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## Kelowna CMA



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## January New Home Construction

Kelowna Area housing starts increased to 49 homes in January 2012 compared to 33 homes the same month in 2011. Both detached home and multi-family starts were up from a year ago.

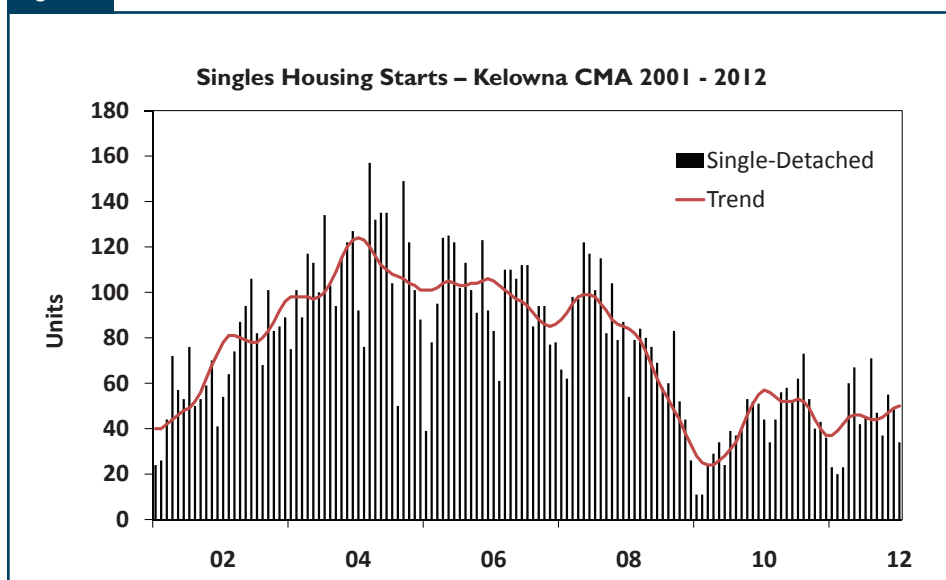
Single detached homes remained the focus of new home construction in January. Lower construction costs and lot prices have enabled builders

to better compete with the existing home market and attract price sensitive buyers. Multi-family starts in January included semi-detached units and townhouses. Builders have continued to favour smaller home owner-oriented housing projects rather than larger apartment condominium projects. This type of project is more easily released to the market in phases. New projects are targeting mainly local buyers rather than out-of-region investors.

