

The Rising Tide of Retail Tenant Bankruptcies

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The Rising Tide

- Expert opinions are mixed on the reason for the rise
- Significant increase in consumer online purchasing = decreased demand for commercial space
- LBOs = low liquidity and high debt for household-name retailers

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Source: The Atlantic

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Major U.S. store closings so far in 2018:

Before Mattress Firm said it will be closing another 700 stores, U.S. retailers said they were closing 4,612 stores this year. Retailers closed more than 7,000 stores last year.

Store	Number of stores closed
Toys R Us	881
Walgreens	600
Sears and Kmart	330
Ascena (Ann Taylor)	267
Bon-Ton	260
Best Buy Mobile	250
Signet Jewelers (Kay, Zales, Jared)	200
Mattress Firm*	200
GNC	200
Claire's	132
Foot Locker	110
Brookstone	101

*Before the bankruptcy
SOURCE: Coresight Research

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