# HOUSING MARKET INFORMATION

# HOUSING NOW TABLES Halifax CMA

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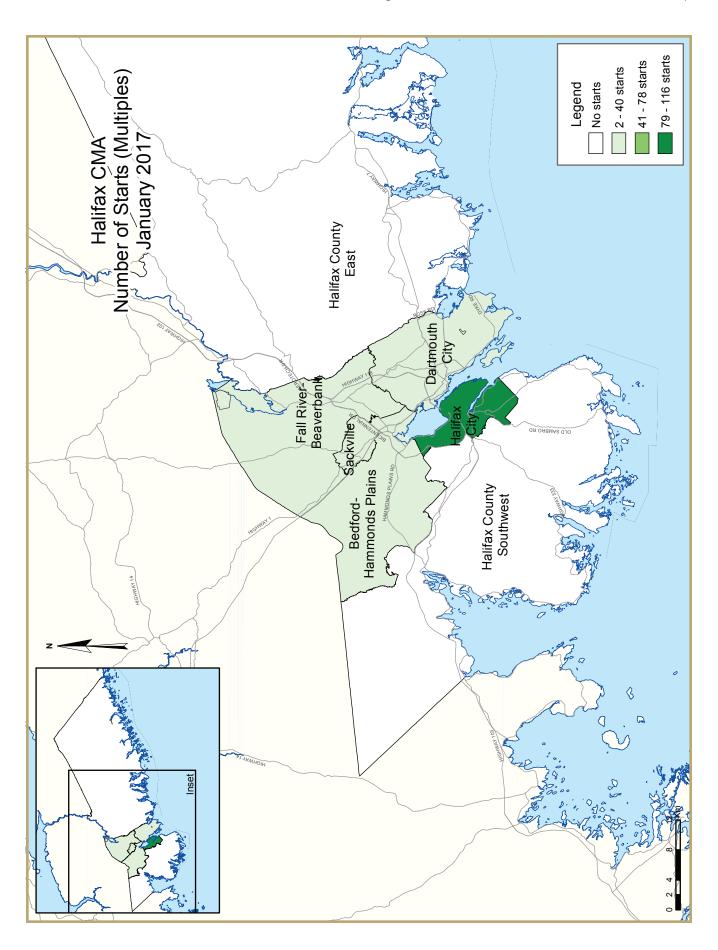
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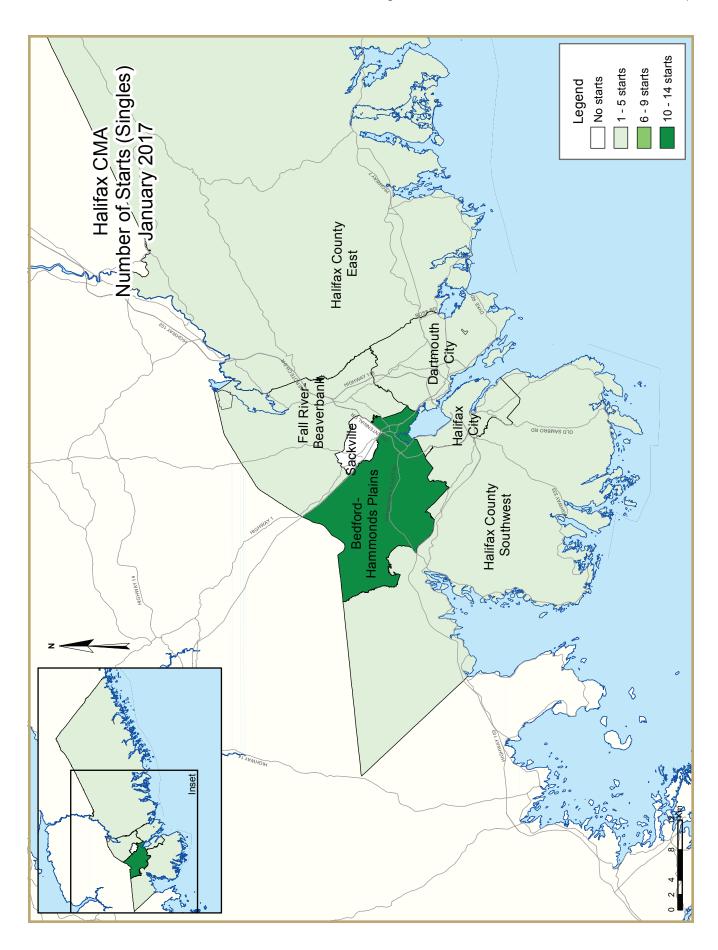
