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# Housing starts steady, but will moderate slightly in 2016

## **Overview**<sup>1</sup>

Housing 2014:	g Starts: 189,000
2015:	189,500
2016:	187,100
<u>Resales</u>	<u>:</u>
2014:	476,100
2015:	482,500
2016:	477,200

#### Housing starts:

On an annual basis, housing starts are expected to range between 186,300 and 191,700 units in 2014. In 2015, housing starts are expected to range from 172,800 to 204,000 units. Finally, starts for 2016 are forecast to range from 168,000 units to 205,800 units.

#### **Resales:**

Multiple Listing Service<sup>®</sup> (MLS<sup>®</sup>) sales are expected to range between 467,400 and 482,000 units in 2014. In 2015, sales are expected to range from 457,300 to 507,300 units. Finally, 2016 resales are forecast to range from 448,000 units to 508,000 units.

#### **Resale Prices:**

The average MLS<sup>®</sup> price is forecast to be between \$401,600 and \$405,400 in 2014. In 2015, the average MLS<sup>®</sup> price is expected to be between \$403,600 and \$417,800. Finally the average MLS<sup>®</sup> price is forecast to be between \$407,300 and \$424,500.

#### **Provincial spotlight:**

In 2014, Alberta is forecast to see the strongest growth in housing starts, due to stronger economic prospects relative to the rest of the country. Quebec, Saskatchewan and British Columbia are also forecast to see housing starts increase, albeit modestly. In 2015, housing starts are anticipated to increase in Ontario while Quebec and British Columbia are expected to see modest growth in both 2015 and 2016, supported by improving economic conditions.

<sup>1</sup> The outlook is subject to uncertainty.Although point forecasts are presented in this publication, CMHC also presents forecast ranges and risks where appropriate.The forecasts included in this document reflect information available as of October 22, 2014.

<sup>2</sup> Multiple Listing Service<sup>®</sup> (MLS<sup>®</sup>) is a registered trademark owned by the Canadian Real Estate Association.



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# Detailed National Housing Outlook

# Starts to slowly edge downward by 2016

Economic conditions in Canada are forecast to gradually improve in the short-term and lead to modest increases in employment and average earnings, which should support housing demand. However, the positive effect of improving economic conditions on new construction activity will be offset by a number of factors.

First, total completed and unabsorbed units have continued on an upward trend since the early 2000s, driven by growth in the multi-unit segment. The inventory<sup>3</sup> of completed and unabsorbed dwellings per 10,000 population remained at 4.8 units, above the historical average of 4.3 units. As a result, we expect builders to slow the pace of starts activity in order to manage their inventory levels in the short-term.

Second, there are a number of factors expected to reduce the pool of firsttime home buyers, including slower population growth of the 25-34 cohort, particularly near the end of the forecast horizon.

Third, the growth of house prices, particularly in major CMAs, is expected to partly offset improvements in affordability from growth in employment and earnings. Fourth, while mortgage rates are currently at historic lows, the average of private sector forecasts predicts that rates are expected to increase in the second half of 2015, which will have a dampening impact on housing demand.

Taking all these factors into consideration, housing starts are expected to be relatively stable over the forecast horizon at 189,000 units in 2014, 189,500 units in 2015 and 187,100 units in 2016. To reflect potential risks to the outlook, CMHC produces a range of forecasts which tends to widen as the forecast horizon lengthens due to greater uncertainty. The housing starts forecast range for 2014 is 186,300 to 191,700 units, 172,800 to 204,000 units for 2015 and for 168,000 to 205,800 units for 2016.

# Single-detached starts to remain steady

In the third quarter of 2014, actual single-detached starts increased 2.6 per cent, compared to the same period last year. Overall, total singledetached starts over the 2014 to 2016 period are projected to remain comparable to the level observed in 2013, which is below levels commonly observed over the preceding decade. Lower single-detached starts levels can be explained by both demand and supply factors.

First, the positive impacts of improving economic conditions on housing demand are being tempered by price growth in many markets and expectations of future rises in mortgage rates. As a result, it is expected that demand for new homes will shift towards lowerpriced alternatives available on the market. These include new multi-unit dwellings as well as existing units in the resale market.

Second, the supply of single-detached housing units appears balanced, with the inventory of completed and unabsorbed units per 10,000 population stable and in line with historical trends. As a result, there is not an expectation of a significant increase in single starts because of supply imbalances.

Overall, single-detached starts are forecast to be 75,000 units in 2014, a decline of 2.5 per cent relative to 2013. In 2015, single-detached starts are expected to increase to 78,000 units before decreasing back to 75,300 units in 2016. Reflecting the risks to the outlook, single-detached starts are expected to range between 73,700 and 76,300 units for 2014, between 70,400 and 83,600 units in 2015 and 67,000 and 83,000 units in 2016.

#### Multi-unit starts growth is expected to remain stable over the forecast horizon

In the third quarter of 2014, actual multi-unit<sup>4</sup> starts totalled 29,170 units, a 1.0 per cent increase compared to the third quarter of 2013. Overall, total multi-unit starts over the 2014 to 2016 period are expected to remain comparable to levels observed in 2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The level of inventories discussed here is for urban centres with a population of 50,000 and over. The inventory of housing units is defined as a snapshot of the level of completed and unabsorbed units at a specific time. A dwelling is defined as being "absorbed" when a non-binding, non-conditional agreement is made to buy the dwelling. The definition of this concept was recently updated. Prior to 2013, a unit was defined as "absorbed" when an agreement was made to buy or rent the dwelling. However, data on absorption for multiple dwelling units intended for rent was not always available. Supply conditions in the owner and rental markets are now collected under separate, dedicated surveys (see CMHC's Rental Market Survey for rented accommodation and CMHC's Starts and Completions Survey for owned accommodation). In addition, the series' name was changed from "newly completed and unoccupied" to "newly completed and unabsorbed" as a result of the move toward counts based on the existence of a binding contract.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Multi-units housing starts include semi-detached, row and apartment units.

This is relatively high when compared to historical levels. The relative stability in multi-unit starts growth is due to a host of offsetting factors.

First, some local markets are experiencing modest supply and demand imbalances, with the number of completed and unabsorbed units currently at 2.8 units per 10,000 population, above the historical average of 2.3 units. As a result, builders are expected to moderate the pace of multi-unit activity, at least in the short-term, in order to manage their inventory levels.

Second, demographic<sup>5</sup> trends are expected to put downward pressure on multi-unit housing demand. Specifically, Statistics Canada projections indicate that the growth rate of the Canadian population aged 25-34 is expected to slow near the end of the forecast horizon (i.e. 2015 and 2016) and continue on a longerterm downward trend. Our analysis has shown that the population aged 25-34 represents a large share of the first-time home buyers segment that traditionally enters homeownership through the lower priced multi-unit housing segment.

Conversely, downward pressure on multi-unit starts activity from supply imbalances and demographic pressures is expected to be somewhat offset from continued house price increases. This will shift demand towards lowerpriced alternatives such as multi-unit dwellings.

Overall, multi-unit starts in 2014 are expected to be 114,000 units, slightly above levels seen in 2013. In 2015, multi-unit starts are expected to decline slightly by 2.2 per cent to 111,500 units, and then remain at a comparable level in 2016 at 111,800 units. Multi-unit housing starts are expected to range between 112,600 and 115,400 units for 2014, between 102,400 and 120,400 units for 2015 and between 101,000 and 122,800 units for 2016.

### MLS<sup>®</sup> sales expected to rise moderately along with economic conditions

MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are expected to increase moderately in 2014, supported by gradually improving economic conditions. In 2015, economic fundamentals will gain further momentum and provide stronger support to resale housing demand. By 2016, however, growth in demand for existing units is expected to moderate in part due to a slowing number of first time home buyers.

Our point forecast is for 476,100 MLS<sup>®</sup> sales in 2014, an increase of 4.1 per cent relative to 2013. In 2015, MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are forecast to rise further to 482,500 units before declining to 477,200 units in 2016. MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are expected to be between 467,400 and 482,000 units in 2014, 457,300 and 507,300 units in 2015 and between 448,000 and 508,000 units in 2016.

### Relatively balanced<sup>6</sup> national market conditions to prevail over the forecast horizon

At the national level, Canada's resale market will be supported by improving economic conditions, with housing market activity broadly in-line with key indicators such as employment, personal disposable income, mortgage rates and population levels. Further analysis of the resale market reveals relatively balanced market conditions, with modest growth in sales expected in the short-term and moderation over the medium term.

The average MLS<sup>®</sup> price for Canada is expected to be between \$401,600 and \$405,400 in 2014, between \$403,600 and \$417,800 in 2015 and between \$407,300 and \$424,500 in 2016. Our point forecast for the average MLS<sup>®</sup> price calls for a 5.8 per cent gain in 2014 to \$404,800, a 1.4 per cent gain in 2015 to \$410,600 and a further 1.6 per cent gain in 2016 to reach \$417,300. The decrease in price growth in 2015 is due to the changing composition of MLS<sup>®</sup> sales, with a reduction in more expensive resales units and an increase in moderately priced resale units.

CMHC's Potential Housing Demand (PHD) model uses historical demographic data to project the future pace of average annual household formation, an indicator of new housing demand. Using updated demographic data, the PHD model estimates the average annual pace of household formation at 193,000, over the 2011 to 2016 period, which coincides with the forecast of annual housing starts over the same period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Demographic forecasts are based on Statistics Canada's medium-growth population projection as of July 2014 (Table 052-0005).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Taking the Canadian MLS<sup>®</sup> market as a whole, a sales-to-new listings ratio below 40 per cent has historically accompanied prices that are rising at a rate less than inflation, a situation known as a buyer's market. A sales-to-new listings ratio above 55 per cent is associated with a seller's market. In a seller's market, home prices generally rise more rapidly than overall inflation. When the sales-to-new listings ratio is between these thresholds, the market is said to be balanced.

## **Provincial summary**

In 2014, Alberta is forecast to see the greatest growth in housing starts, supported by stronger economic and employment prospects relative to the rest of the country. Quebec, Saskatchewan and British Columbia are also forecast to see housing starts increase, albeit modestly. In contrast, starts in Manitoba are expected to decline due to expected inventory adjustments.

In 2015, housing starts are expected to increase in Ontario and rise modestly in Quebec and British Columbia based on improving economic conditions. In contrast, Alberta is expected to see a reduction in starts activity due to expected declines in net migration and employment growth combined with competition from the resale market.

In 2016, Quebec and British Columbia are expected to see further increases in starts while starts activity in Alberta and Ontario is expected to decrease.

In 2014, all provinces east of Ontario are expected to see lower MLS<sup>®</sup> sales. However, strong growth in existing home sales in British Columbia and Alberta is expected to push the national average number of MLS<sup>®</sup> transactions marginally higher. In 2014, Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta are expected to see the strongest growth in average MLS<sup>®</sup> home prices.

In 2015, Quebec, Ontario and the Prairies will see existing home sales and prices trend up. In 2016, sales growth will be moderate in most provinces except Ontario, which is expected to see a decline. Average MLS<sup>®</sup> home prices in 2016 are expected to increase moderately in Ontario and Quebec and more significantly in the Prairies (see pages 7 to 16 for the detailed provincial outlooks).

# Trends Impacting Housing<sup>7</sup>

## Gradual growth in Gross Domestic Product

Over the 2014-2016 forecast horizon. global economic growth is expected to increase. Canadian export growth, aided by an improving U.S. outlook, is improving and contributing a greater share to Canadian Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth. This is reflected in the average of private sector forecasts, where GDP in Canada is forecast to grow at an improving rate in the short-term at 2.3 per cent in 2014, 2.5 per cent in 2015 and 2.3 per cent 2016 relative to 2013 (2.0 per cent). A more broadly based Canadian recovery is also expected to support demand in the housing market.

# Improving trends in employment

The average of private sector forecasts predicts that the overall Canadian unemployment rate will decline from 7.0 per cent in 2014 to 6.6 per cent in 2015 and further to 6.2 per cent in 2016, compared to 7.1 per cent in 2013. In addition, hourly earnings are also forecast to grow modestly faster than consumer prices, with earnings expected to grow by 2.3 per cent in 2014 and 2.6 per cent in 2015.These trends will help to support housing demand.

#### Demographic trends are expected to impact the composition of housing demand beyond the forecast horizon.

Over the longer-term, there are a number of factors supporting the upward trend in the share of multiunit dwellings as a proportion of overall starts activity.

