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Highlights

• The overall value of building permits fell for the third time in four months in July as industrial and commercial intentions declined, and the value of housing permits showed only a modest increase. Municipalities issued \$4.9 billion worth of building permits, down 3.0% from June.

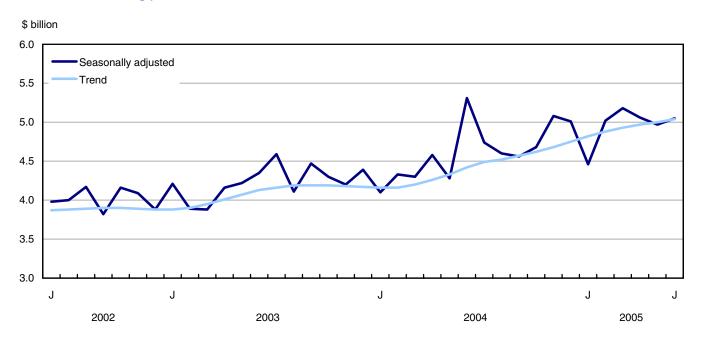
Analysis – July 2005

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The decline came in the wake of a 1.0% increase in June. Still, July's level remained 5.2% higher than the average monthly level in 2004, which was a banner year.

Chart 1

Total value of building permits



The value of housing permits edged up 1.3% to \$3.2 billion, as an increase in the single-family component more than offset a slight decline in the value of multi-family permits. Increases in the last four months contributed to extend the upward trend recorded since the beginning of 2003.

Note to readers

Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted data, which ease comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations.

The Building Permits Survey covers 2,380 municipalities representing 95% of the population. It provides an early indication of building activity. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small, and their levels of building activity have little impact on the total.

The value of planned construction activities shown in this release excludes engineering projects (e.g., waterworks, sewers or culverts) and land.

Contractors took out \$1.7 billion worth in non-residential permits, down 10.2%, and a third monthly decline since the record of \$2.2 billion set in March. These retreats contributed to the flattening of the upward trend observed since the beginning of 2004 in the non-residential sector.

Retreats in the value of industrial and commercial permits more than offset a jump in the institutional component.

The constant strength in the housing sector as well as the good results in the non-residential sector led the cumulative value of overall permits to \$34.6 billion, a 9.3% jump from the same period last year. Permits in the non-residential sector surged 19.3%, while the residential sector showed a more moderate 4.2% increase.

Among metropolitan areas, the largest advance (in dollars) on a year-to-date basis occurred in Calgary and Edmonton, driven by gains in both residential and non-residential sectors.

Residential sector: Both single- and multi-family permits remain high

The value of single-family permits increased 2.3% to \$2.1 billion in July, the third gain in four months. Permits for multi-family dwellings slipped 0.6% to \$1.1 billion. However, permits for multi-family dwellings surpassed the \$1 billion mark for the sixth time since the beginning of the year.

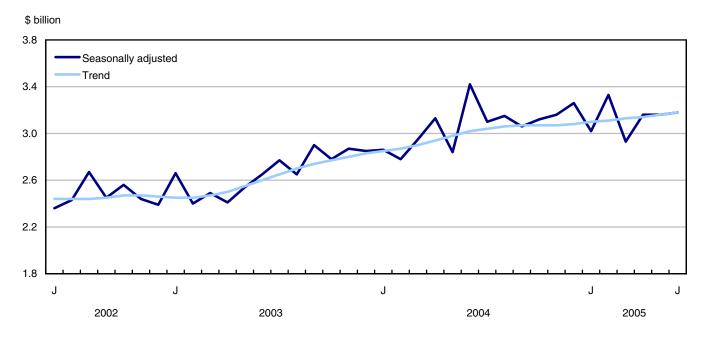
Advantageous mortgage rates, the favourable job market, high levels of consumer confidence and the strong resale market are factors that explained the positive results in the residential sector.

Provincially, the largest gain (in dollars) in July occurred in Quebec. The value of building permits in Quebec increased for a fourth consecutive month in July to \$822 million; a new record high which is explained by the high demand for new apartment/condo units. In contrast, British Columbia posted the largest decline as the multi-family segment retreated to its lowest level since December 2004.

Since the beginning of the year, the value of single-family permits reached \$14.4 billion, up 1.7% from the same period in 2004 although the number of units authorized declined 6.0% to nearly 70,900 units. The value of multi-family permits increased 9.4% to \$7.6 billion and the number of multi-family units totalled 66,740, up 1.8% from last year.

Chart 2

Residential value of building permits - Total



Provincially, the largest advance in the cumulative figures occurred in Alberta where the value of housing permits advanced 23.3%. The national figures for residential permits were greatly inflated by Alberta. If we exclude Alberta, the cumulative growth since the beginning of the year would be 1.4% instead of the 4.2% recorded at the national level.

British Columbia and Quebec also posted sizeable gains in comparison with last year.

Value of industrial and commercial permits declines

A substantial gain in institutional permits in July failed to offset declines in the industrial and commercial sectors.

After recording levels over the one billion mark four times since the beginning of the year, commercial intentions dropped in July, falling 23.1% to \$791 million. This was the lowest level since May 2004. The decline came from a fall in the value of permits for office buildings in Ontario after a jump in June.

Following a substantial increase in June, intentions for industrial construction tumbled 17.8% to \$332 million, with manufacturing buildings showing the biggest drop. Despite this decrease, the July level was 14.9% higher than the average monthly level of 2004. Quebec recorded the largest decrease with intentions down 42.8% to \$68 million.

Construction intentions in the institutional sector continued their upward trend, increasing 29.0% to \$536 million in July. The increase was based mainly on strong construction intentions in the medical and educational categories. Ontario experienced the greatest increase as a result of educational projects.

Of the 28 census metropolitan areas, half recorded monthly decreases in the value of non-residential permits. Vancouver recorded the largest decline due to lower construction intentions in the three components. In contrast, Edmonton recorded the largest increase due to a strong rise in the institutional component.

Among the provinces, the largest decreases in non-residential permits in July occurred in Ontario, down 17.8% to \$592 million and the fourth decrease in a row. In contrast, Alberta recorded a 20.5% increase, the largest (in dollars) among provinces.

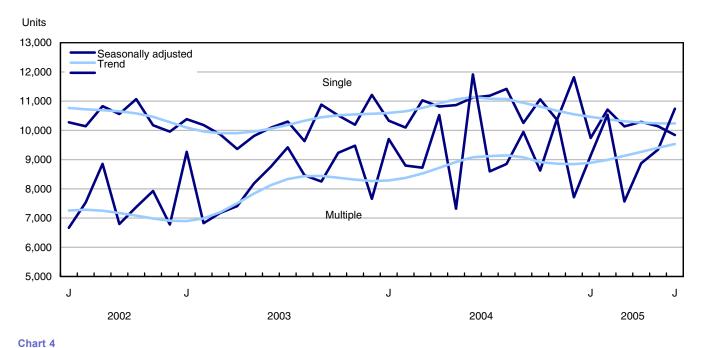
Despite a recent slowdown, the year-to-date results indicated that about \$12.6 billion worth of non-residential permits were issued in the first seven months of 2005, up 19.3% from the same period of 2004. The non-residential sector reached a year-to-date record, with all classes of permits recording high levels. Builders took out \$2.2 billion in industrial permits (+24.2%), \$7.0 billion in commercial permits (+22.0%) and \$3.4 billion in institutional permits (+11.5%).

These results are consistent with recent economic indicators. Among them, corporate profits continued to climb in the second quarter, retailers experienced their 15th monthly sales gain in June since the start of 2004, office vacancy rates have declined and industrial capacity use hit a record level in manufacturing sector.

Among the provinces, Alberta had the largest year-to-date gain in the wake of strong increases in non-residential permits across the province. Quebec recorded the largest decrease due to a marked decline in the institutional component.

