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Canada's Economy Strengthens

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Global Economy Strengthens In 2017



Canada and US Lead

China Slows

Europe Stable at 1.6% Growth

Oil Prices Under \$50 US

Global Growth Edges Upward in 2017



Forecast = IMF World Economic Outlook, Update, January 2017 Source: IMF World Economic Outlook Database

U.S. Economy Accelerates From Last Year



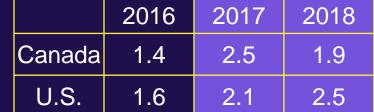


Business Investment Improves
Residential Construction Strong
Retail Stores Consolidate
Unemployment Low
Fed Will Reduce Liquidity
Fiscal Uncertainty





Real GDP (year/year % percent)







Consumer Dominates The US Economy

Personal Consumption Expenditure as a percentage of GDP (percent)



Source: Haver Analytics, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Statistics Canada

Unemployment Rate

(percent)



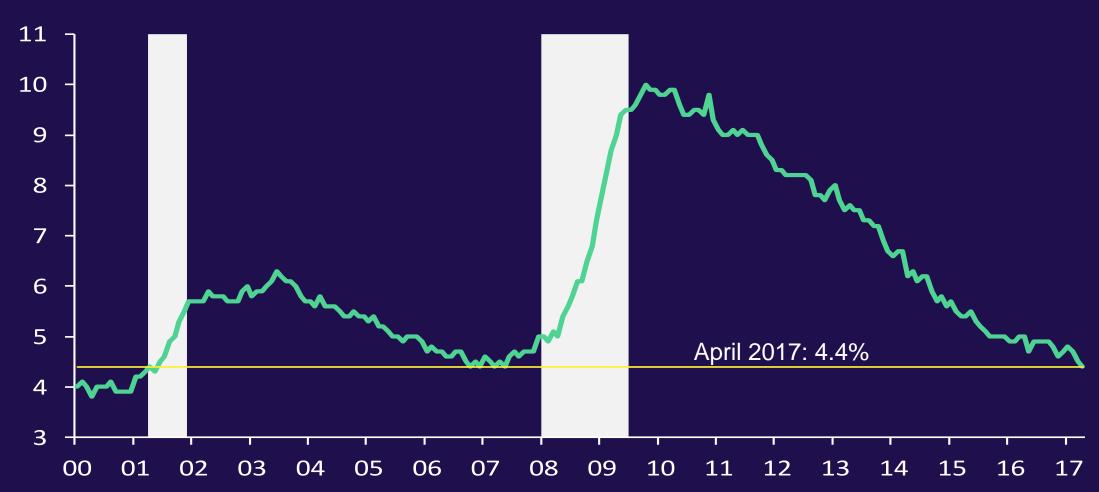
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Current U.S. Unemployment Rate Nearly Back to Lows

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U.S. Unemployment Rate (percent)



Shaded regions represent periods of U.S. recession Source: Haver Analytics, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Canadian Economy Strengthening

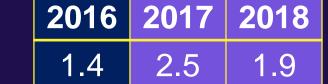


Overall Job Growth Strong **Exports Trend Higher** Oil Bottoming Alberta Begins Recovery NAFTA Uncertainty Housing Concerns



Canadian Growth Improves In 2017

Real GDP (percent change)



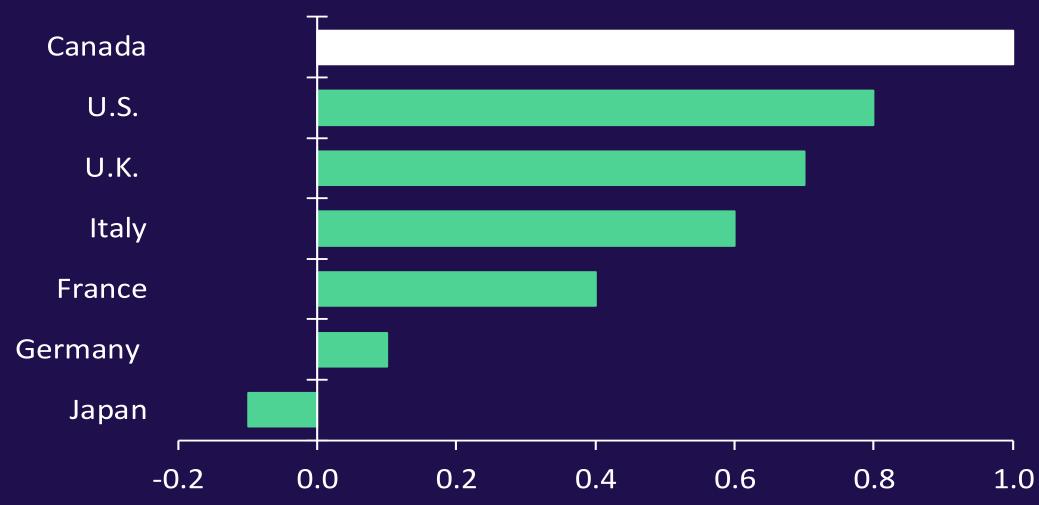




Canada Leads G7 In Population Growth

G7 Population Growth

(annual average growth from 2011-2016, percentage change)

