# Condo Market Report

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## Economic Indicators More Supply Equals Moderate Price Growth in Q1

| Real GDP Growth <sup>i</sup>                 |         |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Q4 2011                                      | <b></b> | 1.8%                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toronto Employm                              | ent G   | rowth <sup>ii</sup> |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 2012                                   | •       | -0.5%               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toronto Unemploy                             | ymen    | t Rate              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 2012                                   | -       | 8.6%                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inflation (Yr./Yr. CPI Growth) <sup>ii</sup> |         |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| February 2012                                | <b></b> | 2.6%                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank of Canada Overnight Rate                |         |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 2012                                   | -       | 1.0%                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prime Rate <sup>iv</sup>                     |         |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 2012                                   | -       | 3.0%                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mortgage Rates (Mar. 2012) <sup>iv</sup>     |         |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chartered Bank Fixed Rates                   |         |                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |

First Quarter 2012

| 1 Year | - | 3.20%          |   |
|--------|---|----------------|---|
| 3 Year | - | 3.95%<br>5.24% | ( |
| 5 Year | - | 5.24%          |   |

#### Sources and Notes:

| <sup>i</sup> Statistics Canada, Quarter-over-quarter |
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| growth, annualized                                   |
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<sup>ii</sup>Statistics Canada, Year-over-year growth for the most recently reported month

<sup>iii</sup>Bank of Canada, Rate from most recent Bank of Canada announcement

<sup>iv</sup>Bank of Canada, rates for most recently completed month

**Toronto, April 18, 2012** — Greater Toronto REALTORS® reported 5,027 condominium apartment transactions in the first quarter of 2012. This result was up by two per cent in comparison to the first quarter of 2011. Over the same period, the number of new listings of condominium apartments was up by 14 per cent.

"With sales increasing moderately year-over-year and listings growing strongly, the condo apartment market became better supplied in the first quarter. With more choice for buyers in the condo market segment compared to the low-rise segment, the average selling price for condos grew at a slower pace in comparison to some low-rise types including detached homes," said Toronto Real Estate Board President Richard Silver.

The average selling price for condominium apartments in the first quarter of 2012 was \$334,952 – up by 3.7 per cent from \$322,857 in the first quarter of 2011.

"Condominium apartment completions were at the highest level ever in 2011. As projects completed, some units held by investors were listed for sale. As a result, it is not surprising that we saw more moderate rates of price growth in the first quarter. However, the fact that annual price growth remained above the rate of inflation is testament to the fact that demand remains strong for this home type," said Jason Mercer, TREB's Senior Manager of Market Analysis.

## **Condominium Apartment Market Summary** First Quarter 2012

| er-over-quarter |                 | 2012  |               | 2011  |               |  |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------|---------------|-------|---------------|--|
|                 | -               | Sales | Average Price | Sales | Average Price |  |
| ver-year growth | Total TREB      | 5,027 | \$334,952     | 4,932 | \$322,857     |  |
| orted month     | Halton Region   | 82    | \$295,979     | 53    | \$276,566     |  |
| om most recent  | Peel Region     | 768   | \$246,688     | 734   | \$231,010     |  |
| ement           | City of Toronto | 3,546 | \$360,892     | 3,539 | \$348,779     |  |
| r most recently | York Region     | 507   | \$324,182     | 506   | \$303,506     |  |
|                 | Durham Region   | 108   | \$208,544     | 92    | \$202,384     |  |
|                 | Other Areas     | 16    | \$217,000     | 8     | \$198,800     |  |

