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## Highlights 1996-2011

The number of households in Toronto grew $16.0 \%$ to $1,047,780$ households.
The number of high-rise apartments increased by $30 \%$ to 430,080 , and accounted for $68 \%$ of all newly occupied units with a total of 98,150 households. Households $45-64$ years of age grew the most, adding 115,750 households for a total of 403,970 households in 2011.
Household growth between the ages of 30 44 years declined by $6.5 \%$. There was a loss of 20,870 households.
In the 30-44 age cohort there was a loss of 31,200 households in ground-related housing.
Family households increased by 66,000 households, although its share of total households decreased.
The share of non-families, specifically one person households, grew from $34.6 \%$ to $37.3 \%$ with an increase of 78,425 households; this accounted for $54 \%$ of the net household growth.
There were 10,145 more families with children living in high-rise apartments representing a $15 \%$ increase.
6 of every 10 units built were in high-rise buildings, yet only $3.8 \%$ of these apartments had 3 or more bedrooms.
The average size of a 3-bedroom apartment unit decreased by $20 \%$ between 1996-2014. The average household size of these units remained at approximately 3.0 persons per household (PPH).
The average number of person per household (PPH) decreased from 2.60 to 2.46 .

Household ownership increased with ownership in high-rises contributing the most, an increase of 82,375 units. The proportion of owned units grew by $11 \%$ in high-rises, but decreased by $13 \%$ in houses and low-rise apartments.

## Housing Occupancy Trends

 1996-201116\%
increase in number of households between 19962001

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of the Greater Toronto Area regional housing market, Toronto plays a leading role in providing a strategic and comprehensive vision for housing. In order to maintain the balance of supply and demand and to meet the needs of a diverse population, the City aims to provide a range of housing in terms of structure, size, tenure and affordability.

Toronto's population, which grew by $9.6 \%, 229,580$ people between 1996 and 2011, is on track to meet the Provincial Growth Plan forecast and Official Plan target of 3.4 million people by 2041.

During the same period, the Toronto household growth rate of $16 \%$ exceeded that of the population, adding 144,195 new households. Housing challenges will increase with the forecasted population growth as pressure will be placed on the current stock and demand will change as household composition, age and affordability evolve.

According to the 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census information, and 2011 National Household Survey, Toronto's housing stock and composition have changed considerably. Demographic change and social trends such as personal health and wellbeing, housing affordability, household equity, changes of household formation and delay in having children affect the demand for housing types.

Of the new households in the City over the past 15 years, nearly $70 \%$ were in high-rise apartments. The shift to high-rises was most common among those under the age of 44 years of age, while the other age groups maintained their share in ground-related housing. As the older households age in place, there will be a turnover of a
large amount of ground-related housing that will provide opportunities for younger generations with larger families.

Over half of the new households between 1996 and 2011 were non-family households, which grew in number by $25 \%$. These non-families dominated the highrise market, while families with children, which grew marginally, were the largest proportion in houses and low-rise apartments. A contributing factor may be the decrease in larger-size units in terms of size and number of bedrooms, especially in the newer stock.

The average size of households declined in most age cohorts, with the 15-29 age cohort showing the greatest decline. The number of persons living alone accounted for over half of the household growth between 1996 and 2011. As well, some households in the 45 to 64 age cohort are near or entering retirement, or becoming empty nesters. Trends such as having fewer children and the delay in living independently alter household structure, which has a strong relationship to household size and unit size. The growth of smaller households has contributed heavily to the demand for multi-unit buildings.

Almost half of all Toronto households rent although there has been no substantial increase in the rental supply. The demand for rented high-rise apartment units is the strongest, with nearly 6 of every 10 households under the age of 64 renting these types of units in 2011. In 2011, 44\% of renters were spending $30 \%$ of more of their income on housing, up from $21 \%$ in 2001.

Despite escalating housing prices, the number of owner households increased by 82,375 units
between 1996 and 2011. A majority of this new ownership was in the form of high-rises, while the share of ownership in ground-related dwellings decreased. Affordability, the increased supply of condominium units and changing social norms have signaled different trends in the housing market.

## INTRODUCTION

Toronto's housing landscape has changed dramatically in recent years. It is denser and taller. High-rise condominium towers dominate the City's Downtown, the Centres and along the Waterfront. Mid-rise apartments are being built along the Avenues while detached homes and infill housing of row and townhouses have been built in
Neighbourhoods. Across the City, this growth has provided a range of housing, which, in general, accommodates the needs of households of all ages and stages in their lives.

In the years between 1996 and 2011, the population of Toronto grew by 229,580 people, a $9.6 \%$ increase, while the number of households increased by $16 \%$, adding 144,195 new households. Over the next 20 years, Toronto's population is forecasted to reach over three million people ${ }^{1}$. This population growth combined with the evolution of household composition, introduces several housing challenges, such as increased pressure on existing stock and demand for more units, which will require further densification and creative housing solutions.

## Data Alert

The 2011 National Household Survey is not a
Census and represents a different supply methodology (see Appendix A). Data from the 2011 NHS is highlighted in blue within the tables and figures to distinguish it from Census data.

To gain a better understanding of what types of housing will be needed in the future, this bulletin observes past housing demand patterns using the 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census and the 2011 National Household Survey. It examines the characteristics of households occupying the existing housing stock to determine potential challenges facing future housing demand and supply. What are the ages of the households? How does family composition affect housing? Has there been a shift in the demand for certain types of housing by households of a certain age and type? What does the rental and ownership landscape look like?

To address these questions, A Look at Supply and Demand describes occupancy rates across Toronto's diverse housing stock and recent residential completion trends. A Look at Underlying Trends examines changes in Toronto's population age structure, rates of household formation, family composition, household size, mobility patterns,

Figure 1: Occupancy Rates by Dwelling Type 1996-2011


Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada
and shifting social and economic factors. The impact of past growth and planned development will be explored. A Look Back synthesizes these findings and examines their effect on housing demand. Lastly, to inform future planning and policy objectives, A Look Ahead and A Look at Growth and Development provides a glimpse of what we can expect in the future given recent trends.

## A LOOK AT SUPPLY AND DEMAND

## Occupancy Rates

In 2011, there were a total of 1,047,780 households in Toronto, an increase from 903,585
households in 1996 (see Figure 1 and Table 1).

The number of households living in high-rise apartments (apartment buildings with 5 or
more storeys) reached 430,000 households in 2011, nearly 100,000 more than in 1996. The 2011 occupancy rate for high-rise apartments was $41 \%$, up from $36.7 \%$ in 1996. Between 1996 and 2011, this dwelling type accounted for $68 \%$ of all the newly occupied units, or a total of 98,150.

Occupancy rates in row and townhouses remained relatively flat between 1996 and 2011 in terms of the number of occupied units and their share of Toronto's housing stock. In 2011, they represented 5.8\% of Toronto's housing.

Table 1: Household by Dwelling Type 1996-2011

| Dwelling Type | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | Absolute Change |  |  |  | \% Change |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Hhds | \% | Hhds | \% | Hhds | \% | Hhds | \% | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r\|} \hline 1996- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 2001- \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1996 \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ |
| Houses \& Low-Rises | 525,215 | 58.1 | 535,765 | 56.8 | 544,930 | 55.6 | 557,040 | 53.2 | 10,550 | 9,165 | 12,110 | 31,825 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 6.1 |
| Row/Tow nhouses | 46,440 | 5.1 | 52,315 | 5.5 | 54,685 | 5.6 | 60,660 | 5.8 | 5,875 | 2,370 | 5,975 | 14,220 | 12.7 | 4.5 | 10.9 | 30.6 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 331,930 | 36.7 | 354,995 | 37.6 | 379,695 | 38.8 | 430,080 | 41.0 | 23,065 | 24,700 | 50,385 | 98,150 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 13.3 | 29.6 |
| Total | 903,585 | 100.0 | 943,075 | 100.0 | 979,310 | 100.0 | 1,047,780 | 100.0 | 39,490 | 36,235 | 68,470 | 144,195 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 7.0 | 16.0 |

[^0]The largest number of households in Toronto live in houses and lowrise apartments. In 2011, there were 557,040 households living in this type of housing; this was 31,825 more households since 1996. However, the share of this housing stock declined slightly in each five-year period over the 15 years from $58.1 \%$ in 1996 to 53.2\% in 2011.

Completions from 1996 to 2014 Over the past 18 years $78 \%$ of all housing completions have been either low- or high-rise condominium units (see Figure 2). The remaining 22\% of completions, a total of nearly 42,000 units, have been a mix of single and semi-detached houses, row and townhouses. Many of these units have replaced older homes.

Unlike high-rise unit completions, whose shares have increased, completions of single and semidetached houses have declined from a high of $22 \%$ in the 1996/2001 period to 10\% a decade later. Completions of row and townhouses also fell from $16 \%$ to $6 \%$ of the total over the same time period.

The need for housing in Toronto and in the rest of the GTA fluctuates as the number of households shift within the regional housing market. In the Rest of the GTA, 75\% of all dwellings are either houses (single or semi-detached) or low-rise apartments (less than 5 storeys), $13 \%$ row or townhouses and the remaining $12 \%$ high-rise apartments (see Figure 3). While Toronto is part of the regional housing market, it is unique and needs to be analyzed as a distinct geography apart from the rest of the GTA.

## Factors Affecting Supply \& Demand

The decision of where to live and in what type of dwelling is influenced by lifestyle, access to transit, affordability and existing or new housing opportunities. Newly constructed housing is designed with a particular market segment in mind whether it is a family with young children, a senior or a single person starting out on their own. It is important to keep in mind that new development trends are also based on perceived demand, investor interest and policy permissions.

## Data Alert

Occupancy Rates based on the voluntary 2011 National Household Survey (NHS) data show marked differences when compared to the 1996, 2001 and 2006 Censuses. While the 2011 data follows earlier Census trends, the magnitude of the occupancy rates are not in keeping with previous Census results when the data is cross-tabulated. For example, occupancy rates of household type by dwelling type between the 1996 and 2001 Censuses showed little variation, $36.7 \%$ to $38.7 \%$ for all households living in apartments with 5 or more storeys; $5.1 \%$ to $5.6 \%$ for households living in row or townhouses; and $58.1 \%$ to $55.7 \%$ for households living in houses or lowrise dwellings. By 2011, occupancy rates for each of these respective dwelling types had changed to $41.0 \%, 5.8 \%$ and 53.2\%. The 2011 change in magnitude of the occupancy rates does not reflect the mix of dwellings constructed over the decade which were primarily highrise apartments. This demonstrates that the voluntary NHS does not have the same coverage of the population as the short-form Census and the discontinued long-form Census. For this reason, long-term housing trends by structural type of dwelling reported need to be interpreted carefully. (See Appendix F for further information.)

Figure 2: Housing Completions, 1996-2014


Note: Each year represents May-December plus January-April, to correspond to the Census years.
Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Custom Tabulation, 2012, and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, HOUSING NOW, Greater Toronto Area

Over time, housing stock that developed in different eras has become an enduring part of Toronto's landscape and appeals to a new generation of occupants with corresponding housing needs and characteristics. The lowdensity housing of Toronto's postWar suburbs was designed for families with children. The development of Toronto's high-rise rental apartments in the 1970's and 1980's appealed to large numbers of Baby Boomers as they came of age. Today, small-sized condominiums attract smaller households, just as the large numbers of ground-related housing throughout the GTA often appeal to families with children. However, as H. Easthope and A. Tice point out, "the issue is more complicated than the need to provide smaller dwellings for smaller households. It is also an issue of equity and the distribution of wealth, with small wealthy households able to live in large properties, while larger poorer households often have little choice but to live in a small property". ${ }^{2}$

It is not unusual for present-day occupants of older homes to

Figure 3: Housing in Toronto and in the Rest of the GTA in 2011

adjust the stock to suit their living arrangements. Larger dwelling units offer opportunities for accommodating smaller households through conversions to multiple units. This strategy can reduce carrying costs and by sharing larger apartments reduce individual rental costs. New condominium apartments have come to represent an increasing share of units built and these units are decreasing in size. As a result, the smaller condominium apartments of today cannot be easily modified and thus may not serve the same breadth of housing needs over time as did the older, larger units. Toronto's

Figure 4: Population by Age Group


Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Official Plan policies have anticipated these demographic changes by promoting a full range of housing in terms of tenure, built form and affordability, across the City and within neighbourhoods.

## A LOOK AT UNDERLYING TRENDS

## Toronto's Growing and Aging Population

A person's housing needs vary depending on their age as this often indicates a change in the household composition. For example, life actions such as a change in marital status, health, death of a spouse, mobility problems, or the birth of a child can lead to different preferences in the housing market and in turn, either drive up or down the demand for a particular type of housing. For some, it is a time to enter the housing market, while for others it is a time to "move up" or to downsize. Therefore, examining Toronto's population age structure over time reveals how the aging of Toronto's population affects the rate of household formation and housing demand.

## More Elderly, More Boomers, Less Children

Between 1996 and 2011, the fastest growing population in Toronto were those 75 years of age and older. The population in
this cohort increased by 46\%. The population aged 45 to 64 years also grew, in part reflecting the "Baby Boom" cohort (those born between 1946-1965) as it moved through the life cycle. This cohort grew by 194,680 persons, an increase of $38 \%$, almost four times the growth rate of the total population. Those aged 15 to 24 years also increased, up by $12 \%$ and adding 36,940 persons (see Figure 4, Figure 5 and Appendix B).

The largest population decrease was among persons aged 30 to 44 years, down $6 \%$ or 30,090 persons. This was closely followed by 0 to 14 year olds who declined by $6 \%$ or by 24,615 persons. Those aged 25-29 and 65-74 remained largely unchanged, however, the 25-29 cohort did experience fluctuations within the fifteen-year time frame.

## The Changing Age Structure of Toronto's Households

Housing needs change with age and in response to lifecycles. To understand how the changes in Toronto's population age structure affect housing demand, a study of the age cohorts in Toronto households is required. The

Primary Household Maintainer (PHM) is used as a proxy for the household and its stage in the housing lifecycle (see data alert). Households were grouped into the following age cohorts by the age of the PHM: 15-29, 30-44, 45-64, 65-79 and 80+ years of age.

The grouping of age cohorts reflects major demographic changes and ongoing social trends. Given the large number of households in the Baby Boom generation (the 45-64 age cohort), their housing decisions have a profound effect on the types of housing demanded. Households in the 15-29 age cohort reflect initial household formation, as well as more recent trends such as the delay of starting a family, remaining in school longer and living longer in the parental home.

The 30-44 year age cohort typically reflect the time when household formation rates are the highest, people enter the housing market for the first time and incomes and family size are increasing.

