RELEASE

JUNE 2013 HOUSING STARTS IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, July 9, 2013 - Housing starts in the Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area (CMA) were trending at 17,575 units in June compared to 16,318 in May according to Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). The trend is a six-month moving average of the monthly seasonally adjusted annual rates (SAAR)¹ of housing starts.

"The trend in housing starts moved up in June," said Lance Jakubec, CMHC's Senior Market Analyst for Vancouver. "Robust multiple-family housing starts, which included over 180 rental units, were recorded."

CMHC uses the trend measure as a complement to the monthly SAAR of housing starts to account for considerable swings in monthly estimates and obtain a more complete picture of the state of the housing market. In some situations, analysing only SAAR data can be misleading in some markets, as they are largely driven by the multiples segment of the markets which can be quite variable from one month to the next.

The standalone monthly SAAR was 22,583 units in June, up from 14,654 in May.

Housing starts in the Abbotsford-Mission CMA were trending at 821 units in June. The standalone monthly SAAR was 1,578 units in June. An increase in apartment starts raised both the six-month trend and June SAAR starts above the previous month's level.

Preliminary Housing Starts data is also available in English and French at the following link: Preliminary Housing Starts Tables

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¹ All starts figures in this release, other than actual starts and the trend estimate, are seasonally adjusted annual rates (SAAR) — that is, monthly figures adjusted to remove normal seasonal variation and multiplied by 12 to reflect annual levels. 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.

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Additional data is available upon request.

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Vancouver CMA Housing Starts



*SAAR: Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate





Preliminary Housing Start Data June 2013								
Vancouver CMA ¹	May 2013	June 2013						
Trend	16,318	17,575						
SAAR	14,654	22,583						
	June 2012	June 2013						
Actual								
June - Single-Detached	340	344						
June - Multiples	1,912	1,584						
June - Total	2,252	1,928						
January to June - Single-Detached	1,643	1,882						
January to June - Multiples	8,264	6,790						
January to June - Total	9,907	8,672						

Source: CMHC

Detailed data available upon request





¹Census Metropolitan Area ²The trend is a six-month moving average of the monthly seasonally adjusted annual rates (SAAR).

Vancouver CMA Preliminary Actual Housing Starts Data								
June / 2012 - 2013								
	Singles		Mult	Multiples		Total		
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013		
Anmore VL	0	6	0	0	0	6		
Belcarra VL	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Bowen Island IM	1	1	2	0	3	1		
Burnaby CY	27	17	90	189	117	206		
Coquitlam CY	9	28	301	18	310	46		
Delta DM	21	6	4	8	25	14		
University Endowment Lands	1	0	95	0	96	0		
Langley CY	0	1	0	0	0	1		
Langley DM	28	17	279	80	307	97		
Lions Bay VL	1	0	0	0	1	0		
Maple Ridge DM	8	13	62	0	70	13		
New Westminster CY	2	9	27	0	29	9		
North Vancouver CY	1	3	166	72	167	75		
North Vancouver DM	3	5	14	2	17	7		
Pitt Meadows CY	3	1	0	24	3	25		
Port Coquitlam CY	2	4	35	36	37	40		
Port Moody CY	1	1	106	0	107	1		
Richmond CY	25	23	47	34	72	57		
Surrey CY	67	57	203	219	270	276		
Vancouver CY	119	138	463	790	582	928		
West Vancouver DM	17	10	0	101	17	111		
White Rock CY	4	4	18	11	22	15		
VANCOUVER CMA Total	340	344	1,912	1,584	2,252	1,928		
ABBOTSFORD – MISSION CMA Total	20	17	10	118	30	135		
CHILLIWACK CA Total	15	25	28	11	43	36		

Note: University Endowment Lands = Greater Vancouver A RDA





Vancouver CMA Preliminary Actual Housing Starts Data Year to Date / 2012 - 2013							
	Singles		Multiples		Total		
	2012	2013	2012	2013	2012	2013	
Anmore VL	1	10	0	0	1	10	
Belcarra VL	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Bowen Island IM	7	5	2	1	9	6	
Burnaby CY	141	111	774	1,073	915	1,184	
Coquitlam CY	100	157	862	369	962	526	
Delta DM	39	51	80	70	119	121	
University Endowment Lands	2	1	95	520	97	521	
Langley CY	3	4	0	5	3	9	
Langley DM	99	117	533	266	632	383	
Lions Bay VL	1	0	0	0	1	0	
Maple Ridge DM	85	102	191	26	276	128	
New Westminster CY	28	26	369	76	397	102	
North Vancouver CY	11	14	397	462	408	476	
North Vancouver DM	26	45	64	29	90	74	
Pitt Meadows CY	4	2	0	24	4	26	
Port Coquitlam CY	4	20	174	159	178	179	
Port Moody CY	6	5	304	0	310	5	
Richmond CY	149	115	599	465	748	580	
Surrey CY	434	371	1,050	1,033	1,484	1,404	
Vancouver CY	414	648	2,444	2,085	2,858	2,733	
West Vancouver DM	71	62	160	101	231	163	
White Rock CY	18	16	166	26	184	42	
VANCOUVER CMA Total	1,643	1,882	8,264	6,790	9,907	8,672	
ABBOTSFORD – MISSION CMA Total	117	84	105	316	222	400	
CHILLIWACK CA Total	89	105	105	58	194	163	

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