Chart 3

Number of dwelling units - Single and multiple



Non residential value of building permits - Total

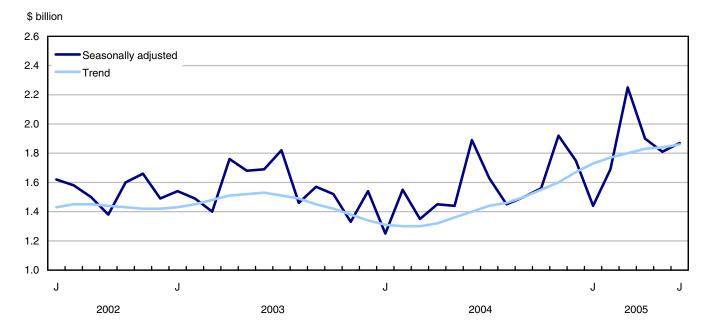
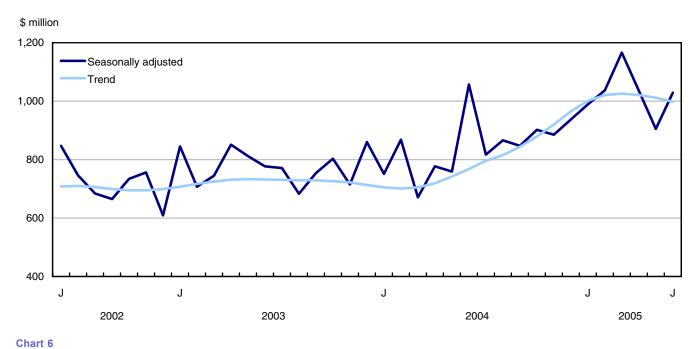


Chart 5 Commercial value of building permits



Industrial value of building permits

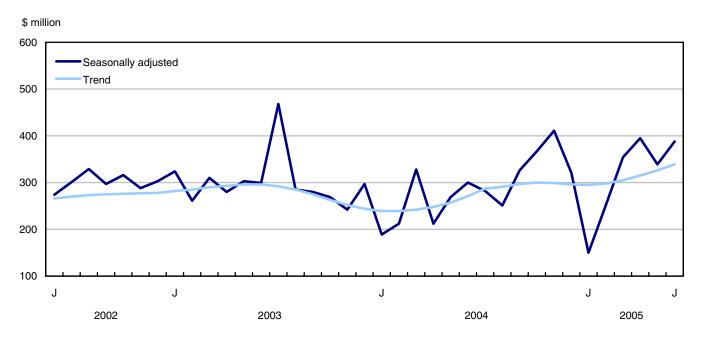
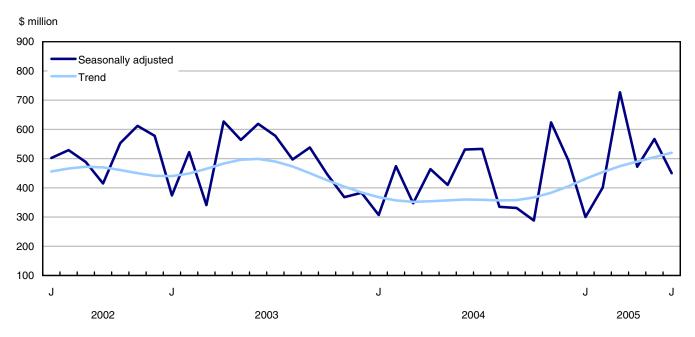


Chart 7
Institutional and governmental value of building permits



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- Canadian Statistics Value of building permits by type

Statistical tables

Table 1 Total value of building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted

	2005	5	July	June	May	April	March	February
	July ^p	June ^r	to June	to May	to April	to March	to February	to January
	thousands o	f dollars			percentage cl	nange		
Canada	4,870,882	5,019,861	-3.0	1.0	-1.8	-2.2	3.1	12.6
Newfoundland and Labrador	28,533	55,311	-48.4	48.2	-8.9	-39.6	98.9	-10.0
Prince Edward Island	16,890	19,318	-12.6	48.5	-62.7	201.9	-53.4	92.6
Nova Scotia	106.612	105.722	0.8	-2.3	-6.7	20.5	54.2	0.2
New Brunswick	85.424	72.801	17.3	-1.5	17.8	8.3	6.7	22.8
Quebec	1.080.326	1,025,435	5.4	4.7	5.6	12.0	-15.0	9.4
Ontario	1,785,989	1,931,171	-7.5	-0.9	-0.4	-4.2	-6.7	17.0
Manitoba	82.079	144,906	-43.4	47.7	16.6	-7.3	12.6	12.3
Saskatchewan	66,578	55,714	19.5	-50.7	98.5	-34.7	77.7	-29.1
Alberta	829,320	735,705	12.7	-5.6	-14.0	-7.9	31.7	0.6
British Columbia	761,489	863,428	-11.8	7.3	-6.6	-4.9	13.3	22.6
Yukon Territory	2,988	1,603	86.4	-83.4	122.2	72.7	-23.0	-2.5
Northwest Territories	24,003	8,512	182.0	25.3	-40.8	236.4	39.4	333.7
Nunavut	651	235	177.0				-100.0	13,300.0

Table 2 Non-residential value of building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted

	2005	2005		June	May	April	March	February
	July ^p	June ^r	to June	to May	to April	to March	to February	to January
	thousands o	f dollars			percentage c	hange		
Canada	1,659,965	1,848,801	-10.2	2.1	-4.9	-15.3	32.9	17.4
Newfoundland and Labrador	10,688	24,158	-55.8	160.7	-11.4	-75.9	432.5	12.3
Prince Edward Island	5,145	4,518	13.9	28.3	-85.4	661.6	-75.0	898.0
Nova Scotia	42,701	30,637	39.4	-24.9	11.8	27.0	100.5	-15.0
New Brunswick	41,751	31,640	32.0	14.1	30.8	8.4	55.7	3.6
Quebec	258,653	310,677	-16.7	-7.4	12.0	11.8	2.5	-3.4
Ontario	591,807	719,643	-17.8	-0.1	-9.9	-11.9	8.8	48.6
Manitoba	30,583	88,567	-65.5	87.1	81.7	-33.7	34.9	11.8
Saskatchewan	37,235	24,793	50.2	-59.2	119.5	-54.3	223.3	-51.9
Alberta	342,227	284,107	20.5	0.1	-25.3	-22.9	95.0	-20.9
British Columbia	279,957	324,653	-13.8	17.8	2.1	-29.4	56.3	32.3
Yukon Territory	438	334	31.1	-88.6	74.0	154.1	436.3	-79.7
Northwest Territories	18,672	5,041	270.4	70.6	-58.6	1,619.3	-62.9	259.8
Nunavut	108	33	227.3				-100.0	

Table 3

Residential value of building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted

	2005	;	July	June	May	April	March	February
	July ^p	June ^r	to June	to May	to April	to March	to February	to January
	thousands o	f dollars			percentage cl	hange		
Canada	3,210,917	3,171,060	1.3	0.3	0.1	7.8	-12.0	10.3
Newfoundland and Labrador	17,845	31,153	-42.7	11.0	-8.1	25.3	-6.0	-15.3
Prince Edward Island	11,745	14,800	-20.6	56.0	-11.1	27.5	-30.6	4.2
Nova Scotia	63,911	75,085	-14.9	11.3	-15.1	17.7	40.4	5.8
New Brunswick	43,673	41,161	6.1	-10.9	11.2	8.3	-8.0	30.0
Quebec	821,673	714,758	15.0	10.9	2.6	12.0	-21.4	14.9
Ontario	1,194,182	1,211,528	-1.4	-1.3	6.2	2.1	-16.3	3.4
Manitoba	51,496	56.339	-8.6	11.0	-12.6	13.0	-0.1	12.7
Saskatchewan	29,343	30,921	-5.1	-40.9	78.7	9.5	-12.0	0.1
Alberta	487,093	451,598	7.9	-8.8	-5.8	7.1	-0.8	16.9
British Columbia	481,532	538,775	-10.6	1.9	-10.6	13.0	-5.7	18.8
Yukon Territory	2,550	1,269	100.9	-81.1	153.0	43.4	-41.2	14.7
Northwest Territories	5,331	3.471	53.6	-9.6	-11.4	44.8	125.6	424.5
Nunavut	543	202	168.8					-100.0

Table 4

Number of dwelling units authorized, province and territories, seasonally adjusted at annual rate