The growth of the 80+ years cohort reflects the impact of increasing longevity due to improvements in health care, social services and quality of life. These trends affect the demand for different types of housing. The percentage change by Census year and age cohort in Figure 6 show the patterns of growth and decline in each of households age groupings. Of all Toronto households, those aged 80 years and older had the highest growth rate, an increase of $73 \%$ between 1996 and 2011 (see Table 2). Despite the significance of the high growth rate, this cohort represents only $6.6 \%$ of all Toronto households in 2011.

The 45-64 year cohort includes the bulk of the Baby Boom generation. Due to the large size of this cohort, any housing decisions they make now or in the future will have a profound effect on housing demand. Over the 15-year period, this cohort grew by over 115,750 households. In 2011, there were 403,970 households with PHMs aged 45 to 64 , representing 4 out of every 10 households in the City.

Figure 5: Percent Change in Population by Age Group


Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey,Statistics Canada

In 1996, households between the ages of 30-44 represented the largest share (34.8\%) of all Toronto households, 3.6\% higher than households in the 45-65 year group. However, by 2011 the share of the households aged 3044 declined to $28.6 \%$ (a net loss of 20,840 ) and lagged behind those in the 45-65 age group who represented $38.6 \%$ of the total households The 45-65 age group experienced a $40 \%$ increase equating to 115,750 households. This reflects the aging of the 3044 population into the next age cohort of 45-65 years from 1996 to 2011. Toronto's youngest households aged 15-29 years showed a share of $11 \%$ over the three Census periods.

## Dwelling Type Demand

Rates of occupancy by age and dwelling type show households at certain ages have a tendency to favour one type of housing over another. With the exception of 2011 data, it is important to note that while occupancy rates may reveal minor shifts, the number of households and units involved are

Figure 6: Percent Change in Households by Age Group


Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada
quite significant, as are the changes in the relative sizes of each age group by dwelling type. See Appendix A for a discussion of the reclassification of dwelling types.

Between 1996 and 2011, there was a substantial shift toward high-rise units for households of all ages (see Table 3). The largest increase was in the 45-64 age cohort which added 50,000 households in high-rise apartments, a 58\% change from 1996 to 2011. Demand for this dwelling type was notable for those households aged 15 to 29 years where the share increased from $46 \%$ to $58 \%$ due to an additional 19,600 households. The share of PHMs aged 30-44 in ground-related housing declined by $7 \%$, a loss of close to 31,000 households. However, the relative share of these same-aged PHMs increased by 6\% (11,000 households) in high-rise apartments.

## Data Alert

To analyze Toronto households and their housing choices, the characteristics of the Primary Household Maintainer (PHM) were examined. The PHM is defined by Statistics Canada as the first person listed on the Census or NHS form of a household who pays the rent, mortgage, taxes or other household expenses. This person is considered to have the most influence over the household's choice of housing and is sometimes referred to as the "head of household". In this bulletin, the PHM has been used as a proxy for all members of a household. Occupancy rates of PHMs represent the housing decisions of households at various stages as they age and as their housing needs change. Throughout this bulletin, the use of terms such as "age of the household" or "immigration status of the household" is a reference to the characteristics of the Primary Household Maintainer.

The share of PHMs aged 45-64 in ground-related housing declined from $64 \%$ in 1996 to $59 \%$ in 2011 (see Figure 7). However, this represents a shift in demand as the absolute number of households in this cohort residing in houses and low-rises increased by nearly 55,000 households over the 15 -year period (see Figure 8). This reflects the overall aging of Toronto's households and their aging in place in Toronto's lowdensity housing stock.

Meanwhile, the proportion of households 80+ years of age continued to grow in groundrelated dwellings. This growth was due to the aging in place of younger households into this age group, adding almost 17,500 households in houses and lowrise units.

Table 2: Households by Age of Primary Household Maintainer, 1996-2011

| Age <br> of PHM | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | Absolute Change |  |  |  | \% Change |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Hhds | \% | Hhds | \% | Hhds | \% | Hhds | \% | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1996- \\ 2001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r\|} \hline 1996- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1996- \\ 2001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| 15-29 | 103,645 | 11.5 | 94,645 | 10.0 | 97,905 | 10.0 | 115,475 | 11.0 | -9,000 | 3,260 | 17,570 | 11,830 | -8.7 | 3.4 | 17.9 | 11.4 |
| 30-44 | 320,790 | 35.5 | 327,960 | 34.8 | 312,245 | 31.9 | 299,950 | 28.6 | 7,170 | -15,715 | -12,295 | $-20,840$ | 2.2 | -4.8 | -3.9 | -6.5 |
| 45-64 | 288,220 | 31.9 | 316,980 | 33.6 | 357,140 | 36.5 | 403,970 | 38.6 | 28,760 | 40,160 | 46,830 | 115,750 | 10.0 | 12.7 | 13.1 | 40.2 |
| 65-79 | 150,990 | 16.7 | 157,355 | 16.7 | 152,945 | 15.6 | 159,385 | 15.2 | 6,365 | -4,410 | 6,440 | 8,395 | 4.2 | -2.8 | 4.2 | 5.6 |
| 80+ | 39,890 | 4.4 | 46,070 | 4.9 | 59,180 | 6.0 | 69,095 | 6.6 | 6,180 | 13,110 | 9,915 | 29,205 | 15.5 | 28.5 | 16.8 | 73.2 |
| Total | 903,535 | 100.0 | 943,010 | 100.0 | 979,415 | 100.0 | 1,047,875 | 100.0 | 39,475 | 36,405 | 68,460 | 144,340 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 7.0 | 16.0 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

The development industry has responded to this change in household characteristics. Condominium apartment units have outstripped all other forms of housing construction to meet the demand. Over the past 15 years, apartments in buildings of five or more storeys have made up 7 of every 10 net new units added to Toronto's housing stock (see Figure 9). In turn, this supply has appealed to those in the City and those moving to Toronto who are in need of housing, reinforcing the proportion of smaller households within the City.

The fact that the growth rate of households exceeded that of the population growth rate is indicative of a move towards smaller sized households. The shift to smaller households is fundamental to future planning since smaller-sized households tend to occupy smaller dwellings and larger-sized households seek out bigger dwellings. Current research suggests "that people's age is a better indicator of whether they will live in [a] smaller dwelling, particularly apartments". ${ }^{3}$

Figure 8: Change in Occupancy by Age of PHM and Dwelling Type, 1996-2011


## Changing Households by Type

Between 1996 and 2011, the number of family households in Toronto, comprised of families with or without children, lone parents and multiple families, accounted for $45.6 \%$ of the new household growth (increase of $11 \%$ or nearly 66,000 households). Lone-parent families grew by 20\%, families without children grew by $16 \%$, and families with children grew by 4\% (see Table 4).

In 1996 and 2001 family households represented about 66\% of total households. By 2011 their share declined, representing $63 \%$ of all households. Shares of families without children and multiple families changed marginally.

Non-family households, which include large numbers of young singles and seniors living on their own or with non-relatives, represent a growing share of all household types. Non-families grew from $34.6 \%$ to $37.3 \%$, growing in absolute terms from 312,345 to 390,770 households. This increase accounts for over half (54\%) the net household growth between 1996 and 2011.

Source: 1996 Census and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Figure 7: Occupancy Rates by Age, 1996-2011


Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

The rise in non-traditional households is important as they tend to have different housing needs with respect to space and number of bedrooms compared to families with children. Further, affordability pressures for single occupant and lone-parent households increases demand for non-traditional rental housing stock, such as rooming houses. Demand for housing suitable to non-family households has been primarily met through the high-rise condominium apartment market. Housing most suitable for families has been met by infill development of row/townhouses, and by newly constructed low-rise apartment buildings that have
replaced existing lower density housing units and through the turnover rate of ground-related housing.

Housing turnover is increasingly affected by the number of seniors occupying houses and low-rises. The share of seniors 80 years of age and older aging in place grew from 35\% in 1996 to $53 \%$ in 2011 (see Figure 10 and Appendix C). Current research confirms this growing trend.

Canada's national housing agency reports "some aging households do change residences, but seniors are generally not in a hurry to move out of their homes. They
move much less often than younger people. In 2011, 18\% of seniors had changed residence in the previous five years, compared to almost three quarters (72\%) of those aged 25 to 29 ". ${ }^{4}$

## HOUSEHOLD TYPE AND DWELLING TYPE

Shift into Higher Density Living Occupancy rates during the 19962011 period show that the proportion of families with and without children, lone-parents and non-families living in Toronto's high-rise apartment stock has increased.

Table 3: Distribution of Households by Age of PHM and Dwelling Type, 1996-2011

|  | Number of Households |  |  |  | 1996-2011 |  |  | Share (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age <br> Dwelling Type | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | Change | Change | \% of Net Change in All Hhds | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | $\begin{gathered} 1996- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 15-29 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 52,065 | 45,300 | 41,440 | 44,785 | -7,280 | -14.0 | -5.0 | 50.2 | 47.9 | 42.3 | 38.8 | -11.4 |
| Row/Townhouses | 3,985 | 3,505 | 3,825 | 3,455 | -530 | -13.3 | -0.4 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.0 | -0.9 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 47,595 | 45,845 | 52,610 | 67,215 | 19,620 | 41.2 | 13.6 | 45.9 | 48.4 | 53.8 | 58.2 | 12.3 |
| Total | 103,645 | 94,650 | 97,875 | 115,455 | 11,810 | 11.4 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |
| 30-44 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 176,380 | 175,970 | 162,650 | 145,145 | -31,235 | -17.7 | -21.7 | 55.0 | 53.7 | 52.1 | 48.4 | -6.6 |
| Row/Townhouses | 19,775 | 20,525 | 19,685 | 19,180 | -595 | -3.0 | -0.4 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 0.2 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 124,630 | 131,475 | 129,855 | 135,590 | 10,960 | 8.8 | 7.6 | 38.9 | 40.1 | 41.6 | 45.2 | 6.4 |
| Total | 320,785 | 327,970 | 312,190 | 299,915 | -20,870 | -6.5 | -14.5 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |
| 45-64 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 183,440 | 194,430 | 217,030 | 237,750 | 54,310 | 29.6 | 37.7 | 63.6 | 61.3 | 60.8 | 58.9 | -4.8 |
| Row/Townhouses | 17,750 | 21,540 | 24,370 | 29,095 | 11,345 | 63.9 | 7.9 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 1.0 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 87,045 | 101,015 | 115,690 | 137,080 | 50,035 | 57.5 | 34.7 | 30.2 | 31.9 | 32.4 | 33.9 | 3.7 |
| Total | 288,235 | 316,985 | 357,090 | 403,925 | 115,690 | 40.1 | 80.2 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |
| 65-79 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 92,970 | 95,995 | 91,685 | 91,460 | -1,510 | -1.6 | -1.0 | 61.6 | 61.0 | 59.9 | 57.4 | -4.2 |
| Row/Townhouses | 4,280 | 5,780 | 6,130 | 7,305 | 3,025 | 70.7 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 4.6 | 1.7 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 53,750 | 55,570 | 55,125 | 60,620 | 6,870 | 12.8 | 4.8 | 35.6 | 35.3 | 36.0 | 38.0 | 2.4 |
| Total | 151,000 | 157,345 | 152,940 | 159,385 | 8,385 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |
| 80+ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 20,335 | 24,375 | 32,240 | 37,920 | 17,585 | 86.5 | 12.2 | 51.0 | 52.9 | 54.5 | 54.9 | 3.9 |
| Row/Townhouses | 645 | 760 | 1,165 | 1,615 | 970 | 150.4 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 0.7 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 18,905 | 20,945 | 25,770 | 29,565 | 10,660 | 56.4 | 7.4 | 47.4 | 45.5 | 43.5 | 42.8 | -4.6 |
| Total | 39,885 | 46,080 | 59,175 | 69,100 | 29,215 | 73.2 | 20.3 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Households | 903,550 | 943,030 | 979,270 | 1,047,780 | 144,230 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Note: Percent of Net Change in All Households is the 1996-2011 change in households as a proportion of the net change in all households, 144,230.
Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

The proportion of families with and without children and nonfamily households increased in row and townhouses, while multiple family households and families led by lone-parents remained fairly stable over time in this stock (see Table 5 and Figure 11).

## Increase of Children in Apartments

Families with children living in high-rise units are on the rise. In 2011, there were 10,145 more families with children living in high-rise apartments than there was 15 years earlier, representing
a 15\% increase (see Table 5). This growth of families with children in high-rise units is important because these larger households are in need of units with more bedrooms or units with additional living space. It is interesting to note that the number of families with children in groundrelated housing was generally flat over the 15-year period, despite the overall increase in households and housing stock by 46,000 units. This may be due to a variety of reasons. Families with children may be opting for higher density housing forms, or they have been unable to afford or
obtain adequate ground-related housing so have moved elsewhere.

## Decrease in Size of Apartment Units

Most of the new 3-bedroom units constructed between 1996 and 2011 were in ground-related and low-rise buildings. Although 6 of every 10 new units built in that period were in high-rise buildings, only $3.8 \%$ of these units had 3 or more bedrooms. This is $2.3 \%$, or 1 in every 43 , of all of the recently occupied dwellings (see Table 6).

Despite the increasing need for units that may accommodate families, condominium units are shrinking in size (see Figure 12). In 1996, the average size of a condominium unit was 1,087 square feet. By 2014 it had fallen to 885 square feet. ${ }^{5}$ Despite the shrinking unit size, average household size in 3-bedroom high-rise apartments since 1996 has held steady at 3.0 persons per household (see Figure 13). This confirms that many of Toronto's larger sized households are occupying Toronto's new, smaller-sized high-rise units.

In the five years between May 2006 and April 2011, the City received development proposals considered active for just over 116,000 units. Within the development approvals pipeline, 78,339 of the proposed units were for apartments (67.5\%); of these apartment units, only 3,558 (3.1\%) would have 3 or more bedrooms, while 30,471 or 26.7\% would have 2 bedrooms. Over the next three years, May 2011 to April 2014, there was an increase in the number of proposed apartment units. During this time, the City received applications for an additional 117,000 units of

Figure 9: Percent of Net Change in Households by Dwelling Type, 1996 and 2011


[^1]which 88,559 (75.7\%) were in apartments. Of these units, 27,348 (23.4\%) were proposed to have 2 bedrooms, while 6,022 (5.2\%) were proposed to have 3 or more bedrooms. ${ }^{6}$

Not all proposed units are approved and not all approved units are built. However, the residential development approvals pipeline is an indication of the potential supply over the next decade. It suggests that the supply of large apartment units in the coming decade may not match the pattern of demand observed between 1996 and 2011 and that the mismatch in local demand and the forthcoming supply will continue.

## Young Children on the Rise in Toronto's Downtown

The increase of very young children in Toronto's Downtown is most evident.

