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## HOME SELLER SUPPLY GROWS AS DEMAND DECLINES

With home sale activity dipping below long-term historical averages, the supply of homes for sale in Metro Vancouver reached a threeyear high in June.

The Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver (REBGV) reports that residential home sales in the region totalled 2,425 in June 2018, a 37.7 per cent decline from the 3,893 sales recorded in June 2017, and a 14.4 per cent decrease compared to May 2018 when 2,833 homes sold.

Last month's sales were 28.7 per cent below the 10-year June sales average.

"Buyers are less active today. This is allowing the supply of homes for sale to accumulate to levels we haven't seen in the last few years," Phil Moore, REBGV president said. "Rising interest rates, high prices and more restrictive mortgage requirements are among the factors dampening home buyer activity today." There were 5,279 detached, attached and apartment properties newly listed for sale on the Multiple Listing Service<sup>®</sup> (MLS<sup>®</sup>) in Metro Vancouver in June 2018. This represents a 7.7 per cent decrease compared to the 5,721 homes listed in June 2017 and a 17.2 per cent decrease compared to May 2018 when 6,375 homes were listed. The total number of homes currently listed for sale on the MLS<sup>®</sup> system in Metro Vancouver is 11,947, a 40.3 per cent increase compared to June 2017 (8,515) and a 5.8 per cent increase compared to May 2018 (11,292). This is the highest this total has been since June 2015.

"With reduced demand, detached homes are entering a buyers' market and price growth in our townhome and apartment markets is showing signs of decelerating."

For all property types, the sales-to-active listings ratio for June 2018 is 20.3 per cent. By property type, the ratio is 11.7 per cent for detached homes, 24.9 per cent for townhomes, and 33.4 per cent for condominiums.

## NEW REAL ESTATE RULES IN EFFECT NOW

The new real estate rules that change how REALTORS<sup>®</sup> and their clients can work together in different circumstances and that were initially expected to be in place starting March 15, 2018 were deferred until June 15, 2018 and are now in effect. As explained by the Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver... These rules state that real estate licensees across our province can now only represent one party in a transaction and must provide additional documentation about representation and compensation. For more information click <u>here</u>

	MLS <sup>®</sup> SALES Facts																		
REAL ESTATE BOARD OF GREATER VANCOUVER May 2018				quitiam	a - South	ids - Gulf	lle Ridge/Pitt Meado	1 5	th Vancouver	Port Coquitiam	Port Moody/Belcare	Richmond	Squamish	Sunshine Coast	Vancouver East	Vancouver West	Vancouver/House	Whistler/Pemberton	TOTALS
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May 2018	Number of Sales	Detached	78	74	47	7	106	23	90	37	16	88	15	68	141	91	38	7	926
		Attached Apartment	49 174	37 90	12 12	0	42 74	14 95	40 107	23 43	20 27	78 189	19 25	15 7	46 175	55 356	4 21	22 36	476 1,431
	Median Selling Price	Detached		\$1,360,000		n/a	\$875,000		\$1,684,000	\$1,040,000	n/a	\$1,725,000	n/a	\$649,950	\$1,623,000	\$3,200,000	\$2,850,000	n/a	.,
		Attached	\$770,000	\$775,000	n/a	n/a	\$590,000	n/a	\$969,500	\$775,000	\$838,000	\$877,000	n/a	n/a	\$1,099,900		n/a	\$834,950	n/a
		Apartment	\$614,000	\$575,500	n/a	n/a	\$408,750	\$488,000	\$678,000	\$446,000	\$600,000	\$600,000	\$450,000	n/a	\$645,000	\$793,500	\$1,388,900	\$340,000	

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