

# **HOUSING NEEDS REPORT - DRAFT**

**Council Workshop** 

October 25, 2021





## HOUSING NEEDS REPORTS

- Local Government Act requirement as of 2019
- Grant funding requirement to be finished by January 4, 2022
- Minimum reporting requirements:
  - Anticipated units needed over the next 5 years
  - Statements about key areas of local need
  - Core housing need





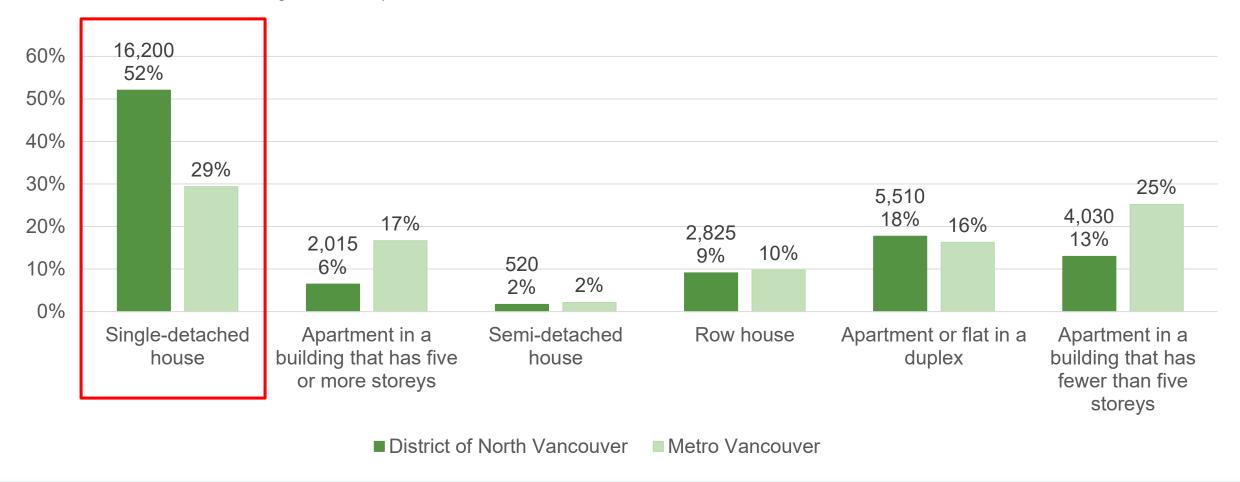
## PROJECT TIMELINE





## HOUSING STOCK (2016)

Source: Statistics Canada Census Program, Census Profiles 2016

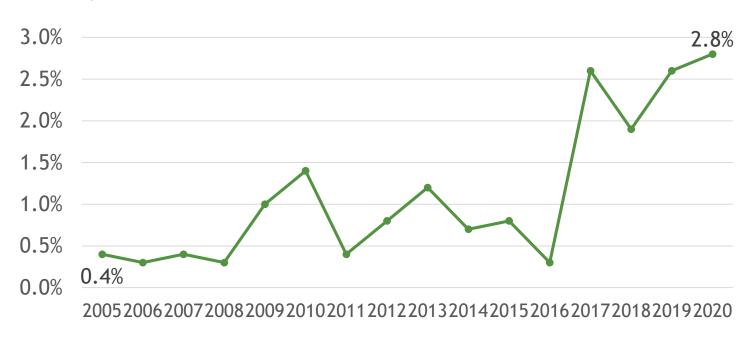




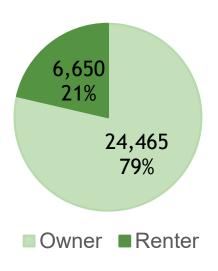
### RENTAL MARKET

Source: CMHC

### **Vacancy Rate**



- Primary rental market units: 1,682 total units (2020)
- Secondary rental market units:
  4,968 total units (2020)