Since 2006, the Toronto region has seen a revival of population growth in its downtown core. While decades prior saw an exodus of the baby boomer families heading towards the outer-suburbs for larger and more affordable housing, the last five years have seen a very different trend. Young echo boomers have now become a key demographic. ${ }^{7}$

These individuals and young families are choosing quicker commute times, proximity to amenities, workplaces and transit, locating themselves in the downtown core's many mixed-use communities. ${ }^{8}$

Between 2006 and 2011, the number of infants and pre-school aged children aged 0 to 4 years in Downtown increased by 11\%, while the proportion of children aged 5-9 years declined by $13 \%$ over the same time period (see

## Data Alert

Household type is the category to which a person living alone or a group of persons occupying the same dwelling belong. There are two main categories: non-family households and family households.

A non-family household consists of either one person living alone or two or more persons who share a dwelling but do not constitute a family.

Family households consist of one-family households or multiple-family households.

Appendix B). This indicates that new families with very young children are on the rise in Downtown, meanwhile other families are moving elsewhere, possibly in search of larger units.

Development trends along with the overall growth of Toronto's population aged 0-4 years is contributing to the increase of families with children in apartments. But other factors are also at play, including affordability, household size and migration patterns. Toronto's Official Plan emphasizes the need for various forms of housing for large households with children and multi-family households.

## HOUSEHOLD SIZE

## Households Are Becoming Smaller

The percentage of Toronto's larger-sized households (those with 3 or more persons) has consistently decreased in each five-year time period since 1996 (see Table 7). Meanwhile, the share of one-person households rose from $28 \%$ in 1996 to $32 \%$ in 2011.

Table 4: Households by Type, 1996-2011

| Household Type | Households |  |  |  | Share (\%) |  |  |  | \% Change |  |  |  | Absolute Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1996- \\ 2001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 1996- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Share $\qquad$ <br> (\%) |
| Family Households | 591,240 | 626,475 | 634,865 | 657,105 | 65.4 | 66.4 | 64.8 | 62.7 | 6.0 | 1.3 | 3.5 | 11.1 | 65,865 | 45.6 |
| Families with Children | 278,045 | 292,815 | 289,645 | 290,030 | 30.8 | 31.0 | 29.6 | 27.7 | 5.3 | -1.1 | 0.1 | 4.3 | 11,985 | 8.3 |
| Families w ithout Children | 179,450 | 187,905 | 194,025 | 207,710 | 19.9 | 19.9 | 19.8 | 19.8 | 4.7 | 3.3 | 7.1 | 15.7 | 28,260 | 19.6 |
| Lone Parent Families | 106,635 | 111,615 | 118,555 | 128,040 | 11.8 | 11.8 | 12.1 | 12.2 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 8.0 | 20.1 | 21,405 | 14.8 |
| Multiple Families | 27,110 | 34,140 | 32,640 | 31,325 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 25.9 | -4.4 | -4.0 | 15.5 | 4,215 | 2.9 |
| Non-Family Households | 312,345 | 316,605 | 344,565 | 390,770 | 34.6 | 33.6 | 35.2 | 37.3 | 1.4 | 8.8 | 13.4 | 25.1 | 78,425 | 54.4 |
| 1 Person Households | n/a | 266,150 | 295,475 | 330,680 | - | 28.2 | 30.2 | 31.6 | - | 11.0 | 11.9 |  | - |  |
| 2+ Person Households | n/a | 50,455 | 49,040 | 60,090 | - | 5.4 | 5.0 | 5.7 | - | -2.8 | 22.5 |  | - |  |
| Total | 903,585 | 943,080 | 979,430 | 1,047,875 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 7.0 | 16.0 | 144,290 | 100.0 |

Note: Data on 1 Person and 2+ Person Households unavailable for 1996.
Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Over this period, the number of persons living alone increased by nearly 79,000 households, accounting for $55 \%$ of the net household growth. The average size of Toronto households continues to shrink. In 1996, Toronto had an average of 2.60 persons per household (PPH). By 2011, it had fallen to 2.46 PPH.

Average household size decreased for all ages of households less than 64 years in each time period (see Table 8). The 15-29 year age group exhibited the most substantial decline. These declines correspond to the changes in household type, particularly, the increase of one-person households and the increase in multi-unit buildings.

The average PPH among households 80+ years increased slightly during the 15 years. This reflects increased longevity and improved health status, which in turn, may influence the desire and ability to continue to age in place.

## Average PPH Declined in All Types of Housing

Average household size declined for all dwelling structure types

Figure 10: Percent of Senior Households by Type, 1996-2011


Families in High-Rise


Non-Families in Houses and Low-Rise



Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada


Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada
Table 5: Household Type by Dwelling Type, 1996-2011

|  | Households |  |  |  |  |  | Share (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dwelling Type | All Households | Families with Children | Families without Children | Lone Parent Families | Multiple Families | NonFamilies |  | Families with Children | Families without Children | Lone Parent Families | Multiple Families | NonFamilies |
| 1996 Hhds \& Shares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Dwellings | 903,575 | 278,050 | 179,450 | 106,630 | 27,105 | 312,340 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 525,215 | 192,880 | 114,090 | 52,990 | 19,505 | 145,750 | 58.1 | 69.4 | 63.6 | 49.7 | 72.0 | 46.7 |
| Row/Townhouses | 46,440 | 18,345 | 6,705 | 10,190 | 2,510 | 8,690 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 3.7 | 9.6 | 9.3 | 2.8 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 331,920 | 66,825 | 58,655 | 43,450 | 5,090 | 157,900 | 36.7 | 24.0 | 32.7 | 40.7 | 18.8 | 50.6 |
| 2001 Hhds \& Shares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Dwellings | 943,080 | 292,810 | 187,905 | 111,610 | 34,135 | 316,620 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 536,120 | 195,665 | 115,945 | 56,640 | 23,660 | 144,210 | 56.8 | 66.8 | 61.7 | 50.7 | 69.3 | 45.5 |
| Row/Townhouses | 52,120 | 19,245 | 8,370 | 10,825 | 3,600 | 10,080 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 4.5 | 9.7 | 10.5 | 3.2 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 354,840 | 77,900 | 63,590 | 44,145 | 6,875 | 162,330 | 37.6 | 26.6 | 33.8 | 39.6 | 20.1 | 51.3 |
| 2006 Hhds \& Shares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Dwellings | 979,270 | 289,600 | 193,995 | 118,535 | 32,625 | 344,515 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 545,060 | 192,200 | 116,735 | 60,250 | 23,080 | 152,795 | 55.7 | 66.4 | 60.2 | 50.8 | 70.7 | 44.4 |
| Row/Townhouses | 55,160 | 20,465 | 9,430 | 11,520 | 3,150 | 10,595 | 5.6 | 7.1 | 4.9 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 3.1 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 379,050 | 76,935 | 67,830 | 46,765 | 6,395 | 181,125 | 38.7 | 26.6 | 35.0 | 39.5 | 19.6 | 52.6 |
| 2011 Hhds \& Shares |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Dwellings | 1,047,770 | 289,975 | 207,695 | 128,035 | 31,320 | 390,745 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 557,030 | 191,080 | 119,320 | 62,425 | 22,505 | 161,700 | 53.2 | 65.9 | 57.4 | 48.8 | 71.9 | 41.4 |
| Row/Townhouses | 60,660 | 21,925 | 10,765 | 12,455 | 3,165 | 12,350 | 5.8 | 7.6 | 5.2 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 3.2 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 430,080 | 76,970 | 77,610 | 53,155 | 5,650 | 216,695 | 41.0 | 26.5 | 37.4 | 41.5 | 18.0 | 55.5 |
| 1996-2011 Changes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Dwellings | 144,195 | 11,925 | 28,245 | 21,405 | 4,215 | 78,405 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 31,815 | -1,800 | 5,230 | 9,435 | 3,000 | 15,950 | 22.1 | -15.1 | 18.5 | 44.1 | 71.2 | 20.3 |
| Row/Townhouses | 14,220 | 3,580 | 4,060 | 2,265 | 655 | 3,660 | 9.9 | 30.0 | 14.4 | 10.6 | 15.5 | 4.7 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 98,160 | 10,145 | 18,955 | 9,705 | 560 | 58,795 | 68.1 | 85.1 | 67.1 | 45.3 | 13.3 | 75.0 |

Note: Table 4 and Table 5 contain similar data however they represent different Statistics Canada data sources.
Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada
from 1996 to 2011 (see Table 9). Although the average PPH of row and townhouses stood at 3.05 in 2011, the highest of the dwelling types, it also represented the largest decline since 1996.

In the 15 years between 1996 and 2011, the average household size in houses built before 1996
declined in houses and low-rises and in row and townhouses (see Table 10). Since then, it continued to decrease with the exception of an increase in row and townhouses between 1991 and 1996.

Average household size declined in high-rise apartments,

Figure 12: Average Size of Resale Condominium Apartments in Toronto, 1996-2014


Note: Average sizes represent 4th quarter data
Source: Urbanation Inc., special tabulation for the City of Toronto

Figure 13: Average Household Size by Number of Bedrooms in High Rise Apartments by Period of Construction


Source: 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada
decreasing from 2.16 PPH in 1996 to 2.04 PPH in 2011; however the average PPH varies by the vintage of the units they occupy. The 2011 NHS results show that average household size in units built before 1961 was larger than it was at the time of the 1996 Census. The average size of the units built since 1996 is lower than the 2.04 average for high-rise apartments city-wide, reflecting the smaller physical size of the newer units.

## Average Size of Families and Non-Families by Period of Construction

The average household size for families living in houses and lowrise apartments has fluctuated over time. In 2011, there was a lower average household size for low-rise dwellings constructed during all periods compared to 1996. In row and townhouses, average family size decreased over time regardless of the age of the housing stock (see Table 11).

The average PPH rose in 2011 versus units built in 1991-1996 and continued to rise in houses and low-rises in units built up to 2006. In 2011, there was a general decrease in average size of family households in high-rises for all decades with a noticeable drop at the 1981 and 1996 mark. The average family household size for families living in high-rise apartments constructed before 1961 is larger than those living in more recently built high-rise units. The average family household size was higher in 2011 than 1996 for all periods, except between 1961-1980.

Thus Toronto's older purpose-built rental apartment units, which are relatively larger in size compared to newly constructed condominium apartment units, house larger-sized families.

Table 6: Dwellings by Period of Construction, 1996-2011

| Number of Bedrooms | Dwellings Built 1996-2011 |  |  |  |  | \% Dwellings Built |  |  | \% Dwellings by Type |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Dwellings | \% | Houses \& LowRises | Rowl- <br> Townhouses |  | Houses \& LowRises | Row $/-$ <br> Townhouses | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Apts } \\ 5+ \\ \text { Storeys } \end{array}$ | Houses \& LowRises | Rowl- <br> Townhouses |  |
| Total | 160,595 | 100.0 | 43,720 | 17,140 | 99,735 | 27.2 | 10.7 | 62.1 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No bedroom | 9,715 | 6.0 | 1,560 | 265 | 7,890 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 4.9 | 3.6 | 1.5 | 7.9 |
| 1 bedroom | 56,265 | 35.0 | 6,130 | 1,375 | 48,760 | 3.8 | 0.9 | 30.4 | 14.0 | 8.0 | 48.9 |
| 2 bedrooms | 51,130 | 31.8 | 7,515 | 4,275 | 39,340 | 4.7 | 2.7 | 24.5 | 17.2 | 24.9 | 39.4 |
| 3+ bedrooms | 43,485 | 27.1 | 28,515 | 11,225 | 3,745 | 17.8 | 7.0 | 2.3 | 65.2 | 65.5 | 3.8 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada
Table 7: Households by Size, 1996-2011

|  | Households |  |  |  | Absolute Change |  |  |  | Share (\%) |  |  |  | \% Change |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Household Size | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| 1 person | 251,930 | 266,630 | 295,825 | 330,680 | 14,700 | 29,195 | 34,855 | 78,750 | 27.9 | 28.3 | 30.2 | 31.6 | 5.8 | 10.9 | 11.8 | 31.3 |
| 2 persons | 263,260 | 271,750 | 282,685 | 307,575 | 8,490 | 10,935 | 24,890 | 44,315 | 29.1 | 28.8 | 28.9 | 29.4 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 8.8 | 16.8 |
| 3 persons | 149,615 | 156,795 | 161,440 | 168,695 | 7,180 | 4,645 | 7,255 | 19,080 | 16.6 | 16.6 | 16.5 | 16.1 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 4.5 | 12.8 |
| 4-5 persons | 197,595 | 205,340 | 200,735 | 203,070 | 7,745 | - 4,605 | 2,335 | 5,475 | 21.9 | 21.8 | 20.5 | 19.4 | 3.9 | -2.2 | 1.2 | 2.8 |
| $6+$ persons | 41,175 | 42,565 | 38,645 | 37,850 | 1,390 | - 3,920 | - 795 | - 3,325 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.4 | -9.2 | -2.1 | -8.1 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

## Table 8: Average PPH by Age of PHM, 1996-2011

| Age of PHM | Average PPH |  |  |  | Change |  |  |  | \% Change |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| 15-29 | 2.24 | 2.16 | 2.03 | 1.97 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -3.9 | -5.9 | -2.9 | -12.2 |
| 30-44 | 2.92 | 2.91 | 2.79 | 2.70 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -4.0 | -3.4 | -7.6 |
| 45-64 | 2.86 | 2.85 | 2.80 | 2.75 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -2.1 | -1.8 | -3.9 |
| 65-79 | 1.97 | 1.99 | 1.99 | 1.97 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.1 | -1.1 | -0.5 |
| 80+ | 1.55 | 1.59 | 1.60 | 1.70 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 5.9 | 9.8 |
| All Households | 2.60 | 2.60 | 2.52 | 2.46 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -3.0 | -2.4 | -5.6 |

Source: 1996. 2001. 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survev.Statistics Canada
Table 9: Average Household Size by Dwelling Type, 1996-2011

| Dwelling Type | Average Size |  |  |  | Change |  |  |  | \% Change |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| All Dwellings | 2.60 | 2.60 | 2.52 | 2.46 | 0.00 | -0.08 | -0.06 | -0.14 | 0.00 | -3.08 | -2.45 | -5.45 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 2.82 | 2.80 | 2.74 | 2.72 | -0.02 | -0.06 | -0.02 | -0.10 | -0.60 | -2.21 | -0.80 | -3.58 |
| Row/Townhouses | 3.36 | 3.21 | 3.13 | 3.05 | -0.15 | -0.08 | -0.08 | -0.31 | -4.44 | -2.59 | -2.63 | -9.36 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 2.16 | 2.20 | 2.11 | 2.04 | 0.04 | -0.08 | -0.07 | -0.12 | 1.84 | -3.78 | -3.47 | -5.40 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table 10: Average PPH by Period of Construction and Dwelling Type, 1996-2011

| Age of Housing Stock | 1996 |  |  |  | 2011 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Houses \& Low-Rises | Row \& Townhouses | Apts 5+ <br> Storeys | Total | Houses \& Low-Rises | Row \& Townhouses | Apts 5+ Storeys |
| All Years | 2.60 | 2.82 | 3.36 | 2.16 | 2.46 | 2.69 | 2.99 | 2.04 |
| Before 1946 | 2.56 | 2.58 | 2.79 | 1.98 | 2.48 | 2.51 | 2.54 | 2.06 |
| 1946-1960 | 2.52 | 2.60 | 3.48 | 2.04 | 1.69 | 2.55 | 3.20 | 2.09 |
| 1961-1970 | 2.57 | 2.95 | 3.63 | 2.17 | 2.50 | 2.75 | 3.30 | 2.16 |
| 1971-1980 | 2.72 | 3.39 | 3.47 | 2.27 | 2.52 | 2.90 | 3.14 | 2.16 |
| 1981-1990 | 2.78 | 3.72 | 3.40 | 2.07 | 2.55 | 3.14 | 3.25 | 2.10 |
| 1991-1996 | 2.39 | 3.18 | 3.05 | 2.04 | 2.42 | 3.06 | 3.13 | 2.09 |
| 1996-2001 |  |  |  |  | 2.47 | 3.16 | 2.99 | 1.95 |
| 2001-2006 |  |  |  |  | 2.28 | 3.21 | 2.95 | 1.72 |
| 2006-2011 |  |  |  |  | 2.04 | 2.90 | 2.83 | 1.68 |

Notes: Numbers in "green" indicate where the average PPH has increased for same dwelling type and period of construction from between 1996 and 2011. Numbers in "red" indicate where the average PPH has decreased between 1996 and 2011.

