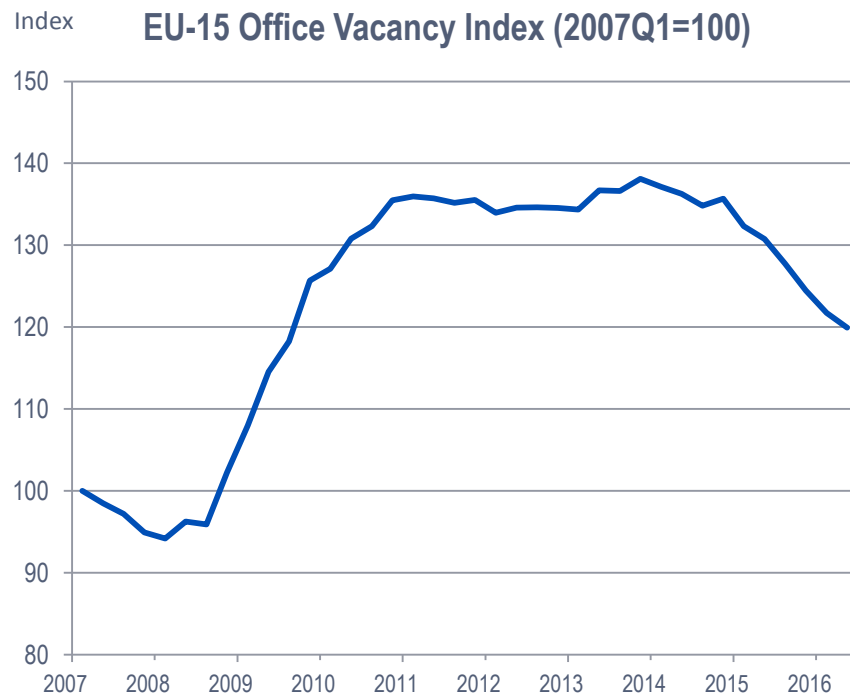
- Unemployment in the Eurozone remained stable at 10.1% in August 2016 - the lowest point since mid-2011.
- Eurozone consumer prices rose 0.4% in August (y/y) – the fastest rate since mid-2014. Inflation is still uncomfortably low, well below the ECB's inflation target close to 2%.

# Improving occupier market fundamentals

## Positive indicators for European property markets



Source: CBRE



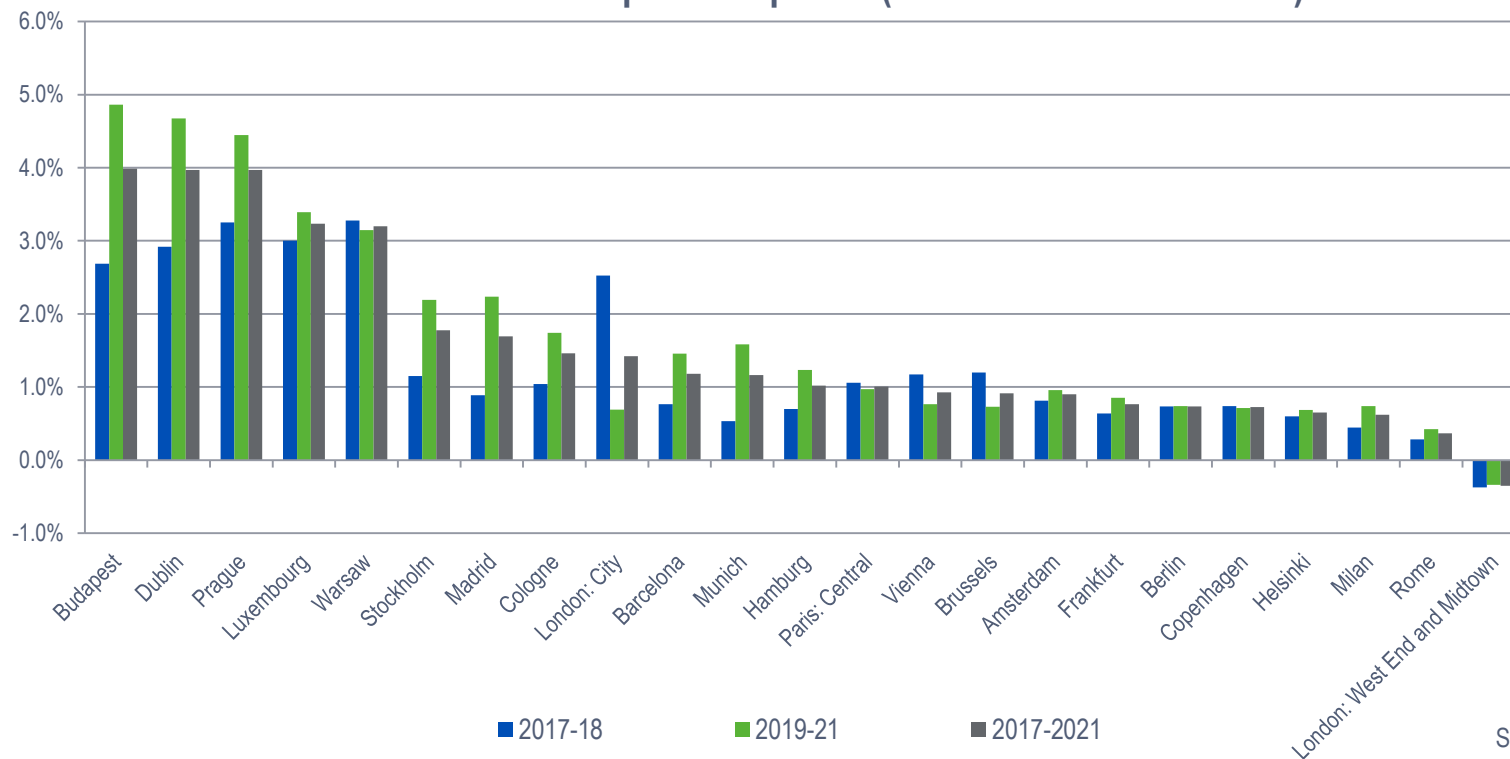
Source: CBRE

Prime rents increased by 3.8% y/y in Q3 following a 3.5% rise in H1 2016. Retail continues to outperform.

# Supply response remains modest

New supply remains limited in most markets

Office Development Pipeline (Net Addition as % Stock)



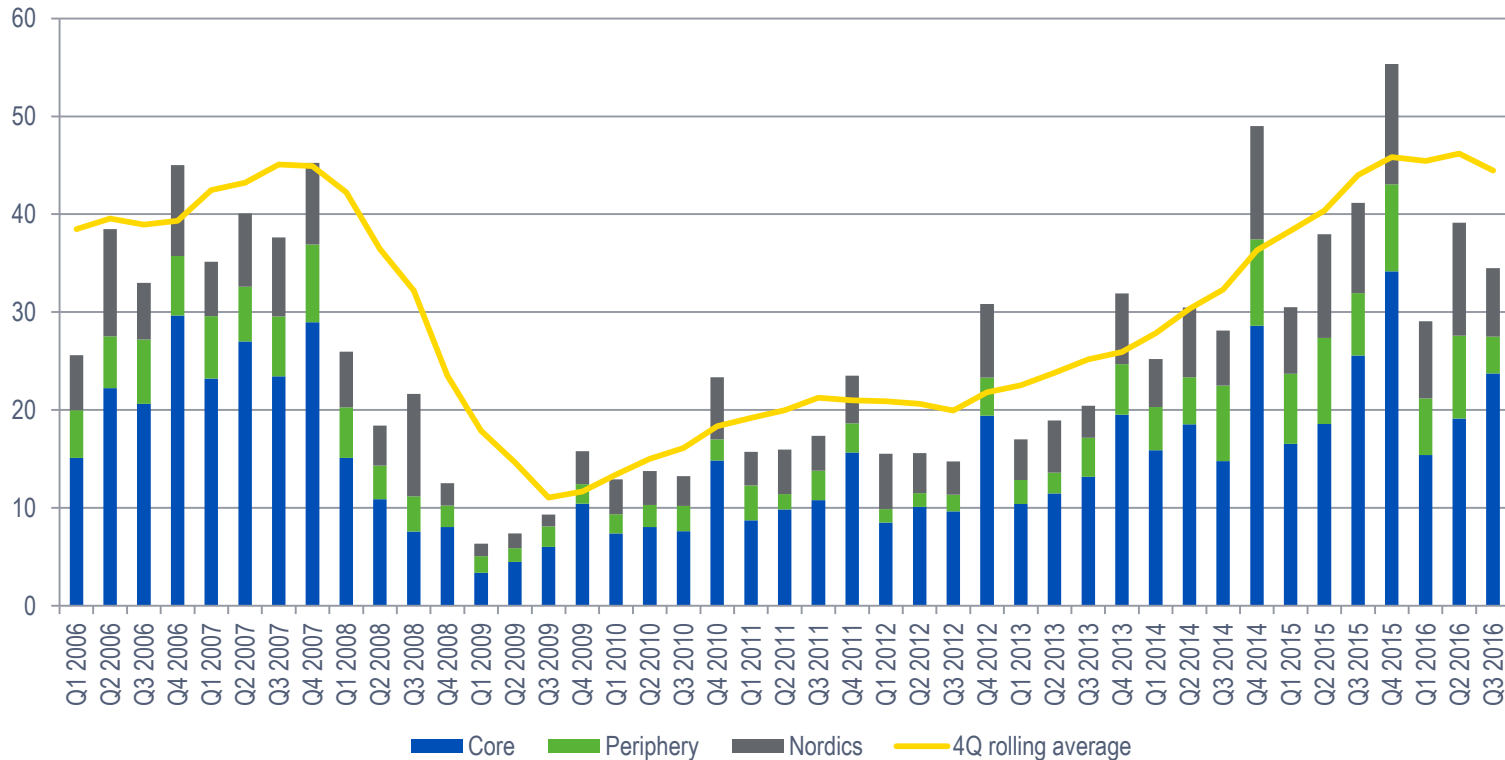
Significant levels of development in CEE markets, Dublin and Luxembourg.