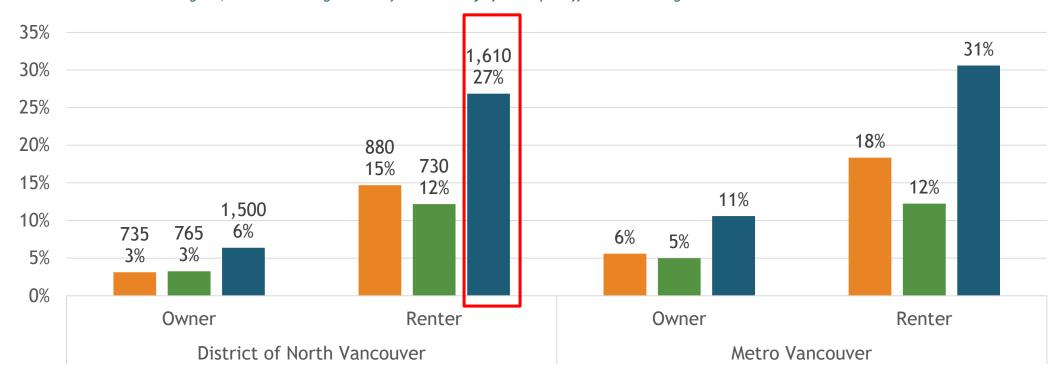
# AVERAGE SALES PRICES (2006-2020)





## CORE HOUSING NEED (2016)

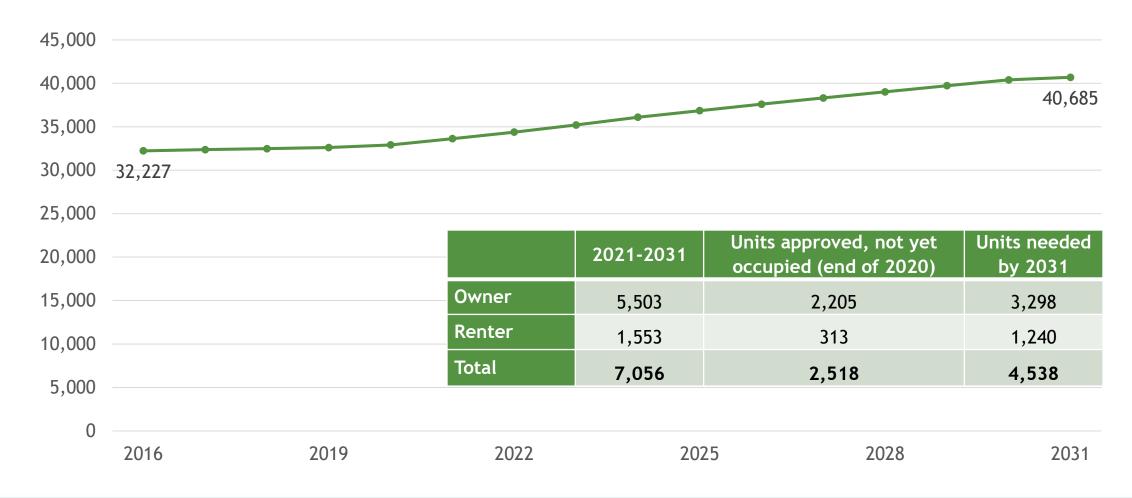
Source: Statistics Canada Census Program, Custom Data Organization for BC Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing



- In Core Housing Need (excl. Extreme Core Housing Need)
- Extreme Core Housing Need
- Total Core Housing Need



## PROJECTED NEW HOUSEHOLDS (2021-2031)





# PROJECTED UNITS BY BEDROOM SIZE (2021-2031)

#### Scenario 1

	2021 to 2031	% of Units
Studio & 1 bedroom	4,100	58%
2 bedroom	1,118	16%
3+ bedroom	1,838	26%
Total	7,056	100%

#### Scenario 2

	2021 to 2031	% of Units
Studio & 1 bedroom	2,967	42%
2 bedroom	2,251	32%
3+ bedroom	1,838	26%
Total	7,056	100%



### **KEY FINDINGS**

- 1. Core Housing Need to grow to approximately 2,100 renter households and 1,950 owner households by 2031 if additional supports aren't developed;
- 2. 7,050 new households are projected for the District between 2021-2031;
- 3. Considering units already approved but not yet occupied, approximately 4,550 more units are needed by 2031;
- 4. The unit mix to accommodate all the new households is projected to be approximately: 40-60% studios or 1-bed, 15-30% 2-bed, 25% 3+ bed units.





### **NEXT STEPS**

- Housing Needs Report will be brought to Council by end of year
- Once received by Council it will be posted online for the public
- Staff anticipate that there may be updates needed to the Housing Continuum and/or the Rental and Affordable Housing Strategy
- Staff do not anticipate needing to amend the OCP at this time



### RECOMMENDATION

THAT the October 12, 2021 report of the Community Planner titled Housing Needs Report – Draft is received for information.

