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Home sales recorded via Canadian MLS® Systems rose by 3.6% m-o-m in April 2019.

After having dropped in February to the lowest level since 2012, the rebound in sales over the past two months still leaves activity slightly below readings posted over most of the second half of 2018 April sales were up in about 60% of all

local markets, with the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) accounting for over half of the national gain. Actual (not seasonally adjusted) sales activity was up 4.2% y-o-y in April (albeit from a seven-year low for the month in 2018), the first y-o-y gain since December 2017 and the largest in more than two years. The increase reflects gains in the GTA and Montreal that outweighed declines in the B.C. Lower Mainland.

"Housing market trends are improving in some places and not so much in others," said Jason Stephen, CREA's President. "All real estate is local.

"Sales activity is stabilizing among Canada's five most active urban housing markets," said Gregory Klump, CREA's Chief Economist. "That list no longer includes Greater Vancouver, which fell out of the top-five list for the first time since the recession and is well into buyers' market territory. Sales there are still trending lower as buyers adjust to a cocktail of housing affordability challenges, reduced access to financing due to the mortgage stress-test and housing policy changes implemented by British Columbia's provincial government," said Klump.

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Time spent in the backyard on spring and summer afternoons and evenings contributes heavily to the popularity of these times of year. Many homeowners go to great lengths to make their outdoor living spaces as luxurious as possible, only to be bothered by uninvited and bothersome guests: mosquitoes.

Mosquitoes are not just pesky nuisances, but they're also harmful. According to the American Mosquito Control Association, more than one million people across the globe die from mosquito-borne diseases every year. Such diseases include malaria, dengue, yellow fever, West Nile virus, and the Zika virus.

The AMCA notes that many of the diseases transmitted by mosquitoes can be linked to travel to endemic areas. But mosquitoes in North America can still be harmful, and bites may result in severe skin irritation through an allergic reaction to mosquito saliva.

Homeowners can employ several measures to prevent mosquitoes from invading their backyards this spring and summer.

Remove standing water. Stagnant water is an ideal breeding ground for mosquitoes, so homeowners must be diligent in their efforts to remove standing water around their properties. Mosquitoes can breed in bird baths, pets' water bowls and empty plant pots that collect rain water. Routinely tipping these items and refilling them with fresh water can prevent mosquito infestations, protecting both humans and pets alike.

Inspect property for hidden pockets of water. While bird baths, pet bowls and kiddie pools are easy to find, homeowners may be unknowingly hosting mosquito breeding grounds elsewhere on their properties. For example, tarps used to cover pools, automobiles or grills that are not tightly secured can fold up, creating pockets where rain water can collect and give mosquitoes somewhere to breed. Mosquitoes also may use gutters to breed, so homeowners should routinely inspect and clean their gutters during spring and summer.

Keep a well-manicured lawn. Well-manicured lawns are less likely to be breeding grounds for mosquitoes. Because water plays such a crucial role in the mosquito breeding process, it's necessary that all potential water sources in a yard be removed. Fallen leaves that are not removed and pockets of soil beneath trees and plants can collect rain water or water from lawn sprinklers, which can be just enough for mosquitoes to breed.

Use fans. Consumer Reports tested the efficacy of oscillating pedestal fans to keep mosquitoes from invading decks and patios and found that such fans cut mosquito landings by 45 to 65 percent for those sitting closest to the fans. When hosting backyard barbecues, homeowners can set up several such fans on their decks and patios to keep mosquitoes at bay.

Mosquitoes are unwelcome guests come spring and summer. But homeowners can take steps to increase the likelihood that their properties stay mosquito-free.



Gardening is a rewarding activity that gardening enthusiasts can't wait to get back to once the weather warms up. Many gardeners find getting their hands dirty while tending to a garden can be a great form of escapism. In addition, growing one's own fruits and vegetables can be great for the environment.

Though it's easy to assume gardening is an activity exclusive to homeowners with their own yards, that's not the case at all. Container gardening can make it possible for anyone to garden regardless of where they live.

The benefits of container gardening go beyond making gardening accessible to everyone. Many plants grown in containers are less susceptible to disease than plants grown in the soil, which can reduce reliance on potentially harmful pesticides. Container gardens also tend to be easier to maintain than traditional gardens, making gardening more doable for people with especially hectic schedules.

Container gardening can be simple, and novices can consider these tips when planning and ultimately tending to their first gardens.

CONDUCT A LIGHT AUDIT. Walk around your home to determine where your plant can be placed so it gets as much light as it needs to thrive. Some plants need a lot of light, while others can thrive with a lot less. By conducting a light audit before choosing plants, you can determine if your home is most conducive to plants that require a lot of a light or those that need little light to get by.

