

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**Current Report
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**July 25, 2019 (July 24, 2019)
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.
FIRST INDUSTRIAL, L.P.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.:

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

1-13102
(Commission
File Number)

36-3935116
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

First Industrial, L.P.:

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

333-21873
(Commission
File Number)

36-3924586
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**1 North Wacker Drive, Suite 4200
Chicago, Illinois 60606**
(Address of principal executive offices, zip code)

(312) 344-4300
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Title of each class:
Common Stock**

**Trading
Symbol(s):
FR**

**Name of each exchange
on which registered:
NYSE**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 24, 2019, First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2019 and certain other information.

Attached and incorporated by reference as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the Company’s press release dated July 24, 2019, announcing its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2019 and certain other information.

On July 25, 2019, the Company will hold an investor conference and webcast at 12:00 p.m. eastern time to disclose and discuss the financial results for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2019 and certain other information.

The information furnished in this report under this Item 2.02, including the Exhibit attached hereto, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference to such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are filed herewith:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	<u>First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. Press Release dated July 24, 2019 (furnished pursuant to Item 2.02).</u>

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Scott A. Musil

Name: Scott A. Musil
Title: Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

FIRST INDUSTRIAL, L.P.

By: First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc., its general partner

By: /s/ Scott A. Musil

Name: Scott A. Musil
Title: Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)

Date: July 25, 2019



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MEDIA RELEASE

First Industrial Realty Trust Reports Second Quarter 2019 Results

- *Cash Rental Rates Were Up 13.4%, the Highest Quarterly Increase in First Industrial's 25-Year History*
- *Occupancy of 97.3%, Up 40 Basis Points from 2Q18*
- *Cash Same Store NOI Grew 3.0%*
- *Signed 1.7 Million Square Feet of New Leases for Development and Value-Add Acquisitions in the Second Quarter; Third Quarter-to-Date, Signed a Full Building Lease for the 120,000 Square-Foot First Park at Central Crossing III in New Jersey*
- *Started Development of a New 644,000 Square-Foot Build-to-Suit in Phoenix; Estimated Total Investment of \$48.6 Million*
- *In 3Q19, Started a 100,000 Square-Foot Development in Northeast Philadelphia; Estimated Investment of \$12.3 Million*
- *Acquired Three Buildings Totaling of 117,000 Square Feet Plus Two Development Parcels for \$30.3 Million; 3Q19 To-Date, Acquired Two Buildings and One Land Parcel in Southern California Plus the Philadelphia Development Site for a Total of \$16.5 Million*
- *In 3Q19, Closed a \$150 Million Private Placement Debt Offering*
- *2019 FFO Guidance Increased \$0.02 At Midpoint to \$1.72 Per Share Reflecting Portfolio Operations and an Increase in Capitalized Interest*
- *Increased Midpoint of Cash Same Store NOI Guidance Range 25 Basis Points*

CHICAGO, July 24, 2019 – First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: FR), a leading fully integrated owner, operator and developer of industrial real estate, today announced results for the second quarter of 2019. Diluted net income available to common stockholders per share (EPS) was \$0.31 compared to \$0.36 a year ago.

First Industrial's second quarter FFO was \$0.43 per share/unit on a diluted basis, compared to \$0.39 per share/unit a year ago.

“Low vacancy rates nationally and broad-based tenant demand continue to drive strong rent growth in our target markets,” said Peter E. Baccile, First Industrial's president and chief executive officer. “Our cash rental rate growth of 13.4% for second quarter lease commencements established a new quarterly record for First Industrial over our 25-year history as a public company.”

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Portfolio Performance

- In service occupancy was 97.3% at the end of the second quarter of 2019, compared to 97.3% at the end of the first quarter of 2019, and 96.9% at the end of the second quarter of 2018. Tenants were retained in 73.1% of square footage up for renewal.
- Same property cash basis net operating income (“SS NOI”) increased 3.0%, reflecting contractual rent escalations, increased rental rates on leasing, offset by a slight decrease in average occupancy and the negative impact of tax true-ups in markets where taxes are paid in arrears.
- Rental rates increased 13.4% on a cash basis, a quarterly record for the Company, and increased 27.3% on a straight-line basis; leasing costs were \$2.42 per square foot.
- Cash rental rate change of 13.0% for the 83% of total 2019 rollovers signed through July 24th.

