

Property Transfer Tax Data Dictionary 2020

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| | year | The year in which the transaction was registered. |
| | month | The month in which the transaction was registered ending the day prior to the next transaction period. |
| | weekday | The first day of the period ending the day prior to the next transaction period. The weeks do not follow the calendar weeks. The weeks are 1-7, 8-14, 15-21, 22 - end of the month (28, 29, 30, 31). |
| DEVELOPMENT REGION | DevelopmentRegion | An aggregation of all the BC Regional Districts. The 8 Developmental Regions in BC have the same boundaries as the Economic Regions observed by Statistics Canada. |
| REGIONAL DISTRICT | RegionalDistrict | The British Columbia's regional districts by the Ministry of Community, Sports and Cultural Development under the local governmental legislations and regulations. |
| MUNICIPALITY | Municipality | Referring to British Columbia's municipalities and cities. The municipality is taken from BC Assessment jurisdictions. When data is not available the field defaults to the Municipal selection made on the property transfer tax form. |
| TOTAL MARKET TRANSACTIONS (count) | tot_mkt_trans | The total number of monthly registered transactions at the Land Title Office. |
| RESIDENTIAL TOTAL (count) | n_res_trans | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties. |
| RESIDENTIAL - SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (count) | n_res_1fam | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties with a single-family improvement. |
| RESIDENTIAL – STRATA RESIDENTIAL (count) | n_res_strata | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1- stratified residential properties. |
| RESIDENTIAL - MULTI-FAMILY (count) | n_res_fam | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties with multi-family residences. |
| RESIDENTIAL - STRATA RENTAL (count) | n_res_strata_rental | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1- stratified residential rental properties. |
| RESIDENTIAL - ACREAGE (count) | n_res_acreage_trans | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties more than 0.5 hectares of land. |
| RESIDENTIAL - UNKNOWN (count) | n_res_unkn | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving residential properties type on the property transfer tax form. |

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| | | These transactions are usually new properties where the BCA use category is not in available in the Property Taxation Branch data base yet. |
| COMMERCIAL TOTAL (count) | n_comm_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving properties classed other than residential, recreational or farm. |
| COMMERCIAL - COMMERCE (count) | n_comm_comm | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving properties classed other than residential, recreational or farm. |
| COMMERCIAL - STRATA NON-RESIDENTIAL (count) | n_comm_strata_nores | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving stratified non-residential properties. |
| COMMERCIAL - INDUSTRY (count) | n_comm_industry | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving industrial properties. |
| COMMERCIAL - UTILTITY (count) | n_comm_util | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving utility properties. |
| COMMERCIAL - UNKNOWN (count) | n_comm_unkn | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving commercial properties type on the property transfer tax form. These transactions are usually new properties where the BCA use category is not in available in the Property Taxation Branch data base yet. |
| FARM TOTAL (count) | n_farm_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 9-farm properties. |
| CIVIC RECREATIONAL TOTAL (count) | n_recr_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 8-recreational classed properties with improvements. |
| FARM TOTAL (count) | n_farm_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 9-farm properties. |
| OTHER/UNKNOWN TOTAL (count) | n_unkn_tran | Transactions that do not have a BCA use category in the Property Taxation Branch data base and are indicated as OTHER or left blank on the property transfer tax form. These are usually newly registered properties/developments. |
| First-Time Home Buyer Transaction (count) | n_fth | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties when a purchaser buys their first home. |

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| Newly Built Home Transaction (count) | n_nbh | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties when a newly built home is purchased by an individual. |
| Transactions with Corporate Purchasers (count) | n_tot_corp_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving purchases by a corporation. |
| Transactions with Individual Purchasers (count) | n_tot_indv_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving purchases by a Individuals. |
| FMV sum (\$ sum) | sum_FMV | The sum of the purchasers' declared fair market value (FMV). |
| FMV Average (\$ mean) | mn_FMV | The average of the purchasers' declared fair market value (FMV). |
| FMV Median (\$ median) | md_FMV | The median of the purchasers' declared fair market value (FMV). |
| PTT Paid (\$ sum) | sum_PPT_paid | The total amount of Property Transfer Tax (PTT) paid for the total number of monthly registered transactions and based on the total monthly declared FMV. |
| PTT Paid Median (\$ median) | md_PPT | The median of the amount of Property Transfer Tax (PTT) paid for the total number of registered transactions and based on the total monthly median FMV. |
| Foreign Involvement Transactions (count) | n_foreign_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving foreign purchaser, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| Foreign Involvement transactions - Residential (count) | n_foreign_res | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |

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| Foreign Involvement transactions - Non-Residential (count) | n_foreign_nonres | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving commercial/other types of properties purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. This is a total of commercial and other types of properties (i.e., non-residential). |
| Foreign Involvement transactions - Commercial (count) | n_foreign_comm | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving commercial types of properties purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| Foreign Involvement transactions - Other (count) | n_foreign_other | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving all other (non-residential and non-commercial) types of properties purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| Transactions with Foreign Involvement Corporate Purchasers (count) | n_foreign_corp_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving corporate purchasers. |
| Transactions with Foreign Involvement Individual Purchasers (count) | n_foreign_indv_tran | The total number of monthly registered transactions involving individual purchasers. |
| Foreign Involvement - Residential (% of count) | perc_n_foreign_res | The percentage of the total number of monthly registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |

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| FMV Sum of Foreign Involvement Transactions - Residential (\$ sum) | sum_FMV_foreign_res | The sum of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered Class 1-residential transactions involving foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| FMV Average of Foreign Involvement Transactions - Residential (\$ mean) | mn_FMV_foreign_res | The average of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered Class 1-residential transactions involving foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |

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| FMV Median of Foreign Involvement Transactions - Residential (\$ median) | md_FMV_foreign_res | The average of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered Class 1-residential transactions involving foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| Under \$1 million (count, foreign involvement residential transactions) | n_lt1M_foreign_res | The total number of monthly registered Class 1-residential transactions involving properties under \$1 million purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| \$1 million - \$3 million (count, foreign involvement residential transactions) | n_gt1M_foreign_res | The total number of monthly registered Class 1-residential transactions involving properties with values between \$1 million - \$3 million purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| Over \$3 million (count, foreign involvement residential transactions) | n_gt3M_foreign_res | The total number of monthly registered Class 1-residential transactions involving properties valued above \$3 million purchased by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| Additional Tax Paid (\$ sum) | add_tax_paid | The Additional Transfer Tax Paid, a 15% additional property transfer tax applies ONLY to residential property transfers to foreign purchasers. |
| FMV Sum of Foreign Involvement Transactions (\$ sum) | sum_FMV_foreign | The sum of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties and foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers |

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| | | who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |
| FMV Sum - Residential (\$ sum) | sum_FMV_res | The sum of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties. |
| Foreign Involvement - Residential (% of FMV) | perc_FMV_foreign_res | The percentage of the sum of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties and foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. |

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| <p>FMV Sum of Foreign Investment - Residential (\$ sum)</p> | <p>sum_invest_foreign_res</p> | <p>The sum of the portion of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties paid by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada. This is available only when the Additional Tax Paid is known.</p> |
| <p>Foreign Investment - Residential (% of FMV)</p> | <p>perc_invest_foreign_res</p> | <p>The percentage of the sum of the portion of the purchasers' declared fair market value for registered transactions involving Class 1-residential properties paid by foreign purchasers, i.e., purchasers who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada.</p> |