## Total TorontoMLS Condo Apartment Sales<sup>1,6</sup>



## TorontoMLS Average Condo Apartment Price<sup>1,6</sup>



## SUMMARY OF CONDOMINIUM APARTMENT TRANSACTIONS

### ALL TREB AREAS FIRST QUARTER 2012

|                           | Sales <sup>1</sup> | Dollar Volume <sup>1</sup> | Average Price <sup>1</sup> | Median Price <sup>1</sup> | New Listings <sup>2</sup> | Active Listings <sup>3</sup> | Avg. SP/LP <sup>4</sup> | Avg. DOM <sup>5</sup> |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| TREB Total                | 5,027              | \$1,683,805,129            | \$334,952                  | \$307,000                 | 10,896                    | 5,664                        | 98%                     | 31                    |
| Halton Region             | 82                 | \$24,270,285               | \$295,979                  | \$270,250                 | 157                       | 83                           | 98%                     | 31                    |
| Burlington                | 19                 | \$5,120,888                | \$269,520                  | \$260,000                 | 29                        | 11                           | 98%                     | 30                    |
| Halton Hills              | 8                  | \$2,078,000                | \$259,750                  | \$268,500                 | 14                        | 11                           | 98%                     | 42                    |
| Milton                    | 9                  | \$2,387,950                | \$265,328                  | \$270,000                 | 12                        | 4                            | 98%                     | 25                    |
| Oakville                  | 46                 | \$14,683,447               | \$319,205                  | \$278,000                 | 102                       | 57                           | 97%                     | 31                    |
| Peel Region               | 768                | \$189,456,239              | \$246,688                  | \$230,000                 | 1,531                     | 784                          | 97%                     | 32                    |
| Brampton                  | 141                | \$29,832,278               | \$211,576                  | \$205,000                 | 252                       | 144                          | 97%                     | 39                    |
| Caledon                   | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | 1                         | -                            | -                       | -                     |
| Mississauga               | 627                | \$159,623,961              | \$254,584                  | \$239,000                 | 1,278                     | 640                          | 97%                     | 31                    |
| City of Toronto           | 3,546              | \$1,279,723,801            | \$360,892                  | \$327,750                 | 7,937                     | 4,107                        | 98%                     | 30                    |
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| York Region               | 507                | \$164,360,076              | \$324,182                  | \$314,500                 | 1,036                     | 536                          | 98%                     | 34                    |
| Aurora                    | 9                  | \$3,874,400                | \$430,489                  | \$419,900                 | 20                        | 13                           | 96%                     | 66                    |
| E. Gwillimbury            | 1                  | \$198,000                  | \$198,000                  | \$198,000                 | -                         | -                            | 100%                    | 23                    |
| Georgina                  | 4                  | \$617,500                  | \$154,375                  | \$138,750                 | 5                         | -                            | 97%                     | 30                    |
| King                      | 1                  | \$284,900                  | \$284,900                  | \$284,900                 | 1                         | 9                            | 102%                    | 195                   |
| Markham                   | 202                | \$66,909,979               | \$331,238                  | \$310,500                 | 429                       | 228                          | 97%                     | 33                    |
| Newmarket                 | 21                 | \$5,164,800                | \$245,943                  | \$246,000                 | 28                        | 10                           | 99%                     | 36                    |
| Richmond Hill             | 110                | \$33,009,897               | \$300,090                  | \$285,500                 | 201                       | 92                           | 98%                     | 30                    |
| Vaughan                   | 159                | \$54,300,600               | \$341,513                  | \$327,000                 | 352                       | 184                          | 98%                     | 37                    |
| Whitchurch-Stouffville    | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | -                         | -                            | -                       | -                     |
| Durham Region             | 108                | \$22,522,728               | \$208,544                  | \$189,000                 | 205                       | 128                          | 98%                     | 45                    |
| Ajax                      | 31                 | \$6,161,700                | \$198,765                  | \$184,900                 | 45                        | 24                           | 97%                     | 44                    |
| Brock                     | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | -                         | -                            | -                       | -                     |
| Clarington                | 17                 | \$2,975,240                | \$175,014                  | \$164,990                 | 40                        | 29                           | 97%                     | 59                    |
| Oshawa                    | 11                 | \$1,838,888                | \$167,172                  | \$123,000                 | 28                        | 21                           | 97%                     | 44                    |
| Pickering                 | 27                 | \$6,539,500                | \$242,204                  | \$220,000                 | 46                        | 28                           | 98%                     | 37                    |
| Scugog                    | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | 1                         | 1                            | -                       | -                     |
| Uxbridge                  | 7                  | \$1,631,500                | \$233,071                  | \$208,000                 | 8                         | 4                            | 98%                     | 73                    |
| Whitby                    | 15                 | \$3,375,900                | \$225,060                  | \$192,000                 | 37                        | 21                           | 98%                     | 36                    |
| Dufferin County           | 11                 | \$2,505,500                | \$227,773                  | \$208,000                 | 21                        | 17                           | 97%                     | 68                    |
| Orangeville               | 11                 | \$2,505,500                | \$227,773                  | \$208,000                 | 21                        | 17                           | 97%                     | 68                    |
| Simcoe County             | 5                  | \$966,500                  | \$193,300                  | \$189,000                 | 9                         | 9                            | 96%                     | 40                    |
| Adjala-Tosorontio         | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | -                         | -                            | -                       | -                     |
| Bradford West Gwillimbury | 2                  | \$379,000                  | \$189,500                  | \$189,500                 | 1                         | -                            | 98%                     | 15                    |
| Essa                      | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | -                         | -                            | -                       | -                     |
| Innisfil                  | 0                  | -                          | -                          | -                         | -                         | -                            | -                       | -                     |
| New Tecumseth             | 3                  | \$587,500                  | \$195,833                  | \$156,000                 | 8                         | 9                            | 96%                     | 56                    |