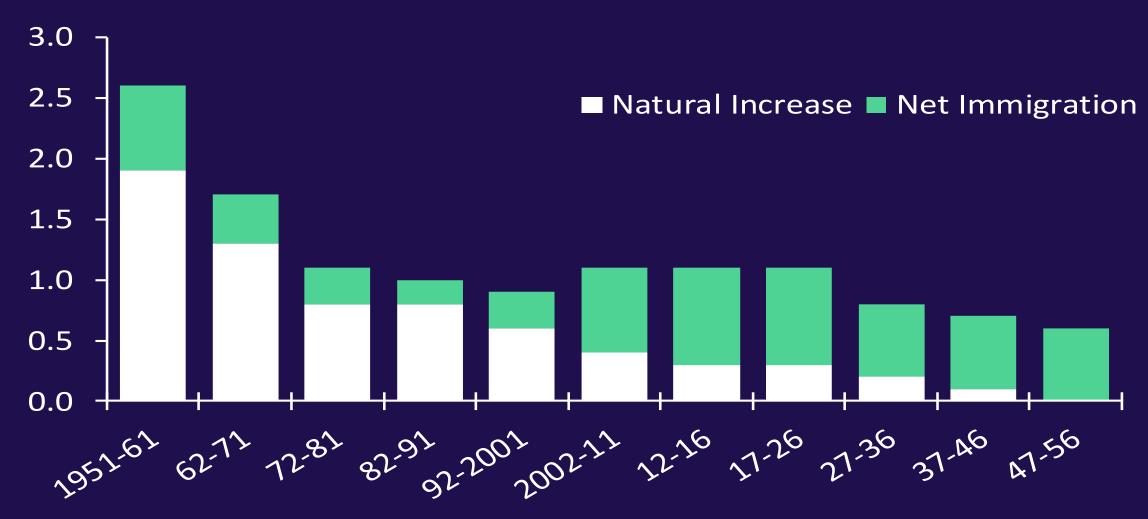


Source: Scotia Bank Economics



Immigration Dominates Canadian Population Growth

Annual Population Growth (annual average growth, percentage change)



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Pillars of Growth For Canada









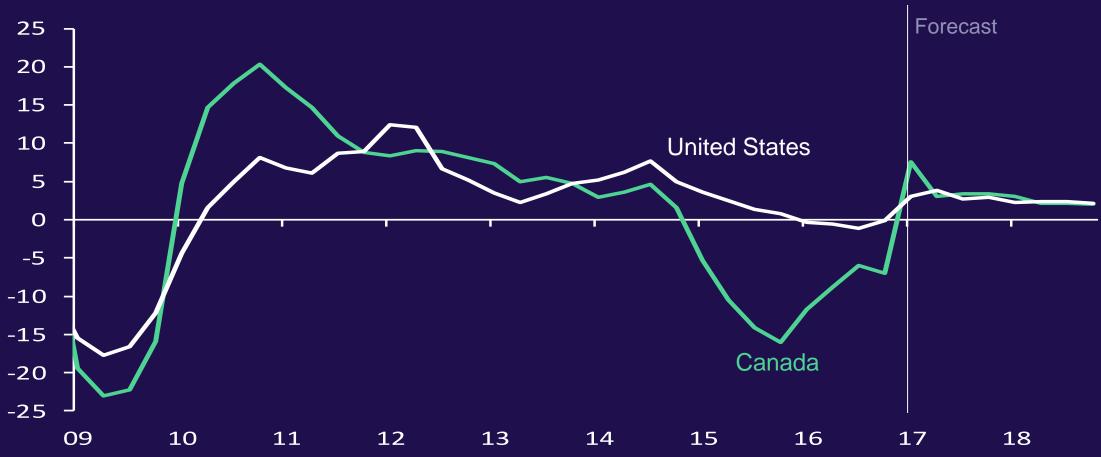
Housing

Business Investment Bottoms in Canada

Real Non-Residential Business Investment (year/year % percent)



