

Apartments harder to find, afford: CMHC

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The Spring Rental Market Survey Report from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. shows that not only does Manitoba have the lowest provincial apartment vacancy rate in the country at 1.0 per cent, but the average rent for a two-bedroom apartment jumped by 4.5 per cent to \$816 per month between April of last year and April of this year.

That's more than four times the annual rate of inflation for Manitoba, which was one per cent in April, and more than double the two per cent rent control guideline for 2009. It was also the third biggest provincial rent increase after Saskatchewan's 6.7 per cent and Newfoundland and Labrador's 4.7 per cent.

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