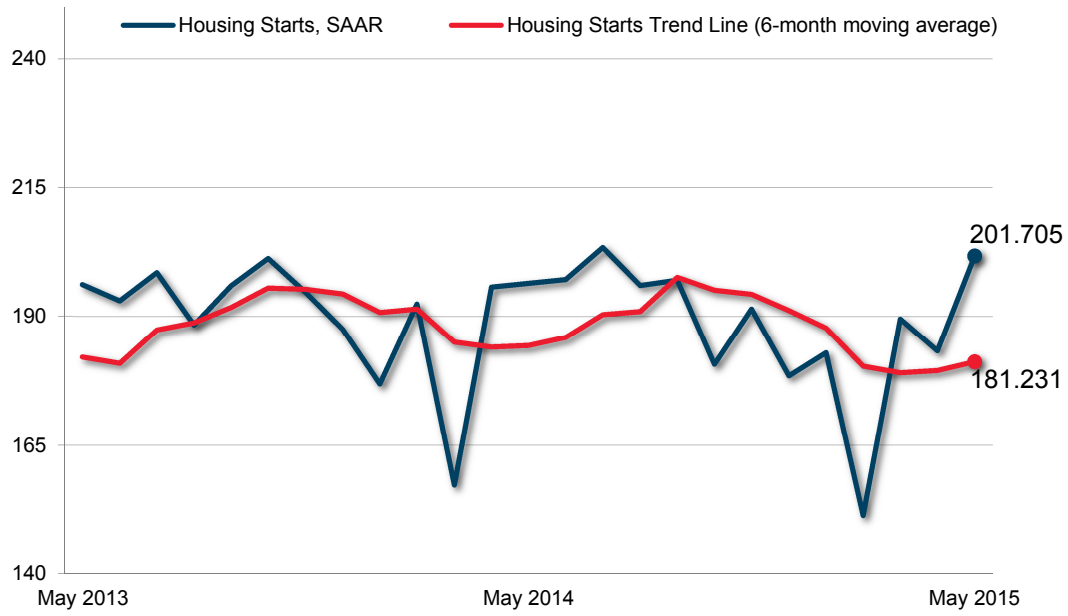


Housing Starts in Canada - All Areas

Thousands



Preliminary Housing Start Data May 2015		
	April 2015	May 2015
Trend ¹ , all areas	179,524	181,231
SAAR, all areas	183,329	201,705
SAAR, rural areas ²	16,222	16,470
SAAR, urban centres ³		
Single-detached	59,037	58,868
Multiples	108,070	126,367
Total	167,107	185,235
Atlantic, urban centres ³	3,806	9,584
Quebec, urban centres ³	23,567	29,448
Ontario, urban centres ³	61,666	81,535
Prairies, urban centres ³	40,932	39,599
British Columbia, urban centres ³	37,136	25,069
Canada	May 2014	May 2015
Actual, all areas	18,471	18,880
Actual, rural areas	1,739	1,561
Actual, urban centres ³		
May - Single-detached	6,084	5,781
May - Multiples	10,648	11,538
May - Total	16,732	17,319
January to May - Single-detached	21,198	20,015
January to May - Multiples	43,099	45,250
January to May - Total	64,297	65,265

Source: CMHC

¹The trend is a six-month moving average of the monthly seasonally adjusted annual rates (SAAR). By removing seasonal ups and downs, seasonal adjustment allows for a comparison from one season to the next and from one month to the next. Reporting monthly figures at annual rates indicates the annual level of starts that would be obtained if the monthly pace was maintained for 12 months. This facilitates comparison of the current pace of activity to annual forecasts as well as to historical annual levels.

²CMHC estimates the level of starts in centres with a population of less than 10,000 for each of the three months of the quarter, at the beginning of each quarter. During the last month of the quarter, CMHC conducts the survey in these centres and revises the estimate.

³Urban centres with a population of 10,000 and over.

Detailed data available upon request