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### Detached Home Starts Moved up in June

**LONDON, July 9, 2010** –Detached home starts continued to move up in the London Census Metropolitan Area<sup>1</sup> (CMA) in June according to preliminary figures released today by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). Construction of single-detached homes, the most popular housing type in the London CMA, increased compared to the same month in 2009. Cumulative detached home starts soared compared to the same period in 2009. However, because there were no apartment starts in June, total starts were down.

“Strong employment growth in the health care sector earlier this year has supported demand for single-detached homes,” said David Lan, CMHC’s London Market Analyst. “Builders have responded to the stronger demand with higher production since this allows them to better compete with the resale home market, and to reestablish inventories,” added Lan.

As Canada’s national housing agency, CMHC draws on more than 60 years of experience to help Canadians access a variety of quality, environmentally sustainable and affordable homes. CMHC also provides reliable, impartial and up-to-date housing market reports, analysis and knowledge to support and assist consumers and the housing industry in making vital decisions.

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<sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada defines a census metropolitan area (CMA) as one or more adjacent municipalities integrated with an urban core. A CMA must have a total population of at least 100,000 of which 50,000 or more must live in the urban core. The London CMA includes the cities of London and St. Thomas, the townships of Adelaide Metcalfe, Middlesex Centre, Southwold and Strathroy-Caradoc and the municipalities of Central Elgin and Thames Centre.

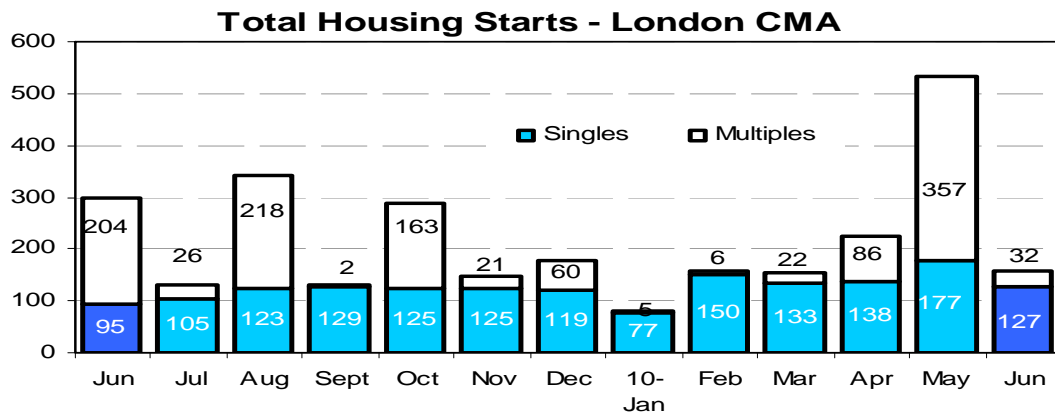
## June Housing Starts

	Single	Semi	Row	Apt	Total	% Change	
						Singles	Total
<b>London City</b>							
Jun-10	97	0	12	0	109	49%	-59%
Jun-09	65	0	15	185	265		
<b>St. Thomas City</b>							
Jun-10	10	2	0	0	12	43%	9%
Jun-09	7	4	0	0	11		
<b>Rest of CMA</b>							
Jun-10	20	0	0	0	20	-13%	-13%
Jun-09	23	0	0	0	23		
<b>London CMA</b>							
Jun-10	127	2	12	0	141	34%	-53%
Jun-09	95	4	15	185	299		

## January - June Housing Starts

	Single	Semi	Row	Apt	Total	% Change	
						Singles	Total
<b>London City</b>							
Jan-Jun10	633	2	73	405	1,113	165%	32%
Jan-Jun09	239	2	36	567	844		
<b>St. Thomas City</b>							
Jan-Jun10	60	6	0	2	68	131%	113%
Jan-Jun09	26	6	0	0	32		
<b>Rest of CMA</b>							
Jan-Jun10	109	2	0	0	111	85%	46%
Jan-Jun09	59	0	17	0	76		
<b>London CMA</b>							
Jan-Jun10	802	10	73	407	1,292	148%	36%
Jan-Jun09	324	8	53	567	952		

Rest of CMA: Central Elgin, Thames Centre, and the Townships of Middlesex Centre, Southwold, Strathroy-Caradoc and Adelaide-Metcalf



Source: CMHC Market Analysis