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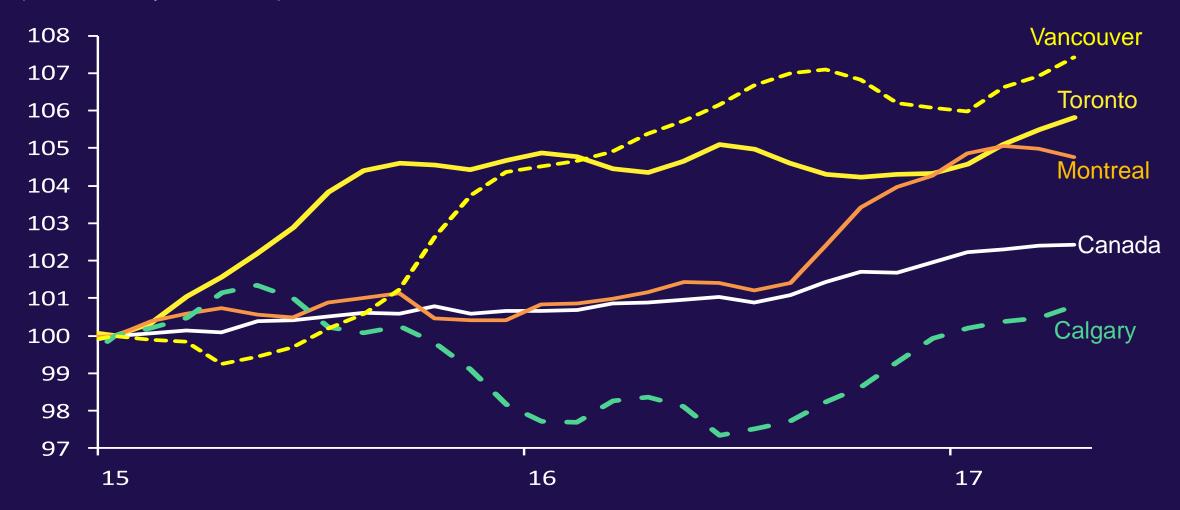




Job Creation In Major Canadian Cities

Employment Level

(index: January 2015 = 100)



Source: Haver Analytics, Statistics Canada

People Left Oil-Torn Provinces For Ontario and B.C.

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Interprovincial Migrants (level, 4-quarter moving average)

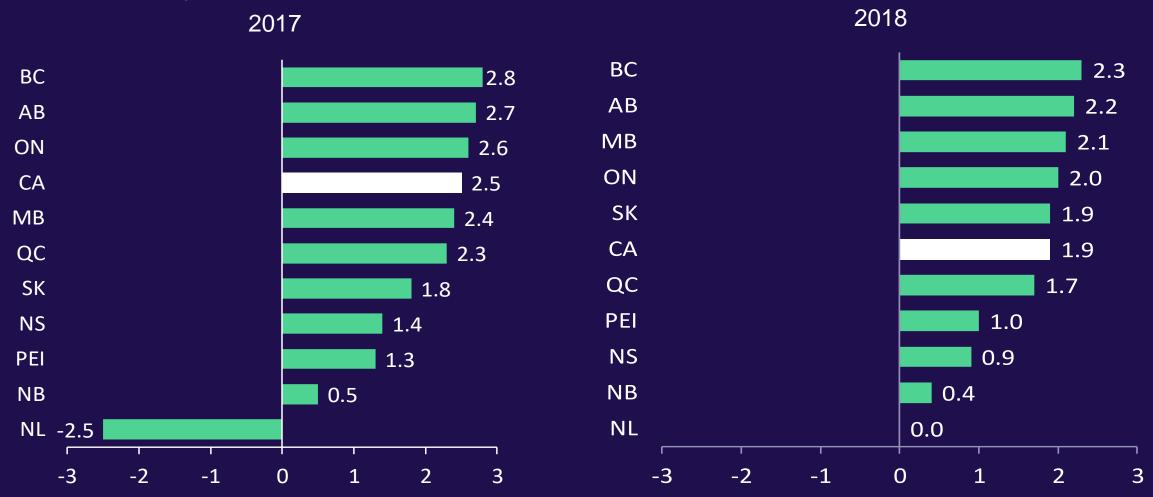


Source: Haver Analytics, Statistics Canada



B.C. on Top As Alberta Climbs Back

Canada: Real GDP Provincial Forecast (year/year % change)



BoC On Hold ... While Fed Hikes Rate

Overnight Rate (percent)