- Continued price growth is expected to shift demand towards lower-priced alternatives, including multi-unit dwellings.
- Household formation trends are changing, with Statistics Canada censuses indicating declining prevalence of couples with children and increasing prevalence of one person households and households without children<sup>8</sup>. Baby boomers are also beginning to transition to retirement. These two factors are expected to lend increasing support towards smaller, lower priced housing options like multiunit dwellings over the medium to long-term.

### Mortgage rates are expected to remain unchanged until the latter months of 2015

Consistent with the view of Canadian economic forecasters, CMHC expects interest rates to remain unchanged until the latter parts of 2015 and then begin to increase gradually. Gradual increases in mortgage rates from historic lows are not expected to significantly impact housing demand.

According to CMHC's base case scenario for 2014, CMHC expects the one-year mortgage rate to be in the 3.00 to 3.25 per cent range, while the five-year rate is forecast to be within

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> CMHC uses publicly available information and the consensus among major Canadian forecasters regarding economic assumptions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See the 2013 edition of CMHCs Canadian Housing Observer, Chapter 1, Page 8 for more detail.

the 5.00 to 5.50 per cent range. For 2015, the one-year mortgage rate is expected to be in the 3.20 to 4.00 per cent range, while the five-year rate is forecast to be within the 5.25 to 6.00 per cent range. For 2016, the one-year mortgage rate is expected to be in the 3.70 to 4.60 per cent range, while the five-year rate is forecast to be within the 5.55 to 6.45 per cent range.

## **Risks to the Outlook**

While the outlook for the Canadian housing sector is one of relative stability, there are still risks. First, there is some evidence of a shortterm build-up of supply in some housing markets, particularly in the multi-unit segment. Second, household debt-levels, while stabilizing, continue to be high relative to historical standards and may leave households more vulnerable to adverse shocks.

Given that Canada is an open economy, there are a number of global market risks to consider as well that could put added pressure on housing market supply imbalances and the ability of households to service their debt, through their impact on household incomes, employment and lending rates, were they to occur.

- There is a risk of a slowdown in China, with the chance China could miss its 2014 growth targets, coupled with uncertainty regarding the stability of the Chinese banking system.
- In the Euro area, there are deflationary concerns due to prolonged low inflation and a weak growth outlook. As a result, the Euro zone could implement further stimulus measures, like quantitative easing, to encourage economic growth.

- In Japan, recent increases in sales taxes have led to larger than anticipated reductions in economic growth. Declining growth could lead to further stimulus measures taken in Japan.
- There is heightened concern about how renewed geo-political tensions in the Middle East could impact global markets, particularly commodities and especially oil.
- While the growth forecast for the U.S. has been upgraded from the first quarter of 2014, there remains uncertainty in regards to the strength of the post-recession recovery in the United States. Weaker economic growth forecast in the U.S. could weaken Canadian economic performance, particularly exports. While Canadian exports are showing signs of recovery, the strength of the recovery is uncertain and could take longer than currently anticipated.
- Recent upward movements in Canadian consumer prices could lead to pressures to raise interest rates earlier than anticipated. However, in its announcement of October 22, 2014 with respect to the Target for the Overnight Rate, the Bank of Canada stated that it continues to judge that underlying inflationary pressures are muted, given the persistent slack in the economy and the continued effects of competition in the retail sector. In any case, the Bank noted in its June 2014 Financial System Review that a significant housing market correction would require a market event leading to declining household incomes and rising unemployment. Gradual increases in mortgage rates, in and of themselves, are not expected to have a significant impact on housing demand.

# TRENDS AT A GLANCE

## Key factors and their effects on the housing sector

Mortgage rates	Mortgage rates will remain low by historical standards and supportive of housing demand.
Employment	Based on the consensus among prominent Canadian forecasters, we expect that employment will grow by 0.8 per cent in 2014, 1.6 per cent in 2015 and 1.9 per cent in 2016.
Income	Income is expected to increase modestly as economic conditions in Canada improve. As a result, income growth will remain supportive of housing demand over the forecast horizon.
Net migration	Canada's economy is expected to continue to attract a high level of immigrants. As a result, the level of net migration will remain above its historical average and help support Canada's housing sector.
Demographics <sup>9</sup>	By the end of the forecast horizon, all regions but Quebec will see the growth rate of their population aged 25-34 decline, according to Statistics Canada's projections. By the end of the current decade, the growth rate of population aged 25-34 will be negative or very close to zero in most regions. This, along with general population aging, will impact the type and tenure of housing demand.
Resale market	Overall market conditions remain relatively balanced and house prices are generally in line with underlying demographic and economic factors at a national level. As a result, the average MLS® price is expected to increase by 5.5 per cent in 2014, 1.8 per cent in 2015 and 1.3 per cent in 2016.
Stock of completed and unabsorbed units	The stock of completed and unabsorbed housing units to population is above the historical average, but has been declining since May 2013.

<sup>9</sup> Demographic forecasts are based on Statistics Canada's medium-growth population projection.

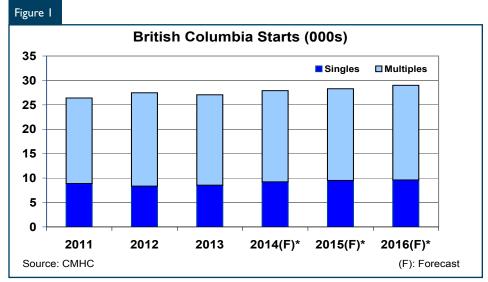
# **British Columbia**

## **Overview**

The British Columbia economy is forecast to expand 2.8 per cent in 2015 and 2.9 per cent in 2016, compared to projected growth of 2.3 per cent in 2014. An increase in wages and salaries in 2014 will support growth in consumer spending on goods and services in the year ahead. An expected pick up in the pace of U.S. economic growth, coupled with a lower-valued Canadian dollar, will support British Columbia exports. As well, the province is well-positioned geographically to benefit from increased Canada-Asia Pacific trade. The province's modern port facilities, international airports and proximity to China are expected to result in increased movement of goods and international travelers.

Employment growth is forecast to pick up during 2015 and 2016, compared to 2014. While employment growth has been modest in 2014 at a projected 0.7 per cent annual increase, underlying trends point to ongoing support for housing demand. A shift to private paid employment and a reduction in self-employment is contributing to growth in aggregate wages and salaries at twice the current rate of inflation.

Projected population growth of just over one per cent per year, is expected to add approximately 30,000 households annually. Net interprovincial migration turned positive in the first half of 2014 supporting a higher level of household formation than recorded in 2013. This trend is expected to continue during the 2014-2016 forecast period.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 27,900 for 2014, 28,300 for 2015 and 29,000 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 27,500-28,300 units for 2014, 25,900-30,500 units for 2015 and 26,000-31,900 units for 2016.

#### In Detail

Single Starts: Single-detached home starts are expected to total 9,500 units in 2015 and 9,600 units in 2016, compared to an estimated 9,200 in 2014. Demand for singledetached homes in the province's urban centers outside of the Lower Mainland is expected to be the driving force behind this rising trend. Resale market conditions in Victoria, Kelowna and Vancouver have shifted with sales growth outpacing listings growth, resulting in rising resale prices. Some of this housing demand is expected to spill over into the new home market as the gap between new and existing home prices narrows due to the popularity of existing units.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Multi-unit starts are forecast to maintain a relatively stable level compared to the past decade, although some increase is expected in 2016 as homebuyers shift to lessexpensive housing types as mortgage interest rates rise.

<u>Resales</u>: MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are forecast to moderate in 2015 following a projected 11.6 per cent increase in 2014. In 2016, the level of resales is expected to remain relatively unchanged as rising mortgage interest rates dampen homeownership demand and offset some of the positive impacts of stronger employment growth.

<u>Prices</u>: Balanced resale market conditions are expected to prevail in most housing markets within British Columbia. In 2015 and 2016, MLS<sup>®</sup> home prices are forecast to average \$566,300 and \$573,000, respectively, compared to \$564,200 in 2014.

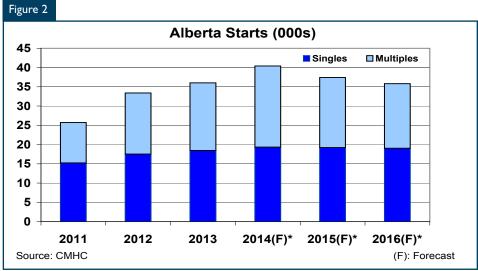
## Alberta

## Overview

Alberta will lead all provinces in economic growth over the forecast period as GDP expands by 3.9 per cent in 2014, 3.0 per cent in 2015 and 2.9 per cent in 2016. Energy development and production will continue to be a key driver of investment and the strong economic performance. A lower Canadian dollar so far this year has helped to increase the value of energy exports, which, in turn, has helped the Provincial government generate an operating budget surplus. On the demographic front, Alberta is benefiting from a high population growth rate, thanks in large part to migrants moving to Alberta.

Alberta's economy is projected to generate employment growth of 2.8 per cent in 2014, 2.2 per cent in 2015, and 2.0 per cent in 2016. Employment growth in Alberta will represent the highest provincial growth rates in Canada over the forecast period. Alberta's unemployment rate will remain low, averaging 4.7 per cent in 2014, 4.6 per cent in 2015, and 4.7 per cent in 2016.

Migration to Alberta is projected to moderate as the relative economic performance in central Canada and other jurisdictions improve and reduce some flows to Western Canada. Following a record gain of 86,922 people in 2013, net migration to Alberta is projected to decrease to 79,000 in 2014, 64,000 in 2015, and 58,000 in 2016. The reduction in migration is expected to temper housing activity somewhat, yet market conditions are expected to remain robust by historical standards.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 40,400 for 2014, 37,400 for 2015 and 35,800 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 39,800-41,000 units for 2014, 33,970-40,300 units for 2015 and 32,100-39,400 units for 2016.

### In Detail

Single Starts: Single-detached starts are projected to rise by nearly five per cent to 19,300 in 2014 and then moderate slightly to 19,200 units in 2015 and 19,000 in 2016. New listings in the resale market are rising and are projected to continue to increase over the forecast period. This will provide consumers with more options and create more competition for builders. Employment gains and migration inflows are also expected to moderate over the forecast, easing new home sales.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Multi-unit starts in Alberta have increased for five consecutive years with a projected peak of 21,100 starts in 2014. In Calgary, multi-unit starts are forecast to increase nearly 70 per cent in 2014 and be close to the record production set in 1978. With supply elevated, multi-unit starts in Alberta are forecast to decrease to 18,200 in 2015 and ease to 16,800 in 2016. Competition from the resale market is expected to increase and moderate the pace of new condominium sales. <u>Resales</u>: MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are projected to increase by about 8.0 per cent to 71,200 in 2014. Momentum from large migration inflows and employment gains are expected to help lift resale transactions to 72,900 in 2015 and 74,600 in 2016. The movement from rental tenure to homeownership, along with supportive incomes, will help increase sales as will move-up buying. On the other hand, moderating migration inflows and higher monthly carrying costs are expected to slow the gain moving forward.

<u>Prices</u>: The average MLS<sup>®</sup> sales price in Alberta is projected to increase clost to 5.0 per cent to \$398,900 in 2014 and rise to \$407,800 in 2015 and \$417,500 in 2016. Sellers' market conditions in Calgary are projected to ease as new listings rise, reflecting an overall provincial trend. Overall resale market conditions in Calgary are forecast to remain balanced over the forecast period with the pace of price growth declining through 2016.

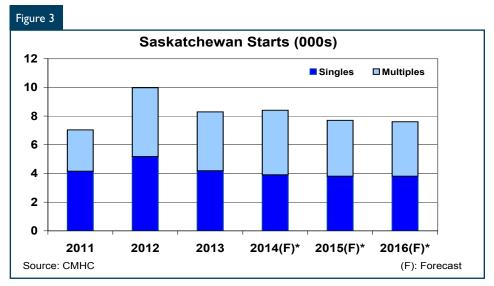
# Saskatchewan

## Overview

Following strong growth in 2013, economic growth in Saskatchewan is projected to be closer to the national average over the 2014-2016 forecast horizon. GDP is expected to expand by 2.3 per cent in 2014, followed by 2.5 per cent in 2015 and 2.4 per cent in 2016. Prices for commodities such as uranium and potash continue to be low this year, impacting growth in these industries. On the other hand, the oil and gas industry is increasing energy exports, which is helping lift international trade. Capital investment is projected to rise over the next two years as business expands. Consumer spending will also continue to rise, supported by rising incomes and a growing population.