MAKE SURE CONTAINERS HAVE AMPLE **DRAINAGE.** The gardening experts at Good

Housekeeping note that drainage holes are essential when choosing containers. Waterlogged soil can be fatal for plants, so there must be ample drainage in the container. Don't focus too much on the size of the holes, just make sure that they allow excess water to drain out from the pot.

DON'T FORGET TO FEED YOUR PLANTS.

Potting soil won't necessarily have nutrients that plants can access, so many container gardeners must fertilize the soil so plants can thrive. Good Housekeeping notes that watering with diluted fish emulsion, seaweed extract or compost tea can help plants thrive. Feed once every two weeks to start, adjusting the schedule thereafter depending on how the plants respond.

SEEK ADVICE. Local gardening centers can be great resources for novice container gardeners. Such centers can recommend plants with a history of thriving in the area as well as plants that might be more compatible when containers are placed next to one another.

Container gardening can bring gardening to any home, whether it's a light-filled private home or an apartment where sunlight is sparse.

5 things to look for when selecting a lawn service

Most people want beautiful, lush lawns and well-maintained landscapes. Not every homeowner has the time or the inclination to do the work, however, Many homeowners rely on a lawn service to help maintain their properties and keep their homes looking great.

Lawn companies come in all shapes and sizes from fly-by-night workers with ill-maintained equipment to franchised companies with thousands of workers across the country to everything in between. Finding the right service for your needs may require some homework and understanding of what sets a quality lawn service company apart from one that's best avoided.

LOOK TO THE INTERNET.

The internet connects consumers via shared information and reviews. Reading company and product reviews on Yelp and Angie's List can help homeowners make informed decisions. Homeowners also can seek recommendations via local Facebook group pages.

INSIST ON LICENSURE AND INSURANCE.

It's not the standard to be licensed and insured, but it is an essential step for finding a business that stands behind its work and the safety of its employees and customers. If a worker gets injured on your property or if the mower kicks a big rock through your storm door, you'll be liable if the company isn't insured.

GET A WRITTEN PROPOSAL.

Be wary of companies that will quote you an offer over the phone without seeing your property in person. Understand which types of services and treatments will be included in the weekly, monthly or annual plan. Discuss the types of fertilizers and herbicides used and whether they fit with your lifestyle and environmental consciousness.

4 ASK FOR A CONTRACT IN WRITING

When you find a business that offers the type of work you need done at the right price, be sure that a contract is worked up and both parties sign it. This protects you as a homeowner and could help you in the long run if guarantees are not met or work is unsatisfactory.

ONE SIZE FITS ALL.

Landscaping is more than just mowing the lawn. However, some lawn companies may only mow lawns and will plant flowers or perform spring and fall cleanup. If a company cannot fill all of your needs, find one that can; otherwise, you may need to hire specialists in each area of yard maintenance.

Lawn care companies are something to consider as the weather warms and spring projects begin anew.



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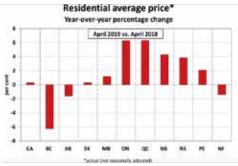
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The number of newly listed homes rose 2.7% in April, building on March's 3.4% increase. New supply rose in about 60% of all local markets, led by the GTA and Ottawa.

With sales up by more than new listings in April, the national sales-to-new listings ratio tightened marginally to 54.8% from 54.3% in March. This measure of market balance has remained close to its longterm average of 53.5% since early 2018.

Based on a comparison of the sales-to-new listings ratio with the long-term average, about three-quarters of all local markets were in balanced market territory in April 2019.

The number of months of inventory is another important measure of the balance between sales and the supply of listings. It represents how long it would take

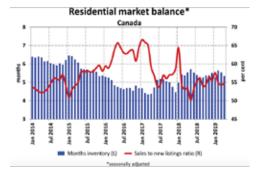
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to liquidate current inventories at the current rate of sales activity.

There were 5.3 months of inventory on a national basis at the end of April 2019, down from 5.6 and 5.5 months in February and March respectively and in line with the longterm average for this measure.

Housing market balance varies significantly by region. The number of months of inventory remains well below long-term averages in Ontario and Maritime provinces, resulting in increased competition among buyers for listings and fertile ground for price gains.

Among benchmark property categories tracked by the index, apartment units were again the only one to post a y-o-y price gain in April 2019 (0.5%), while two-storey single family home and townhouse/row unit prices were little changed from April 2018 (-0.3%



and -0.2%, respectively). By comparison, one-storey single-family home prices were down by -1.4% y-o-y.

