# Analysis of Current and Forecasted Demand for Housing in North America

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#### **Factors Influencing Housing Demand**

Housing Permits, Starts, and Completions

Existing and New House Sales

Construction Spending

Residential Remodeling

Economic

Demographics

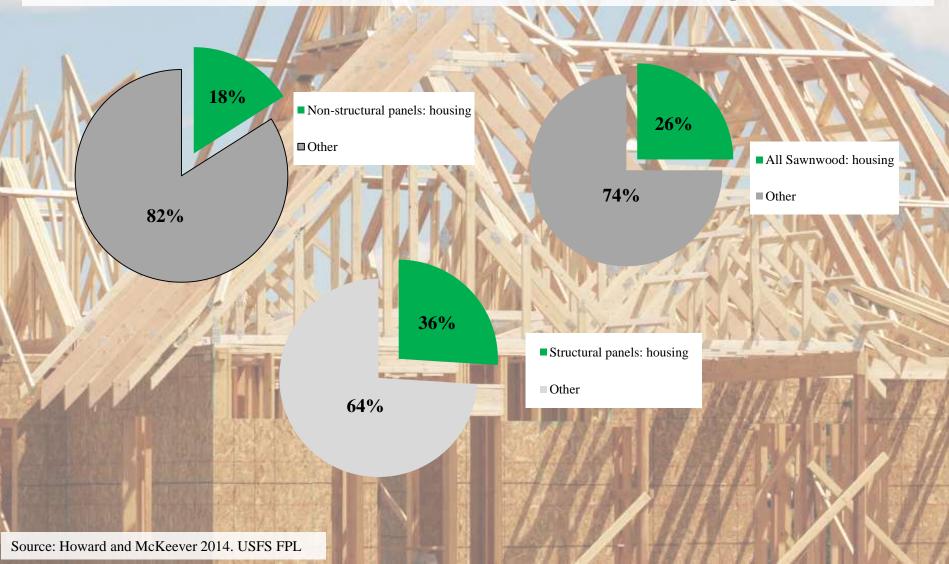
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#### **Threats**

**Conclusions** 

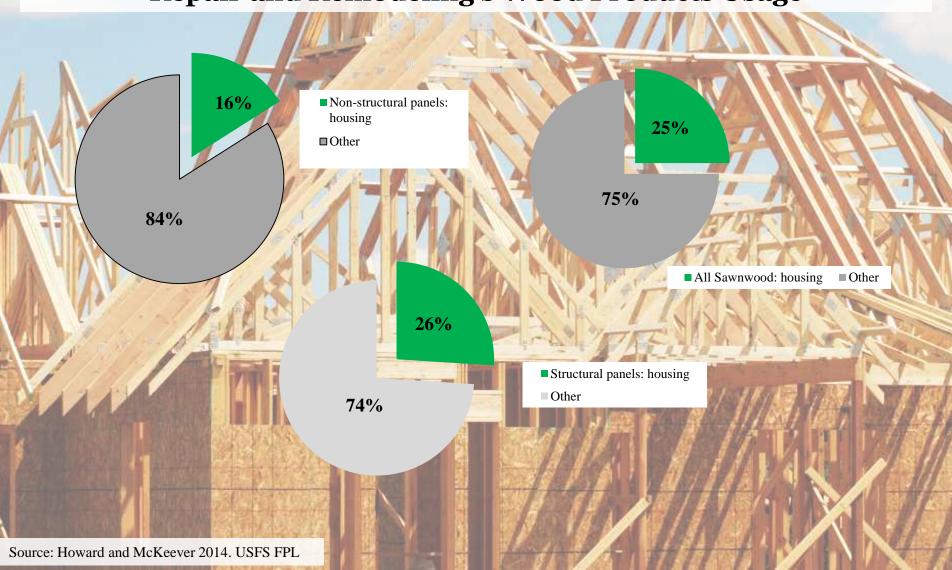
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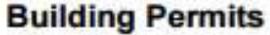


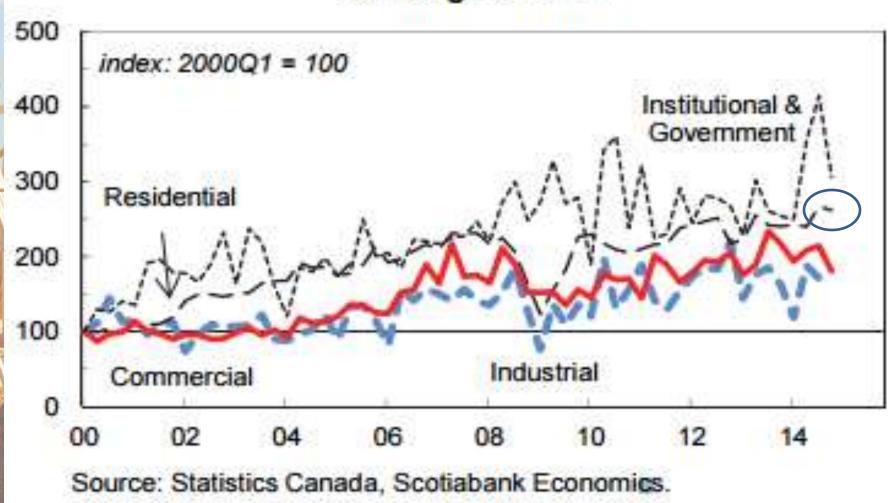
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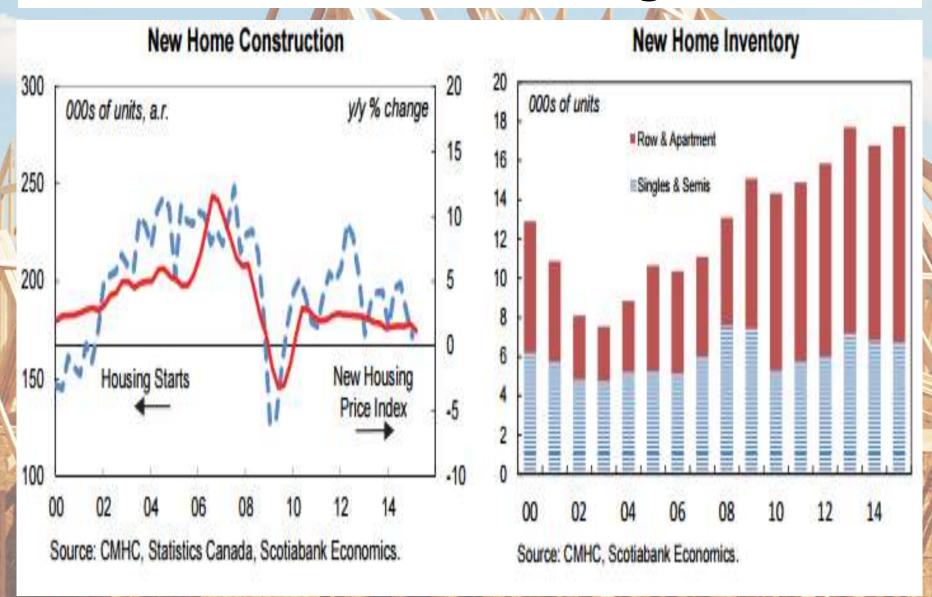
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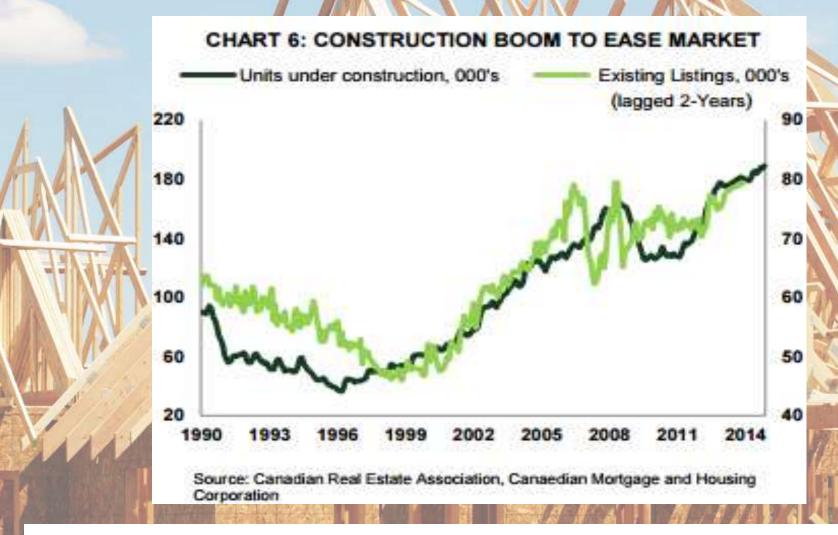






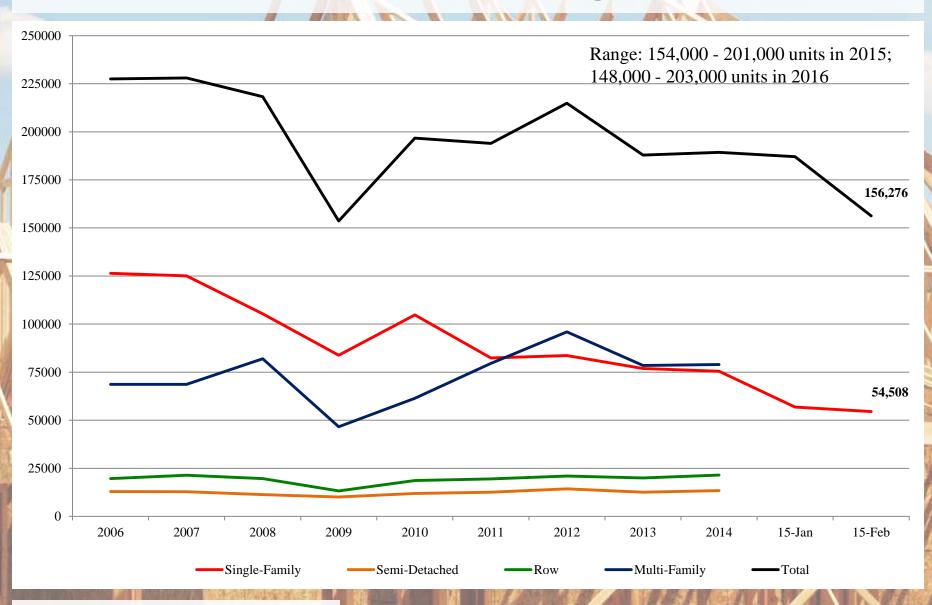




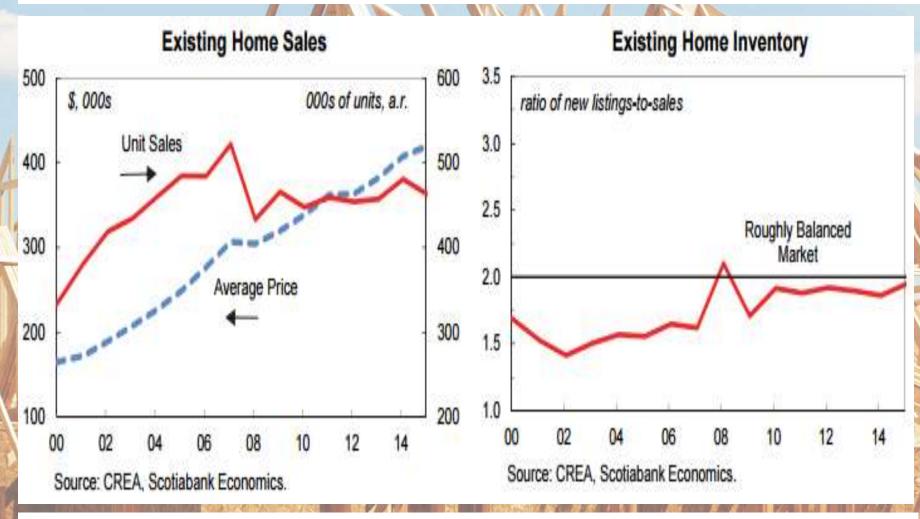


"...we continue to expect a moderation in the Canadian real estate market over 2015 and 2016."

