### HOUSING MARKET INFORMATION

# HOUSING NOW TABLES Halifax CMA

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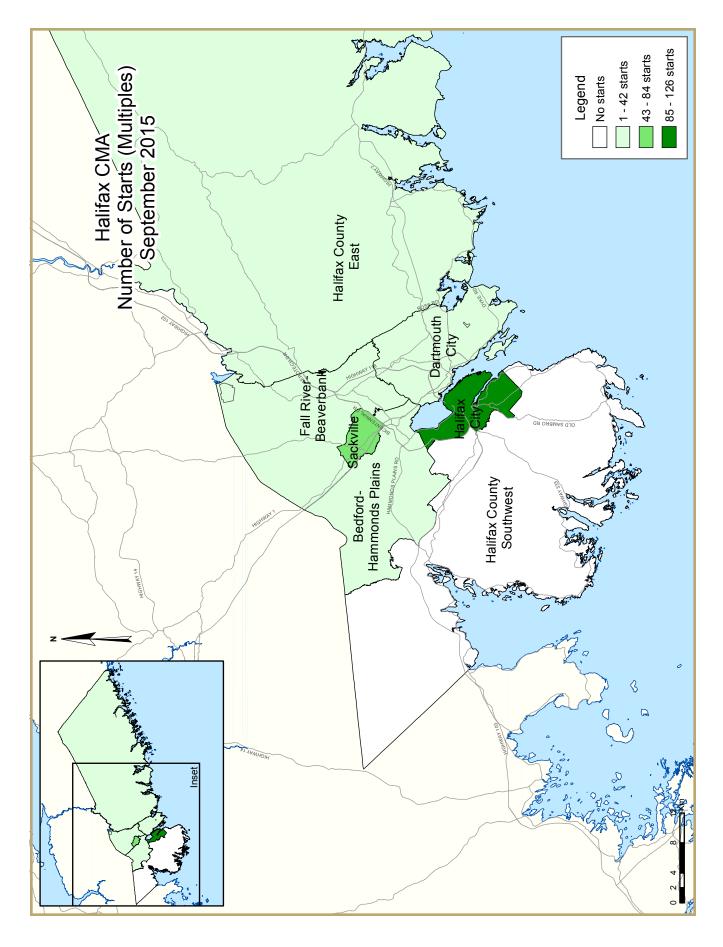
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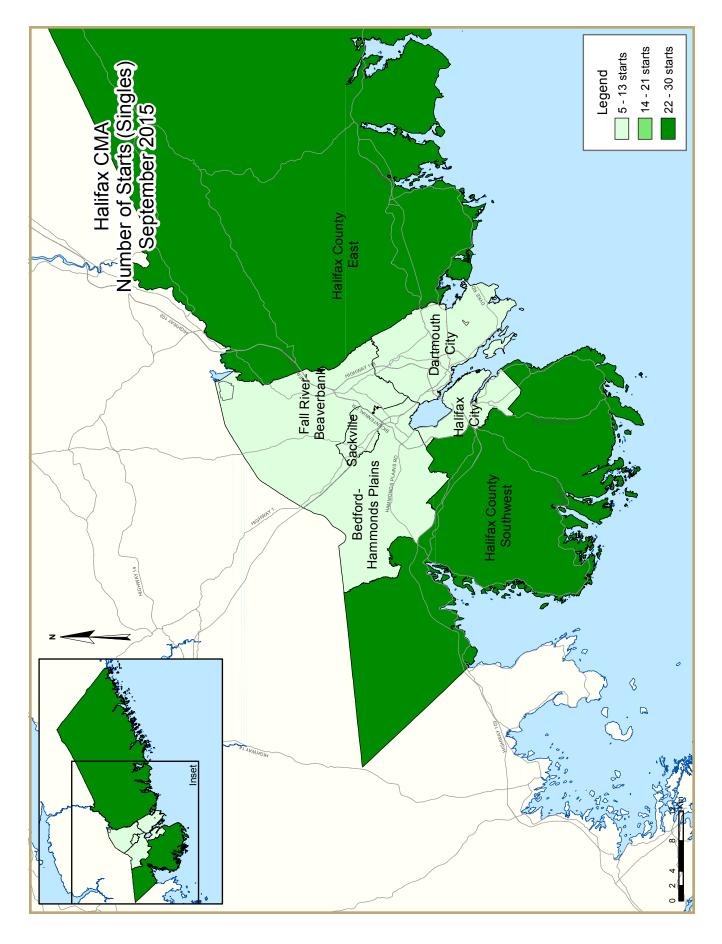
