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# BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED IN CANADA, JULY, 1940.

The July report of Building Permits includes returns from 162 of the 203 municipalities in Canada which have systems for issuing such permits and of this number 151 reported detailed operations. The remaining 11 advised that no permits had been issued during the month of July while 41 municipalities had failed to report at the close of August 10th.

The total value of permits reported as issued in the month of July is \$10,497,006. Revised values for the month of June include returns from 190 municipalities and aggregate \$9,769,503. Reports were received from 50 of the original 58 municipalities and show a value of \$7,874,638 for the last month. The corresponding revised value for June includes 56 returns and is \$7,355,671, while the June 1939 value was \$6,584,125.

The total value of permits issued by all municipalities during the seven elapsed months of the current year is \$57,798,471. The value for the 58 municipalities for the same period is \$42,247,633, while their corresponding value in 1939 was \$33,647,625.

During the month of July new construction of all types amounted to 77.5 percent of the total value, while the percentage of new residential construction was 39.2.

# BUILDING PERMITS, JULY, 1940.

Table 1. - Values and Classifications of Building Permits issued by 205 Municipalities in Canada, by Provinces, July, 1940.

		Provinces					
Classification of Permits	CANADA	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebes		
All Permits Total Value	10,497,006	6,740	235,183	74,218	2.911.073		
New Construction	8,133,025	6,740	186,955	32,864	2,386,843		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	2,363,981	-	48,228	41,354	524,230		
Residential	4,883,305	3,100	150,138	54,518	1,269,61		
New Construction	4,120,576	3,100	122,555	26,514	1,021,87		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	762,729	-	27,583	28,004	247,74		
Institutional	398,808	-	13,420	-	161.80		
New Construction	261,825	-	-		120,60		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	136,983	-	13,420	-	41,200		
Commercial	1,368,425	3,640	19,225	15,900	306.57		
New Construction	747,272	3,640	14,400	2,550	143.75		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	621,153	-	4,825	13,350	162,82		
Industrial	2,412,632	_	2,400	3,800	1,111,42		
New Construction	1,664,375	- 11-12- 22		3.800	1,085,82		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	748,257	-	2,400	701-	25,60		
Other Building	1,433,836		50,000		61,65		
New Construction	1,338,977	-	50,000		14,79		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	94,859	-11	-	-	46,86		
Classification of Permits	Provinces (Con.)						
	Ontario	Mani- toba	Saskat- ohewan	Alberta	British Columbia		
All Permits Total Value	4,255,466	756,966	1,086,115	365,617	805,62		
New Construction	2,952,293	644,715	1,028,040	268,980	625,59		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	1,303,173	112,251	58,075	96,637	180,03		
Residential	2,490,326	255,538	44,090	156, 195	459,78		
New Construction	2,223,922	200,365	23,440	120,025	378,78		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	266,404	55,173	20,650	36,170	81,00		
Institutional	66,991	2,698	31,000	119,805	3,09		
New Construction	17,920	-	4,000	119,305	-		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	49,071	2,698	27,000	500	3,09		
Commercial	659,914	55,650	21,000	77,592	208,92		
New Construction	374,282	21,300	10,600	22,150	154,60		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	285,632	34,350	10,400	55,442	54,32		
Industrial	847,792	320,000		11,925	115,29		
New Construction	182,750	300,000	-	7,400	84,60		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	665,042	20,000	-	4,525	30,69		
Other Building	190,443	123,080	990,025	100	18,53		
New Construction	153,419	123,050	990,000	100	7,61		
Additions, Alterations, Repairs	37,024	30	25	4	10,92		

Table 2. - Cumulative and Comparative Record of Building Permits and their indexes, together with average indexes of wholesale prices of building materials, 1920 - 1940. (1926 = 100).