Employment growth in Saskatchewan was elevated at 3.4 per cent in 2013. With the economy expanding at a slower pace this year, employment growth is projected to come in at 1.8 per cent in 2014 and remain near this rate of growth through 2016. The unemployment rate will decline to 3.9 per cent in 2014 from 4.0 per cent the previous year. With the labour force growing a bit faster than employment, the unemployment rate is projected to rise to 4.3 per cent in 2015 and 4.4 per cent in 2016.

Employment opportunities in Saskatchewan will continue to attract migrants, thus supporting housing demand. Net migration of 12,900 people is projected in 2014, before slowing to 11,300 in 2015 and 11,000 in 2016. While international migration will represent the majority of the gains, interprovincial migration is expected to remain positive over the next two years.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 8,400 for 2014, 7,700 for 2015 and 7,600 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 8,200-8,600 units for 2014, 7,000-8,300 units for 2015 and 6,800-8,400 units for 2016.

## In Detail

Single Starts: Saskatchewan's singledetached starts will moderate to 3,900 units in 2014 due to elevated inventory and a slower pace of employment growth. This will represent a 6.8 per cent reduction from the 4,184 units started in 2013. A further moderation to 3,800 units is forecast for next year as demand is impacted by slightly higher mortgage rates in the latter part of 2015. Barring any significant drawdown of inventory, the same level of singledetached starts is expected for 2016.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Saskatchewan's multi-unit starts are projected to reach 4,500 units in 2014, buoyed by gains in construction of rental and lower-priced dwelling types in some local markets. However, a reduction to 3,900 units is forecast for 2015, as rising unsold inventory and competition from Saskatchewan's resale market prompt a slower pace. A further moderation to 3,800 units is expected in 2016, as builders seek to meet new demand from their unsold inventory. <u>Resales</u>: MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are on pace to reach 13,700 units in 2014, a 1.2 per cent increase from the previous year. Elevated listings over the forecast period will continue to offer prospective home buyers in Saskatchewan a wide selection. Meanwhile, equity gains from recent years will support move-up buying. These factors, combined with continued employment growth and elevated net migration are expected to prompt a modest rise in sales to 13,800 units and 13,900 units in 2015 and 2016, respectively.

Prices: Saskatchewan's MLS<sup>®</sup> average price is projected to rise to \$296,800 in 2014 from \$288,698 in 2013. Modest gains are expected over the next two years, with the average resale price forecast to reach \$303,000 in 2015 and \$309,300 in 2016. While market conditions are expected to remain balanced over the forecast period, rising supply will keep price growth near 2.0 per cent.

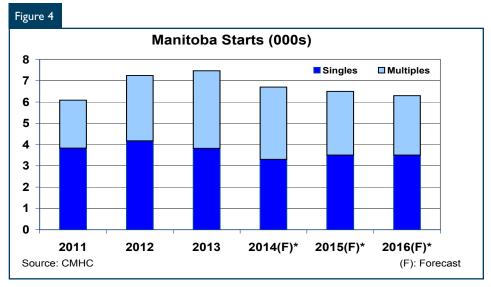
# Manitoba

## Overview

Following a projected 2.0 per cent expansion in 2014, Manitoba's economy is projected to increase by 2.4 per cent in 2015 and 2.3 per cent in 2016. In 2014, a lower level of capital spending and stagnant employment gains will contribute to a pace of economic growth in Manitoba below the national average. A lower Canadian dollar this year is helping Manitoba's export sector. Overall exports are projected to continue expanding next year, benefiting from recovering economic growth in the United States. With manufacturing shipments increasing and businesses expanding, employment in Manitoba is expected to rise in 2015 and help bring Manitoba's increase in GDP closer to the national growth rate.

Employment growth in Manitoba is projected to be slightly negative this year and then increase by a steady 1.0 per cent annually through 2016. Rising employment and supportive incomes will help increase consumer spending. With the labour force projected to increase near 1.0 per cent each year as well, the unemployment rate is expected to remain below the national rate and average 5.4 per cent in 2015 and 5.5 per cent in 2016.

Net migration to Manitoba is projected at 9,200 people in 2014, 9,100 in 2015, and 9,300 in 2016. Since declining from a high of 11,881 in 2010, net migration to Manitoba will stabilize over the forecast period. While employment opportunities in Manitoba are expected to improve and slow the outflow of migrants to other provinces, interprovincial migration will remain negative on a net basis through 2016. International



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 6,700 for 2014, 6,500 for 2015 and 6,300 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 6,600-6,800 units for 2014, 6,000-7,000 units for 2015 and 5,600-7,000 units for 2016.

migration will remain the key driver of population growth supporting housing demand.

### In Detail

Single Starts: Construction of new single-detached homes in Manitoba is expected to finish 2014 down 13.6 per cent from the previous year with 3,300 units before increasing slightly to 3,500 units in 2015. New home inventories are being drawn down, however, competition from the resale market will limit significant increases in new home sales. Builders will keep inventories in check in 2015 while migration and employment will remain steady, resulting in the same number of starts in 2016.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: A reduction in multiunit construction outside Winnipeg will result in fewer starts for the province in 2014 with a total of 3,400 units expected. Over the next two years, Winnipeg builders will begin to respond to increasing inventories and higher rental vacancy rates, resulting in a moderation of provincial multiunit housing starts to 3,000 units in 2015 and a further reduction to 2,800 in 2016.

<u>Resales</u>: Resale activity in the province has benefitted from the momentum of several years of historically high net migration and the transition of these newcomers to homeownership. While net migration will remain below its peak over the forecast period, it will remain steady and drive modest increases in resales from 13,900 transactions in 2014 to 14,100 in 2015 and 14,200 in 2016.

<u>Prices</u>: Overall, Manitoba will see balanced market conditions over the 2014-2016 forecast period. After rising to a projected \$266,500 in 2014, the average residential MLS<sup>®</sup> price in Manitoba is forecast to increase to \$272,600 in 2015 and to \$278,800 in 2016.

# Ontario

## **Overview**

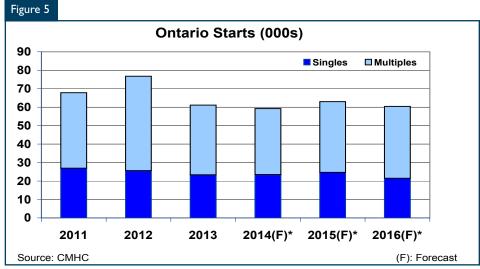
Ontario economic growth will gain momentum over the 2014-2016 forecast horizon. The province's economy is forecast to grow by 2.1 per cent this year and by 2.6 per cent next year before registering more modest growth in 2016. Despite modest growth in income, consumer spending remains resilient. Nevertheless, Ontario's export sector, as was evidenced by strong second quarter manufacturing sales, will contribute more to provincial economic growth thanks to a recovering U.S. economy and lower Canadian dollar.

Employment is forecast to rise by 1.9 per cent in 2015, after growing by an expected modest 0.8 per cent this year. An improving export sector has not yet yielded employment gains in the higher paying goods sector. This should change as Ontario economic sectors better positioned to support growing U.S. business and consumer spending will register stronger employment gains. Economic sectors which stand to benefit include information technology, machinery manufacturing, automotive and building material industries. Ontario's unemployment rate should trend lower and reach 7.0 and 6.7 per cent in 2015 and 2016, respectively.

Ontario's population growth will not only be supported by a recovery in international migration, but also by fewer migratory outflows to the rest of Canada. Net migration to Ontario will rise from 93,200 in 2015 to 98,800 net migrants by 2016.

#### In Detail

<u>Single Starts</u>: Single detached construction will gain momentum next year before slowing in 2016.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 59,200 for 2014, 63,000 for 2015 and 60,400 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 58,400-60,000 units for 2014, 57,500-67,900 units for 2015 and 54,200-66,400 units for 2016.

Single starts are forecast at 23,400 units in 2014, 24,600 units in 2015 and 21,400 units in 2016. In 2016, rising mortgage carrying costs will help to push single starts lower.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Multi unit home construction will stabilize in 2014 before increasing to 38,400 and 39,000 units in 2015 and 2016, respectively. Rising mortgage carrying costs will shift demand to less expensive multi-unit construction throughout the forecast horizon. While row housing will benefit from this shift, so too will apartment ownership and apartment rental accommodation.

<u>Resales</u>: The existing home market will gain ground against the new home sector. Existing home sales will reach 204,800 units and 210,500 units in 2014 and 2015, respectively, before easing to 202,750 units in 2016. A growing stock of resale housing, coupled with the resale markets' price advantage, will provide more choice to potential home buyers.

<u>Prices</u>: Ontario's average MLS<sup>®</sup> resale price will reach \$435,900 and \$443,800 in 2015 and 2016 respectively. A slower pace of price growth will be the norm over the forecast horizon due to a more balanced housing market and a shift in demand to less expensive resale housing. Slower Ontario price growth will also be more in line with growth in household incomes.

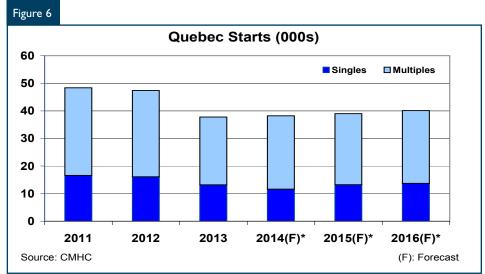
# Quebec

## Overview

A gradual pick up in Quebec's economic growth over the next two years will provide some stimulus to housing demand over the 2014 to 2016 forecast horizon. During this period, resale markets will tighten somewhat, which will help to shift some demand to new housing starts. However, despite an edging up of housing demand, the expected supply levels will keep price growth below the 2.0 per cent mark.

In the next two years, Quebec's economic prospects are expected to improve. Following growth of 1.5 per cent this year, Quebec GDP will increase by 1.7 per cent in 2015 and by 2.0 per cent in 2016. The impact on labour markets will be felt more substantially at the outset of 2015. As a result, employment will grow at a rate of 1.0 per cent in 2015 and 1.3 per cent the year after. The unemployment rate will regress from 7.8 per cent this year to 7.6 per cent in 2015 and to 7.3 per cent in 2016.

While this moderate labour market recovery will help retain workers in the province, it will not be sufficient to counteract the flow toward the country's more attractive labour markets. Nonetheless with the help of rising immigration, total net migration, which is expected to attain 34,262 people this year, will rise to 39,000 people in 2015 and to 43,000 people the year after. Such levels will have a positive impact on demand in Quebec's rental markets.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 38,200 for 2014, 39,000 for 2015 and 40,100 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 37,700-38,700 units for 2014, 35,600-42,000 units for 2015 and 36,000-44,100 units for 2016.

### In Detail

Single Starts: Again this year, demand for new single-detached homes will be influenced by supportive employment growth, the continued easing of the resale market and the trend toward apartment living (condominium and rental). Starts in this category will decline below the 12,000 level this year. As resale market supply begins to tighten, demand for new singledetached homes will increase, and translate into 13,200 starts next year and 13,700 in 2016.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: After coming down last year to a level that was more in line with demographic trends, multiple unit housing starts will edge up this year as a result of developments in certain large apartment construction sites. Further growth will be held back by relatively high levels of supply of new and resale housing, which will limit the need for additional building. Starts of multiple unit dwellings will be at 25,800 units in 2015 and at 26,400 in 2016. <u>Resales</u>: Sales of existing houses recorded by Centris<sup>®10</sup> will decline slightly this year to 70,900 units. Following an increase in sales next year to 72,600 units, buying conditions in 2016 will be somewhat impeded by slightly higher interest rates. Nonetheless, 73,400 Centris<sup>®</sup> resales are forecast as a more robust labour market pushes up demand.

<u>Prices</u>: Despite rising demand, larger supply levels on the resale market will limit price growth during the forecast horizon. In this context, prices of resale homes will post marginal growth during the next two years (0.8 per cent in 2015 and 1.9 per cent in 2016). As a result, the average price recorded by Centris<sup>®</sup> will reach \$268,700 this year, \$270,800 in 2015 and \$276,000 in 2016.

## **New Brunswick**

## **Overview**

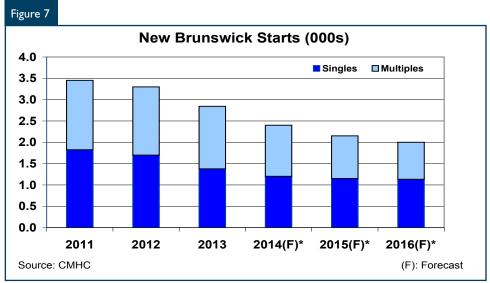
For New Brunswick, economic growth is expected to reach 0.6 per cent in 2014, 1.0 per cent in 2015 and 1.2 cent in 2015. The current challenges to improvement in growth beyond the current forecast include the declining fiscal position of the provincial economy at a time of softer private sector investment.

