

The Impact of Taxation

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Home to over 9 million residents and contributing 30% of Canada's total

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g d p Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe is not just a region,

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it's an economic powerhouse. Each year,

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it attracts hundreds of thousands of new residents. Toronto,

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the financial hub of the region ranks as the third most livable city in North

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America and ninth worldwide. However,

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storm clouds loom on the horizon.

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The housing sector isn't keeping pace with the population surge.

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Since the 1970s, Ontario's population has risen by 68%.

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In stark contrast,

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the construction of new homes has declined by over 23%.

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Why?

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The escalating prices associated with new home development are preventing

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housing starts.

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A staggering 31% of the purchase price of every new home built in Ontario

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includes government imposed fees, charges, and taxes,

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such as land transfer taxes and development charges.

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Government fees for the average G T A home range from 340,000

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to \$519,000.

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The federal government claims the lion's share collecting 39% of tax

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revenues from new home construction,

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yet only a meager 7.1% is reinvested into Ontario's

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infrastructure. That's just not enough.

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Analysts suggest we need 30% more infrastructure spending to secure a vibrant

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future for the region. The consequences.

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A growing affordability and looming quality of life crisis is pushing many

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Ontarians to seek opportunities elsewhere. Since 2019,

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residents leaving for other provinces is up 43%. It's essential.

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We reverse these trends.