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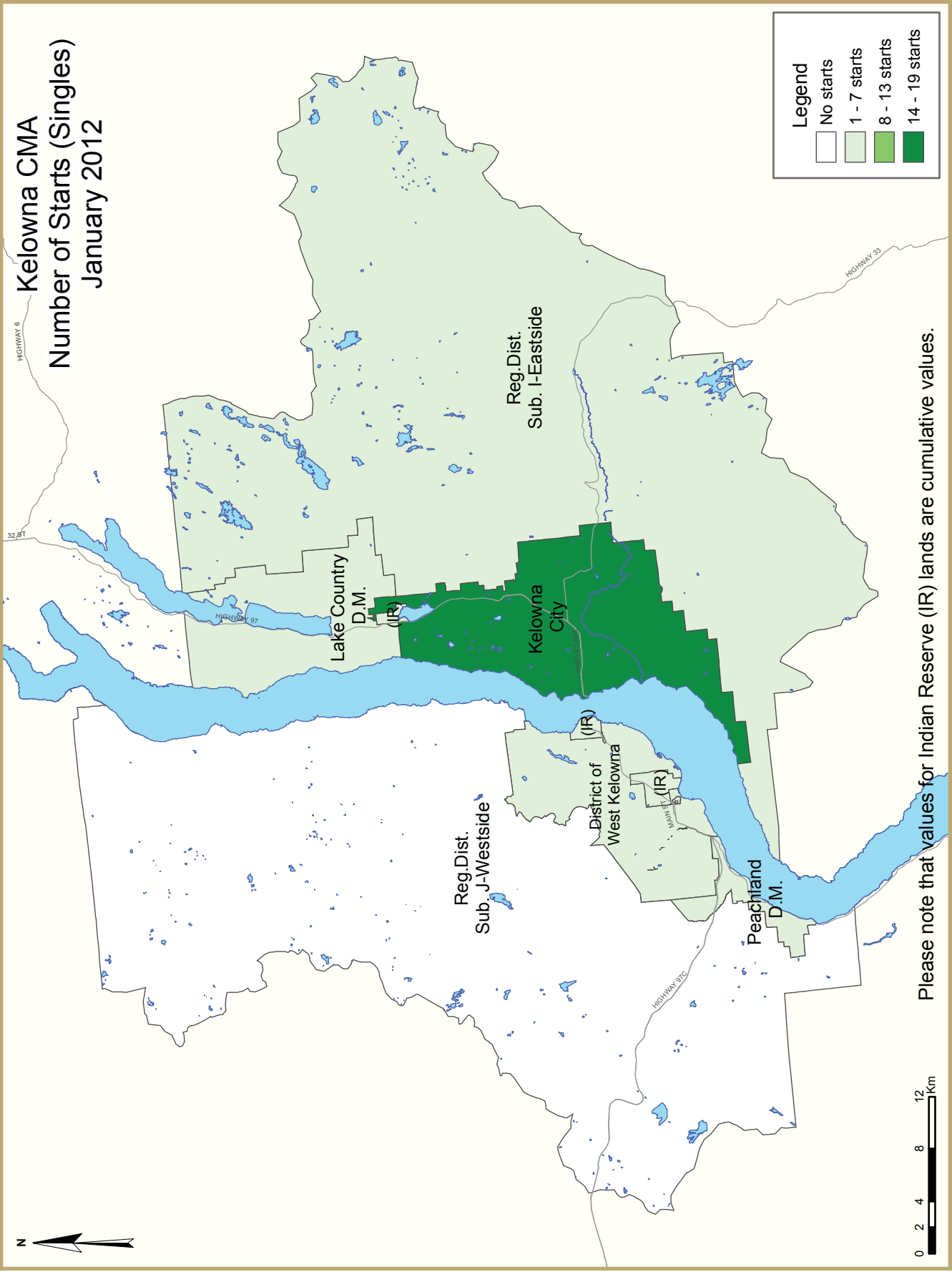
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### SYMBOLS

- n/a Not applicable
- \* Totals may not add up due to co-operatives and unknown market types
- \*\*\* Percent change > 200%
- Nil
- Amount too small to be expressed
- SA Monthly figures are adjusted to remove normal seasonal variation

**Table 1: Housing Activity Summary of Kelowna CMA**  
**January 2012**

	Ownership						Rental		Total*
	Freehold			Condominium			Single, Semi, and Row	Apt. & Other	
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other			
STARTS									
January 2012	32	2	0	0	13	0	2	0	49
January 2011	18	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	33
% Change	77.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-86.7	n/a	48.5
Year-to-date 2012	32	2	0	0	13	0	2	0	49
Year-to-date 2011	18	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	33
% Change	77.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-86.7	n/a	48.5
UNDER CONSTRUCTION									
January 2012	400	57	0	0	110	311	48	95	1,021
January 2011	423	46	6	1	113	276	32	212	1,109
% Change	-5.4	23.9	-100.0	-100.0	-2.7	12.7	50.0	-55.2	-7.9
COMPLETIONS									
January 2012	45	10	6	0	0	6	2	2	71
January 2011	42	0	0	1	12	0	4	0	59
% Change	7.1	n/a	n/a	-100.0	-100.0	n/a	-50.0	n/a	20.3
Year-to-date 2012	45	10	6	0	0	6	2	2	71
Year-to-date 2011	42	0	0	1	12	0	4	0	59
% Change	7.1	n/a	n/a	-100.0	-100.0	n/a	-50.0	n/a	20.3
COMPLETED & NOT ABSORBED									
January 2012	127	25	3	1	89	252	6	1	504
January 2011	126	10	0	7	91	345	6	26	611
% Change	0.8	150.0	n/a	-85.7	-2.2	-27.0	0.0	-96.2	-17.5
ABSORBED									
January 2012	45	5	3	0	1	11	2	2	69
January 2011	37	1	0	1	26	63	2	4	134
% Change	21.6	**	n/a	-100.0	-96.2	-82.5	0.0	-50.0	-48.5
Year-to-date 2012	45	5	3	0	1	11	2	2	69
Year-to-date 2011	37	1	0	1	26	63	2	4	134
% Change	21.6	**	n/a	-100.0	-96.2	-82.5	0.0	-50.0	-48.5