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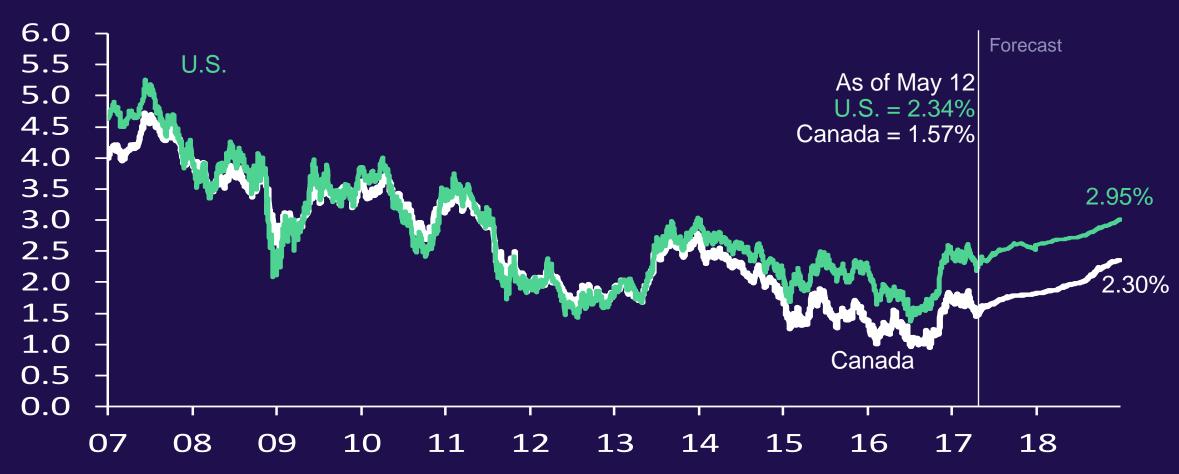


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Long Yields Edge Upward On Fed Rate Hikes

10-year Bond Yields (percent)



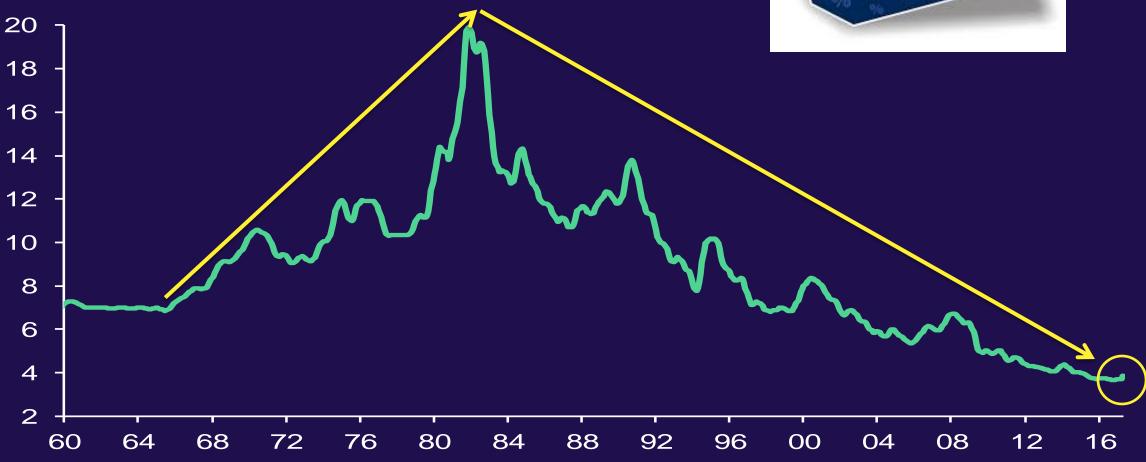
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Mortgage Rates As Low As They Go

Canadian Conventional 5-Year Mortgage Rate (percent, smoothed 6-month moving average, as of April 13)