# Investment demand remains high

Investment volumes lower than in 2015 due to supply shortages, still above average

€ billion

## European ex UK Investment Volumes



\* France, Germany, Benelux

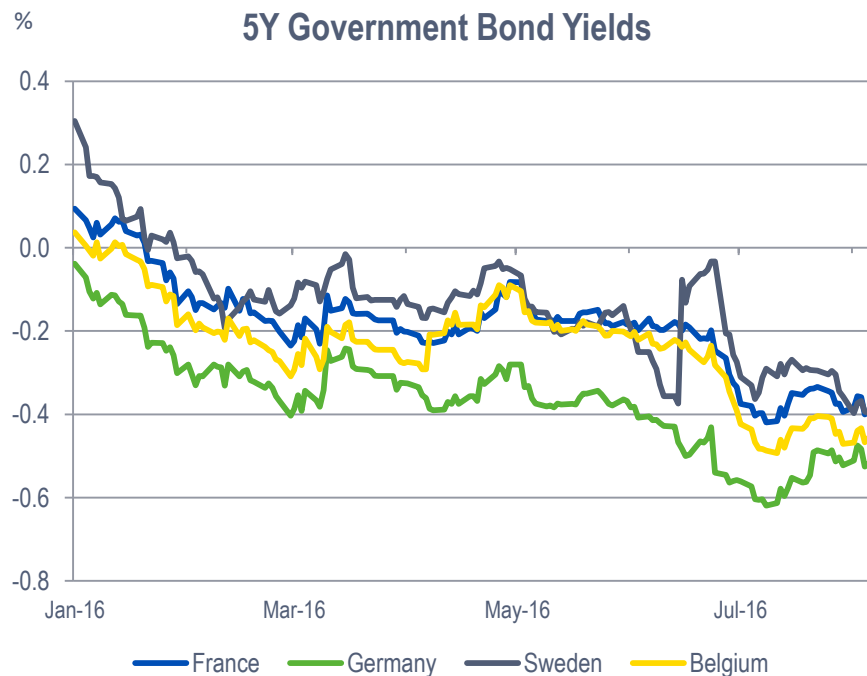
\*\* Austria, Ireland, Portugal, Spain, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia

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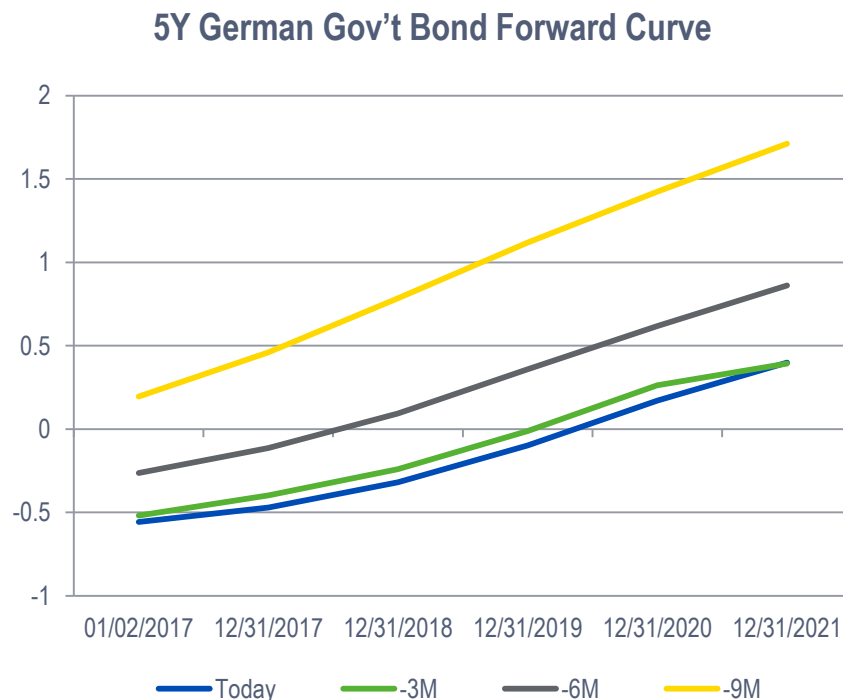
Sweden, CEE, Denmark, Finland and Netherlands recorded double-digit y/y increases in investment volumes in Q1-Q3 2016

# Government bond yield movements

Higher uncertainty to drive government bond yields lower for longer



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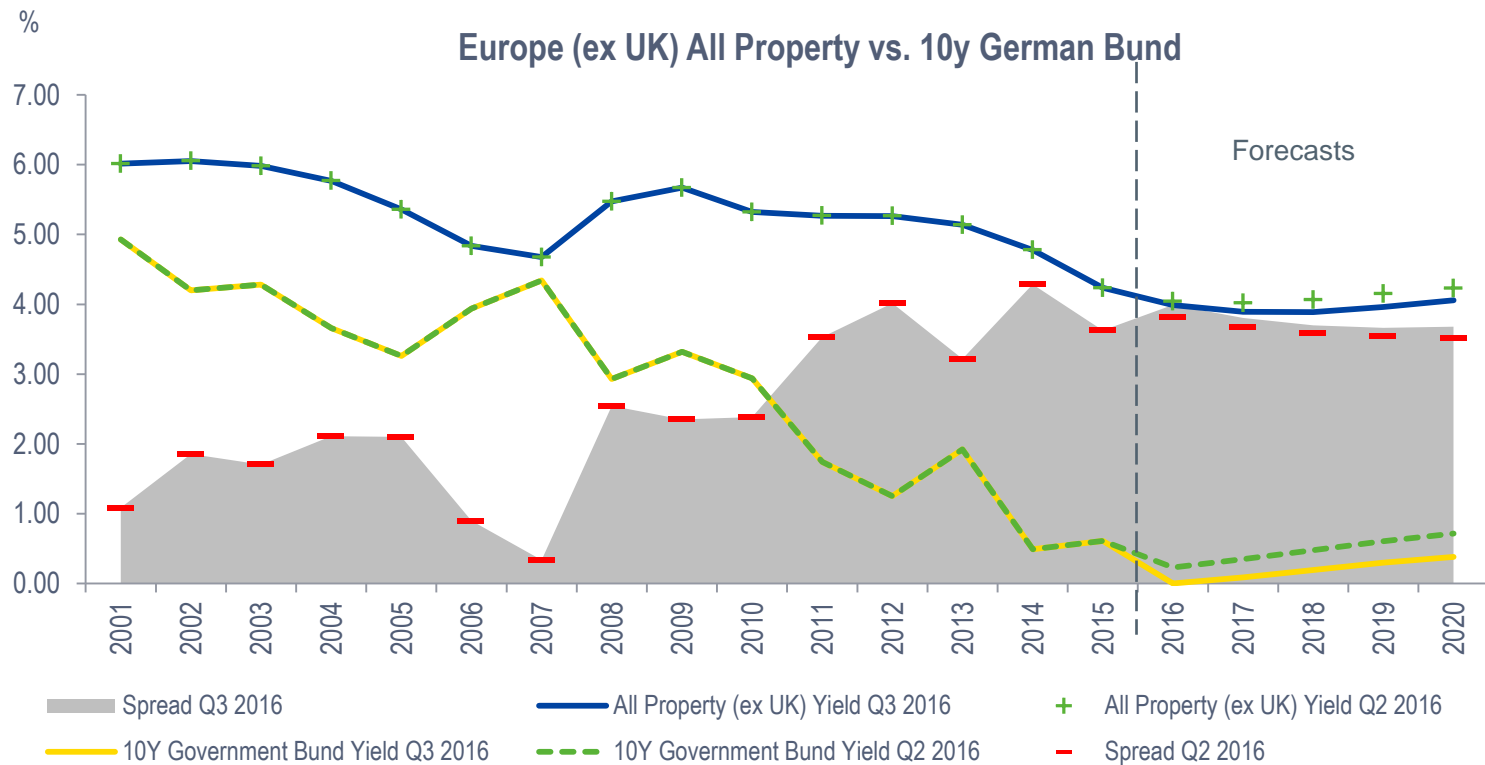