# Canadian Housing Starts



Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation



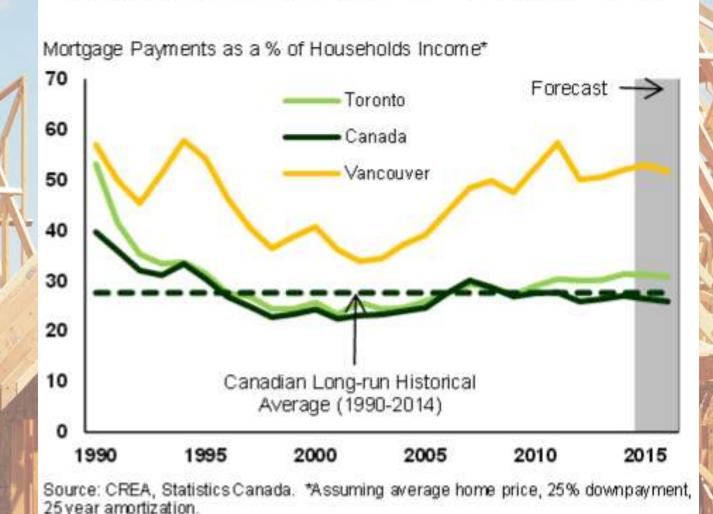
"Canadian home sales and price trends are relatively stable, though tight supply and strong demand continue to fuel bigger price increases in a few high-priced markets. Low borrowing costs are maintaining affordability in the face of high home valuations."

# Canada: Housing Starts



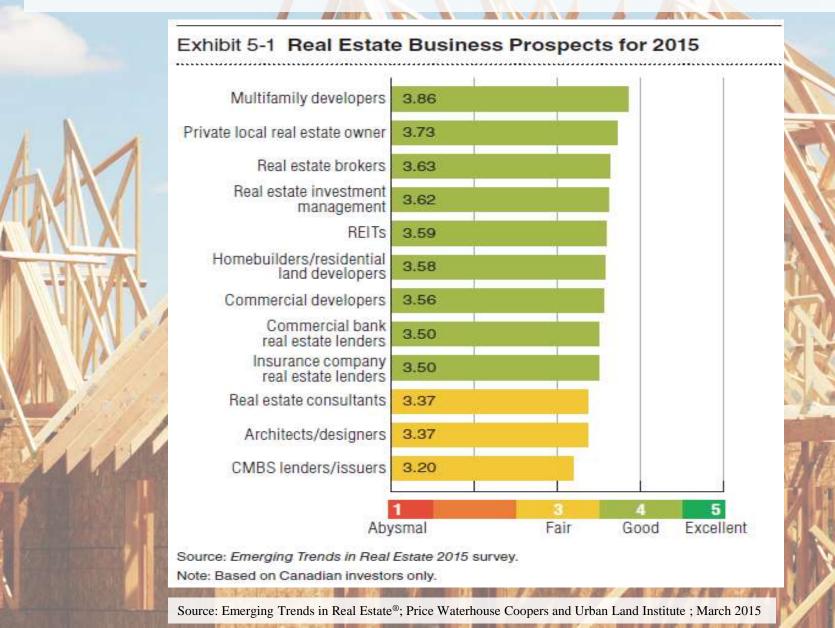
# Canada: Housing Affordability





Source: www.td.com/document/PDF/economics/special/RegionalHousing\_Feb2015.pdf

# Canada: Housing Starts





# North American Housing

#### **Projecting Housing Demand**

Housing units = Household formations plus housing units lost

<u>2013</u>: 425,000 household formations + 467,368 demolitions = 892,368 units

Actual production: 764.4 - 892.4 = 128,000 under build

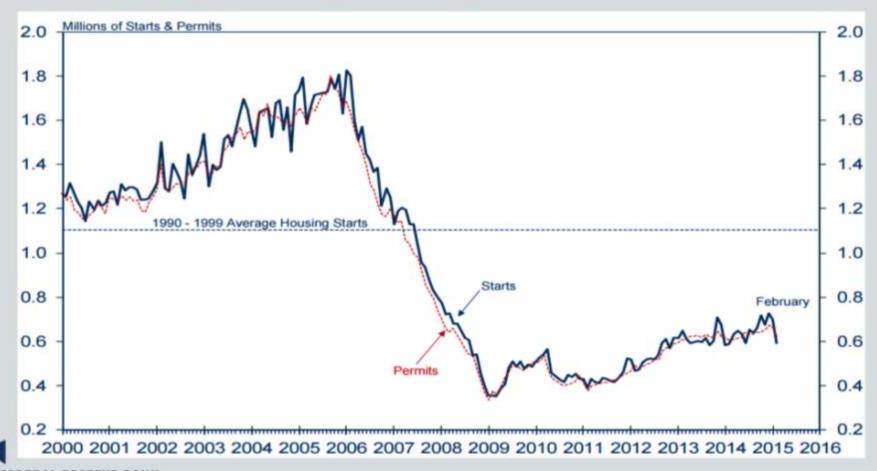
<u>2014</u>: 684,750 household formations + 450,500 demolitions = 1,135,250 units

Actual production:  $883.8 - 1{,}135 = 251{,}200$  under build

# United States Housing Forecasts: 2015

(000s)	Single-Family Starts	Multi-Family Starts	Total Starts
APA - The Engineered			
Wood Association	755	455	1,210
Core Logic	743	381	1,124
Fannie Mae	783	388	1,171
Forest Economic Advisors	753	399	1,152
Goldman Sachs			1,166
Merrill Lynch			1,175
Metrostudy	730	370	1,100
MBA	728	380	1,108
NAHB	804	358	1,162
NAR	783	517	1,300
TD Economics			1,190
Wells Fargo	770	390	1,160
Zillow			1,113

#### **Private Single-Family Housing Starts & Permits**



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Source: Census Bureau via Haver Analytics

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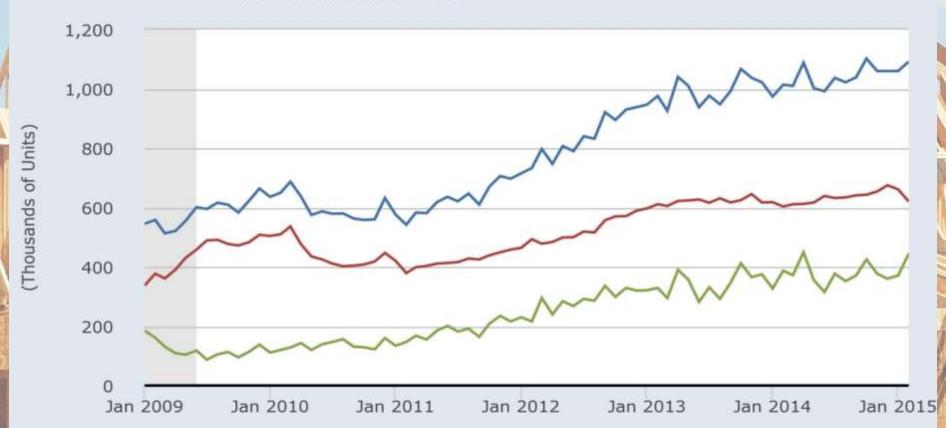
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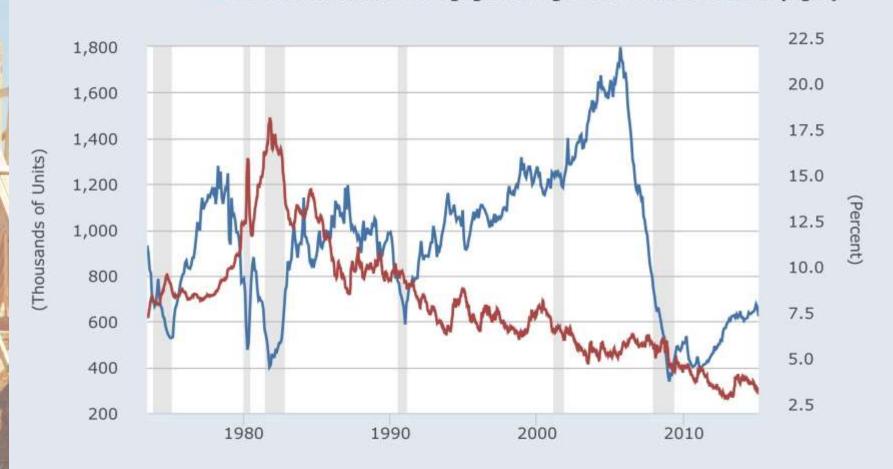


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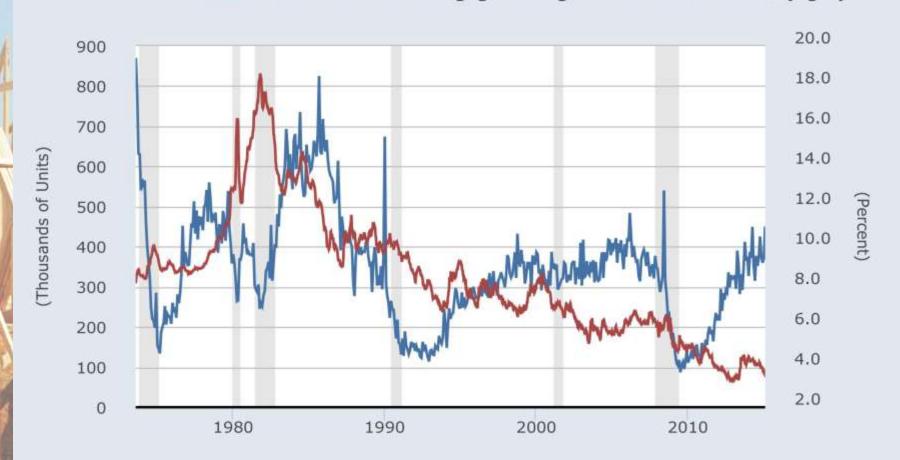
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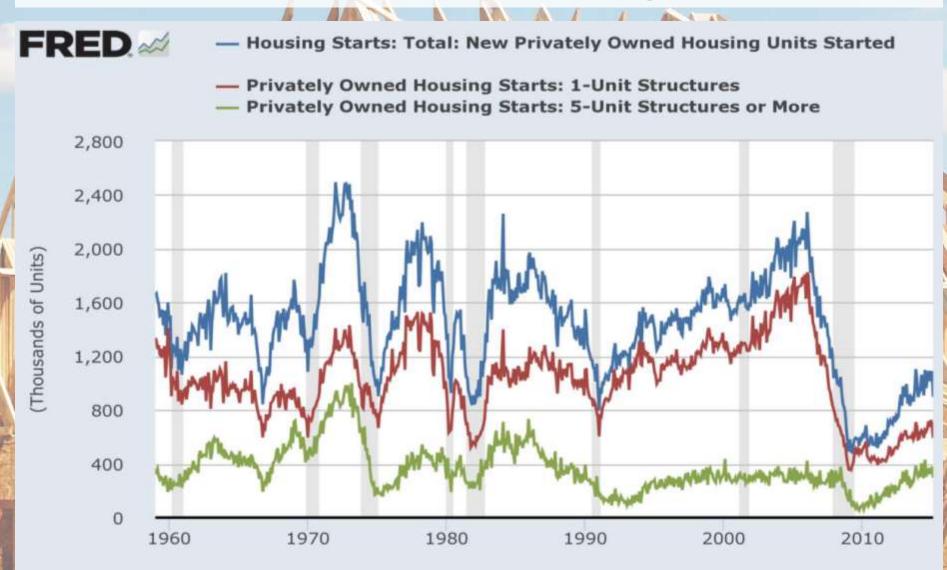


