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# VALUATION OF RESIDENTIAL AND CONDOMINIUM PROPERTIES

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## Introduction

This document provides an overview of the City of Winnipeg Assessment and Taxation Department's mass appraisal models for residential and condominium properties for the 2020 general assessment. These models predict the full market value of the fee simple interest for each property as of the reference date of April 1, 2018.

Direct comparison models were developed using multiple regression analysis. Multiple Regression is a statistical technique used to analyze data in order to predict one variable (the dependent variable), such as market value, from the known values of other variables (the independent variables), such as lot size, building size and neighbourhood. This technique replicates the sales comparison approach since multiple regression uses sales of properties to predict the market value of the unsold properties.

The residential regression model-building process involves establishing market regions and then developing an individual model specific to that region. The market models are combined additive models; they predict values for both residential vacant land and residential improved parcels. The model is a mathematical equation comprised of a constant component, which represents the base vacant land value for that market region, added to independent variables (property characteristics) multiplied by their coefficients to predict a value for each parcel.

The condominium regression model-building process involves developing two market models—one for apartment style condominiums and the other for non-apartment style condominiums—with the residential market regions used as location identifiers. The models are multiplicative, which is a mathematical equation comprised of a constant component multiplied by percentage adjustments for independent variables (property characteristics) to predict a value for each condominium unit.

The ratio statistics for the residential and condominium models meet the *Standard on Ratio Studies* published by the International Association of Assessing Officers (approved April 2013).

# Data Collection

#### Physical Characteristics

The physical descriptions of land and improvements are obtained and updated from field inspections, building plans, and property owners. This information is stored in the Assessment and Taxation Department's ADVIS database.

Sales

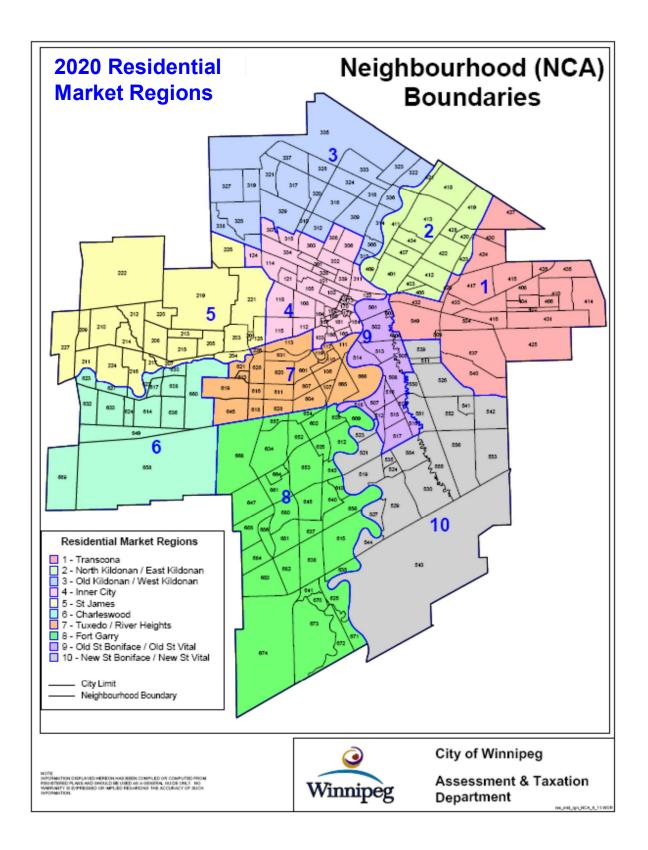
Basic details regarding transfers of land come from the Land Titles Office of the Property Registry. The sales are investigated to determine if they are arm's-length transfers and good indicators of market value.

## **Residential Market Regions**

For valuation purposes, the city is divided into 10 residential market regions. They were developed after careful examination of building type, age, sale prices, natural boundaries and volume of properties in each market region.

Market	General Description
Region	
1	Transcona
2	East Kildonan / North Kildonan
3	West Kildonan / Old Kildonan
4	Inner City
5	St James
6	Charleswood
7	Tuxedo / River Heights / Fort Rouge / Wolseley
8	Ft Garry / Lindenwoods
9	Old St Vital / Old St Boniface
10	New St Vital / New St Boniface

A map of the above market regions is shown on the following page.



# **Description of Residential Inventory**

The tables below show the residential inventory profile by market region, parcel use code, building style, age and building size (all counts are approximate at time of report).