Source: Bloomberg, as at 20/10/2016

Market pricing suggests that bond yields will remain in negative territory until 2019.

# Property risk premium over bonds to remain substantial

Lower bond yields for longer will drive the spread in next 5 years



Source: Bloomberg, Aviva Investors.

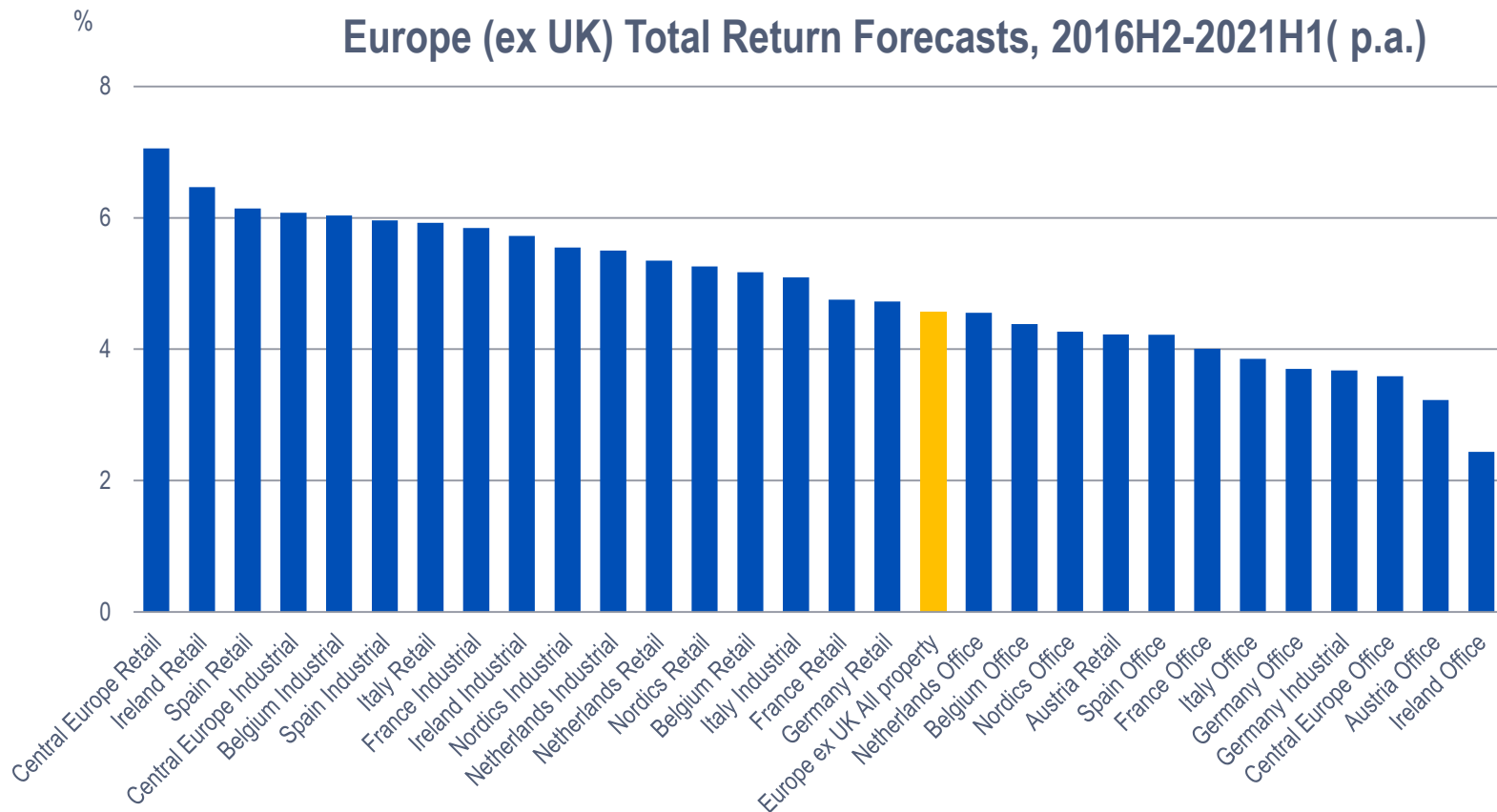
A higher spread between property and bond yields is expected in 2016 and 2017 as government bond yields remain close to zero.



# OUTLOOK FOR EUROPEAN REAL ESTATE

# European prime total return forecasts – 2016H2-2021H1

Retail markets in CEE, Ireland and Spain expected to deliver the highest returns



Source: Aviva Investors.

Office markets, more advanced in the rental and yield cycles, will underperform.

# Political Risk remains elevated

Plenty of political hurdles to jump

DATE	COUNTRY	POLITICAL EVENT
23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2016	USA	US presidential election
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	Italy	Constitutional referendum
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	Austria	Presidential election (re-run)
15 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Netherlands	Dutch parliamentary election
end-March 2017	UK / Wider EU	Article 50 likely to be triggered
April / May 2017	France	French presidential election
May 2017	Germany	German regional elections
September 2017	Germany	German parliamentary elections