Labour market conditions will continue to be impacted over the forecast period by weak GDP growth that will remain close to 1.0 per cent in 2015 and 2016. As a result employment growth is projected to be 0.4 per cent in 2014 and 0.8 per cent in both 2015 and 2016. With employment rising faster than the growth in the labour force, the unemployment rate will drop to 10.0 per cent in 2014 and 9.8 per cent in 2015 and 2016.

The growth prospects for the province also continue to be impacted by current declines in population growth and a weak outlook for netmigration. International migration is expected to be 500 people for 2014 and 1,000 for 2015 and 2016. Negative interprovincial migration of -2,875 people in 2014 and -1,000 people in 2015 and -800 in 2016 will result in net migration remaining negative in 2014 for the third year, turning zero in 2015 and then only moving slightly positive by 200 people by 2016.

#### In Detail

<u>Single Starts</u>: Rising out-migration from the province's major centres to other parts of Canada as a result of relatively weaker employment prospects will continue to impact the demand for new homes over the



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 2,400 for 2014, 2,150 for 2015 and 2,000 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 2,365-2,435 units for 2014, 1,960-2,310 units for 2015 and 1,790-2,200 units for 2016.

forecast period. As a result single starts are expected to decline over 12 per cent to 1,200 units in 2014, with further reductions to 1,150 and 1,130 in 2015 and 2016, respectively.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Stronger activity focused on the rental market since the start of 2010, particularly in Moncton and Fredericton, has resulted in an increase in supply. However, rental demand is expected to decline over the forecast due to persisting negative net-migration. This will exert upward pressure on vacancy rates and result in a pullback in apartment construction over the forecast period. Multi-unit starts are expected to decline to 1,200 units in 2014, with subsequent declines to 1,000 units in 2015 and 870 units in 2016.

<u>Resales</u>: The existing home market continued to slow in 2013 with a moderate pullback in sales. Although listings have dropped slightly, the levels remain elevated resulting in market conditions favouring buyers. With only a small improvement in employment expected over the forecast period, and continuing negative net-migration, the demand for existing homes is forecast to slow moderately. MLS<sup>®</sup> sales should slow to 6,230 units in 2014. Looking farther ahead, 2015 will see 5,925 units sold while 2016 is forecast to have 5,650 resale units changing hands.

Prices: The inventory of available homes continues to remain at historically high levels in the province's large urban centres so far in 2014. This trend is expected to be maintained in 2015 as a result of weaker demand, which will continue to impact prices. The MLS<sup>®</sup> average price is expected to remain relatively stable in 2014 at \$161,700 with small declines to \$161,500 and \$161,000 in 2015 and 2016, respectively.

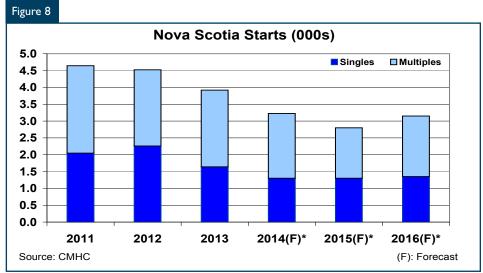
# Nova Scotia

## Overview

Nova Scotia is expected to record economic growth of 0.5 per cent in 2014, 1.2 per cent in 2015 and 1.5 per cent in 2016. The economic outlook is expected to improve by 2015 as site development and pre-engineering work at the Halifax shipyard in 2014 will be followed by actual ship building activity in 2015. The production of natural gas should also contribute to a stronger economic outlook. The export sector, which continues to perform better this year, should see the benefits of a lower Canadian dollar and a recovering U.S. economy.

Labour market conditions have weakened so far in 2014 as both labour force and employment have declined significantly more than previously expected. Employment is forecast to decline by 1.2 per cent in 2014, followed by a small rise of 0.5 per cent by 2015 and a further increase of 0.8 per cent in 2016 as private sector investment activity improves over the forecast period. A larger decline in labour force growth compared to employment growth will result in the unemployment rate declining to 8.8 per cent, while the rebound in employment creation in 2015 and 2016 results in small increases in the unemployment rate to 9.0 in 2015 and 9.2 in 2016 per cent as employment growth lags labour force growth.

Population declines will continue in 2014 as interprovincial migration remains negative over the forecast period at -3,600 in 2014, -1,200 in 2015 and -1,000 in 2016. Population growth in 2015 and 2016 will depend on stronger international migration which will add 1,000 people in 2014, and 1,800 in both 2015 and 2016. As a



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 3,225 for 2014, 2,800 for 2015 and 3,150 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 3,175-3,275 units for 2014, 2,555-3,010 units for 2015 and 2,825-3,465 units for 2016.

result, total net migration turns positive in 2015 and 2016 with net gains of 600 and 800 in 2015 and 2016 respectively.

### In Detail

Single Starts: The forecast for 2015 is expected to remain relatively weak, as economic and demographic fundamentals moderate the level of housing activity. An aging population base focused on moving into rental apartment units from single-detached homes will hold back construction activity. As a result, single starts will hold steady at 1,300 units in 2014 and 2015 with a small increase to 1,350 units in 2016.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Multi-unit starts in the province continue to record levels above the ten year average so far in 2014. Demand for apartment units will be driven by an aging population that is expected to continue growing as a share of the total population over the next several years. As a result, expect multiple starts to total 1,925 units in 2014 before declining to 1,500 units in 2015 and rebounding to 1,800 units in 2016. <u>Resales</u>: MLS<sup>®</sup> sales in Nova Scotia are forecast to remain weak at 8,645 units in 2014. In 2015, continued sluggishness across the province will curtail the sales volume to 8,200 in 2015 and 8,250 in 2016.

<u>Prices</u>: The reduction in the MLS<sup>®</sup> market in 2014 resulted in the average price of an existing home declining over 1.0 per cent. In 2015 and 2016, expect prices in the province to experience a small increase to \$216,000 and \$217,000 as inventory levels begin to decline.

# Prince Edward Island

## **Overview**

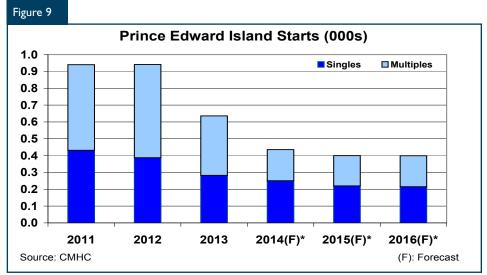
The economy of Prince Edward Island is forecast to grow by 0.5 per cent in 2014 and 0.8 per cent in each of 2015 and 2016. Low economic growth will be the result of continued weakness from the food processing and manufacturing sectors. These losses will be partially offset by an improving outlook for tourism and sector growth from aerospace, biosciences and seafood processing.

Employment is forecast to decline 0.2 per cent in 2014 with a rise to 0.5 per cent in 2015 and 0.6 per cent in 2016. The unemployment rate will be 10.7 per cent in 2014 and 2015. Looking ahead to 2016, the unemployment rate is forecast to decline to 10.6 per cent as labour force growth remains weak over the forecast horizon.

The economic prospects for the province will be challenging due to slow population growth and international immigration remaining at low 2007 levels. Net-migration is expected to remain positive as interprovincial migration continues to decline from -815 in 2014 to -400 in 2015 and -300 in 2016.

#### In Detail

Single Starts: Expect weakened demand to keep single-detached starts subdued over the forecast period. This year, single starts will decline over 10 per cent to 250 units. In 2015 and 2016, starts are forecast to decline to 220 and 215 starts, respectively. Single-detached construction on the island will be concentrated in Charlottetown, where prospects for employment remain strongest.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 435 for 2014, 400 for 2015 and 400 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 430-445 units for 2014, 365-430 units for 2015 and 355-440 units for 2016.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: In the multi-unit segment of the market, construction will continue to absorb recent increases in inventory. Multiples starts will decline to 185 units this year and to 180 units next year before rising to 185 starts in 2016. Further, expect the vacancy rate to remain elevated over the forecast period.

<u>Resales</u>: Shifting migratory patterns will continue to soften demand and exert downward pressure on total sales. MLS<sup>®</sup> sales are forecast to decline 12 per cent in 2014 to 1,375 units and post more modest declines in 2015 to 1,250 units and then to 1,175 units in 2016.

<u>Prices:</u> Slowing activity in the resale market will impact price growth over the forecast period. The average price on the island is expected to grow by 1.4% to \$158,500. In 2015 and 2016, expect prices to stabilize at \$157,500.

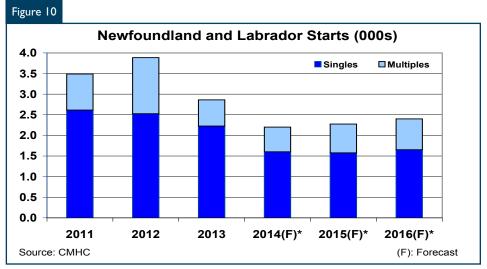
## Newfoundland and Labrador

### **Overview**

Newfoundland and Labrador will remain the Atlantic Canada leader in economic growth across the 2014 to 2016 forecast period. GDP growth is expected to be 1.0 in 2014, 1.5 per cent in 2015 and 1.8 per cent in 2016. The province's economic future will be supported by projects focused on energy and other resource investment.

Labour market conditions have softened so far in 2014 after four years of strong and steady increases in both employment and labour force. Employment is forecast to decline by 1.5 per cent this year, with a rebound of 0.8 per cent growth in 2015 and 1.0 per cent in 2016, as the province transitions to providing new manufacturing capacity within the resource sector. The labour force will decline by 1.2 per cent in 2014, resulting in a rise in the unemployment rate to 11.7 per cent in 2014. The unemployment rate will rise further in 2015 to 11.8 per cent before falling back to 11.7 per cent in 2016.

Net migration is expected to turn positive in 2015 due to an increase in interprovincial migration, following two years of declines. International immigration will begin to contribute positively to population growth in 2015 and 2016. The expectation is an addition of 500 people in 2015 and 700 people in 2016 after a decline of close to 300 people this year. These increases are tied to the need for additional outside expertise as the economy begins to focus on new energy and resource investment opportunities.



\*The point forecast for provincial total housing starts is 2,200 for 2014, 2,275 for 2015 and 2,400 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 2,165-2,230 units for 2014, 2,065-2,445 units for 2015 and 2,150-2,645 units for 2016.

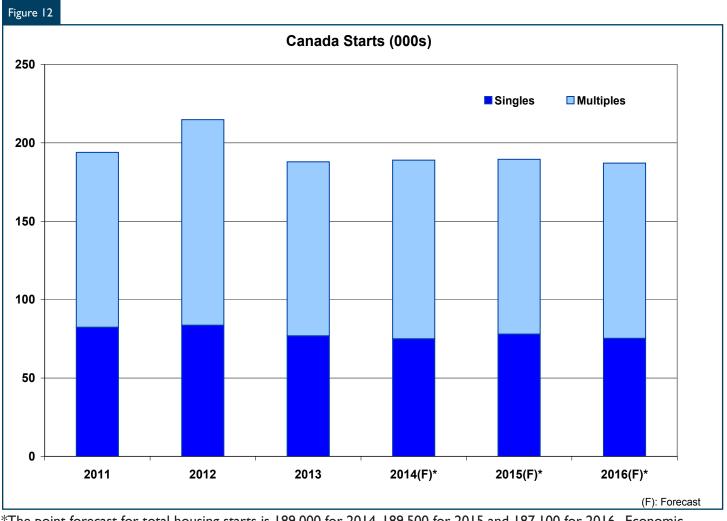
#### In Detail

Single Starts: Demand for housing will remain soft over the forecast period as a result of low net migration and a weaker outlook for employment. Accordingly, the single-detached housing market will decline to 1,600 single starts this year, 1,575 in 2015 and rebounding to 1,650 in 2016.

<u>Multiple Starts</u>: Multi-unit construction is expected be stable this year after declining significantly in 2013. The forecast is for 600 units in 2014, followed by a moderate rise to 700 units in 2015 and 750 in 2016.

<u>Resales</u>: Although wage growth remains positive, there are expectations for a decline in sales as a result of the weaker outlook for employment and population growth. MLS<sup>®</sup> sales will moderate over the forecast period to 4,050 this year, 3,950 in 2015 and 3,975 in 2016.

<u>Prices</u>: Overall, prices are expected to rise with inflation. Average MLS<sup>®</sup> house prices are expected to rise to \$289,000 this year, \$294,000 in 2015 and \$298,000 in 2016.



