

NUMBER OF HOUSING STARTS 1993-2005

(thousands)

Year	U.S.A. Private			CANADA			JAPAN		
	Single Family	Multi Family	Total	Single	Multiple	Total	Wood Base	Non Wd. Base	Total
1993	1126	162	1288	85.1	75.4	160.5	697.5	788.2	1485.7
1994	1,198.0	259.0	1,457.0	89.5	74.4	163.9	721.4	848.8	1,570.2
1995	1,076.0	278.0	1,354.0	64.4	64.6	129.0	666.1	804.2	1,470.3
1996	1,161.0	316.0	1,477.0	78.0	46.5	124.5	754.3	889.0	1,643.3
1997	1,134.0	342.0	1,476.0	93.2	46.7	139.9	611.3	775.7	1,387.0
1998	1,271.0	345.0	1,616.0	86.4	53.8	140.2	545.1	653.2	1,198.3
1999	1,334.9	331.6	1,666.5	92.2	60.0	152.2	565.5	649.1	1,214.6
2000	1,263.4	330.4	1,593.8	92.2	57.7	149.9	555.8	674.0	1,229.8
2001	1,273.3	328.6	1,601.9	96.0	59.5	155.5	522.8	651.1	1,173.9
2002	1,358.9	346.9	1,705.8	125.4	79.7	205.1	503.8	647.3	1,151.1
2003	1,460.9	428.3	1,889.2	123.2	95.2	218.4	523.2	636.9	1,160.1
2004	1,610.5	345.3	1,955.8	129.2	104.3	233.5	540.8	648.3	1,189.1
2005	1,716.0	352.0	2,068.0	120.5	105.0	225.5	542.9	693.2	1,236.1

Source: US Census Bureau (www.census.gov)Canada - CMHC (www.cmhc.ca) - Monthly Housing StatisticsJapan - Japan Lumber Journal (www.jlj.gr.jp)