

Attachment 1: Available Cooling Data Across Toronto Rental Housing

The present tables were developed using available data on Toronto’s Rental Housing Stock. Notably, there is no singular data source with information on the prevalence of AC, across the wide array of building types in Toronto’s rental housing stock. As such, these tables were created using information from several available data sources, each with different limitations, methodological approaches, and reporting timelines. The numbers presented should therefore be viewed with caution, and should be understood as informed estimations based on the best currently available data.

Data on the number of rental units for different building types include [Statistics Canada’s Census \(2021\)](#), the [Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation’s Rental Market Survey \(2025\)](#), and City of Toronto data on the RentSafeTO Building Stock (2026).

Data on AC availability for “Apartment Buildings Under Three Storeys”, “Detached Single Family Homes”, “Attached Residential Buildings”, and “Condominiums” comes from [Statistics Canada’s 2023 Households and the Environment Survey \(HES\)](#). Data for the City of Toronto was provided to City staff by Statistics Canada, on rental households that have or do not have air conditioning, including either building-provided or tenant-provided AC. A notable limitation of HES data is that this survey is voluntary, and thus may not be representative of the actual prevalence of AC across the different types of rental housing, and may result in over- or under-estimations of the prevalence of AC across the different types of rental housing. Additionally, the HES figure is based on respondents’ primary residence (whether the respondent is a renter or owner), and thus it may not be representative of the prevalence of AC in properties that are rented out for income.

Data on AC availability for “Apartment Buildings Three Storeys and Over” comes from internal City data, on the prevalence of building-provided AC amongst RentSafeTO¹ buildings.

Data on AC availability for Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) rental units was provided to City staff by TCHC, on the prevalence of building-provided AC amongst TCHC buildings.

¹ The RentSafeTO program applies to apartment buildings with three or more storeys and 10 or more units. Condo buildings, townhomes, or units in a private home (basement or main floor apartment) are not part of the RentSafeTO program.

Table 1. Private-Market Rental Housing by Building Type

Private-Market Rental Housing Building Type	Number of Private-Market Rental Units ²	Estimated Percentage of Private-Market Rental Housing Stock	Estimated Percentage Without Air Conditioning ³	Estimated Number of Private-Market Units Without Air Conditioning
Apartment Buildings Under Three Storeys	75,145	13%	30%	22,544
Detached Single Family Home	26,570	4%	30%	7,971
Attached Residential Buildings (e.g. Townhomes, Multiplexes)	48,470	8%	30%	14,541
Condominiums ⁴	162,819	29%	30%	48,846
Apartment Buildings Three Storeys and Over	256,939	46%	84%	215,728

² The estimated number of rental units in “Apartment Buildings Under Three Storeys” was found by subtracting the number of units in RentSafeTO buildings with 3-4 storeys as of March 2026 (43,615), from [Statistics Canada’s 2021 Census figure](#) for the number of rental units in buildings with fewer than 5 storeys (118,760). The number of rental units in “Detached Single Family Homes”, and “Attached Residential Buildings”, is from [Statistics Canada’s 2021 Census](#). The number of rental units in “Condominiums” is from the [Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation’s Rental Market Survey \(2025\)](#). The number of rental units in “Apartment Buildings Three Storeys and Over” is from City of Toronto Data on RentSafeTO Apartment Buildings as of March 2026.

³ The estimated percentage without AC for “Apartment Buildings Under Three Storeys”, “Detached Single Family Homes”, “Attached Residential Buildings”, and “Condominiums” comes from [Statistics Canada’s 2023 Households and the Environment Survey](#). Data for the City of Toronto was provided to City staff by Statistics Canada, on rental households that have or do not have air conditioning. The percentage without AC for “Apartment Buildings Three Storeys and Over” comes from internal City data on building-provided AC amongst RentSafeTO buildings.

⁴ 81% of all condo units were built after 2000, and therefore it is likely that the actual share of condos with AC is probably higher than 70%, as it is expected that these newer builds would include centralized AC systems. Thus, the estimated number of private-market units without air conditioning amongst condominiums is likely an over-estimate.

Total	549,534 Units Total ⁵		295,344 Units Without Air Conditioning ⁶
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Table 2. Non-Market Rental Housing by Housing Provider⁷

Non-Market Rental Housing Provider	Number of Non-Market Rental Units	Estimated Percentage of Non-Market Rental Housing Stock	Estimated Percentage Without Air Conditioning ⁸	Estimated Number of Units Without Air Conditioning
Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC)-Owned	58,335 ⁹	65%	86%	50,066
Other Non-Profit Community Housing Providers	29,511	35%	30%	8,853
Total	87,846 units total ¹⁰			58,919 units without AC

⁵ The total number of private market rental units was adjusted to account for an estimated 20,409 non-market rental units in the secondary rental market. The calculation used to arrive at this is 87,846 total non-market rental housing units in Toronto – 67,437 non-market rental housing in RentSafeTO program = 20,409 units.

⁶ The total estimated number of private market rental units without AC was adjusted to account for an estimated 14,286 non-market rental units in the secondary market with AC, specifically in in “Apartment Buildings Under Three Storeys”, “Detached Single Family Homes”, “Attached Residential Buildings”, and “Condominiums” building types.

⁷ A building-type breakdown across the non-market rental housing stock is not known, hence the provider-type breakdown.

⁸ The estimated percentage without AC for “TCHC-owned” rental units comes from TCHC data on TCHC buildings that provide AC. The percentage without AC for “Other Non-Profit Community Housing Providers” comes from Statistics Canada’s 2023 Households and the Environment Survey. Data for the City of Toronto was provided to City staff by Statistics Canada, on rental households that have or do not have air conditioning. This figure likely under-estimates the number of “Other Non-Profit Community Housing” rental units that do not have AC.

⁹ The number of non-market rental units owned by TCHC [which includes Toronto Seniors Housing Corporation (TSHC) buildings] was provided by TCHC and TSHC.

¹⁰ The total number of non-market rental units come from City of Toronto Housing Secretariat data.