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| Toronto West          | 744                | \$204,765,479              | \$275,222                  | \$269,000                 | 1,750                     | 970                          | 98%                     | 36                    |
| Toronto W01           | 51                 | \$19,206,367               | \$376,595                  | \$349,000                 | 163                       | 80                           | 99%                     | 26                    |
| Toronto W02           | 39                 | \$14,317,620               | \$367,118                  | \$360,000                 | 61                        | 27                           | 100%                    | 26                    |
| Toronto W03           | 32                 | \$7,512,500                | \$234,766                  | \$241,500                 | 31                        | 5                            | 99%                     | 25                    |
| Toronto W04           | 73                 | \$13,901,300               | \$190,429                  | \$185,000                 | 122                       | 67                           | 97%                     | 43                    |
| Toronto W05           | 64                 | \$11,804,100               | \$184,439                  | \$157,000                 | 184                       | 124                          | 97%                     | 40                    |
| Toronto W06           | 158                | \$57,752,945               | \$365,525                  | \$323,750                 | 518                       | 319                          | 97%                     | 42                    |
| Toronto W07           | 11                 | \$4,524,000                | \$411,273                  | \$340,000                 | 14                        | 4                            | 100%                    | 23                    |
| Toronto W08           | 169                | \$51,364,039               | \$303,929                  | \$292,000                 | 343                       | 163                          | 98%                     | 31                    |
| Toronto W09           | 58                 | \$8,955,500                | \$154,405                  | \$112,700                 | 102                       | 55                           | 97%                     | 39                    |
| Toronto W10           | 89                 | \$15,427,108               | \$173,338                  | \$166,000                 | 212                       | 126                          | 97%                     | 37                    |
| Toronto Central       | 2,200              | \$928,846,886              | \$422,203                  | \$365,300                 | 4,993                     | 2,478                        | 98%                     | 27                    |
| Toronto C01           | 823                | \$342,969,480              | \$416,731                  | \$370,000                 | 2,000                     | 992                          | 99%                     | 27                    |
| Toronto C02           | 77                 | \$71,090,025               | \$923,247                  | \$641,000                 | 209                       | 147                          | 98%                     | 35                    |
| Toronto C03           | 21                 | \$13,791,400               | \$656,733                  | \$580,000                 | 38                        | 18                           | 97%                     | 34                    |
| Toronto C04           | 37                 | \$16,792,839               | \$453,861                  | \$353,000                 | 91                        | 59                           | 97%                     | 27                    |
| Toronto C06           | 34                 | \$11,382,040               | \$334,766                  | \$328,000                 | 70                        | 35                           | 99%                     | 27                    |
| Toronto C07           | 152                | \$53,703,549               | \$353,313                  | \$330,000                 | 314                       | 146                          | 98%                     | 25                    |
| Toronto C08           | 333                | \$132,502,254              | \$397,905                  | \$372,000                 | 645                       | 287                          | 99%                     | 26                    |
| Toronto C09           | 21                 | \$13,069,300               | \$622,348                  | \$577,000                 | 49                        | 22                           | 100%                    | 30                    |
| Toronto C10           | 94                 | \$49,010,238               | \$521,386                  | \$438,000                 | 167                       | 58                           | 99%                     | 20                    |
| Toronto C11           | 64                 | \$13,591,238               | \$212,363                  | \$197,000                 | 100                       | 46                           | 97%                     | 27                    |
| Toronto C12           | 29                 | \$20,403,700               | \$703,576                  | \$543,000                 | 47                        | 22                           | 97%                     | 38                    |
| Toronto C13           | 82                 | \$26,295,300               | \$320,674                  | \$307,500                 | 163                       | 86                           | 98%                     | 29                    |
| Toronto C14           | 258                | \$102,448,760              | \$397,088                  | \$375,000                 | 549                       | 241                          | 99%                     | 26                    |
| Toronto C15           | 175                | \$61,796,763               | \$353,124                  | \$330,000                 | 551                       | 319                          | 98%                     | 33                    |
| Toronto East          | 602                | \$146,111,436              | \$242,710                  | \$230,000                 | 1,194                     | 659                          | 98%                     | 35                    |
| Toronto E01           | 40                 | \$19,611,708               | \$490,293                  | \$490,750                 | 68                        | 33                           | 102%                    | 19                    |
| Toronto E02           | 15                 | \$6,335,062                | \$422,337                  | \$414,900                 | 36                        | 17                           | 99%                     | 17                    |
| Toronto E03           | 34                 | \$6,786,704                | \$199,609                  | \$148,100                 | 56                        | 31                           | 98%                     | 27                    |
| Toronto E04           | 75                 | \$13,511,000               | \$180,147                  | \$164,500                 | 167                       | 93                           | 97%                     | 39                    |
| Toronto E05           | 63                 | \$15,155,818               | \$240,569                  | \$237,000                 | 124                       | 65                           | 98%                     | 28                    |
| Toronto E06           | 10                 | \$4,227,450                | \$422,745                  | \$400,500                 | 19                        | 7                            | 100%                    | 17                    |
| Toronto E07           | 100                | \$23,089,930               | \$230,899                  | \$229,000                 | 188                       | 123                          | 97%                     | 44                    |
| Toronto E08           | 54                 | \$10,421,100               | \$192,983                  | \$173,000                 | 98                        | 47                           | 99%                     | 37                    |
| Toronto E09           | 154                | \$37,388,276               | \$242,781                  | \$242,900                 | 295                       | 150                          | 97%                     | 36                    |
| Toronto E10           | 8                  | \$1,030,888                | \$128,861                  | \$131,750                 | 8                         | 6                            | 96%                     | 55                    |
| Toronto E11           | 49                 | \$8,553,500                | \$174,561                  | \$168,000                 | 135                       | 87                           | 97%                     | 38                    |