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Source: Haver Analytics

Loonie Under Downward Pressure





Oil Price Edge Back Under \$50 US

Export Duties

Home Capital

Banks Downgraded

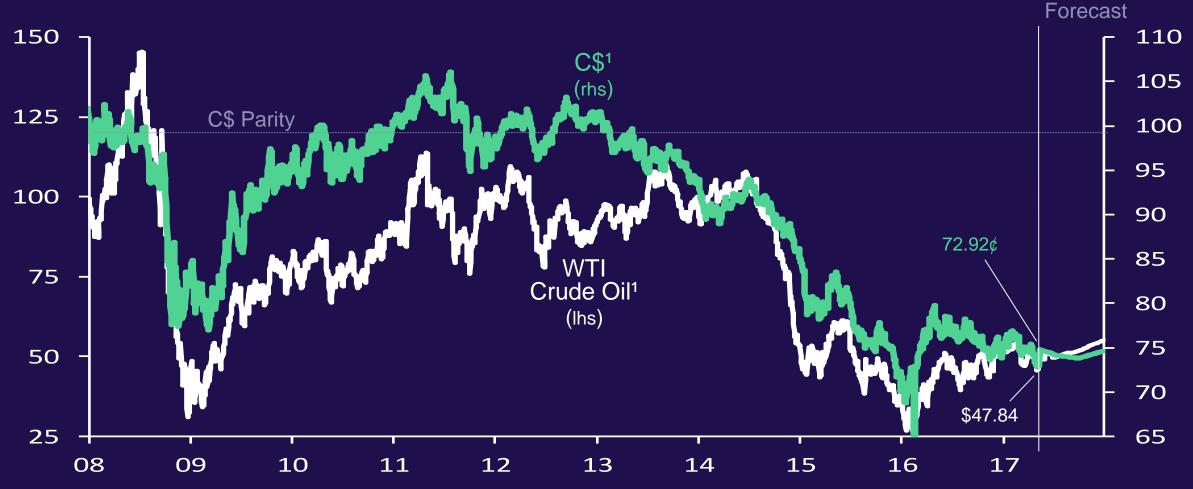
Bank of Canada On Hold

Oil Price And The Loonie

(as of May 12, 2017)



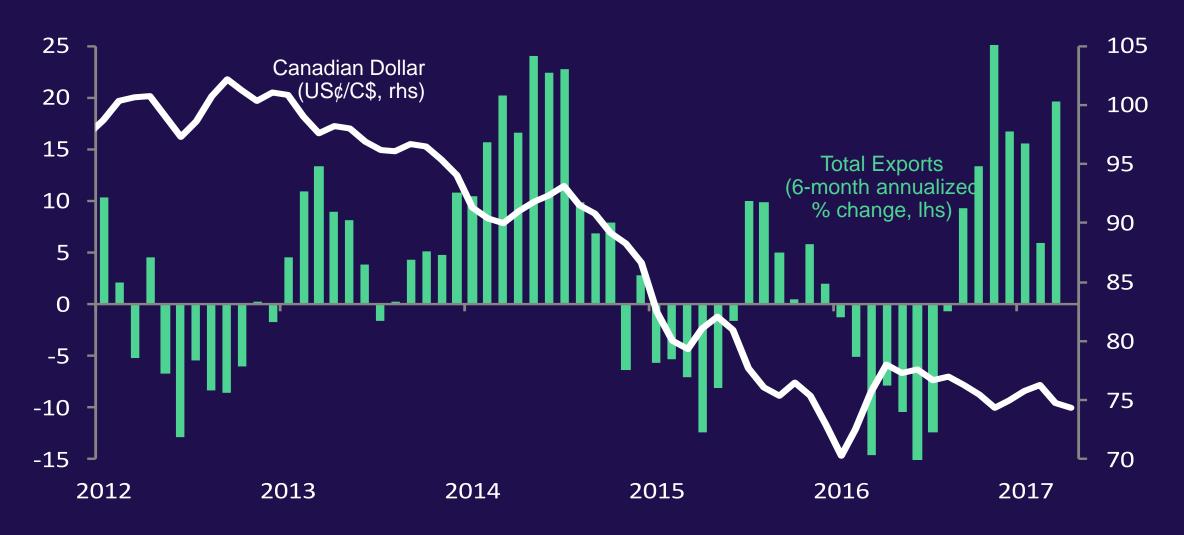
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Lower Canadian Dollar... Exports Now Responding



Housing Looms Large ...

Canada (percent)



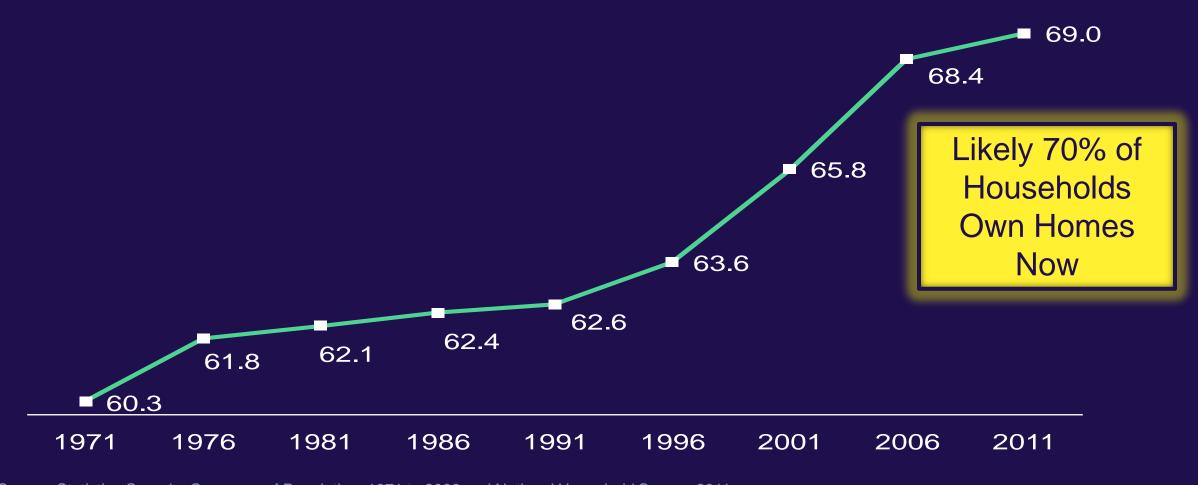
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Canadian Homeownership At A Record High