Source: 1996 Census and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table 11: Average PPH of Families and Non-Families by Age of Stock and Dwelling Type, 1996-2011

| 1996 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Family Households |  |  | Non-Family Households |  |  |
| Age of Housing Stock | Houses \& Low-Rises | Rowl Townhouses | Apts <br> 5+ Storeys | Houses \& Low-Rises | Rowl Townhouses | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Apts } \\ 5+\text { Storeys } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Before 1946 | 3.26 | 3.46 | 3.02 | 1.32 | 1.53 | 1.15 |
| 1946-1960 | 3.18 | 3.90 | 3.02 | 1.26 | 1.52 | 1.15 |
| 1961-1970 | 3.42 | 3.93 | 3.07 | 1.31 | 1.56 | 1.18 |
| 1971-1980 | 3.79 | 3.80 | 3.16 | 1.35 | 1.53 | 1.17 |
| 1981-1990 | 4.08 | 3.78 | 2.87 | 1.42 | 1.63 | 1.19 |
| 1991-1995 | 3.82 | 3.58 | 2.88 | 1.22 | 1.29 | 1.15 |
| All Years | 3.40 | 3.78 | 3.05 | 1.30 | 1.54 | 1.17 |


| 2011 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Family Households |  |  | Non-Family Households |  |  |
| Age of Housing Stock | Houses \& Low-Rises | Rowl Townhouses | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Apts } \\ 5+\text { Storeys } \end{array}$ | Houses \& Low-Rises | Rowl Townhouses | Apts 5+ Storeys |
| Before 1946 | 3.12 | 3.09 | 3.06 | 1.27 | 1.24 | 1.15 |
| 1946 to 1960 | 3.19 | 3.78 | 3.10 | 1.21 | 1.37 | 1.15 |
| 1961 to 1970 | 3.33 | 3.67 | 3.06 | 1.24 | 1.52 | 1.15 |
| 1971 to 1980 | 3.46 | 3.56 | 3.06 | 1.29 | 1.32 | 1.16 |
| 1981 to 1990 | 3.65 | 3.65 | 2.95 | 1.30 | 1.31 | 1.17 |
| 1991 to 1995 | 3.69 | 3.57 | 2.94 | 1.25 | 1.16 | 1.15 |
| 1996 to 2000 | 3.68 | 3.44 | 2.78 | 1.30 | 1.27 | 1.15 |
| 2001 to 2005 | 3.72 | 3.41 | 2.53 | 1.28 | 1.36 | 1.13 |
| 2006 to 2010 | 3.55 | 3.28 | 2.49 | 1.29 | 1.26 | 1.15 |
| All Years | 3.32 | 3.49 | 2.94 | 1.25 | 1.32 | 1.15 |

Note: Compared to the 1996 Census, data in "green" denotes an increase, "red" a decrease and "black" no change.
Source: 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

The average size of non-family households generally declined in houses, low-rise apartments and in row/townhouses built before 2000. In high-rise apartments, the average size of non-family households did not vary regardless of construction date. This is important because high-rise apartments comprise the bulk of the new housing supply and nonfamily households are a significant component of its occupants. This suggests that the change in average PPH of high-rise apartments may level off.

## MIGRATION

## Net Migration Declines

Toronto is one of Canada's major urban centres and year after year increasing numbers of people choose to make Toronto their home. While enhancing Toronto's cultural diversity, migrants, as a main source of population growth, place an added demand for housing.

In the years between 2001 and 2006, Toronto received 251,400 immigrants and refugees.

Figure 14: Net Migration by Age Group, 2001-2011

"between 2000 and 2010, changes in the use of immigration programs and in source countries accounted for approximately 40\% of the decline in the share of new migrants settling in Toronto" ${ }^{10}$

## TENURE

## Affordability for Owners versus

 RentersThe average price of owning a home (in constant 1995 dollars) increased 61\% from $\$ 215,176$ to $\$ 347,365$ between 1995 and 2010; meanwhile, homeowners' median household income grew by only $18 \%$. Insofar as interest rates have remained low, the average house payment-toincome ratio remained steady at $26.4 \%$ in 2010; affordability for homeowners remained fairly stable (see Appendix D).

For renter households, both rent and incomes fluctuated over time. Average rents (in constant 1995 dollars) increased from a low of $\$ 729$ a month in 1995 to a high of $\$ 825$ in 2000 then dropped in the two consecutive periods to $\$ 772$ a month in 2010, resulting in a 6\% increase in average monthly market rent overall. Over this same period, median renter income rose by $21 \%$, and rent-toincome ratios fell from $30.6 \%$ in 1995 to $26.8 \%$ 2010, showing an improvement in rental housing affordability (see note in Appendix D).

Housing affordability is a major concern to owners and renters. However, owners with mortgages are building equity and ultimately future wealth, whereas renters are not. Owners also have the option of renting out flats or basement apartments to reduce carrying costs. In 2011, 28\% of owners were spending a third or more of their income on housing in 2011, up from $11 \%$ in 2001. Meanwhile, $44 \%$ of renters were spending
$30 \%$ or more of their income on housing in 2011, up from $21 \%$ ten years earlier. Income disparity, limited rental supply, low vacancy rates, single income households, and tight market conditions have greatly contributed to Toronto's growing housing affordability problems.

## Increased Ownership of Small Units

The total number of owner households increased between 1996 and 2011. Home ownership in high-rises contributed the most to this growth with an increase of 82,375 units, nearly double that of owners in houses and low-rise apartments. The share of home ownership grew by $11 \%$ in highrises, while it decreased by $13 \%$ in houses and low-rise apartments between 1996 and 2011 (see Table 12).

Home ownership in high-rise and row and townhomes increased in all age cohorts. However, in 2011, home ownership in the age cohort 15-29 was five times what it was in 1996; for those in ages $30-44$, it was 2.8 times, and for those 45-64 years it was 2.5 times. Ownership also grew among households 45-64 years and 80+ years in houses and lowrise apartments, by 36,520 and 16,335 respectively.

Occupancy rates as shown in Figure 15 reveal an increasing proportion in ownership apartments among all households, including the firsttime home buyers' group and those near or entering retirement. Some of this is due to housing costs or the increase in single occupant households who are supported by a single income.

Although highly desired, single detached housing is the most expensive type of housing in City of Toronto. As of December

2014, the average resale price for a detached house was $\$ 934,039$, nearly $40 \%$ more than the cost of an average condominium apartment at $\$ 387,612$. Condominium unit sales are almost double that of singledetached dwellings. ${ }^{11}$ As stated by CMHC in their 2014 Condominium Owners Report as of August 2014, condominium apartments address the needs of a diverse clientele. "For first time buyers, condominiums can be a relatively more affordable housing option. For empty nesters, they can represent a lower maintenance housing unit. For some condominium owners, condominiums may represent an investment vehicle in the housing market. ${ }^{12}$

The ownership rate of households 80 years of age and older in houses and low-rises increased between 1996 and 2006, and has remained flat. In 2011, 49\% of all $80+$ year olds lived in houses or low-rise apartments. The share of owners in row and townhouses by age of the PHM varied little over the 15 -year period.

## Change in Renter Occupancy Rates

For the last decade and a half, the total number of renter households has not changed significantly, but their occupancy has. The total number of renter households grew only slightly from 474,520 in 1996 to 476,050 in 2011. The number of renter households in apartments in Toronto high-rises increased $3 \%$ or by 15,785 households. About 6 of every 10 renter households were living in a rented high-rise apartment unit in 2011 (see Table 12).

The increase in high-rise rentals is largely due to the substantial number of condominium apartments coming on to the rental market.

According to CMHC, 31.3\% of the condominium units in the City were rented as of October 2014, up from 27.6\% in 2013 and 23.6\% in 2012. In 2013, the vacancy rate of rented condominium apartments stood at 1.7\%, almost the same rate as for the purposebuilt market (1.6\%), thus attracting large numbers of renters. As of October 2014, the vacancy rate of rented condominium apartments had declined to $1.3 \%$ signifying an increased demand for condominium rentals. ${ }^{13}$

Despite the increase in condominium rentals, the majority of renters live in purpose-built rental apartments or in Toronto's secondary housing market (such as rented rooms, flats, basement apartments). ${ }^{14}$ However there has been only a modest increase in the supply of private rental housing units. In 2014, the number of private rental units totalled 261,098 versus 249,408 in 1996, an increase of only 11,690 units or 650 units annually since 1996. ${ }^{15}$ Furthermore, private rental apartment vacancy rates averaged under 1\%
between 1996 and 2001, peaked at $4.3 \%$ in 2004 , and has since decreased to $1.6 \%$ in $2014 .{ }^{16}$

Demand for purpose-built rental is unlikely to be fully addressed in the near future. In 2011, 45\% of all Toronto households were renters. Development proposals received by the City between May 2006 and April 2011 considered active contain 48,642 rental units out of 99,801 units in total, or $49 \%$ of the potential near-term supply. However, over the next three years, May 2011 to April 2014, there were only 24,243 rental

Figure 15: Occupancy Rates by Tenure, 1996-2011

units proposed out of 110,879 units in total, representing only $22 \%$ of the supply.

Insofar as some of the proposed units are condominiums that are likely to be rented, these potential rental units should also be considered as part of the rental supply. If we take into consideration the $27.6 \%$ of all condominium units that were rented as of 2013, then 38,031 additional units of the potential supply to 2014 might also be available for rent. ${ }^{17}$ This compares unfavourably with a current rental demand that represents $45 \%$ of all households in 2014, suggesting a growing mismatch between the demand for rental housing and the potential supply.

## A LOOK BACK

## Households and Housing Choices

The City of Toronto's housing stock and household composition has changed noticeably from 1996 to 2011. Demographic change and social trends, such as housing affordability, household equity, change of household formation and delay in having children, affect the demand for housing types.

There was a net increase of 144,230 households between 1996 and 2011. Of these households, $68 \%$ were living in high-rise apartments, $22 \%$ were in houses and low-rise apartments, and $10 \%$ were in row and townhouses. Of the total households in 2011, 60\% of them were 45 years of age or older.

There has been a substantial shift into high-rise apartment units by households of almost all ages, with demand being strongest for households under the age of 44 . This shift has been driven partially
by the condominium market which has accounted for 7 of every 10 net new units added to Toronto's housing stock. With the increase in supply and favourable market conditions (low interest and lending rates), ownership tenure of these now affordable, yet smaller units, has increased substantially in high-rises. Conversely, there has been shift out of houses and low-rise apartments among households aged 15-29 and 30-44 years.

The relative share of households 45-64 also declined in groundrelated housing, although in absolute terms the number of households occupying these dwellings increased due to aging of the population into this age cohort over the 15-year period.

Row and townhouses have provided a market niche for households 65-79 years or who are close to retirement age and who wish to downsize yet still build equity. Lastly, Toronto's share of senior households 80+ years of age are aging in place. This will be a growing share of occupied households. In time, the turnover of large amounts of ground-related housing will provide opportunities for younger generations with larger families, multi-generational households and non-family households.

## Household Type

Over time, the changes in household type have been considerable. The growth rate of non-family households outpaced that of family households.

The absolute number of nonfamily households grew by $25 \%$ or 78,500 households, between 1996 and 2011, accounting for $54 \%$ of Toronto's net household growth. As well, their share of the total households increased from $34.6 \%$ in 1996 to $37.3 \%$ in 2011.

Families without children and lone-parent families increased significantly between 1996 and 2011 ( $16 \%$ and 20\% respectively), however their share of the total households remained unwavering. Families with children had marginal growth at 4\%. Families with children continue to be the primary type of household living in houses and low-rise apartments, while non-families dominate high-rise apartment market. However, there has been a shift into high-rise apartments among families with children under the age of 5 years, especially in Toronto's Downtown. Accommodating the increased demand of families with growing children in high-rises may prove to be difficult with the shortfall of large-size units and the decrease in physical size of these units. With the lack of supply, there is an increasing number of family households with young children migrating to the Rest of the GTA in search of more affordable and larger homes.

## Household Size

Toronto households have become smaller. The average size of households declined for all households between the ages of 15 to 64 years. Cohorts in the 1529 year age group showed the greatest decline. Average household size among households 65-79 years remained almost unchanged. Households 80+ years and over had the lowest average PPH of all five cohort groups.

The average size of family households declined in groundrelated dwellings. It also declined in recently built high-rise apartment units, while in older high-rise apartment units average family size increased. No substantial differences were found in the average size of non-family
households in high-rises, regardless of the age of the stock.

Research indicates that young adults are delaying marriage, having fewer children, and taking longer to live independently. As well, many households in the 45 to 64 year cohort are near or entering retirement, or becoming empty nesters. These life events may help to explain why the number of persons living alone accounted for over half of the household growth between 1996 and 2011. These changes in family structure are important because there is a strong relationship between household size and unit size - namely, smaller households require smaller dwellings and larger households require bigger dwellings. The growth of smaller households has contributed heavily to the demand for multiunit structures. Over the past 18 years, $78 \%$ of all housing completions or nearly 8 out of every 10 new units have been either low or high-rise condominium units which have become smaller over time.

