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# Weekly Economic Review



# This week's markets

*At the close, on Thursday*



## ▶ Canadian bonds

- ▶ FTSE TMX Universe: +0.13%
- ▶ FTSE TMX Long: +0.26%
- ▶ Corps: +0.11%

## ▶ Equities (total return)

- ▶ S&P/TSX: +0.58%
- ▶ S&P 500: -0.95% (-1.72% in CAD)
- ▶ EAFE: -0.07% (-0.81% in CAD)
- ▶ MSCI-Emerging: +0.99% (+0.15% in CAD)

What caught our eye this week

- ▶ Canada:
  - ▶ Housing starts making some more progress
- ▶ U.S.:
  - ▶ Retail sales in line with expectations, despite the headline

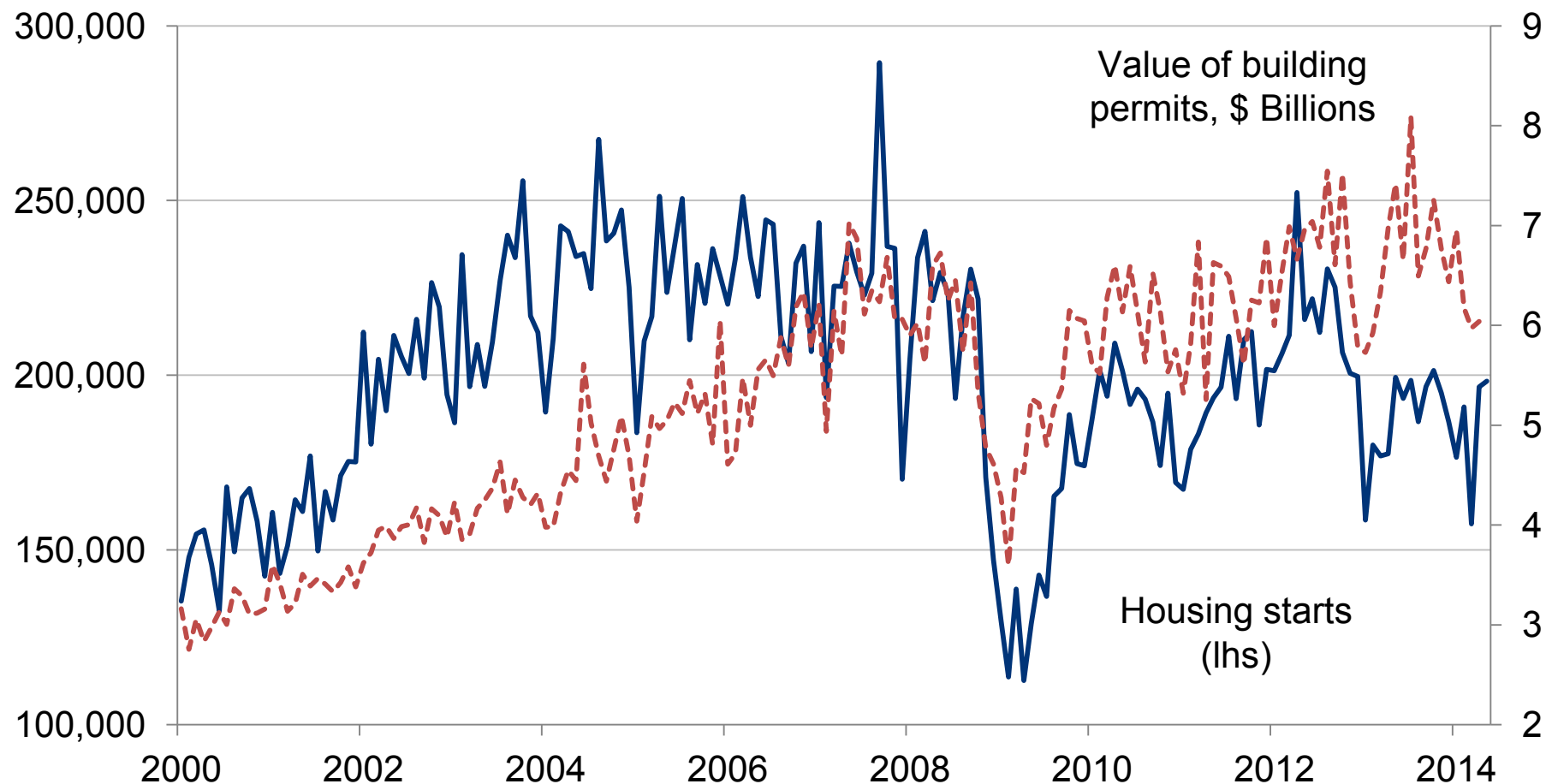


