

## DURHAM REGION ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

# Housing Report

## **April** 2014

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#### Spring Housing Market Strong in Durham

DURHAM REGION - Durham Region Association of REALTORS® (DRAR) reported a 19 per cent increase in sales for April with 1,130 homes sold compared to 947 in March. "This figure shows a 6 per cent decrease from this time last year, but has more than doubled since the beginning of the year" stated Jane Hurst, President of DRAR.

Inventory increased 10% from March to April with 1,709 new listings entering the market during the month. "Although slightly lower than last year, this year's spring market has brought a significant increase in the number of residential listings and sales in contrast to the first three months of the year" added Hurst.

"In line with this year's market trend, the average selling price remains substantially higher than last year" explained President Hurst. The average selling price for residential homes in the Durham Region was \$391,351 in the month of April, up 9.4 per cent compared to April 2013. The year-to-date average selling price is \$384,980, which represents a 10 per cent increase compared to the same period last year.

"In April, buyers saw more choice in inventory compared to earlier this year, but home prices are still higher than last year. Until a marked increase in the number of listings is seen, we should expect the price growth to continue" explained President Hurst. "Even with increased average selling prices, Durham Region's housing market remains affordable and demonstrates great investment opportunities".

**Durham REALTORS®**, **We Work Where You Live.** To contact a local Durham Association REALTOR® for more specific and local housing statistics or search for a weekend open house or listings in your neighbourhood, please visit <a href="https://www.DurhamRealEstate.org">www.DurhamRealEstate.org</a>.

#### **Economic Indicators**

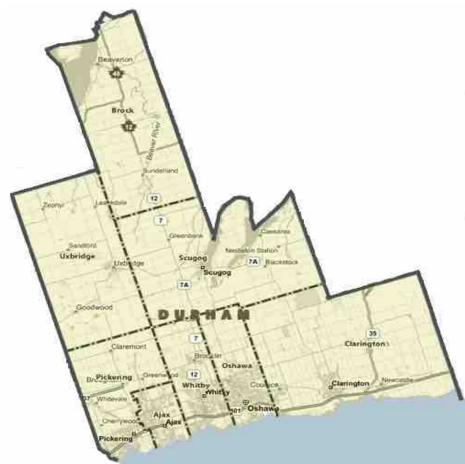
Real GDP Growth <sup>1</sup>				
Q4 2013 2.9%				
Inflation (Yr./Yr. CPI Grow	th)²			
March 2014	1.5%			
Bank of Canada Overnight Rate <sup>3</sup>				
April 2014	1.0%			
Prime Rate <sup>4</sup>				
April 2014	3.0%			
Mortgage Rates (Apr. 2014) <sup>4</sup> Chartered Bank Fixed Rates				
1 Year	3.14%			
3 Year	3.75%			
5 Year	4.99%			

Sources & Notes:

- <sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada, Quarter-over-quarter growth, annualized.
- <sup>2</sup> Statistics Canada, Year-over-year growth for the most recent reported month
- <sup>3</sup> Bank of Canada, Rate from most recent announcement
- <sup>4</sup> Bank of Canada, Rates for most recently completed month

Additional information about local economic indicators can be found on the CREAstats page of REALTORLink®





#### **OVERVIEW**

The Durham MLS® Statistics provided are compiled by the Durham Region Association of REALTORS® and are based on total home sales. The statistics reflect selling prices for various property types within the Durham Region. These statistics are for information purposes only.

	LEGEND
TA	Total Active (at the end of the last day of the month)
YTD	Year to Date (accumulation of new data to date)
PYTD	Past Year to Date (accumulation of new data to date for previous year)
%+/-	Year Over Year Percentage Differential
Avg. DOM	Average number of days on the market for firm transactions between the first & last days of the month
AVG. SP/LP	Ratio of the average selling price to the average listing price for firm transactions between the first & last days of the month
MOI	Months of Inventory (how long in months it would take to completely sell the avg. number of active listings). Calculated using a 12 month moving average (active listings/sales).

