£285M

TOTAL VALUE OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY SALES IN Q2 2020

54% POWN FROM Q2 2019 F329M

525

TOTAL NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY SALES IN Q2 2020

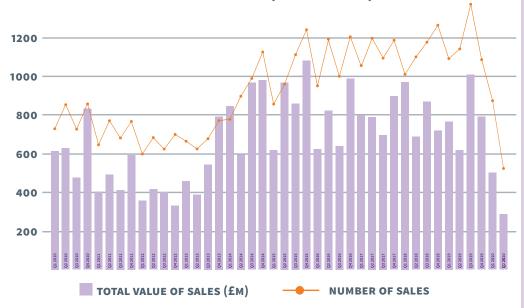
54% DOWN FROM Q2 2019



GLASGOW £23.7M DUNDE
REST OF SCOTLAND £119.9M

EDINBURGH £91M DUNDEE £6.4M

VALUE AND NUMBER OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY SALES IN SCOTLAND (2010-2020)



Figures may not sum due to rounding. Figures from the Registers of Scotland includes all commercial property transactions.

OVERVIEW

The SPF's analysis of the latest commercial property sales figures from Registers of Scotland has shown that sales fell to their lowest level in over a decade in Q2 (April-June) 2020. The quarter was heavily affected by the COVID-19 crisis and Scottish Government restrictions on certain transactions and registrations.

The total value of sales stood at £285m in the quarter, a fall of £213m (43%) on the first quarter of the year and down £329m (54%) compared to the same quarter in 2019. The number of sales also fell to just 525, 611 (54%) fewer than in the same quarter in 2019 and 346 (40%) lower than in the first quarter of 2020.

HIGH VALUE SALES

Individual sales of £5m or more made up 40% of all transactions by value in Q2 2020, with combined sales in this section of the market totalling £113m. This is just over half the totals for Q1 2020 and the same quarter in 2019. The one-year rolling total for £5m+ sales fell by 7% in Q2 2020 to £1.47bn.

CITIES

Of Scotland's four largest cities, Edinburgh saw the highest value of sales with £91m transacted over the quarter. This is significantly down on both the previous quarter and Q2 2019, which saw sales of £126m and £108m respectively. Glasgow also saw activity impacted heavily by COVID-19, with total sales of £24m, some £148m (86%) down on the second quarter of last year. Aberdeen was Scotland's only large city to see an increase of sales in Q2 2020, to £44m. This was 47% higher than Q2 2019's total of £30m. Meanwhile, Dundee saw sales fall to £6m, from £22m in Q2 2019.