Home prices were up in the GTA (3.2%) and Oakville-Milton (2.5%). By contrast, home prices in Barrie and District held below year-ago levels (-5.3%).

The MLS® HPI provides the best way to gauge price trends, as averages are strongly distorted by changes in the mix of sales activity from one month to the next.

The actual (not seasonally adjusted) national average price for homes sold in April 2019 was close to \$495,000, up 0.3% from the same month in 2018.

The national average price is heavily skewed by sales in the GVA and GTA, two of Canada's most expensive housing markets. Excluding these two markets from calculations cuts almost \$104,000 from the national average price, trimming it to just over \$391,000.



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WHEN ADDRESSING CURB APPEAL, homeowners may be inclined to focus on features that are easily seen from the street during the day. But what can a homeowner do to improve on his or her home's nighttime aesthetic?

Outdoor lighting is one aspect of curb appeal that is often overlooked, advises the home improvement experts at The Spruce. Homeowners may fail to recognize the importance of how proper illumination can provide their homes with a warm glow and make it look beautiful after the sun has set. For example, think of how cozy and inviting neighborhoods appear during the holiday season when homes are strung with twinkling lights. Homeowners can replicate that look all year long with lighting elements.

Lighting for evening hours also helps maintain a safe environment for people who are visiting the property. Illuminating walkways and doorways provides a clearly visible and safe path to and from the home.

The following are a few ways to improve outdoor lighting.

Focus on architectural features. Outdoor lighting can focus on the external features of the home's architectural style. Use light to draw attention to interesting gables, dramatic roof lines, dormers, or curved entryways.

Play up landscaping. Stylish lighting can highlight trees, shrubs, pathways, gardens, and all of the elements of softscapes and hardscapes on a property. The lighting experts at Vernon Daniel Associates say that soft lighting can make homes feel warm and cozy. Uplighting trees or other elements can add a dramatic effect.

Light up all doors. Make sure that doors, both entry and garage, are properly lit for ease of entry and egress from the home. Safety.com, a home and personal security resource, says a home burglary occurs every 15 seconds in the United States. Installing motion-activated lights or lights on timers can deter break-ins. Consider using home automation to control porch lights and other outdoor lights remotely, if necessary.

Create entertaining areas. Outdoor lighting can be used to extend the hours residents can spend outside. This is great for entertaining and can be an excellent selling point.

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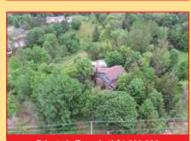
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ogs, cats, birds, and lizards have evolved from wild animals and outdoor companions to become beloved, largely domesticated members of the family. The number of pets in homes across the country continues to grow. According to Statista, as of March 2017, 94.2 million cats and 89.7 million dogs were estimated to live in the United States as pets. Canada's Pet Wellness report estimates that there are approximately 7.9 million cats and 5.9 million dogs in Canada.

Over time, pet owners grow accustomed to their pets' antics, messes and even their odours. Dealing with smells is par for the course for pet owners, and many become desensitized to certain common smells. But when company is on the way or people are thinking about selling their homes, pet odours must be addressed. Even though it will take effort, homeowners can freshen their homes and eliminate unpleasant pet-related smells.



here was a 28 per cent increase in sales of all homes types to 99 homes sold in April at an average price of \$888,387 which is 8 per cent less than the same month in 2018. Sellers placed 237 homes for sale and 339 remained for sale at month end which means at the current demand there is 4.3 months of supply of homes for sale. Pricing expectations from Seller's have adapted to the market demand and this will likely continue through Spring market into summer.

At the end of May there were 118 sales of all home types in Aurora, a 29 per cent increase over 2018. Average home pricing of all home types decreased by 7 per cent to \$859,261 from last year. Numbers are up year to date in Aurora for all home purchases by 14 per cent. There

were 287 homes placed on the market in May and 367 homes remained for sale as of June 1st. So at the current rate of home purchases there is a 4 month supply of homes to meet the current demand from Buyer's. Seller's on average received 99 per cent of their asking price. It's reported that on average homes sold in 23 days and the trend of homes being placed for sale, then cancelled from the market, then placed back on the market again at or below the original price continues.

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- Written by Connie Power

Find ways to ventilate. odours can build up inside closed environments and prove overpowering. Opening windows when applicable, using exhaust fans and encouraging cross-breezes can air certain odours from the home.

Clean frequently. Cats and dogs can leave behind fur, dander, food messes, and more. Eliminating the debris that pets create can reduce odours. Sweeping, vacuuming and mopping floors can help as well. Don't forget to vacuum draperies and furniture, and consider purchasing cleaning appliances specifically designed for homes with pets.