		Value of Buildin Permits Issued		Index of Value of Building Permits		Average Index of Wholesale Prices of Building Materials			
100	JULY	JUNE	Seven Months	JULY	JUNE	Seven Months	JULY	JUNE	Seven Months
1940	10,497,006	9,769,503 (1)	57,798,471	(3)	39.3 (2)	(3)	(3)	95.2	(3)
1939	6,584,125	7,849,970	33,647,625	35,2	41.9	34.5	88.6	88.5	87.5
1938	6,114,843	6,577,474	32,067,412	32.7	35,1	32.9	87.4	89.0	90,2
1937	5,529,295	6,005,958	33,586,237	29,6	32.1	34.5	95.7	96.4	95,9
1936	5,029,802	4,656,689	23,352,686	26.9	24.9	24.0	85.2	84.8	84.5
1935	4,396,402	5,104,855	29,036,913	23.5	27.3	29.8	81.2	81.0	81.8
1934	3,257,470	2,411,460	13,668,847	17.4	12.9	14.0	83,2	83.9	82.8
1933	2,180,403	3,589,204	12,496,302	11.7	19.2	12.7	80.8	78.9	76.5
1932	4,412,169	5,028,324	28,753,213	23.6	26.9	29.5	75.6	76.8	78.1
1931	11,042,609	8,593,958	69,993,717	59,1	45.9	71.8	82.4	82.8	83.3
1930	15,824,781	17,943,154	101,238,766	84.7	99.5	103.9	89.5	92.2	94.2
1929	22,702,584	27,816,592	147,311,851	121.5	148.6	151.2	98.9	98.6	99.2
1928	25,761,956	22,751,960	127,798,943	137.9	121.6	131.2	97.9	96.5	96,2
1927	16,369,195	18,363,239	97,211,914	87.6	98.1	99,8	96.7	95.5	96,1
1926	18,683,415	18,718,050	97,443,834	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	99,5	100.8
1925	12,812,603	14,915,884	78,712,320	68,6	79.7	80.8	102.9	103.3	103,1
1924	11,681,196	14,129,465	72,355,350	62,5	75.5	74.3	104.0	108,2	109.8
1923	13,078,549	15,100,888	86,126,043	70.0	80.1	88.4	113,5	112.9	111.7
1922	15,740,810	17,240,752	87,022,484	84.2	95.3	89,3	109.5	108.4	108.3
1921	10,965,891	14,240,934	66,737,575	58.7	76.1	68,5	119.4	119.9	130.2
1920	13,743,045	14,113,794	75,497,755	73.6	75.4	77.5	142.8	143,4	144.2

<sup>(1)</sup> Revised figures containing returns from 190 municipalities.

<sup>(2)</sup> Figures based on values reported by the original 58 municipalities.

<sup>(3)</sup> Data not yet available.

### BUILDING PERMITS, JULY, 1940. .

Table 3. - Value of Building Permits issued by 203 Municipalities in Canada in June and July 1940, together with the aggregate for the first seven months of this year and for 58 Municipalities in July, 1959.

"N.P.I." - Indicates that no permits were issued during the current month.
"No Report" - Indicates that the municipality failed to furnish its monthly report.

		Value of Permits Issued during -				
	July, 1940	June, 1940	July, 1939	Seven months		
ANADA	10,497,006	9,769,503 (1)	6,584,125	57,798,471		
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	6,740	21,660	34.300	43.185		
Charlottetown	6,740	21,660	34,300	43,185		
NOVA SCOTIA	235.183	319,797 (1)	180.042	1.955.844		
Amherst	No Report	No Report		21.850		
Bridgewater	4,000	4,000		8,550		
Dartmouth	8,860	13,110	-	60,407		
Glace Bay	No Report	47,817		176,512		
x Halifax	82,298	53,105	121,482	721,885		
Liverpool	6.000	3,400	_	31,460		
Lunenburg	2.500	6,500	-	16,500		
New Glasgow	8.910	925	6,865	14,178		
New Waterford	No Report	3.850		23,450		
North Sydney	No Report	19,500	-	19,500		
x Sydney	114.365	104,380	51,695	486,272		
Sydney Mines	2,500	8,200		219,200		
Truro	5,750	51,910		144,515		
Yarmouth	No Report	3,100	-	11,565		
EW BRUNSWICK	74,218	56,843	78,064	832,707		
Campbellton	2,036	N.P.I.	- 1	9,986		
Chatham	N.P.I.	N.P.I.	-	9,400		
Dalhousie	No Report	No Report	-	10,150		
Fredericton	8,000	15,425	10,090	275,780		
x Monoton	22,706	26,060	7,750	316,637		
Newcastle	1,600	N.P.I.		9,175		
x Saint John .	59,877	15,358	60,224	199,279		
St. Stephen	No Report	N.P.I.	*	2,300		
UEBRC	2,911,173	2,134,509 (1)	1,973,851	13,883,735		
Cap-de-la-Madeleine	8,550	18,970		58,495		
Chicoutimi	40,800	10,425	-	141,455		
Coatioook	900	2,650		6,650		
Drumondville	83,450	11,800		214,550		
Granby	8,870	44,045	-	192,920		
Grand Mere	4,700	11,800	-	24,800		
Hampstead	No Report	8,175	-	47,475		
Hull	7,785	7,495	-	98,250		
Iberville	900	4,200	- 11	6,900		
Joliette	64,220	13,710	-	145,920		
Jonquiere	No Report	No Report	-	47,350		
Lachine	33,990	49,448	1 -	186,381		
Laprairie	1,500	6,000	-	7,500		
IA Tuque	4,950	10,005	-	76,410		