The decline in average PPH is slowing in the new stock by period of construction and as the large stock of ground-related housing turns over, the average PPH will rise in those parts of the city characterized by this kind of housing. Due to demographic and social changes since World War II, it is unlikely that the average PPH will rise to Baby Boom levels, but the past 15 years have shown remarkable variety in average PPH by dwelling type by period of construction in cyclical patterns across the city. These cyclical patterns need to be considered in establishing long-term planning policies.

## Renters and Owners

Toronto renters and the City's rental housing stock is a key concern for the City.

In Toronto, the income gap between owners and renters has widened substantially (see Appendix D). As prices escalate home ownership may no longer be an affordable option for many. With the increase in single occupant households with a single income, affordability issues arise. Despite the recent decline in net migration, demand for high-rise rental apartments remains strong due to the increase in the number of renters and household formation rates in high-rises.

The vacancy rate of rented condominium apartments in 2014 was 1.3\% (down from 2013), despite a significantly higher average market rent. At the same time, there has also been no substantial increase in the purpose-built rental supply in recent years, keeping the demand for rental housing high as evidenced by the fact that almost half of all Toronto households rent.

Low vacancy rates create a situation where existing tenants stay put, leaving new potential renters to seek other housing options; this signals to the market a perceived unmet need. The average household size is larger in the City's older apartment stock, which suggests that many of these renters are families with children. It also suggests doubling up, crowding or the presence of multi-generational families living together to cut costs as affordability has decreased over time.

Ownership housing has increased over the last 15 years, most notably in high-rises. Along with low interest and lending rates,
recently built high-rise condominium units have attracted thousands of new owners as well as investors. Contributing to the increased supply and demand are changes in relative prices. In 2014, the average price of a lowrise home in the Greater Toronto Area was \$705,813, up 8\% from the year before, while the average price of a high-rise unit rose just $4 \%$ to $\$ 454,476 .{ }^{18}$ The number of owned condominium units in highrises rose steadily for households of all ages, especially for those aged 30-44 and 45-64 years.

Despite escalating house prices, the number of households owning houses or low-rise units increased for households 15-29, 45-64, and 80+ years of age, with the 45-64 cohort showing the largest increase of $25 \%$. The number of owned row and townhouses also increased for households of all ages.

Looking back to 1996, changing demographics and market trends have influenced the types of housing demanded. Demand for high-rise apartments, row and townhouses increased, while the supply of houses and low-rise apartments increased more slowly. Demand varied in response to age, life events and changing social norms. These factors along with affordability, availability of supply, and development trends have signaled different preferences to the housing market.

## A LOOK AHEAD

Toronto continues to experience a rapid rate of development. At present, there are 130 high-rise buildings under construction, more than any other city in North America. ${ }^{19}$

In the coming years, Toronto's population will continue to grow
and its age profile will change, placing an increased demand for housing. People will live longer and the number of senior citizens will rise dramatically. "Those over 65 years of age will represent an increasing share of the total population, up from $12.8 \%$ in 1996 to $16.5 \%$ by 2031. Meanwhile, the share of children as a percentage of Toronto's total population is expected to increase minimally, from $16.6 \%$ in 1996 to $16.7 \%$ in 2031". ${ }^{20}$

By 2011, the leading edge of Toronto's Baby Boomers became senior citizens and reached retirement age, the time in life when people often re-think their housing needs. As they retired, some downsized, others moved to retirement communities or relocated to be near children or family members, while others stayed put. These changes paved the way for their children, the Echo Boomers, to enter the housing market for the first time. Future housing demand will be greatly affected by the housing decisions of this cohort due to their size and general affluence. In time, the ground-related and low-rise housing largely occupied by older households will be replaced by the next generation, but unlike their predecessors who entered the buying market in the 1970s, they will face a different economic climate, one of slow prolonged economic growth. The Conference Board of Canada's Canadian Outlook: Long-Term Economic Forecast observes: "Beyond 2014, economic growth will be restrained by the exodus of baby boomers from the labour market, a dominant trend that will continue until 2028."21 If the Echo Boomers can afford the groundrelated housing of their parents, demand will remain high; if not, demand will slow and house prices will soften.

The extent to which present-day owners of single-family dwellings age in place and the pace at which they shift to other types of housing, will continue to affect the availability of houses to young family households. Current data shows that senior households prefer to stay in their homes, thus we can expect low turnover rates to continue for some time. Given these trends we can also expect the number of families with children in high-rises to grow, indicating a need for larger units in terms of number of bedrooms and physical space.

Over the next few years, condominium apartments in the Toronto's development pipeline will continue to account for an increasing share of Toronto's housing stock, appealing to a variety of households of all ages, and especially to the young millennials who wish an urban lifestyle. Statistics show that 2014 set another record for Toronto's condominium rental market, demonstrating continued demand in the absence of any substantial increase in purpose-built rental housing stock. ${ }^{22}$ Furthermore, while mortgage lending rates remain low, there is no sign of an investor-market slow-down.

Over the past 15 years, demographic change, growth in the condominium market, and assorted social and economic factors have all lead to an increase in smaller-size households. This trend is expected to continue as the average size of households in Toronto will continue to decline for most ages in most dwelling types. As noted by the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation, "non-family households, the vast majority of which are households comprising one person, are expected to show the strongest pace of growth,
women are expected to continue outliving men, contributing to a growing number of one-person households.

Also contributing to the rise in gains in one-person household is the trend of non-senior adults living alone, which is expected to persist. ${ }^{23}$ Nevertheless, the average number of persons per household will not decline in perpetuity, and can be expected to rise in neighbourhoods where ground-related housing turns over from senior households to younger families.

## A LOOK AT GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Toronto is on its way to meeting the future demand for housing. "City Council has approved an average of 21,952 residential units per year over the last five years (2010-2014), and a large proportion of the development proposed in that period has yet to be built indicating a continuation of strong construction activity in Toronto". ${ }^{24}$ Furthermore, residential development and population growth are on track to meet the Provincial Growth Plan forecast and Official Plan target of 3.19 million people in 2031 and 3.40 million people in 2041. ${ }^{25}$ The types and tenures of housing needed to accommodate this growth is a key policy issue, as there appears to be little gain in purpose-built rental stock, seniors are aging in place and the City has no room to grow outward.

Toronto's Official Plan provides a strategic vision for housing. It sets the policy direction for how physical growth will occur, and where it should occur in terms of its social, environment, economic and built form policies. The Plan endeavours to maintain and expand the City's housing stock, provides for a range of housing

Table 12: Households by Tenure. Age of PHM and Dwelling Type, 1996-2011

| Owner Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | $1996$ <br> Row/Town house | Apt 5+ <br> Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | $2001$ <br> Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ <br> Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | $2006$ <br> Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ <br> Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | $2011$ <br> Row/Town house | Apt 5+ <br> Storeys | Housel <br> LowRise | 1996-2011 <br> Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ <br> Storeys |
| 15-29 | 9,695 | 950 | 3,175 | 8,805 | 1,025 | 5,935 | 9,490 | 1,645 | 9,465 | 11,015 | 1,740 | 14,745 | 1,320 | 790 | 11,570 |
| 30-44 | 95,655 | 9,160 | 14,290 | 101,555 | 11,025 | 21,740 | 99,150 | 12,765 | 33,810 | 88,025 | 12,745 | 40,825 | $(7,630)$ | 3,585 | 26,535 |
| 45-64 | 146,200 | 10,950 | 17,400 | 153,720 | 14,080 | 24,580 | 170,205 | 17,440 | 34,210 | 182,720 | 20,730 | 44,300 | 36,520 | 9,780 | 26,900 |
| 65-79 | 82,270 | 3,120 | 13,895 | 85,930 | 4,435 | 17,310 | 80,775 | 4,910 | 19,495 | 78,530 | 5,765 | 22,590 | $(3,740)$ | 2,645 | 8,695 |
| 80+ | 17,820 | 535 | 3,785 | 21,585 | 555 | 5,615 | 28,935 | 980 | 9,175 | 34,155 | 1,390 | 12,460 | 16,335 | 855 | 8,675 |
| Total | 351,640 | 24,715 | 52,545 | 371,595 | 31,120 | 75,180 | 388,555 | 37,740 | 106,155 | 394,445 | 42,370 | 134,920 | 42,805 | 17,655 | 82,375 |
| Share | 82\% | 6\% | 12\% | 78\% | 7\% | 16\% | 73\% | 7\% | 20\% | 69\% | 7\% | 24\% | -13\% | 2\% | 11\% |
| \% Change vs. 1996 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12\% | 71\% | 157\% |
| Renter Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1996 |  |  | 2001 |  |  | 2006 |  |  | 2011 |  |  | 1996-2011 |  |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Row/Town house | Apt 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ <br> Storeys | Housel LowRise | Row/Townhouse | Apt 5+ Storeys |
| 15-29 | 42,315 | 3,030 | 44,420 | 36,070 | 2,450 | 39,075 | 31,935 | 2,175 | 43,150 | 33,760 | 1,715 | 52,465 | $(8,555)$ | $(1,315)$ | 8,045 |
| 30-44 | 80,700 | 10,620 | 110,340 | 73,245 | 9,380 | 107,905 | 63,485 | 6,910 | 96,040 | 57,115 | 6,445 | 94,770 | $(23,585)$ | $(4,175)$ | $(15,570)$ |
| 45-64 | 37,215 | 6,795 | 69,640 | 40,435 | 7,440 | 75,865 | 46,835 | 6,925 | 81,475 | 55,025 | 8,375 | 92,790 | 17,810 | 1,580 | 23,150 |
| 65-79 | 10,695 | 1,160 | 39,850 | 10,060 | 1,350 | 38,160 | 10,920 | 1,210 | 35,635 | 12,920 | 1,540 | 38,035 | 2,225 | 380 | $(1,815)$ |
| 80+ | 2,500 | 120 | 15,120 | 2,770 | 210 | 15,320 | 3,305 | 180 | 16,595 | 3,755 | 235 | 17,105 | 1,255 | 115 | 1,985 |
| Total | 173,425 | 21,725 | 279,370 | 162,580 | 20,830 | 276,325 | 156,480 | 17,400 | 272,895 | 162,575 | 18,310 | 295,165 | $(10,850)$ | $(3,415)$ | 15,795 |
| Share | 37\% | 5\% | 59\% | 35\% | 5\% | 60\% | 35\% | 4\% | 61\% | 34\% | 4\% | 62\% | -2\% | -1\% | 3\% |
| \% Change vs. 1996 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -6\% | -16\% | 6\% |

Note: These figures represent the occupancy status of households as reported through the Census, and thus show households in rented condominium units as renter households.
Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survev, Statistics Canada
options in terms of structure, size, tenure and affordability. It encourages residential intensification in the Downtown, Centres and along major roads identified as Avenues and on other large sites designated as Mixed Use Areas in places close to transit, amenities and employment. Policies are also in place to protect Toronto's rental housing stock from conversion or demolition and to encourage new rental and affordable housing opportunities.

At present, specific housing policies within the City's Official Plan are under review. Under this review, the affordable housing provisions, as well as new policies to support larger apartment units suitable to households with children, are being considered so that in the years to come, Toronto will continue to be the city of choice for individuals and families.

The City has requested the Province to enable the City to enact inclusionary zoning powers for affordable housing to assist the City to effectively provide a full range of housing needs.

## APPENDICES

## APPENDIX A - METHODOLOGY

This Profile contains data from both the 2011 National Household Survey (NHS) and the 1996, 2001, 2006 and 2011 Censuses of Canada.

It examines households living in private dwellings occupied by its usual residents. A private dwelling is a dwelling in which a person or a group of persons permanently reside. Information on the NHS and the Census does not include information on collective dwellings. Collective dwellings are used for commercial, institutional or communal purposes, such as a hotel or a hospital.

In June 2010 Statistics Canada discontinued the long-form Census replacing it with the National Household Survey (NHS). However, the questions contained on the long-form Census became part of the NHS along with some additional questions.

The NHS was conducted in May 9,2011 the same day as the 2011
Census. The NHS was distributed to one out of every three households and participation was voluntary. In contrast, the Census was distributed to one out of every five households in Canada and participation was mandatory. The NHS data in this Profile include custom tabulated data on Structural Type of Dwelling; Families and Households; Age of the PHM; Number of Bedrooms, Period of Construction, Tenure, Mobility and Migration; and Income data. Census data include: Population counts by Age.

## Reclassification of Dwelling Type Data

In 2006, Statistics Canada made changes that resulted in the reclassification of ground-related dwellings that was different from the way Dwelling Type data was collected in the past.

Prior to the 2006 Census, single and semi-detached dwelling structures that contained apartments could have been classified as either singledetached or semi-detached structures. In 2006, groundrelated dwellings with apartments were classified as apartments or flats in duplexes, units in apartments with less than 5 storeys.

Any change in the classification of dwelling units impacts our understanding of housing demand. To effectively deal with the re-classification issue, the dwelling structure data types were re-grouped into three dwelling structure types: houses and lowrise units; row/townhouses; and apartment units in buildings with 5 or more storeys. Houses and lowrise units include single and semidetached houses, apartments or flats in duplexes, units in apartments with less than 5 storeys and other dwellings such as mobile homes. It is our hypothesis that structures originally built as detached or semi-detached homes which were converted over the years to include multiple units were reclassified in 2006 as "duplexes" or "apartments under 5 storeys". Consequently, in order to maintain a consistent set of dwelling types both before and after 2006, the dwelling types have been collapsed into three types:
(1) ground-related houses, duplexes and apartments in buildings under 5 storeys;
(2) row and townhouses; and
(3) apartments in buildings of 5 or
more storeys. With the 2011 Census and the introduction of the NHS in 2011, Statistics Canada classified the dwelling type data as it did in 2006, thus the data reclassification used throughout this bulletin allows comparisons to be made over time. See the tables below.

However, not all NHS data should be compared to the Census data. The NHS is a voluntary instrument and as such introduces a certain amount of bias into its results which cannot be controlled. M.A. Sheikh in The National Household Survey 2011: An Evaluation (forthcoming) demonstrated that when dwelling type data is broken down to the Census tract level there are large differences in response rates making the data unreliable. For this reason, analysis by dwelling type should not be generalized to the Census tract level. ${ }^{26}$ Results presented throughout this bulletin represent findings for the City of Toronto as a whole. For further information, see Appendix F - Data Notes.