	2005		July	June	May	April	March	February
	July ^p	June ^r	to June	to May	to April	to March	to February	to January
	units				percentage cl	nange		
Canada	246,552	247,224	-0.3	5.7	1.7	8.3	-16.7	12.6
Newfoundland and Labrador	1,560	2,808	-44.4	23.2	2.2	-1.1	6.2	-11.5
Prince Edward Island	1,080	1,236	-12.6	47.1	-5.4	12.1	-5.7	-7.9
Nova Scotia	5,484	6,636	-17.4	10.8	-5.0	20.7	69.3	-7.2
New Brunswick	4,620	4,392	5.2	-17.6	46.5	15.2	-24.2	53.5
Quebec	74,064	61,728	20.0	24.3	5.2	15.0	-32.4	10.6
Ontario	77,328	88,536	-12.7	12.2	0.1	4.7	-21.6	10.2
Manitoba	4,068	4,224	-3.7	8.3	-21.9	24.9	2.5	5.9
Saskatchewan	2,520	3,060	-17.6	-38.0	102.5	5.2	-6.8	-21.6
Alberta	42,876	37,824	13.4	-19.5	-0.7	6.2	-2.9	29.0
British Columbia	32,424	36,528	-11.2	6.7	-4.1	7.1	-5.6	8.0
Yukon Territory	216	108	100.0	-80.9	193.8	0.0	-27.3	
Northwest Territories	276	144	91.7	-33.3	-28.0	-13.8	38.1	425.0
Nunavut	36	0						

Table 5

Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted, 2005

	Number	of dwelling u	nits		Es	stimated value	of construction	า	
	Singles 1	Multiples	Total	Residential		Non-res	idential		Total
			dwellings	_	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	Total	
		units				thousands	of dollars		
Canada June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	9,813	10,789	20,602	3,171,060	404,108	1,028,993	415,700	1,848,801	5,019,861
	10,054	10,492	20,546	3,210,917	332,378	791,466	536,121	1,659,965	4,870,882
	70,888	66,736	137,624	21,979,399	2,226,792	6,953,207	3,419,422	12,599,421	34,578,820
	75,450	65,577	141,027	21,089,444	1,793,612	5,700,858	3,066,248	10,560,718	31,650,162
Newfoundland and Labrador June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	173 105 1,072 1,260	61 25 233 288	234 130 1,305 1,548	31,153 17,845 188,438 203,327	2,319 179 35,374 2,752	21,088 10,493 65,810 53,773	751 16 12,232 12,877	24,158 10,688 113,416 69,402	55,311 28,533 301,854 272,729
Prince Edward Island June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	55	48	103	14,800	558	1,630	2,330	4,518	19,318
	57	33	90	11,745	1,638	2,833	674	5,145	16,890
	436	113	549	78,752	25,135	23,649	5,749	54,533	133,285
	515	115	630	74,159	4,520	21,006	14,851	40,377	114,536
Nova Scotia June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	274 279 1,900 2,019	279 178 1,103 1,365	553 457 3,003 3,384	75,085 63,911 446,967 450,976	7,025 17,419 41,236 19,293	22,603 19,507 128,842 143,035	1,009 5,775 40,489 42,704	30,637 42,701 210,567 205,032	105,722 106,612 657,534 656,008
New Brunswick June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	228	138	366	41,161	2,610	21,973	7,057	31,640	72,801
	216	169	385	43,673	14,621	23,186	3,944	41,751	85,424
	1,687	647	2,334	284,728	31,971	107,714	26,865	166,550	451,278
	1,799	522	2,321	282,102	22,980	82,732	48,022	153,734	435,836
Quebec June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	2,049	3,095	5,144	714,758	118,090	151,069	41,518	310,677	1,025,435
	2,099	4,073	6,172	821,673	67,534	106,695	84,424	258,653	1,080,326
	14,487	17,941	32,428	4,702,602	475,589	1,130,988	397,766	2,004,343	6,706,945
	15,341	17,303	32,644	4,535,340	466,025	1,184,843	635,235	2,286,103	6,821,443
Ontario June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	3,428	3,950	7,378	1,211,528	156,029	422,639	140,975	719,643	1,931,171
	3,569	2,875	6,444	1,194,182	122,514	271,165	198,128	591,807	1,785,989
	25,006	23,485	48,491	8,585,280	870,242	2,650,078	1,613,151	5,133,471	13,718,751
	29,491	21,498	50,989	8,622,736	897,602	2,338,866	1,561,419	4,797,887	13,420,623
Manitoba June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	275	77	352	56,339	7,353	47,093	34,121	88,567	144,906
	282	57	339	51,496	4,659	21,470	4,454	30,583	82,079
	2,028	369	2,397	365,228	30,585	183,262	73,305	287,152	652,380
	2,202	721	2,923	397,194	26,873	153,072	90,884	270,829	668,023
Saskatchewan June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	142	113	255	30,921	7,740	13,047	4,006	24,793	55,714
	133	77	210	29,343	4,984	20,193	12,058	37,235	66,578
	1,082	661	1,743	229,295	35,689	145,457	87,224	268,370	497,665
	1,075	661	1,736	217,917	27,609	113,406	64,954	205,969	423,886
Alberta June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	2,028	1,124	3,152	451,598	61,073	161,011	62,023	284,107	735,705
	2,057	1,516	3,573	487,093	51,218	187,134	103,875	342,227	829,320
	14,948	10,144	25,092	3,367,076	478,836	1,307,277	569,728	2,355,841	5,722,917
	13,093	9,643	22,736	2,729,906	168,829	868,616	306,145	1,343,590	4,073,496
British Columbia June ^r July ^p	1,140	1,904	3,044	538,775	41,145	161,627	121,881	324,653	863,428
	1,234	1,468	2,702	481,532	44,321	113,084	122,552	279,957	761,489

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 5 – continued

Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted, 2005

	Number	of dwelling u	nits		Es	stimated value	of construction	1	
-	Singles ¹	Multiples	Total	Residential		Non-res	idential		Total
			dwellings	_	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	Total	
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	8,047 8,398	11,972 13,368	20,019 21,766	3,687,840 3,519,541	193,550 153,737	1,178,480 721,671	590,156 248,911	1,962,186 1,124,319	5,650,026 4,643,860
Yukon Territory June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	9 17 114 130	0 1 14 24	9 18 128 154	1,269 2,550 20,894 22,121	163 13 2,164 883	142 229 2,946 2,465	29 196 1,692 26,631	334 438 6,802 29,979	1,603 2,988 27,696 52,100
Northwest Territories June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	12 5 80 118	0 18 52 6	12 23 132 124	3,471 5,331 21,551 23,481	0 3,275 6,415 2,509	5,041 15,372 28,167 15,764	0 25 1,065 5,095	5,041 18,672 35,647 23,368	8,512 24,003 57,198 46,849
Nunavut June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	0 1 1 9	0 2 2 63	0 3 3 72	202 543 748 10,644	3 3 6 0	30 105 537 1,609	0 0 0 8,520	33 108 543 10,129	235 651 1,291 20,773

^{1.} Included in this category are the following types of dwellings: single-detached, mobile home and cottage.