\*The point forecast for total housing starts is 189,000 for 2014, 189,500 for 2015 and 187,100 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 186,300-191,700 units for 2014, from 172,800-204,000 units for 2015 and 168,000-205,800 units for 2016.

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	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3	2014Q4(F)	2015Q1(F)	2015Q2(F)	2015Q3(F)	2015Q4(F)	2016Q1(F)	2016Q2(F)	2016Q3(F)	2016Q4(F)
NFLD	3,885	2,862	2,200	2,275	2,400	2,199	2,158	2,214	2,225	2,200	2,350	2,350	2,200	2,250	2,450	2,600	2,300
%	1.4	-26.3	-23.1	3.4	5.5	-29.2	-1.9	2.6	0.5		6.8	0.0	-6.4	2.3	8.9	6.1	-11.5
PEI	941	636	435	400	400	423	648	377	310	340	410	410	435	380	410	410	380
%	0.1	-32.4	-31.7	-8.0	0.1	-2.8	53.2	41.8	-17.8	6.7	20.6	0.0	6.1		7.9	0.0	-7.3
SN	4,522	3,919	3,225	2,800	3,150	1,965	2,577	4,555	3,825	2,600	2,900	3,000	2,700	2,900	3,200	3,400	3,100
%	-2.6	-13.3	-17.7	-13.2	12.5	-44.3	31.1	76.8	-16.0	-32.0	11.5	3.4	-10.0		10.3	6.3	-8.8
BR	3,299	2,843	2,400	2,150	2,000	2,211	1,772	2,873	2,800	2,125	2,300	2,300	1,900	1,925	2,100	2,100	1,900
%	-4.4	-13.8	-15.6	-10.4	-7.0	-29.9	-19.9	62.1	-2.5	-24.1	8.2	0.0	-17.4	E.I	1.6	0.0	-9.5
QUE	47,367	37,758	38,200	39,000	40,100	38,887	39,232	37,050	37,500	38,250	38,700	39,300	40,000	39,500	40,000	40,250	41,000
%	-2.1	-20.3	1.2	2.1	2.8	0.3	0.9	-5.6	1.2	2.0	1.2	9.1	8.I	6.I-	E.I	0.6	6.1
ONT	76,742	61,085	59,200	63,000	60,400	53,877	63,934	58,614	60,100	60,500	62,500	64,000	65,000	64,000	61,700	58,700	57,000
%	13.2	-20.4	-3.1	6.4	-4.1	-14.5	18.7	-8.3	2.5	0.7	3.3	2.4	1.6	-1.5	-3.6	-4.9	-2.9
MAN	7,242	7,465	6,700	6,500	6,300	4,028	7,126	8,560	7,200	7,000	6,400	6,300	6,300	6,800	6,200	6,100	6,100
%	1.61	3.1	-10.2	-3.0	-3.1	-45.2	76.9	20.1	-15.9	-2.8	-8.6	-I.6	0.0	7.9	-8.8	-I.6	0.0
SASK	9,968	8,290	8,400	7,700	7,600	7,009	8,937	9,585	8,000	7,700	7,500	7,700	7,900	7,600	7,400	7,600	7,800
%	41.8	- 16.8	I.3	-8.3	-1.3	-14.0	27.5	7.3	-16.5	-3.8	-2.6	2.7	2.6	-3.8	-2.6	2.7	2.6
ALTA	33,396	36,011	40,400	37,400	35,800	37,867	42,642	42,993	38,100	38,300	37,000	36,900	37,400	36,200	35,700	35,600	35,700
%	29.9	7.8	12.2	-7.4	-4.3	4.4	12.6	0.8	-11.4	0.5	-3.4	-0.3	4.1	-3.2	-1.4	-0.3	0.3
BC	27,465	27,054	27,900	28,300	29,000	27,377	27,411	29,149	27,900	27,800	28,100	28,500	28,800	28,100	28,900	29,600	29,400
%	4.0	-1.5	3.1	4.	2.5	-6.4	0.1	6.3	-4.3	-0.4		4.	Ξ	-2.4	2.8	2.4	-0.7
CAN*	214,827	187,923	189,000	189,500	187,100	175,843	196,437	195,970	187,850	186,700	188,200	190,700	192,600	189,600	188,010	186,350	184,600
%	10.8	-12.5	9.6	0.3	-1.3	-10.5	11.7	-0.2	-4.1	-0.6	0.8	1.3	1.0	-I.6	-0.8	-0.9	-0.9
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\*\* Quarterly levels are seasonally adjusted at annual rates. Note: Caradan total may not add to the sum of the provinces due to rounding.

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	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3	2014Q4(F)	2015Q1(F)	2015Q2(F)	2015Q3(F)	2015Q4(F)	2016Q1(F)	2016Q2(F)	2016Q3(F)	2016Q4(F)
NFLD	2,523	2,225	1,600	1,575	1,650	1,538	1,643	1,677	1,550	1,500	1,600	1,650	1,550	1,500	1,700	1,800	1,600
%	-3.4	-11.8	-28.1	-1.6	4.8	-31.6	6.8	2.1	-7.6	-3.2	6.7	3.1	-6.1	-3.2	13.3	5.9	-11.1
PEI	387	282	250	220	215	308	292	261	091	175	235	235	225	200	220	230	200
%	-10.2	-27.1	-11.3	-12.3	-2.3	68.3	-5.2	-10.6	-38.7	9.4	34.3	0.0	-4.3	-11.1	10.0	4.5	-13.0
NS	2,258	1,639	1,300	1,300	1,350	1,323	1,187	1,306	1,400	1,200	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,300	1,400	1,400	1,300
%	10.4	-27.4	-20.7	0.0	3.8	-21.5	- 10.3	10.0	7.2	-14.3	16.7	0.0	- 14.3	8.3	7.7	0.0	-7.1
RB	1,697	1,376	1,200	1,150	1,130	1,256	982	1,231	1,375	1,125	1,200	1,200	1,100	1,125	1,200	1,100	1,100
%	-6.9	-18.9	-12.8	4.	-1.7	-16.5	-21.8	25.4	11.7	-18.2	6.7	0.0	-8.3	2.3	6.7	-8.3	0.0
QUE	16,059	13,144	11,600	13,200	13,700	10,808	11,319	11,735	12,500	13,000	13,200	13,300	13,500	13,500	13,750	13,750	14,000
%	-3.0	-18.2	-11.7	13.8	3.8	-14.5	4.7	3.7	6.5	4.0	1.5	0.8	1.5	0.0	6.1	0.0	I.8
ONT	25,567	23,270	23,400	24,600	21,400	20,248	24,470	25,269	23,500	24,500	25,000	25,000	24,000	23,000	22,000	20,500	20,000
%	-4.9	0'6-	0.6	5.1	-13.0	-9.7	20.9	3.3	-7.0	4.3	2.0	0.0	-4.0	-4.2	-4.3	-6.8	-2.4
MAN	4,169	3,820	3,300	3,500	3,500	3,068	3,166	3,360	3,700	3,400	3,400	3,500	3,700	3,400	3,400	3,500	3,700
%	8.8	-8.4	-13.6	6.1	0.0	-22.2	3.2	6.1	10.1	Ц. Ю	0.0	2.9	5.7	Ц. Ч	0.0	2.9	5.7
SASK	5,171	4,184	3,900	3,800	3,800	3,552	4,168	3,751	4,000	3,700	3,600	3,900	4,000	3,700	3,600	3,900	4,000
%	24.5	-19.1	-6.8	-2.6	0.0	-23.6	17.3	-10.0	6.6	-7.5	-2.7	8.3		-7.5	-2.7	8.3	2.6
ALTA	17,493	18,431	19,300	19,200	19,000	19,433	18,311	20,262	19,200	19,300	19,000	19,000	-6	19,200	18,900	18,900	19,000
%	15.1	5.4	4.7	-0.5	-1.0	4.0	-5.8	10.7	-5.2	0.5	-1.6	0.0	2.6	-1.5	-I.6	0.0	0.5
BC	8,333	8,522	9,200	9,500	9,600	8,738	9,384	9,392	9,400	9,300	9,400	9,600	9,700	9,400	9,500	9,700	9,800
%	-6.0	2.3	8.0	3.3		-6.9	7.4	0.1	0.1		Ξ	2.1	0.1	-3.1	Ξ	2.1	0.1
CAN*	83,657	76,893	75,000	78,000	75,300	70,272	74,922	78,244	76,750	77,100	78,000	78,700	78,400	76,300	75,600	74,700	74,600
%	1.5		-2.5	4.0	-3.5	1.6-	6.6	4.4	e.l-	0.5	1.2	0.9	-0.4	-2.7	-0.9	-1.2	-0.1
SOURCE: CMHC																	
(F) Forecast by CMHC.	HC.																
* Canadian total ex	Canadian total excludes territories. The point estimate for the forecast of national total housing starts is 75,000 units for	ie point estimate t	or the forecast of t	national total housir.	g starts is 75,000 u		2014, 78,000 units for 2015 and 75,300 units for 2016 Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of	0 units for 2016 E	conomic uncertainty is	s reflected by the curr	ent range of						
fore casts, which va	orecasts, which varies from 73,700-76,300 units for 2014, 70,400-83,600 units for 2015 and 67,000-83,000 units for 2016.	00 units for 2014,	70,400-83,600 unit	cs for 2015 and 67,0	00-83,000 units for	- 2016.											

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								able 3: Mul (units** and	Table 3: Multiple Housing Starts (units** and percentage change)	<b>ng Starts</b> change)							
	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3	2014Q4(F)	2015Q1(F)	2015Q2(F)	2015Q3(F)	2015Q4(F)	2016Q1(F)	2016Q2(F)	2016Q3(F)	2016Q4(F)
NFLD	1,362	637	009	700	750	199	515	537	675	700	750	700	650	750	750	800	700
%	55.5	-53.2	-5.8	16.7	7.1	-23.1	-22.1	4.3	25.7	3.7	7.1	-6.7	-7.1	15.4	0.0	6.7	-12.5
PEI	554	354	185	180	185	115	356	911	150	165	175	175	210	180	190	180	180
%	8.8	-36.1	-47.7	-2.7	2.4	-54.4	209.6	-67.4	29.3	10.01	6.1	0.0	20.0	- 14.3	5.6	-5.3	0.0
SN	2,264	2,280	1,925	1,500	1,800	642	1,390	3,249	2,425	1,400	1,500	1,600	1,500	1,600	1,800	2,000	1,800
%	-12.9	0.7	-15.6	-22.1	20.0	-65.1	116.5	133.7	-25.4	-42.3	7.1	6.7	-6.3	6.7	12.5	11.1	-10.0
BB	1,602	1,467	1,200	1,000	870	955	790	1,642	I ,425	1,000	1,100	1,100	800	800	006	1,000	800
%	-1.7	-8.4	-18.2	-16.7	-13.0	-42.1	-17.3	107.8	-13.2	-29.8	10.0	0.0	-27.3	0.0	12.5	1.1	-20.0
QUE	31,308	24,614	26,600	25,800	26,400	28,079	27,913	25,315	25,000	25,250	25,500	26,000	26,500	26,000	26,250	26,500	27,000
%	-I.6	-21.4	8.1	-3.0	2.3	7.4	-0.6	-9.3	-1.2	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.9	-I.9	0.1	0.1	1.9
ont	51,175	37,815	35,800	38,400	39,000	33,629	39,464	33,345	36,600	36,000	37,500	39,000	41,000	41,000	39,700	38,200	37,000
%	25.0	-26.1	-5.3	7.3	1.6	-17.2	17.4	-15.5	9.6	-1.6	4.2	4.0	5.1	0.0	-3.2	-3.8	-3.1
MAN	3,073	3,645	3,400	3,000	2,800	096	3,960	5,200	3,500	3,600	3,000	2,800	2,600	3,400	2,800	2,600	2,400
%	36.5	18.6	-6.7	-11.8	-6.7	-71.8	312.5	31.3	-32.7	2.9	-16.7	-6.7	-7.1	30.8	-17.6	-7.1	7.7-
SASK	4,797	4,106	4,500	3,900	3,800	3,457	4,769	5,834	4,000	4,000	3,900	3,800	3,900	3,900	3,800	3,700	3,800
%	66.6	-14.4	9.6	-13.3	-2.6	-1.2	38.0	22.3	-31.4	0.0	-2.5	-2.6	2.6	0.0	-2.6	-2.6	2.7
ALTA	15,903	17,580	21,100	18,200	16,800	18,434	24,331	22,731	18,900	19,000	18,000	17,900	17,900	17,000	16,800	16,700	16,700
%	51.3	10.5	20.0	-13.7	-7.7	-11.9	32.0	-6.6	-16.9	0.5	-5.3	-0.6	0.0	-5.0	-1.2	-0.6	0.0
BC	19,132	I 8,532	18,700	18,800	19,400	18,639	18,027	19,757	18,500	18,500	18,700	18,900	19,100	18,700	19,400	19,900	19,600
%	9.1	-3.1	0.9	0.5	3.2	-6.2	-3.3	9.6	-6.4	0.0				-2.1	3.7	2.6	-1.5
CAN*	131,170	111,030	114,000	111,500	111,800	105,571	121,515	117,726	111,100	109,600	110,200	112,000	114,200	113,300	112,410	111,650	110,000
%	17.6	-15.4	2.7	-2.2	0.3	-11.3	15.1	-3.1	-5.6	-I.4	0.5	l.6	2.0	-0.8	-0.8	-0.7	-1.5
SOURCE: CMHC																	
(F) Forecast by CMHC	1HC																
* Canadian total ex	cludes territories. Th	he point estimate	for the forecast of	national total housir	og starts is 114,000 u	units for 2014, 111,500	Canadan rotal excludes territories. The point estimate for the forecast of national total housing starts is 114,000 units for 2014. 111 500 units for 2015 and 111,800 units for 2016 Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of	1,800 units for 2016	Economic uncertain	cy is reflected by the c	urrent range of						
for ecasts, which va	forecasts, which varies from 112,600-115,400 units for 2014, 102,400-120,400 units for 2015 and 101,000-122,800 units for	5,400 units for 20	14, 102,400-120,40	0 units for 2015 and	I 101,000-122,800 u	nits for 2016.											