Homeowners as a % of all Canadian Households (percent)



Source: Statistics Canada, Censuses of Population, 1971 to 2006 and National Household Survey, 2011

Greater Than Normal Uncertainty in Housing

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(May 12, 2017: C\$)



Speculation in Ontario
Ontario Budget Actions

- Foreign Buyer's Tax
- Expanded Rent Controls
 Coming To GTA
- Vacant Property Tax
- Flipping Tax
 Home Capital Meltdown
 Banks Downgraded

Unintended Consequences Impact Psychology

Source: Google Finance



Rising Risks: Record High Debt-to-GDP

Household Debt as a Percentage of GDP (March 2005 = 100)



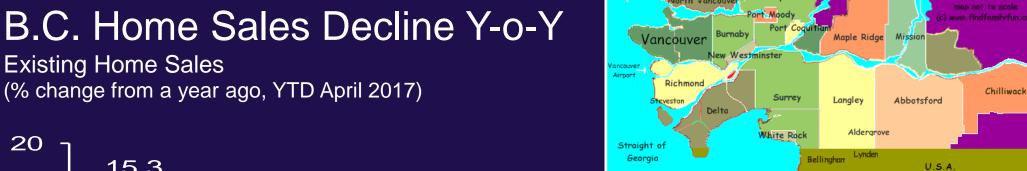
Source: Bloomberg, International Monetary Fund (IMF)



The Cooling Vancouver Price Gains

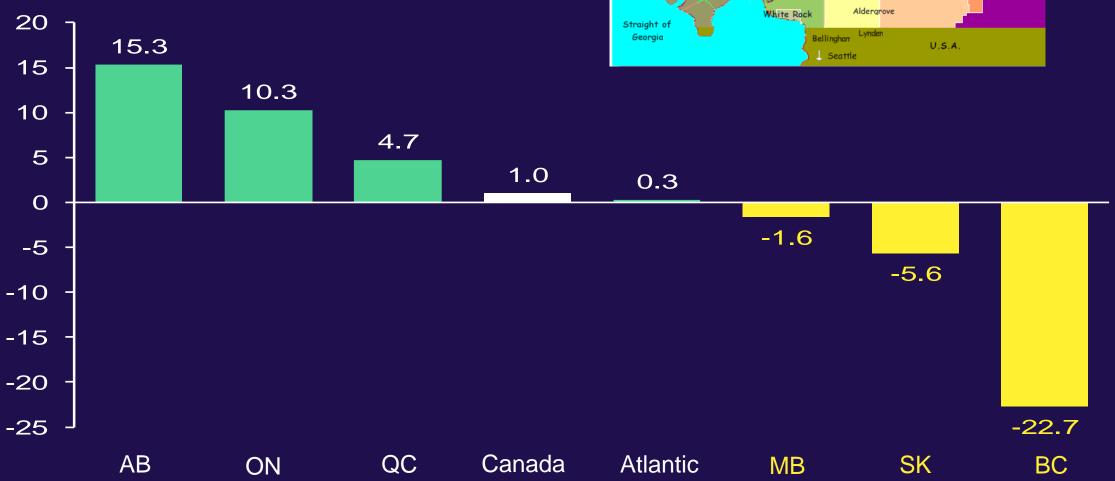


Existing Home Sales





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Value of Existing Home Transactions