Table 6

Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, seasonally adjusted, 2005

	Number of dwelling units				Es	timated value	of construction	n	
-	Singles 1	Multiples	Total	Residential		Non-res	idential		Total
			dwellings	_	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	Total	
		units				thousands	of dollars		
Abbotsford, British Columbia									
June r July p	75 59	0 0	75 59	12,541 10,050	2,623 1,373	5,860 1,486	160 1,155	8,643 4,014	21,184 14,064
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	347 379	319 222	666 601	94,047 72,705	23,194 22,202	21,264 5,354	55,283 4,791	99,741 32,347	193,788 105,052
Calgary, Alberta	745	140	004	440.404	0.070	70.000	40.007	424 205	070 500
June r July p	715 817	149 640	864 1,457	148,191 203,265	9,678 8,129	72,620 84,927	49,097 15,458	131,395 108,514	279,586 311,779
Cumulative Jan July 2005	5,282	3,620	8,902	1,280,780	95,221	532,227	320,473	947,921	2,228,701
Cumulative Jan July 2004	4,816	3,741	8,557	1,095,811	36,184	391,980	146,098	574,262	1,670,073
Edmonton, Alberta June r	646	742	1,388	174,381	18,139	36,966	8,460	63,565	237,946
July P	577	551	1,128	142,874	5,690	52,372	83,071	141,133	284,007
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	4,629 3,806	4,335 4,422	8,964 8,228	1,060,202 842,068	75,671 34,650	288,728 225,162	158,416 49,017	522,815 308,829	1,583,017 1,150,897
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
June r July p	43 35	0 2	43 37	7,854 6,595	1,029 1,766	6,770 5,198	13,284 1,017	21,083 7,981	28,937 14,576
Cumulative Jan July 2005	218	9	227	42,056	6,400	32,237	26,609	65,246	107,302
Cumulative Jan July 2004	174	5	179	32,752	2,224	8,221	23,846	34,291	67,043
Halifax, Nova Scotia June r	116	244	360	46,501	0	9,342	618	9,960	56,461
July ^p	120	119	239	31,817	12,625	8,688	1,906	23,219	55,036
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	741 914	819 1,106	1,560 2,020	231,181 267,898	20,259 2,449	65,091 63,983	21,186 34,534	106,536 100,966	337,717 368,864
Hamilton, Ontario									
June ^r July ^p	121 103	193 125	314 228	56,466 45,148	5,574 233	16,289 3,721	13,451 4,532	35,314 8,486	91,780 53,634
Cumulative Jan July 2005	890	1,261	2,151	392,813	10,916	103,020	87,721	201,657	594,470
Cumulative Jan July 2004	1,178	1,330	2,508	373,964	34,193	122,196	46,600	202,989	576,953
Kingston, Ontario June r	60	4	64	9,838	1,469	3,671	976	6,116	15,954
July P	56	127	183	24,775	59	2,443	1,236	3,738	28,513
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	341 413	157 251	498 664	72,338 78,383	4,216 1,199	33,882 20,231	9,006 42,673	47,104 64,103	119,442 142,486
Kitchener, Ontario	110	201	001	70,000	1,100	20,201	12,010	01,100	1 12, 100
June r	239	319	558	79,520	2,438	31,022	6,696	40,156	119,676
July P Cumulative Jan July 2005	147 1,256	204 1,155	351 2,411	52,922 360,950	2,549 33,994	10,200 123,736	12,721 73,471	25,470 231,201	78,392 592,151
Cumulative Jan July 2004	1,300	723	2,023	299,698	39,039	98,426	83,605	221,070	520,768
London, Ontario									
June ^r July ^p	183 146	36 150	219 296	37,402 44,225	8,288 7,922	21,929 10,058	6,683 5,273	36,900 23,253	74,302 67,478
Cumulative Jan July 2005	1,174	1,046	2,220	310,340	37,946	98,789	47,724	184,459	494,799
Cumulative Jan July 2004	1,330	649	1,979	280,692	23,189	65,855	126,265	215,309	496,001
Montréal, Quebec June r	768	2,209	2,977	388,723	52,152	68,906	19,898	140,956	529,679
July P	961	2,506	3,467	444,193	43,651	52,616	49,265	145,532	589,725
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	5,881 6,828	11,515 10,645	17,396 17,473	2,452,739 2,443,226	268,060 184,828	614,892 608,592	167,404 363,059	1,050,356 1,156,479	3,503,095 3,599,705
Oshawa, Ontario	-,	-,	.,	, -,	,0	,		, ,	-,,-
June r	139	170	309	54,695	7,424	3,792	509	11,725	66,420

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Table 6 – continued

Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, seasonally adjusted, 2005

	Number	of dwelling ι	ınits		Es	timated value	of construction		
-	Singles 1	Multiples	Total	Residential		Non-res	idential		Total
			dwellings		Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	Total	
July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	93 1,249 1,124	87 606 894	180 1,855 2,018	36,234 357,040 359,970	4,048 34,287 19,581	2,126 58,308 88,351	683 44,845 45,874	6,857 137,440 153,806	43,091 494,480 513,776
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	225 249 1,442 1,930	331 129 1,386 2,599	556 378 2,828 4,529	86,059 71,243 491,686 711,059	2,691 3,303 24,447 6,590	15,760 12,811 214,518 238,832	6,625 73,975 270,134 74,694	25,076 90,089 509,099 320,116	111,135 161,332 1,000,785 1,031,175
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	143 84 760 970	129 76 407 757	272 160 1,167 1,727	39,292 20,386 177,361 237,032	3,274 17 9,126 5,719	14,902 4,278 45,605 82,092	620 1,070 6,373 9,395	18,796 5,365 61,104 97,206	58,088 25,751 238,465 334,238
Québec, Quebec June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	245 158 1,641 1,591	148 804 2,215 2,256	393 962 3,856 3,847	60,091 116,292 523,461 466,746	3,529 1,883 9,508 16,514	17,715 21,157 130,169 165,850	4,236 4,695 47,189 96,992	25,480 27,735 186,866 279,356	85,571 144,027 710,327 746,102
Regina, Saskatchewan June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	46 46 323 333	61 42 246 252	107 88 569 585	9,148 10,352 66,011 72,396	395 133 4,540 16,600	2,043 8,358 47,525 32,525	1,043 3,794 34,619 14,840	3,481 12,285 86,684 63,965	12,629 22,637 152,695 136,361
Saguenay, Quebec June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	23 29 159 196	27 23 154 121	50 52 313 317	9,366 8,530 50,135 46,724	208 808 17,671 5,540	2,196 2,612 17,525 15,452	1,357 788 6,553 8,582	3,761 4,208 41,749 29,574	13,127 12,738 91,884 76,298
Saint John, New Brunswick June ^r July ^p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	40 39 312 292	8 18 71 61	48 57 383 353	6,815 9,180 54,374 45,386	376 7,148 11,479 3,915	1,507 1,322 20,743 11,369	332 101 1,365 9,358	2,215 8,571 33,587 24,642	9,030 17,751 87,961 70,028
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	56 52 448 442	28 11 275 319	84 63 723 761	11,466 9,429 92,944 86,980	6,673 4,583 28,645 5,187	6,737 9,092 52,327 38,470	2,547 3,482 38,267 9,650	15,957 17,157 119,239 53,307	27,423 26,586 212,183 140,287
Sherbrooke, Quebec June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	57 51 389 349	59 8 259 425	116 59 648 774	15,886 11,051 93,069 95,219	6,408 65 10,414 5,929	2,396 651 28,019 19,687	746 15,450 17,671 12,523	9,550 16,166 56,104 38,139	25,436 27,217 149,173 133,358
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	89 107 594 739	47 34 250 350	136 141 844 1,089	29,733 26,188 161,261 186,965	4,213 902 11,207 14,076	3,737 7,741 78,100 97,655	2,117 4,315 67,445 25,291	10,067 12,958 156,752 137,022	39,800 39,146 318,013 323,987
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador June ^r July ^p Cumulative Jan July 2005	123 53 637	50 12 190	173 65 827	21,975 9,717 122,612	2,080 0 34,120	15,014 3,957 48,912	558 15 4,616	17,652 3,972 87,648	39,627 13,689 210,260

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Table 6 – continued Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, seasonally adjusted, 2005

	Number	of dwelling ι	ınits		Es	timated value	of construction	1	
•	Singles 1	Multiples	Total	Residential		Non-res	idential		Total
			dwellings	_	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional Total and governmental		
Cumulative Jan July 2004	931	251	1,182	154,569	1,500	43,602	6,888	51,990	206,559
Thunder Bay, Ontario June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	21 21 102 151	0 0 52 8	21 21 154 159	4,778 3,773 24,290 29,597	242 140 12,578 5,403	3,370 960 21,639 20,345	265 275 22,840 8,754	3,877 1,375 57,057 34,502	8,655 5,148 81,347 64,099
Toronto, Ontario June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	992 1,296 8,388 11,395	2,520 1,852 14,850 12,342	3,512 3,148 23,238 23,737	531,983 591,872 4,094,497 4,198,569	56,540 55,985 438,377 420,961	126,900 161,811 1,239,640 1,141,002	27,016 37,115 600,599 730,422	210,456 254,911 2,278,616 2,292,385	742,439 846,783 6,373,113 6,490,954
Trois-Rivières, Quebec June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	41 27 214 226	44 14 191 276	85 41 405 502	10,835 7,979 59,593 65,275	4,686 80 6,283 8,880	4,767 1,371 23,987 24,055	0 210 4,217 6,611	9,453 1,661 34,487 39,546	20,288 9,640 94,080 104,821
Vancouver, British Columbia June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	387 456 2,760 3,367	1,310 982 7,335 10,122	1,697 1,438 10,095 13,489	335,800 267,058 1,933,590 2,237,363	13,480 11,437 69,863 66,740	107,604 61,661 748,746 482,542	98,586 40,151 288,020 115,167	219,670 113,249 1,106,629 664,449	555,470 380,307 3,040,219 2,901,812
Victoria, British Columbia June ^r July ^p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	90 84 664 678	138 16 862 685	228 100 1,526 1,363	42,827 21,941 271,116 221,186	64 259 6,818 5,619	8,025 13,402 79,516 34,682	1,662 3,291 30,019 42,960	9,751 16,952 116,353 83,261	52,578 38,893 387,469 304,447
Windsor, Ontario June ^r July ^p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	90 92 668 976	34 9 250 437	124 101 918 1,413	22,418 19,472 155,502 226,468	412 1,279 8,775 12,465	8,960 6,798 45,312 59,222	1,594 7,458 43,490 8,618	10,966 15,535 97,577 80,305	33,384 35,007 253,079 306,773
Winnipeg, Manitoba June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	145 158 1,125 1,337	38 6 218 514	183 164 1,343 1,851	32,206 26,401 206,451 243,800	4,212 967 6,545 15,718	40,576 16,309 135,313 95,837	24,735 4,124 58,684 80,123	69,523 21,400 200,542 191,678	101,729 47,801 406,993 435,478

^{1.} Included in this category are the following types of dwellings: single-detached, mobile home and cottage.

