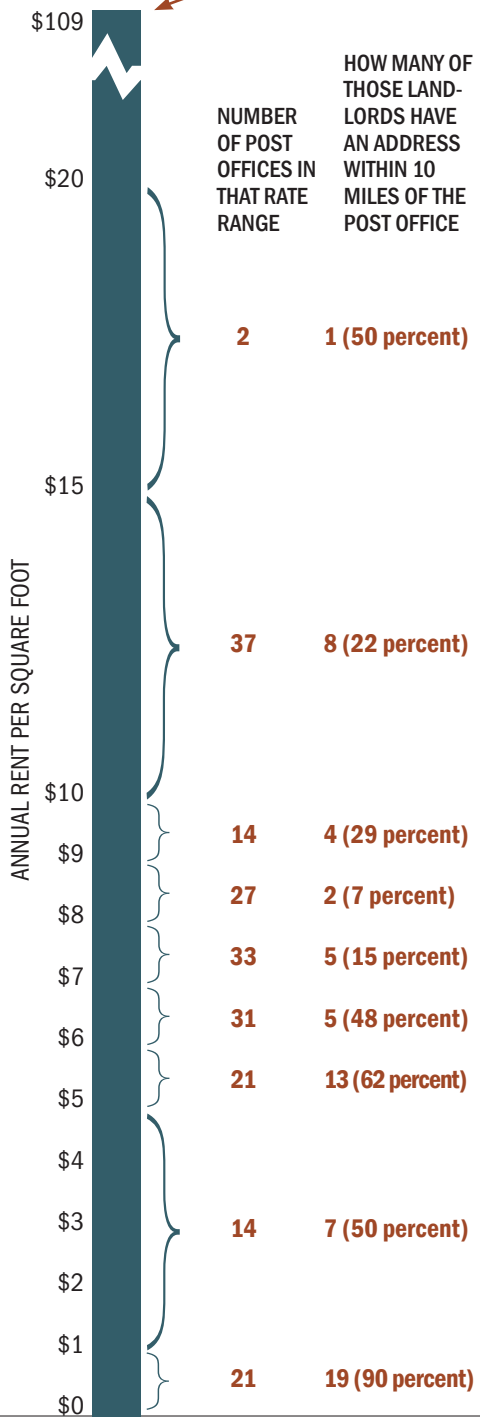

HIGHEST RENT:

The Post Office in the Empire Mall in Sioux Falls pays $6,000 a year for 55 square feet, which is actually **$109.09 per square foot**. The rent is paid to mall owners in Indianapolis.

Whether landlords are local may affect how much post offices pay in rent

Does your local post office's landlord live around the corner or just down the road? If so, the rent paid is more likely to be lower than if the landlord lives farther away, according to an analysis of 201 eastern South Dakota post offices* by Dakotafire Media.

There are exceptions, but the correlation is there. Perhaps local landlords are willing to accept less rent, or perhaps distant landlords are basing rent on higher average rental rates in communities outside the Dakotas. The names of some landlords suggests some properties have been purchased as investments.

Find information on your local post office here:
https://about.usps.com/who-we-are/foia/leased-facilities/report.htm

AVERAGE ANNUAL RENT:
$11,647.37

AVERAGE ANNUAL RENT PER SQUARE FOOT:
$7.79

**ZIP codes ranging from 57001 to 57481.*
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