Development and Value-Add Acquisition Leasing

During the second quarter, the Company:

- Leased 100% of its 739,000 square-foot First Logistics Center @ I-78/81 Building A in Central Pennsylvania to Ferrero U.S.A., Inc. The lease will commence by the fourth quarter.
- Leased 100% of the 221,000 square-foot and 137,000 square-foot facilities at The Ranch by First Industrial in the Inland Empire, bringing that six-building park to 100% occupancy.
- Leased 100% of the 126,000 square-foot First 290 @ Guhn Road in Houston.
- Leased 67,000 square feet of a 171,000 square-foot value-add acquisition in Los Angeles.
- Leased 207,000 square feet of its 356,000 square-foot First Joliet Logistics Center in Chicago.
- Leased 57,000 square feet at First Grand Parkway Commerce Center, a two-building 371,000 square-foot development in Houston.
- Leased 45,000 square feet of its 67,000 square-foot First Glacier Logistics Center in Seattle.
- Leased 100% of a 58,000 square-foot value-add acquisition in Seattle.

During the third quarter to date, the Company:

- Leased 100% of its 120,000 square-foot First Park at Central Crossing III in Central New Jersey.

Investment and Disposition Activities

In the second quarter of 2019, the Company:

- Commenced development of a new 644,000 square-foot build-to-suit for Ferrero U.S.A., Inc. in Phoenix on a site acquired from our joint venture at the PV-303 business park; total estimated investment is \$48.6 million.
- Acquired 28 acres in Dallas adjacent to its First Park 121 development for \$7.4 million developable to 434,000 square feet.
- Acquired two buildings in the South Bay market of Los Angeles totaling 32,000 square feet for \$7.1 million.
- Acquired an 85,000 square-foot building in Denver’s I-70 corridor for \$9.0 million.
- Sold two units totaling 12,000 square feet in Miami for \$1.6 million.
- Sold a 147-acre parcel in its First Park @ PV303 joint venture; First Industrial’s share of the sales price was \$18.2 million.

In the third quarter to date, the Company:

- Acquired a 6.9-acre site in northeast Philadelphia for \$2.0 million on which the Company has commenced development of a 100,000 square-foot building; total estimated investment of \$12.3 million.
- Acquired two buildings in Southern California: a 44,000 square-foot building in the Inland Empire for \$5.6 million and a 41,000 square-foot building in San Diego for \$7.3 million.

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- Acquired a two-acre land site in the Inland Empire West for \$1.6 million developable to approximately 40,000 square feet.
- Sold a vacant 110,000 square-foot building in northeast Pennsylvania for \$6.0 million and a land parcel in New Jersey for \$0.2 million.

“We continue to identify profitable development opportunities and select acquisitions that can deliver long-term cash flow growth and value for our shareholders,” said Johansson Yap, First Industrial’s chief investment officer. “We had a number of key leasing wins during the quarter, including being selected for another logistics requirement by a repeat customer in our new Phoenix build-to-suit.”

Capital

During the third quarter to date, the Company:

- Closed on a private placement offering on July 23 for \$150 million of fixed rate senior unsecured notes with a coupon rate of 3.97%. The 3.97% Series E Guaranteed Senior Notes have a 10-year term and an effective interest rate of 4.23% reflecting the settlement of interest rate protection agreements related to the offering.

Outlook for 2019

Mr. Baccile stated, “We are increasing the midpoint of our FFO guidance by \$0.02 for 2019 due to contributions from our portfolio as well as additional capitalized interest primarily related to our new development starts. Our team continues to deliver excellent results, increasing cash flow from our portfolio and executing on new investments for growth.”

	Low End of Guidance for 2019 (Per share/unit)	High End of Guidance for 2019 (Per share/unit)
Net Income	0.89	0.97
Add: Real Estate Depreciation/Amortization	0.93	0.93
Less: Net Gain on Sale of Real Estate Including FR’s Share of Joint Venture Gain, Net of Allocable Income Tax Provision, Through July 24, 2019	(0.14)	(0.14)
FFO (NAREIT Definition)	<u>\$ 1.68</u>	<u>\$ 1.76</u>

The following assumptions were used:

- Average quarter-end in service occupancy of 96.75% to 97.75%.
- Same-store NOI growth on a cash basis before termination fees of 2.0% to 3.0% for the full year, an increase of 25 basis points at the midpoint.
- General and administrative expense of approximately \$27.5 million to \$28.5 million.
- Guidance includes the incremental costs expected in 2019 related to the Company’s developments completed and under construction as of July 24, 2019. In total, the Company expects to capitalize \$0.04 per share of interest related to these development projects in 2019.
- Guidance reflects our private placement issuance of \$150 million of senior unsecured notes discussed above.
- Guidance reflects the expected payoff of an approximately \$33 million secured debt maturity in the third quarter and an approximately \$1 million secured debt maturity in the fourth quarter with a weighted average interest rate of 7.5%.
- Other than the above, guidance does not include the impact of:
 - any other future debt repurchases prior to maturity or future debt issuances,
 - any future investments or property sales after the date of this earnings release,
 - any future gains related to the final settlement of two insurance claims for damaged properties previously disclosed, or
 - any future equity issuances.