Table 7

Dwelling units, provinces and territories, unadjusted, 2005

	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
			Number	of dwelling units	3		
Canada June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	12,698 10,846 72,799 79,095	112 84 413 553	967 1,129 7,030 7,006	2,405 1,598 13,492 12,822	7,893 6,921 40,668 41,886	605 605 2,965 3,040	24,680 21,183 137,367 144,402
Newfoundland and Labrador June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	238 154 1,034 1,273	5 2 11 9	2 0 26 36	0 0 5 22	51 27 173 160	1 1 9 52	297 184 1,258 1,552
Prince Edward Island June ^r July ^p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	81	7	8	0	39	1	136
	71	10	16	0	17	0	114
	397	29	38	3	70	2	539
	478	49	36	39	35	5	642
Nova Scotia June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	360	15	4	32	242	2	655
	343	20	8	31	132	7	541
	1,935	57	78	108	869	50	3,097
	2,045	60	99	35	1,201	32	3,472
New Brunswick June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	346	9	16	12	103	7	493
	296	7	23	10	135	1	472
	1,670	57	85	47	469	47	2,375
	1,799	56	61	67	347	48	2,378
Quebec June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	2,410 1,891 15,328 16,510	40 32 149 184	186 153 1,708 1,407	167 66 526 799	2,391 2,390 12,112 12,530	472 221 1,563 1,551	5,666 4,753 31,386 32,981
Ontario June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	4,715	28	418	1,510	2,566	72	9,309
	4,098	7	439	906	1,566	337	7,353
	25,278	82	2,874	7,855	11,119	1,040	48,248
	30,904	119	3,295	7,412	10,044	744	52,518
Manitoba June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	374 376 2,143 2,403	2 1 5 26	0 2 11 41	30 4 80 6	47 51 269 673	1 1 11 3	454 435 2,519 3,152
Saskatchewan June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	197	2	28	0	85	0	312
	160	0	10	42	22	4	238
	1,118	5	68	78	508	9	1,786
	1,131	3	68	143	423	27	1,795
Alberta June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	2,529	3	256	267	840	8	3,903
	2,088	2	409	111	1,264	8	3,882
	15,266	12	1,740	1,578	6,812	49	25,457
	13,581	17	1,493	1,112	6,726	371	23,300
British Columbia June r July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	1,412	0	49	387	1,529	41	3,418
	1,338	2	68	428	1,299	23	3,158
	8,451	4	398	3,194	8,225	181	20,453
	8,746	27	463	3,177	9,673	205	22,291
Yukon Territory							

Table 7 – continued Dwelling units, provinces and territories, unadjusted, 2005

	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
June r	18	1	0	0	0	0	19
July P	20 112	1	1	U	U	0	22 128
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	112	3	4 5	10	0 7	2	139
Northwest Territories July P Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	18 10 66 104	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 18 0	0 18 34 6	0 0 0 0	18 28 118 110
Nunavut June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	0 1 1 9	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 2	0 0 0	0 0 0 61	0 2 2 0	0 3 3 72

Table 8

Dwelling units, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, July 2005

	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
_			Number	of dwelling	units		
Abbotsford, British Columbia	60	0	0	0	0	0	60
Calgary, Alberta	785	0	100	30	544	0	1,459
Edmonton, Alberta	555	0	50	33	496	1	1,135
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury,							
Ontario	40	0	0	0	2	0	42
Halifax, Nova Scotia	140	3	6	6	104	3	262
Hamilton, Ontario	118	0	10	79	51	1	259
Kingston, Ontario	63	1	8	0	136	0	208
Kitchener, Ontario	168	0	17	49	162	3	399
London, Óntario	167	0	0	21	148	1	337
Montréal, Quebec	828	0	54	26	1,382	156	2,446
Oshawa, Ontario	106	0	47	34	4	13	204
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part,	357	0	24	114	49	8	552
Ontario/Quebec Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part,	285	0	16	113	13	4	431
Ontario/Quebec	72	0	8	1	36	4	121
Québec, Quebec	136	0	30	31	425	33	655
Regina, Saskatchewan	54	0	0	40	2	0	96
Saguenay, Quebec	24	1	0	0	11	4	40
Saint John, New Brunswick	54	0	2	0	16	0	72
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	60	0	8	0	0	4	72
Sherbrooke, Quebec	44	0	4	0	0	1	49
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	123	0	10	24	0	4	161
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	74	0	0	0	14	0	88
Thunder Bay, Ontario	24	0	0	0	0	0	24
Toronto, Ontario	1,484	0	290	484	1,023	299	3,580
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	23	0	4	0	3	2	32
Vancouver, British Columbia	463	0	12	352	954	7	1,788
Victoria, British Columbia	83	1	0	3	8	12	107
Windsor, Ontario	105	0	2 2	8	0	0	115
Winnipeg, Manitoba	202	0	2	4	0	0	208

Table 9 Dwelling units, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, cumulative, January - July 2005

	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
_			Number	of dwelling	units		
Abbotsford, British Columbia	370	0	2	72	235	2	681
Calgary, Alberta	5,410	0	585	657	2,647	1	9,300
Edmonton, Alberta	4,774	0	639	501	3,085	21	9,020
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury,							
Ontario	243	0	0	0	10	0	253
Halifax, Nova Scotia	823	4	28	78	678	35	1,646
Hamilton, Ontario	856	0	140	489	441	197	2,123
Kingston, Ontario	368	4	22	3	147	5	549
Kitchener, Ontario	1,307	0	65	472	585	82	2,511
London, Ontario	1,202	0	_11	381	650	17	2,261
Montréal, Quebec	6,177	0	545	254	8,123	969	16,068
Oshawa, Ontario	1,306	0	305	232	47	21	1,911
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	2,338	5	230	788	663	93	4,117
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part,	4.540	•	404	700	407	- 4	0.040
Ontario/Quebec	1,516	0	134	728	487	54	2,919
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part,	000	_	00	00	470	20	4 400
Ontario/Quebec	822 1.784	5	96	60	176	39	1,198
Québec, Quebec	1,784 344	5	440 0	115 40	1,418 206	78 0	3,840 590
Regina, Saskatchewan	180	0	21		206 71	30	313
Saguenay, Quebec Saint John, New Brunswick	303	5 5	4	6 3	7 i 58	30 6	379
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	451	0	46	2	220	8	727
Sherbrooke, Quebec	420	0	24	0	157	56	657
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	615	1	52 52	148	12	28	856
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	635	0	26	5	131	7	804
Thunder Bay, Ontario	117	0	0	0	45	2	164
Toronto, Ontario	8,540	ő	1,812	4,411	7,908	483	23,154
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	244	ő	1,012	12	95	65	426
Vancouver, British Columbia	2,855	ŏ	154	2,345	4.862	65	10.281
Victoria, British Columbia	685	ĭ	8	125	639	30	1,488
Windsor, Ontario	670	Ö	66	68	84	13	901
Winnipeg, Manitoba	1,168	Ö	7	74	137	0	1,386