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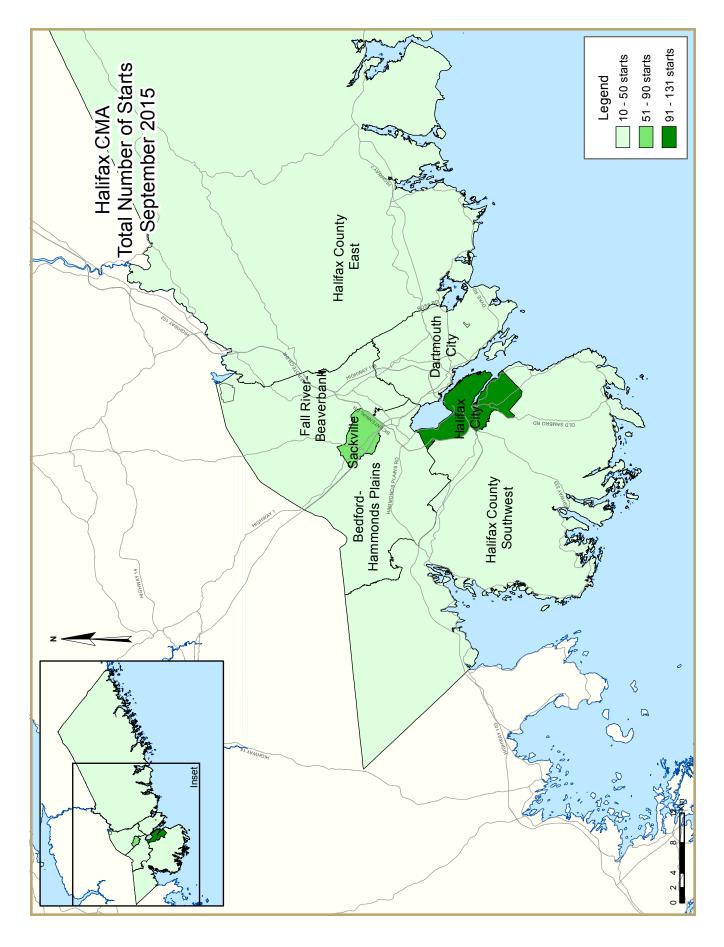
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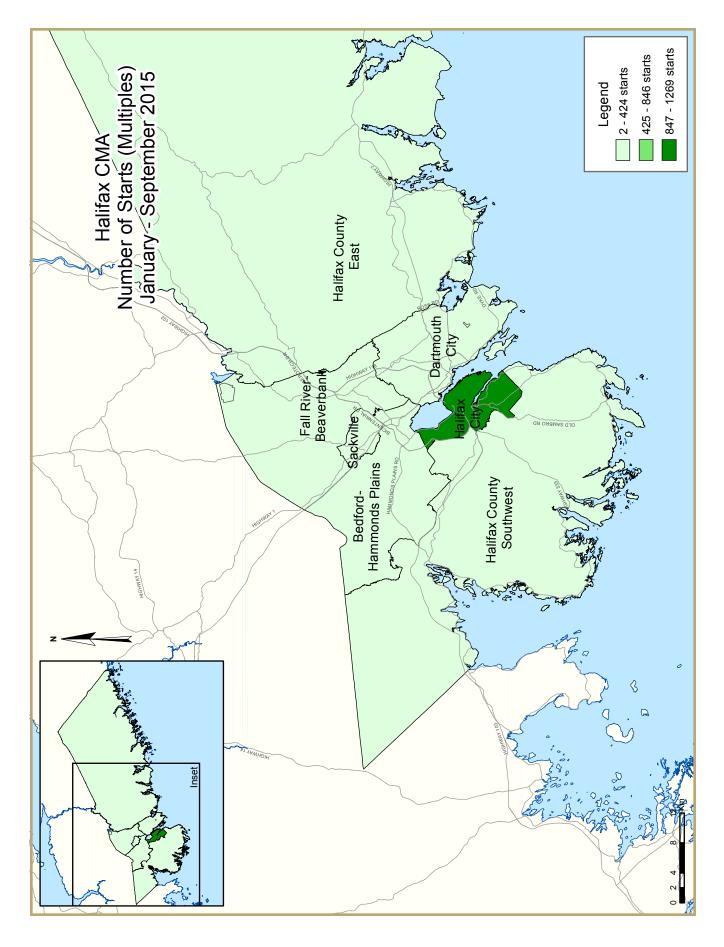
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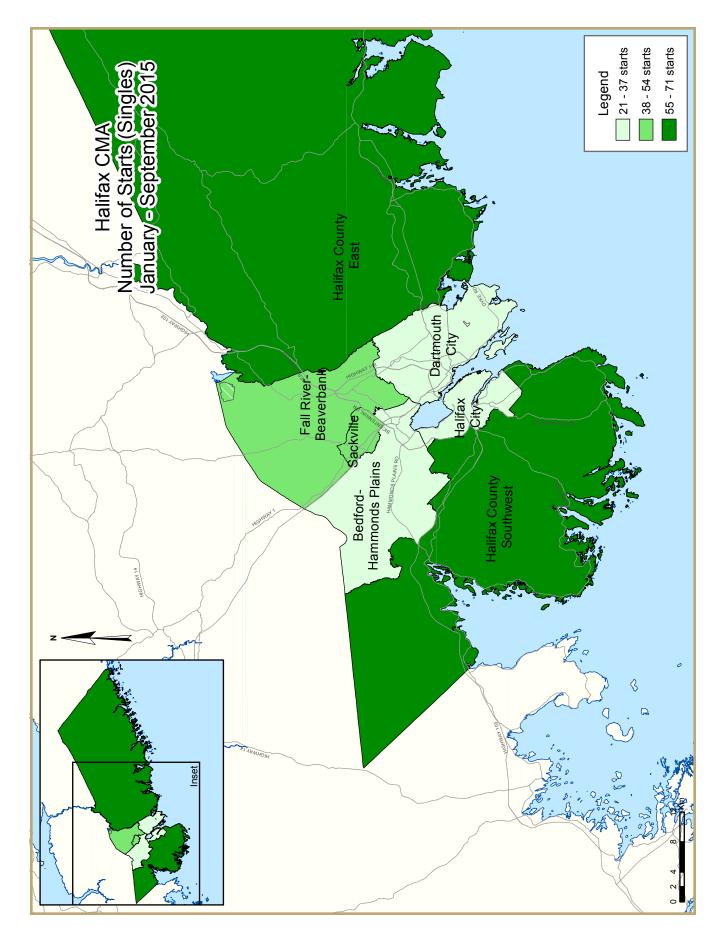