Potential for contagion remains high



# CBRE DEBT ANALYTICS DEBT OUTLOOK AFTER THE VOTE

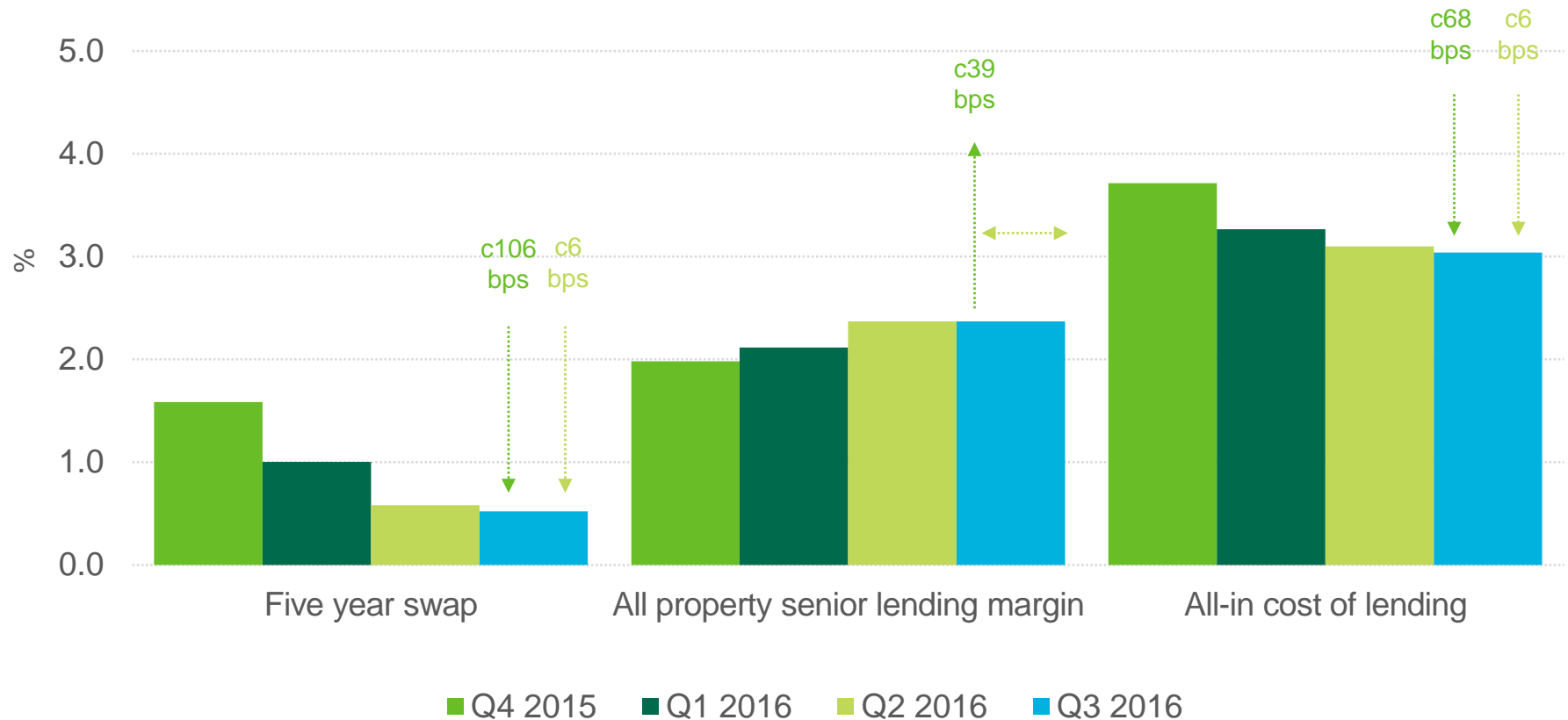
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# CHANGING LENDING TERMS OVER THE LAST NINE MONTHS