Appendix A: Dwelling Units by Type, 1996, 2001, 2006 and 2011

| Dwelling Type | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | Absolute Change |  |  | Percent Change |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Dwellings | \% | Dwellings | \% | Dwellings | \% | Dwellings | \% | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \end{array}$ |
| Single Detached | 285,375 | 31.6 | 300,925 | 31.9 | 266,880 | 27.3 | 274,815 | 26.2 | 15,550 | 34,045 | 7,935 | 5.4 | -11.3 | 3.0 |
| Semi-detached | 84,625 | 9.4 | 91,015 | 9.7 | 69,465 | 7.1 | 73,635 | 7.0 | 6,390 | 21,550 | 4,170 | 7.6 | -23.7 | 6.0 |
| Row/Townhouse | 46,440 | 5.1 | 52,315 | 5.5 | 54,685 | 5.6 | 60,660 | 5.8 | 5,875 | 2,370 | 5,975 | 12.7 | 4.5 | 10.9 |
| Duplexes | 29,440 | 3.3 | 23,795 | 2.5 | 44,100 | 4.5 | 43,005 | 4.1 | -5,645 | 20,305 | -1,095 | -19.2 | 85.3 | -2.5 |
| Apt < 5 Storeys | 122,545 | 13.6 | 116,915 | 12.4 | 162,980 | 16.6 | 163,435 | 41.0 | -5,630 | 46,065 | 455 | -4.6 | 39.4 | 0.3 |
| Apt 5+ Storeys | 331,930 | 36.7 | 354,995 | 37.6 | 379,695 | 38.8 | 430,080 | 15.6 | 23,065 | 24,700 | 50,385 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 13.3 |
| Other Dwellings | 3,230 | 0.4 | 3,115 | 0.3 | 1,505 | 0.2 | 2,150 | 0.2 | -115 | -1,610 | 645 | -3.6 | -51.7 | 42.9 |
| Total | 903,585 | 100.0 | 943,075 | 100.0 | 979,310 | 100.0 | 1,047,780 | 100.0 | 39,490 | 36,235 | 68,470 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 7.0 |


| Dwelling Type | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | Absolute Change |  |  | Percentage Change |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Dwellings | \% | Dwellings | \% | Dwellings | \% | Dwellings | \% | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1996- \\ 2001 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2001- \\ 2006 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2006- \\ 2011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 525,215 | 58.1 | 535,765 | 56.8 | 544,930 | 55.6 | 557,040 | 53.2 | 10,550 | 9,165 | 12,110 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 2.2 |
| Row/Townhouses | 46,440 | 5.1 | 52,315 | 5.5 | 54,685 | 5.6 | 60,660 | 5.8 | 5,875 | 2,370 | 5,975 | 12.7 | 4.5 | 10.9 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 331,930 | 36.7 | 354,995 | 37.6 | 379,695 | 38.8 | 430,080 | 41.0 | 23,065 | 24,700 | 50,385 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 13.3 |
| Total | 903,585 | 100.0 | 943,075 | 100.0 | 979,310 | 100.0 | 1,047,780 | 100.0 | 39,490 | 36,235 | 68,470 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 7.0 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Appendix B: Population in Toronto, the Downtown Core and the Rest of Toronto by Age Group, 1996, 2001, 2006, 2011 (without undercount)

| City of Toronto |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | 1996-2011 |
| Age Group | Population | \% | Population | \% | Population | \% | Population | \% | \% Change |
| 0-4 | 156,285 | 6.6 | 143,510 | 5.8 | 134,980 | 5.4 | 140,510 | 5.4 | -10.1 |
| 5-9 | 138,055 | 5.8 | 149,635 | 6.0 | 133,595 | 5.3 | 128,060 | 4.9 | -7.2 |
| 10-14 | 131,135 | 5.5 | 140,675 | 5.7 | 141,045 | 5.6 | 132,290 | 5.1 | 0.9 |
| 15-19 | 133,720 | 5.6 | 143,275 | 5.8 | 146,205 | 5.8 | 150,045 | 5.7 | 12.2 |
| 20-24 | 162,855 | 6.8 | 165,140 | 6.7 | 172,450 | 6.9 | 183,470 | 7.0 | 12.7 |
| 25-29 | 211,725 | 8.9 | 196,470 | 7.9 | 190,255 | 7.6 | 211,850 | 8.1 | 0.1 |
| 30-34 | 234,615 | 9.8 | 216,550 | 8.7 | 195,670 | 7.8 | 201,165 | 7.7 | -14.3 |
| 35-39 | 209,515 | 8.8 | 226,040 | 9.1 | 203,020 | 8.1 | 190,405 | 7.3 | -9.1 |
| 40-44 | 179,930 | 7.5 | 203,820 | 8.2 | 212,595 | 8.5 | 197,400 | 7.5 | 9.7 |
| 45-49 | 164,195 | 6.9 | 178,360 | 7.2 | 193,985 | 7.7 | 207,625 | 7.9 | 26.5 |
| 50-54 | 125,555 | 5.3 | 159,110 | 6.4 | 168,440 | 6.7 | 191,290 | 7.3 | 52.4 |
| 55-59 | 110,775 | 4.6 | 117,975 | 4.8 | 148,120 | 5.9 | 162,535 | 6.2 | 46.7 |
| 60-64 | 107,205 | 4.5 | 103,105 | 4.2 | 109,465 | 4.4 | 140,960 | 5.4 | 31.5 |
| 65-69 | 102,145 | 4.3 | 96,435 | 3.9 | 93,830 | 3.7 | 102,445 | 3.9 | 0.3 |
| 70-74 | 88,265 | 3.7 | 88,745 | 3.6 | 85,165 | 3.4 | 86,185 | 3.3 | -2.4 |
| 75-79 | 58,340 | 2.4 | 72,980 | 2.9 | 74,900 | 3.0 | 74,215 | 2.8 | 27.2 |
| 80-84 | 39,675 | 1.7 | 43,420 | 1.7 | 56,450 | 2.3 | 59,630 | 2.3 | 50.3 |
| 85+ | 31,425 | 1.3 | 36,265 | 1.5 | 43,100 | 1.7 | 54,965 | 2.1 | 74.9 |
| Total | 2,385,415 | 100.0 | 2,481,510 | 100.0 | 2,503,270 | 100.0 | 2,615,045 | 100.0 | 9.6 |


| City of Toronto Downtown Core |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | 1996-2011 |
| Age Group | Population | \% | Population | \% | Population | \% | Population | \% | \% Change |
| 0-4 | 6,275 | 5.1 | 6,600 | 4.3 | 5,955 | 3.6 | 6,590 | 3.3 | 5.0 |
| 5-9 | 4,645 | 3.8 | 5,560 | 3.6 | 4,850 | 2.9 | 4,225 | 2.1 | -9.0 |
| 10-14 | 4,155 | 3.4 | 4,655 | 3.0 | 4,545 | 2.7 | 4,100 | 2.1 | -1.3 |
| 15-19 | 4,665 | 3.8 | 5,415 | 3.5 | 5,930 | 3.5 | 6,545 | 3.3 | 40.3 |
| 20-24 | 10,690 | 8.7 | 13,425 | 8.7 | 16,180 | 9.7 | 22,070 | 11.1 | 106.5 |
| 25-29 | 17,070 | 14.0 | 20,780 | 13.4 | 22,570 | 13.5 | 32,030 | 16.1 | 87.6 |
| 30-34 | 16,500 | 13.5 | 20,010 | 12.9 | 20,145 | 12.0 | 25,530 | 12.8 | 54.7 |
| 35-39 | 12,285 | 10.1 | 16,755 | 10.8 | 16,205 | 9.7 | 17,385 | 8.7 | 41.5 |
| 40-44 | 9,340 | 7.6 | 12,740 | 8.2 | 14,420 | 8.6 | 14,285 | 7.2 | 52.9 |
| 45-49 | 8,120 | 6.6 | 10,320 | 6.7 | 11,765 | 7.0 | 13,795 | 6.9 | 69.9 |
| 50-54 | 6,055 | 5.0 | 9,515 | 6.2 | 10,200 | 6.1 | 12,215 | 6.1 | 101.7 |
| 55-59 | 5,005 | 4.1 | 7,155 | 4.6 | 9,430 | 5.6 | 10,310 | 5.2 | 106.0 |
| 60-64 | 4,625 | 3.8 | 5,740 | 3.7 | 6,980 | 4.2 | 9,165 | 4.6 | 98.2 |
| 65-69 | 4,120 | 3.4 | 4,840 | 3.1 | 5,415 | 3.2 | 6,630 | 3.3 | 60.9 |
| 70-74 | 3,155 | 2.6 | 4,125 | 2.7 | 4,365 | 2.6 | 5,045 | 2.5 | 59.9 |
| 75-79 | 2,265 | 1.9 | 3,005 | 1.9 | 3,560 | 2.1 | 3,870 | 1.9 | 70.9 |
| 80-84 | 1,685 | 1.4 | 1,965 | 1.3 | 2,510 | 1.5 | 2,960 | 1.5 | 75.7 |
| 85+ | 1,535 | 1.3 | 2,040 | 1.3 | 2,460 | 1.5 | 2,745 | 1.4 | 78.8 |
| Total | 122,190 | 100.0 | 154,645 | 100.0 | 167,485 | 100.0 | 199,495 | 100.0 | 63.3 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 and 2011 Census, Statistics Canada

| Rest of Toronto |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 2011 |  | 1996-2011 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Age } \\ & \text { Group } \end{aligned}$ | Population | \% | Population | \% | Population | \% | Population | \% | \% Change |
| 0-4 | 150,010 | 6.6 | 136,910 | 5.9 | 129,025 | 5.5 | 133,920 | 5.5 | -10.7 |
| 5-9 | 133,410 | 5.9 | 144,075 | 6.2 | 128,745 | 5.5 | 123,835 | 5.1 | -7.2 |
| 10-14 | 126,980 | 5.6 | 136,020 | 5.8 | 136,500 | 5.8 | 128,190 | 5.3 | 1.0 |
| 15-19 | 129,055 | 5.7 | 137,860 | 5.9 | 140,275 | 6.0 | 143,500 | 5.9 | 11.2 |
| 20-24 | 152,165 | 6.7 | 151,715 | 6.5 | 156,270 | 6.7 | 161,400 | 6.7 | 6.1 |
| 25-29 | 194,655 | 8.6 | 175,690 | 7.6 | 167,685 | 7.2 | 179,820 | 7.4 | -7.6 |
| 30-34 | 218,115 | 9.6 | 196,540 | 8.4 | 175,525 | 7.5 | 175,635 | 7.3 | -19.5 |
| 35-39 | 197,230 | 8.7 | 209,285 | 9.0 | 186,815 | 8.0 | 173,020 | 7.2 | -12.3 |
| 40-44 | 170,590 | 7.5 | 191,080 | 8.2 | 198,175 | 8.5 | 183,115 | 7.6 | 7.3 |
| 45-49 | 156,075 | 6.9 | 168,040 | 7.2 | 182,220 | 7.8 | 193,830 | 8.0 | 24.2 |
| 50-54 | 119,500 | 5.3 | 149,595 | 6.4 | 158,240 | 6.8 | 179,075 | 7.4 | 49.9 |
| 55-59 | 105,770 | 4.7 | 110,820 | 4.8 | 138,690 | 5.9 | 152,225 | 6.3 | 43.9 |
| 60-64 | 102,580 | 4.5 | 97,365 | 4.2 | 102,485 | 4.4 | 131,795 | 5.5 | 28.5 |
| 65-69 | 98,025 | 4.3 | 91,595 | 3.9 | 88,415 | 3.8 | 95,815 | 4.0 | -2.3 |
| 70-74 | 85,110 | 3.8 | 84,620 | 3.6 | 80,800 | 3.5 | 81,140 | 3.4 | -4.7 |
| 75-79 | 56,075 | 2.5 | 69,975 | 3.0 | 71,340 | 3.1 | 70,345 | 2.9 | 25.4 |
| 80-84 | 37,990 | 1.7 | 41,455 | 1.8 | 53,940 | 2.3 | 56,670 | 2.3 | 49.2 |
| 85+ | 29,890 | 1.3 | 34,225 | 1.5 | 40,640 | 1.7 | 52,220 | 2.2 | 74.7 |
| Total | 2,263,225 | 100 | 2,326,865 | 100 | 2,335,785 | 100 | 2,415,550 | 100 | 6.7 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 and 2011 Census, Statistics Canada

Appendix C: Households by Age of PHM, Dwelling and Household Type, 1996, 2001, 2006, 2011

| Number of Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Houses \& Low-Rises Families |  |  |  | Houses \& Low-Rises Non-Families |  |  |  | Apartments 5+ Storeys Families |  |  |  | Apartments 5+ Storeys Non-Families |  |  |  |
| Age | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 |
| 15-19 | 720 | 540 | 680 | 945 | 725 | 620 | 710 | 730 | 575 | 550 | 570 | 640 | 585 | 630 | 990 | 1,270 |
| 20-24 | 5,710 | 4,740 | 4,445 | 3,855 | 8,035 | 7,460 | 7,870 | 9,395 | 5,410 | 4,600 | 5,190 | 5,490 | 6,585 | 7,705 | 10,505 | 14,155 |
| 25-29 | 21,780 | 18,150 | 16,230 | 15,840 | 18,970 | 17,205 | 15,300 | 17,425 | 18,430 | 16,595 | 15,465 | 18,315 | 15,990 | 15,750 | 19,880 | 27,310 |
| 30-34 | 42,830 | 36,910 | 31,705 | 29,700 | 20,165 | 17,920 | 15,570 | 16,000 | 28,685 | 27,475 | 24,705 | 25,745 | 19,170 | 16,690 | 18,390 | 23,470 |
| 35-39 | 51,995 | 54,290 | 45,625 | 40,760 | 15,600 | 16,535 | 14,545 | 13,070 | 28,095 | 31,000 | 28,565 | 26,600 | 15,095 | 15,825 | 15,450 | 17,985 |
| 40-44 | 52,145 | 57,285 | 59,050 | 51,395 | 13,360 | 13,480 | 15,830 | 13,280 | 21,650 | 26,880 | 28,415 | 26,590 | 11,930 | 13,615 | 14,325 | 15,205 |
| 45-49 | 53,185 | 55,470 | 58,575 | 60,965 | 11,375 | 11,730 | 14,240 | 14,920 | 17,340 | 21,815 | 23,710 | 25,070 | 11,500 | 11,565 | 13,455 | 15,995 |
| 50-54 | 41,585 | 51,475 | 53,015 | 57,920 | 9,040 | 11,035 | 13,130 | 14,605 | 12,045 | 16,360 | 18,680 | 20,860 | 9,790 | 11,790 | 12,495 | 15,575 |
| 55-59 | 36,020 | 37,915 | 46,815 | 49,325 | 7,630 | 8,870 | 12,525 | 14,580 | 9,030 | 10,550 | 13,680 | 16,280 | 9,395 | 10,255 | 12,945 | 14,880 |
| 60-64 | 34,305 | 31,360 | 32,695 | 40,435 | 8,010 | 8,080 | 10,335 | 14,045 | 8,010 | 8,795 | 9,350 | 13,035 | 9,950 | 9,885 | 11,360 | 15,390 |
| 65-69 | 30,960 | 29,215 | 26,685 | 27,895 | 9,960 | 8,700 | 8,990 | 10,485 | 8,075 | 8,180 | 7,600 | 9,660 | 11,420 | 10,620 | 11,060 | 13,125 |
| 70-74 | 23,070 | 24,635 | 23,485 | 22,700 | 11,400 | 10,160 | 8,580 | 9,265 | 7,055 | 7,445 | 7,395 | 8,060 | 11,800 | 11,165 | 10,665 | 12,230 |
| 75-79 | 12,990 | 18,595 | 19,950 | 18,995 | 8,815 | 10,375 | 10,125 | 9,400 | 5,000 | 6,360 | 7,010 | 6,925 | 10,405 | 11,790 | 11,375 | 10,620 |
| 80-84 | 6,675 | 8,440 | 11,890 | 13,645 | 6,495 | 6,840 | 9,295 | 8,560 | 2,970 | 3,675 | 4,605 | 5,650 | 8,130 | 8,090 | 10,130 | 9,925 |
| 85+ | 2,895 | 4,470 | 5,905 | 9,095 | 4,835 | 5,260 | 6,295 | 8,150 | 1,620 | 2,230 | 2,955 | 4,455 | 6,170 | 6,945 | 8,080 | 9,540 |
| All Households | 416,865 | 433,490 | 436,750 | 443,470 | 154,415 | 154,270 | 163,340 | 173,910 | 173,990 | 192,510 | 197,895 | 213,375 | 157,915 | 162,320 | 181,105 | 216,675 |