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A number of factors could impact our ability to deliver results in line with our assumptions, such as interest rates, the economy, the supply and demand of industrial real estate, the availability and terms of financing to potential acquirers of real estate, the timing and yields for divestment and investment, and numerous other variables. There can be no assurance that First Industrial can achieve such results.

Conference Call

First Industrial will host its quarterly conference call on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. CDT (12:00 p.m. EDT). The conference call may be accessed by dialing (888) 823-7459, passcode "First Industrial." The conference call will also be webcast live on the Investors page of the Company's website at www.firstindustrial.com. The replay will also be available on the website.

The Company's second quarter 2019 supplemental information can be viewed at www.firstindustrial.com under the "Investors" tab.

FFO Definition

In accordance with the restated NAREIT definition of FFO adopted by the Company effective January 1, 2019, First Industrial calculates FFO to be equal to net income available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s common stockholders and participating securities, plus depreciation and other amortization of real estate, plus impairment of real estate, minus gain or plus loss on sale of real estate, net of any income tax provision or benefit associated with the sale of real estate. First Industrial also excludes the same adjustments from its share of net income from an unconsolidated joint venture. For the comparative 2018 period, if applicable, gain and losses from the sale of non-depreciable real estate as well as impairment of non-depreciable real estate were not excluded from FFO.

About First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (NYSE: FR) is a leading fully integrated owner, operator, and developer of industrial real estate with a track record of providing industry-leading customer service to multinational corporations and regional customers. Across major markets in the United States, our local market experts manage, lease, buy, (re)develop, and sell bulk and regional distribution centers, light industrial, and other industrial facility types. In total, we own and have under development approximately 67.9 million square feet of industrial space as of June 30, 2019. For more information, please visit us at www.firstindustrial.com.

Forward-Looking Information

This press release and the presentation to which it refers may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. We intend for such forward-looking statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions and describe our future plans, strategies and expectations, and are generally identifiable by use of the words "believe," "expect," "plan," "intend," "anticipate," "estimate," "project," "seek," "target," "potential," "focus," "may," "will," "should" or similar words. Although we believe the expectations reflected in forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, we can give no assurance that our expectations will be attained or that results will not materially differ. Factors which could have a materially adverse effect on our operations and future prospects include, but are not limited to: changes in national, international, regional and local economic conditions generally and real estate markets specifically; changes in legislation/regulation (including changes to laws governing the taxation of real estate investment trusts)

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and actions of regulatory authorities; our ability to qualify and maintain our status as a real estate investment trust; the availability and attractiveness of financing (including both public and private capital) and changes in interest rates; the availability and attractiveness of terms of additional debt repurchases; changes in our credit agency ratings; our ability to comply with applicable financial covenants; our competitive environment; changes in supply, demand and valuation of industrial properties and land in our current and potential market areas; difficulties in identifying and consummating acquisitions and dispositions; our ability to manage the integration of properties we acquire; potential liability relating to environmental matters; defaults on or non-renewal of leases by our tenants; decreased rental rates or increased vacancy rates; higher-than-expected real estate construction costs and delays in development or lease-up schedules; changes in general accounting principles, policies and guidelines applicable to real estate investment trusts; and other risks and uncertainties described under the heading "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2018, as well as those risks and uncertainties discussed from time to time in our other Exchange Act reports and in our other public filings with the SEC. We caution you not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which reflect our outlook only and speak only as of the date of this press release or the dates indicated in the statements. We assume no obligation to update or supplement forward-looking statements. For further information on these and other factors that could impact us and the statements contained herein, reference should be made to our filings with the SEC.

A schedule of selected financial information is attached.