## KEY COMPONENTS OF LENDING PRICING FOR Q4 2015 TO Q3 2016 SENIOR LENDING

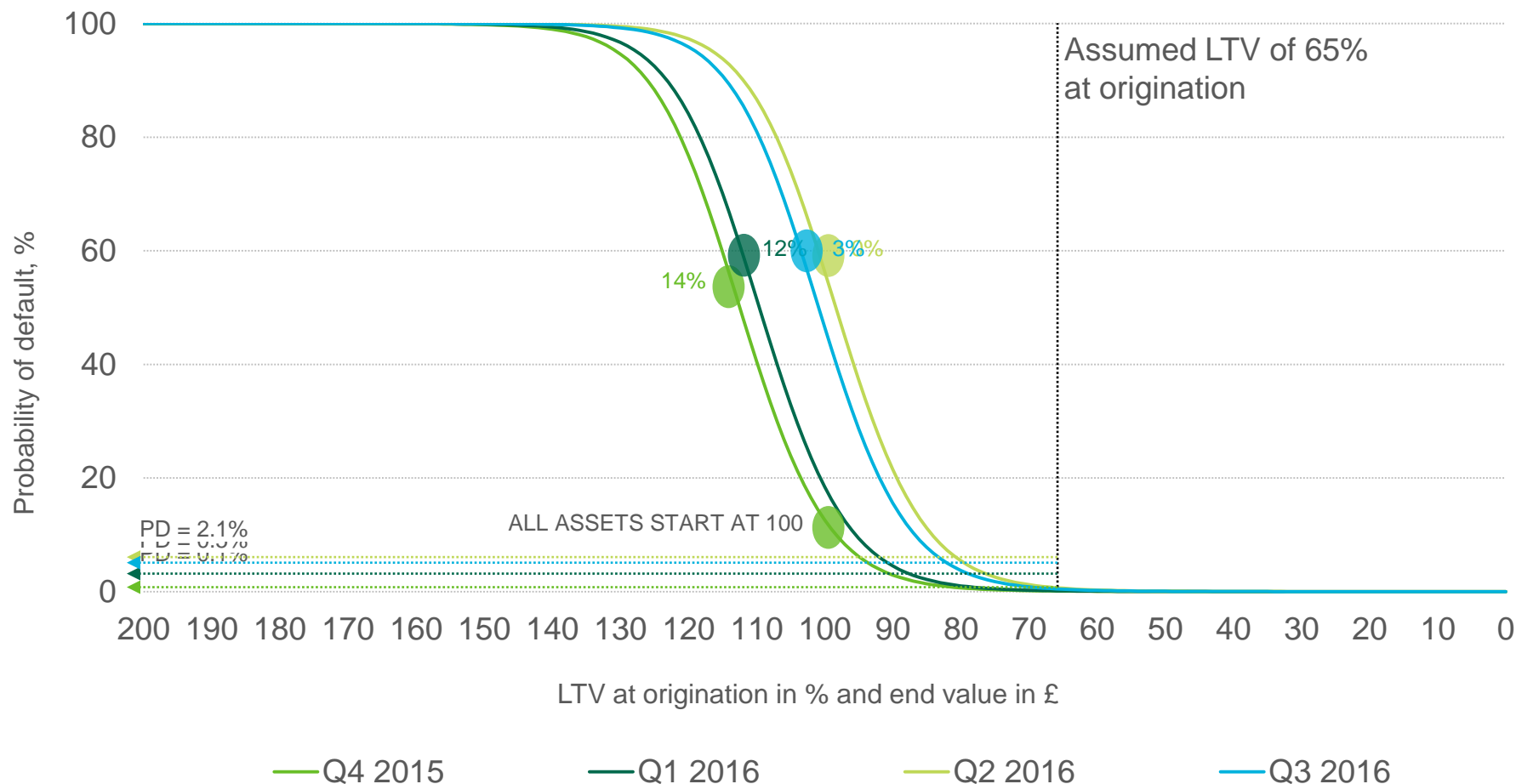


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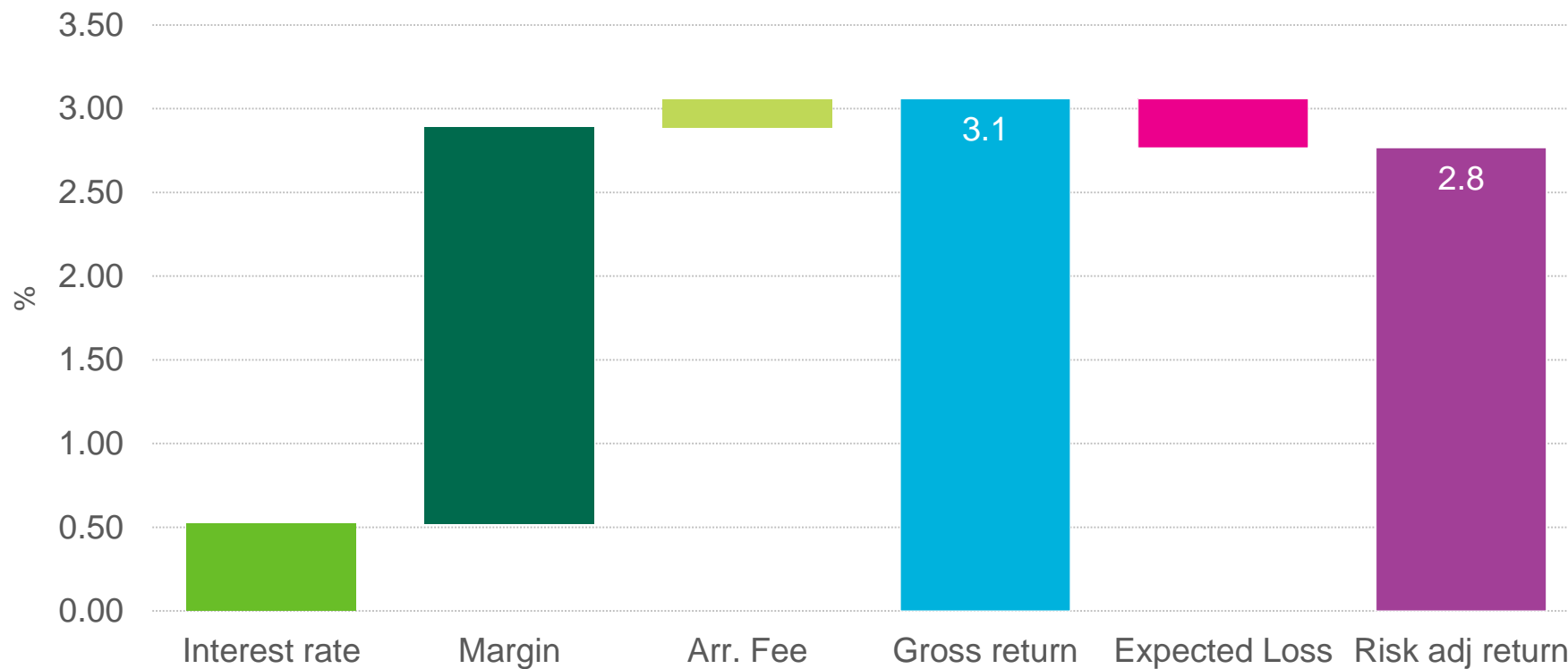
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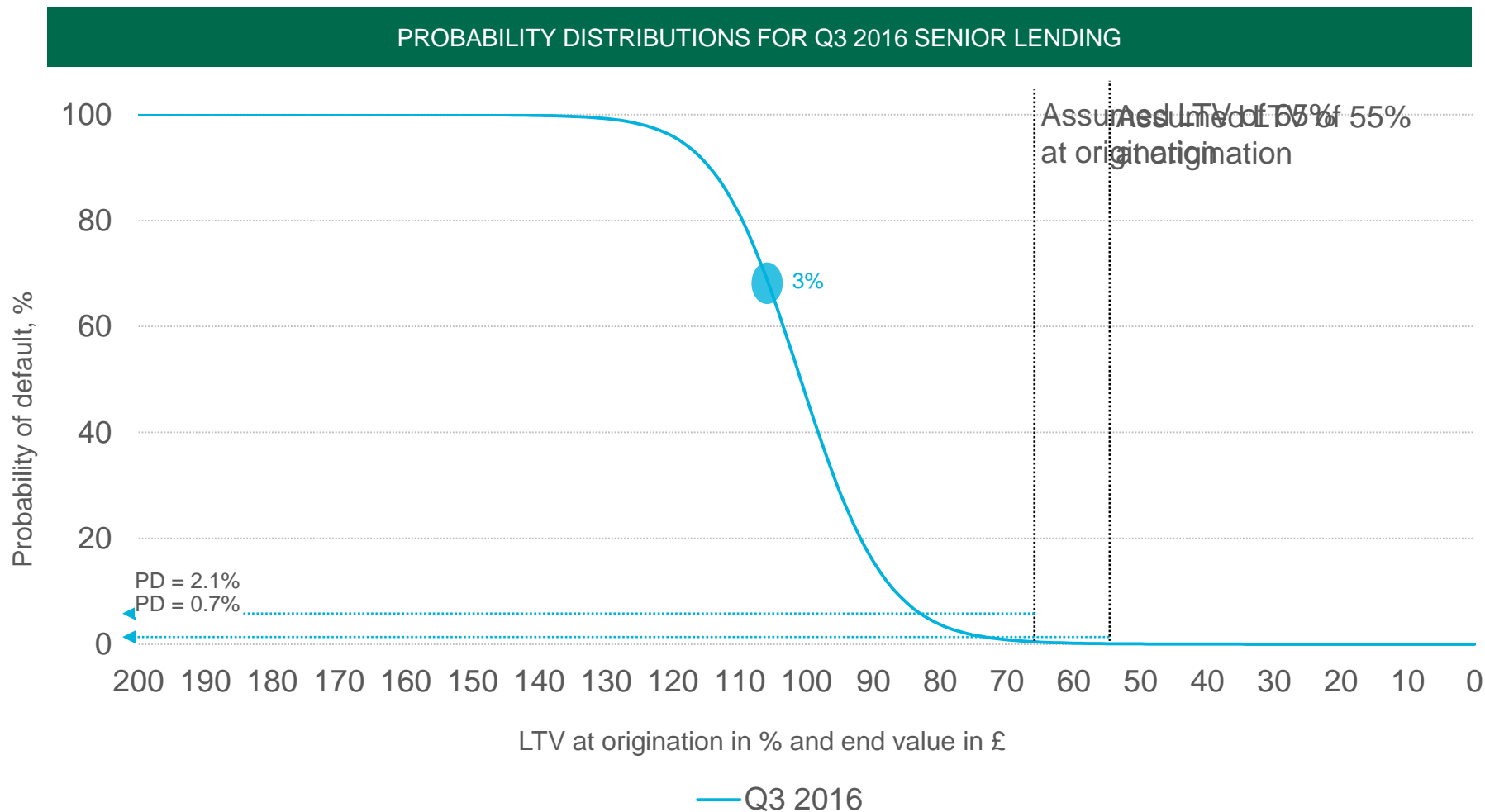
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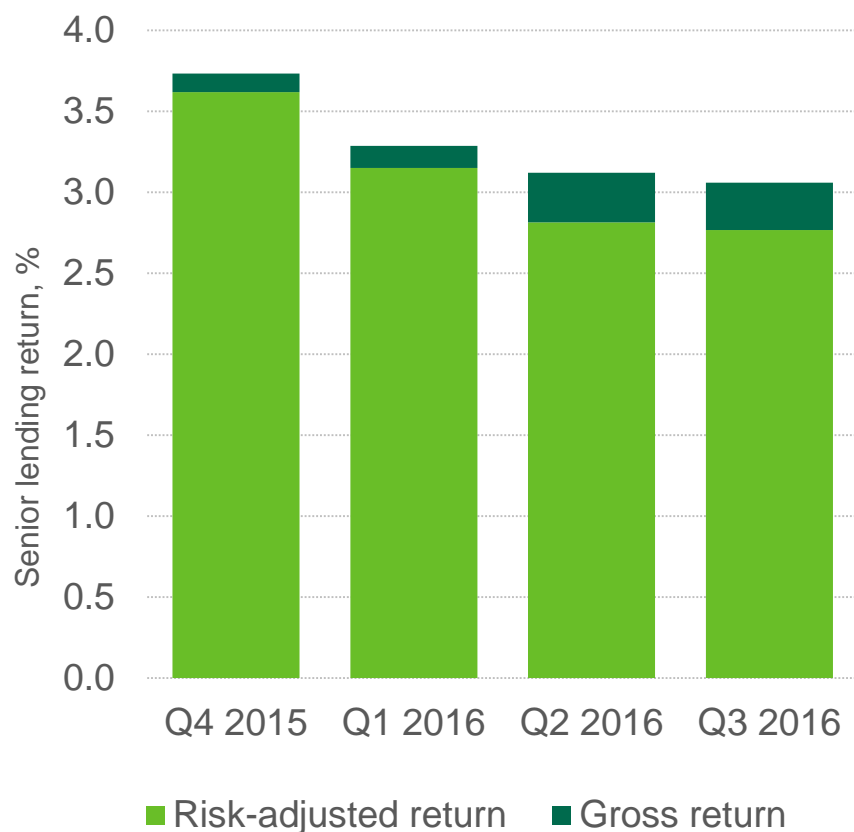
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# MITIGATING DEFAULT RISK THROUGH LOWER LTV