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Table 3. - Value of Building Permits issued by 203 Municipalities in Canada in June and July 1940, together with the aggregate for the first seven months of this year and for 58 Municipalities in July, 1939. - (Continued).

	Value of Permits Issued during -				
	July, 1940	June, 1940	July, 1939	Seven Months	
UEBEC - (Concluded)					
Levis	6,690	4,360		30,100	
Longueuil	47,750	27,600		148,300	
Megantic  x Montreal (x Maisonneuve)	No Report	8,832	1 504 669	21,152	
	1,035,483	1,013,273	1,524,668	6,504,338	
Montreal East	880,025	2,000	-	910,710	
Montreal North	6,075	950	-	18,260	
Montreal West	6,000	11,300	-	42,200	
Mount Royal	35,680	72,530	-	649,578	
Noranda	27,325	35,800	-	148,000	
Outremont	12,900	40,000	-	129,350	
Pointe aux Trembles	5,000	2,875	-	18,100	
Pointe Claire	23,370	9,575	-	64,130	
x Quebec	271,475	226,905	217,831	995,988	
Rimouski	2,300	9,600	-	61,200	
Riviere du Loup	400	8,900	-	18,900	
Rouyn	No Report	26,250	-	107,279	
Ste. Agathe-des-Monts	300	17,100	-	32,300	
Ste. Anne-de-Bellevue	N.P.I.	23,875		27,685	
St. Hyacinthe	38,675	16,750	-	149,030	
St. Jean	No Report	8,822		137,200	
St. Jerome	22,000	7,350		63,300	
St. Joseph de Grantham	No Report	N.P.I.		34,825	
St. Lambert	No Report	9,570	12 - 12 - 12	81,638	
St. Laurent	No Report	9,900		155,208	
			07.075		
Shawinigan Falls	No Report	16,480	27,275	281,058	
x Sherbrooke	66,900	104,200	81,100	455,450	
Sorel	34,250	6,615	75 045	89,580	
x Trois-Rivieres	76,755	22,205	35,645	285,198	
Val d'Or	No Report	No Report	-	6,050	
Valleyfield	No Report	19,870	-	60,708	
Verdun	40,405	135,170		522,670	
x Westmount	10,700	37,079	87,332	379,21	
NTARIO	4,255,466	4,562,872 (1)	2,524,406	26,138,838	
Amherstburg	No Report	No Report	_	8,650	
Barrie	22,433	9,185		72,52	
Belleville	19,725	16,450	22,200	91,08	
Bowmanville	N.P.I.	No Report	=	730	
Bracebridge	N.P.I.	N.P.I.		8,600	
Brampton	16,640	22,595		98,249	
x Brantford	16,054	19,130	18.780	86,07	
Brookville	5,810	16,075	20,100	44,885	
Burlington	9,110	23,270		143,985	
Campbellford	No Report	1,250		6,025	
	30,350	77,534	22,600	266,27	
Chatham			22,000		
Cobourg	2,200	2,625		10,32	
Cochrane	4,250	500		5,050	
Collingwood	450	N.P.I.	-	2,528	
Cornwall	9,795	7,135		53,443	