Keep on top of accidents and litter boxes.

Puppies and even adult dogs may have their share of accidents. Cats may avoid litter boxes if they are not cleaned frequently and then soil around the house. Be sure to clean up pet waste messes promptly. Baking soda and vinegar solutions are all-natural ways to clean up and can help remove urine odours more readily. Also, look for safe deodourizing cleaning products that can be used on carpeting, flooring and upholstery.

Purchase an air purifier. Air purifiers can help remove odours and allergens from the air. They're relatively inexpensive and can be placed in rooms that pets frequent.

Wash pet blankets and beds. Launder pet beds, cloth toys, blankets, and any other items that pets lounge on. Sweat, saliva and dander can cause these fabrics to become stinky, and, in turn, make the house smell worse.

Keep pets clean. Most pets are very good at self-grooming, but can benefit from a spa treatment once in awhile. Dogs that spend ample time outdoors or frequently get wet and dirty may need routine baths. Ask a professional groomer what he or she recommends to address potent pet odours.

Neutralizing pet odours takes effort, but it can make for a more pleasant-smelling home environment.

Simple ways to prevent dog-related lawn damage

DOGS LOVE spending time outdoors. Dog owners with yards know that dogs benefit greatly from some exercise in the backyard. While that time might be great for dogs, it can take its toll on lawns.

Dog urine and feces can adversely affect the look and health of a lush green lawn. Nitrogen is essential to healthy soil, but only at certain levels. When those levels are exceeded, the result can be lawn damage. According to The Spruce Pets, an advisory site that offers practical tips and training advices to pet owners, this is what happens when pets frequently urinate on grass. Urine is naturally high in nitrogen, so when pets urinate on lawns, the grass might turn yellow or brown due to the excess nitrogen content. Nitrogen also is present in lawn fertilizers, further exacerbating the problem for pet owners who fertilize their lawns.

In addition to urine damage, dogs can trample frosted grass, contributing to problems that may not become evident until spring, and get into areas like gardens where they wreak additional havoc.

Pet owners who want to let their dogs run free in the yard but don't want damaged grass may be tempted to put their pooches in diapers or confine them to crates when letting them outside. But such an approach isn't necessary. In fact, some simple strategies can be highly effective at preventing dog-related lawn damage.

- Speak with a landscaper about planting new grass. Certain types of grass, such as Bermuda grass, can withstand dog damage better than others. Local climate will dictate which types of grass are likely to thrive in a given area, so speak with a professional landscaper about the viability of planting new grass.
- Install fencing. Pet owners with expansive yards can install fencing that allows dogs to spend time exercising outdoors without granting them access to the entire property. Large dogs will need more room than small ones, but try to build fenced-in areas that allow dogs to run freely and get the exercise they need to stay healthy.
- Work with a dog trainer. Dog trainers might be able to work with dogs so they only urinate in certain areas of the yard, greatly reducing the damage they can cause to a lawn. Trainers also might help curb digging and clawing behaviors that can damage lawns as well as gardens.
- Consider hardscaping. Hardscaping might be most effective for pet owners with small properties. Hardscaping does not include grass and can add visual appeal to a property while saving pet owners the headaches of dealing with dog-related lawn damage.

Dogs need time outdoors, and homeowners can take various steps to protect their lawns from dog-related damage.



Ask Big Tuna, The Renovating Realtor



By Julien Laurion The Big Tuna of Real Estate

fter speaking with so many of you, I noticed two common questions that kept coming up. So I thought that I would answer them again for you all to read.

QUESTION 1 – It seems there is a lot more for sale in Aurora then I have seen in a long time and are things selling? To those wondering that same question... Yes, there is much more for sale then we have seen in previous years. This is great news if you are in the market to buy a new home! You have lots to choose from in various price ranges. Quality and cared for

Hello everyone. I'd like to take a moment to thank everyone who came out to the Aurora Street Sale and all those who stopped by my booth this past Sunday. It was great to meet so many of our town residents. Finally, I'd like to thank Gearhead Country Radio for lining up some great live musical acts to keep the high-energy going.

homes as well as well-priced homes are selling, homes that are taking big swings price wise that were common to see two years ago are sitting on the market. Additionally, from chatting with many of my colleagues in the business, homes that are not as cared for or seemed dated are receiving many lowball offers prior to finding the right price that suits their client's needs.

QUESTION 2 – So have we beaten the bubble burst? Many of us, including myself, had homes sell for big money that were similar to ours on our streets years ago, this was exciting. Then we had our price correction and we saw housing prices fall and stall, this was upsetting. However, all signs are pointing to yes, we are on our way back up! However, it may be some time until housing prices reach levels that they used to be at during the peak, yet, homes are selling and people are buying and all statistics are in line with predictions.