Effective January 2011, data includes market housing on First Nations reserve lands in urban areas

Source: CMHC (Starts and Completions Survey, Market Absorption Survey)

**Table I.1: Housing Activity Summary by Submarket**  
**January 2012**

	Ownership						Rental		Total*
	Freehold			Condominium					
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row	Apt. & Other	
STARTS									
Kelowna City									
January 2012	17	0	0	0	8	0	2	0	27
January 2011	10	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	15
Lake Country D.M.									
January 2012	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
January 2011	3	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	13
District of West Kelowna									
January 2012	2	2	0	0	5	0	0	0	9
January 2011	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Peachland D.M.									
January 2012	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reg. Dist. Sub. J - Westside									
January 2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reg. Dist. Sub. I - Eastside									
January 2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indian Reserves									
January 2012	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
January 2011	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kelowna CMA									
January 2012	32	2	0	0	13	0	2	0	49
January 2011	18	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	33

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	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row	Apt. & Other	
UNDER CONSTRUCTION									
Kelowna City									
January 2012	198	13	0	0	71	311	46	91	730
January 2011	203	8	6	0	76	191	19	212	715
Lake Country D.M.									
January 2012	43	8	0	0	4	0	0	4	59
January 2011	68	18	0	0	0	0	11	0	97
District of West Kelowna									
January 2012	72	6	0	0	14	0	1	0	93
January 2011	89	2	0	1	8	3	0	0	103
Peachland D.M.									
January 2012	18	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	19
January 2011	14	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	15
Reg. Dist. Sub. J - Westside									
January 2012	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
January 2011	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Reg. Dist. Sub. I - Eastside									
January 2012	10	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
January 2011	14	6	0	0	2	0	1	0	23
Indian Reserves									
January 2012	41	22	0	0	21	0	0	0	84
January 2011	12	12	0	0	27	82	0	0	133
Kelowna CMA									
January 2012	400	57	0	0	110	311	48	95	1,021
January 2011	423	46	6	1	113	276	32	212	1,109

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COMPLETIONS									
Kelowna City									
January 2012	25	2	6	0	0	6	2	0	41
January 2011	25	0	0	1	12	0	2	0	40
Lake Country D.M.									
January 2012	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	2	16
January 2011	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
District of West Kelowna									
January 2012	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
January 2011	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Peachland D.M.									
January 2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
January 2011	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reg. Dist. Sub. J - Westside									
January 2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reg. Dist. Sub. I - Eastside									
January 2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indian Reserves									
January 2012	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
January 2011	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14
Kelowna CMA									
January 2012	45	10	6	0	0	6	2	2	71
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COMPLETED & NOT ABSORBED									
Kelowna City									
January 2012	71	9	3	1	60	182	6	1	333
January 2011	73	8	0	4	52	241	6	10	394
Lake Country D.M.									
January 2012	15	12	0	0	8	6	0	0	41
January 2011	14	0	0	0	8	11	0	16	49
District of West Kelowna									
January 2012	31	4	0	0	11	64	0	0	110
January 2011	33	2	0	3	19	93	0	0	150
Peachland D.M.									
January 2012	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	9
January 2011	3	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	10
Reg. Dist. Sub. J - Westside									
January 2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
January 2011	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reg. Dist. Sub. I - Eastside									
January 2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
January 2011	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Indian Reserves									
January 2012	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	10
January 2011	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	6
Kelowna CMA									
January 2012	127	25	3	1	89	252	6	1	504
January 2011	126	10	0	7	91	345	6	26	611

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	Freehold			Condominium					
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ABSORBED									
Kelowna City									
January 2012	28	2	3	0	1	5	2	0	41
January 2011	21	1	0	1	7	6	2	0	38
Lake Country D.M.									
January 2012	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	11
January 2011	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	6
District of West Kelowna									
January 2012	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	8
January 2011	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Peachland D.M.									
January 2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
January 2011	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reg. Dist. Sub. J - Westside									
January 2012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reg. Dist. Sub. I - Eastside									
January 2012	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
January 2011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indian Reserves									
January 2012	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
January 2011	10	0	0	0	19	57	0	0	86
Kelowna CMA									
January 2012	45	5	3	0	1	11	2	2	69
January 2011	37	1	0	1	26	63	2	4	134

