



MONTHLY INDICATOR RECAP

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For mortgage professionals, staying ahead of the curve is essential. In a constantly changing environment, understanding relevant housing data and economic indicators is vital to developing your business while offering the best service to your customers. Each month, Canada Guaranty provides mortgage professionals with a Monthly Indicator Recap, a brief report highlighting key indicators affecting the current mortgage and housing market.

Presented below are figures for the month ending **August 31, 2011**.

HOUSING INDICATORS*	DIRECTION	% CHANGE (vs. last month)	AUGUST LEVELS
Volume of MLS® Home Listings	↓	-0.60%	71,985
Volume of MLS® Home Sales	↓	-0.84%	37,177
Average MLS® Sale Price (Canada)	↑	0.06%	\$362,652
ECONOMIC INDICATORS**	DIRECTION	% CHANGE (vs. last month)	RATES
Unemployment Rate (August 2011)	↑	0.10%	7.30%
GDP (June 2011)	↑	0.20%	N/A
Retail Sales (June 2011)	↑	0.70%	N/A
Consumer Price Index (July 2011)	↑	2.70% <i>(Year-to-year, July)</i>	N/A
FINANCIAL INDICATORS	DIRECTION	% CHANGE (vs. last month)	RATES
Prime Rate**	↔	0.00%	3.00%
5 Year Fixed Posted Mortgage Rate***	↔	0.00%	5.39%

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* Seasonally adjusted month-to-month results; Source: The Canadian Real Estate Association

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