

## Smart Properties: The Value of IoT for MDUs

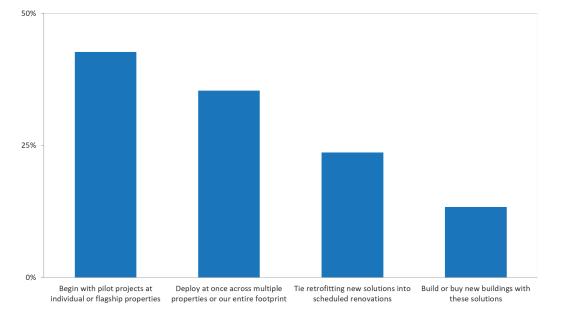
## **SYNOPSIS**

This study examines adoption of IoT and smart apartment technology in multifamily properties. It compares top value propositions for smart apartment and IoT platforms and devices and quantifies the return on investment through operational efficiencies, increased rental rates, and decreased resident turnover. It also examines market dynamics, including trends in new builds versus retrofits.

This research provides insight on technology adoption and needs among multifamily property owners and operators, with a specific focus on connectivity, IoT devices, and services. It examines current and upcoming deployments in different contexts, including new builds and retrofits, identifies owners and operators' preferences and priorities, and quantifies market opportunities.

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## Strategy Taken When Deploying a Smart Building Solution

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#### Key questions addressed:

- 1. How have the drivers and barriers for smart building technologies evolved?
- 2. What are owners/operators planning for smart building technology investments?
- 3. What timeline are MDU owners/operators considering?
- 4. How has the market for bulk internet evolved in the face of changing regulations?
- 5. What new market opportunities are on the horizon for multifamily?

"After years of high interest rates negatively impacting financing for new multifamily construction and retrofits, pent-up demand has hit a crescendo. With inflation slowing in the US market, the financing picture is set to change. Multifamily properties are poised to capture these emerging opportunities."

- Kristen Hanich, Research Director, Parks Associates

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- Factors Holding Company Back from Deploying Smart Solutions "We're waiting for..."
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#### **Property Technology Adoption**

- Adoption of Property Technologies at Any Property Owned/Managed
- Percentage of Multifamily Properties With Installed Solutions
- Number of Solution Providers Across Properties
- Challenge Managing Vendors
- Impact of Smart Building Vendor Fragmentation on MDUs
- Smart Building and Technology Fragmentation Management
- Systems Integrated into Smart Building Platform/Aggregator
- Brand of Smart Building Platform Used
- Brand of Real Estate or Property Management System Used

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- Owner/Operator Perspectives: Water and Electricity -"Why did you rate your properties' ... that way?"

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- Plans on Deploying Technology in the Next Five Years
- Estimated Timeline of Making Purchasing Decisions
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- Expected Timeline of Making Changes to Solutions
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- Type of Meters Used on Largest Property
- Smart Meters Used on Largest Property
- Package Delivery Process in Largest Property

## **Respondent Overview**

- Qualifying respondents were engaged in a real estate, property management, COA, or HOA management company.
- Company Type
- Type of Properties Owned or Managed
- Length of Ownership
- Type of Housing Included in Company Portfolio
- Type of Buildings Owned or Managed in Portfolio
- Company Annual Revenue
- Number of Multi-Unit, Residential Properties
  Owned/Managed
- Total Number of Residential Units Owned/Managed
- Size of Properties Included in Respondent Portfolio
- Company Operating Regions

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