Table 10 Value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, Unadjusted, 2005

		vaii	ue of construction		
	Residential	l	Non-residential		Total
		Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and	
				governmental	
		tho	usands of dollars		
Canada	2 022 407	420 447	1 210 007	462 202	6.045.004
June r July p	3,922,197 3,373,435	420,417 377,855	1,210,987 877,895	462,283 642,072	6,015,884 5,271,257
Cumulative Jan July 2005	22,013,704	2,247,285	6,586,347	3,254,807	34,102,143
Cumulative Jan July 2004	21,908,290	1,867,815	5,530,861	2,956,033	32,262,999
Newfoundland and Labrador	10.000	0.040	00.000	754	70.005
lune r July p	46,333 25,368	2,319 179	20,662 11.091	751 16	70,065 36,654
Cumulative Jan July 2005	187,392	35,374	55.307	12,232	290,305
Cumulative Jan July 2004	211,815	2,752	44,157	12,877	271,601
Prince Edward Island					
June r	18,303	558	1,630	2,330	22,821
July P	14,250 75,286	1,638	2,833	674 5.740	19,395
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	75,286 77,124	25,135 4,520	23,649 21,006	5,749 14,851	129,819 117,501
,	77,121	1,020	21,000	11,001	117,001
Nova Scotia June r	92,189	7,025	22,603	1,009	122,826
July P	79,794	17,419	19,507	5,775	122,495
Cumulative Jan July 2005	468,470	41,236	128,842	40,489	679,037
Cumulative Jan July 2004	475,205	19,293	143,035	42,704	680,237
New Brunswick	00.400	0.040	04.070	7.057	04.400
lune ^r luly p	62,486 55,941	2,610 14,621	21,973 23,186	7,057 3,944	94,126 97,692
Cumulative Jan July 2005	288,484	31,971	107,714	26,865	455,034
Cumulative Jan July 2004	285,470	22,980	82,732	48,022	439,204
Quebec					
June r	839,292	118,090	163,536	67,909	1,188,827
July P	676,169 4,674,639	67,534 475,589	107,591 1,011,384	104,442 384,573	955,736
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	4,676,400	466,025	1,073,637	594,826	6,546,185 6,810,888
Ontario					
June r	1,550,294	172,338	503,569	161,167	2,387,368
July P	1,331,336	167,991	334,672	284,061	2,118,060
Cumulative Jan July 2005	8,473,568	890,735	2,487,166	1,461,729	13,313,198
Cumulative Jan July 2004	8,910,780	971,805	2,275,494	1,491,613	13,649,692
Manitoba June ^r	74,980	7,353	43,974	34,121	160,428
July P	66,140	4,659	24,028	4,454	99,281
Cumulative Jan July 2005	384,345	30,585	164,116	73,305	652,351
Cumulative Jan July 2004	429,869	26,873	142,945	90,884	690,571
Saskatchewan	40.004	7.740	45.764	4.006	67 704
June ^r July ^p	40,224 34,705	7,740 4,984	15,761 17,490	4,006 12,058	67,731 69,237
Cumulative Jan July 2005	238,726	35,689	141,892	87,224	503,531
Cumulative Jan July 2004	230,833	27,609	117,330	64,954	440,726
Alberta					
lune r	563,613	61,073	205,789	62,023	892,498
July P	525,345 3 441 825	51,218	198,126	103,875	878,564 5 765 204
Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	3,441,825 2,836,112	478,836 168,829	1,274,815 897,104	569,728 306,145	5,765,204 4,208,190
British Columbia		•	•	•	
lune r	628,351	41,145	206,277	121,881	997,654
uly p	555,280	44,321	123,665	122,552	845,818
Cumulative Jan July 2005	3,740,484	193,550	1,159,812	590,156	5,684,002
Cumulative Jan July 2004	3,720,389	153,737	713,583	248,911	4,836,620
/ukon Territory					

Table 10 – continued Value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, Unadjusted, 2005

		Valu	ie of construction		
	Residential	ı	Non-residential		Total
		Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	
June r	2,459	163	142	29	2,793
July p	3,233	13	229	196	3,671
Cumulative Jan July 2005	18,186	2,164	2,946	1,692	24,988
Cumulative Jan July 2004	20,168	883	2,465	26,631	50,147
Northwest Territories June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	3,471	0	5,041	0	8,512
	5,331	3,275	15,372	25	24,003
	21,551	6,415	28,167	1,065	57,198
	23,481	2,509	15,764	5,095	46,849
Nunavut June r July p Cumulative Jan July 2005 Cumulative Jan July 2004	202	3	30	0	235
	543	3	105	0	651
	748	6	537	0	1,291
	10,644	0	1,609	8,520	20,773

Table 11

Value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, July 2005

		Valu	ue of construction	l	
•	Residential	1	Non-residential		Total
		Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and	
				governmental	
<u>-</u>		tho	usands of dollars		
Abbotsford, British Columbia	10,564	1,373	1,530	1,155	14,622
Calgary, Alberta	210,229	8,129	93,229	15,458	327,045
Edmonton, Alberta	147,905	5,690	57,492	83,071	294,158
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario	7,540	2,468	6,592	1,371	17,971
Halifax, Nova Scotia	38,005	12,625	8,688	1,906	61,224
Hamilton, Ontario	49,656	326	4,719	6,109	60,810
Kingston, Ontario	26,625	83	3,098	1,666	31,472
Kitchener, Ontario	58,251	3,562	12,936	17,146	91,895
London, Ontario	48,774	11,071	12,757	7,107	79,709
Montréal, Quebec	334,895	43,651	54,430	62,383	495,359
Oshawa, Ontario	40,147	5,657	2,696	921	49,421
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	97,150	4,633	20,674	101,060	223,517
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec	79,792	4,616	16,248	99,705	200,361
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec	17,358	[′] 17	4,426	1,355	23,156
Québec, Quebec	80,284	1,883	21,887	5,945	109,999
Regina, Saskatchewan	11,625	133	6,955	3,794	22,507
Saguenay, Quebec	7,106	808	2,702	998	11,614
Saint John, New Brunswick	11,306	7,148	1,322	101	19,877
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	10,887	4.583	7,565	3,482	26,517
Sherbrooke, Quebec	10,051	65	673	19,564	30,353
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	29,546	1,261	9,818	5,816	46,441
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	12,446	, 0	4,555	15	17,016
Thunder Bay, Ontario	4,329	195	1,218	370	6,112
Toronto, Ontario	650.552	78,242	205,224	50,024	984.042
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	6,861	80	1,418	266	8,625
Vancouver, British Columbia	304,784	11,437	63,467	40,151	419,839
Victoria, British Columbia	23,551	259	13,795	3,291	40,896
Windsor, Ontario	22,171	1,787	8,622	10,052	42,632
Winnipeg, Manitoba	32,492	967	17,423	4,124	55,006

Table 12 Value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, cumulative, January - July 2005

		Valu	e of construction	1	
•	Residential	1	Non-residential		Total
		Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	
		thou	usands of dollars		
Abbotsford, British Columbia Calgary, Alberta Edmonton, Alberta Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario Halifax, Nova Scotia Hamilton, Ontario Kingston, Ontario Kitchener, Ontario London, Ontario Montréal, Quebec Oshawa, Ontario Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec Québec, Quebec Regina, Saskatchewan Saguenay, Quebec Saint John, New Brunswick Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Sherbrooke, Quebec St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador Thunder Bay, Ontario Toronto, Ontario Trois-Rivières, Quebec Vancouver, British Columbia Victoria, British Columbia Windsor, Ontario Winnipeq, Manitoba	96,711 1,320,276 1,082,843 46,039 247,562 389,957 78,003 373,387 313,357 2,366,415 365,817 696,410 511,106 185,304 514,686 69,360 52,991 52,134 95,622 96,089 165,669 120,684 27,370 4,013,472 63,885 2,013,065 278,597 155,564 213,008	23,194 95,221 75,671 6,560 20,259 10,400 3,759 29,973 38,649 268,060 32,714 35,025 25,899 9,126 9,508 4,540 17,671 11,479 28,645 10,414 10,793 34,120 13,164 429,620 6,283 69,863 6,818 8,498 6,545	20,195 562,948 297,963 30,360 65,091 95,687 30,309 119,792 94,843 539,464 49,349 229,715 185,747 43,968 123,550 44,860 16,233 20,743 50,224 26,478 75,629 38,409 19,073 1,160,309 20,383 748,931 78,543 43,620 119,362	55,283 320,473 158,416 27,646 21,186 77,348 8,662 67,870 43,935 172,648 36,674 265,121 259,683 5,438 43,866 34,619 5,658 1,365 38,267 21,532 54,342 4,616 19,915 520,144 3,216 288,020 30,019 39,529 58,684	195,383 2,298,918 1,614,893 110,605 354,098 573,392 120,733 591,022 490,784 3,346,587 484,554 1,226,271 982,435 243,836 691,610 153,379 92,553 85,721 212,758 154,513 306,433 197,829 79,522 6,123,545 93,767 3,119,879 393,767 3,119,879 393,977 247,211

Table 13

Value of the non-residential permits by type of building, provinces and territories, July 2005