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**Table 2: Starts by Submarket and by Dwelling Type**  
**January 2012**

Submarket	Single		Semi		Row		Apt. & Other		Total		
	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	% Change
Black Mountain	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	-100.0
Dilworth Mountain	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0
Ellison/Joe Rich	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Glenrosa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Glenmore	3	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	11	1	**
Kelowna Core Area	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	-83.3
Lake Country	7	3	0	4	0	6	0	0	7	13	-46.2
Lakeview Heights	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Lower Mission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
North Glenmore	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0
Peachland	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	n/a
Rutland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Southeast Kelowna	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Shannon Lake	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	7	0	n/a
Upper Mission	11	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	4	175.0
Westbank	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
West Kelowna	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	-100.0
Westside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Indian Reserves	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	100.0
<b>Kelowna CMA</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>48.5</b>

**Table 2.1: Starts by Submarket and by Dwelling Type**  
**January - January 2012**

Submarket	Single		Semi		Row		Apt. & Other		Total		
	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	% Change
Black Mountain	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	-100.0
Dilworth Mountain	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0
Ellison/Joe Rich	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Glenrosa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Glenmore	3	1	0	0	8	0	0	0	11	1	**
Kelowna Core Area	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	-83.3
Lake Country	7	3	0	4	0	6	0	0	7	13	-46.2
Lakeview Heights	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Lower Mission	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
North Glenmore	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0
Peachland	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	n/a
Rutland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Southeast Kelowna	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Shannon Lake	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	7	0	n/a
Upper Mission	11	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	4	175.0
Westbank	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
West Kelowna	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	-100.0
Westside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Indian Reserves	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	100.0
<b>Kelowna CMA</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>48.5</b>

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**Table 3: Completions by Submarket and by Dwelling Type**  
**January 2012**

Submarket	Single		Semi		Row		Apt. & Other		Total		
	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	% Change
Black Mountain	3	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	14	-78.6
Dilworth Mountain	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	-50.0
Ellison/Joe Rich	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Glenrosa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Glenmore	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	n/a
Kelowna Core Area	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	8	0	n/a
Lake Country	6	1	8	0	0	0	2	0	16	1	**
Lakeview Heights	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	-66.7
Lower Mission	2	5	0	0	6	6	0	0	8	11	-27.3
North Glenmore	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0.0
Peachland	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0
Rutland	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	200.0
Southeast Kelowna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Shannon Lake	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Upper Mission	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7	14.3
Westbank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
West Kelowna	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	n/a
Westside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Indian Reserves	8	12	0	2	0	0	0	0	8	14	-42.9
<b>Kelowna CMA</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>20.3</b>

**Table 3.1: Completions by Submarket and by Dwelling Type**  
**January - January 2012**

Submarket	Single		Semi		Row		Apt. & Other		Total		
	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	% Change
Black Mountain	3	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	14	-78.6
Dilworth Mountain	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	-50.0
Ellison/Joe Rich	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Glenrosa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Glenmore	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	n/a
Kelowna Core Area	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	8	0	n/a
Lake Country	6	1	8	0	0	0	2	0	16	1	**
Lakeview Heights	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	-66.7
Lower Mission	2	5	0	0	6	6	0	0	8	11	-27.3
North Glenmore	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0.0
Peachland	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0
Rutland	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	200.0
Southeast Kelowna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Shannon Lake	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	n/a
Upper Mission	8	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7	14.3
Westbank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
West Kelowna	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	n/a
Westside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
Indian Reserves	8	12	0	2	0	0	0	0	8	14	-42.9
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**Table 4: Absorbed Single-Detached Units by Price Range**  
**January 2012**