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	Value of Permits Issued during -					
	July 1940	June 1940	July 1939	Seven Month		
TARIO - (Continued)						
Dundas	11,135	5.838		112,56		
Eastview	9,191	3,530		74.26		
East York Twp.	No Report	154,760	96,445	885.95		
Etobicoke Twp.	122,890	91.930	20,110	808.09		
Forest Hill	49,000	65,750		720,45		
Fort Erie	9,030	19,900		52,28		
Fort Frances	10,108	7,931		45,80		
x Fort William	80,515	90,109	36,506	462.56		
Galt	56,905	21,904	18,547	250,14		
Gananoque	3,360	3,350	10,047	15,19		
Goderich	No Report	No Report		7,33		
x Guelph	41.583	18,035	46,845	120,18		
Haileybury	400	100	40,020	4.66		
x Hamilton	247.541	1,116,708	233,260	2,373,68		
Hanover	No Report	N.P.I.	200,200	21,30		
Hawkesbury	2,500	1,800		4,80		
Huntsville	225	7,125	- I make	15.70		
Ingersoll	9,355	4,240	4.70	22.89		
Kapuskasing	N.P.I.	150	•			
Kenora	19.740	8,637	-	8,15 49.87		
x Kingston	86.408	59.932	58,389	307.34		
Kirkland Lake (Twp. of Teck)	17,160	68,025	00,003	210,96		
x Kitchener	No Report	63,558	75,544	298.94		
Leamington	8,000	10,000	70,012	34,30		
Leaside	No Report	182,975		906,40		
Lindsay	N.P.I.	N.P.I.		9,20		
Listowel	No Report	4,100		74,10		
x London	117,580	51,305	117,860	602,83		
Long Branch	21,210	22,450		114,00		
Mimioo	16,450	26,225		230,68		
Napanee	No Report	No Report		70		
New Liskeard	1,525	3,775		18,88		
Newmarket	3,200	2,700		14,68		
New Toronto	43,610	18,650	_	421,24		
Niagara Falls	20,550	17,851	17,038	166.52		
North Bay	No Report	32,300		89,38		
North York Twp,	283,265	238,557	es .	1,663,56		
Oakville	2.720	14.940		59.26		
Orillia	No Report	850	-	45,38		
Oshawa .	121,805	18,765	49,395	198,50		
x Ottawa	222,525	No Report	145,795	1,414,34		
Owen Sound	9,680	14,775	10,800	49,88		
Paris	1,800	6,870	-	21,97		
Parry Sound	No Report	14,000	-	62,92		
Pembroke	3,275	9,550	-	42,07		
Perth	10,400	3,100	-	17,78		
x Peterborough	18,966	42,398	35,163	314,18		

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	Value of Permits Issued during -				
	July,	June, 1940	July, 1939	Seven Months	
	1940	1940	1939	1940	
NTARIO - (Concluded)					
Petrolia	3,000	N.P.I.	-	11,500	
x Port Arthur	68,686	47,505	52,498	311,251	
Port Colborne	35,730	25,015	**	230,499	
Preston	9,801	2,115	-	34,756	
Renfrew	No Report	No Report	-	11,200	
Riverside	28,310	28,200	19.100	105,160	
x St. Catharines	86,845	210,080	37,406	689,737	
St. Mary's	575	750	_	2,755	
x St. Thomas	No Report	19,506	38,895	79,384	
Sarnia	No Report	19,870	24,490	215,837	
Sault Ste. Marie	68,429	69,944	67,526	370,957	
Scarboro Twp.	54,890	31,635		350,282	
-	9,900	No Report		39,800	
Simooe	200	25,700		27,500	
Smith's Falls	40,427	36,101	13,935		
x Stratford			10,500	108,549	
Sudbury	135,000	193,225	•	870,300	
Swansea	No Report	11,235		77,820	
Tillsonburg	700	2,500	-	17,850	
Timmins	20,218	49,167		359,171	
x Toronto	1,049,520	771,925	942,597	5,416,419	
Trenton	4,840	1,000	-	75,340	
Wallaceburg	N.P.I.	N.P.I.	-	7,500	
Waterloo	17,125	26,550	-	133,500	
Welland	63,105	21,123	21,940	218,718	
Weston	30,190	22,880	-	191,421	
Whitby	No Report	4,000	-	11,550	
x Windsor	578,475	83,775	171,950	1,126,020	
Woodstook	26,976	7,300	29,103	79,262	
York Twp.	102,100	106,575	99,800	620,625	
NITOPA	756,966	668,255 (1)	265,520	2,835,400	
x Brandon	14,730	7,950	4,880	98,096	
Brooklands	335	1,700		7,212	
Dauphin	N.P.I.	6,875		19,270	
North Kildonan	2,435	N.P.I.		12,120	
Portage-la-Prairie	9,700	30,100		66,150	
St. Boniface	355.715	106,135	51,340	584,828	
Selkirk	2,000	2,700	01,010	21,200	
The Pas	1,075	75		2,975	
		16,020		50, 254	
Transcona	13,126		200 700		
x Winnipeg	357,850	496,700	209,300	1,973,300	
SKATCHEWAN	1,086,115	236,301	295,420	1,927,602	
Biggar	N.P.I.	850	-	1,250	
Estevan	N.P.I.	N.P.I.	-	50	
Melville	1,250	580	_	6,408	
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#### THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IN CANADA