	Canada	Newfoundland and	Prince Edward	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
		Labrador	Island	Julia	DIGITAMICA		
			thous	sands of dollars			
Total non-residential	1,897,822	11,286	5,145	42,701	41,751	279,567	786,724
Industrial	377,855	179	1,638	17,419	14,621	67,534	167,991
Factories, plants	219,328	0	850	14,076	3,925	45,512	87,578
Transportation, utilities Mining and agriculture	59,397 41,397	0	0 650	1,675 648	8,486 600	10,198 1,200	25,128 25,785
Minor industrial projects, new	41,397	U	030	040	000	1,200	25,765
and improvements 1	57,733	179	138	1,020	1,610	10,624	29,500
Commercial	877,895	11,091	2,833	19,507	23,186	107,591	334,672
Trade and services	274,712	9,127	1,350	8,394	9,253	52,857	94,487
Warehouses	89,872	0	0	363	0	3,430	36,491
Service stations	16,160	0	0	300	2,300	800	4,825
Office buildings	161,272	500	284	2,555	250	19,925	68,536
Recreation	88,600	0	0	1,706	300	4,804	29,556
Hotels, restaurants	101,548	0	0	800	7,060	1,300	48,957
Laboratories	4,865	0	0	0	0	800	1,000
Minor commercial projects,	440.000	4.404	4.400	F 200	4.000	00.075	50,000
new and improvements ¹ Institutional and	140,866	1,464	1,199	5,389	4,023	23,675	50,820
governmental	642,072	16	674	5,775	3,944	104.442	284,061
Schools, education	347.193	0	0	5,775	3,544 988	75.022	213.485
Hospitals, medical	147,171	0	500	450	0	8,240	11.688
Welfare, home	29.059	0	0	300	0	7.350	3.180
Churches, religion	34,640	Ö	Ö	2.748	815	1,407	26.366
Government buildings	42,956	Ö	Ō	1,900	0	5,263	12,382
Minor institutional and							
governmental projects,							
new and improvements 1	41,053	16	174	377	2,141	7,160	16,960
_	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British	Yukon	Northwest	Nunavut
		- Cuonatono van	7 1100110	Columbia	Territory	Territories	
<u> </u>			thous	sands of dollars			
Total non-residential	33,141	34,532	353,219	290,538	438	18,672	108
Industrial	4,659	4,984	51,218	44,321	13	3,275	3
Factories, plants	943 2,830	1,878 0	28,484	36,082	0 0	0	0
Transportation, utilities Mining and agriculture	2,830	300	6,765 10,115	1,040 2,099	0	3,275 0	0
Minor industrial projects, new	U	300	10,113	2,033	U	O	0
and improvements ¹	886	2,806	5,854	5,100	13	0	3
Commercial	24,028	17,490	198,126	123,665	229	15,372	105
Trade and services	8,108	2,409	42,091	46,636	0	0	0
Warehouses	1,950	2,570	29,809	15,259	0	0	0
Service stations	253	1,000	4,982	1,700	0	0	0
Office buildings	4,713	5,709	52,285	6,515	0	0	0
Recreation	561	690	34,372	12,611	0	4,000	0
Hotels, restaurants	400	2,498	12,509 0	18,224	0 0	9,800	0
Laboratories	2,200	0	U	865	U	0	0
Minor commercial projects, new and improvements ¹	5,843	2,614	22.078	21,855	229	1,572	105
	3,043	2,014	22,070	21,000	229	1,572	103
Institutional and	4,454	12,058	103,875	122,552	196	25	0
			1,100	52,596	0	0	0
governmental		1.020		40,149	Ö	Ö	Ö
governmental Schools, education	2,982 250	1,020 5,717	80.177	70.170			
governmental Schools, education Hospitals, medical	2,982	5,717 377	80,177 1,000	16,852	0	0	0
governmental Schools, education Hospitals, medical Welfare, home Churches, religion	2,982 250 0 0	5,717 377 0	1,000 1,472	16,852 1,832	0	0	0
governmental Schools, education Hospitals, medical Welfare, home Churches, religion Government buildings	2,982 250 0	5,717 377	1,000	16,852			0 0 0
Schools, education Hospitals, medical Welfare, home Churches, religion Government buildings Minor institutional and	2,982 250 0 0	5,717 377 0	1,000 1,472	16,852 1,832	0	0	0
governmental Schools, education Hospitals, medical Welfare, home Churches, religion Government buildings	2,982 250 0 0	5,717 377 0	1,000 1,472	16,852 1,832	0	0	0

 $^{1. \ \} Refer to projects \ valued \ at less \ than \$250,000 \ for \ which \ the \ breakdown \ by \ type \ of \ building \ is \ not \ available.$

Description - Monthly survey of building permits

The following information should be used to ensure a clear understanding of the basic concepts that define the data provided in this product, of the underlying methodology of the survey, and of key aspects of the data quality. This information will provide you with a better understanding of the strengths and limitations of the data, and of how they can be effectively used and analysed. The information may be of particular importance to you when making comparisons with data from other surveys or sources of information, and in drawing conclusions regarding change over time.

Data source and methodology

The purpose of the Monthly Survey of Building Permits issued by Canadian municipalities is to collect data on construction intentions. The results of this survey are used by C.M.H.C. (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation) as a reference base for conducting a monthly survey of housing starts and completions in accordance with its mandate. The statistics on building permits are also essential for the computation of capital expenditures. Furthermore, since the issuance of a building permit is one of the first steps in the construction process, these statistics are widely used as a leading indicator of building activity.

General methodology: The Building Permits Survey covers all Canadian municipalities that issue permits. The number of Canadian municipalities currently surveyed exceeds 2,380, representing all the provinces and territories. They account for 95% of the Canadian population. Participation in the survey is mandatory; the survey does not use a predetermined sample of municipalities. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small, and their level of building activity have little impact on the total. In practice, all urban agglomerations are represented in the survey, as well as a fair percentage of rural municipalities. With certain exceptions, the minimum coverage corresponds to the municipalities already included in the Housing Starts and Completions C.M.H.C.'s Survey. Non-responding municipalities that issue permits are urged on a regular basis to respond to the Building Permit Survey. Therefore, the number of municipalities covered is increasing continually.

The survey is usually conducted by mail, although certain municipalities choose to respond by telephone. The municipal officer responsible for issuing permits is asked to fill out a form each month describing all major construction projects.

The municipalities forward a copy of their completed report to Statistics Canada Head Office and another copy to the local office of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (C.M.H.C.). To reduce their overhead, an increasing number of respondents are producing a computerized report. Only those municipalities that are late in reporting and that are included in the above-mentioned C.M.H.C. survey are subject to follow-up by telephone.

The reports received at Statistics Canada Head Office are verified, coded and processed.

Strict quality control procedures are applied to ensure that collection, coding and data processing are as accurate as possible. Checks are also performed on totals and the magnitude of data. Reports that fail to meet the quality standards are subject to verification and are corrected as required.

Imputations are required for each characteristic for which no report has been received. These are calculated automatically, subject to certain constraints, by applying to previously used values, the month-to-month and year-to-year changes in similar values of responding municipalities and the historical pattern of the missing municipalities. No estimation is done for lack of coverage, concealment or the underevaluation of permits issued. For this reason, the sampling error cannot be computed.

The monthly statistics are not corrected for cancelled or expired permits. According to the municipal officers, the proportion of cancelled and unused permits is below 5%.

Reference period: The reference period for data collection purposes is the calendar month. Reports from municipalities which are part of a census metropolitan area or a census agglomeration must be received within 20 days following the month of reference. The other municipalities have 30 days to produce their reports. Results are released between 35 and 40 days after the end of the reference month. Annual data for the preceding calendar year are released with the data for the January survey month.

Revisions: Two types of revisions can affect the results of the Building Permits Survey:

Revisions due to the correction of coding errors

These types of revisions are done on a monthly basis only to the data pertaining to the month preceding the reference period.

Revisions due to the addition of late reports

Late reports for the month preceding the reference period are incorporated into the survey results on a continuing basis. However, reports received after the two-month deadline following the reference month are introduced only at the end of the year. As a result, the data for the last twelve months are subject to revision.

Seasonal adjustment: Seasonal changes cause predictable fluctuations in the data. The data series disseminated includes both seasonally adjusted (i.e., excludes predictable annual influences) and the unadjusted data. Seasonally adjusted data for the total number of housing units as well as for the aggregate value of building permits are obtained indirectly, i.e., by adding their seasonally adjusted components. The total number of dwelling units is obtained by summing the seasonally adjusted data for single-family and multiple-use units; the total value of building permits is obtained by summing the following elements: single-family and multiple-family dwellings, industrial, commercial and institutional. Some series contain no apparent seasonality. In these cases, unadjusted values have been tabulated and agregated to the adjusted values of the other series. At the end of the year, the chronological series adjusted for seasonality are revised to take into account the most recent seasonal fluctuations. Generally, these revisions apply only to the last three years in the series. The revised data are introduced into the CANSIM databank.