Submarket	Price Ranges										Total	Median Price (\$)	Average Price (\$)
	< \$400,000		\$400,000 - \$499,999		\$500,000 - \$599,999		\$600,000 - \$749,999		\$750,000 +				
	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)			
Black Mountain													
January 2012	0	0.0	1	33.3	1	33.3	1	33.3	0	0.0	3	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	1	14.3	3	42.9	2	28.6	1	14.3	7	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	1	33.3	1	33.3	1	33.3	0	0.0	3	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	1	14.3	3	42.9	2	28.6	1	14.3	7	--	--
Dilworth Mountain													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	2	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	2	--	--
Ellison/Joe Rich													
January 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Glenrosa													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Glenmore													
January 2012	0	0.0	2	33.3	2	33.3	1	16.7	1	16.7	6	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	2	33.3	2	33.3	1	16.7	1	16.7	6	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Kelowna Core Area													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Lake Country													
January 2012	0	0.0	3	50.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	2	33.3	6	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	3	50.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	2	33.3	6	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	--	--
Lakeview Heights													
January 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	2	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	50.0	2	--	--
Lower Mission													
January 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	100.0	3	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	100.0	3	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	--	--

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**Table 4: Absorbed Single-Detached Units by Price Range**  
**January 2012**

Submarket	Price Ranges										Total	Median Price (\$)	Average Price (\$)
	< \$400,000		\$400,000 - \$499,999		\$500,000 - \$599,999		\$600,000 - \$749,999		\$750,000 +				
	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)			
North Glenmore													
January 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	25.0	2	50.0	1	25.0	4	--	--
January 2011	1	33.3	2	66.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	25.0	2	50.0	1	25.0	4	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	1	33.3	2	66.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	--	--
Peachland													
January 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1	--	--
Rutland													
January 2012	0	0.0	3	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	3	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	--	--
Southeast Kelowna													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Shannon Lake													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Upper Mission													
January 2012	0	0.0	3	37.5	2	25.0	1	12.5	2	25.0	8	--	--
January 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	5	83.3	6	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	3	37.5	2	25.0	1	12.5	2	25.0	8	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	16.7	5	83.3	6	--	--
Westbank													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
West Kelowna													
January 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1	100.0	1	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Westside													
January 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
January 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2012	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	--	--

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**January 2012**

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	< \$400,000		\$400,000 - \$499,999		\$500,000 - \$599,999		\$600,000 - \$749,999		\$750,000 +				
	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)			
Indian Reserves													
January 2012	5	71.4	0	0.0	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0.0	7	--	--
January 2011	9	90.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	10	302,773	316,663
Year-to-date 2012	5	71.4	0	0.0	1	14.3	1	14.3	0	0.0	7	--	--
Year-to-date 2011	9	90.0	1	10.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	10	302,773	316,663
Kelowna CMA													
January 2012	5	11.1	13	28.9	9	20.0	7	15.6	11	24.4	45	549,900	662,661
January 2011	10	27.0	6	16.2	9	24.3	4	10.8	8	21.6	37	574,900	626,549
Year-to-date 2012	5	11.1	13	28.9	9	20.0	7	15.6	11	24.4	45	549,900	662,661
Year-to-date 2011	10	27.0	6	16.2	9	24.3	4	10.8	8	21.6	37	574,900	626,549

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Source: CMHC (Market Absorption Survey)

**Table 4.1: Average Price (\$) of Absorbed Single-detached Units  
January 2012**

Submarket	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	% Change	YTD 2012	YTD 2011	% Change
Black Mountain	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Dilworth Mountain	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Ellison/Joe Rich	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Glenrosa	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Glenmore	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Kelowna Core Area	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Lake Country	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Lakeview Heights	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Lower Mission	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
North Glenmore	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Peachland	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Rutland	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Southeast Kelowna	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Shannon Lake	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Upper Mission	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Westbank	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
West Kelowna	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Westside	--	--	n/a	--	--	n/a
Indian Reserves	--	316,663	n/a	--	316,663	n/a
<b>Kelowna CMA</b>	<b>662,661</b>	<b>626,549</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>662,661</b>	<b>626,549</b>	<b>5.8</b>

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Source: CMHC (Market Absorption Survey)