<sup>44</sup> Quarterly levels are seasonally adjusted at annual rates. Note: Canadian total may not add to the sum of the provinces due to rounding.

		2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F
NFLD	Semi-Detached	88	36	40	40	
	Row	121	96	110	110	10
	Apartment	1,153	505	450	550	60
	Total	1,362	637	600	700	7
PEI	Semi-Detached	94	71	25	20	:
	Row	127	36	35	35	
	Apartment	333	247	125	125	13
	Total	555	354	125	180	
NS	Semi-Detached	420	332	250	250	2
	Row	218	259	200	250	2
	Apartment	1,626	1,689	1,475	1,000	1,3
	Total	2,264	2,280	1,925	1,500	1,8
NB	Semi-Detached	426	290	300	270	2
	Row	162	175	130	120	I.
	Apartment	1,014	1,002	770	610	5
	Total	1,602	1,467	1,200	1,000	8
QUE	Semi-Detached	3,866	2,835	2,400	2,675	2,7
•	Row	1,904	1,121	1,200	1,125	1,1
	Apartment	25,538	20,658	23,000	22,000	22,5
	Total	31,308	24,614	26,600	25,800	26,4
олт	Semi-Detached	2 207	2.114	2 750	2 700	2.4
	Row	3,397	3,116	2,750	2,700	2,6
	Apartment	10,577 37,201	9,427 25,272	9,800 23,250	10,500 25,200	11,0 25,4
	Total	51,175	37,815	35,800	38,400	39,0
		51,175	57,015	55,000	50,100	57,0
MAN	Semi-Detached	346	348	401	188	T
	Row	538	773	529	496	4
	Apartment	2,189	2,524	2,470	2,316	2,1
	Total	3,073	3,645	3,400	3,000	2,8
SASK	Semi-Detached	684	446	743	493	4
	Row	813	1,011	862	782	7
	Apartment	3,300	2,649	2,895	2,625	2,5
	Total	4,797	4,106	4,500	3,900	3,8
ALTA	Semi-Detached	3,886	3,997	5,677	4,319	3,8
	Row	3,315	3,992			3,4
	Apartment	8,702	9,591	11,305	10,175	9,4
	Total	15,903	17,580	21,100	18,200	16,8
вс	Semi-Detached	1 070	1.070	1 250		
SC .	Row	1,078	1,073	1,250	1,100	1,3
		3,201	3,103	3,250		3,3
	Apartment Total	14,853 19,132	14,356 18,532	14,200 18,700	14,400 18,800	14,7 19,4
	. 500	17,152	10,002	10,700	10,000	17,7
CAN*	Semi-Detached	14,285	12,544	13,826	12,075	11,74
	Row	20,976	19,993	20,234	20,424	20,6
	Apartment	95,909	78,493	79,940	79,001	79,3
	Total	131,170	111,030	114,000	111,500	111,80

								units** and	I able 5: I ocal Kesidential Kesales (units** and percentage change)	ial Kesales change)							
	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3	2014Q4(F)	20 I 5Q I (F)	2015Q2(F)	2015Q3(F)	2015Q4(F)	2015Q4(F) 2016Q1(F) 2016Q2(F) 2016Q3(F)	2016Q2(F)	2016Q3(F)	2016Q4(F)
NFLD	4,650	4,303	4,050	3,950	3,975	3,956	4,184	4,240	3,825	3,900	4,100	4,000	3,800	3,900	4,100	4,100	3,800
%	3.8	-7.5	-5.9	-2.5	0.6	-6.9	5.8	E.I	-9.8	2.0	5.1	-2.4	-5.0	2.6	5.1	0.0	-7.3
PEI	1,614	I,425	1,375	1,250	1,175	I,428	1,432	1,448	1,200	1,100	1,200	1,400	1,300	1,100	1,200	1,200	1,200
%	6.1	-11.7	-3.5	1.6-	-6.0	19.0	0.3	Ξ	-17.1	-8.3	9.1	16.7	-7.1	-15.4	1.6	0.0	0.0
SN	10,437	9,151	8,645	8,200	8,250	8,236	8,644	9,204	8,500	7,800	8,200	8,600	8,200	8,000	8,400	8,400	8,200
%	1.2	- 12.3	-5.5	-5.1	0.6	-8.5	5.0	6.5	-7.6	-8.2	5.1	4.9	-4.7	-2.4	5.0	0.0	-2.4
BN	6,403	6,282	6,230	5,925	5,650	6,120	5,640	6,856	6,300	5,800	6,000	5,900	6,000	5,600	5,700	5,800	5,500
%	-3.0	-1.9	-0.8	-4.9	-4.6	-0.6	-7.8	21.6	-8.	-7.9	3.4	-1.7	1.7	-6.7	8.I	I.8	-5.2
QUE	77,374	71,201	70,900	72,600	73,400	68,556	69,072	73,836	72,000	72,250	72,500	72,750	73,000	73,250	73,500	73,500	73,500
%	0.3	-8.0	-0.4	2.4	Ξ	-2.2	0.8	6.9	-2.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0
ONT	197,620	198,675	204,800	210,500	202,700	183,404	207,632	217,012	211,000	212,000	214,000	209,500	206,500	205,000	204,000	202,000	200,000
%	6.1-	0.5		2.8	-3.7	-7.5	13.2	4.5	-2.8	0.5	0.9	-2.1	-1.4	-0.7	-0.5	-1.0	-1.0
MAN	13,911	13,735	13,900	14,100	14,200	13,272	14,156	14,224	13,900	13,900	14,100	14,200	14,200	14,300	14,200	14,200	14,100
%	0.2	-I.3		4.	0.7	-6.6	6.7	0.5	-2.3	0.0	4.	0.7	0.0	0.7	-0.7	0.0	-0.7
SASK	13,867	13,535	13,700	13,800	13,900	12,916	14,376	14,204	13,400	13,600	13,900	13,900	13,800	13,700	14,000	14,000	13,900
%	5.6	-2.4	1.2	0.7	0.7	-5.5	E.II	-1.2	-5.7	1.5	2.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	2.2	0.0	-0.7
ALTA	60,369	66,080	71,200	72,900	74,600	66,952	73,168	73,744	71,000	72,600	72,700	73,100	73,200	74,100	74,500	74,800	75,000
%	12.3	9.5	7.7	2.4	2.3	0.5	9.3	0.8	-3.7	2.3	0.1	0.6	0.1	1.2	0.5	0.4	0.3
BC	67,637	72,936	81,400	79,200	79,300	75,468	83,348	86,636	80,000	79,100	79,500	80,000	78,200	78,200	79,000	79,600	80,400
%	-11.8	7.8	9.11	-2.7	0.1	-4.2	10.4	3.9	-7.7	-1.1	0.5	0.6	-2.3	0.0	0.1	0.8	1.0
CAN*	453,882	457,323	476,100	482,500	477,200	440,308	481,652	501,404	481,125	482,050	486,200	483,350	478,200	477,150	478,600	477,600	475,600
%	-1.1	0.8	4  .	I.3		-4.8	9.4	4.	-4.0	0.2	0.9	-0.6		-0.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.4
SOURCE: The Ca	SOURCE: The Canadian Real Estate Association (CREA) and QFREB by the Centris® system	ociation (CREA) a	nd QFREB by the 6	Centris® system.													
(F) Forecast by CMHC.	MHC.																
* Canadian total e	Canadan total excludes territories. The point estimate for the forecast of national total housing starts is 476,100 units for 2014, 482,500 units for 2015 and 477,200 units for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of	he point estimate (	or the forecast of	national total housi	ng starts is 476,100 i	units for 2014, 482,500	units for 2015 and 47	7,200 units for 2016	Economic uncertaint	y is reflected by the α	irrent range of						
forecasts, which v.	forecasts, which varies from 467,400-482,000 units for 2014, 457,300-507,300 units for 2015 and 448,000-508,000 units for 2016.	2,000 units for 201	14, 457,300-507,30	0 units for 2015 and	1 448,000-508,000 u	nits for 2016.											
** Quarterly level	** Quarterly levels are seasonally adjusted at annual rates.	ed at annual rates.															

Note: Caradian total may not add to the sum of the provinces due to rounding.

							Table	<b>6: Averag</b> d (\$** and p	Average Residential Re: (\$** and percentage change)	Table 6: Average Residential Resale Price (\$** and percentage change)	e						
	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3	2014Q4(F)	2015Q1(F)	2015Q2(F)	2015Q3(F)	2015Q4(F)	2016Q1(F) 2016Q2(F)	2016Q2(F)	2016Q3(F)	2016Q4(F)
NFLD	268,776	283,102	289,000	294,000	298,000	293,281	290,366	284,204	288,400	282,000	294,000	302,000	298,000	292,000	298,000	302,000	300,000
%	6.8	5.3	2.1	1.7	4.1	4.6	-1.0	-2.1	1.5 2.1	-2.2	4.3	2.7	<del>.</del> .ι.	-2.0	2.1	<u>ε.</u>	-0.7
PEI	152,250	156,107	158,500	157,500	157,500	166,115	165,638	154,372	146,000	153,000	158,000	160,000	158,000	155,000	157,000	158,000	160,000
%	8. I	2.5	1.5	-0.6	0.0	9.5	-0.3	-6.8	-5.4	4.8	3.3	1.3	E.I.	-I.9	I.3	0.6	E.1
NS	220,413	217,192	214,700	216,000	217,000	210,664	215,147	215,147	217,500	215,000	216,000	217,000	216,000	215,000	217,000	218,500	217,500
%	3.7	-1.5	I:I-	0.6	0.5	-1.7	2.1	0.0	Ξ		0.5	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	0.9	0.7	-0.5
BR	161,116	162,652	161,700	161,500	161,000	161,405	160,055	161,616	163,500	161,000	162,000	162,000	161,000	160,000	161,000	1 62,000	161,000
%	0.4	0.1	-0.6	-0.1	-0.3	-1.2	-0.8	I.0	1.2	-1.5	0.6	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	0.6	0.6	-0.6
QUE	260,501	262,453	268,700	270,800	276,000	269,034	270,862	270,793	264,000	267,000	270,000	272,000	274,000	274,500	275,500	276,500	277,500
%	3.3	0.7	2.4	0.8	9.1	-0.1	0.7	0.0	-2.5	Ξ	Ξ	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
ONT	384,455	402,547	426,300	435,900	443,800	419,709	425,318	430,244	429,000	431,800	435,000	437,500	439,500	441,500	443,200	444,500	446,000
%	5.3	4.7	5.9	2.3	1.8	1.5 2.1	E.I	1.2	-0.3	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3
MAN	247,786	260,849	266,500	272,600	278,800	262,635	264,599	267,780	270,900	270,400	272,000	273,500	274,600	276,300	278,300	279,800	280,900
%	5.2	5.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	-3.6	0.7	1.2	1.2	-0.2	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4
SASK	275,700	288,698	296,800	303,000	309,300	300,643	291,180	297,785	298,000	301,400	302,600	303,600	304,400	306,500	309,100	310,100	311,600
%	6.3	4.7	2.8	2.1	2.1	2.9	-3.1	2.3	0.1	Ξ	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.3	0.5
ALTA	363,208	380,969	398,900	407,800	417,500	399,064	394,736	400,934	401,100	403,900	405,300	408,300	413,800	413,500	414,900	418,000	423,630
%	2.8	4.9	4.7	2.2	2.4	3.3		l.6	0.0	0.7	0.3	0.7	I.3	Г.O-	0.3	0.7	I.3
BC	514,836	537,414	564,200	566,300	573,000	567,215	553,867	576,674	558,600	561,000	564,300	569,000	571,000	570,000	572,000	574,000	576,000
%	-8.3	4.4	5.0	0.4	1.2	0.8	-2.4	4.1	-3.1	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.4	-0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
CAN*	363,483	382,606	404,800	410,600	417,300	351,880	387,333	409,740	404,490	407,150	409,650	412,060	413,795	414,765	416,195	417,895	420,460
%	0.3	5.3	5.8	4.	I.6	-3.6	10.1	5.8	ε. I-	0.7	9.0	9.6	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.6
SOURCE: The Can	SOURCE: The Canadian Real Estate Association (CREA) and QFREB by the Centris® system	sociation (CREA) a	and QFREB by the	Centris® system.													
(F) Forecast by CMHC	HC.				000 0000	- 000 0110 FILO	The second se	1 1 100									
* Canadian total ex	cludes territories.	he point estimate	for the forecast or	national total nous	Caradian total excludes territories. The point estimate for the forecast of national total housing starts is \$404,800 for	for 2014, \$410,000 to	2014, \$410,600 for 2015 and \$417,500 for 2016. Economic uncertainty is reflected by the current range of	or 2016 Economic	Incertainty is renected	d by the current range	ot						