Concepts and variables measured

The statistical data presented in this product refers to the number of dwelling units authorized and the **value of building permits**. The value of the permits reported includes the following expenditures: materials, labour, profit and overhead. The cost of land is never included in the estimated value of the permit while acquisition costs (legal fees, surveying fees and accrued interest) may be included at times.

The classification used in this publication deals strictly with structures for which a building permit was issued. Permits are generally issued for the following: construction of new buildings, alterations, additions, renovations, etc. Minor repair jobs such as painting, tiling, roofing, etc., for which no permit is required, and engineering work (such as dams, roads, pipelines, etc.), which, by definition, is not a building, are not included in the building permit series. Estimates of such work may be obtained from the publications Capital expenditures by type of asset (cat. no. 61-223-X) and Private and Public Investment in Canada Intentions (cat. no. 61-205-X).

The description given by the municipalities as to the type of building (box #6 of Section A on the form) and the type of work involved (box #7 of Section A on the form) forms the basis for classification. The classification of buildings into major groups and subgroups is based on the following: intended use in the case of new buildings; present or intended use of buildings to which improvements are to be made; present use of the existing structure where the proposed construction is intended to provide additional facilities; principal use of the structure where the proposed construction has more than one intended use; however, where the building contains dwellings, the value of the construction is divided between residential and non-residential use.

Building categories

This publication, uses the following classification for the **value of permits issued** for construction of new buildings or for improvements: residential, industrial, commercial, institutional and government.

Residential. Includes all buildings intended for private occupancy whether on a permanent basis or not. Dwellings are divided into the following types: single-family, mobile, cottage, semi-detached, row house and apartment building.

Industrial. Includes all buildings used for manufacturing and processing; transportation, communication and other utilities, and agriculture, forestry and mining.

Commercial. Includes all buildings used to house activities related to the tertiary sector, such as stores, warehouses, garages, office buildings, theatres, hotels, funeral parlours and beauty salons.

Institutional and Government. Includes expenditures made by the community, public and government for buildings and structures like schools, universities, hospitals, clinics, churches, homes for the aged.

The **number of dwelling units** indicates the number of self contained dwelling units created. This should not be confused with the number of structures. For example, an apartment building containing six dwellings will be shown as six dwelling units. When an existing structure is converted into additional housing units, the number of units added is included. This publication uses the following classification for dwelling units:

Single-family. Refers to dwellings commonly called **"single house"**. It includes single dwellings that are completely isolated on all sides, including single dwellings linked to other dwellings below ground. Included are bungalows, split levels, two-storey single-family homes built by conventional methods or prefabricated.

Mobile homes . Refers to houses designed and constructed to be transported on their own chassis and for easy moving.

Cottage. Refers to dwellings that cannot be occupied year-round or on a permanent basis because the facilities required for comfort are inadequate.

Double or Semi-detached . Refers to dwellings in which each of the two dwellings are side by side and joined by a common wall or garage, but not attached to any other building and surrounded by open space.

Row Dwellings . Refers to a row of three or more dwellings attached to each other without dwellings above or below.

Apartment Building . Includes dwellings in a variety of buildings such as duplexes, semi-detached duplexes, triplexes, row duplexes, apartments as such and dwellings adjacent to non-residential structures.

Conversion. Refers to the number of dwellings added by conversion of existing structures.

Geographic classification

Geographic entities are classified according to Standard Geographical Classification (SGC) used by Statistics Canada. Each reporting entity is assigned a twelve-digit SGC code for identification according to the following geographic levels:

Province and territory (PR): There are ten provinces and three territories.

Economic region (ER): Refers to intraprovincial regions established by the Standards Division of Statistics Canada. There are seventy-six ERs.

Census division (CD): Refers to a group of census subdivisions established by provincial law. There are two hundred and ninety-one CDs (data on this geographic group is available on request).

Census metropolitan area (CMA): Its delineation corresponds to the 2001 Census definition. The term CMA refers to the main labour market area of an urban area (the urbanized core) of at least 100,000 population, based on the Census population figures. The twenty-seven CMAs are shown in this publication. Although the 2001 Census defines the Ottawa-Hull area as a single CMA, the area is shown in this publication as two separate entities since it is located in two different provinces.

Census agglomeration (CA): Refers to the smaller labour market area of an urbanized core of at least 10,000 population, as defined by the 2001 Census. There are one hundred and eighteen CAs in Canada. When a CA overlaps the boundaries of two provinces, it is shown partly in each province. The Lloydminster agglomeration is an exception to this rule. It is treated as if it was totally located in Alberta.

Other municipalities of at least 10,000 population: Refers to municipalities not included in census agglomerations but with populations of at least 10,000 inhabitants. The distinction is made between these municipalities and CAs in order to permit comparison between the Building Permits Survey and the Housing Starts and Completions Survey which refers to this geographical concept.

Rural area: Refers to all geographic entities not included in a CMA or CA and not identified as an urban centre by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Census subdivision (CSD): Refers to the general term applying to municipalities, Indian reserves, Indian settlements and unorganized territories. However, since Indian reserves and settlements do not issue building permits, they are not included in this publication.

Non-standard geographic unit: The geographic units shown in this publication do not all satisfy the above definition of census subdivision. Some provincial or municipal administrations producing monthly reports do not correspond to the official geographic entities; they are nevertheless shown in this publication under the geographic entity used by these administrations. These so-called non-standard geographic units are few in number and are mostly concentrated in the Maritime provinces.

Territorial revisions

Territorial boundaries were established according to the 2001 Census definitions. Changes in boundaries, status or name of census subdivisions between censuses are introduced in this publication on a yearly basis. Changes affecting the other geographic units (CMAs, CAs, CDs and ERs) are introduced every five years, eighteen months following the census.

Data accuracy

Since the building permit data are extracted from municipal administrative documents, two types of response errors are possible: errors attributable to the permit applicant and errors in transcription by the responding municipality. However, experience has shown that transcription errors are not very common and the increasing number of municipalities producing computerized reports tends to reduce the frequency of this type of error. Errors attributable to an understatement of the cost of construction are more probable. Since permit fees are in most cases based on the value of the construction, this leads unquestionably to under-estimation of project values.

The other source of error are the processing error and the non-response error. In 2004, more than 99% of the municipalities covered by the survey sent their monthly Building Permits reports.

Comparability of data and related sources

Comparison of data must be done with reservation considering that the methods of issuing permits and the methods of estimating building values can differ from one municipality to another. Also, comparisons involving different periods must take into account the constant increase in the number of municipalities participating in the survey.

This publication contains only part of the data produced on building permits. However, you may order unpublished tables or address special requests, to the Current Investment Indicators Section ((613) 951-4646 or 1-800-579-8533). The series presented here is also available on CANSIM: Tables 026-0001 to 026-0008, 026-0010 and 026-0015.

Appendix I

Geographical abbreviations

A.R. - Agglomération de

recensement

BOR - Borough

C - City

C.A. - Census Agglomeration

CC - Chartered Community CDR - Census Division

Remainder

CM - County (Municipality) C.M.A. - Census Metropolitan

Area

COM - Community

CR - County Remainder

CT - Canton

CU - Cantons-Unis

DM - District (Municipality)

HAM - Hamlet

ID - Improvement District

IGD - Indian Government District

LGD - Local Government District

LOT - Lot and Royalty

M - Municipalité

MD - Municipal District

NH - Northern Hamlet

NT - Northern Town

NV - Northern Village

N.W.T. - NorthWest Territories

P - Paroisse

PAR - Parish

PD - Planning District

PDR - Planning District Remainder

RCR - Rural County Remainder

RGM - Regional Municipality

R.M.R. - Région métropolitaine de recensement

RDR - Regional District Remainder

RM - Rural Municipality

RV - Resort Village

SA - Special Area

S-E - Indian Settleman/Établissement indien

SCM - Subdivision of County Municipality

SD - Sans désignation

SET - Settlement

SM - Specialize Municipality

SRD - Subdivision of Regional District

SUN - Subdivision of Unorganized District

SV - Summer Village

T - Town

T.N.O. - Territoires du Nord-Ouest

TP - Township

UCR - Urban County Remainder

UNO - Unorganized/Non organisé

V - Ville

VC - Village Cri

VL - Village

VN - Village Nordique