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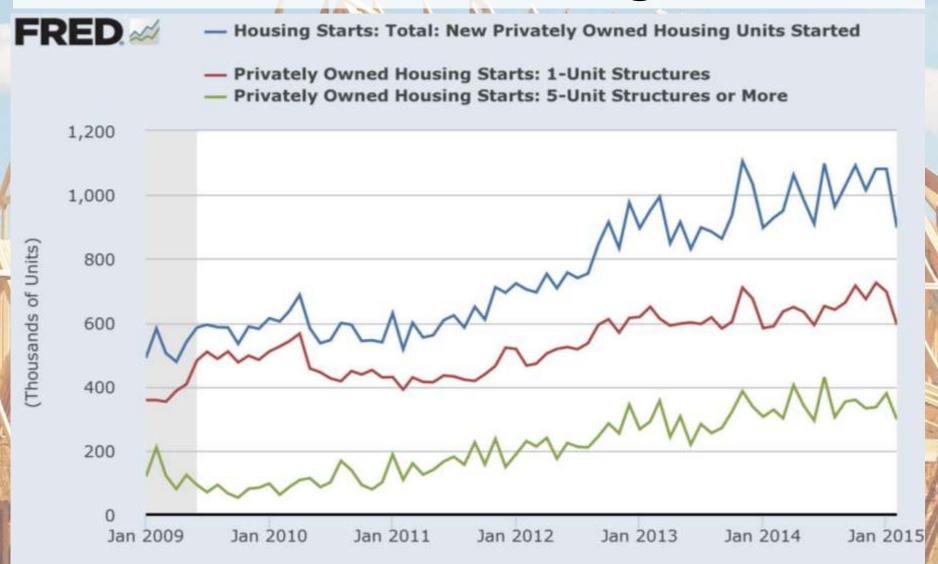
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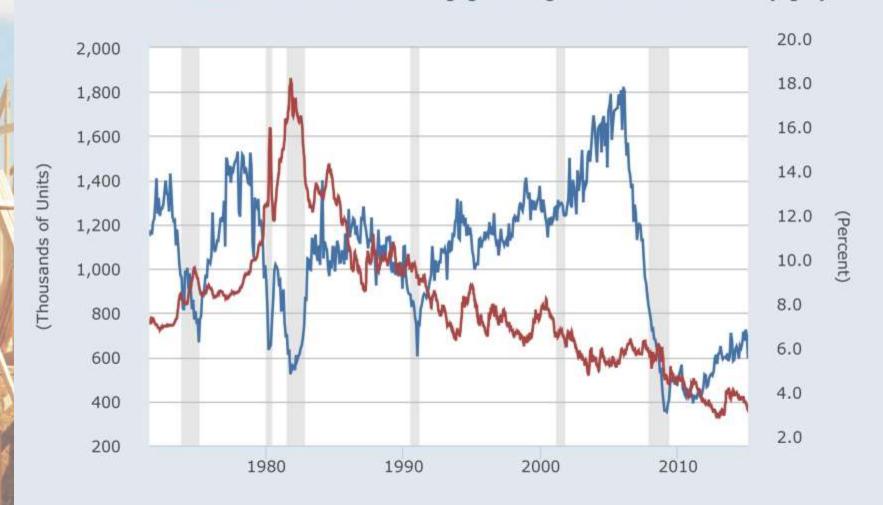


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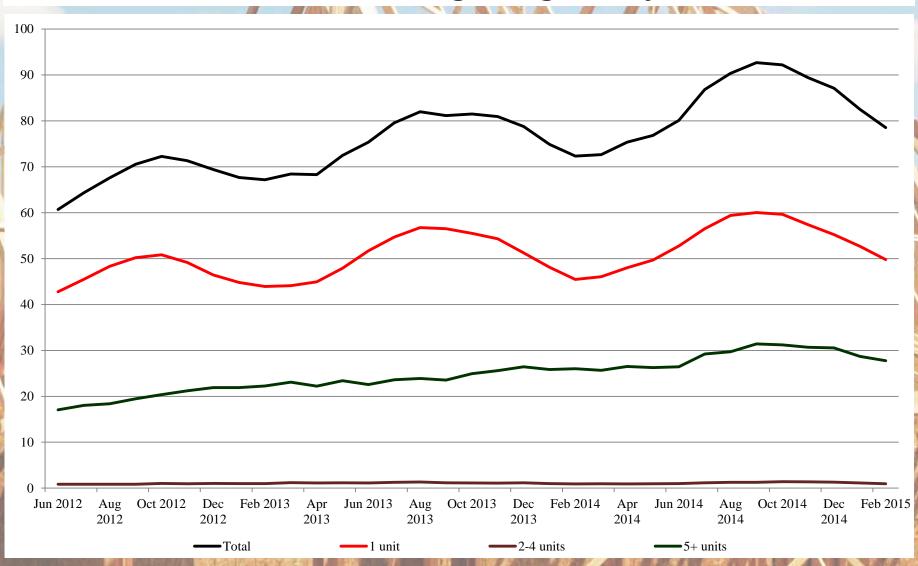
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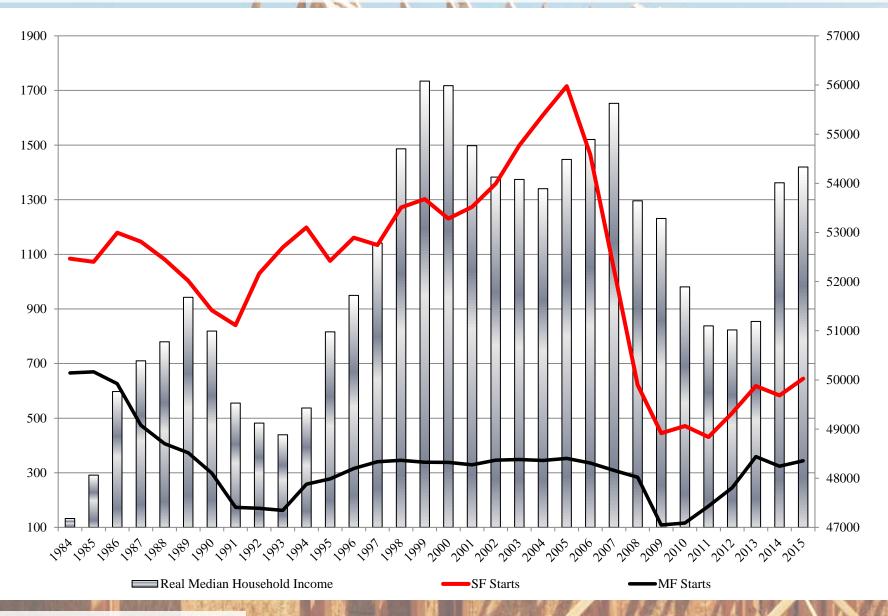
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SF starts: Six-month rolling average (unadjusted data)



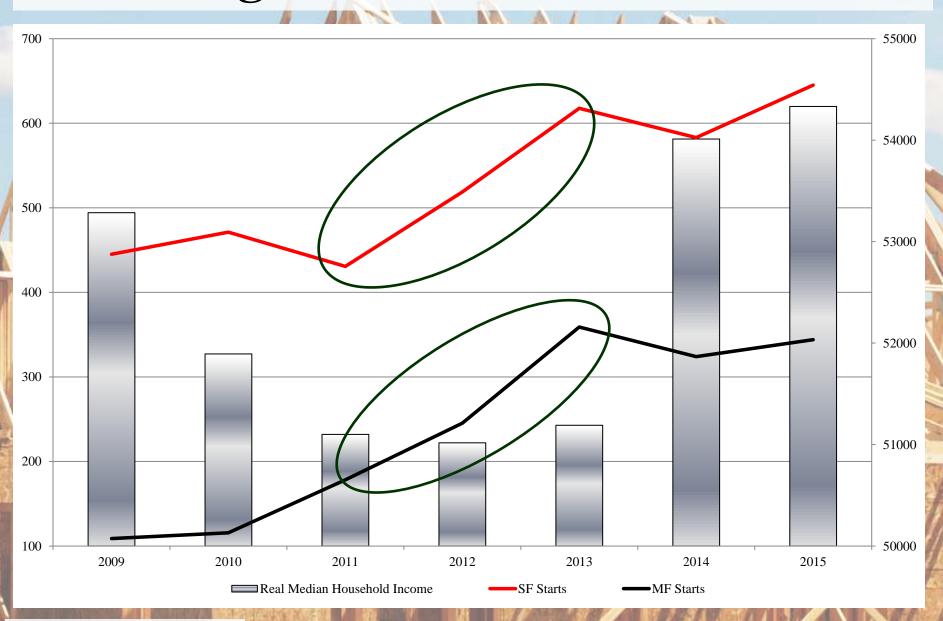
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## Housing Starts and Median Income