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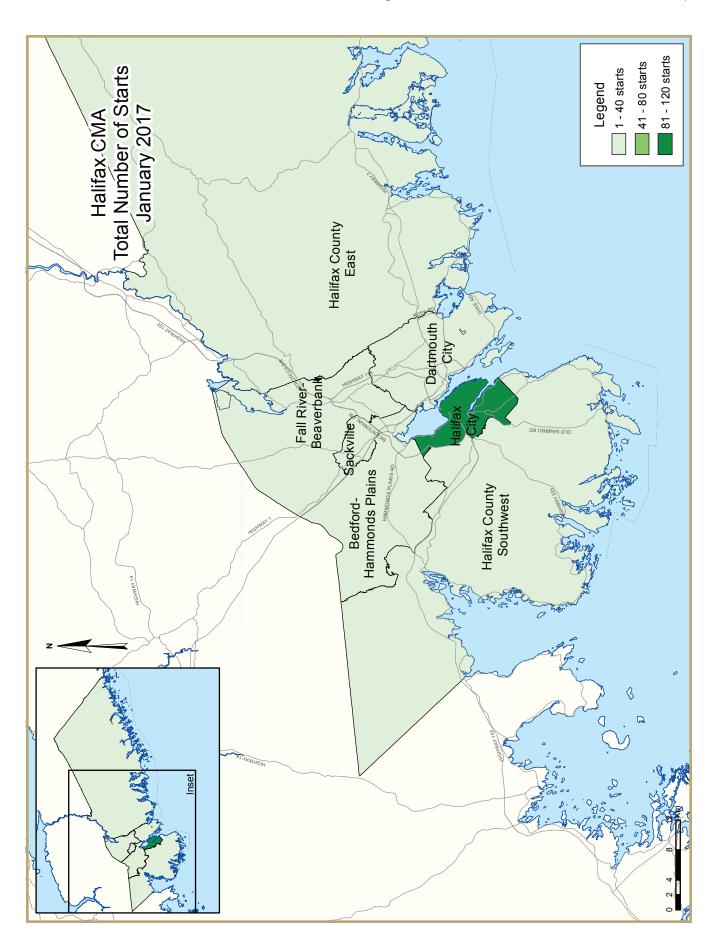
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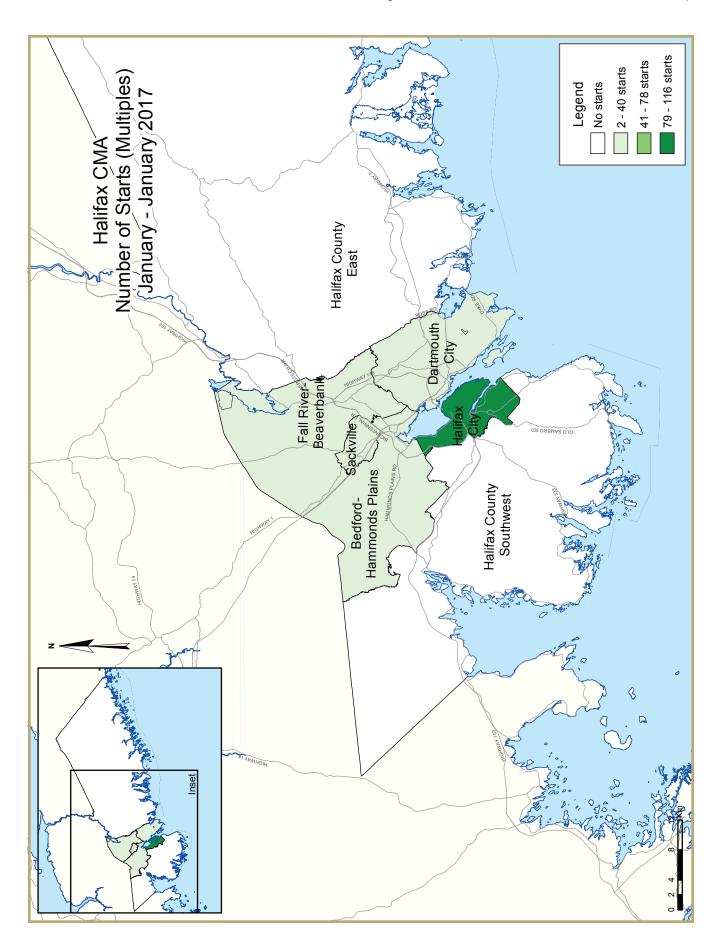
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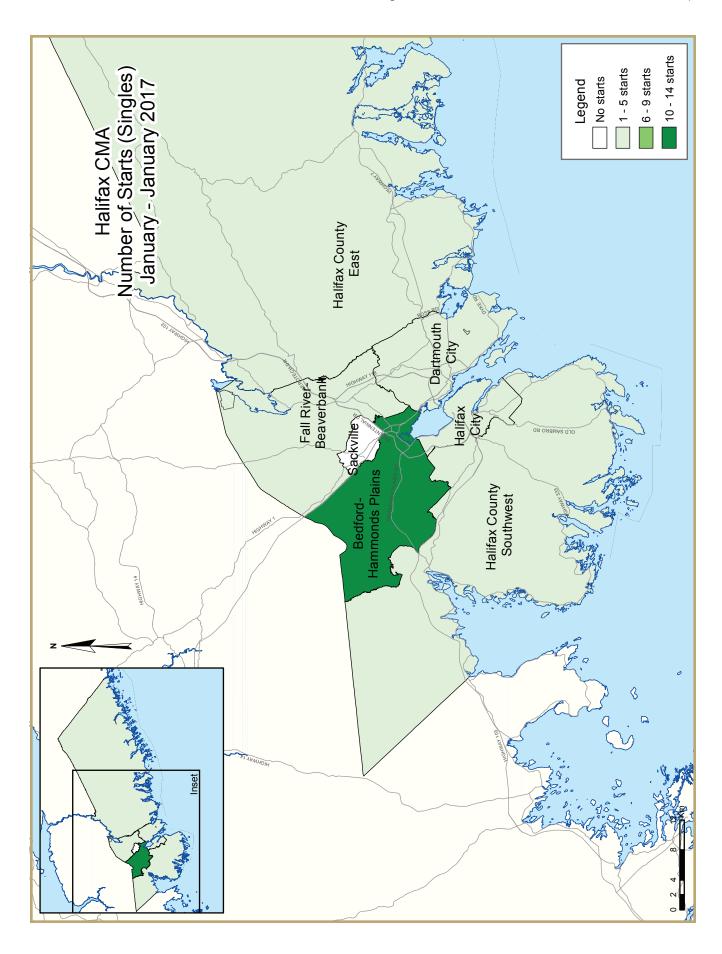