# ABSOLUTE AND RELATIVE RETURNS

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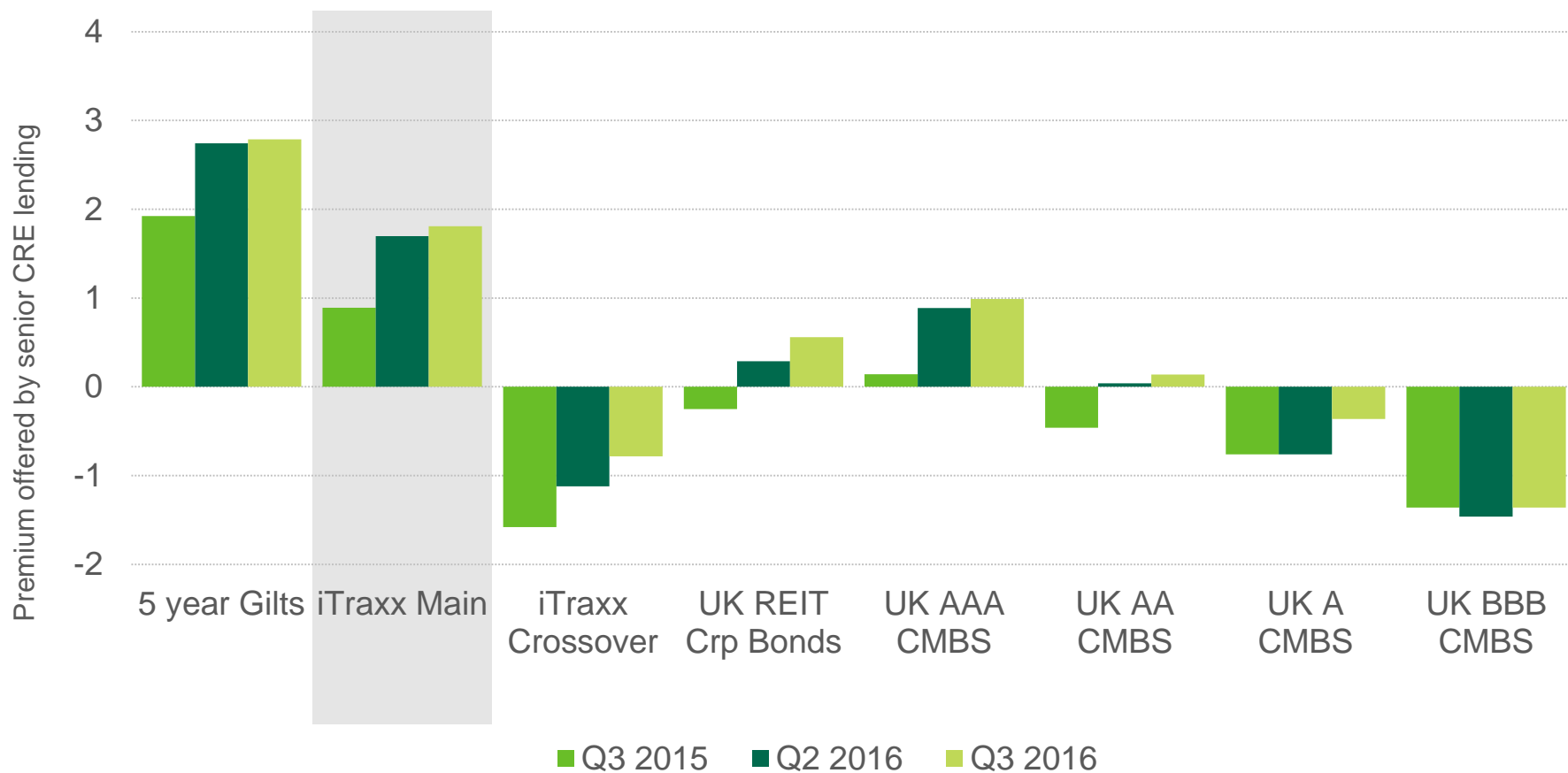


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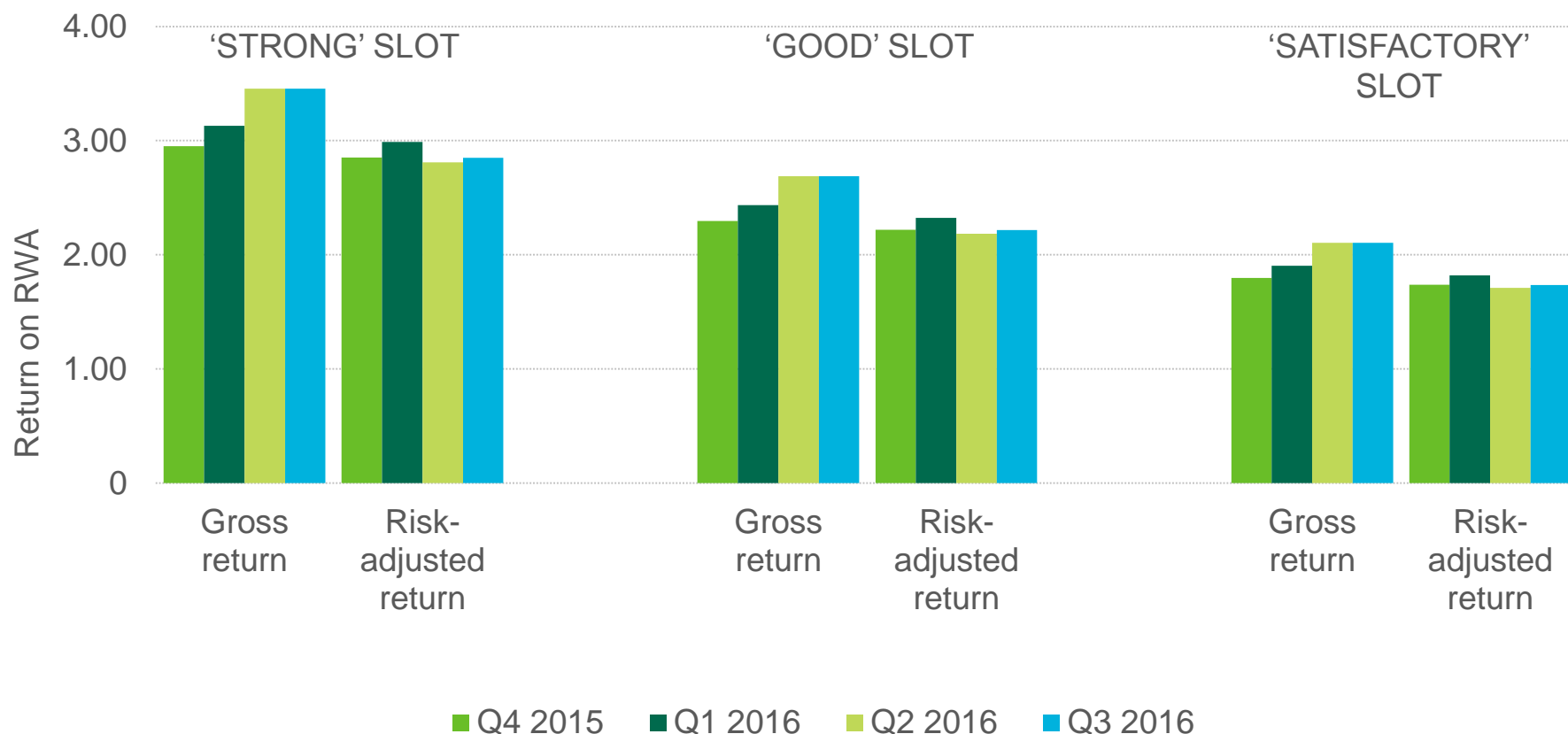
# CRE DEBT IN A MULTI-ASSET CONTEXT