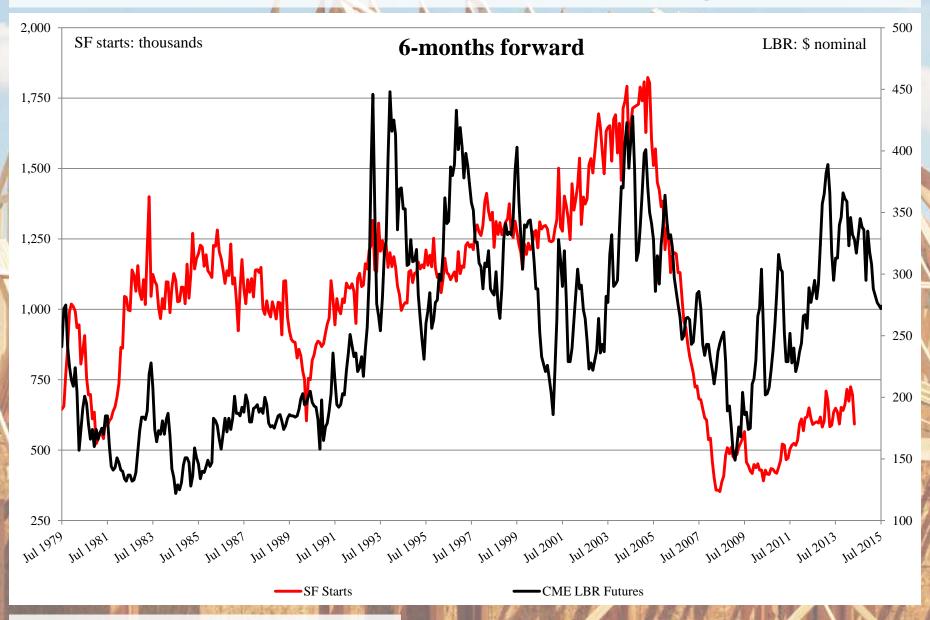


Source: http://research.stlouisfed.org/fred2; BLS

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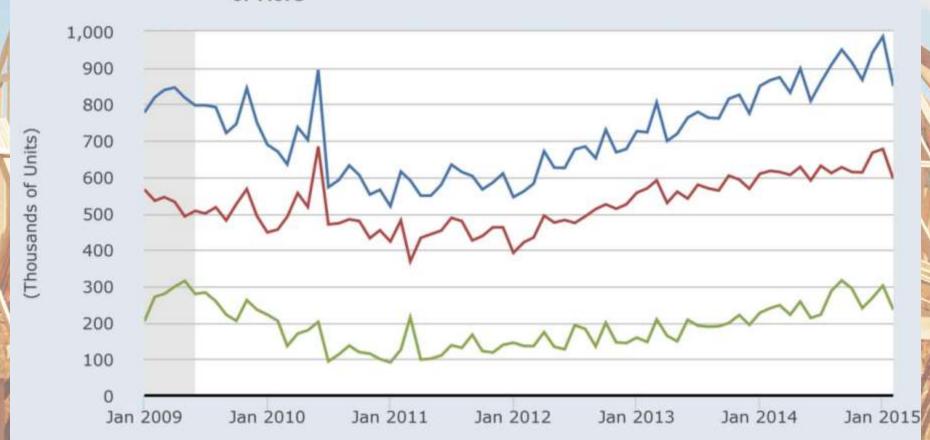
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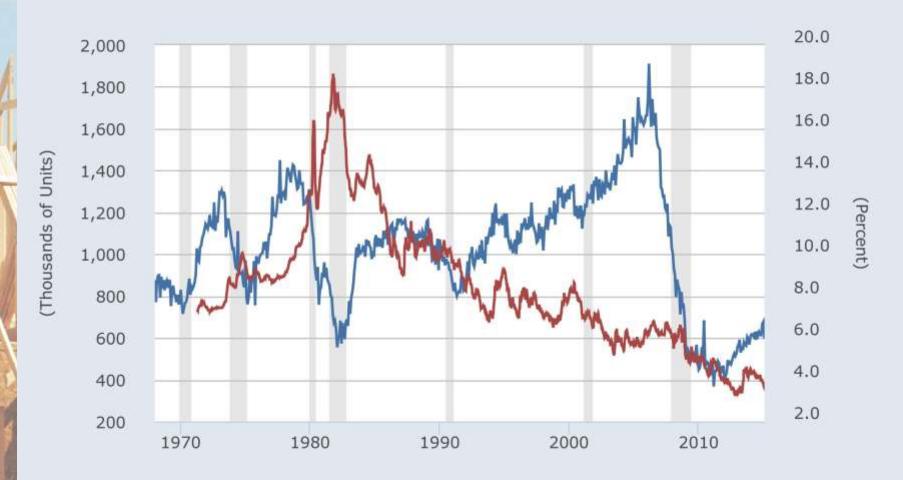


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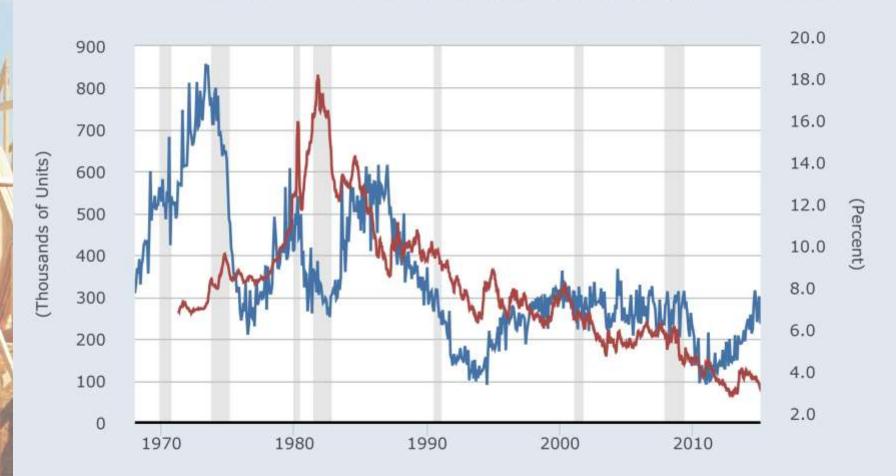


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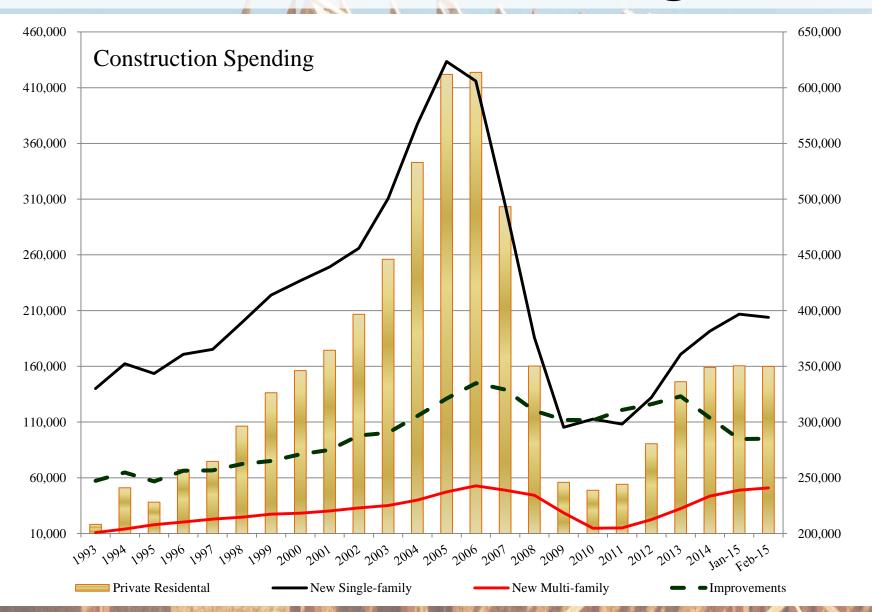


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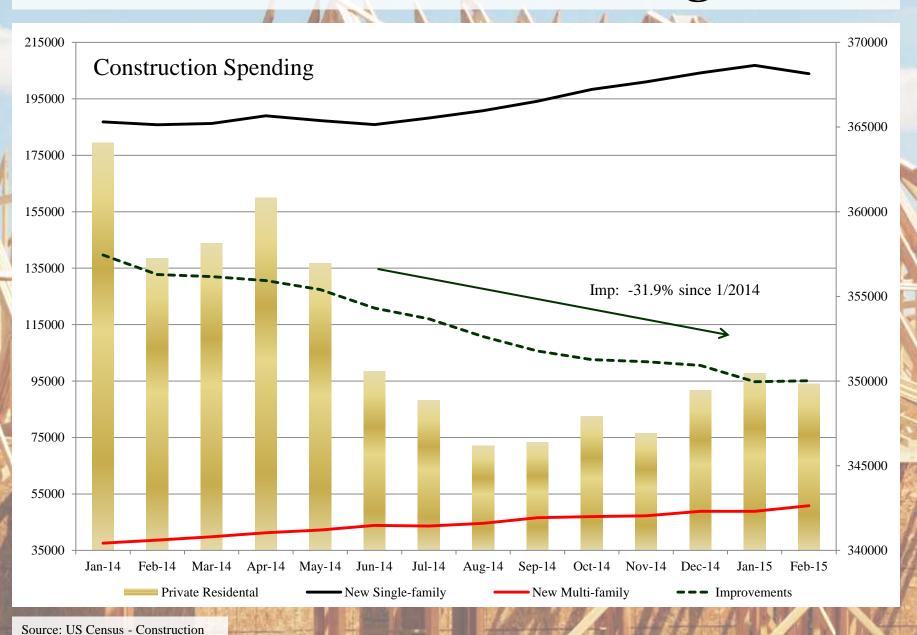


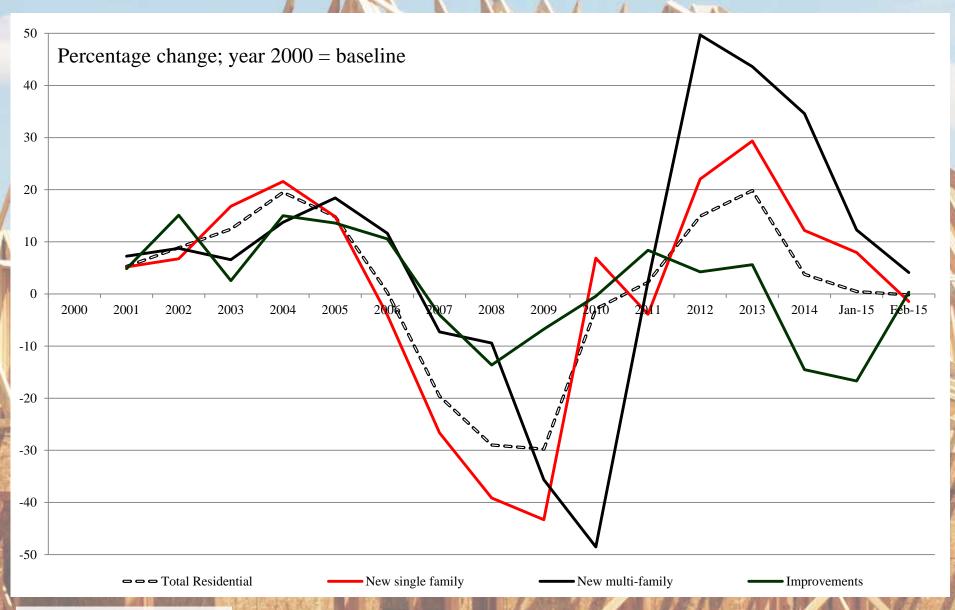
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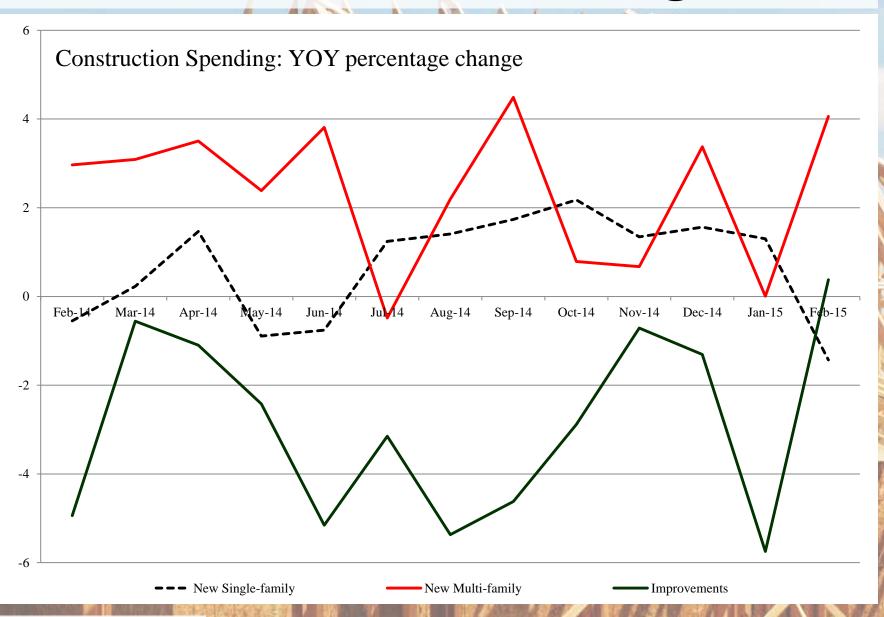


