

Charlotte County Industrial Market Report

Q1 2026 Update with Submarket Data & Forecasting

Executive Summary

Charlotte County's industrial real estate market in Q1 2026 was shaped by its position within the Southwest Florida region, the functionality of available warehouse and flex inventory, and access to I-75, US-41, SR-31, Punta Gorda Airport. Q1 2026 opened with continued tenant selectivity, disciplined development and a growing distinction between modern logistics product and older, functionally limited inventory. Population growth, construction supply, service distribution and last-mile demand support the industrial base. I-75 access and the depth of local labor are central site-selection considerations. County-level rent, vacancy, absorption and construction statistics are shown only when public market coverage reports them separately.

Key Market Fundamentals

Metric	Q1 2026 Performance
Total Industrial Inventory	6,505,316 SF
Quarterly Net Absorption	113,186 SF
Overall Vacancy Rate	9.4%
Warehouse/Distribution Rent	\$13.83/SF NNN
New Deliveries	67,750 SF

Submarket Breakdown & Analysis

- **Punta Gorda:** The county's principal concentration of warehouse, flex, service-industrial or manufacturing activity.
- **Port Charlotte:** A secondary industrial node serving local distribution, contractors and population-driven users.
- **Murdock:** A specialized or emerging operating area where utilities, zoning and access should be confirmed.
- **Charlotte County Airport:** A location-dependent node whose performance is influenced by available sites and freight connectivity.
- **Freight and access framework:** I-75, US-41, SR-31, Punta Gorda Airport.

Notable Industrial Transactions & Development

- No Q1 2026 county-specific industrial sale, lease or development transaction with complete, independently verifiable public terms was selected for this report. This does not mean no transaction occurred; confidential leases, private sales and off-market activity may not appear in public reporting.

Market Forecast & Outlook (Q1 2026)

1. Leasing and rents: Over the following 12 months, asking-rent performance should remain most defensible for functional infill warehouse, flex and service-industrial space. Older product may require concessions or capital improvements when loading, clear height or truck access is deficient.

2. Supply and vacancy: New construction should be evaluated at the applicable metro or corridor level. For Charlotte County, a small number of deliveries or move-outs can materially affect availability, particularly where the industrial inventory is limited.

3. Investment and off-market activity: Buyer demand should continue to favor durable occupancy, replacement-cost advantages and properties with yard, power or location characteristics that are difficult to reproduce. Confidential and off-market transactions may not appear in public statistics.

Industrial Property Focus

For Charlotte County acquisitions and leasing requirements, evaluate warehouse and flex functionality, loading, clear height, power, truck circulation, flood exposure, zoning, outside-storage permissions, yard security, utilities and proximity to I-75, US-41, SR-31, Punta Gorda Airport. HDK Capital also canvasses owners for off-market industrial, IOS, fenced-yard and sale-leaseback opportunities.

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