PREMIUM ON CRE DEBT VERSUS OTHER FORMS OF FIXED INCOME, Q3 2015 TO Q3 2016



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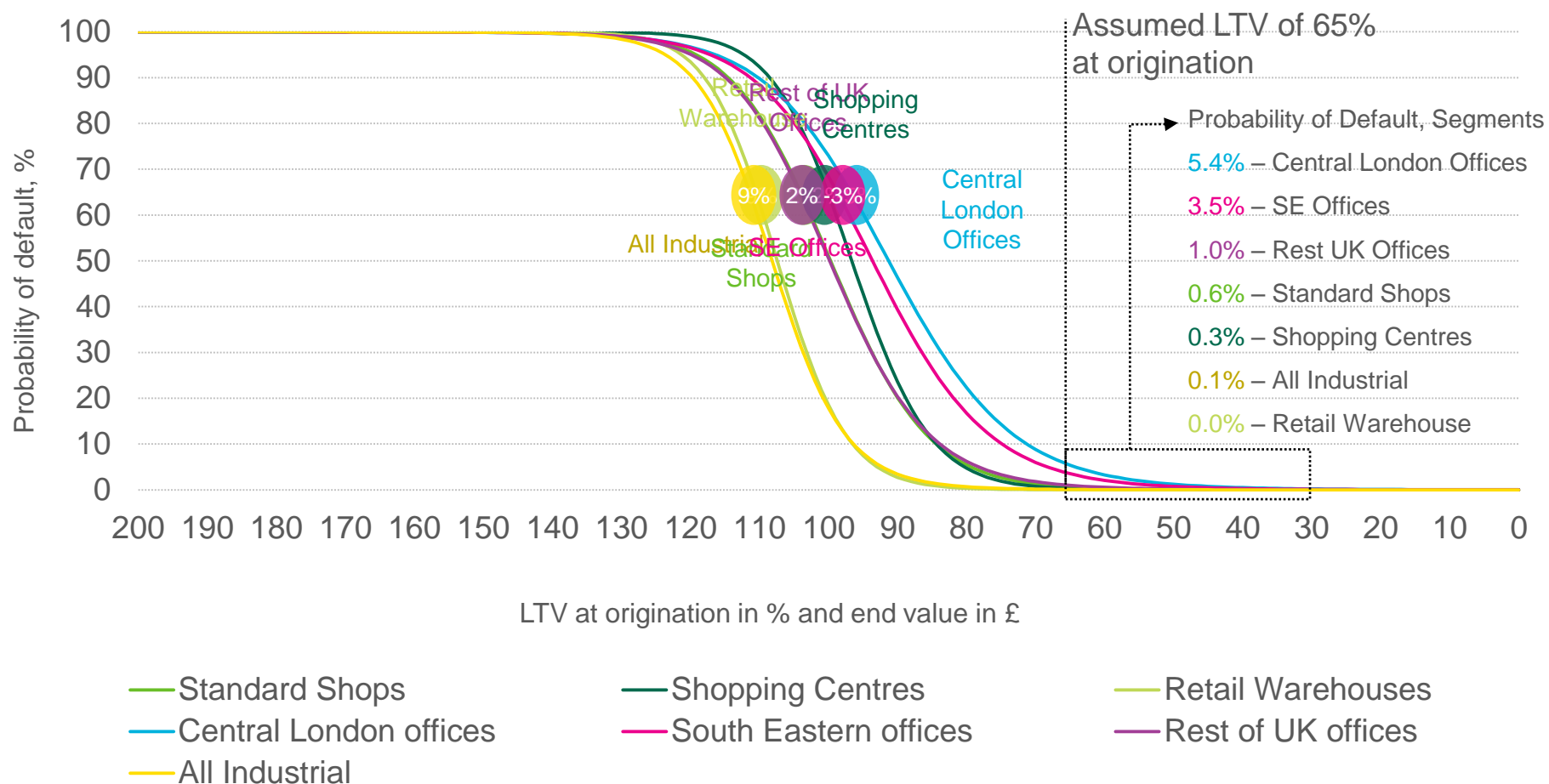
GROSS AND RISK-ADJUSTED RETURN ON RWA FOR Q4 2015 TO Q3 2016 SENIOR LENDING



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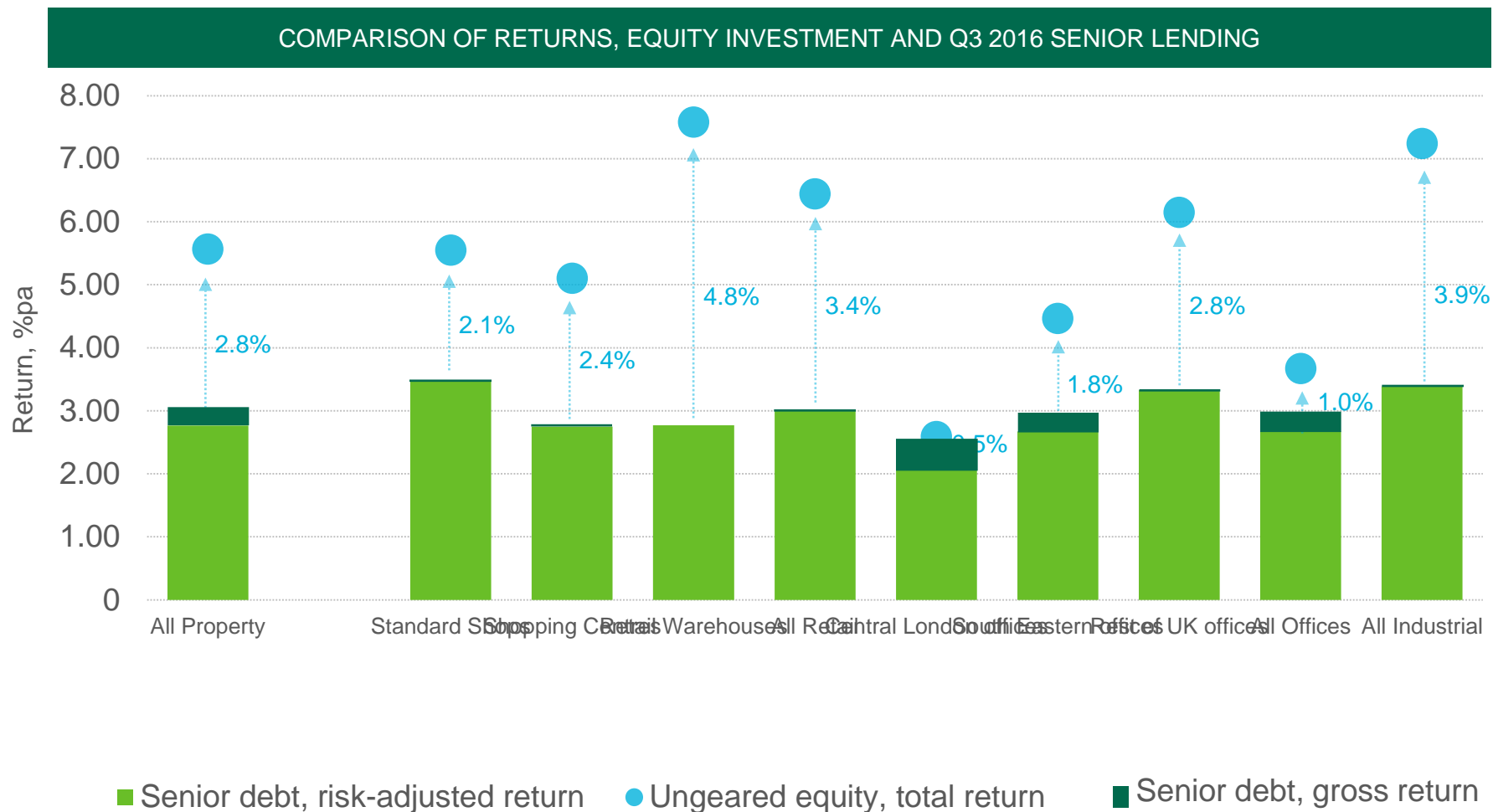
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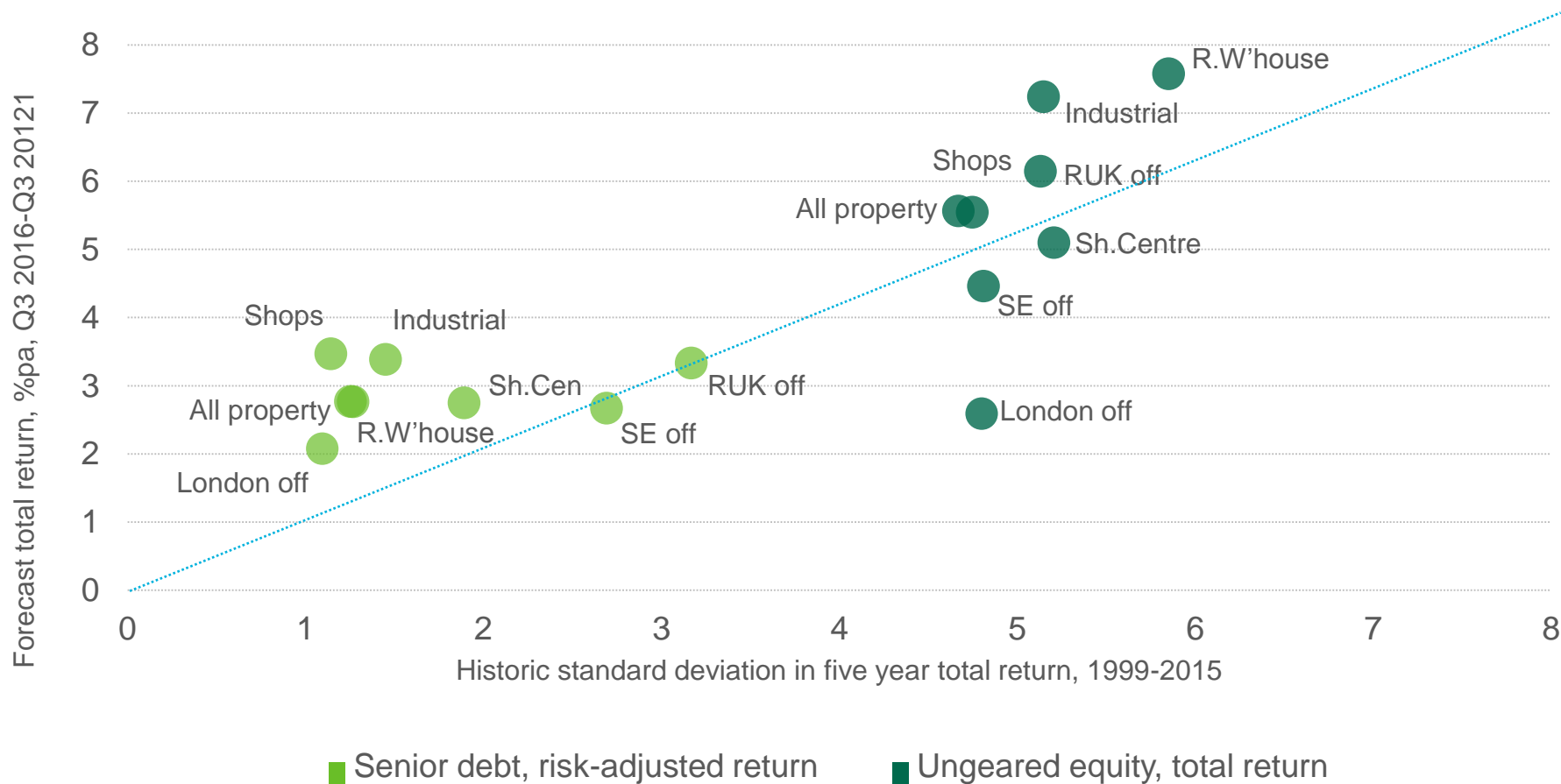