Market Region		Count	
		Improved	Vacant
1	Transcona	14,349	617
2	East Kildonan / North Kildonan	23,065	132
3	West Kildonan / Old Kildonan	25,545	484
4	Inner City	22,732	473
5	St James	16,787	133
6	Charleswood	8,292	247
7	Tuxedo / River Heights / Fort Rouge / Wolseley	18,546	213
8	Ft Garry / Lindenwoods	21,828	1,280
9	Old St Vital / Old St Boniface	9,950	164
10	New St Vital / New St Boniface	25,049	533
Tot	al	186,143	4,276

Parcel Use	Code	Count
VRES1	Vacant Land	4,200
RESSD	Single Detached Dwelling	170,548
RESSS	Single Attached (Side by Side)	8,266
RESDU	Duplex	1,127
RESTR	Triplex	59
RESRH	Row House	1,495
RESMC	Multi-Family Conversions	3,261
RESMU	Residential Multi-Use	213
RESMB	Multiple Residential Buildings	840
RESSU	Single Dwelling w/Secondary Unit	53
RESRM	Rooming House	12
RESOT	Outbuildings Only	76
RESGC	Residential Group Care	269
Total		190,419

Build	ling Style	Count
OS	One Storey	92,676
BL	Bi-level	14,723
TL	Three Level Split	2,175
FL	Four Level Split	5,208
OH	One & <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Storey	18,049
O3	One & <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> Storey	5,688
TS	Two Storey	40,834
TH	Two & <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Storey	4,321
ТО	Two / One Storey	2,469
Total		186,143

Effective Year Built	Count
Before 1926	18,644
1926 to 1949	26,617
1950 to 1964	39,986
1965 to 1979	42,852
1980 to 1989	23,325
1990 to 1999	10,347
2000 to 2010	13,568
2011 to New	10,804
Total	186,143

Living Area (sqft)	Count
600 and less	1,979
601 to 1000	49,527
1001 to 1400	73,062
1401 to 1800	31,691
1801 to 2400	23,087
2401 to 3000	4,813
Over 3000	1,984
Total	186,143

### **Residential Independent Variables**

There are a number of property characteristics that are considered for each market model. The table below shows a list of variables that are considered primary value drivers and secondary value drivers.

Primary Variables	Secondary Variables
Neighbourhood	Other Attached Structures
Building Size	(sunrooms, verandas, etc)
Lot Size	Other Detached Structures
Effective Year Built	Heating Type
Building Quality	Air Conditioning
Property Use Code	Pool
Building Style	Deck
Basement Size and Finish	Fireplace
Building Condition	Plumbing and baths
Site Influences	
Attached and Detached Garages	

# **Description of Condominium Inventory**

The following tables show the condominium inventory profile by market region, building style, age and building size (note that all counts are approximate at the time of this report):

Mar	ket Region	Count
1	Transcona	699
2	East Kildonan / North Kildonan	1,175
3	West Kildonan / Old Kildonan	1,830
4	Inner City	2,083
5	St James	2,031
6	Charleswood	649
7	Tuxedo / River Heights / Fort Rouge / Wolseley	5,757
8	Ft Garry / Lindenwoods	4,854
9	Old St Vital / Old St Boniface	1,376
10	New St Vital / New St Boniface	3,168
Tota	1	23,622

Bui	ilding Style	Count
А	Attached	4,353
D	Detached	250
G	Garden	2,631
Η	House Conversion	80
Р	Apartment	16,151
S	Semi-Detached	157
Tot	al	23,622

Effective Year Built	Count
Before 1921	322
1921 to 1960	596
1961 to 1980	7,681
1981 to 1999	6,928
2000 to 2010	3,700
2011 to New	4,395
Total	23,622

Living Area (sqft)	Count
600 and less	1,514
601 to 800	4,140
801 to 1000	6,813
1001 to 1400	8,235
1401 to 2000	2,665
Over 2000	256
Total	23,622

### **Condominium Independent Variables**

There are a number of property characteristics unique to the condominium complex and the condo unit itself which are considered for both market models. The table below shows a list of variables that are considered primary value drivers and secondary value drivers:

Primary Variables	Secondary Variables
Unit Size	Floor Location
Basement Size	Number of Floors in condo unit
Condominium Complex	Air Conditioning
Neighbourhood	Pool
Effective Year Built	View Feature
Unit Quality	Fireplaces
Unit Condition	Plumbing and baths
Attached Garages	Sunrooms, Decks, Patios

## **Time Adjustments**

The sales used to establish the values of all residential and condominium properties are time adjusted to April 1, 2018 (the reference date for the 2020 General Assessment). The City of Winnipeg has seen little change in value for both residential and condominium properties from April 1, 2016 to April 1, 2018. Residential properties have slightly increased by approximately 0.15% per month, whereas condominiums have an even smaller increase averaging approximately 0.013% per month over that 2 year period.

## Testing and Evaluation of the Model

The ratio statistics for the residential and condominium models meet the *Standard on Ratio Studies* published by the International Association of Assessing Officers (approved April 2013).