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BUILDING PERMITS REPORTS FOR JULY, 1924, WITH COMPARATIVE
 FIGURES FOR JUNE, 1924, AND JULY, 1923.

According to statements received by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, a substantial decrease was recorded in the building permits issued last month in 56 cities; their value, following the usual seasonal trend, declined from \$13,373,987 in June to \$11,090,760 in July. This was a reduction of \$2,283,227 or 17.1 per cent. As compared with the same month of 1923, there was also a falling off in the permits issued, of \$1,441,702 or 11.5 per cent.

Forty-nine cities furnished detailed reports showing that they had issued some 1,200 permits for dwellings valued at approximately \$4,900,000, and for over 2,700 other buildings estimated to cost more than \$6,000,000.

New Brunswick and Alberta showed increases of 631.1 and 51.6 per cent, respectively, in the value of the building authorized as compared with June, while declines were recorded in the remaining provinces. The reductions of \$819,741 or 18.4 per cent in Quebec, and of \$185,865 or 88.6 per cent in Nova Scotia were respectively the largest actual and proportional decreases.

As compared with July, 1923, New Brunswick and Quebec registered increases in the amount of prospective building; the former province showed a gain of 119.1 per cent and the latter of 49.4 per cent. Of the declines indicated in the other provinces, that of \$2,162,050 or 31.2 per cent, in Ontario was actually the most pronounced, while the largest percentage reduction of \$63,690, or 72.7 per cent, was in Nova Scotia.

The value of authorized building in Montreal was greater than in the preceding month and also than in July, 1923. In Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver there were declines in both comparisons. Of the other cities, St. John, Kingston, Niagara Falls, Peterborough, Stratford, Sault Ste. Marie, Calgary, Point Grey and Prince Rupert registered increases in projected building as compared with both June, 1924 and July, 1923.

The value of building permits issued in 56 cities during the first seven months of this year was lower by 17.6 per cent than in 1923 and by 19.6 per cent than in 1922. It was, however, 5.4 per cent greater than in 1921. The aggregate for the period January to July in 1924 was \$68,974,131; for 1923, \$83,725,680; for 1922, \$85,742,989 and for 1921, \$65,451,255.

The table on the back of this sheet shows the value of the building permits issued during July as compared with June, 1924 and with July, 1923. The 35 cities for which records are available since 1910 are marked thus "x".

Estimated Cost of Building Work as Indicated by
Building Permits.

	July 1924	June 1924	July 1923
P.E.I.-Charlottetown		nil	3,000
Nova Scotia	23,955	209,820	87,645
x Halifax	13,200	193,335	33,450
New Glasgow	355	5,200	7,000
x Sydney	10,400	11,285	47,195
New Brunswick	799,582	109,360	365,015
Fredericton	nil	5,350	212,875
x Moncton	11,425	2,510	93,640
x St. John	788,157	101,500	58,500
Quebec	3,643,368	4,463,109	2,437,922
x Montreal -Maisonneuve	2,922,665	2,195,340	1,619,370
x Quebec	218,338	1,601,118	505,222
Shawinigan Falls	9,840	3,185	9,365
x Sherbrooke	66,000	40,400	140,150
x Three Rivers	163,650	304,325	53,385
x Westmount	262,875	318,741	110,430
Ontario	4,757,881	5,471,322	6,919,931
Belleville	200	8,950	nil
x Brantford	10,950	66,177	47,126
Chatham	19,234	50,200	41,050
x Fort William	83,475	102,850	47,100
Galt	13,290	29,925	10,695
x Guelph	32,110	34,735	42,270
x Hamilton	363,925	210,925	879,320
x Kingston	116,047	50,037	35,400
x Kitchener	59,824	242,357	364,030
x London	157,370	188,855	359,615
Niagara Falls	74,745	49,385	62,625
Oshawa	83,525	40,750	328,655
x Ottawa	238,930	377,250	172,150
Owen Sound	18,500	31,400	18,500
x Peterborough	75,281	74,793	50,095
x Port Arthur	23,225	17,966	48,005
x Stratford	110,921	46,870	62,230
x St. Catherines	51,613	199,745	115,950
x St. Thomas	2,880	17,015	5,448
Sarnia	19,015	157,750	165,327
Sault Ste. Marie	89,360	75,073	32,931
x Toronto	2,370,715	2,405,795	2,980,105
York Township	329,400	409,700	717,550
Welland	5,275	12,275	3,045
x Windsor	382,495	534,717	321,512
Woodstock	25,576	35,822	9,197
Manitoba	438,065	701,405	861,962
x Brandon	4,000	171,650	41,977
St. Boniface	63,415	105,655	182,785
x Winnipeg	370,650	424,100	637,200
Saskatchewan	126,915	467,073	304,910
x Moose Jaw	10,710	52,555	110,600
x Regina	63,895	205,710	109,085
x Saskatoon	52,310	208,808	85,225
Alberta	361,370	236,305	461,920
x Calgary	163,325	90,890	56,400
x Edmonton	190,775	113,425	316,750
Lethbridge	5,055	19,140	85,200
Medicine Hat	2,215	14,850	3,570
British Columbia	939,624	1,713,593	1,090,157
Nanaimo	9,950	9,500	6,170
x New Westminster	14,705	21,380	30,370
Point Grey	453,600	423,000	227,650
Prince Rupert	44,877	20,175	6,000
South Vancouver	42,225	61,200	59,560
x Vancouver	352,163	1,029,970	601,342
x Victoria	22,099	148,368	159,065
Total 56 Cities	11,090,760	13,373,987	12,532,462
Total x 35 Cities	9,781,108	11,805,502	10,339,712
Accumulative total for	1924	1923	1922
first seven month- 56 cities	68,974,131	83,725,680	65,742,989

