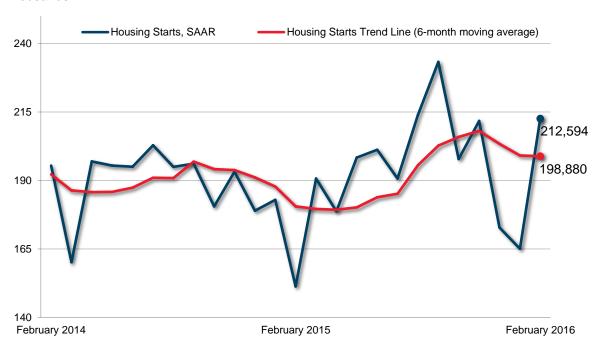
Housing Starts in Canada - All Areas

Thousands







Preliminary Housing Start Data February 2016		
	January 2016	February 2016
Trend ¹ , all areas	199,107	198,880
SAAR, all areas	165,071	212,594
SAAR, rural areas ²	12,100	12,363
SAAR, urban centres ³		
Single-detached	57,908	61,457
Multiples	95,063	138,774
Total	152,971	200,231
Atlantic, urban centres	4,665	5,889
Quebec, urban centres	30,027	38,310
Ontario, urban centres	57,370	76,600
Prairies, urban centres	29,276	28,652
British Columbia, urban centres	31,633	50,780
Canada	February 2015	February 2016
Actual, all areas	9,643	13,458
Actual, rural areas	617	485
Actual, urban centres		
February - Single-detached	2,990	3,240
February - Multiples	6,036	9,733
February - Total	9,026	12,973
January to February - Single- detached	6,072	6,321
January to February - Multiples	14,483	16,331
January to February - Total	20,555	22,652

Detailed data available upon request





Source: CMHC

The trend is a six-month moving average of the monthly seasonally adjusted annual rates (SAAR). By removing seasonal ups and downs, so 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 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.