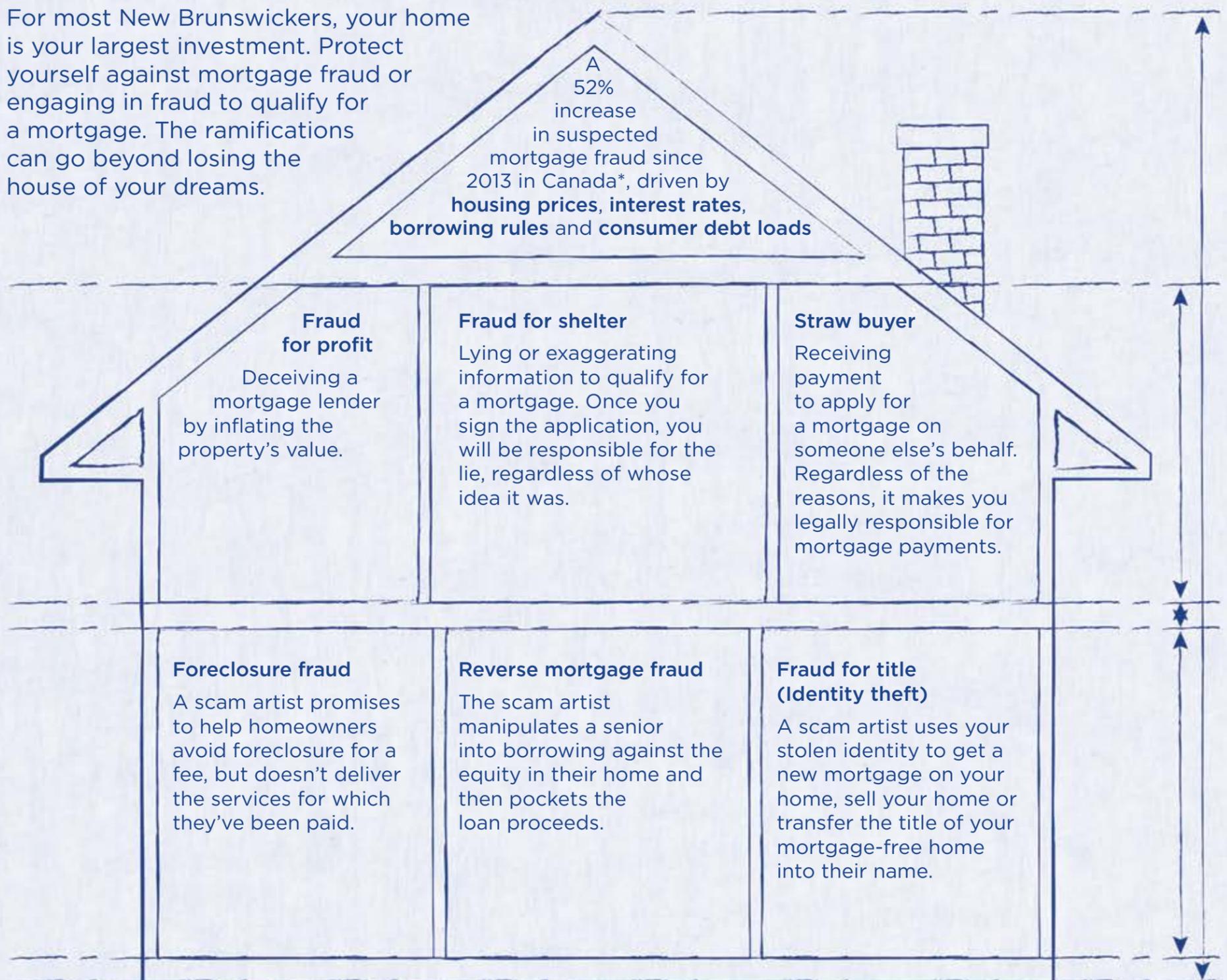


# Blueprint to Protect Yourself Against Mortgage Fraud

## Ways you could be targeted by or implicated in mortgage fraud

For most New Brunswickers, your home is your largest investment. Protect yourself against mortgage fraud or engaging in fraud to qualify for a mortgage. The ramifications can go beyond losing the house of your dreams.



\*Equifax Canada. (2017). *Mortgage Fraud on the Rise* [Press Release]. Retrieved from: <https://www.consumer.equifax.ca/about-equifax/press-releases/-/blogs/equifax-canada-mortgage-fraud-on-the-rise/>

## How to protect yourself

- Be honest on a mortgage application.
- Do not apply for a mortgage for someone else.
- Contact FCNB to check the licence status of a mortgage broker or real estate professional.
- Avoid identity theft by protecting your personal information.
- Be wary of anyone who approaches you with an offer to make “easy money” in real estate.

### How to report it

If you suspect you are a victim or potential victim of mortgage fraud, contact us at [FCNB.ca](http://FCNB.ca) or call 1-866-933-2222.