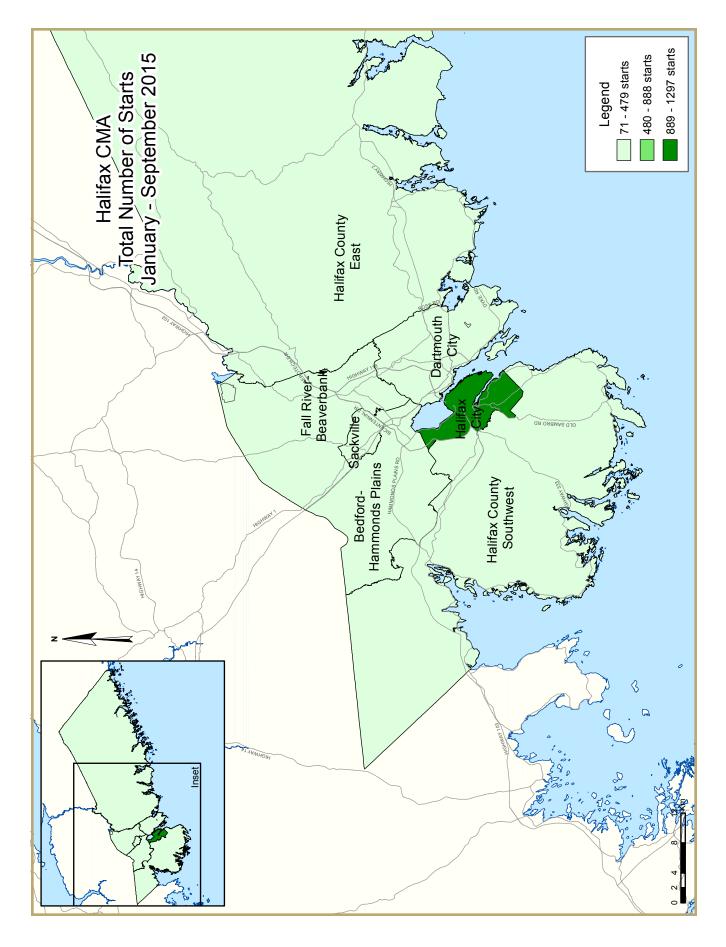












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- 4.1 Average Price (\$) of Absorbed Single-Detached Units

#### **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 I: Housing Starts (SAAR and Trend) September 2015											
Halifax CMA <sup>1</sup>	August 2015	September 2015									
Trend <sup>2</sup>	3,776	4,329									
SAAR	2,225	3,664									
	September 2014	September 2015									
Actual											
September - Single-Detached	60	91									
September - Multiples	202	237									
September - Total	262	328									
January to September - Single-Detached	390	304									
January to September - Multiples	971	1,991									
January to September - Total	1,361	2,295									

Source: CMHC

<sup>1</sup> Census Metropolitan Area

 $^{2}$  The trend is a six-month moving average of the monthly seasonally adjusted annual rates (SAAR)