# Canada: Housing starts still rebounding from a harsh winter



## Canada: Progress in housing starts

*Housing starts (SAAR) and building permits (\$ Billions)*



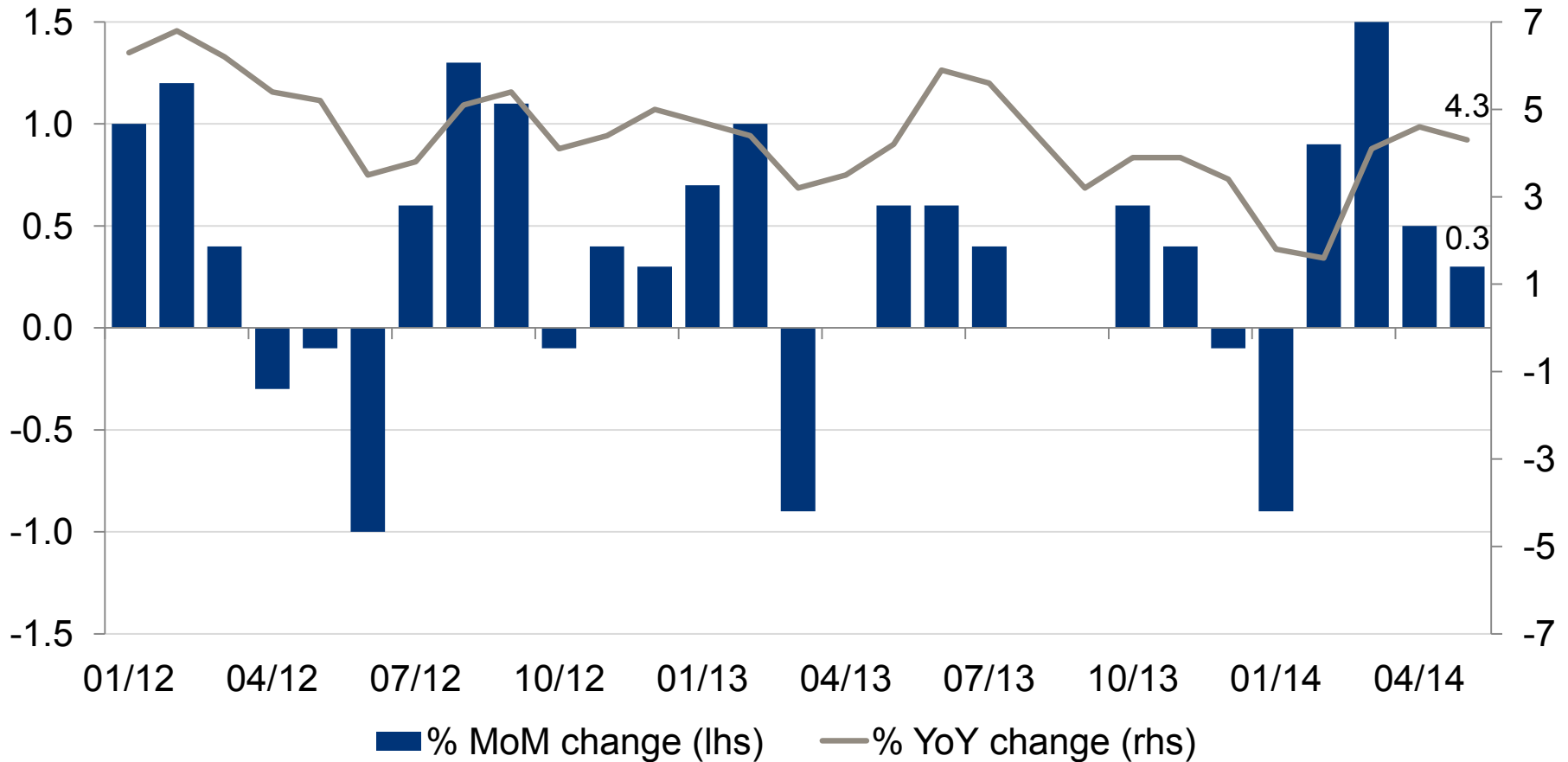


# U.S.: Retail sales remain in rebounding phase



## U.S.: Upward revision to retail sales in April

Retail sales, MoM (lhs) and YoY (rhs) % change



# What we'll be watching next week

- ▶ Canada:
  - ▶ CPI (last month: 2.0% YoY)
  - ▶ Retail sales (last month: -0.1% MoM)
- ▶ U.S.:
  - ▶ CPI (consensus: down to 1.9% YoY)
  - ▶ Housing starts (consensus: down to 1028K)
  - ▶ Building permits (consensus: down to 1070K)
  - ▶ FOMC meeting
- ▶ Europe:
  - ▶ CPI (last month: 0.7% YoY)

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