Housing Starts in Canada - All Areas









Preliminary Housing Start Data January 2017		
	December 2016	January 2017
Trend ¹ , all areas	197,881	199,834
SAAR, all areas	206,305	207,408
SAAR, rural areas ²	18,553	17,720
SAAR, urban centres ³		
Single-detached	66,895	63,802
Multiples	120,857	125,886
Total	187,752	189,688
Atlantic, urban centres ³	5,208	5,941
Quebec, urban centres ³	33,444	31,475
Ontario, urban centres ³	77,474	96,883
Prairies, urban centres ³	32,615	29,081
British Columbia, urban centres ³	39,011	26,308
Canada	January 2016	January 2017
Actual, all areas	10,217	12,964
Actual, rural areas ²	508	638
Actual, urban centres ³		
January - Single-detached	3,191	3,318
January - Multiples	6,518	9,008
January - Total	9,709	12,326
January to January - Single-detached	3,191	3,318
January to January - Multiples	6,518	9,008
January to January - Total	9,709	12,326

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 comparison of adjacent months and quarters. The monthly and quarterly SAAR and trend figures indicate the annual level of starts that would be obtained if the same pace of monthly or quarterly construction activity 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.

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

Detailed data available upon request