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FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.
Selected Financial Data
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share/Unit data)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
Statements of Operations and Other Data:				
Total Revenues (a)	\$ 104,095	\$ 98,845	\$ 208,636	\$ 198,616
Property Expenses (a)	(27,379)	(28,553)	(57,547)	(57,964)
General and Administrative (b)	(6,782)	(6,746)	(13,584)	(14,889)
Impairment of Real Estate	—	—	—	(2,756)
Depreciation of Corporate FF&E	(171)	(188)	(371)	(371)
Depreciation and Other Amortization of Real Estate	(29,603)	(28,448)	(59,458)	(56,580)
Total Expenses	(63,935)	(63,935)	(130,960)	(132,560)
Gain on Sale of Real Estate	1,097	25,067	889	45,156
Interest Expense	(12,332)	(12,603)	(25,099)	(25,394)
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs	(794)	(845)	(1,625)	(1,700)
Loss from Retirement of Debt	—	—	—	(39)
Income from Operations Before Equity in Income (Loss) of Joint Venture and Income Tax Provision	28,131	46,529	51,841	84,079
Equity in Income (Loss) of Joint Venture	15,516	(2)	16,360	(2)
Income Tax Provision	(2,934)	(123)	(3,148)	(209)
Net Income	40,713	46,404	65,053	83,868
Net Income Attributable to the Noncontrolling Interest	(913)	(1,195)	(1,450)	(2,367)
Net Income Available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s Common Stockholders and Participating Securities	\$ 39,800	\$ 45,209	\$ 63,603	\$ 81,501
RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS AND PARTICIPATING SECURITIES TO FFO (c) AND AFFO (c)				
Net Income Available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s Common Stockholders and Participating Securities	\$ 39,800	\$ 45,209	\$ 63,603	\$ 81,501
Depreciation and Other Amortization of Real Estate	29,603	28,448	59,458	56,580
Impairment of Depreciable Real Estate	—	—	—	2,285
Noncontrolling Interest	913	1,195	1,450	2,367
Gain on Sale of Depreciable Real Estate	(1,097)	(25,067)	(889)	(45,140)
Gain on Sale of Real Estate from Joint Venture	(15,747)	—	(16,714)	—
Income Tax Provision—Gain on Sale of Real Estate from Joint Venture	2,877	—	3,095	—
Funds From Operations (NAREIT) ("FFO") (c)	\$ 56,349	\$ 49,785	\$ 110,003	\$ 97,593
Loss from Retirement of Debt	—	—	—	39
Amortization of Stock Based Compensation	2,053	1,997	3,815	3,686
Amortization of Debt Discounts (Premiums) and Hedge Costs	25	(10)	50	(24)
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs	794	845	1,625	1,700
Depreciation of Corporate FF&E	171	188	371	371
Impairment of Non-Depreciable Real Estate	—	—	—	471
Gain on Sale of Non-Depreciable Real Estate	—	—	—	(16)
Non-incremental Building Improvements	(3,111)	(3,868)	(4,662)	(4,805)
Non-incremental Leasing Costs	(3,893)	(6,548)	(7,491)	(12,142)
Capitalized Interest	(1,376)	(1,715)	(2,320)	(3,317)
Capitalized Overhead	(825)	(255)	(1,619)	(359)
Straight-Line Rent, Amortization of Above (Below) Market Leases and Lease Inducements	(3,182)	(410)	(6,257)	(1,185)
Adjusted Funds From Operations ("AFFO") (c)	\$ 47,005	\$ 40,009	\$ 93,515	\$ 82,012

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.
Selected Financial Data
(Unaudited)
(In thousands except per share/Unit data)

RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME AVAILABLE TO FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.'S COMMON STOCKHOLDERS AND PARTICIPATING SECURITIES TO ADJUSTED EBITDA (c) AND NOI (c)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018	June 30, 2019	June 30, 2018
Net Income Available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s Common Stockholders and Participating Securities	\$ 39,800	\$ 45,209	\$ 63,603	\$ 81,501
Interest Expense	12,332	12,603	25,099	25,394
Depreciation and Other Amortization of Real Estate	29,603	28,448	59,458	56,580
Impairment of Real Estate	—	—	—	2,756
Severance Expense (b)	—	—	—	1,298
Income Tax Provision	57	123	53	209
Income Tax Provision - Gain on Sale of Real Estate from Joint Venture	2,877	—	3,095	—
Noncontrolling Interest	913	1,195	1,450	2,367
Loss from Retirement of Debt	—	—	—	39
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs	794	845	1,625	1,700
Depreciation of Corporate FF&E	171	188	371	371
Gain on Sale of Real Estate	(1,097)	(25,067)	(889)	(45,156)
Gain on Sale of Real Estate from Joint Venture	(15,747)	—	(16,714)	—
Adjusted EBITDA (c)	\$ 69,703	\$ 63,544	\$ 137,151	\$ 127,059
General and Administrative (b)	6,782	6,746	13,584	13,591
FFO from Joint Venture	231	2	354	2
Net Operating Income ("NOI") (c)	\$ 76,716	\$ 70,292	\$ 151,089	\$ 140,652
Non-Same Store NOI	(5,880)	(1,762)	(10,158)	(4,038)
Same Store NOI Before Same Store Adjustments (c)	\$ 70,836	\$ 68,530	\$ 140,931	\$ 136,614
Straight-line Rent	14	(8)	119	(595)
Above (Below) Market Lease Amortization	(256)	(249)	(507)	(501)
Lease Termination Fees	(443)	(163)	(1,014)	(174)
Same Store NOI (Cash Basis without Termination Fees) (c)	\$ 70,151	\$ 68,110	\$ 139,529	\$ 135,344
Weighted Avg. Number of Shares/Units Outstanding - Basic	128,831	126,832	128,824	125,289
Weighted Avg. Number of Shares Outstanding - Basic	126,206	123,616	126,200	121,741
Weighted Avg. Number of Shares/Units Outstanding - Diluted	129,221	127,301	129,199	125,706
Weighted Avg. Number of Shares Outstanding - Diluted	126,489	124,085	126,472	122,158

Per Share/Unit Data:

Net Income Available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s Common Stockholders and Participating Securities	\$ 39,800	\$ 45,209	\$ 63,603	\$ 81,501
Less: Allocation to Participating Securities	(89)	(151)	(149)	(248)
Net Income Available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s Common Stockholders	\$ 39,711	\$ 45,058	\$ 63,454	\$ 81,253
Basic and Diluted Per Share	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.67
FFO (NAREIT) (c)	\$ 56,349	\$ 49,785	\$ 110,003	\$ 97,593
Less: Allocation to Participating Securities	(177)	(161)	(314)	(285)
FFO (NAREIT) Allocable to Common Stockholders and Unitholders	\$ 56,172	\$ 49,624	\$ 109,689	\$ 97,308
Basic Per Share/Unit	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.78
Diluted Per Share/Unit	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.85	\$ 0.77
Common Dividends/Distributions Per Share/Unit	\$ 0.2300	\$ 0.2175	\$ 0.4600	\$ 0.4350

Balance Sheet Data (end of period):

	June 30, 2019	March 31, 2019	December 31, 2018
Gross Real Estate Investment	\$3,818,545	\$3,724,985	\$3,673,644
Total Assets	3,254,901	3,178,654	3,142,691
Debt	1,381,409	1,326,456	1,297,783
Total Liabilities	1,580,498	1,512,690	1,462,780
Total Equity	\$1,674,403	\$1,665,964	\$1,679,911

- a) We adopted Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842) (“ASU 2016-02”) effective January 1, 2019. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-02, we included reimbursement revenue related to real estate taxes paid directly by certain tenants to the taxing authorities in Total Revenues with a corresponding expense amount in Property Expenses. Additionally, ASU 2016-02 requires credit losses on lease receivables be presented within Total Revenues. Prior to the adoption of ASU 2016-02, we included the credit losses on lease receivables within Property Expenses. The 2018 Statements of Operations have not been restated for either of these changes.
- b)

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2018
General and Administrative per the Form 10-Q	14,889
Severance Expense	(1,298)
General and Administrative per Reconciliation within the Selected Financial Data	13,591

- c) Investors in, and analysts following, the real estate industry utilize funds from operations (“FFO”), net operating income (“NOI”), adjusted EBITDA and adjusted funds from operations (“AFFO”), variously defined below, as supplemental performance measures. While we believe net income available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.’s common stockholders and participating securities, as defined by GAAP, is the most appropriate measure, we consider FFO, NOI, adjusted EBITDA and AFFO, given their wide use by, and relevance to investors and analysts, appropriate supplemental performance measures. FFO, reflecting the assumption that real estate asset values rise or fall with market conditions, principally adjusts for the effects of GAAP depreciation and amortization of real estate assets. NOI provides a measure of rental operations, and does not factor in depreciation and amortization and non-property specific expenses such as general and administrative expenses. Adjusted EBITDA provides a tool to further evaluate the ability to incur and service debt and to fund dividends and other cash needs. AFFO provides a tool to further evaluate the ability to fund dividends. In addition, FFO, NOI, adjusted EBITDA and AFFO are commonly used in various ratios, pricing multiples/yields and returns and valuation calculations used to measure financial position, performance and value.