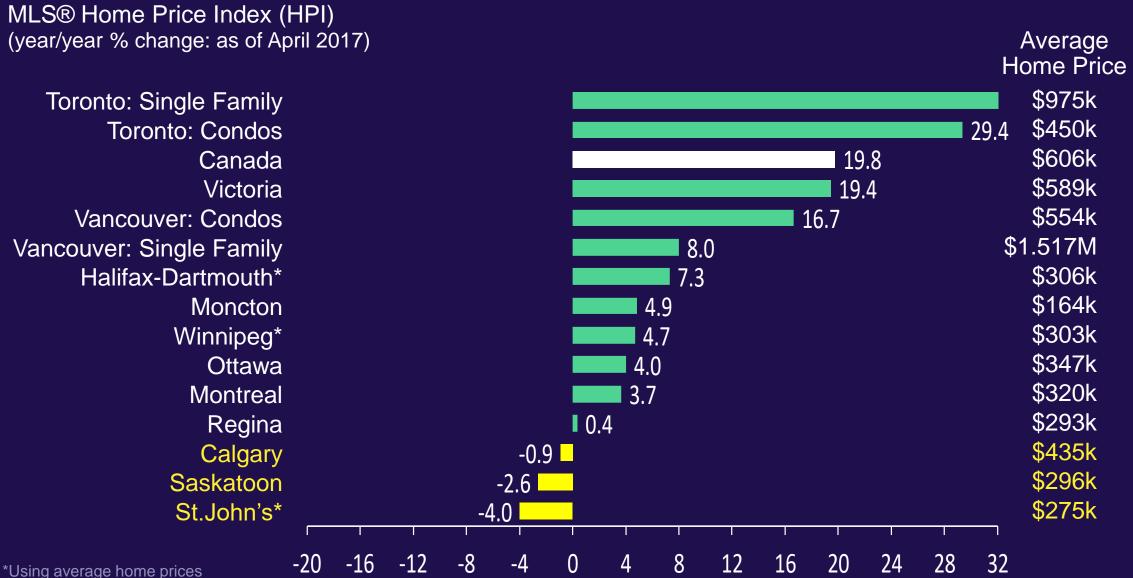
Existing Home Sales



Source: Haver Analytics, CREA

Prices Surge In Toronto





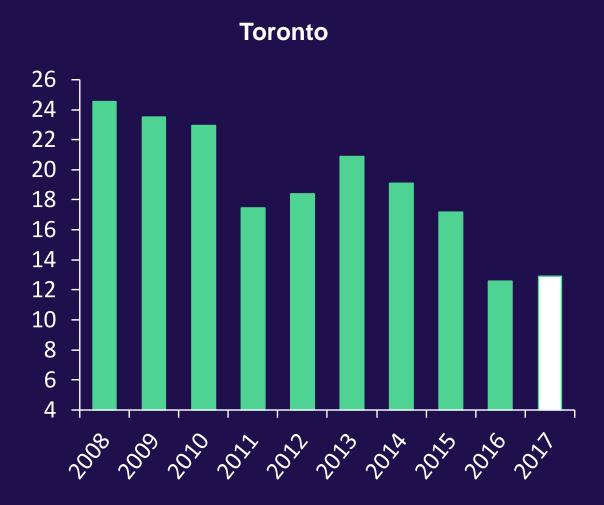
Source: Canadian Real Estate Association (CREA)

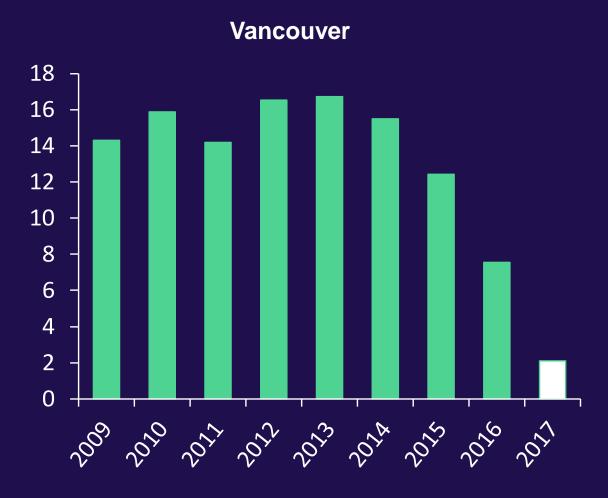
Listings Surge 36% in GTA in April

Number of Active Listings (000s units, April)



