

THE RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IS

the engine that drives Ontario's economy



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73,417 Housing Starts

Housing starts in Ontario were down from the cyclical peak in 2003 and 2004. However, housing starts remain above the 10 year average. Each new home built in Ontario is not only a roof over the head of a family, but it provides thousands of jobs and generates significant dollars in taxes, fees and levies for all 3 levels of government.



313,000 Jobs

The new housing and renovation sector is the largest industry in Ontario. Tens of thousands of high paying direct and indirect jobs are provided every year by the residential construction industry.



\$33.3 billion

In 2006 the value of new housing, residential renovations and impacts of other expenditures related to residential construction in Ontario totalled \$33.3 billion. Residential construction alone accounts for approximately 6% of the provincial GDP.



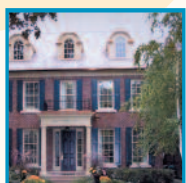
\$14.5 billion in Wages

The average weekly wage in Ontario's construction sector is \$902.62. This compares to a \$878.16 average in all industries. The average construction wage is 3% higher than the overall industry wage for full-time employment in Ontario.



\$2.80 billion

Total income taxes for the federal and provincial governments generated from Ontario housing starts, renovations and other related expenditures.



\$1.12 billion

Total CPP Premiums generated from Ontario housing starts, renovations and other related expenditures.



\$1.94 billion

Total GST revenue generated from Ontario housing starts, renovations and other related expenditures.

\$1.18 billion

Total PST revenue generated from Ontario housing starts, renovations and other related expenditures.

\$548 million

Total EI Premiums generated from Ontario housing starts, renovations and other related expenditures.