Detailed data available upon request

	Table I.I:	Housing	Activity	Summar	y of Halif	ax CMA			
		:	Septembe	er 2015					
			Owne	rship			-		
		Freehold		Ċ	Condominium		Rei		
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row		Total*
STARTS									
September 2015	86	14	14	0	0	0	5	209	328
September 2014	59	8	3	0	0	0	1	191	262
% Change	45.8	75.0	**	n/a	n/a	n/a	**	9.4	25.2
Year-to-date 2015	287	54	52	3	2	378	38	1,338	2,295
Year-to-date 2014	371	54	73	0	0	71	27	753	1,361
% Change	-22.6	0.0	-28.8	n/a	n/a	**	40.7	77.7	68.6
UNDER CONSTRUCTION									
September 2015	318	70	109	I	2	616	20	2,192	3,503
September 2014	335	54	143	0	0	203	30	I,897	2,674
% Change	-5.1	29.6	-23.8	n/a	n/a	**	-33.3	15.6	31.0
COMPLETIONS									
September 2015	53	2	5	2	0	0	7	297	366
September 2014	44	10	15	0	0	0	3	339	411
% Change	20.5	-80.0	-66.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	133.3	-12.4	-10.9
Year-to-date 2015	306	36	83	2	0	0	54	914	1,395
Year-to-date 2014	459	86	63	0	6	32	24	716	1,386
% Change	-33.3	-58.1	31.7	n/a	-100.0	-100.0	125.0	27.7	0.6
<b>COMPLETED &amp; NOT ABSORE</b>	ED								
September 2015	73	14	33	I	3	2	n/a	n/a	126
September 2014	90	23	38	0	6	0	n/a	n/a	157
% Change	-18.9	-39.1	-13.2	n/a	-50.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	-19.7
ABSORBED									
September 2015	52	3	6	I	0	3	n/a	n/a	65
September 2014	42	12	9	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	63
% Change	23.8	-75.0	-33.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3.2
Year-to-date 2015	315	43	72	I	0	49	n/a	n/a	480
Year-to-date 2014	453	91	65	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	609
% Change	-30.5	-52.7	10.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-21.2

	Table 1.2:	Housing	Activity	Summar	y by Subn	narket			
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			Owne	rship			P		
		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ren		
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row		Total*
STARTS									
Halifax City									
September 2015	5	6	14	0	0	0	0	106	131
September 2014	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	190	199
Dartmouth City									
September 2015	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	33	42
September 2014	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Bedford-Hammonds Plains									
September 2015	8	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	14
September 2014	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Sackville									
September 2015	4	0	0	0	0	0	I	68	73
September 2014	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	I
Fall River - Beaverbank									
September 2015	8	0	0	0	0	0	I	1	10
September 2014	11	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	14
Halifax County East									
September 2015	30	2	0	0	0	0	0	L. I.	33
September 2014	26	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Halifax County Southwest									
September 2015	24	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25
September 2014	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	6
Halifax CMA									
September 2015	86	14	14	0	0	0	5	209	328
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UNDER CONSTRUCTION									
Halifax City									
September 2015	39	26	48	0	0	506	0	1,554	2,173
September 2014	49	20	74	0	0	72	21	1,299	1,535
Dartmouth City									
September 2015	34	12	6	0	0	110	2	225	430
September 2014	37	6	4	0	0	71	1	233	364
Bedford-Hammonds Plains									
September 2015	38	8	10	0	0	0	2	146	271
September 2014	29	4	34	0	0	0	0	75	142
Sackville									
September 2015	32	0	29	0	0	0	0	184	300
September 2014	33	6	0	0	0	60	4	225	328
Fall River - Beaverbank									
September 2015	47	14	0	0	0	0	16	2	79
September 2014	55	16	16	0	0	0	0	65	152
Halifax County East									
September 2015	62	8	0	1	2	0	0	1	86
September 2014	76	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	78
Halifax County Southwest									
September 2015	66	2	16	0	0	0	0	80	164
September 2014	56	0	15	0	0	0	4	0	75
Halifax CMA									
September 2015	318	70	109	I	2	616	20	2,192	3,503
September 2014	335	54	143	0	0	203	30	I,897	2,674

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		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ren		
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row		Total*
COMPLETIONS									
Halifax City									
September 2015	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
September 2014	9	4	15	0	0	0	0	110	138
Dartmouth City									
September 2015	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	233	235
September 2014	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	197	197
Bedford-Hammonds Plains									
September 2015	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
September 2014	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Sackville									
September 2015	17	0	5	0	0	0	I	0	23
September 2014	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	32	36
Fall River - Beaverbank									
September 2015	5	2	0	0	0	0	5	64	76
September 2014	9	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	14
Halifax County East									
September 2015	II	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	13
September 2014	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Halifax County Southwest									
September 2015	7	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	8
September 2014	7	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	8
Halifax CMA									
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		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ren		
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row		Total*
COMPLETED & NOT ABSOR	BED								
Halifax City									
September 2015	15	6	15	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	36
September 2014	19	12	19	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	50
Dartmouth City									
September 2015	9	0	3	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	12
September 2014	15	2	4	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	21
Bedford-Hammonds Plains									
September 2015	13	I	6	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	20
September 2014	16	0	4	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	20
Sackville									
September 2015	9	3	8	0	0	2	n/a	n/a	22
September 2014	8	4	9	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	21
Fall River - Beaverbank									
September 2015	12	4	I	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	17
September 2014	18	5	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	23
Halifax County East									
September 2015	10	0	0	I	0	0	n/a	n/a	П
September 2014	7	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	7
Halifax County Southwest									
September 2015	5	0	0	0	3	0	n/a	n/a	8
September 2014	7	0	2	0	6	0	n/a	n/a	15
Halifax CMA									
September 2015	73	14	33	I	3	2	n/a	n/a	126
September 2014	90	23	38	0	6	0	n/a	n/a	157