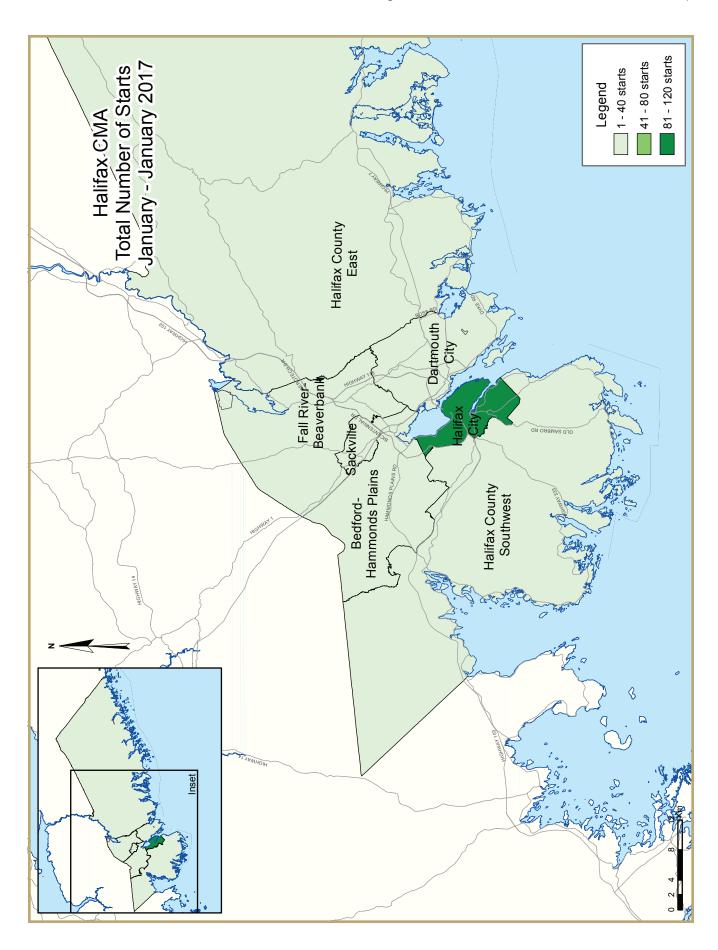












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# **SYMBOLS**

- 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)  January 2017										
Halifax CMA <sup>1</sup>	December 2016	January 2017								
Trend <sup>2</sup>	2,653	2,610								
SAAR	1,979	2,153								
	January 2016	January 2017								
Actual										
January - Single-Detached	24	27								
January - Multiples	12	137								
January - Total	36	164								
January to January - Single-Detached	24	27								
January to January - Multiples	12	137								
January to January - Total	36	164								