\$135 million

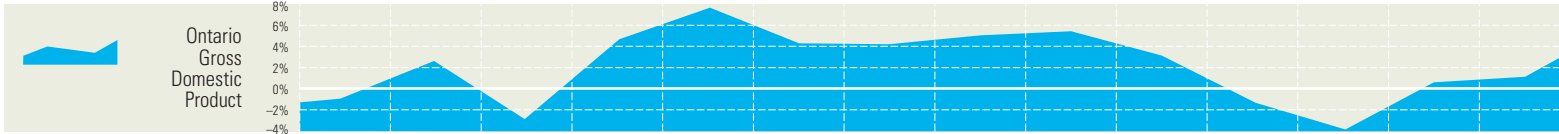
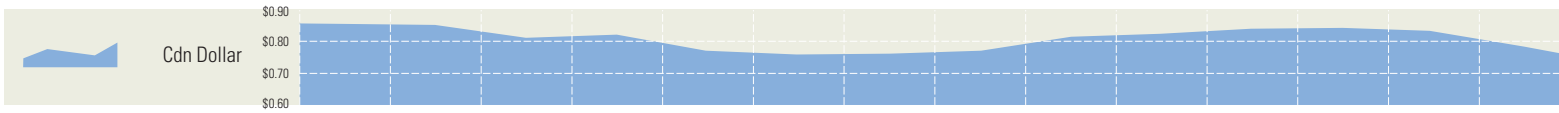
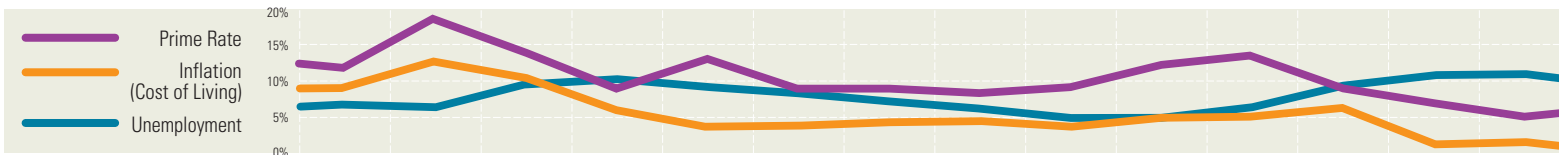
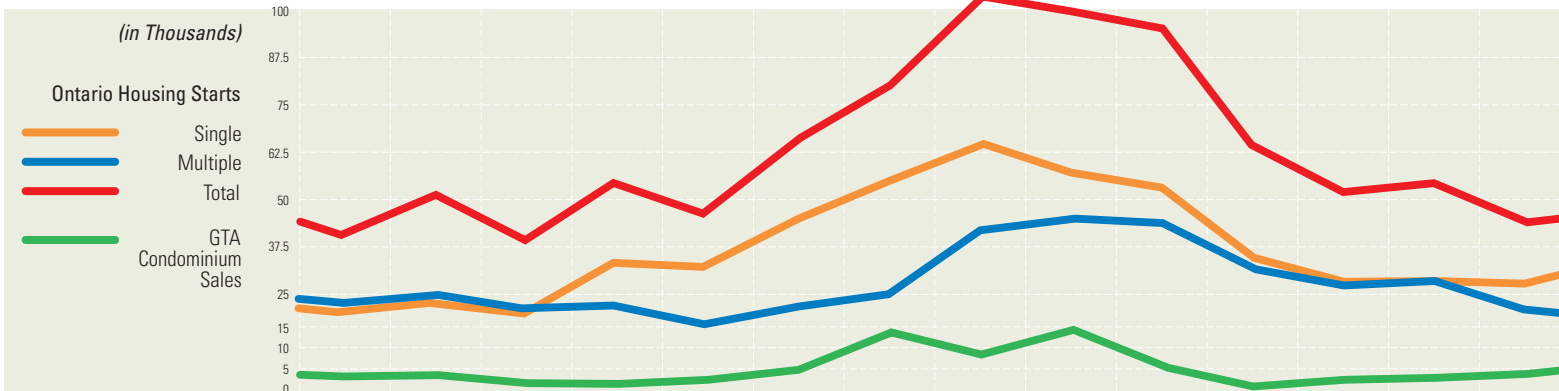
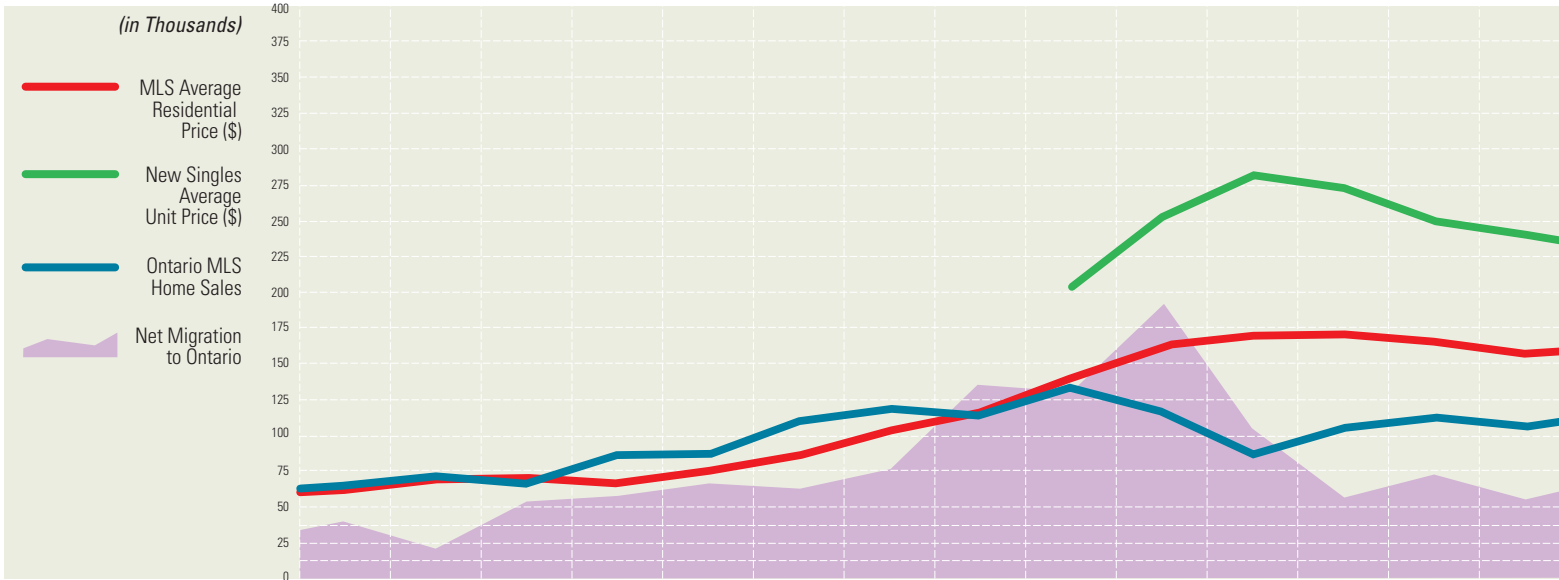
Total WSIB premiums billed to the Home Builder rate group in Ontario.