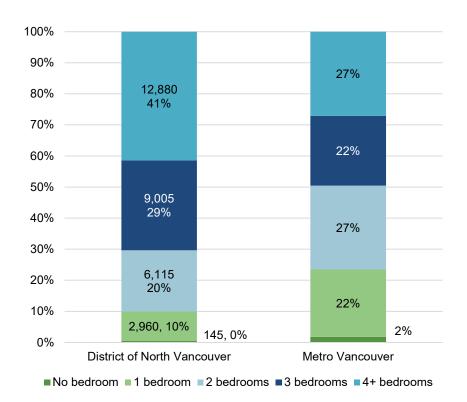






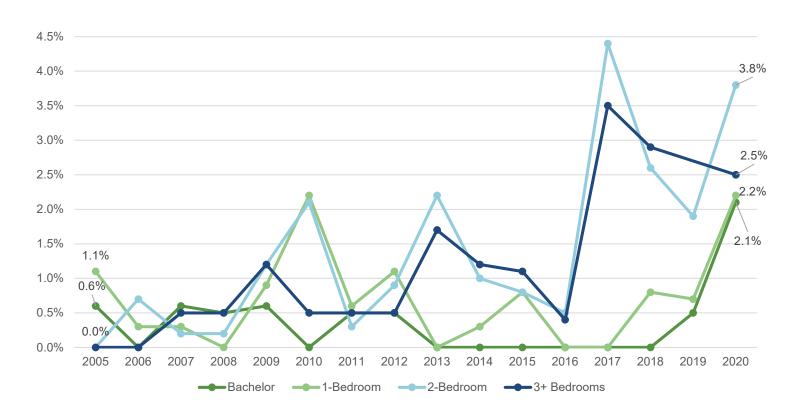
# Private households in dwellings by number of bedrooms, 2016

Source: Statistics Canada Census Program



# Vacancy rates for purpose-built rental by number of bedrooms, 2005-2020

Source: CMHC





DN	V HOUSI	2011 (Units/Beds)	Approved to End of 2020 (Units/Beds)	2030 Est. Demand (Units/Beds)	
_   		Safe Houses	22	22	37
RT	SUPPORTIVE	Emergency Housing	0	5	50
PPC		Transition and Recovery Housing	28	56	178
SOCIAL AND SUPPORTIVE		Seniors Care and Disability Care	279	442	579
S		Subsidized Rental	643	967	1,643
L A	SOCIAL	Ownership — Co-op	343	343	343
SCIA		Ownership — Co-housing	0	0	0
SS		Affordable Home Ownership	0	0	0
		Seniors Care and Disability Care	328	389	528
	RENTAL	Coach Houses	0	22	80
		Secondary Suites	4,295	6,291	6,930
MARKET		Multifamily	1,259	2,273	2,859
AR		Strata Apartments	3,793	7,025	10,143
Σ		Townhouses	2,565	3,446	3,485
	OWNERSHIP	Duplexes, Triplexes, etc.	73	79	73
		Row House	0	0	0
		Single-Family Detached	19,944	19,840	19,794



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# **Engagement Findings**

- Housing affordability was a concern across all stakeholders
- Would like to see more rental units and a greater variety of types of units
- Low rental vacancy rates mean renters are vulnerable
- Few alternatives exist for renters who do not qualify for rent-geared-to-income programs but cannot afford market rents

- Indigenous households experience higher rates of homelessness and may not be able to live on-reserve due to limited housing stock – more culturally appropriate housing would help support this community
- Homelessness is increasing on the North Shore, and instances of 'hidden homelessness' also seem to be increasing



# Key Areas of Need

#### **Seniors**

47% of senior-led renter households are in core housing need; the largest age group

### **Immigrants**

Experience core housing need at higher rates than non-immigrants

#### **Families**

Single-detached homes, the predominant housing stock in the DNV, is often not affordable for families

### **Housing for Homeless**

Number of individuals experiencing homelessness has increased

### **Indigenous Housing**

Are in greater housing crisis per capita than the rest of the population and experience higher rates of homelessness

### **Accessible Housing**

Accessible, affordable units across the housing continuum to meet the diverse needs of persons with accessibility challenges