forecars, which write from \$401.600.\$405.400 units for 201.4 \$403.600.\$417.800 units for 2015 and \$407.300.\$424.500 units for 2016. \* Quarterly averages are associably adjueted. Note: Caradian total may not add to the sum of the provinces due to rounding.

				n <b>ploymer</b> ntage change			
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)
NFLD	3.3	2.7	2.3	1.1	-1.5	0.8	١.0
PEI	2.9	2.0	1.1	1.9	-0.2	0.5	0.6
NS	0.2	0.1	0.6	-0.3	-1.2	0.5	0.8
NB	-0.9	-1.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.8	0.8
QUE	1.7	1.0	0.8	1.2	0.1	1.0	١.3
ΟΝΤ	1.7	1.8	0.8	1.4	0.8	1.9	١.6
MAN	1.9	0.8	0.9	0.5	-0.1	1.0	١.0
SASK	0.9	0.3	2.1	3.4	1.8	1.7	۱.6
ALTA	-0.4	3.8	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.2	2.0
вс	1.7	0.8	1.7	-0.2	0.7	2.0	2.0
CAN*	1.4	3.1	1.2	1.3	0.8	1.5	۱.9

Source: Statistics Canada, (F) Forecast by CMHC.

National forecast reflects the October 2014 Consensus Forecasts Report published by Consensus Economics.

\*The point estimate for the forecast of national employment growth is 0.8 per cent for 2014, 1.5 per cent for 2015 and 1.9 per cent

for 2016. Uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 0.6 per cent to 1.1 per cent for 2014,

1.3 per cent to 2.2 per cent for 2015 and 1.2 per cent to 2.5 per cent for 2016.

		Table	8: Unem (per d	<b>ployment</b> cent)	Rate		
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)
NFLD	14.4	12.7	12.5	11.4	11.7	11.8	11.7
PEI	11.2	11.3	11.3	11.3	10.7	10.7	10.6
NS	9.3	8.8	9.0	9.0	8.8	9.0	9.2
NB	9.3	9.5	10.2	10.4	10.0	9.8	9.8
QUE	8.0	7.8	7.8	7.6	7.8	7.6	7.3
ΟΝΤ	8.7	7.8	7.8	7.5	7.4	7.0	6.7
MAN	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.5
SASK	5.2	5.0	4.7	4.0	3.9	4.3	4.4
ALTA	6.5	5.5	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7
вс	7.6	7.5	6.7	6.6	6. I	6.1	6.5
CAN*	8.0	7.4	7.2	7.1	6.9	6.6	6.1

Source: Statistics Canada, (F) Forecast by CMHC.

National forecast reflects the October 2014 Consensus Forecasts Report published by Consensus Economics.

\*The point estimate for the forecast of national unemployment rate is 6.9 per cent for 2014, 6.6 per cent for 2015 and 6.1 per

cent for 2016. Uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 6.7 per cent to 7.2 per cent for 2014,

6.4 per cent to 7.3 per cent for 2015 and 5.7 per cent to 6.9 per cent for 2016.

				omestic F			
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)
NFLD	5.9	2.9	-4.4	5.5	1.0	1.5	1.8
PEI	2.2	1.0	1.5	1.0	0.5	0.8	0.8
NS	3.0	0.6	-0.1	0.4	0.5	1.2	1.5
NB	2.0	0.3	-1.1	-0.2	0.6	1.0	١.2
QUE	2.3	1.8	1.5	1.1	1.5	1.7	2.0
ΟΝΤ	3.4	2.2	1.3	1.4	2.1	2.6	2.4
MAN	2.6	1.7	2.6	2.2	2.0	2.4	2.3
SASK	4.2	5.0	1.9	4.3	2.3	2.5	2.4
ALTA	4.5	5.2	3.8	3.6	3.9	3.0	2.9
вс	3.3	2.7	1.5	1.8	2.3	2.8	2.9
CAN*	3.4	2.5	1.7	1.9	2.3	2.5	2.3

Source: Statistics Canada, (F) Forecast by CMHC.

National forecast reflects the October 2014 Consensus Forecasts Report published by Consensus Economics.

\*The point estimate for the forecast of national GDP growth is 2.3 per cent for 2014, 2.5 per cent for 2015 and 2.3 per

cent for 2016. Uncertainty is reflected by the current range of forecasts, which varies from 2.1 per cent to 2.5 per cent for 2014,

2.2 per cent to 2.9 per cent for 2015 and 1.8 per cent to 2.9 per cent for 2016.

		Table I	<b>D: Total N</b> (number of	Ŭ	ition *		
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014(F)	2015(F)	2016(F)
NFLD	840	886, ا	2,142	636	-2,125	700	000, ا
PEI	2,541	١,560	509	66	100	500	500
NS	3,701	819	-439	-1,130	-2,600	600	800
NB	2,781	1,223	-924	-1,300	-2,375	0	200
QUE	47,528	44,372	45,630	35,077	34,262	39,000	43,000
ΟΝΤ	4,9	100,361	84,856	94,074	81,302	93,200	98,800
MAN	11,881	11,367	10,314	9,217	9,200	9,100	9,300
SASK	9,395	11,608	15,226	13,106	12,900	11,300	11,000
ALTA	21,677	45,587	78,838	86,922	79,000	64,000	58,000
вс	39,597	31,559	26,749	33,625	38,200	41,600	44,000
CAN**	254,852	250,142	262,901	270,293	247,864	260,000	266,600

Source: Statistics Canada, (F) Forecast by CMHC

\* Sum of interprovincial migration, international migration and non-permanent residents.

\*\* Excludes territories.

Note: Canadian total may not add to the sum of the provinces due to rounding.

Census Metropolitan		Total Housing	Single-	NHPI Annual	MLS®	MLS <sup>®</sup> Avg.	Rental Vac. Rate	Average Rent	
Area		Starts	Detached	% Change	Sales	Price	(3+ units, all bedrooms)	(3+ units, two bedrooms	
Victoria	2013	1,685	514	-1.3	5,691	480,997	2.8	1,068	
	2014(F)	1,525	525	-0.7	6,350	490,000	3.0	1,070	
	2015(F)	1,825	550	0.4	6,200	497,500	2.7	1,075	
	2016(F)	1,750	500	0.4	6,000	505,600	2.7	1,075	
Vancouver*	2013	18,696	4,004	-1.0	28,985	767,765	1.7	1,281	
	2014(F)	18,900			-	1.9	1,320		
	2015(F)	18,700	4,250	1.0	32,250	821,000	1.8	1,355	
	2016(F)	19,250	4,050	0.7	31,600	835,000	1.8	1,400	
Abbotsford-Mission	2013	749	201	n.a.	2,392	338,770	3.2	820	
	2014(F)	610	210	n.a.	2,530	353,000	2.9	830	
	2015(F)	590	210	n.a.	2,560	357,000	3.0	840	
	2016(F)	570	220	n.a.	2,570	363,000	2.7	845	
Kelowna	2013	1,013	579	n.a.	4,016	398,175	1.8	970	
	2014(F)	1,175	650	n.a.	4,650	440,000	1.8	975	
	2015(F)	1,200	625	n.a.	4,700	435,000	1.5	980	
	2016(F)	1,325	675	n.a.	4,600	450,000	1.7	990	
Edmonton	2013	14,689	5,970	0.6	19,552	344,977	1.4	1,141	
	2014(F)	13,300	6,400	0.5	20,000	360,000	1.6	1,200	
	2015(F)	13,000	6,600	2.0	20,400	371,000	1.7	1,250	
	2016(F)	12,300	6,300	2.0	20,700	380,000	1.9	1,280	
Calgary	2013	12,584	6,402	5.3	29,954	437,036	1.0	1,224	
	2014(F)	17,200	6,700	7.0	33,500	459,000	1.4	1,290	
	2015(F)	14,400	6,400	4.5	34,200	472,000	1.6	1,330	
	2016(F)	12,800	6,300	2.8	34,800	483,000	1.8	1,360	
Saskatoon	2013	2,980	1,658	1.6	5,543	332,058	2.7	1,041	
Jaskatoon	2013 2014(F)	3,300	1,600	2.7	5,800	341,300	2.8	1,085	
	2015(F)	3,125	1,550	1.9	5,825	348,000	2.9	1,115	
	2016(F)	2,800	1,550	1.9	5,825	348,000	2.9	1,115	
Regina	2013	3,122	1,246	2.8	3,692	312,355	1.8	1,018	
	2014(F)	2,350	750	1.8	3,700	317,000	2.5	1,055	
	2015(F)	2,150	725	1.7	3,730	322,500	2.6	1,085	
	2016(F)	2,100	700	1.8	3,750	326,500	2.7	1,110	
Winnipeg	2013	4,705	2,218	5.0	12,088	268,382	2.5	969	
vviiiiipeg	2014(F)	4,525	1,975	2.3	12,200	276,000	2.8	1,010	
	2015(F)	4,500	2,000	2.2	12,200	283,000	3.0	1,040	
	2016(F)	4,425	2,025	2.2	12,400	290,000	3.2	1,070	
Thunder Bay	2013	324	193	0.9	1,357	210,234	2.6	858	
indider buy	2014(F)	225	155	0.6	1,370	224,000	2.4	875	
	2015(F)	255	165	1.2	1,380	235,000	2.2	895	
	2015(F)	285	175	1.6	1,400	242,000	2.1	920	
Greater Sudbury /	2010(1)	431	208	0.9	2,308	245,307	3.4	914	
Grand Sudbury	2013 2014(F)	255	165	0.5	2,308	250,000	4.0	930	
	2014(1) 2015(F)	260	175	1.2	2,130	253,000	4.3	950	
	2015(F) 2016(F)	280	175	1.2	2,200	255,000	4.5	965	
Windsor									
VIIIdsor	2013	708	535	1.0	5,341 5 400	179,820	5.9	788	
	2014(F)	770	550	2.0	5,400 5,400	187,000	5.0	805	
	2015(F) 2016(F)	785 860	575 600	2.0 2.0	5,600 5,400	191,000 193,000	4.7 4.5	815 830	

Sources: CMHC, Canadian Real Estate Association, Local Real Estate Boards, Statistics Canada.

\*MLS® sales and prices for the Vancouver CMA refer only to the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver (REBGV) board area, which does not include Surrey, Langley,

White Rock, and North Delta.

n.a.: Data not available. (F) Forecast by CMHC.