	Table 1.2:	Housing	Activity	Summar	y by Subn	narket					
			Septembe								
	Ownership										
		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ren				
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row		Total*		
ABSORBED											
Halifax City											
September 2015	3	0	1	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	4		
September 2014	7	4	6	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	17		
Dartmouth City											
September 2015	4	0	2	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	6		
September 2014	1	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	I		
Bedford-Hammonds Plains											
September 2015	5	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	5		
September 2014	5	3	2	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	10		
Sackville											
September 2015	15	0	2	0	0	3	n/a	n/a	20		
September 2014	2	1	1	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	4		
Fall River - Beaverbank											
September 2015	7	3	1	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	11		
September 2014	8	4	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	12		
Halifax County East											
September 2015	11	0	0	1	0	0	n/a	n/a	12		
September 2014	12	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	12		
Halifax County Southwest											
September 2015	7	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	7		
September 2014	7	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	7		
Halifax CMA											
September 2015	52	3	6	I	0	3	n/a	n/a	65		
September 2014	42	12	9	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	63		

	Table 1.3:	History	of Housir	ng Starts	of Halifa>									
	2005 - 2014													
			Owne	ership			Ren							
		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ken	cai	<b>T</b> 114					
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row	Total*						
2014	485	70	99	0	0	166	34	854	١,757					
% Change	-27.6	-41.7	-39.3	n/a	n/a	130.6	183.3	-39.1	-28.0					
2013	670	120	163	0	0	72	12	I,402	2,439					
% Change	-32.3	-35.5	41.7	-100.0	-100.0	-55.3	71.4	9.9	-11.4					
2012	989	186	115	2	18	161	7	1,276	2,754					
% Change	10.6	9.4	-21.2	n/a	50.0	2.5	-30.0	-18.5	-6.8					
2011	894	170	146	0	12	157	10	1,565	2,954					
% Change	-14.0	9.0	-2.7	n/a	n/a	60.2	150.0	66.0	23.6					
2010	1,039	156	150	0	0	98	4	943	2,390					
% Change	18.9	32.2	19.0	n/a	-100.0	22.5	**	81.7	37.9					
2009	874	118	126	0	15	80	I	519	١,733					
% Change	-25.7	9.3	-16.6	n/a	36.4	-45.2	-90.0	5.3	-17.3					
2008	I,I77	108	151	0	11	146	10	493	2,096					
% Change	0.7	-34.9	24.8	n/a	-69.4	-51.0	-73.7	-25.4	-15.8					
2007	1,169	166	121	0	36	298	38	661	2,489					
% Change	10.8	7.8	-6.2	n/a	140.0	12.0	**	-25.0	-0.9					
2006	1,055	154	129	0	15	266	11	881	2,511					
% Change	-12.9	5.5	-25.4	-100.0	87.5	-40.9	175.0	92.4	2.4					
2005	1,211	146	173	I	8	450	4	458	2,451					

	Table 2: Starts by Submarket and by Dwelling Type   September 2015												
Single Semi Row Apt. & Other Total													
Submarket	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	% Change		
Halifax City	5	4	6	2	14	3	106	190	131	199	-34.2		
Dartmouth City	7	8	2	0	0	0	33	0	42	8	**		
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	10	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	14	6	133.3		
Sackville	5	1	0	0	0	0	68	0	73	I	**		
Fall River - Beaverbank	9	11	0	2	0	0	I	L.	10	14	-28.6		
Halifax County East	30	26	2	2	0	0	I	0	33	28	17.9		
Halifax County Southwest	25	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	6	**		
Halifax CMA	91	60	14	8	14	3	209	191	328	262	25.2		

1	Table 2.1: Starts by Submarket and by Dwelling Type													
January - September 2015														
Single Semi Row Apt. & Other Total														
Submarket	Submarket YTD								YTD	%				
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	Change			
Halifax City	28	39	20	26	24	28	1,225	563	1,297	656	97.7			
Dartmouth City	21	29	6	0	6	0	234	83	267	112	138.4			
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	32	35	8	4	0	22	208	75	248	136	82.4			
Sackville	41	38	0	0	22	4	189	50	252	92	173.9			
Fall River - Beaverbank	51	77	10	22	24	16	2	65	87	180	-51.7			
Halifax County East	60	99	10	2	0	0	1	0	71	101	-29.7			
Halifax County Southwest	71	73	2	0	0	11	0	0	73	84	-13.1			
Halifax CMA	304	390	56	54	76	81	1,859	836	2,295	1,361	68.6			

Table 2.2: S	Table 2.2: Starts by Submarket, by Dwelling Type and by Intended Market September 2015													
Row Apt. & Other														
Submarket	Freehc Condor		Rer	ntal	Freeho Condor		Rer	ntal						
	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014						
Halifax City	14	3	0	0	0	0	106	190						
Dartmouth City	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	0						
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Sackville	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	0						
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	I						
Halifax County East	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	0						
Halifax County Southwest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Halifax CMA	14	3	0	0	0	0	209	191						

