

Potential Problems with New Builds (Houses)

- 1. Longer possessions in slowing markets could mean purchasing a home over market value
- 2. Taking possession down the road in an upward market could mean paying the difference in market value increase
- 3. Poor construction
- 4. Less choice
- 5. Have to pay GST
- 6. Warranty Issues
- 7. Mistakes made on kind of finishings
- 8. Over promises & under deliver
- 9. All homes look the same
- 10. Basements typically unfinished
- 11. Inexperienced / uneducated sales staff
- 12. Staff is more loyal to builder
- 13. Purchasing before selling (?)
- 14. Schools, stores & amenities are unknown
- 15. Neighborhood is dirty & dusty
- 16. No trees in neighborhood
- 17. Builder might be going under
- 18. ANHWP might not cover the builder
- 19. National warranty may not cover the builder
- 20. Lack of consistency...multiple trades
- 21. Building code changes
- 22. New technology / construction practices so might have problems
- 23. Landscaping not done
- 24. Difficulty getting paid by the builder
- 25. Intricate designs have more potential for screw ups
- 26. Difficulty with after sales service / builder warranty
- 27. Site supervisor doesn't know what he's talking about
- 28. No explanation of purchase process
- 29. Losing deposit because couldn't sell current property (not enough education for client)
- 30. Settling leading to concrete cracking
- 31. Long possessions