Source: CMHC

Detailed data available upon request

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Census Metropolitan Area

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

Table I.I: Housing Activity Summary of Halifax CMA									
			January	2017					
			Owne	rship			_		
		Freehold		C	Condominium	ı	Rei	ntal	
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row Other		Total*
STARTS									
January 2017	24	4	22	0	0	0	6	108	164
January 2016	24	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	36
% Change	0.0	-33.3	**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**
Year-to-date 2017	24	4	22	0	0	0	6	108	164
Year-to-date 2016	24	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	36
% Change	0.0	-33.3	**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	**
UNDER CONSTRUCTION									
January 2017	355	136	111	I	0	407	27	2,738	3,787
January 2016	298	64	78	0	0	544	29	2,214	3,394
% Change	19.1	112.5	42.3	n/a	n/a	-25.2	-6.9	23.7	11.6
COMPLETIONS									
January 2017	48	6	0	0	16	71	11	22	174
January 2016	31	10	31	0	0	0	5	91	168
% Change	54.8	-40.0	-100.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	120.0	-75.8	3.6
Year-to-date 2017	48	6	0	0	16	71	11	22	174
Year-to-date 2016	31	10	31	0	0	0	5	91	168
% Change	54.8	-40.0	-100.0	n/a	n/a	n/a	120.0	-75.8	3.6
COMPLETED & NOT ABSORE	ED								
January 2017	66	8	17	0	9	75	n/a	n/a	175
January 2016	80	13	33	1	3	53	n/a	n/a	183
% Change	-17.5	-38.5	-48.5	-100.0	200.0	41.5	n/a	n/a	-4.4
ABSORBED									
January 2017	49	6	5	0	7	47	n/a	n/a	114
January 2016	30	7	24	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	61
% Change	63.3	-14.3	-79.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	86.9
Year-to-date 2017	49	6	5	0	7	47	n/a	n/a	114
Year-to-date 2016	30	7	24	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	61
% Change	63.3	-14.3	-79.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	86.9

Table 1.2: Housing Activity Summary by Submarket									
			January	2017					
			Owne	ership					
		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ren	tal	
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row Other		Total*
STARTS									
Halifax City									
January 2017	4	0	8	0	0	0	0	108	120
January 2016	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Dartmouth City									
January 2017	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
January 2016	I	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	7
Bedford-Hammonds Plains									
January 2017	12	0	14	0	0	0	2	0	28
January 2016	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Sackville									
January 2017	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
January 2016	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fall River - Beaverbank									
January 2017	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	6
January 2016	- 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 1
Halifax County East									
January 2017	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
January 2016	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Halifax County Southwest									
January 2017	I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 1
January 2016	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Halifax CMA									
January 2017	24	4	22	0	0	0	6	108	164
January 2016	24	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	36

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	January 2017												
			Owne	rship			D						
		Freehold		(	Condominium		Ren						
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row Other		Total*				
UNDER CONSTRUCTION													
Halifax City													
January 2017	68	68	35	0	0	407	4	2,217	2,799				
January 2016	38	24	26	0	0	434	4	1,499	2,025				
Dartmouth City													
January 2017	23	36	10	0	0	0	0	60	129				
January 2016	33	12	12	0	0	110	2	213	415				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains													
January 2017	110	8	46	0	0	0	4	262	430				
January 2016	58	8	16	0	0	0	5	163	317				
Sackville													
January 2017	6	12	3	0	0	0	3	199	223				
January 2016	16	2	19	0	0	0	0	256	348				
Fall River - Beaverbank													
January 2017	29	6	3	0	0	0	16	0	54				
January 2016	35	10	0	0	0	0	17	2	64				
Halifax County East													
January 2017	52	4	9	0	0	0	0	0	77				
January 2016	58	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	75				
Halifax County Southwest													
January 2017	67	2	5	- 1	0	0	0	0	75				
January 2016	60	4	5	0	0	0	- 1	80	150				
Halifax CMA													
January 2017	355	136	Ш	- 1	0	407	27	2,738	3,787				
January 2016	298	64	78	0	0	544	29	2,214	3,394				

	Table 1.2:	Housing	Activity	Summar	y by Subr	narket							
	January 2017												
			Owne	ership									
		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ren						
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row Apt. & Other		Total*				
COMPLETIONS													
Halifax City													
January 2017	11	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	17				
January 2016	6	0	15	0	0	0	0	90	111				
Dartmouth City													
January 2017	3	0	0	0	16	71	0	0	90				
January 2016	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	4				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains													
January 2017	15	0	0	0	0	0	6	22	43				
January 2016	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2				
Sackville													
January 2017	- 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 1				
January 2016	- 1	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	17				
Fall River - Beaverbank													
January 2017	8	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	13				
January 2016	10	4	0	0	0	0	4	- 1	19				
Halifax County East													
January 2017	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3				
January 2016	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	8				
Halifax County Southwest													
January 2017	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7				
January 2016	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7				
Halifax CMA													
January 2017	48	6	0	0	16	71	П	22	174				
January 2016	31	10	31	0	0	0	5	91	168				

