

Property Transfer Tax Data Dictionary 2021

Terms - Excel File 2020	Terms - csv File	Definition
	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 - UTILITY (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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FMV Sum of Foreign Investment - Residential (\$ sum)	sum_invest_foreign_res	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.
Foreign Investment - Residential (% of FMV)	perc_invest_foreign_res	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.