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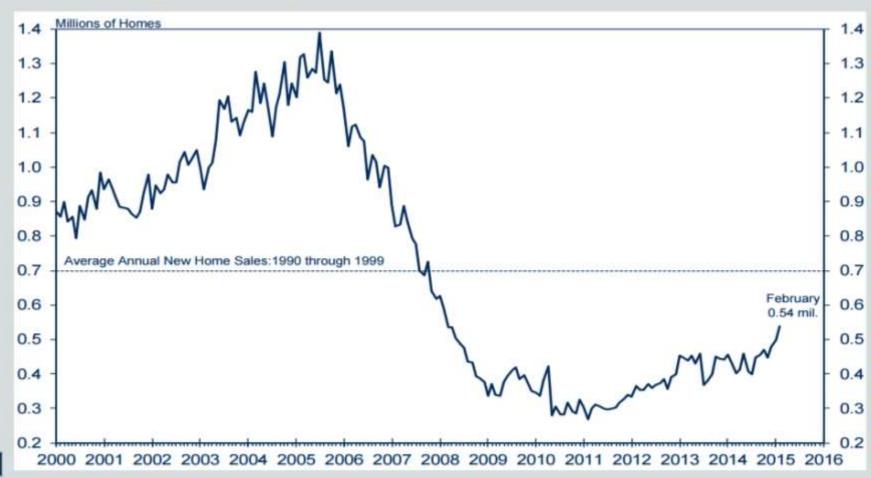


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#### **New Single-Family Home Sales**



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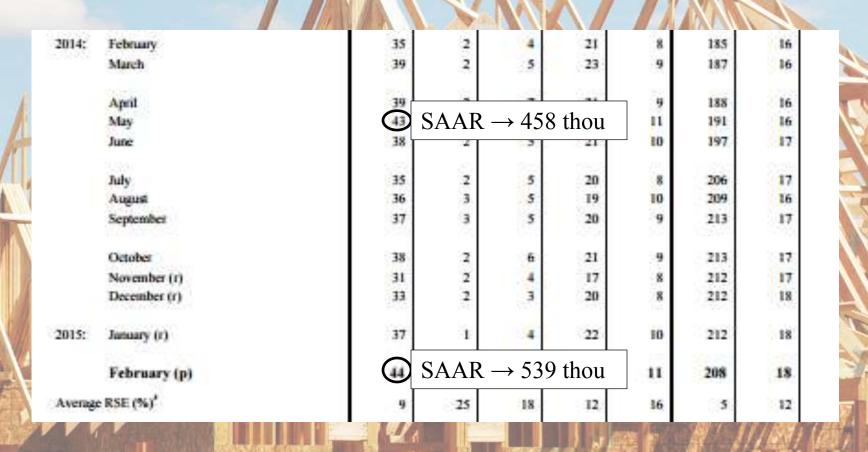
Source: Census Bureau via Haver Analytics

Table 1. New Houses Sold and For Sale

[Thousands of houses. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.]

		Sold during period <sup>1</sup>						
	Period	United States	North- east	Mid- west	South	West		
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2014:	February	432	23	56	259	94		
	March	403	25	56	233	85		
	April	413	21	65	234	93		
	May	458	37	75	237	109		
	June	409	26	54	228	101		
	July	399	23	55	225	96		
	August	448	28	52	246	122		
	September	456	33	60	247	116		
	October	469	24	65	265	11:		
	November (r)	448	29	58	233	122		
	December (r)	479	31	51	271	120		
2015;	January (r)	500	17	62	287	13-		
	February (p)	(539)	43	54	316	126		

Source: US Census - Construction



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- New One Family Houses Sold: United States (left)
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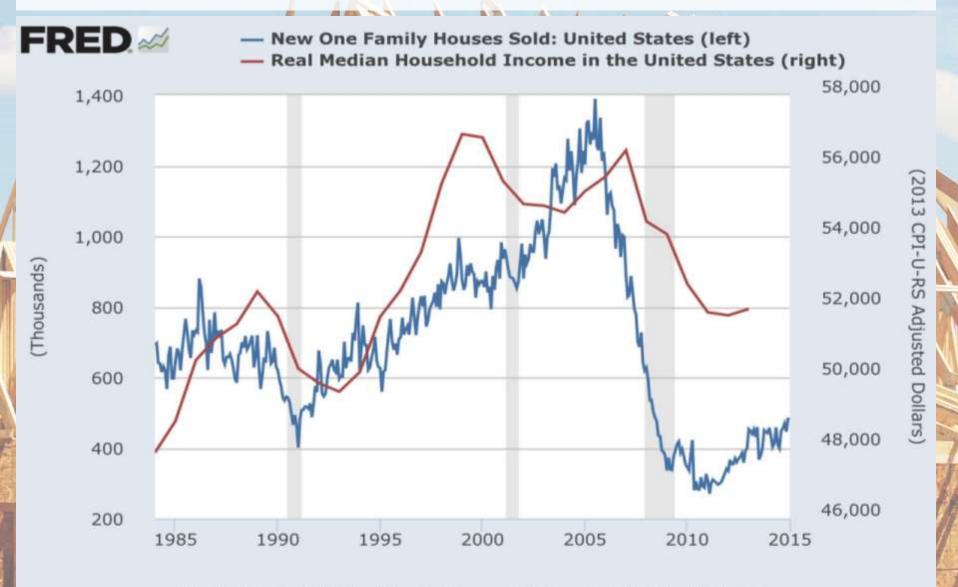
- Median Sales Price for New Houses Sold in the United States (left)
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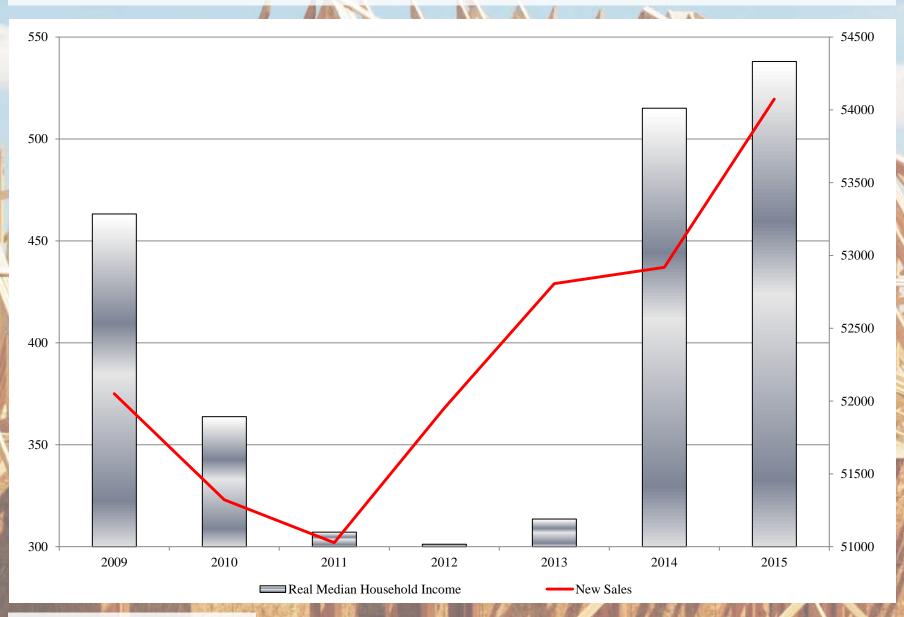
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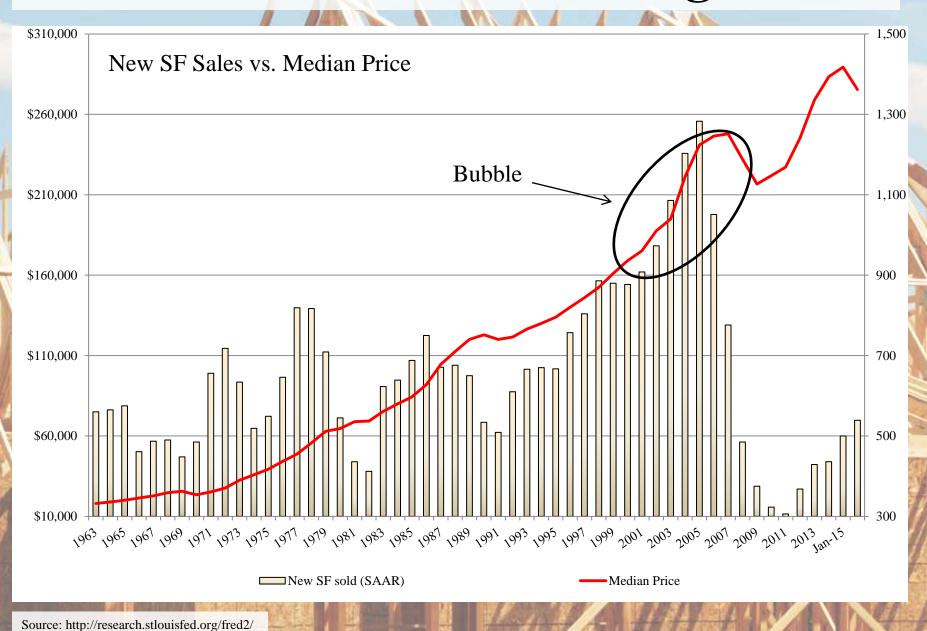


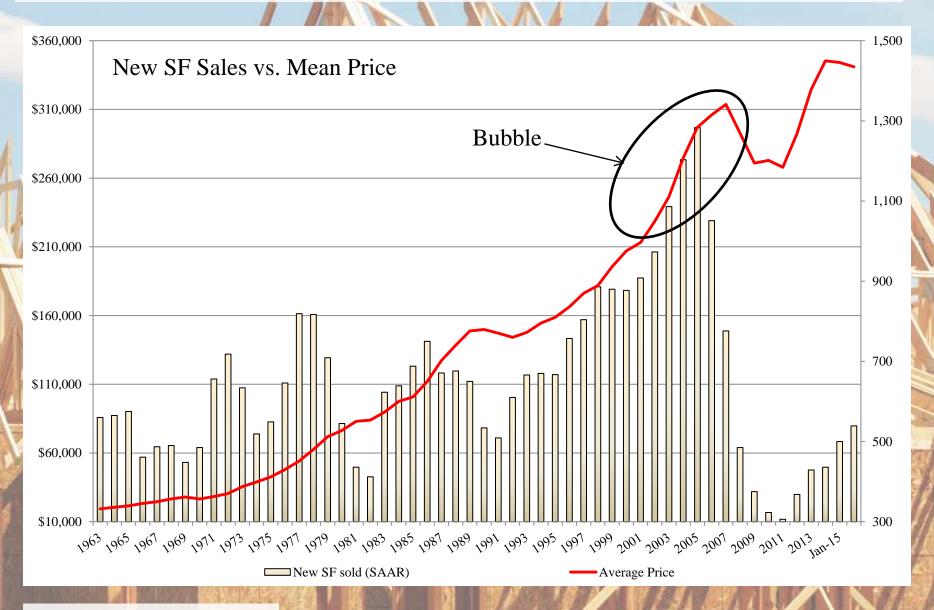
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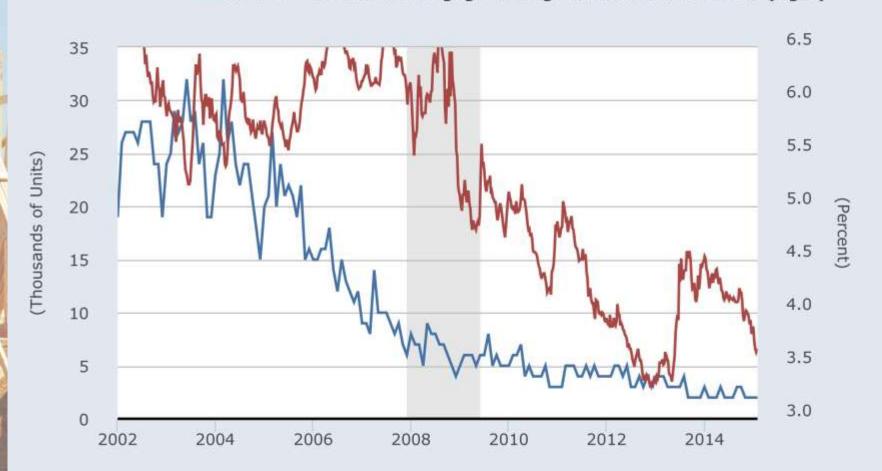
Source: US Census – Construction & BLS