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	January 2017												
			Owne	ership			_						
		Freehold		C	Condominium	1	Ren	tal					
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row Other		Total*				
COMPLETED & NOT ABSORB	ED												
Halifax City													
January 2017	14	2	5	0	0	2	n/a	n/a	23				
January 2016	14	5	19	0	0	51	n/a	n/a	89				
Dartmouth City													
January 2017	14	0	4	0	9	71	n/a	n/a	98				
January 2016	9	0	2	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	П				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains													
January 2017	9	0	4	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	13				
January 2016	17	0	2	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	19				
Sackville													
January 2017	3	3	2	0	0	2	n/a	n/a	10				
January 2016	9	3	6	0	0	2	n/a	n/a	20				
Fall River - Beaverbank													
January 2017	9	3	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	12				
January 2016	14	5	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	19				
Halifax County East													
January 2017	7	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	7				
January 2016	10	0	0	- 1	0	0	n/a	n/a	П				
Halifax County Southwest													
January 2017	10	0	2	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	12				
January 2016	7	0	4	0	3	0	n/a	n/a	14				
Halifax CMA													
January 2017	66	8	17	0	9	75	n/a	n/a	175				
January 2016	80	13	33	1	3	53	n/a	n/a	183				

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	January 2017											
			Owne	ership			Ren					
		Freehold		C	Condominium		Ken					
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row Other		Total*			
ABSORBED												
Halifax City												
January 2017	13	2	2	0	0	47	n/a	n/a	64			
January 2016	6	0	7	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	13			
Dartmouth City												
January 2017	3	0	2	0	7	0	n/a	n/a	12			
January 2016	I	2	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	3			
Bedford-Hammonds Plains												
January 2017	14	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	14			
January 2016	2	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	2			
Sackville												
January 2017	0	0	- 1	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	- 1			
January 2016	2	0	16	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	18			
Fall River - Beaverbank												
January 2017	8	4	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	12			
January 2016	9	3	- 1	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	13			
Halifax County East												
January 2017	3	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	3			
January 2016	3	2	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	5			
Halifax County Southwest												
January 2017	8	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	8			
January 2016	7	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	7			
Halifax CMA												
January 2017	49	6	5	0	7	47	n/a	n/a	114			
January 2016	30	7	24	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	61			

Table 1.3: History of Housing Starts of Halifax CMA 2007 - 2016													
			Owne	ership			Rer						
		Freehold		C	Condominium	1	Kei						
	Single	Semi	Row, Apt. & Other	Single	Row and Semi	Apt. & Other	Single, Semi, and Row		Total*				
2016	510	148	93	- 1	0	295	91	1,167	2,305				
% Change	29.4	111.4	36.8	-66.7	-100.0	-22.0	59.6	-21.4	-11.3				
2015	394	70	68	3	2	378	57	1,484	2,599				
% Change	-18.8	0.0	-31.3	n/a	n/a	127.7	67.6	73.8	47.9				
2014	485	70	99	0	0	166	34	854	1,757				
% 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	1,402	2,439				
% Change	-32.3	-35.5	41.7	-100.0	-100.0	-55.3	71. <del>4</del>	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	9 <del>4</del> 3	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	- 1	519	1,733				
% Change	-25.7	9.3	-16.6	n/a	36.4	-45.2	-90.0	5.3	-17.3				
2008	1,177	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				

Table 2: Starts by Submarket and by Dwelling Type												
January 2017												
	Sin	gle	Se	mi	Row		Apt. & Other		Total			
Submarket	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	% Change	
Halifax City	4	4	0	4	8	0	108	0	120	8	**	
Dartmouth City	- 1	- 1	2	0	0	6	0	0	3	7	-57.1	
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	14	8	0	2	14	0	0	0	28	10	180.0	
Sackville	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	n/a	
Fall River - Beaverbank	4	- 1	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	- 1	**	
Halifax County East	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	-25.0	
Halifax County Southwest	- 1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	6	-83.3	
Halifax CMA	27	24	4	6	25	6	108	0	164	36	**	

1	Table 2.1: Starts by Submarket and by Dwelling Type												
January - January 2017													
Single Semi Row Apt. & Other Total													
Submarket	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	%		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	Change		
Halifax City	4	4	0	4	8	0	108	0	120	8	**		
Dartmouth City	- 1	- 1	2	0	0	6	0	0	3	7	-57.1		
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	14	8	0	2	14	0	0	0	28	10	180.0		
Sackville	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	n/a		
Fall River - Beaverbank	4	- 1	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	**		
Halifax County East	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	-25.0		
Halifax County Southwest	- 1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 1	6	-83.3		
Halifax CMA	27	24	4	6	25	6	108	0	164	36	**		

Table 2.2: S	Table 2.2: Starts by Submarket, by Dwelling Type and by Intended Market												
January 2017													
Row Apt. & Other													
Submarket	Freeho Condor		Rer	ntal	Freeho Condor		Ren	tal					
	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016					
Halifax City	8	0	0	0	0	0	108	0					
Dartmouth City	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Sackville	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0					
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	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	22	6	3	0	0	0	108	0					