# RETURNS TO EQUITY AND DEBT



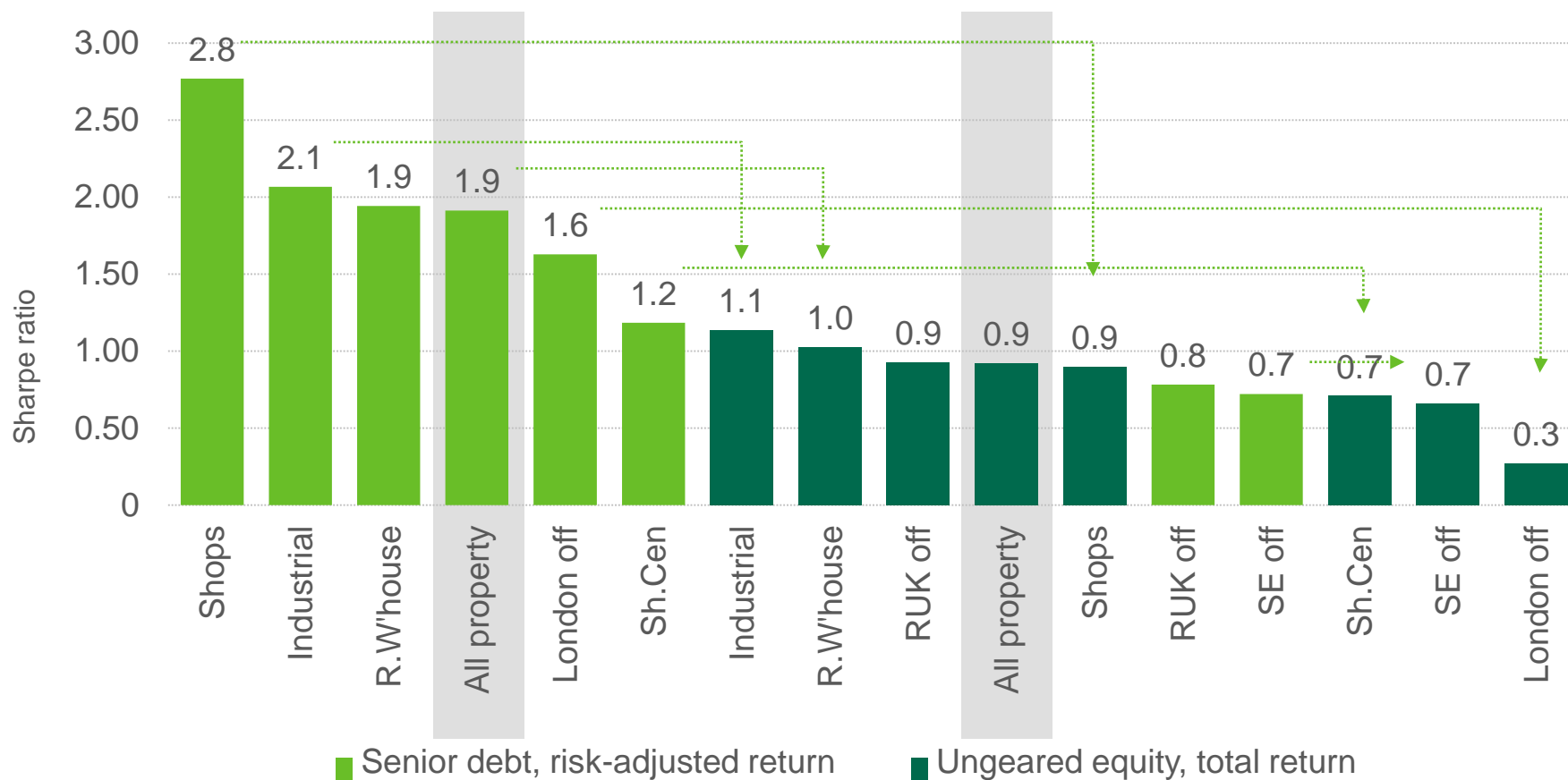
# COMPARISON OF RISK AND RETURN

## EXPECTED RETURN VERSUS HISTORIC STANDARD DEVIATION IN RETURN



# SHARPE RATIO

## SHARPE RATIO FOR CRE DEBT AND CRE EQUITY



# CONCLUSIONS

**SENIOR  
LENDING  
RETURNS  
c.3%**

**LOW CAPITAL  
GROWTH  
OUTLOOK DRIVES  
PD UP TO 2% AT  
65% LTV –  
STILL MODEST,  
AND SUB-1%  
AT 55% LTV**

**PREMIUM TO  
GILTS 2.5-2.8%  
AND RISING**

**MARGINS UP  
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POST-BREXIT  
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**EQUITY  
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FAIR, BUT NO  
MORE**

**LOW VOLATILITY  
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RISK-ADJUSTED  
WINNER**

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**MARKETVIEW**

## UK Debt Prospects, Q1 2016

# Dive in interest rates wipes out rise in margins; CRE lending returns fall to 3.3%



Interest rate  
13bp up to 0.5%



Margin up  
20bps to 3.2% at Q1



Risk-adjusted return  
3.2% at Q1 vs 3.4% at Q4



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**Figure 1: Senior CRE lending rates**

	Q4 2015	Q1 2016
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Discount rate, %	2.6	3.2
FFY/FFY lease - Strong	3.0	3.1
FFY/FFY lease - Fair	2.8	3.0
Discount rate, %	2.2	2.4
FFY/FFY lease - Softly	2.2	2.3
Discount rate, %	1.8	1.9
FFY/FFY lease - Weak	1.7	1.8

Q4 2015: Q1 2016

**Figure 2: Senior CRE lending rates in context, Q1 2016/17**



Senior lending 3.2


**MARKETVIEW**

### UK Debt Prospects

# Margin price rise to Gilts



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Q4 2015: Q1 2016

**Q4 2015: CRE Research**

For Q4 2015 origination, Senior CRE lending returns rose from 3.1 to 3.2% on a risk-adjusted basis. This equated to a 1.1 and 0.2 points increase in the risk-free rate.

The strong fall in September performance due to the 40bps decrease in the five year swap rate, which occurred after a shift in market expectations for the timing of future rate cuts in the Bank Base.

This fall in London rates is in part explained by a shift in margins, but indicates that senior margin rates have returned 10bps as we rise a quarter.

With margins on an about even basis for better, but less consistent for better, return on FFYs has risen. This is because FFYs is calculated from a duration of margin and the return on FFYs has been driven by the rise in the return on FFYs, which is up by around 10bps, to 3.1% and 3.0% respectively, meaning FFYs during transition.

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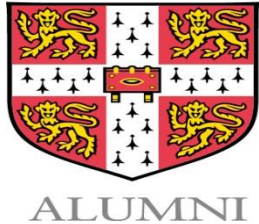
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