| Age | Houses \& Low-Rises Families |  |  |  | Houses \& Low-Rises Non-Families |  |  |  | Apartments 5+ Storeys Families |  |  |  | Apartments 5+ Storeys Non-Families |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 |
| 15-19 | 49.8 | 46.6 | 48.9 | 56.4 | 50.2 | 53.4 | 51.1 | 43.6 | 49.6 | 46.6 | 36.5 | 33.5 | 50.4 | 53.4 | 63.5 | 66.5 |
| 20-24 | 41.5 | 38.9 | 36.1 | 29.1 | 58.5 | 61.1 | 63.9 | 70.9 | 45.1 | 37.4 | 33.1 | 27.9 | 54.9 | 62.6 | 66.9 | 72.1 |
| 25-29 | 53.4 | 51.3 | 51.5 | 47.6 | 46.6 | 48.7 | 48.5 | 52.4 | 53.5 | 51.3 | 43.8 | 40.1 | 46.5 | 48.7 | 56.2 | 59.9 |
| 30-34 | 68.0 | 67.3 | 67.1 | 65.0 | 32.0 | 32.7 | 32.9 | 35.0 | 59.9 | 62.2 | 57.3 | 52.3 | 40.1 | 37.8 | 42.7 | 47.7 |
| 35-39 | 76.9 | 76.7 | 75.8 | 75.7 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 24.2 | 24.3 | 65.0 | 66.2 | 64.9 | 59.7 | 35.0 | 33.8 | 35.1 | 40.3 |
| 40-44 | 79.6 | 81.0 | 78.9 | 79.5 | 20.4 | 19.0 | 21.1 | 20.5 | 64.5 | 66.4 | 66.5 | 63.6 | 35.5 | 33.6 | 33.5 | 36.4 |
| 45-49 | 82.4 | 82.5 | 80.4 | 80.3 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 19.6 | 19.7 | 60.1 | 65.4 | 63.8 | 61.0 | 39.9 | 34.6 | 36.2 | 39.0 |
| 50-54 | 82.1 | 82.3 | 80.1 | 79.9 | 17.9 | 17.7 | 19.9 | 20.1 | 55.2 | 58.1 | 59.9 | 57.3 | 44.8 | 41.9 | 40.1 | 42.7 |
| 55-59 | 82.5 | 81.0 | 78.9 | 77.2 | 17.5 | 19.0 | 21.1 | 22.8 | 49.0 | 50.7 | 51.4 | 52.2 | 51.0 | 49.3 | 48.6 | 47.8 |
| 60-64 | 81.1 | 79.5 | 76.0 | 74.2 | 18.9 | 20.5 | 24.0 | 25.8 | 44.6 | 47.1 | 45.1 | 45.9 | 55.4 | 52.9 | 54.9 | 54.1 |
| 65-69 | 75.7 | 77.1 | 74.8 | 72.7 | 24.3 | 22.9 | 25.2 | 27.3 | 41.4 | 43.5 | 40.7 | 42.4 | 58.6 | 56.5 | 59.3 | 57.6 |
| 70-74 | 66.9 | 70.8 | 73.2 | 71.0 | 33.1 | 29.2 | 26.8 | 29.0 | 37.4 | 40.0 | 40.9 | 39.7 | 62.6 | 60.0 | 59.1 | 60.3 |
| 75-79 | 59.6 | 64.2 | 66.3 | 66.9 | 40.4 | 35.8 | 33.7 | 33.1 | 32.5 | 35.0 | 38.1 | 39.5 | 67.5 | 65.0 | 61.9 | 60.5 |
| 80-84 | 50.7 | 55.2 | 56.1 | 61.5 | 49.3 | 44.8 | 43.9 | 38.5 | 26.8 | 31.2 | 31.3 | 36.3 | 73.2 | 68.8 | 68.7 | 63.7 |
| 85+ | 37.5 | 45.9 | 48.4 | 52.7 | 62.5 | 54.1 | 51.6 | 47.3 | 20.8 | 24.3 | 26.8 | 31.8 | 79.2 | 75.7 | 73.2 | 68.2 |
| All Households | 73.0 | 73.8 | 72.8 | 71.8 | 27.0 | 26.2 | 27.2 | 28.2 | 52.4 | 54.3 | 52.2 | 49.6 | 47.6 | 45.7 | 47.8 | 50.4 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Appendix D: Shelter Costs and Median Household Income

|  | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Owner Households |  |  |  |  |
| Average Price of Housing Current \$ ${ }^{1}$ | 215,176 | 266,899 | 361,055 | 468,247 |
| Average Price of Housing Constant 1995 \$ | 215,176 | 242,856 | 292,589 | 347,364 |
| Index, $1995=100^{2}$ | 100.0 | 112.9 | 136.0 | 161.4 |
| Median Owner Hhd Income Current \$ ${ }^{3}$ | 59,487 | 68,973 | 74,290 | 94,634 |
| Median Owner Hhd Income Constant 1995 \$ | 59,487 | 62,760 | 60,203 | 70,203 |
| Index, $1995=100^{2}$ | 100.0 | 105.5 | 101.2 | 118.0 |
| Monthly Payment for Average House Price \$ ${ }^{4}$ | 1,297 | 1,571 | 1,623 | 2,079 |
| Monthly Payment for Average House Price 1995 \$ | 1,297 | 1,429 | 1,315 | 1,542 |
| Index, $1995=100^{2}$ | 100.0 | 110.2 | 101.4 | 118.9 |
| Average House Payment to Income Ratio | 26.2 | 27.3 | 26.2 | 26.4 |
| Renter Households |  |  |  |  |
| Average Monthly Rent, CMHC Rents ${ }^{5}$ | 729 | 907 | 972 | 1,041 |
| Average Monthly Rent Constant 1995 \$ | 729 | 825 | 788 | 772 |
| Index, $1995=100^{2}$ | 100.0 | 113.2 | 108.0 | 105.9 |
| Median Renter Hhd Income Current \$ ${ }^{3}$ | 28,587 | 35,271 | 35,624 | 46,622 |
| Median Renter Hhd Income Constant 1995 \$ | 28,587 | 32,094 | 28,869 | 34,586 |
| Index, $1995=100^{2}$ | 100.0 | 112.3 | 101.0 | 121.0 |
| Rent to Income Ratio, CMHC Rents | 30.6 | 30.9 | 32.7 | 26.8 |

${ }^{1}$ Refers to Single-Family Dwelling sales reported by the Toronto Real Estate Board (TREB). Single-Family Dwelling structures include freehold houses (detached, semi-detached, row/townhouses, link housing), condominium apartments and townhouses, and detached condominiums and co-operative apartments.
${ }^{2}$ Based on the Consumer Price Index, Statistics Canada.
${ }^{3} 1995$ to 2005 Median owner and rental household income is as reported in results of the Census of Canada. 2010 Median Owner and rental household income is as ported in the results of the National Household Survey (see Methods Section for further information.
${ }^{4}$ As reported by TREB. Assumes a 25\% down payment, a 25 -year mortgage term and a 5 -year fixed interest rate The interest rate is CMHC's average rate for June.
${ }^{5}$ Average rents are based on the Primary Rental Market as defined by CMHC, $55 \%$ of all rental units. This includes private rental housing that is privately owned in buildings of 3 or more units, and was generally purpose-built for rental. It also includes rented condominium units where more than $50 \%$ of the units are rented out and the owner maintains a rental office on-site. It excludes $45 \%$ of all units in the Rental Market Universe, specifically Assisted Rental units, Condominium buildings of which less than $50 \%$ of the units are rented, and other rental units such as basement apartments, rented rooms and flats in houses.

Note: Median household income is the point in the income distribution where one half of the households have higher incomes than the other half. It is the best overall indicator of the income distribution because the median is not skewed by very high or low values.

Sources: CMHC Rental Market Reports; Toronto Real Estate Board MarketWatch reports; custom tabulations from Statistics Canada 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada.

| Households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1996 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 9,695 | 950 | 3,175 | 59,695 | 3,030 | 27,040 | 103,585 |
| 30-44 | 95,655 | 9,160 | 14,290 | 142,310 | 10,620 | 48,730 | 320,765 |
| 45-64 | 146,200 | 10,950 | 17,400 | 84,350 | 6,795 | 22,505 | 288,200 |
| 65-79 | 82,270 | 3,120 | 13,895 | 42,685 | 1,160 | 7,860 | 150,990 |
| 80+ | 17,820 | 535 | 3,785 | 15,675 | 120 | 1,945 | 39,880 |
| All Units | 351,640 | 24,715 | 52,545 | 344,715 | 21,725 | 108,080 | 903,420 |
| 2001 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 8,805 | 1,025 | 5,935 | 36,070 | 2,450 | 39,075 | 93,360 |
| 30-44 | 101,555 | 11,025 | 21,740 | 73,245 | 9,380 | 107,905 | 324,850 |
| 45-64 | 153,720 | 14,080 | 24,580 | 40,435 | 7,440 | 75,865 | 316,120 |
| 65-79 | 85,930 | 4,435 | 17,310 | 10,060 | 1,350 | 38,160 | 157,245 |
| 80+ | 21,585 | 555 | 5,615 | 2,770 | 210 | 15,320 | 46,055 |
| All Units | 371,595 | 31,120 | 75,180 | 162,580 | 20,830 | 276,325 | 937,630 |
| 2006 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl <br> Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 9,490 | 1,645 | 9,465 | 31,935 | 2,175 | 43,150 | 97,860 |
| 30-44 | 99,150 | 12,765 | 33,810 | 63,485 | 6,910 | 96,040 | 312,160 |
| 45-64 | 170,205 | 17,440 | 34,210 | 46,835 | 6,925 | 81,475 | 357,090 |
| 65-79 | 80,775 | 4,910 | 19,495 | 10,920 | 1,210 | 35,635 | 152,945 |
| 80+ | 28,935 | 980 | 9,175 | 3,305 | 180 | 16,595 | 59,170 |
| All Units | 388,555 | 37,740 | 106,155 | 156,480 | 17,400 | 272,895 | 979,225 |
| 2011 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | House Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 11,015 | 1,740 | 14,745 | 33,760 | 1,715 | 52,465 | 115,440 |
| 30-44 | 88,025 | 12,745 | 40,825 | 57,115 | 6,445 | 94,770 | 299,925 |
| 45-64 | 182,720 | 20,730 | 44,300 | 55,025 | 8,375 | 92,790 | 403,940 |
| 65-79 | 78,530 | 5,765 | 22,590 | 12,920 | 1,540 | 38,035 | 159,380 |
| 80+ | 34,155 | 1,390 | 12,460 | 3,755 | 235 | 17,105 | 69,100 |
| All Units | 394,445 | 42,370 | 134,920 | 162,575 | 18,310 | 295,165 | 1,047,785 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

| Occupancy Rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1996 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 9\% | 1\% | 3\% | 58\% | 3\% | 26\% | 100\% |
| 30-44 | 30\% | 3\% | 4\% | 44\% | 3\% | 15\% | 100\% |
| 45-64 | 51\% | 4\% | 6\% | 29\% | 2\% | 8\% | 100\% |
| 65-79 | 54\% | 2\% | 9\% | 28\% | 1\% | 5\% | 100\% |
| 80+ | 45\% | 1\% | 9\% | 39\% | 0\% | 5\% | 100\% |
| All Units | 39\% | 3\% | 6\% | 38\% | 2\% | 12\% | 100\% |
| 2001 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 9\% | 1\% | 6\% | 39\% | 3\% | 42\% | 100\% |
| 30-44 | 31\% | 3\% | 7\% | 23\% | 3\% | 33\% | 100\% |
| 45-64 | 49\% | 4\% | 8\% | 13\% | 2\% | 24\% | 100\% |
| 65-79 | 55\% | 3\% | 11\% | 6\% | 1\% | 24\% | 100\% |
| 80+ | 47\% | 1\% | 12\% | 6\% | 0\% | 33\% | 100\% |
| All Units | 40\% | 3\% | 8\% | 17\% | 2\% | 29\% | 100\% |
| 2006 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 10\% | 2\% | 10\% | 33\% | 2\% | 44\% | 100\% |
| 30-44 | 32\% | 4\% | 11\% | 20\% | 2\% | 31\% | 100\% |
| 45-64 | 48\% | 5\% | 10\% | 13\% | 2\% | 23\% | 100\% |
| 65-79 | 53\% | 3\% | 13\% | 7\% | 1\% | 23\% | 100\% |
| 80+ | 49\% | 2\% | 16\% | 6\% | 0\% | 28\% | 100\% |
| All Units | 40\% | 4\% | 11\% | 16\% | 2\% | 28\% | 100\% |
| 2011 | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  | All |
| Age | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Housel Low-Rise | Rowl Townhouse | Apartment 5+ Storeys | Households |
| 15-29 | 10\% | 2\% | 13\% | 29\% | 1\% | 45\% | 100\% |
| 30-44 | 29\% | 4\% | 14\% | 19\% | 2\% | 32\% | 100\% |
| 45-64 | 45\% | 5\% | 11\% | 14\% | 2\% | 23\% | 100\% |
| 65-79 | 49\% | 4\% | 14\% | 8\% | 1\% | 24\% | 100\% |
| 80+ | 49\% | 2\% | 18\% | 5\% | 0\% | 25\% | 100\% |
| All Units | 38\% | 4\% | 13\% | 16\% | 2\% | 28\% | 100\% |

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## APPENDIX F - DATA NOTES

## Table Totals and Random Rounding

The figures shown in the tables have been subjected to a confidentiality procedure known as "random rounding" by Statistics Canada, wherein each of the numbers is randomly rounded up or down by 5 or 10 . This is intended to prevent the possibility of associating these data with any identifiable individual. The totals of each table are the sum of the individual population characteristics in that table as provided by Statistics Canada, each of which may have been randomly rounded. As a result, due to random rounding, the totals for any one table may vary from the total population count for that area as reported by Statistics Canada. For more information see Statistics Canada - Catalogue no. 98-301-X, 2011 Census Dictionary.