In accordance with the restated NAREIT definition of FFO which we adopted effective January 1, 2019, we calculate FFO to be equal to net income available to First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.’s common stockholders and participating securities, plus depreciation and other amortization of real estate, plus impairment of real estate, minus gain or plus loss on sale of real estate, net of any income tax provision or benefit associated with the sale of real estate. We also exclude the same adjustments from our share of net income from an unconsolidated joint venture. For the comparative 2018 period, if applicable, gain and losses from the sale of non-depreciable real estate as well as impairment of non-depreciable real estate were not excluded from FFO.

NOI is defined as our revenues, minus property expenses such as real estate taxes, repairs and maintenance, property management, utilities, insurance and other expenses.

Adjusted EBITDA is defined as NOI minus general and administrative expenses and the equity in FFO loss from our investment in a joint venture. For the six months ended June 30, 2018, \$1,298 of severance expense included in general and administrative expense was not deducted to arrive at adjusted EBITDA.

AFFO is defined as adjusted EBITDA minus GAAP interest expense, minus capitalized interest and overhead, (minus)/plus amortization of debt (premiums)/discounts and hedge costs, minus straight-line rental income, amortization of above (below) market leases and lease inducements, minus provision for income taxes or plus benefit for income taxes, plus amortization of stock based compensation, minus severance expense and minus non-incremental capital expenditures. For AFFO purposes, we also exclude the income tax provision or benefit related to the gain or loss on sale of real estate, which is comparable to the NAREIT FFO treatment. Non-incremental capital expenditures refer to building improvements and leasing costs required to maintain current revenues plus tenant improvements amortized back to the tenant over the lease term. Excluded are first generation leasing costs, capital expenditures underwritten at acquisition and development/redevelopment costs.

FFO, NOI, adjusted EBITDA and AFFO do not represent cash generated from operating activities in accordance with GAAP and are not necessarily indicative of cash available to fund cash needs, including the repayment of principal on debt and payment of dividends and distributions. FFO, NOI, adjusted EBITDA and AFFO should not be considered as substitutes for net income available to common stockholders and participating securities (calculated in accordance with GAAP) as a measure of results of operations or cash flows (calculated in accordance with GAAP) as a measure of liquidity. FFO, NOI, adjusted EBITDA and AFFO as currently calculated by us may not be comparable to similarly titled, but variously calculated, measures of other REITs.

In addition, we consider cash-basis same store NOI (“SS NOI”) to be a useful supplemental measure of our operating performance. Same store properties include all properties owned prior to January 1, 2018 and held as an in service property through the end of the current reporting period (including nine land parcels that are leased under ground lease arrangements), and developments and redevelopments that were placed in service prior to January 1, 2018 (the “Same Store Pool”). Properties which are at least 75% occupied at acquisition are placed in service, unless we anticipate tenant move-outs within two years of ownership would drop occupancy below 75%. Acquired properties with occupancy greater than 75% at acquisition, but with tenants that we anticipate will move out within two years of ownership, will be placed in service upon the earlier of reaching 90% occupancy or twelve months after move out. Acquisitions that are less than 75% occupied at the date of acquisition, developments and redevelopments are placed in service as they reach the earlier of a) stabilized occupancy (generally defined as 90% occupied), or b) one year subsequent to acquisition or development/redevelopment construction completion.

We define SS NOI as NOI, less NOI of properties not in the Same Store Pool, less the impact of straight-line rent, the amortization of above (below) market rent and the impact of lease termination fees. We exclude straight-line rent and above (below) market rent in calculating SS NOI because we believe it provides a better measure of actual cash basis rental growth for a year-over-year comparison. In addition, we believe that SS NOI helps the investing public compare the operating performance of a company’s real estate as compared to other companies. While SS NOI is a relevant and widely used measure of operating performance of real estate investment trusts, it does not represent cash flow from operations or net income as defined by GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to those measures in evaluating our liquidity or operating performance. SS NOI also does not reflect general and administrative expense, interest expense, depreciation and amortization, income tax benefit and expense, gains and losses on retirement of debt, impairment of real estate, gains and losses on the sale of real estate, equity in income or loss from our joint venture, capital expenditures and leasing costs. Further, our computation of SS NOI may not be comparable to that of other real estate companies, as they may use different methodologies for calculating SS NOI.