1980-2007

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Prime Ministers	CLARK	TRUDEAU	MULRONEY	
Ontario Premiers	DAVIS	MILLER	PETERSON	RAE

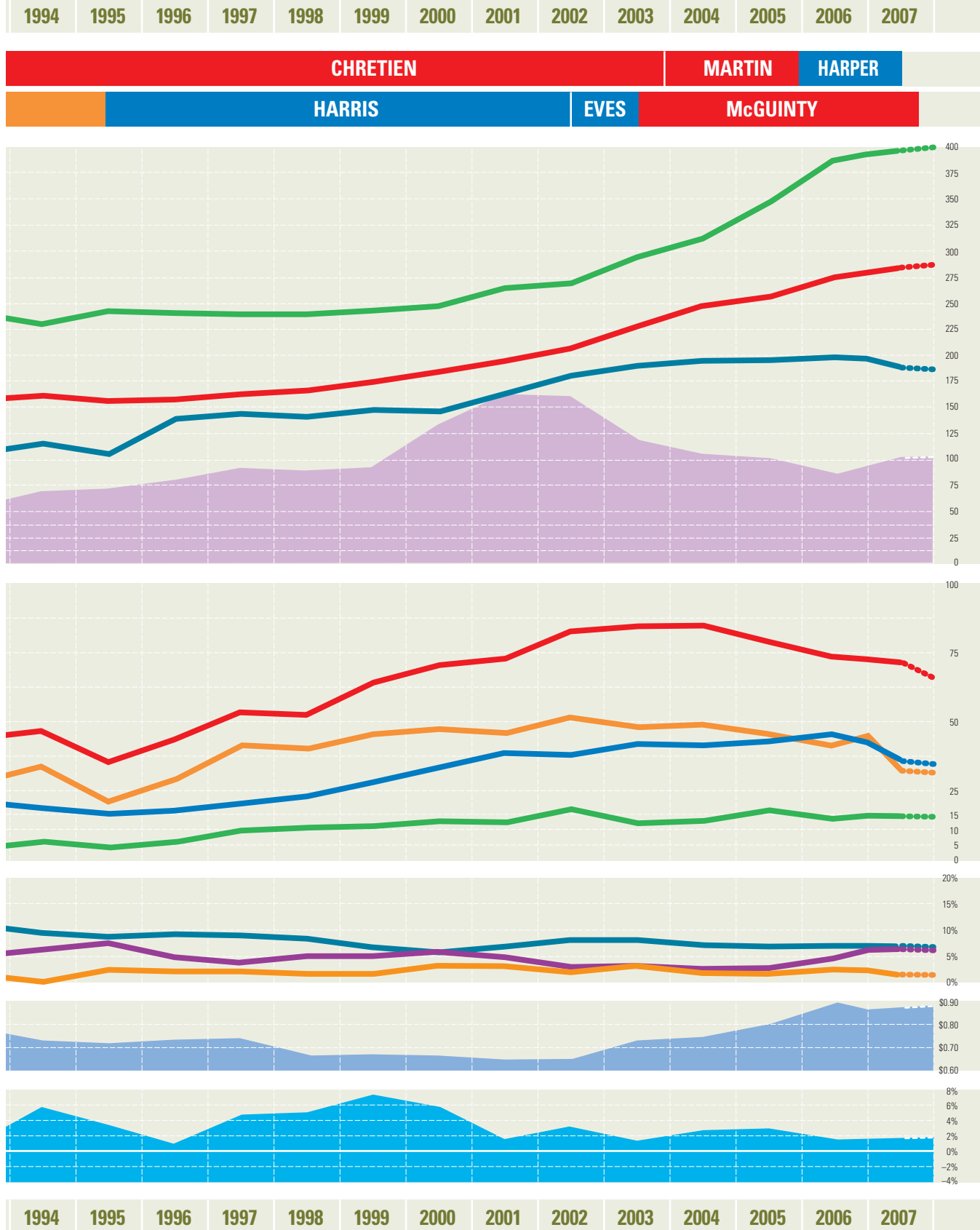


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Economic Indicators



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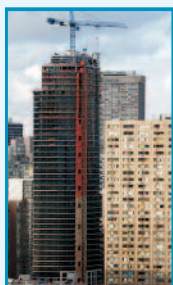
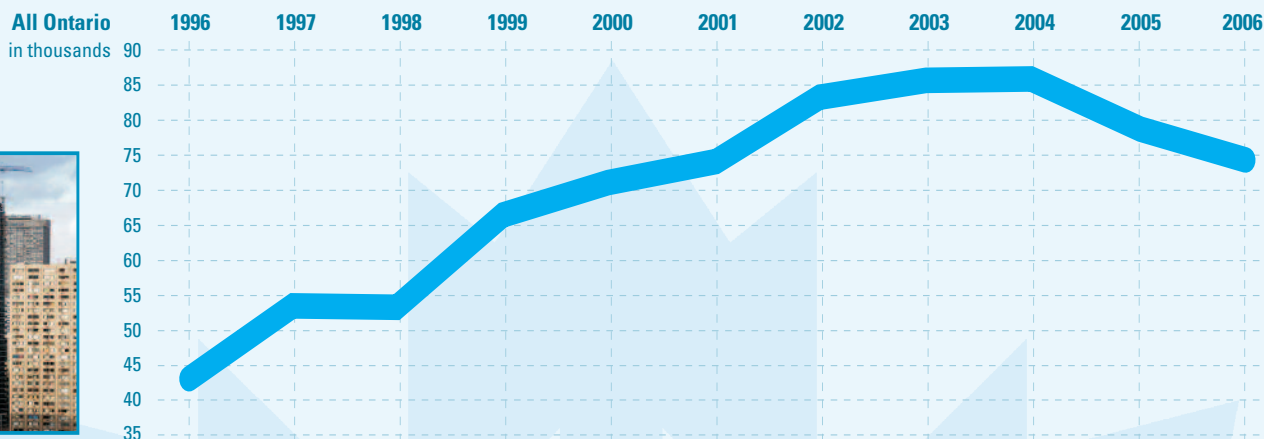


Source:
Statistics Canada,
CREA, CMHC,
RealNet Canada,
Bank of Canada,
Ministry of Finance,
RBC Royal Bank,
Urbanation

Total Housing Starts Ontario 1996-2006



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Census Metropolitan Areas	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Hamilton	2,642	3,698	3,627	3,923	3,108	3,365	3,803	3,260	4,093	3,145	3,043
Kingston	533	559	508	656	659	707	810	1,131	872	683	968
Kitchener	1,968	2,171	2,544	2,821	3,509	3,537	4,130	3,995	3,912	3,763	2,599
London	1,394	1,807	2,025	1,773	1,713	1,607	2,604	3,027	3,078	3,067	3,674
Oshawa	1,563	2,064	1,759	2,463	2,874	2,561	3,490	3,907	3,153	2,934	2,995
Ottawa	3,066	3,485	3,615	4,447	5,786	6,251	7,796	6,381	7,243	4,982	5,875