## **AVERAGE SELLING PRICE BY HOUSING TYPE (\$)**

NAME	AVG. SELLING PRICE	SINGLE DETACHED	SEMI- DETACHED	CONDO/ TOWNHOUSE	CONDO APT.	LINK	ATTACHED ROW
Durham Region	391,351	432,004	315,682	235,281	235,119	341,093	320,964
Ajax	421,103	465,131	377,828	274,514	217,750	381,143	345,393
Brock	478,300	478,300	-	-	-	-	-
Clarington	334,013	361,312	229,625	264,920	210,857	310,600	257,845
Oshawa	303,368	335,979	230,596	191,694	147,100	265,667	291,491
Pickering	486,373	574,747	409,821	260,607	279,438	418,600	357,188
Scugog	462,526	462,526	-	-	-	-	-
Uxbridge	541,744	573,257	-	409,000	244,200	-	394,500
Whitby	421,982	469,161	318,845	220,163	282,821	360,771	336,634

## **NUMBER OF LISTINGS**

AREA	APR-NEW	TA	YTD	PYTD	% + / -
Durham Region	1,709	1,592	5,179	5,499	-5.8%
Ajax	333	235	914	985	-7.2%
Brock	34	85	112	145	-22.8%
Clarington	272	249	856	841	1.8%
Oshawa	439	383	1,290	1,299	-0.7%
Pickering	215	178	635	715	-11.2%
Scugog	48	93	167	187	-10.7%
Uxbridge	44	103	169	208	-18.8%
Whitby	324	266	1,036	1,119	-7.4%

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## **NUMBER OF SALES**

AREA	APR	YTD	PYTD	% + / -	Avg. DOM	Avg. SP/LP
Durham Region	1,130	3,186	3,348	-4.8%	17	99%
Ajax	211	581	589	-1.4%	15	99%
Brock	13	55	52	5.8%	32	97%
Clarington	198	534	513	4.1%	17	99%
Oshawa	265	759	859	-11.6%	14	99%
Pickering	141	401	409	-2.0%	17	99%
Scugog	34	89	89	0.0%	45	97%
Uxbridge	27	102	107	-4.7%	36	97%
Whitby	241	665	730	-8.9%	14	100%

## **DOLLAR VOLUME (\$)**

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AREA	APR	YTD	PYTD	% + / -
Durham Region	442,226,790	1,226,546,132	1,171,905,946	4.7%
Ajax	88,852,700	239,103,032	225,087,675	6.2%
Brock	6,217,900	17,060,463	12,808,700	33.2%
Clarington	66,134,572	176,135,831	156,138,895	12.8%
Oshawa	80,392,488	230,284,320	240,156,259	-4.1%
Pickering	68,578,524	183,799,654	166,171,750	10.6%
Scugog	15,725,900	36,407,614	35,287,000	3.2%
Uxbridge	14,627,100	54,679,950	52,893,025	3.4%
Whitby	101,697,606	289,075,268	283,362,642	2.0%



## **AVERAGE SELLING PRICE (\$)**

AREA	APR	YTD	PYTD	% + / -
Durham Region	391,351	384,980	350,032	10.0%
Ajax	421,103	411,537	382,152	7.7%
Brock	478,300	310,190	246,321	25.9%
Clarington	334,013	329,842	304,364	8.4%
Oshawa	303,368	303,405	279,577	8.5%
Pickering	486,373	458,353	406,288	12.8%
Scugog	462,526	409,074	396,483	3.2%
Uxbridge	541,744	536,078	494,327	8.4%
Whitby	421,982	434,700	388,168	12.0%

### **MEDIAN PRICE (\$)**

APR	YTD
368,000	358,900
400,000	390,000
320,000	253,000
316,750	311,995
283,500	280,000
440,000	426,000
428,500	388,000
494,000	487,500
400,000	397,500

#### 2014 DURHAM REGION STATISTICS

	SALES	AVG. PRICE
January	484	395,909
February	639	372,878
March	947	380,267
April	1,130	391,351
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
YTD		

#### HISTORICAL STATISTICS

(2001 - 2010 not including Brock & Uxbridge)

YEAR	SALES	AVG. PRICE
2001	8,085	187,480
2002	8,365	206,335
2003	8,943	218,922
2004	9,600	237,611
2005	9,043	252,115
2006	9,157	257,850
2007	9,978	269,600
2008	8,563	273,370
2009	9,162	278,246
2010	9,242	299,448
2011	9,806	317,024
2012	10,549	335,991
2013	10,312	357,529

#### NOTES:

Sales, dollar volume, average sale prices and median sale prices are based on firm transactions into the MLS® system between the first and last day of the month/period being reported. Average Price is calculated by dividing the dollar volume by the number of sales.

Median represents the middle number in the ranking of homes sold from lowest to highest price.

As of July 2011 Durham Region statistics figures include the municipalities of Uxbridge and Brock.

Due to changes to service areas, caution should be exercised when making historical comparisons.

Past monthly and Year-to-Date figures are revised on a monthly basis.

All statistical information obtained from the Toronto Real Estate Board's Market Watch

Mos. Inv. is Months of Inventory (how long in months it would take to completely sell the avg. number of active listings). Calculated using a 12 month moving average (active listings/sales).