

**CANADIAN CITY TRENDS**

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**City scorecard**

Rankings are in descending order (1 = the highest y/y growth rate) except for the unemployment rate where 1 = the lowest rate

	CPI	Adult population	Jobs	Jobless Rate	Housing starts	Residential building permits	Non-res. building permits	Non-res. construction	Average MLS prices	MLS unit sales
Latest month	Dec-11	Jan-12	Jan-12	Jan-12	Dec-11	Nov-11	Nov-11	Q4-11	Dec-11	Dec-11
Toronto	11	3	24	23	6	12	10	11	8	8
Montréal	10	16	25	24	13	14	11	8	12	14
Vancouver	13	8	14	17	15	26	17	21	17	21
Ottawa/Gatineau	14	6	11	9	22	22	19	12	4	11
Calgary	4	2	4	4	1	2	7	19	14	15
Edmonton	3	5	7	2	8	13	8	22	15	10
Quebec	8	14	19	2	25	21	9	14	9	5
Hamilton	-	17	5	11	14	15	22	23	18	18
Winnipeg	6	9	18	8	2	18	6	9	3	6
London	-	18	21	24	9	3	2	5	13	12
Kitchener	-	12	10	16	16	11	21	17	11	17
St. Catharines/Niagara	-	24	20	18	17	20	27	6	-	-
Halifax	7	11	15	4	4	23	23	10	21	4
Windsor	-	27	26	27	12	7	4	26	7	9
Victoria	15	22	22	7	24	25	25	18	20	13
Oshawa	-	4	9	19	20	17	1	24	-	-
Saskatoon	9	1	16	9	11	8	5	20	10	1
Regina	5	7	8	1	5	1	15	15	5	3
St. John's	1	20	6	21	21	16	24	3	16	2
Sherbrooke	-	15	12	15	3	10	16	13	-	-
Greater Sudbury	-	23	23	13	7	4	20	16	6	16
Abbotsford	-	10	17	26	-	24	12	1	-	-
Kingston	-	12	3	14	-	27	13	4	1	7
Saguenay	-	25	13	6	10	6	14	27	-	-
Trois-Rivières	-	19	1	22	18	5	3	7	-	-
Saint John	2	21	27	20	23	19	18	25	19	19
Thunder Bay	12	26	2	12	19	9	26	2	2	20

Source: Statistics Canada, RBC Economics Research

## Current city economic indicators

Year-over-year % change unless otherwise specified. Jobs, Jobless rate, Housing starts and Building permits for the cities are based on a three month moving average. Cities are ranked in descending order by population size.

	CPI	Adult population	Jobs	Jobless rate (%)	Housing starts	Residential building permits	Non-res. building permits	Non-res. construction	Average MLS prices	MLS unit sales
Latest month	Dec-11	Jan-12	Jan-12	Jan-12	Dec-11	Nov-11	Nov-11	Q4-11	Dec-11	Dec-11
Toronto	2.2	1.9	-0.9	8.6	29.3	17.9	-0.2	0.2	4.3	11.7
Montréal	2.2	1.1	-1.7	9.0	16.4	13.5	-1.0	6.6	2.4	5.5
Vancouver	1.9	1.5	2.4	7.0	12.9	-20.1	-28.7	-15.1	-1.1	-7.6
Ottawa/Gatineau	1.9	1.8	3.0	5.9	-8.8	-6.0	-34.1	-1.4	9.8	9.0
Calgary	2.8	2.0	4.6	5.4	67.5	64.3	29.4	-12.7	1.7	3.5
Edmonton	2.9	1.9	4.1	5.0	26.8	17.4	23.1	-15.8	0.7	10.8
Quebec	2.5	1.2	0.8	5.0	-22.9	-4.8	4.6	-4.8	4.0	17.7
Hamilton	-	1.0	4.6	6.0	16.3	9.9	-45.1	-16.1	-1.7	2.4
Winnipeg	2.6	1.5	1.6	5.8	65.5	6.1	56.4	5.6	11.1	14.0
London	-	1.0	-0.1	9.0	26.0	61.3	234.5	30.4	2.0	7.4
Kitchener	-	1.3	3.1	6.9	10.9	19.6	-38.6	-9.6	3.7	2.8
St. Catharines/Niagara	-	0.3	0.8	7.3	8.8	1.6	-74.5	9.6	-	-
Halifax	2.5	1.3	2.2	5.4	34.4	-7.1	-51.0	1.9	-7.8	22.8
Windsor	-	-0.3	-2.0	10.9	21.8	26.0	84.3	-25.0	9.2	11.7
Victoria	1.5	0.6	-0.2	5.7	-11.7	-18.5	-64.4	-10.8	-5.7	5.7
Oshawa	-	1.9	3.6	7.4	-1.8	6.4	246.1	-20.9	-	-
Saskatoon	2.2	2.5	1.9	5.9	21.9	25.7	80.5	-14.7	3.9	39.2
Regina	2.8	1.7	3.7	4.4	30.0	85.1	-4.8	-6.0	9.3	26.1
St. John's	3.2	0.9	4.3	7.8	-2.0	8.1	-58.2	36.9	0.6	36.1
Sherbrooke	-	1.2	2.7	6.8	38.5	20.8	-10.9	-4.4	-	-
Greater Sudbury	-	0.3	-0.2	6.4	27.3	37.1	-37.2	-9.4	9.2	2.8
Abbotsford	-	1.3	1.9	10.1	-	-15.6	-1.3	198.0	-	-
Kingston	-	1.3	5.2	6.6	-	-25.2	-3.0	36.2	18.8	14.0
Saguenay	-	0.2	2.5	5.6	25.0	26.1	-4.2	-26.6	-	-
Trois-Rivières	-	0.9	6.3	8.5	2.5	30.9	104.6	7.3	-	-
Saint John	3.2	0.7	-4.5	7.6	-11.1	3.8	-31.5	-23.5	-2.0	2.3
Thunder Bay	2.0	-0.1	6.0	6.2	0.0	23.3	-69.0	38.9	16.9	-2.8
Canada	2.3	1.1	0.7	7.6	11.5	7.3	-10.5	-4.5	0.9	8.4

Source: Statistics Canada, the Canadian Real Estate Association, RBC Economics Research

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