Table 2.3: Starts by Submarket, by Dwelling Type and by Intended Market													
January - January 2017													
Row Apt. & Other													
Submarket	Freeho Condo		Rei	ntal	Freeho Condo		Rer	ntal					
	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016					
Halifax City	8	0	0	0	0	0	108	0					
Dartmouth City	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Sackville	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0					
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	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	22	6	3	0	0	0	108	0					

Table 2.4: Starts by Submarket and by Intended Market												
January 2017												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*												
Submarket	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016				
Halifax City	12	8	0	0	108	0	120	8				
Dartmouth City	3	7	0	0	0	0	3	7				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	26	10	0	0	2	0	28	10				
Sackville	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0				
Fall River - Beaverbank	5	I	0	0	I	0	6	- 1				
Halifax County East	3	4	0	0	0	0	3	4				
Halifax County Southwest	I 6 0 0 0 0 I											
Halifax CMA	50	36	0	0	114	0	164	36				

Table 2.5: Starts by Submarket and by Intended Market												
January - January 2017												
	Free	hold	Condo	minium	Rer	ntal	Total*					
Submarket	YTD 2017	YTD 2016										
Halifax City	12	8	0	0	108	0	120	8				
Dartmouth City	3	7	0	0	0	0	3	7				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	26	10	0	0	2	0	28	10				
Sackville	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0				
Fall River - Beaverbank	5	I	0	0	- 1	0	6	- 1				
Halifax County East	3	4	0	0	0	0	3	4				
Halifax County Southwest	- 1	6	0	0	0	0	- 1	6				
Halifax CMA	50	36	0	0	114	0	164	36				

Table 3: Completions by Submarket and by Dwelling Type											
			Jar	nuary 20	17						
	Sin	gle	Se	mi	Ro	)W	Apt. &	Other	Total		
Submarket	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	% Change
Halifax City	- 11	6	2	0	4	15	0	90	17	111	-84.7
Dartmouth City	3	2	0	2	16	0	71	0	90	4	**
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	17	2	0	0	4	0	22	0	43	2	**
Sackville	- 1	- 1	0	0	0	16	0	0	I	17	-94.1
Fall River - Beaverbank	9	10	4	4	0	4	0	- 1	13	19	-31.6
Halifax County East	lalifax County East 3 4 0 4 0 0 0 0 3 8 -6										-62.5
Halifax County Southwest	ax County Southwest 7 7 0 0 0 0 0 0 7 7 0.0									0.0	
Halifax CMA	51	32	6	10	24	35	93	91	174	168	3.6

Table 3.1: Completions by Submarket and by Dwelling Type												
January - January 2017												
Single Semi Row Apt. & Other Total												
Submarket	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	%	
	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	Change	
Halifax City	- 11	6	2	0	4	15	0	90	17	111	-84.7	
Dartmouth City	3	2	0	2	16	0	71	0	90	4	**	
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	17	2	0	0	4	0	22	0	43	2	**	
Sackville	- 1	- 1	0	0	0	16	0	0	- 1	17	-94.1	
Fall River - Beaverbank	9	10	4	4	0	4	0	- 1	13	19	-31.6	
Halifax County East	3	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	3	8	-62.5	
Halifax County Southwest	7 7 0 0 0 0 0 0 7 7 0.0											
Halifax CMA	51	32	6	10	24	35	93	91	174	168	3.6	

Table 3.2: Completions by Submarket, by Dwelling Type and by Intended Market												
		Ja	anuary 201	7								
		Ro	)W			Apt. &	Other					
Submarket	Freeho Condor		Rer	ntal	Freeho Condor		Ren	tal				
	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	Jan 2017	Jan 2016				
Halifax City	0	15	4	0	0	0	0	90				
Dartmouth City	16	0	0	0	71	0	0	0				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	0	0	4	0	0	0	22	0				
Sackville	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1				
Halifax County East	0	0 0 0 0 0 0										
Halifax County Southwest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Halifax CMA	16	31	8	4	71	0	22	91				

Table 3.3: Completions by Submarket, by Dwelling Type and by Intended Market											
		Januai	ry - Januar	y 2017							
		Ro	ow			Apt. &	Other				
Submarket	Freeho Condoi		Rei	ntal	Freeho Condo		Rer	ntal			
	YTD 2017	YTD 2017 YTD 2016		YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016			
Halifax City	0	15	4	0	0	0	0	90			
Dartmouth City	16	0	0	0	71	0	0	0			
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	0	0	4	0	0	0	22	0			
Sackville	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Fall River - Beaverbank	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	- 1			
Halifax County East	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Halifax County Southwest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Halifax CMA	16	31	8	4	71	0	22	91			