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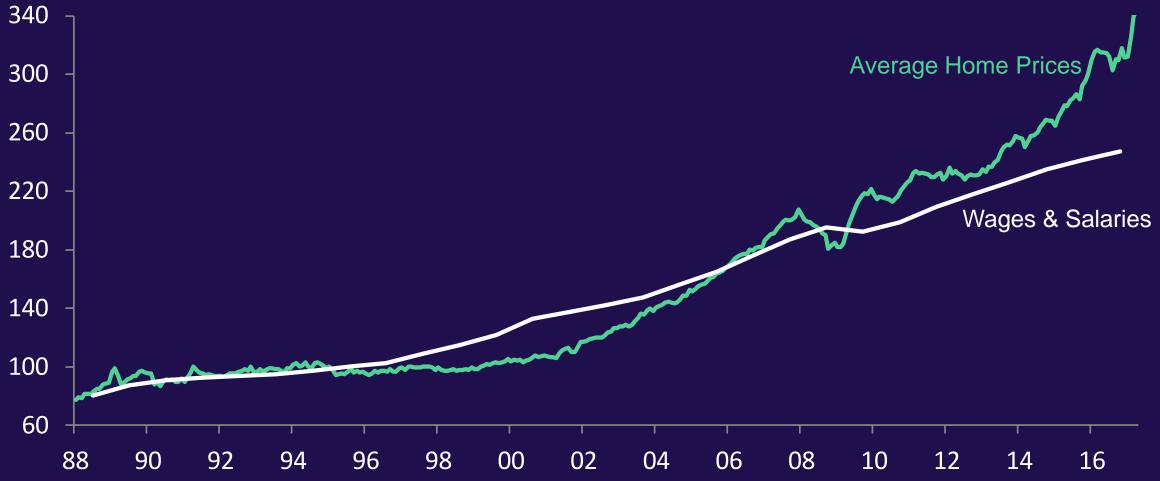
Source: Toronto Real Estate Board, Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver, Sherry Cooper Assoc.

Canadian Housing-to-Income Disconnect

(seasonally adjusted: January 1995 = 100)



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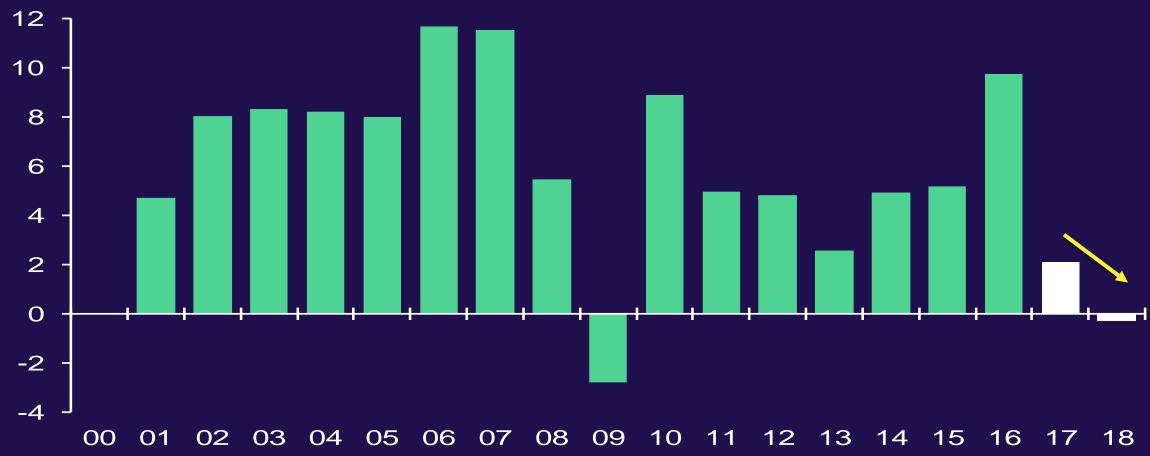
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Canadian Home Price Inflation Needs To Slow

House Price Index: Composite 11 (year/year % change)



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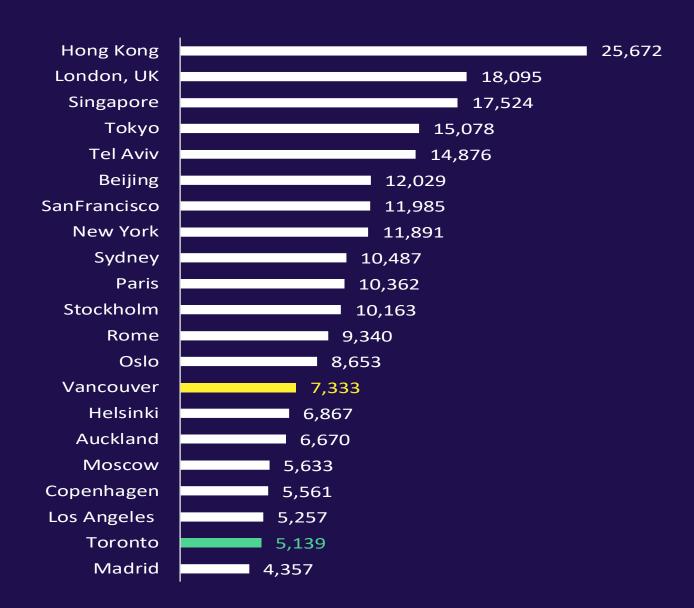


White bars indicate forecasts. Forecast provided by Royal LePage and RBC Research Source: Teranet/National Bank, Haver Analytics

Toronto and Vancouver Prices Lag Global Cities



Buyer price per square meter, Apartment (US\$/square meter)



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