**Table 5: MLS® Residential Activity for Kelowna**  
**January 2012**

		Single Detached				Townhouse				Apartment Condo			
		Number of Sales	Number of Active Listings	Sales-to-Active Listings Ratio	Average Price (\$)	Number of Sales	Number of Active Listings	Sales-to-Active Listings Ratio	Average Price (\$)	Number of Sales	Number of Active Listings	Sales-to-Active Listings Ratio	Average Price (\$)
2011	January	118	1,480	8	489,723	21	285	7	312,232	32	676	5	270,098
	February												
	March												
	April												
	May												
	June												
	July												
	August												
	September												
	October												
	November												
	December												
2012	January	113	1,548	7	419,446	17	269	6	376,076	36	692	5	274,358
	February												
	March												
	April												
	May												
	June												
	July												
	August												
	September												
	October												
	November												
	December												
	YTD 2011	118	1,480	8	489,723	21	285	7	312,232	32	676	5	270,098
	YTD 2012	113	1,548	7	419,446	17	269	6	376,076	36	692	5	274,358
	% Change	-4.0	5.0	-13.0	-14.0	-19.0	-6.0	-14.0	20.0	13.0	2.0	0.0	2.0

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Note: Based on boundaries of the OMREB. Townhouse and apartment data does not include Big White.

Source: Okanagan Mainline Real Estate Board (OMREB)



**Table 6: Economic Indicators**  
**January 2012**

		Interest Rates			NHPI, Total, 2007=100 (B.C.)	CPI, 2002 =100 (B.C.)	Kelowna Labour Market			
		P & I Per \$100,000	Mortgage Rates (%)				Employment SA (,000)	Unemployment Rate (%) SA	Participation Rate (%) SA	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)
			1 Yr. Term	5 Yr. Term						
2011	January	592	3.35	5.19	97.3	114.8	94.7	7.8	69.2	823
	February	607	3.50	5.44	97.4	115.2	93.4	7.9	68.2	825
	March	601	3.50	5.34	97.6	116.1	93.2	8.0	68.1	828
	April	621	3.70	5.69	97.7	116.3	93.3	8.2	68.2	828
	May	616	3.70	5.59	97.9	117.1	94.8	8.4	69.3	829
	June	604	3.50	5.39	97.8	116.5	95.6	8.5	69.9	833
	July	604	3.50	5.39	97.8	116.6	96.3	8.1	70.0	835
	August	604	3.50	5.39	97.5	116.9	96.5	7.2	69.4	838
	September	592	3.50	5.19	97.5	117.3	95.1	7.2	68.4	839
	October	598	3.50	5.29	97.4	117.4	94.5	7.4	68.1	842
	November	598	3.50	5.29	97.1	117.5	92.4	8.2	67.1	845
	December	598	3.50	5.29	96.9	116.5	93.7	8.0	67.9	848
2012	January	598	3.50	5.29		116.8	93.2	8.5	67.9	851
	February									
	March									
	April									
	May									
	June									
	July									
	August									
	September									
	October									
	November									
	December									

"P & I" means Principal and Interest (assumes \$100,000 mortgage amortized over 25 years using current 5 year interest rate)

"NHPI" means New Housing Price Index

"CPI" means Consumer Price Index

"SA" means Seasonally Adjusted

Source: CMHC, adapted from Statistics Canada (CANSIM), Statistics Canada (CANSIM)

## METHODOLOGY

### Starts & Completions Survey Methodology

The Starts and Completions Survey is conducted by way of site visits which are used to confirm that new units have reached set stages in the construction process. Since most municipalities in the country issue building permits, these are used as an indication of where construction is likely to take place. In areas where there are no permits, reliance has to be placed either on local sources or searching procedures.

The Starts and Completions Survey is carried out monthly in urban areas with population in excess of 50,000, as defined by the 2006 Census. In urban areas with populations of 10,000 to 49,999, all Starts are enumerated in the last month of the quarter (i.e. four times a year, in March, June, September and December). In these centres with quarterly enumeration, Completion activity is modelled based on historical patterns. Monthly Starts and Completions activity in these quarterly locations are statistically estimated at a provincial level for single and multi categories. Centres with populations below 10,000 are enumerated on a sample basis, also in the last month of each quarter (i.e. four times a year, in March, June, September and December).

The Starts and Completions Survey enumerates dwelling units in new structures only, designed for non-transient and year-round occupancy.