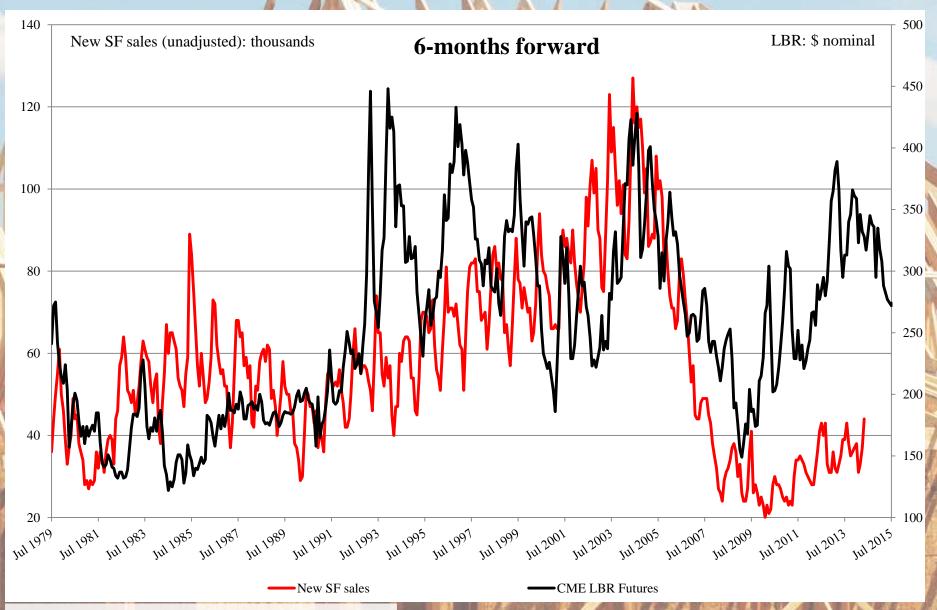


- New Houses Sold by Sales Price in the United States, Under \$150,000 (left)
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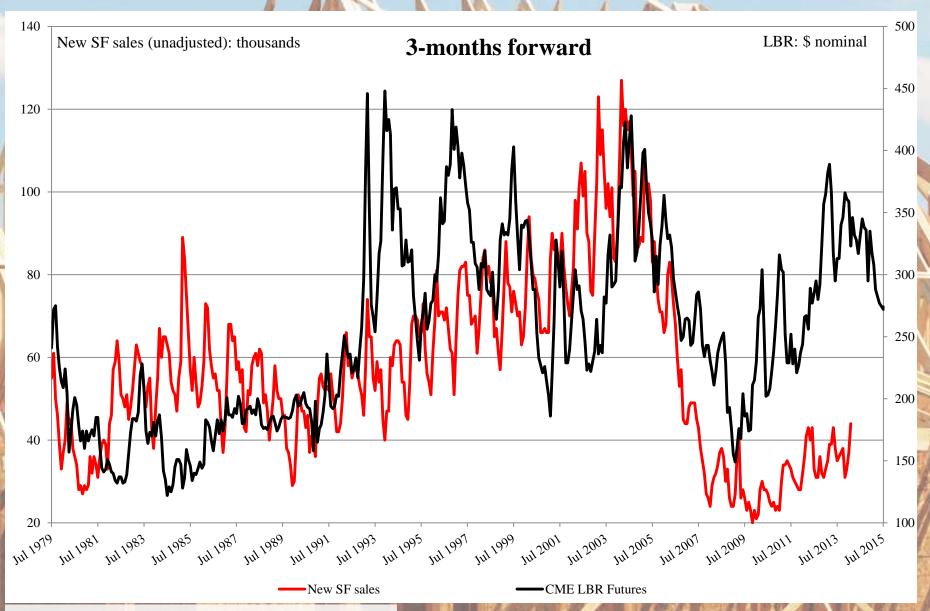


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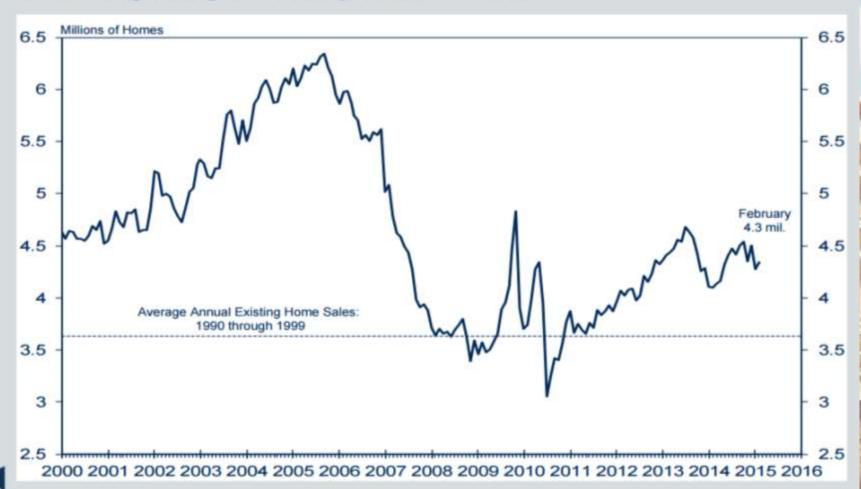


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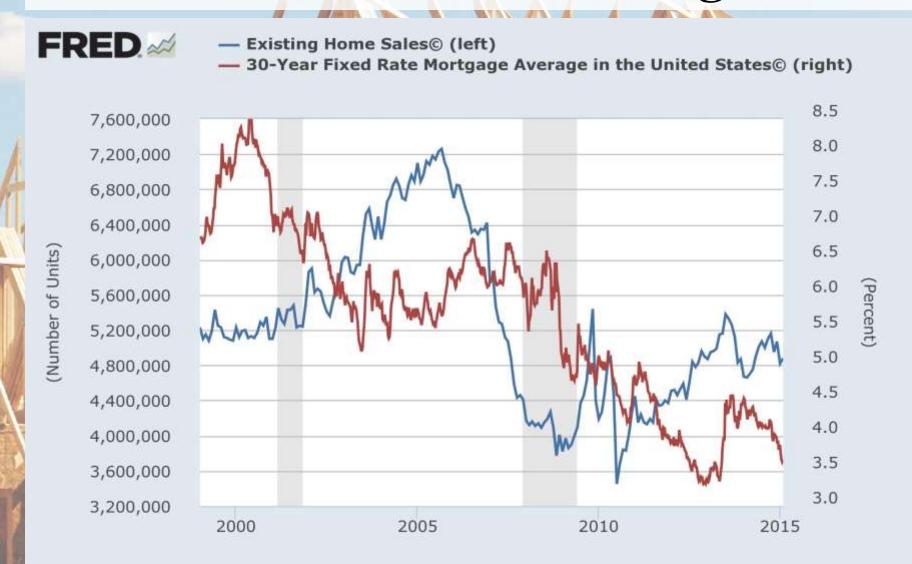
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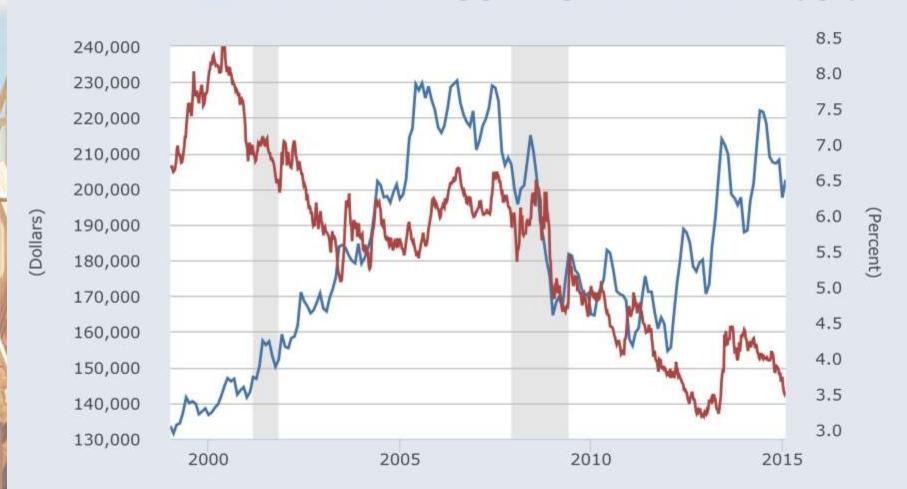
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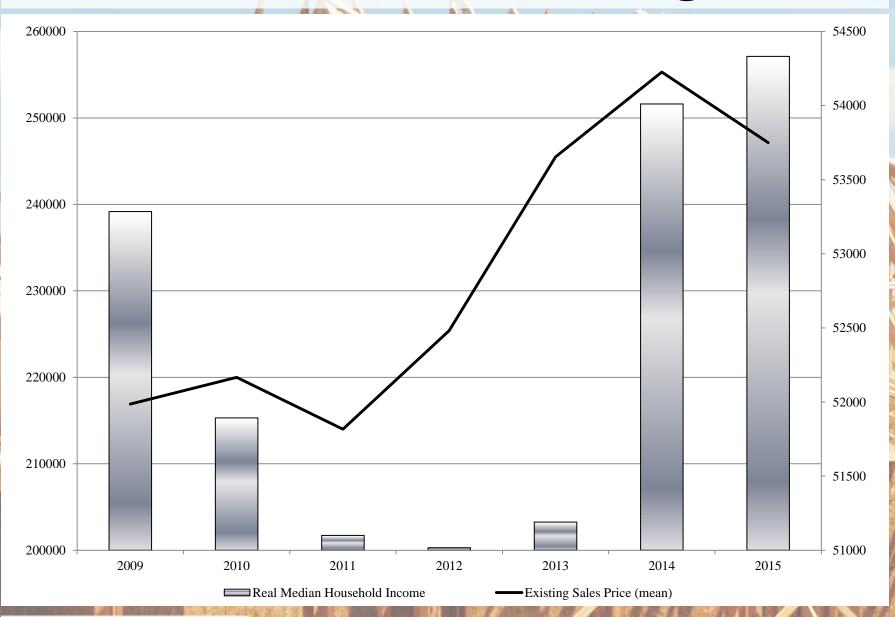
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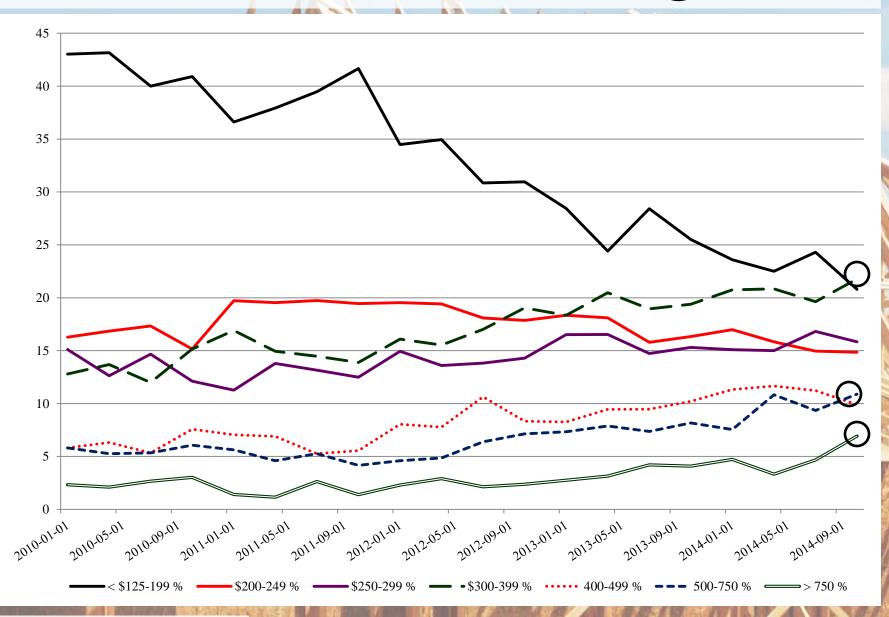
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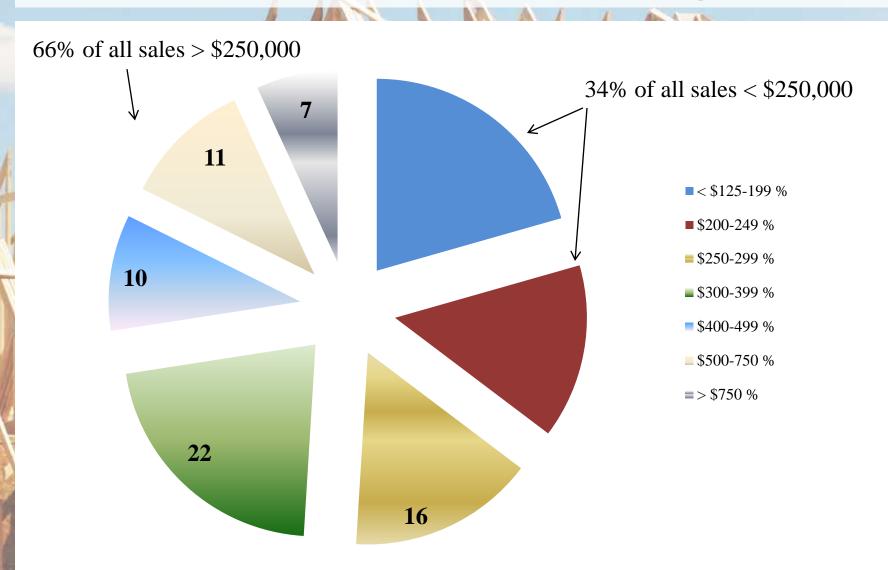