Table 3.4: Completions by Submarket and by Intended Market												
January 2017												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*												
Submarket	Jan 2017	Jan 2016										
Halifax City	13	21	0	0	4	90	17	111				
Dartmouth City	3	3	87	0	0	1	90	4				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	15	2	0	0	28	0	43	2				
Sackville	1	17	0	0	0	0	1	17				
Fall River - Beaverbank	12	14	0	0	1	5	13	19				
Halifax County East	3	8	0	0	0	0	3	8				
Halifax County Southwest	7	7	0	0	0	0	7	7				
Halifax CMA	54	72	87	0	33	96	174	168				

Table 3.5: Completions by Submarket and by Intended Market												
January - January 2017												
Freehold Condominium Rental Total*												
Submarket	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2017	YTD 2016				
Halifax City	13	21	0	0	4	90	17	111				
Dartmouth City	3	3	87	0	0	I	90	4				
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	15	2	0	0	28	0	43	2				
Sackville	- 1	17	0	0	0	0	- 1	17				
Fall River - Beaverbank	12	14	0	0	- 1	5	13	19				
Halifax County East	3	8	0	0	0	0	3	8				
Halifax County Southwest	7	7 7 0 0 0 0 7										
Halifax CMA	54	72	87	0	33	96	174	168				

Table 4: Absorbed Single-Detached Units by Price Range													
					Januar	y 2017	7						
					Price F	Ranges							
Submarket	< \$30	0,000	\$300, \$399		\$400, \$449	000 -	\$450, \$549		\$550,0	000 +	Total	Median Price (\$)	Average Price (\$)
	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)	Units	Share (%)		που (φ)	11100 (ψ)
Halifax City				, ,						` '			
January 2017	- 1	7.7	3	23.1	3	23.1	- 1	7.7	5	38.5	13	-	-
January 2016	0	0.0	2	33.3	0	0.0	4	66.7	0	0.0	6	-	-
Year-to-date 2017	1	7.7	3	23.1	3	23.1	- 1	7.7	5	38.5	13	-	-
Year-to-date 2016	0	0.0	2	33.3	0	0.0	4	66.7	0	0.0	6	-	-
Dartmouth City													
January 2017	1	33.3	1	33.3	- 1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	-	-
January 2016	0	0.0	- 1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	- 1	-	-
Year-to-date 2017	- 1	33.3	- 1	33.3	- 1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	-	-
Year-to-date 2016	0	0.0	- 1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	- 1	-	-
Bedford-Hammonds Plains													
January 2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	14.3	6	42.9	6	42.9	14	-	-
January 2016	0	0.0	- 1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	- 1	50.0	2	-	-
Year-to-date 2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	14.3	6	42.9	6	42.9	14	-	-
Year-to-date 2016	0	0.0	- 1	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	- 1	50.0	2	-	-
Sackville		,		,		,							
January 2017	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	-	-
January 2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	100.0	0	0.0	2	-	-
Year-to-date 2017	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	-	-
Year-to-date 2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	100.0	0	0.0	2	-	-
Fall River - Beaverbank		,		,		,							
January 2017	2	25.0	3	37.5	0	0.0	2	25.0	- 1	12.5	8	-	293,975
January 2016	2	22.2	4	44.4	- 1	11.1	- 1	11.1	- 1	11.1	9	-	425,400
Year-to-date 2017	2	25.0	3	37.5	0	0.0	2	25.0	- 1	12.5	8	-	293,975
Year-to-date 2016	2	22.2	4	44.4	- 1	11.1	- 1	11.1	- 1	11.1	9	-	425,400
Halifax County East		·		,		·							
January 2017	3	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	-	-
January 2016	- 1	33.3	- 1	33.3	- 1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	-	-
Year-to-date 2017	3	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	-	-
Year-to-date 2016	- 1	33.3	- 1	33.3	- 1	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	-	-
Halifax County Southwest													
January 2017	0	0.0	2	25.0	- 1	12.5	4	50.0	- 1	12.5	8	-	-
January 2016	- 1	14.3	2	28.6	- 1	14.3	3	42.9	0	0.0	7	-	-
Year-to-date 2017	0	0.0	2	25.0	- 1	12.5	4	50.0	- 1	12.5	8	-	-
Year-to-date 2016	- 1	14.3	2	28.6	- 1	14.3	3	42.9	0	0.0	7	-	-
Halifax CMA													
January 2017	7	14.3	9	18.4	7	14.3	13	26.5	13	26.5	49	-	550,726
January 2016	4	13.3	11	36.7	3	10.0	10	33.3	2	6.7	30	-	412,719
Year-to-date 2017	7	14.3	9	18.4	7	14.3	13	26.5	13	26.5	49	-	550,726
Year-to-date 2016	4	13.3	11	36.7	3	10.0	10	33.3	2	6.7	30	-	412,719

Source: CMHC (Market Absorption Survey)