Mobile homes are included in the surveys. A mobile home is a type of manufactured house that is completely assembled in a factory and then moved to a foundation before it is occupied.

Trailers or any other movable dwelling (the larger often referred to as a mobile home) with no permanent foundation are excluded from the survey.

Conversions and/or alterations within an existing structure are excluded from the surveys as are seasonal dwellings, such as: summer cottages, hunting and ski cabins, trailers and boat houses; and hostel accommodations, such as: hospitals, nursing homes, penal institutions, convents, monasteries, military and industrial camps, and collective types of accommodation such as: hotels, clubs, and lodging homes.

### Market Absorption Survey Methodology

The Market Absorption Survey is carried out in conjunction with the Starts and Completions Survey in urban areas with populations in excess of 50,000. When a structure is recorded as completed, an update is also made as units are sold or rented. The dwellings are then enumerated each month until such time as full absorption occurs.

## STARTS AND COMPLETIONS SURVEY AND MARKET ABSORPTION SURVEY DEFINITIONS

A “**dwelling unit**”, for purposes of the Starts and Completions Survey, is defined as a structurally separate set of self-contained living premises with a private entrance from outside the building or from a common hall, lobby, or stairway inside the building. Such an entrance must be one that can be used without passing through another separate dwelling unit.

A “**start**”, for purposes of the Starts and Completions Survey, is defined as the beginning of construction work on a building, usually when the concrete has been poured for the whole of the footing around the structure, or an equivalent stage where a basement will not be part of the structure.

The number of units “**under construction**” as at the end of the period shown, takes into account certain adjustments which are necessary for various reasons. For example, after a start on a dwelling has commenced construction may cease, or a structure, when completed, may contain more or fewer dwelling units than were reported at start.

A “**completion**”, for purposes of the Starts and Completions Survey, is defined as the stage at which all the proposed construction work on a dwelling unit has been performed, although under some circumstances a dwelling may be counted as completed where up to 10 per cent of the proposed work remains to be done.

The term “**absorbed**” means that a housing unit is no longer on the market (i.e. has been sold or rented). This usually happens when a binding contract is secured by a non-refundable deposit and has been signed by a qualified purchaser. The purpose of the Market Absorption Survey is to measure the rate at which units are sold or rented after they are completed, as well as collect prices.

## DWELLING TYPES:

A **“Single-Detached”** dwelling (also referred to as **“Single”**) is a building containing only one dwelling unit, which is completely separated on all sides from any other dwelling or structure. Includes link homes, where two units may share a common basement wall but are separated above grade. Also includes cluster-single developments.

A **“Semi-Detached (Double)”** dwelling (also referred to as **“Semi”**) is one of two dwellings located side-by-side in a building, adjoining no other structure and separated by a common or party wall extending from ground to roof.

A **“Row (Townhouse)”** dwelling is a one family dwelling unit in a row of three or more attached dwellings separated by a common or party wall extending from ground to roof.

The term **“Apartment and other”** includes all dwellings other than those described above, including structures commonly known as stacked townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, double duplexes and row duplexes.

## INTENDED MARKET:

The **“intended market”** is the tenure in which the unit is being marketed. This includes the following categories:

**Freehold:** A residence where the owner owns the dwelling and lot outright.

**Condominium (including Strata-Titled):** An individual dwelling which is privately owned, but where the building and/or the land are collectively owned by all dwelling unit owners. A condominium is a form of ownership rather than a type of house.

**Rental:** Dwelling constructed for rental purposes regardless of who finances the structure.

## GEOGRAPHICAL TERMS:

A census metropolitan area (CMA) or a census agglomeration (CA) is formed by one or more adjacent municipalities centred on a large urban area (known as the urban core). The census population count of the urban core is at least 10,000 to form a census agglomeration and at least 100,000 to form a census metropolitan area. To be included in the CMA or CA, other adjacent municipalities must have a high degree of integration with the central urban area, as measured by commuting flows derived from census place of work data. CMAs and CAs contain whole municipalities or Census Subdivisions.

A **“Rural”** area, for the purposes of this publication, is a centre with a population less than 10,000.

All data presented in this publication is based on Statistics Canada’s 2006 Census area definitions.

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