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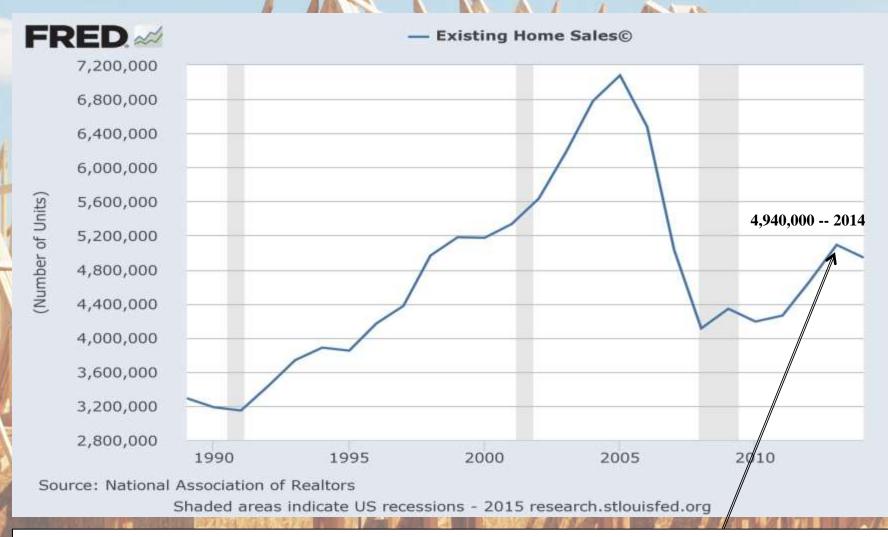


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#### February Residential Sales by Price Range

_		February				
Price Range	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	YoY Pct Change in Share of Sales
>\$100 & <=\$50K	15.90%	15.65%	12.97%	10.91%	7.45%	-32%
>\$50K & <=\$100K	18.17%	18.63%	16.76%	14.68%	11.12%	-24%
>\$100K & <=\$200K	28.80%	29.96%	30.38%	30.02%	28.86%	-4%
>\$200K & <=\$300K	15.12%	15.11%	16.32%	17.29%	19.96%	15%
>\$300K & <=\$400K	8.09%	7.78%	8.72%	9.87%	11.67%	18%
>\$400K & <=\$500K	4.11%	4.03%	4.74%	5.46%	6.64%	21%
>\$500K & <=\$750K	4.83%	4.47%	5.27%	6.08%	7.30%	20%
>\$750K & <=\$1MM	1.76%	1.69%	1.81%	2.23%	2.76%	24%
>\$1MM & <=\$2MM	1.58%	1.63%	1.75%	2.15%	2.62%	22%
>\$2MM & <=\$5MM	0.80%	0.71%	0.82%	0.80%	1.19%	48%
>\$5MM	0.86%	0.32%	0.45%	0.51%	0.44%	-15%

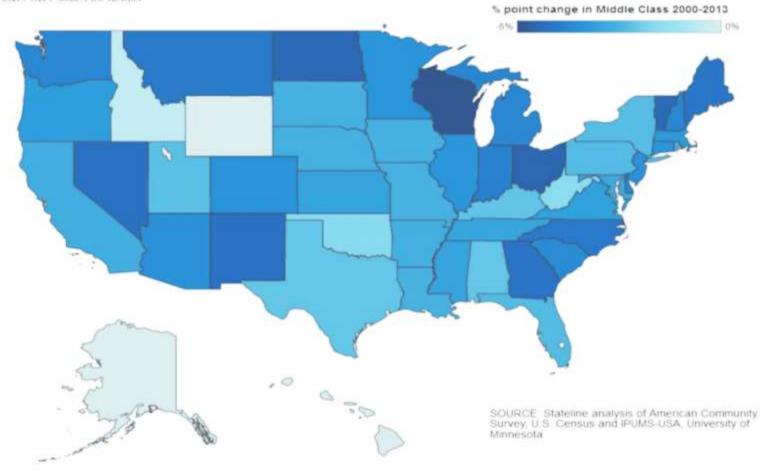
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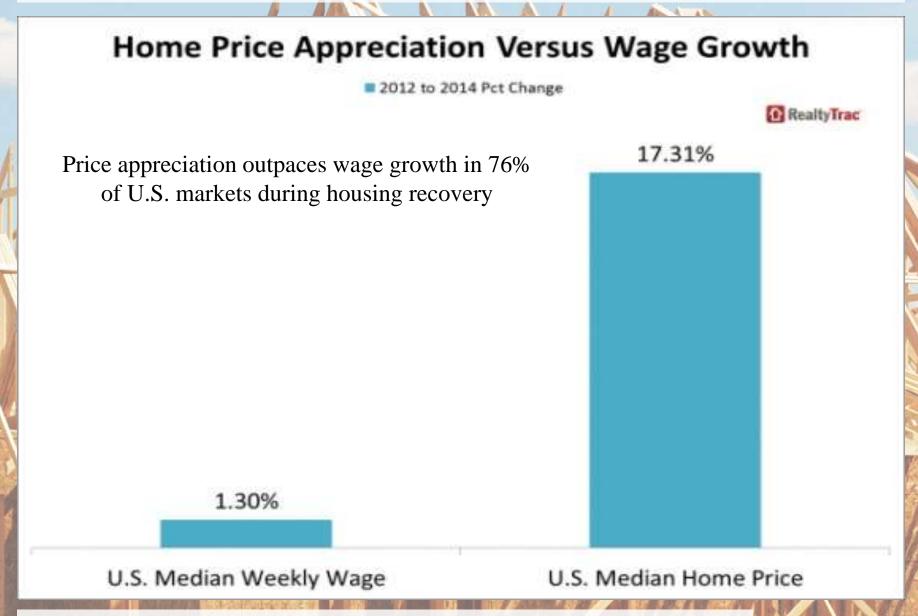
"...vacation-home sales catapulted to an estimated 1.13 million last year, the highest amount since NAR began the survey in 2003 (22.8%)." Increased 57.4% from 2013.

#### How America's Middle Class Has Shrunk Since 2000

The struggles of middle-class American families and growing income inequality have risen to the top of the national agenda. A new Stateline analysis shows that in all 50 states, the percentage of "middle-class" households—those making between 67 percent and 200 percent of the state's median income—shrunk between 2000 and 2013. The change occurred even as the median income in most states declined, when adjusted for inflation in most states, the growing percentage of households paying 30 percent (the federal standard for housing affordability) or more of their income on housing illustrates that it is increasingly difficult for many American families to make ends meet. Hower over states for details.



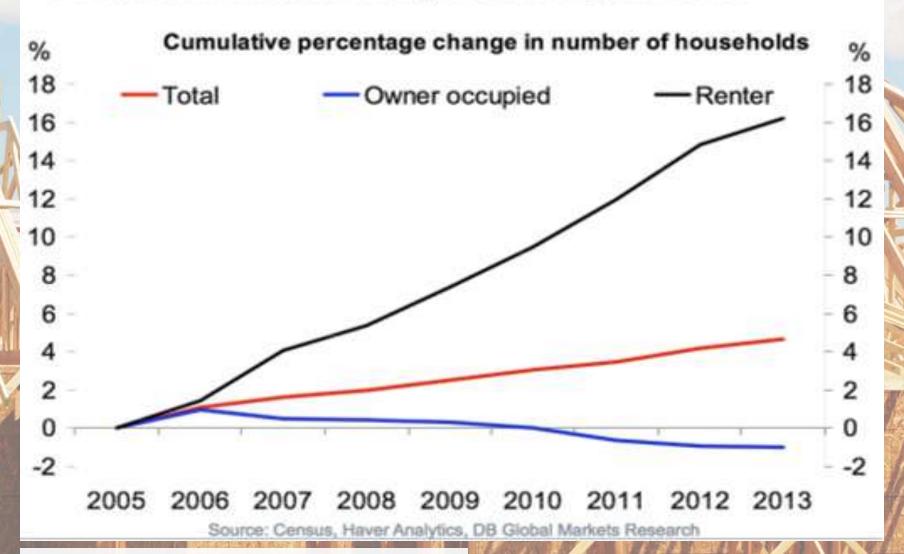
Source: www.valuewalk.com/2015/03/the-change-in-american-middle-class-from-2000-to-2013-interactive-infographic; 3/31/15

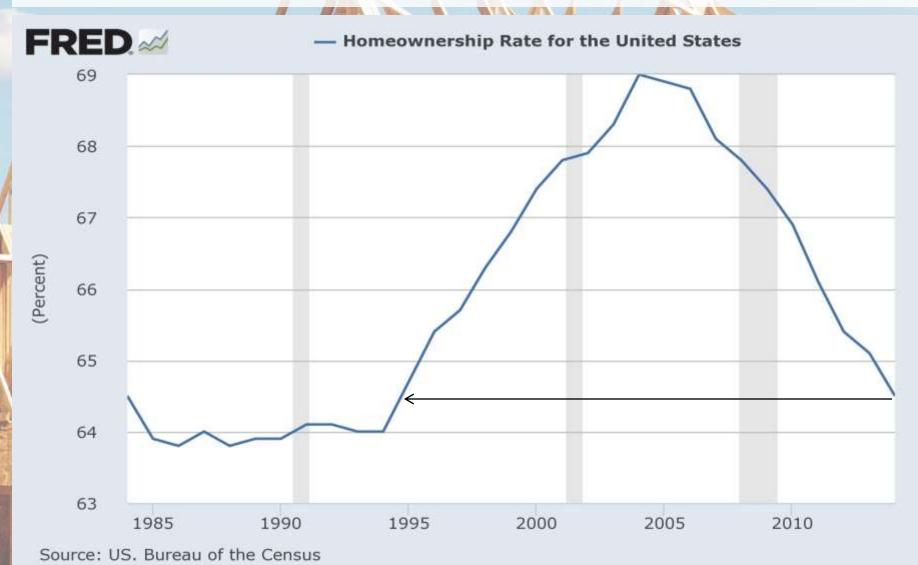


Source: www.realtytrac.com/news/home-prices-and-sales/home-price-growth-versus-wage-growth-during-housing-recovery; 3/25/15