Table 4.1: Average Price (\$) of Absorbed Single-detached Units											
		January 20	17								
Submarket	Jan 2017	Jan 2016	% Change	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	% 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	293,975	425,400	-30.9	293,975	425,400	-30.9					
Halifax County East	-	-	n/a	-	-	n/a					
Halifax County Southwest	-	-	n/a	-	-	n/a					
Halifax CMA	550,726	412,719	33.4	550,726	412,719	33.4					

Source: CMHC (Market Absorption Survey)

		Table 5	: MLS®	Reside	ential Ac	tivity by S	bubmark	et				
		January	2017			January 2	2016		% Ch	ange		
Submarket	Sales	Average Sale Price (\$)	Average Days on Market	Active	Sales	Average Sale Price (\$)	Average Days on Market	Active Listings	Sales	Average Sale Price	Average Days on Market	Active Listings
Halifax City	59	297,535	88	688	74	321,826	144	675	-20.3	-7.5	-38.9	1.9
Dartmouth City	42	204,814	104	565	50	219,214	99	551	-16.0	-6.6	5.1	2.5
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	29	380,479	129	427	25	355,394	159	506	16.0	7.1	-18.9	-15.6
Sackville	24	192,346	105	164	31	207,860	126	245	-22.6	-7.5	-16.7	-33.1
Halifax County Southwest	24	256,269	90	295	19	235,916	111	333	26.3	8.6	-18.9	-11.4
Halifax County East	24	215,581	148	197	14	145,964	152	213	71.4	47.7	-2.6	-7.5
Outside Halifax-Dartmouth Board	20	224,010	122	214	16	192,844	107	218	25.0	16.2	14.0	-1.8
Fall River-Beaver Bank	12	349,300	108	281	22	316,848	94	311	-45.5	10.2	14.9	-9.6
Halifax CMA	234	264,116	112	2831	251	265,683	126	3052	-6.8	-0.6	-11.1	-7.2
	Year-to-date 2017					Year-to-dat	te 2016			% Ch	ange	
Submarket	Sales	Average Sale Price	Average Days on	New	Sales	Average Sale Price	Average Days on	Sales to New Listings	Sales	Average Sale Price	Average Days on	

	Year-to-date 2017					Year-to-dat	e 2016		% 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	59	297,535	88		74	321,826	144		-20.3	-7.5	-38.9	
Dartmouth City	42	204,814	104		50	219,214	99		-16.0	-6.6	5.1	
Bedford-Hammonds Plains	29	380,479	129		25	355,394	159		16.0	7.1	-18.9	
Sackville	24	192,346	105		31	207,860	126		-22.6	-7.5	-16.7	
Halifax County Southwest	24	256,269	90		19	235,916	111		26.3	8.6	-18.9	
Halifax County East	24	215,581	148		14	145,964	152		71.4	47.7	-2.6	
Outside Halifax-Dartmouth Board	20	224,010	122		16	192,844	107		25.0	16.2	14.0	
Fall River-Beaver Bank	12	349,300	108		22	316,848	94		-45.5	10.2	14.9	
Halifax CMA	234	264,116	112	47%	251	265,683	126	36%	-6.8	-0.6	-11.1	

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

Table 6: Economic Indicators  January 2017										
		P & I Per \$100,000	Mortgag (% I Yr. Term		NHPI, Total, Halifax CMA 2007=100	2002 =100	Employment SA (,000)	Unemployment Rate (%) SA	Participation Rate (%) SA	Average Weekly Earnings (\$)
2016	January	561	3.14	4.64	118.6	128.2	224	6.4	68.1	876
	February	561	3.14	4.64	118.6	128.4	223	6.6	68.1	888
	March	561	3.14	4.64	118.6	129.0	224	7.2	68.5	899
	April	561	3.14	4.64	118.6	129.9	225	6.9	68.7	891
	May	561	3.14	4.64	118.7	130.5	227	6.4	68.8	884
	June	561	3.14	4.64	118.7	130.6	228	5.6	68.4	881
	July	567	3.14	4.74	119.1	130.1	228	5.4	68.2	890
	August	567	3.14	4.74	119.1	130.1	228	5.6	68.1	892
	September	561	3.14	4.64	119.1	130.6	227	5.8	67.9	891
	October	561	3.14	4.64	119.7	130.5	226	6.0	67.8	888
	November	561	3.14	4.64	119.9	129.8	226	5.9	67.6	888
	December	561	3.14	4.64	119.9	129.5	226	6.1	67.6	880
2017	January	561	3.14	4.64		130.5	226	5.9	67.5	875
	February									
	March									
	April									
	May									
	June									
	July									
	August									
	September									
	October									
	November									
	December									

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

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

<sup>&</sup>quot;NHPI" means New Housing Price Index

<sup>&</sup>quot;CPI" means Consumer Price Index

<sup>&</sup>quot;SA" means Seasonally Adjusted

# **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 2016 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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