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January - September 2015														
		Rc	w			Apt. &	Other							
Submarket	Freeho Condoi		Rer	ntal	Freeho Condor		Rer	ntal						
	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014						
Halifax City	24	24	0	4	378	0	847	563						
Dartmouth City	6	0	0	0	0	71	213	0						
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	0	22	0	0	0	0	141	75						
Sackville	22	0	0	4	0	0	134	50						
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	16	24	0	0	0	2	65						
Halifax County East	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	0						
Halifax County Southwest	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Halifax CMA	52	73	24	8	378	71	١,338	753						

Table 2.4: Starts by Submarket and by Intended Market September 2015												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*												
Submarket	Sept 2015	Sept 2014										
Halifax City	25	9	0	0	106	190	131	199				
Dartmouth City	9	8	0	0	33	0	42	8				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	12	6	0	0	2	0	14	6				
Sackville	4	1	0	0	69	0	73	1				
Fall River - Beaverbank	8	13	0	0	2	1	10	14				
Halifax County East	32	28	0	0	1	0	33	28				
Halifax County Southwest	24	5	0	0	1	I	25	6				
Halifax CMA 114 70 0 0 214 192 328 262												

Table 2.5: Starts by Submarket and by Intended Market												
January - September 2015												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*												
Submarket	YTD 2015	YTD 2014										
Halifax City	71	89	378	0	848	567	1,297	656				
Dartmouth City	29	28	0	71	217	I	267	112				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	38	61	0	0	143	75	248	136				
Sackville	62	32	0	0	135	60	252	92				
Fall River - Beaverbank	59	111	0	0	28	69	87	180				
Halifax County East	64	99	5	0	2	2	71	101				
Halifax County Southwest	70	78	0	0	3	6	73	84				
Halifax CMA	393	498	383	71	١,376	780	2,295	1,361				

Table 3: Completions by Submarket and by Dwelling Type												
September 2015												
	Sing	gle	Sei	mi	Ro	w	Apt. &	Other		Total		
Submarket	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	% Change	
Halifax City	4	9	0	4	0	15	0	110	4	138	-97.1	
Dartmouth City	2	0	0	0	0	0	233	197	235	197	19.3	
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	7	4	75.0	
Sackville	18	4	0	0	5	0	0	32	23	36	-36.1	
Fall River - Beaverbank	6	10	2	4	4	0	64	0	76	14	**	
Halifax County East	13	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	14	-7.1	
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January - September 2015													
Single Semi Row Apt. & Other Total													
Submarket	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	%		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	Change		
Halifax City	29	50	14	22	61	28	370	343	474	443	7.0		
Dartmouth City	23	33	2	22	4	9	233	269	262	333	-21.3		
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	26	59	6	10	24	8	70	0	126	77	63.6		
Sackville	46	43	0	6	5	13	175	103	226	165	37.0		
Fall River - Beaverbank	47	98	12	28	29	5	65	0	153	131	16.8		
Halifax County East	74	118	0	4	0	3	0	32	74	157	-52.9		
Halifax County Southwest	73	73	2	0	4	6	1	L	80	80	0.0		
Halifax CMA	318	474	36	92	127	72	914	748	1,395	1,386	0.6		

Table 3.2: Com	pletions by		ket, by Dw Dtember 2	• • •	e and by I	ntended M	larket						
		Ro	w			Apt. &	Other						
Submarket	Freeho Condor		Rei	ntal	Freehc Condoi		Rer	ntal					
	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014					
Halifax City	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	110					
Dartmouth City	0	0	0	0	0	0	233	197					
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Sackville	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	32					
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	0	4	0	0	0	64	0					
Halifax County East	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Halifax County Southwest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Halifax CMA	5	5 15 4 0 0 0 297											

Table 3.3: Com	Table 3.3: Completions by Submarket, by Dwelling Type and by Intended Market												
January - September 2015													
	Row Apt. & Other												
Submarket	Freeho Condor		Rer	ntal	Freeho Condor		Rer	ntal					
	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014					
Halifax City	45	28	16	0	0	0	370	343					
Dartmouth City	4	9	0	0	0	0	233	269					
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	16	8	8	0	0	0	70	0					
Sackville	5	13	0	0	0	0	175	103					
Fall River - Beaverbank	9	5	20	0	0	0	65	0					
Halifax County East	0	0	0	3	0	32	0	0					
Halifax County Southwest	4	6	0	0	0	0	I	I					
Halifax CMA	83	69	44	3	0	32	914	716					

Table	Table 3.4: Completions by Submarket and by Intended Market September 2015												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*													
Submarket	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	Sept 2015	Sept 2014					
Halifax City	4	28	0	0	0	110	4	138					
Dartmouth City	2	0	0	0	233	197	235	197					
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	7	4	0	0	0	0	7	4					
Sackville	22	3	0	0	I	33	23	36					
Fall River - Beaverbank	7	13	0	0	69	1	76	14					
Halifax County East	11	14	2	0	0	0	13	14					
Halifax County Southwest	7	7	0	0	I	1	8	8					
Halifax CMA	60 69 2 0 304 342 366 41												