#### Household Formation & Renters

All households created during this recovery are renters

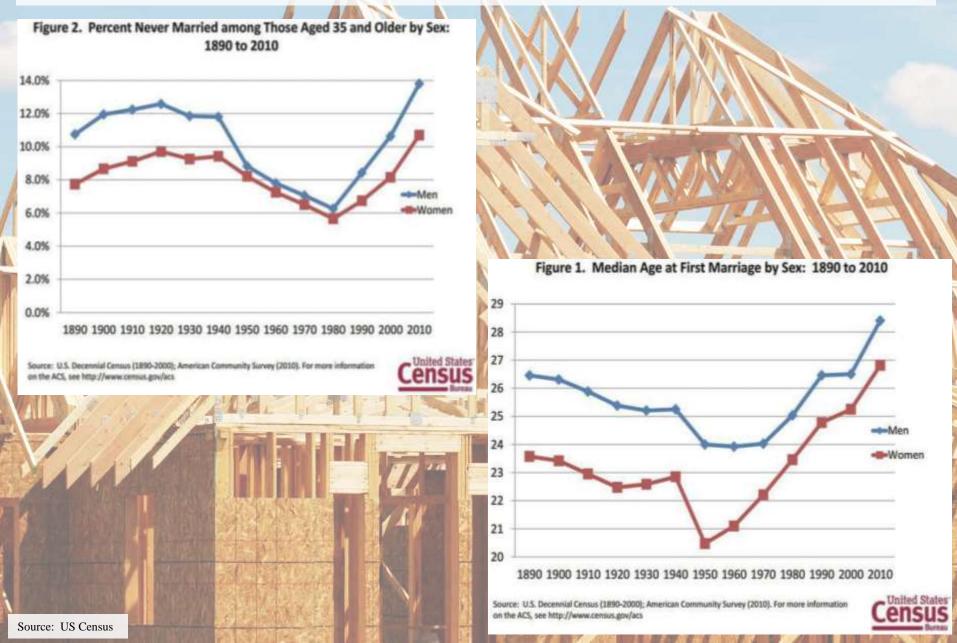




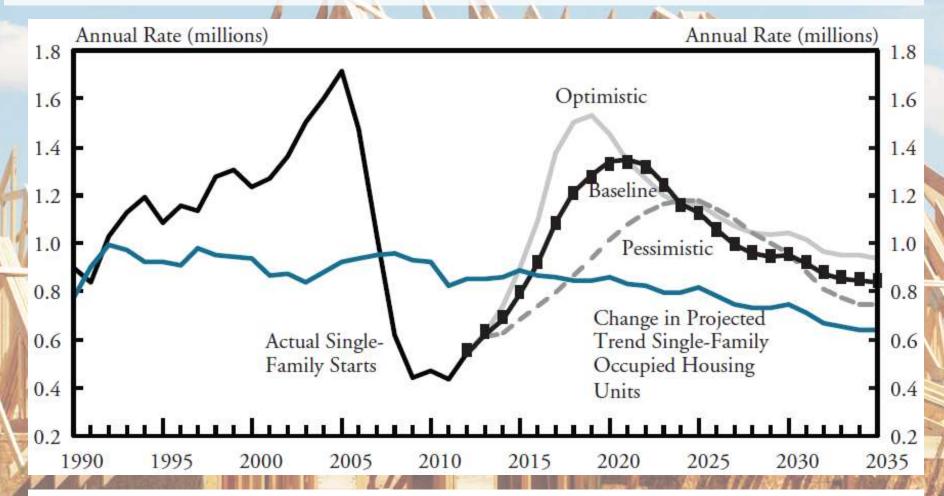
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# United States Housing Demographics

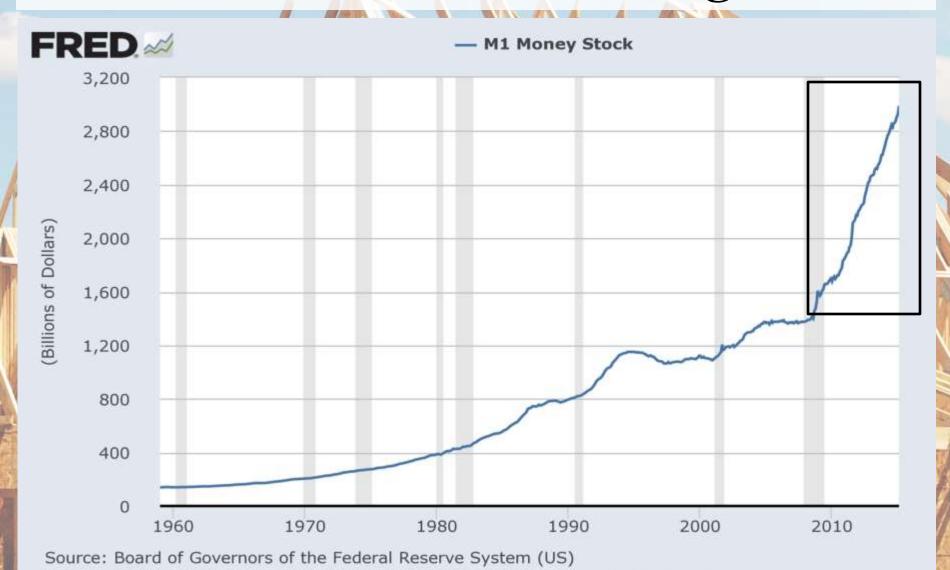


# Housing Starts & Demographics



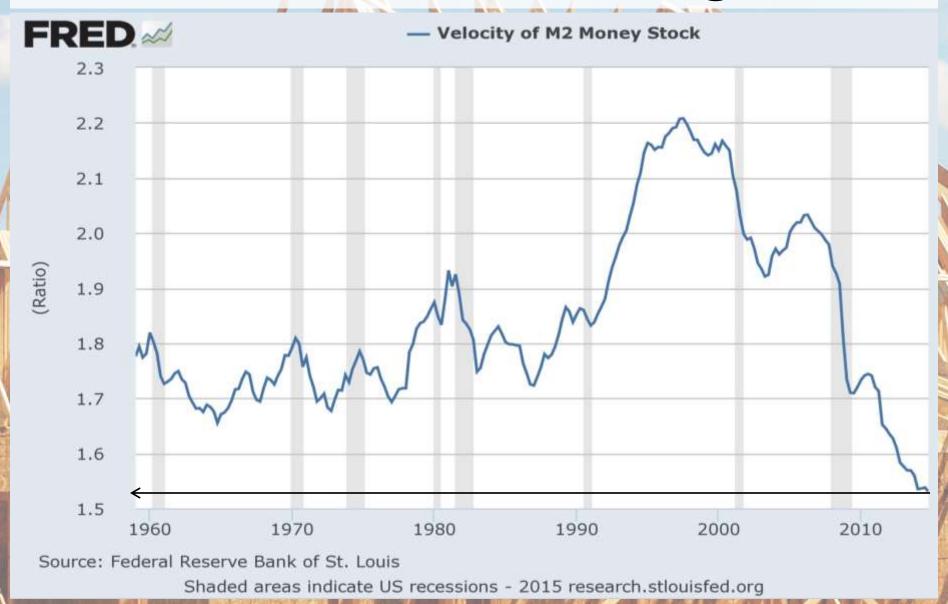
#### Structural change in the housing market include:

- a dramatic correction in median wealth of U.S. households as home values declined
- declining home ownership rates.



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### Potential Housing Threats



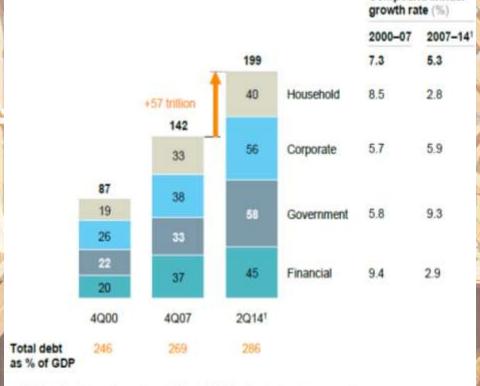
## Potential Housing Threats

Compound annual

Exhibit E1

Global debt has increased by \$57 trillion since 2007, outpacing world GDP growth

Global stock of debt outstanding by type<sup>1</sup> \$ trillion, constant 2013 exchange rates



"High debt levels, whether in the public or private sector, have historically placed a drag on growth and raised the risk of financial crises that spark deep economic recessions.

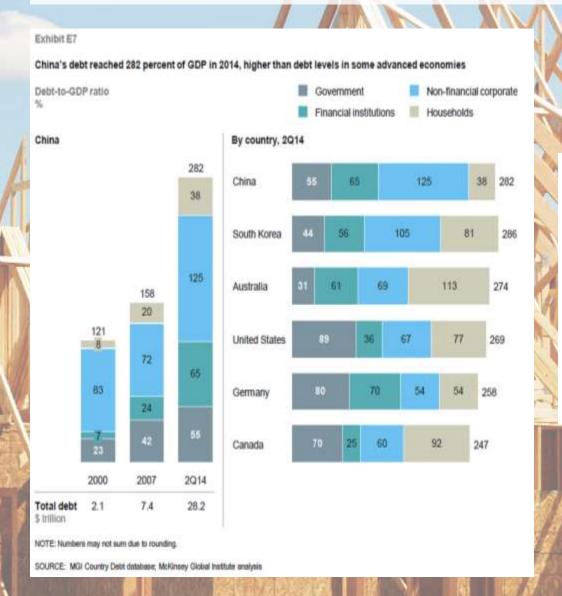
Growth in global debt has shifted since 2007, with developing economies accounting for half of new debt."

1 2Q14 data for advanced economies and China; 4Q13 data for other developing economies. NOTE: Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

SOURCE: Haver Analytics; national sources, World economic outlook, IMF; BIS; McKinsey Global Institute analysis

Source: McKinsey & Company, McKinsey Global Institute, Debt and (not much) deleveraging; February 2015

#### Potential Housing Threats



"...three particular areas of potential concern in China: the concentration of debt in real estate, the rapid growth and complexity of shadow banking, and the off-balance sheet borrowing by local governments.

Nearly half of China's debt is related to real estate."

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#### Threats to Housing

World Debt or "Leverage"

Nothing really has changed – interest rates are lower; yet debt keeps increasing

What's going to happen in China?

Does the U.S. economy stall or decrease?

Minimal increase in real medium income Increased closing costs due to new lending regulations

What if there is "no" Eurozone recovery?

Geopolitical events?

#### **Conclusions**

Canada – how will the commodity demand/price decline affect housing

Most forecasts call for slightly decreasing starts through 2016

For the Canadian and U.S. housing markets to improve – both economies need to advance in conjunction with increases in real median incomes

**United States** 

higher priced houses appear to be the strongest sector multifamily housing as well

The opportunity: houses in the \$100 to \$200 thousand price range

The **BIG** question? → Will the U.S. housing market continue to improve?