Table 3. - Value of Building Permits issued by 203 Municipalities in Canada in June and July, 1940, together with the aggregate for the first seven months of this year and for 58 Municipalities in July, 1939. - (Concluded)

	Value of Permits Issued during -				
	July, 1940	June,	July, 1939	Seven months,	
ASKATCHEWAN - (Concluded)					
x Moose Jaw	22,050	4,255	7,335	63,048	
North Battleford	10,650	12,770	,,,,,,	42,270	
Prince Albert	No Report	23,335		131.834	
x Regina	327,890	37,786	241.235	681,947	
x Saskatoon	722,575	145,700	46,850	967,560	
Swift Current	No Report	5,315	-	22,743	
Weyburn	1,700	5,710	-	8,360	
Yorkton	No Report	No Report	-	2,135	
LBERTA	365,617	355,967	279,550	2,464,424	
x Calgary	No Report	305,292	77,984	813,474	
Drumheller	2,750	1,000	-	52,650	
x Edmonton	323,727	No Report	160,935	1,259,292	
Lethbridge .	35,160	45,225	40,131	324,803	
Medicine Hat	3,980	4,450	500	14,205	
RITISH COLUMBIA	805,628	1,413,299 (1)	952,972	7,716,734	
Chilliwaok	19,100	1,800	-	65,350	
Cranbrook	2,694	4,105		26,499	
Fernie	N.P.I.	N.P.I.	-	763	
Kamloops	12,800	9,675	12,025	78,646	
Kelowna	540	8,950	-	80,059	
Nanaimo	13,565	11,500	19,843	117,263	
Nelson	6,246	14,715	-	85,340	
x New Westminster	100,000	90,030	53,925	498,070	
North Vancouver	10,990	13,400	3,655	137,570	
Prince George	700	1,565	•	15,865	
Prince Rupert	2,995	5,850	1,300	32,170	
Revelstoke	No Report	800	-	4,317	
Rossland	. 230	16,625	-	24,695	
Trail	No Report	18,083	-	52,763	
x Vanoouver	544,540	1,144,360	793,785	5,283,005	
Vernon	12,425	6,650	-	82,805	
x Viotoria	78,803	65,191	68,439	1,131,554	
Total 203 Municipalities	10,497,006 (2)	9,769,503 (5)		57,798,471	
Total 58 Municipalities	7,874,638 (3)	7,355,671 (6)	6,584,125	42,247,633	
	6,867,848 (4)	6,529,895 (7)	5,877,817	36,825,049	

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- (1) Revised figures containing returns from municipalities not included in our June report.
- (2) 162 Municipalities only, reporting. (3) 50 Municipalities only, reporting.
- (4) 32 Mumicipalities only, reporting.
- (5) Revised figures containing returns from 190 Municipalities.
- (6) Revised figures containing returns from 56 Municipalities.
  (7) Revised figures containing returns from 33 Municipalities.