Table 3.5: Completions by Submarket and by Intended Market												
January - September 2015												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*												
Submarket	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2015	YTD 2014				
Halifax City	87	98	0	0	387	345	474	443				
Dartmouth City	27	59	0	0	235	274	262	333				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	48	77	0	0	78	0	126	77				
Sackville	50	56	0	0	176	109	226	165				
Fall River - Beaverbank	66	127	0	0	87	4	153	131				
Halifax County East	71	120	2	32	1	5	74	157				
Halifax County Southwest	Tax County Southwest 76 71 0 6 4 3 80											
Halifax CMA	425	608	2	38	968	740	١,395	1,386				

	Tab	ole 4: A	bsorb	ed Sin	gle-De	etache	d Unit	s by P	rice Ra	ange			
				Se	eptem	ber 20	15						
					Price F	Ranges							
Submarket	< \$30	0,000	\$300,000 - \$349,999		\$350,000 - \$399,999		\$400, \$449		\$450,000 +		Total	Median Price (\$)	Average Price (\$)
	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)		Price (\$)	
Halifax City													
September 2015	1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	66.7	3	-	-
September 2014	1	14.3	I	14.3	2	28.6	0	0.0	3	42.9	7	-	-
Year-to-date 2015	6	20.7	5	17.2	0	0.0	2	6.9	16	55.2	29	-	-
Year-to-date 2014	8	18.6	8	18.6	4	9.3	3	7.0	20	46.5	43	-	319,250
Dartmouth City													
September 2015	0	0.0	I	25.0	0	0.0	I	25.0	2	50.0	4	-	-
September 2014	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	I	-	-
Year-to-date 2015	8	32.0	2	8.0	0	0.0	5	20.0	10	40.0	25	-	-
Year-to-date 2014	17	37.8	4	8.9	7	15.6	0	0.0	17	37.8	45	-	-
Bedford-Hammonds Plains													
September 2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	I	20.0	0	0.0	4	80.0	5	-	-
September 2014	2	40.0	0	0.0	I	20.0	0	0.0	2	40.0	5	-	-
Year-to-date 2015	1	3.7	I	3.7	4	14.8	5	18.5	16	59.3	27	-	-
Year-to-date 2014	4	6.6	4	6.6	11	18.0	12	19.7	30	49.2	61	-	414,723
Sackville													
September 2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	21.4	0	0.0	Ш	78.6	14	-	-
September 2014	0	0.0	0	0.0	I	50.0	1	50.0	0	0.0	2	-	-
Year-to-date 2015	2	4.9	1	2.4	14	34.1	5	12.2	19	46.3	41	-	-
Year-to-date 2014	1	3.0	4	12.1	9	27.3	11	33.3	8	24.2	33	-	-
Fall River - Beaverbank													
September 2015	2	28.6	2	28.6	1	14.3	1	14.3	1	14.3	7	-	-
September 2014	1	12.5	4	50.0	1	12.5	0	0.0	2	25.0	8	_	_
Year-to-date 2015	9	16.1	8	14.3	9	16.1	9	16.1	21	37.5	56	-	441,827
Year-to-date 2014	12	13.5	23	25.8	22	24.7	8	9.0	24	27.0	89	_	439,819
Halifax County East													,
September 2015	8	66.7	0	0.0	3	25.0	0	0.0	1	8.3	12	-	-
September 2014		91.7	1	8.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	12	_	231,717
Year-to-date 2015	39	57.4	8	11.8	10	14.7	2	2.9	9	13.2	68		288,613
Year-to-date 2014	64	58.2	17	15.5	16	14.5	4	3.6	9	8.2	110	260,000	297,710
Halifax County Southwest	01	50.2	17	13.5	10	11.5		5.0	,	0.2	110	200,000	277,710
September 2015	0	0.0	1	14.3	1	14.3	2	28.6	3	42.9	7	-	-
September 2014	l I	14.3	3	42.9	i	14.3	ī	14.3	1	14.3	. 7	-	-
Year-to-date 2015	. 7	10.1	9	13.0	13	18.8		15.9	29	42.0	69	-	442,750
Year-to-date 2014	. 8	11.1	16	22.2	17	23.6	8	11.1	23	31.9	72	-	401,944
Halifax CMA										5,			,
September 2015	11	21.2	4	7.7	9	17.3	4	7.7	24	46.2	52	-	-
September 2014	17	40.5	9	21.4	6	14.3	2		8	19.0	42	-	353,157
Year-to-date 2015	72	22.9	34	10.8	50		39	12.4	120	38.1	315	400,000	460,069
Year-to-date 2014	114	25.2	76	16.8	86	19.0	46	12.4	120	28.9	453	360,000	387,934
I Cal -LO-Uale 2014	114	23.2	/0	10.0	00	17.0	<del>1</del> 0	10.2	131	20.7	403	360,000	307,734

Source: CMHC (Market Absorption Survey)

Table 4.1: Average Price (\$) of Absorbed Single-detached Units												
September 2015												
Submarket	Sept 2015	Sept 2014	% Change	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	% Change						
Halifax City			n/a			n/a						
Dartmouth City			n/a			n/a						
Bedford-Hammonds Plains			n/a			n/a						
Sackville			n/a			n/a						
Fall River - Beaverbank			n/a	441,827	439,819	0.5						
Halifax County East			n/a	288,613	297,710	-3.1						
Halifax County Southwest			n/a			n/a						
Halifax CMA		353,157	n/a	460,069	387,934	18.6						