St. Catharines	995	1,462	1,319	1,485	1,230	1,134	1,317	1,444	1,781	1,412	1,294
Sudbury	346	281	165	199	173	191	298	306	388	400	477
Thunder Bay	296	266	224	232	154	211	197	211	287	227	165
Toronto	18,998	25,574	25,910	34,904	38,982	41,017	43,805	45,475	42,115	41,596	37,080
Windsor	2,300	2,102	1,938	2,387	2,382	2,157	2,490	2,237	2,287	1,496	1,045
Larger Census Agglomerations											
Barrie	1,320	1,857	1,930	2,722	2,043	2,445	2,739	2,368	2,435	1,484	1,169
Belleville	243	274	289	305	273	284	393	387	507	367	313
Brantford	180	296	357	377	485	475	700	458	482	534	409
Cornwall	100	57	76	144	122	148	198	231	217	159	132
Guelph	821	988	968	1,003	1,297	993	1,138	994	1,420	951	864
North Bay	38	89	89	147	90	89	123	125	151	226	185
Peterborough	340	378	307	383	292	294	423	547	514	619	437
Sarnia	105	166	166	218	177	155	374	203	194	243	191
Sault Ste Marie	169	195	162	90	90	74	86	99	119	128	105
Urban areas (Population 10,000+)											
All Ontario	39,512	49,972	50,077	62,928	67,423	70,262	79,615	80,933	79,894	69,365	63,928
All Ontario	43,062	54,072	53,830	67,235	71,521	73,282	83,597	85,180	85,114	78,795	73,417

Source: CMHC

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