Friends, enjoy your homes to the fullest this summer and thank you again for all the support and kind words I received this past weekend! Thank you.



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How colour can affect your garden

Flower gardens can add colour and awe-inspiring appeal to a property. The National Gardening Association notes that gardeners can find nearly every colour of the spectrum in flowering perennials. So whether you prefer soft pink, are partial to bright red or want to relax in a garden and gaze at something deep blue, chances are you'll find a perennial to tickle your fancy.

The NGA offers the following breakdown of colours to help gardeners learn how their gardens can set the mood they're looking for.

BRIGHT COLOURS like red, orange, magenta, and yellow can provide a landscape with vigor and energy. The NGA notes that brightly coloured flowers can withstand especially bright sunshine, meaning gardeners can marvel at their appearance even when the sun might be adversely affecting other plants and flowers.

PASTEL COLOURS, which include soft pink, powder blue, lavender, and peach, create a tranquil feeling in a garden. This makes pastel perfect for those who want their gardens to be a relaxing, peaceful respite from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. The NGA notes that pastels may looked washed out in the midday sun, so they might be best enjoyed early in the morning or late in the afternoon.

COMPLEMENTARY COLOURS are those that are opposite one another on the colour wheel. Orange and blue are examples of complementary colours. According to the NGA, complementary colours can add creative energy and vitality to a garden.

HARMONIOUS COLOURS are those that are next to

each other on the colour wheel, such as orange and red. The NGA recommends harmonious colours for gardeners looking to create a unifying feel in their gardens without resorting to a monochromatic colour scheme. Harmonious colours give off a gentle feeling that can make for a relaxing garden atmosphere.

MONOCHROMATIC COLOURS gardens can be awe-inspiring even though they stick to a single colour and don't provide an array of awe-inspiring colours. The NGA notes that gardeners with monochromatic gardens make them interesting by using plants of various sizes and shapes.

When planting a garden, gardeners can choose whichever colour scheme they prefer. To learn more about the effects of colour on a garden, visit the National Gardening Association website at www.garden.org.

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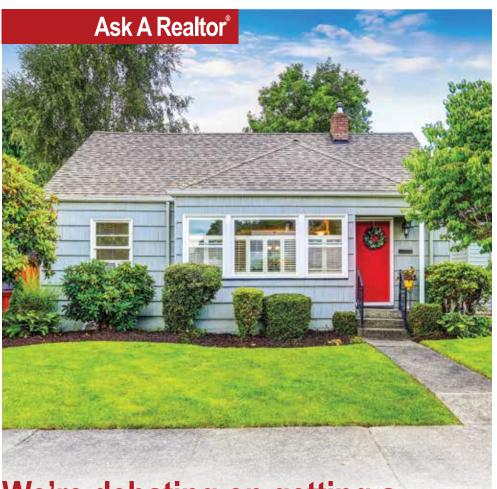




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Is the intention to sell and reduce the size of the home to enjoy the profits of the sale in retirement?

Will moving to a new location cost more or less to purchase and support the home through maintenance, property taxes and more and how will that affect savings and future retirement plans?

Is the decision to move to reduce home maintenance requirements both inside from a cleaning perspective and outside in terms of landscaping and general care and updates?

Is the intention to move outside of the current neighbourhood and community?

If so, is there enough amenities, and lifestyle perks to keep life interesting with a change of address?

Consider how time is currently spent and the factors that are important to the current lifestyle ie. places of worship, gyms, hospitals, green space.

Will moving towards or away from family and friends support or create a new challenge?

How long will the commute be to visit the important people that boost quality of life?

Consider the way the home is currently being

used and with renovation and a focus on design there may be a way to adapt and improve, update and refresh the space to offer features that are often coveted by homeowners. If a designer and contractor could create a new configuration for the present use of the home to support new home wants like an expansive master bedroom with ensuite and walk in closet; an open plan great room; a home office or hobby space; if accessibility is a challenge would modifications improve the quality of living in the current space to warrant staying in place?

There's no need to rush the choice to move; the answer of when is the right time will come naturally once an analysis is complete on why moving makes sense or doesn't. Call a REALTOR® today to discuss your needs; the advice will be unbiased which could be ideal if there is much emotion attached to the history of time spent in the home.

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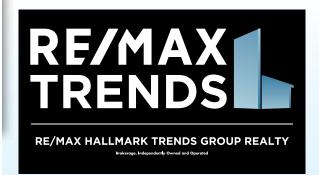
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