Source: CMHC (Market Absorption Survey)

		Table 5	: MLS <sup>®</sup>	Reside	ential Ac	tivity by S	ubmark	et				
	September 2015					September	r 2014			% Ch	ange	
Submarket	Sales	Average Sale Price (\$)	Average Days on Market	Active Listings	Sales	Average Sale Price (\$)	Average Days on Market	Active Listings	Sales	Average Sale Price	Average Days on Market	Active Listings
Halifax City	65	420,946	94	936	88	322,670	88	910	-26.I	30.5	6.8	2.9
Dartmouth City	46	215,222	75	742	115	241,223	92	777	-60.0	-10.8	-18.5	-4.5
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	39	342,047	132	655	53	363,334	148	699	-26.4	-5.9	-10.8	-6.3
Sackville	20	193,215	94	299	26	218,373	93	308	-23.I	-11.5	1.1	-2.9
Halifax County Southwest	21	267,272	86	474	33	239,101	109	465	-36.4	11.8	-21.1	1.9
Halifax County East	17	217,882	125	372	32	162,816	134	389	-46.9	33.8	-6.7	-4.4
Outside Halifax-Dartmouth Board	31	194,719	101	320	28	167,613	181	335	10.7	16.2	-44.2	-4.5
Fall River-Beaver Bank	12	205,108	70	445	23	333,509	125	432	-47.8	-38.5	-44.0	3.0
Halifax CMA	251	287,969	96	4243	398	269,885	111	4315	-36.9	6.7	-13.5	-1.7

		Year-to-da	te 2015			Year-to-dat	te 2014		% Change			
Submarket	Sales	Average Sale Price (\$)	Average Days on Market	Sales to New Listings Ratio	Sales	Average Sale Price (\$)	Average Days on Market	Sales to New Listings Ratio	Sales	Average Sale Price	Average Days on Market	
Halifax City	910	358,576	94		873	331,513	93		4.2	8.2	1.1	
Dartmouth City	976	241,134	79		994	244,035	87		-1.8	-1.2	-9.2	
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	456	363,910	133		485	359,690	132		-6.0	1.2	0.8	
Sackville	277	211,643	98		330	217,635	91		-16.1	-2.8	7.7	
Halifax County Southwest	292	277,566	103		281	261,987	101		3.9	5.9	2.0	
Halifax County East	225	207,341	124		255	215,537	110		-11.8	-3.8	12.7	
Outside Halifax-Dartmouth Board	237	189,781	122		256	191,929	99		-7.4	-1.1	23.2	
Fall River-Beaver Bank	266	286,612	98		308	294,681	102		-13.6	-2.7	-3.9	
Halifax CMA	3,639	284,566	102	34%	3,782	276,763	99	36%	-3.8	2.8	3.0	

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Source: Nova Scotia Association of  $\mathsf{REALTORS}^{^{\otimes}}$ 

Table 6: Economic Indicators   September 2015										
		P & I Per \$100,000	Mortgag (% I Yr. Term		NHPI, Total, Halifax CMA 2007=100	CPI, 2002 =100	Employment SA (,000)	Unemployment Rate (%) SA	Participation Rate (%) SA	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)
2014	January	595	3.14	5.24	117.7	126.0	222	6.5	69.5	825
	February	595	3.14	5.24	117.6	127.0	222	6.4	69.3	83
	March	581	3.14	4.99	117.7	127.6	221	6.1	68.9	842
	April	570	3.14	4.79	117.6	127.7	222	5.9	68.9	853
	May	570	3.14	4.79	117.6	128.2	222	5.8	68.6	852
	June	570	3.14	4.79	117.6	127.7	222	5.7	68.6	854
	July	570	3.14	4.79	117.5	127.5	221	6.1	68.4	863
	August	570	3.14	4.79	117.5	127.7	221	6. I	68.3	870
	September	570	3.14	4.79	117.9	128.2	222	6.1	68.6	871
	October	570	3.14	4.79	118.0	128.2	225	5.9	69.2	874
	November	570	3.14	4.79	118.0	127.4	227	6. I	69.9	872
	December	570	3.14	4.79	118.0	126.2	228	6.2	70.3	869
2015	January	570	3.14	4.79	118.0	125.8	228	6. I	70.2	864
	February	567	2.89	4.74	118.5	126.9	227	6.2	69.9	870
	March	567	2.89	4.74	118.6	128.4	225	6.4	69.3	864
	April	561	2.89	4.64	118.6	128.3	222	6.8	68.7	866
	May	561	2.89	4.64	118.7	128.9	221	7.0	68.4	867
	June	561	2.89	4.64	118.9	128.9	221	6.7	68.0	88
	July	561	2.89	4.64	118.8	128.9	223	6.I	68.2	886
	August	561	2.89	4.64	118.8	128.8	225	5.7	68.3	879
	September	561	2.89	4.64		128.4	227	5.9	68.9	869
	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 2011 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 modeled 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 on 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.

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