

**Table 23.09-- SHOPPING CENTER CHARACTERISTICS: 1993 TO 1997**

Characteristic	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Number	160	165	(NA)	175	182
Gross leasable area (mil. sq. ft.)	16	17	(NA)	18	19
Retail sales (bil. dol.)	2.9	3.1	(NA)	3.6	3.9

NA Not available

Source: *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 1998* (p. 773) and earlier editions.