## Census Data and National Household Survey Data

This Profile contains data from both the 2011 National Household Survey and the 1996, 2001, 2006 and 2011 Census of Canada.

In June 2010, Statistics Canada discontinued the long-form Census, replacing it with the National Household Survey (NHS). The questions contained on the long-form Census became part of the NHS along with some additional questions.

The NHS was conducted in May 9,2011 , the same day as the 2011 Census. The Census was distributed to one out of every five households in Canada.
Participation was mandatory. The NHS was distributed to one out of every three households.
Participation in the NHS was voluntary.

The NHS data in this Profile include custom cross-tabulated data on Structural Type of Dwelling; Families and Households; Age of the PHM; Number of Bedrooms, Period of Construction, Tenure, Mobility and Migration; and Income data. Census data includes Population counts by Age.

Comparability of 2011 NHS data to 2006 Census Data and Previous Census Years Statistics Canada has cautioned that because of the methodological change from a mandatory to voluntary survey, data from the 2011 NHS may not be readily comparable to those from earlier Censuses.

Since there is no current longform Census nor survey equivalent to the NHS and no information available on the Coefficients of Variation for NHS variables specific to the City of Toronto, the 2011 NHS data in this Profile was reviewed against the 2006 Census results to determine if the data results are similar (see Tables F. 1 to F.7).

The percent change between the 2011 and 2006 data was calculated for Dwellings Units by Type, Households by Age of PHM, , Households by Type, Households by Size and Households by Age and Dwelling Type. The results are shown in Table F.1. A total of 36 variables were examined. Results yielded values ranging from a drop of 3.9\% for householders aged 2539 living in houses and low-rises to a high of $4.4 \%$ for householders also aged 25-39 living in apartments with 5 or more storeys. More than half of data show less than a 1\% difference. The percent change between 2006-2011 was also calculated for the data in Tables F. 2 through
F.7. The results for Average

Household Size by Dwelling Type; Households by Type and Dwelling Type; Average PPH by Period of Construction and Dwelling Type; and Households by Tenure and Age of PHM and Dwelling Type show promising results with less than a 5\% change.

The Net Change in Households by Dwelling Type (Table F.2) and Change in Percent of Units by Bedroom Counts by Period of Construction by Dwelling Type (Table F.5) show large differences. The absolute change in households by dwelling type between the 2006 Census and the 2011 NHS show an absolute increase of 50,385 units in Apartments with 5 or more Storeys, double the number built in the previous two Census periods. For this reason the change in percentage statistics for dwelling type appear reasonable.

The Change in Percentage of Units by Bedroom Count and Period of Construction (Table F.5) show an $8 \%$ decrease in the number of units built with no bedroom between 2001-2006 and 2006-2011. When the absolute number of units constructed with no bedroom by period of construction are examined they show varied results. Between 1981 and 2000 the number fell in each 5-year period, then increased 2001-2006 and 20062011. These observations are not consistent with the data in Table F. 5 and cannot be readily explained.

However promising most of these findings are, NHS data must be viewed with caution due to the following factors.

## Drop in Response Rates

Canada-wide, $97.1 \%$ of the population responded to the 2011 Census. In Ontario 97.2\% of the population responded. The
comparable 2011 NHS response rates are about $1 / 3$ lower at 68.6\% and 67.6\% respectively. Global non-response rates by Toronto Census Tract are, for some areas of Toronto, above the Census suppression level of $25 \%$. Consequently, analysis of CTlevel data and cross-tabulations of NHS variables must be considered with caution.

## Change in Data Suppression

Canada-wide the global NHS nonresponse rate is $26.1 \%$ which is 1.1\% higher than the suppression cut- off employed in 2006 and prior Census years. Prior to the 2011 NHS, Statistics Canada suppressed survey responses with a non-response rate of over $25 \%$. In 2011, NHS only data with a non-response rate of $50 \%$ or higher was suppressed

## Counts of Population and Dwelling Counts

All of the questions on the mandatory 2011 Census were repeated in the voluntary NHS questionnaire, including population and dwelling counts. For this reason, wherever applicable, this Profile uses the population and dwelling count data from the Census.

## Undercoverage

Reported Census and NHS counts from Statistics Canada do not include undercoverage. Although Statistics Canada makes a great effort to count every person, in each Census a notable number of people are left out for a variety of reasons. For example, people may be travelling, some dwellings are hard to find, and some people simply refuse to participate. While Statistics Canada takes this into account and estimates an 'undercoverage' rate for the urban region (CMA) every Census, it does not estimate the amount of undercoverage for the City of

Toronto. However, based on the Annual Demographic Estimates, Cat. No. 91-214-XWE released March 7, 2012, the implied net undercoverage rate for the City of Toronto in 2011 is estimated to be 4.69\%. Revised population estimates by Statistics Canada released in February 2014 and 2015 indicate an estimated net undercoverage rate of $3.31 \%$.

Table F.1: Comparison of Census and NHS Data

| Variable | 2006 Census |  | 2011 NHS |  | 2006-2011 <br> Change in Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  |
| Dwelling Units by Type |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Dwellings | 979,310 |  | 1,047,780 |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 544,930 | 55.6 | 557,040 | 53.2 | -2.5 |
| Row/Townhouses | 54,685 | 5.6 | 60,660 | 5.8 | 0.2 |
| Apts 5+ Storeys | 379,695 | 38.8 | 430,080 | 41.0 | 2.3 |
| Households by Age of PHM |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Ages | 979,415 |  | 1,047,875 |  |  |
| 15-24 years | 30,975 | 3.2 | 36,595 | 3.5 | 0.3 |
| 25-39 years | 261,525 | 26.7 | 272,290 | 26.0 | -0.7 |
| 40-59 years | 411,030 | 42.0 | 427,570 | 40.8 | -1.2 |
| 60-74 years | 168,245 | 17.2 | 196,375 | 18.7 | 1.6 |
| $75+$ years | 107,640 | 11.0 | 115,045 | 11.0 | 0.0 |
| Households by Type |  |  |  |  |  |
| Family Households | 634,865 | 64.8 | 657,105 | 62.7 | -2.1 |
| Families with Children | 289,645 | 29.6 | 290,030 | 27.7 | -1.9 |
| Families without Children | 194,025 | 19.8 | 207,710 | 19.8 | 0.0 |
| Lone Parent Families | 118,555 | 12.1 | 128,040 | 12.2 | 0.1 |
| Multiple Families | 32,640 | 3.3 | 31,325 | 3.0 | -0.3 |
| Non-Family Households | 344,565 | 35.2 | 390,770 | 37.3 | 2.1 |
| Households by Size |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Households | 979,330 | 100.0 | 1,047,870 | 100.0 |  |
| 1 person | 295,825 | 30.2 | 330,680 | 31.6 | 1.4 |
| 2 persons | 282,685 | 28.9 | 307,575 | 29.4 | 0.5 |
| 3 persons | 161,440 | 16.5 | 168,695 | 16.1 | -0.4 |
| 4-5 persons | 200,735 | 20.5 | 203,070 | 19.4 | -1.1 |
| 6+ persons | 38,645 | 3.9 | 37,850 | 3.6 | -0.3 |
| Households by Age of PHM and Dwelling Type 15-24 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 12,675 | 40.9 | 14,100 | 38.5 | -2.4 |
| Row/Townhouses | 1,030 | 3.3 | 890 | 2.4 | -0.9 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 17,260 | 55.7 | 21,590 | 59.0 | 3.3 |
| 25-39 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 124,435 | 47.6 | 118,960 | 43.7 | -3.9 |
| Row/Townhouses | 14,580 | 5.6 | 13,890 | 5.1 | -0.5 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 122,455 | 46.8 | 139,420 | 51.2 | 4.4 |
| 40-59 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 244,845 | 59.6 | 245,470 | 57.4 | -2.2 |
| Row/Townhouses | 28,395 | 6.9 | 31,610 | 7.4 | 0.5 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 137,730 | 33.5 | 150,450 | 35.2 | 1.7 |
| 60-74 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 102,080 | 60.7 | 113,920 | 58.0 | -2.7 |
| Row/Townhouses | 8,705 | 5.2 | 10,920 | 5.6 | 0.4 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 57,445 | 34.1 | 71,505 | 36.4 | 2.3 |
| 75+ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 61,035 | 56.7 | 64,610 | 56.2 | -0.5 |
| Row/Townhouses | 2,450 | 2.3 | 3,340 | 2.9 | 0.6 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 44,160 | 41.0 | 47,105 | 40.9 | -0.1 |

[^3]Table F.2: Net Change in Households by Dwelling Type

| Dwelling Type | 2006 Census |  | 2011 NHS |  | 2006-2011 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Net Change | Number | Net Change | Net Change in Percent |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 19,880 | 26.3 | 31,870 | 22.1 | -4.2 |
| Row/Townhouses | 8,725 | 11.5 | 14,215 | 9.9 | -1.6 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 47,125 | 62.2 | 98,145 | 68.0 | 5.8 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table F.3: Average Household Size by Dwelling Type

| Dwelling Type | 2006 Census | 2011 NHS | 2006-2011 <br> Change |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| All Dwellings | 2.52 | 2.46 | -0.06 |
| Houses and Low-Rises | 2.74 | 2.72 | -0.02 |
| Row/Townhouses | 3.13 | 3.05 | -0.08 |
| Apartments 5+ Storeys | 2.11 | 2.04 | -0.07 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table F.4: Share of Households by Type and Dwelling Type

| Households by Type | Houses \& Low-Rises | Rowl Townhouses | Apartments 5+ Storeys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Families with Children |  |  |  |
| 2006 | 66.1 | 7.1 | 26.6 |
| 2011 | 57.4 | 5.2 | 37.7 |
| Change 2006-2011 | -8.7 | -1.9 | 11.1 |
| Families without Children |  |  |  |
| 2006 | 60.2 | 4.9 | 35 |
| 2011 | 65.9 | 7.6 | 26.5 |
| Change 2006-2011 | 5.7 | 2.7 | -8.5 |
| Lone Parent Families |  |  |  |
| 2006 | 50.8 | 9.7 | 39.5 |
| 2011 | 48.8 | 9.7 | 41.5 |
| Change 2006-2011 | -2.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| Multiple Families |  |  |  |
| 2006 | 70.7 | 9.7 | 19.6 |
| 2011 | 71.9 | 10.1 | 18 |
| Change 2006-2011 | 1.2 | 0.4 | -1.6 |
| Non-Families |  |  |  |
| 2006 | 44.4 | 3.1 | 52.6 |
| 2011 | 41.4 | 3.2 | 55.5 |
| Change 2006-2011 | -3.0 | 0.1 | 2.9 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table F.5: Change in Percent of Units by Bedroom Count and Period of Construction 2001-2006 versus 2006-2011

| Number of Bedrooms | Houses \& Low-Rises | Rowl Townhouses | Apartments 5+ Storeys |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No bedroom | -1.32 | -2.29 | -7.79 |
| 1 bedroom | 7.17 | -4.83 | 5.59 |
| 2 bedrooms | 3.95 | -1.11 | 2.43 |
| 3 or more bedrooms | -9.8 | 8.23 | -0.22 |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table F.6: Average PPH by Period of Construction and Dwelling Type

|  | 2006 Census |  |  |  | 2011 NHS |  |  |  | 2006-2011 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period of Construction | Total | Houses \& Low-Rises | Row/Townhouses | Apartments 5+ Storeys | Total | Houses \& Low-Rises | Row/Townhouses | Apartments 5+ Storeys | Total | Houses \& Low-Rises | Row/Townhouses | Apartments 5+ Storeys |
| All Years | 2.52 | 2.74 | 3.13 | 2.11 | 2.46 | 2.72 | 3.05 | 2.04 | -0.06 | -0.02 | -0.08 | -0.07 |
| Before 1946 | 2.46 | 2.48 | 2.58 | 2.21 | 2.48 | 2.51 | 2.54 | 2.06 | 0.02 | 0.03 | -0.04 | -0.15 |
| 1946-1960 | 2.49 | 2.57 | 3.30 | 2.12 | 2.49 | 2.58 | 3.37 | 2.11 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.07 | -0.01 |
| 1961-1970 | 2.52 | 2.78 | 3.39 | 2.18 | 2.50 | 2.75 | 3.30 | 2.16 | -0.02 | -0.03 | -0.09 | -0.02 |
| 1971-1980 | 2.60 | 3.06 | 3.27 | 2.20 | 2.52 | 2.90 | 3.14 | 2.16 | -0.08 | -0.16 | -0.13 | -0.04 |
| 1981-1990 | 2.66 | 3.35 | 3.37 | 2.12 | 2.55 | 3.14 | 3.25 | 2.10 | -0.11 | -0.21 | -0.12 | -0.02 |
| 1991-1995 | 2.39 | 3.22 | 3.02 | 2.03 | 2.42 | 3.06 | 3.13 | 2.09 | 0.03 | -0.16 | 0.11 | 0.06 |
| 1996-2000 | 2.58 | 3.29 | 3.13 | 1.94 | 2.47 | 3.16 | 2.99 | 1.95 | -0.11 | -0.13 | -0.14 | 0.01 |
| 2001-2005 | 2.33 | 3.29 | 2.80 | 1.79 | 2.28 | 3.21 | 2.95 | 1.72 | -0.05 | -0.08 | 0.15 | -0.07 |
| 2006-2011 |  |  |  |  | 2.04 | 2.90 | 2.83 | 1.68 |  |  |  |  |

Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canada

Table F.7: Change in Percent of Households by Tenure and Age of PHM and Dwelling Type, 2006-2011

|  | Owners |  |  | Renters |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age of PHM | $\begin{array}{r}\text { Houses \& } \\ \text { Low-Rises }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { Rowl } \\ \text { Townhouses }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { Apartments } \\ \text { 5+ Storeys }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { Houses \& } \\ \text { Low-Rises }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rl}\text { Apartments } \\ \text { Townhouses }\end{array}$ |  |
| 5+ Storeys |  |  |  |  |  |  |$]$

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[^3]:    Source: 1996, 2001, 2006 Censuses and the 2011 National Household Survey, Statistics Canda