## **Condominium Apartment Market Summary<sup>1</sup>**



#### Share of Total Condo Apartment Sales By TREB Area



## Share of Total Condo Apartment Sales By Bedroom Type



(All Areas)



#### Condo Apartment Price by Bedroom Type (All Areas)



#### Condo Apartment Sales by Price Range (All Areas)

## Sub-Market Breakdown: Downtown Core<sup>1</sup>





#### Condo Apartment Price by Bedroom Type (Downtown Core)



#### Condo Apartment Sales By Bedroom Type (Downtown Core)



#### Condo Apartment Sales by Price Range (Downtown Core)

## Sub-Market Breakdown: North York City Centre<sup>1</sup>





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## Sub-Market Breakdown: Mississauga City Centre<sup>1</sup>





Condo Apartment Price by Bedroom Type (Mississauga **City Centre)** \$450,000 Average Selling Price \$400,000 Median Selling Price \$350,000 \$300,000 \$250,000 \$200,000 \$150,000 \$100,000 \$50,000 \$0 One **Bachelor** One Two Two Three Total Bedroom Bedroom Bedroom Bedroom + Den + Den + Source: Toronto Real Estate Board



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## **New Home Market**

#### Toronto CMA Condominium Apartment Completions (Annualized, 12-Month Moving Average)



Source: CMHC; TREB Adjustment

#### More Supply Resulted in More Moderate Rate of Price Growth

- The trend for active condominium apartment listings generally follows the trend for condominium apartment completions (bottom left chart). As completions trended upward over the last year, so too did condo listings.
- When new condo projects complete, there is normally a number of owners who are looking to sell. These people could be investors or buyers whose housing needs changed during the construction period.
- The relationship between listings and sales drives price growth. In the first quarter of 2012, a better supplied condominium apartment market resulted in a more moderate annual rate of price growth.

# Condominium Apartment Completions and MLS<sup>®</sup> Active Listings (Annualized Trend)



Source: Toronto Real Estate Board; CMHC

# Condominium Apartment Sales-to-Active Listings Ratio and Median Price Growth (All Areas)



Source: Toronto Real Estate Board

## **Rental Market Summary**



#### Number of Units Listed Q1 2012 vs. Q1 2011

#### **Tight Market Drives Strong Q1 Rent Increases**

- The condominium apartment rental market was tighter in the first quarter of 2012 compared to the same period in 2011. Growth in lease transactions outstripped growth in the number of units listed.
- Further evidence of tight market conditions is the fact that the condominium apartment vacancy rate was down in 2011 compared to 2010, according to CMHC's Fall Rental Market Report.
- Average one-bedroom and two-bedroom condominium apartment rents increased at annual rates above inflation, at four and seven per cent respectively.

Source: TREB

Number of Units Rented

Q1 2012 vs. Q1 2011



## Average One-Bedroom Rents



#### Source: TREB

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