Table 11b: Local Market Indicators								
Census Metropolita	n	Total Housing	Single-	NHPI Annual	MLS®	MLS <sup>®</sup> Avg.	Rental Vac. Rate	Average Rent
Area		Starts	Detached	% Change	Sales	Price	(3+ units, all bedrooms)	(3+ units, two bedroom
London	2013	2,163	1,153	1.8	8,113	246,943	3.3	924
	2014(F)	1,905	1,050	1.7	8,400	252,000	3.5	930
	2015(F)	2,180	1,100	1.8	8,550	261,500	3.5	940
	2016(F)	1,945	950	1.8	8,500	268,300	3.2	960
Kitchener-Cambridge-	2013	I,840	690	0.7	6,467	324,604	2.9	952
Waterloo	2014(F)	3,380	800	0.5	6,550	337,000	3.2	970
	2015(F)	2,755	775	0.5	6,750	347,000	3.2	990
	2016(F)	2,780	700	0.5	6,550	354,000	3.0	1,010
St. Catharines-	2013	1,223	717	3.0	5,483	238,449	4.1	872
Niagara*	2014(F)	1,285	750	2.2	5,750	250,000	4.7	890
0	2015(F)	1,270	780	1.8	5,950	258,000	4.3	905
	2016(F)	1,220	750	2.1	5,750	265,000	3.1	920
Hamilton	2013	2,709	1,159	2.5	13,471	383,892	3.4	932
	2014(F)	2,630	1,170	2.0	14,000	402,000	3.2	940
	2015(F)	2,750	1,200	1.8	14,000	413,000	3.0	955
	2016(F)	2,600	1,150	1.5	13,400	421,200	2.9	975
Toronto	2013	33,547	9,421	2.5	88,946	524,089	1.6	1,213
	2014(F)	33,400	8,900	2.0	92,500	558,000	1.8	1,225
	2011(F)	36,000	9,700	1.5	96,000	570,000	1.9	1,220
	2016(F)	34,750	8,500	1.0	92,000	580,000	1.8	1,240
Barrie	2013	891	602	n.a.	4,648	317,883	3.0	1,048
Darrie	2013 2014(F)	1,070	650	n.a.	4,700	338,000	2.7	1,055
	2014(1) 2015(F)	925	690	n.a.	4,800	344,800	2.8	1,055
	2015(F)	1,075	730	n.a.	4,900	350,600	2.7	1,095
Deterbeneugh	2010(1)	354	224			271,162	4.8	915
Peterborough	2013 2014(F)	260	210	n.a.	2,539 2,550	276,000	4.0 5.1	915
	2014(F) 2015(F)	280	210	n.a.	2,550	278,000	5.4	935
	2015(F) 2016(F)	280	200	n.a. n.a.	2,550	280,000	5.4	945
	, ,							
Brantford	2013	396	261	n.a.	2,230	264,443	2.9	835
	2014(F)	390	270	n.a.	2,100	276,000	3.6 3.3	845
	2015(F) 2016(F)	395 350	280 260	n.a.	2,100 2,000	282,500 288,000	3.3	860 880
	. ,			n.a.				
Guelph	2013	890	198	n.a.	3,164	343,564	1.9	957
	2014(F)	1,080 805	220	n.a.	3,150	358,000	1.9	970
	2015(F)	805 825	230	n.a.	3,300	370,000	2.1	985
<b>0 1 *</b> *	2016(F)	825	200	n.a.	3,300	375,000	2.0	1,010
Oshawa**	2013	1,384	887	n.a.	10,019	354,548	2.1	985
	2014(F)	1,575	1,035	n.a.	10,200	382,000	2.2	995
	2015(F)	1,620	1,100	n.a.	10,500	391,000	2.0	1,010
	2016(F)	I,630	1,180	n.a.	10,000	400,000	1.9	1,020
Kingston	2013	856	325	n.a.	3,165	279,339	2.3	1,054
	2014(F)	640	310	n.a.	2,900	286,100	2.5	1,080
	2015(F)	860	320	n.a.	3,000	291,900	2.8	1,105
	2016(F)	705	300	n.a.	2,850	296,300	2.6	1,125

Sources: CMHC, Canadian Real Estate Association, Local Real Estate Boards, Statistics Canada.

\*MLS® data for St. Catharines-Niagara is aggregated using total numbers of the area's three real estate boards.

\*\*MLS<sup>®</sup> numbers reflect all of Durham Region.

n.a.: Data not available. (F) Forecast by CMHC.

Census Metropoli	itan	Total Housing	Single-	NHPI Annual	MLS®	MLS <sup>®</sup> Avg.	Rental Vac. Rate	Average Rent	
Area	lean	Starts	Detached		Sales	Price		(3+ units, two bedrooms	
Ottawa*	2013	6,560	1,787	0.4	14,049	358,876	2.9	1,132	
	2014(F)	5,255	1,825	0.4	13,900	363,000	3.2	1,140	
	2015(F)	5,150	1,740	2.0	13,800	366,000	3.4	1,160	
	2016(F)	5,275	1,750	1.5	13,550	368,000	3.0	1,170	
Gatineau*	2013	1,924	475	0.4	3,544	243,330	5.1	744	
	2014(F)	2,040	470	0.4	3,200	243,500	6.5	745	
	2015(F)	1,900	440	2.0	3,300	246,100	6.3	750	
	2016(F)	1,850	450	1.5	3,500	249,200	6.0	755	
Montreal	2013	15,632	3,039	1.0	36,501	323,986	2.8	730	
rioncieal	2013 2014(F)	15,052	2,700	0.7	36,300	323,700	2.8	745	
	. ,	15,700	3,100	1.0	37,800	331,000	2.5	760	
	2015(F)			1.0			2.5	780	
	2016(F)	15,900	3,200		38,700	335,000			
Trois-Rivières	2013	849	243	n.a.	928	158,582	5.1	555	
	2014(F)	775	225	n.a.	1,065	165,000	4.7	560	
	2015(F)	700	220	n.a.	1,030	169,000	5.0	565	
	2016(F)	650	210	n.a.	1,025	171,500	5.0	570	
Sherbrooke	2013	1,496	442	n.a.	1,665	229,483	5.3	591	
	2014(F)	1,250	360	n.a.	1,540	230,000	5.0	600	
	2015(F)	1,200	320	n.a.	1,625	233,500	5.2	620	
	2016(F)	1,175	300	n.a.	1,700	236,000	5.2	635	
Québec	2013	4,680	961	1.1	6,275	267,294	2.3	757	
	2014(F)	4,125	925	0.0	6,450	270,000	2.6	770	
	2015(F)	3,650	850	0.0	6,650	275,000	2.8	785	
	2016(F)	3,300	800	0.0	6,900	280,000	2.8	795	
Saguenay	2013	919	337	n.a.	1,185	193,281	2.8	571	
	2014(F)	758	295	n.a.	1,120	192,700	3.1	580	
	2015(F)	650	300	n.a.	1,050	189,800	3.3	590	
	2016(F)	600	275	n.a.	1,000	186,000	3.3	600	
Saint John	2013	276	140	0.3	1,558	173,042	11.4	691	
	2014(F)	290	140	0.2	1,450	169,500	11.5	695	
	2015(F)	320	150	0.5	1,400	168,500	11.0	705	
	2016(F)	310	150	0.5	1,350	168,000	10.0	715	
Moncton	2013	911	258	0.3	2,194	160,092	9.1	742	
rioneton	2013 2014(F)	870	230	0.2	2,104	162,500	11.5	750	
	2014(1) 2015(F)	660	230	0.2	2,000	161,500	12.5	760	
	2013(F) 2016(F)	530	230	0.5	1,875	161,000	12.5	780	
11.1.6									
Halifax	2013	2,439	678	2.5	4,986	274,880	3.2	976	
	2014(F)		530	0.5	4,600	277,500	4.5	995	
	2015(F)		500	1.4	4,650	279,000	4.8	1,015	
	2016(F)		600	1.7	4,700	280,500	5.0	1,025	
St. John's	2013		1,243	1.6	3,617	301,333	3.2	864	
	2014(F)		875	1.5	3,300	313,000	3.5	900	
	2015(F)		850	1.0	3,350	317,500	3.8	930	
	2016(F)	1,500	900	1.0	3,400	322,000	3.9	955	
Charlottetown**	2013		160	0.3	494	203,305	7.9	804	
	2014(F)	325	135	-0.3	475	203,000	9.0	820	
	2015(F)	310	135	0.5	450	202,500	8.5	840	
	2016(F)	290	130	0.5	450	203,000	8.5	855	
ALL 35 LISTED	2013	145,797	49,128	2.2	346,160	416,310	2.7	919	
CENTRES	2014(F)		47,985	1.4	358,750	441,883	2.6	947	
	2015(F)		49,045	1.7	365,950	449,896	2.7	963	
	2016(F)		47,130	1.3	361,095	449,962	2.7	981	

Sources: CMHC, Canadian Real Estate Association, QFREB by the Centris® system, Local Real Estate Boards, Statistics Canada.

Statistics Canada defines Ottawa-Gatineau as a single census metropolitan area (CMA), but are treated as two centres in this publication for the sake of more detailed analysis.

\*\*Charlottetown is a census agglomeration (CA) not a CMA. A CA has an urban core population of at least 10,000, while a CMA has a core population of at least 100,000.

n.a.: Data not available. (F) Forecast by CMHC.

Table 12: Major Housing Indicators										
(levels and quarter-to-quarter percentage change)										
	2012Q4	2013Q1	2013Q2	2013Q3	2013Q4	2014Q1	2014Q2	2014Q3		
New Housing										
Building permits, units, thousands	192.4	179.0	228.2	212.6	210.8	93.7	200.1	221.4		
% <i>chang</i> e	-13.0	-7.0	27.5	-6.8	-0.8	-8.1	3.3	10.6		
Housing starts, total, thousands	204.4	174.4	187.9	191.6	196.4	175.8	96.4	196.0		
% change	-6.8	-14.6	7.7	2.0	2.5	-10.5	.7	-0.2		
Housing starts, singles, thousands	81.7	77.0	76.2	76.4	77.3	70.3	74.9	78.2		
% change	-2.8	-5.8	-1.0	0.2	1.3	-9.1	6.6	4.4		
Housing starts, multiples, thousands	122.6	97.4	.6	115.2	9.	105.6	121.5	7.7		
% change	-9.4	-20.5	4.6	3.2	3.3	-11.3	15.1	-3.		
Housing completions, total,*	47,683	39,028	49,362	47,812	49,292	38,797	45,014	47,979		
% change	-6.2	-18.2	26.5	-3.1	3.1	-21.3	16.0	6.6		
New Housing Price Index, 2007=100*	108.8	109.3	109.7	110.2	110.3	110.9	111.4	.8		
% change	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.3		
Existing Housing										
MLS <sup>®</sup> resales, units, thousands	427,220	435,040	454,828	478,584	462,724	440,776	482,148	501,808		
% change	-2.1	I.8	4.5	5.2	-3.3	-4.7	9.4	4.1		
MLS <sup>®</sup> average resale price, \$	360,451	367,360	374,575	389,285	395,360	398,813	401,818	409,980		
% <i>chang</i> e	0.4	I.9	2.0	3.9	I.6	0.9	0.8	2.0		
Mortgage Market										
l-year mortgage rate, per cent*	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1		
5-year mortgage rate, per cent*	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.2	4.8	4.8		
Residential Investment**										
Total, \$2002 millions	112,608	111,308	112,959	113,058	112,572	110,767	n.a	n.a		
% change	-0.3	-1.2	1.5	0.1	-0.4	-1.6	n.a	n.a		
New, \$2002 millions	53,196	51,660	51,372	49,936	50,592	49,820	n.a	n.a		
% change	0.1	-2.9	-0.6	-2.8	I.3	-1.5	n.a	n.a		
Alterations, \$2002 millions	42,792	42,784	43,688	43,824	43,488	43,832	n.a	n.a		
% <i>change</i>	0.6	0.0	2.1	0.3	-0.8	0.8	n.a	n.a		
Transfer costs, \$2002 millions	17,076	17,280	18,240	19,472	18,760	17,556	n.a	n.a		
% change	-3.3	1.2	5.6	6.8	-3.7	-6.4	n.a	n.a		
Deflator, 2002=100*	113.0	2.7	2.6	113.7	114.4	114.7	n.a	n.a		
% change	0.8	-0.2	-0.	0.9	0.6	0.3	n.a	n.a		

Sources: CMHC, Statistics Canada, Bank of Canada, Canadian Real Estate Association. n.a.: Data not available.

\* All indicators are seasonally adjusted and annualized except the New Housing Price Index and the Residential Investment Deflator, which are only seasonally adjusted, and housing completions and the 1-year and 5-year mortgage rates, which are not adjusted or annualized. \*\* Residential Investment includes outlays for new permanent housing, conversion costs, cost of alterations and improvements, supplementary costs, and transfer costs.

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