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BUILDING PERMITS REPORTS FOR JANUARY, 1929, WITH COMPARATIVE
STATEMENTS FOR DECEMBER, 1928, AND JANUARY, 1928.

There was a seasonal decline in the value of the building permits issued by 61 cities during January as compared with the preceding month, but the aggregate was rather higher than in January, 1928, and was also greater than in the same month of any other year since this record was instituted in 1920. The co-operating municipalities reported permits for building estimated to cost \$8,364,670, as compared with \$16,095,160 in December, 1928, and \$7,716,587 in January, 1928. There was, therefore, a reduction of 48.0 p.c. in the former, but an increase of 8.4 p.c. in the latter more significant comparison.

Some 50 cities furnished detailed statements showing that they had granted nearly 400 permits for dwellings valued at about \$2,600,000 and over 900 permits for other buildings estimated to cost approximately \$5,000,000. In December, authority was granted for the erection of some 600 dwellings and 1,400 other buildings, estimated to cost approximately \$3,000,000 and \$12,000,000, respectively.

Nova Scotia and Manitoba reported increases of 375.6 p.c. and 80.3 p.c., respectively, in the value of the building authorized during January as compared with December. Of the declines recorded in the remaining provinces, those of \$4,819,125 and \$2,585,012 in Ontario and Quebec respectively were most pronounced.

As compared with January, 1928, there were increases in Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. The most marked advance was in Ontario, where the value of the building authorized increased by \$658,033 or 15.6 p.c. The chief reduction was recorded in Quebec.

In Montreal, there were decreases in the value of the building permits granted as compared with the preceding month, and with the corresponding month of last year. Winnipeg showed an advance in both comparisons, while in Toronto and Vancouver the January totals were lower than in December, but higher than in January, 1928. The following cities reported increases in both comparisons - Halifax, Galt, Hamilton, York Townships, Welland, Windsor, Sandwich, Moose Jaw, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Prince Rupert, and Victoria.

The value of the permits issued by 61 cities in January of the years 1920-29 is shown below.

Year	Value
1929	\$ 8,364,670
1928	7,716,587
1927	5,676,537
1926	4,719,534
1925	5,447,270
1924	4,460,579
1923	4,139,498
1922	3,326,537
1921	2,595,564
1920	4,017,024

As previously stated, the 1929 figure for January was the largest in the record of ten years, exceeding by 8.4 p.c. the figure of 1928, the previous high level.

The table on page 2 gives the value of the building permits issued by 61 cities in January, 1929, and December and January, 1928. The 35 cities for which statistics are available since 1910 are indicated thus, "X".

1/ Point Grey and South Vancouver being amalgamated with Vancouver as from January 1, 1929, the number of co-operating cities is reduced by two, but the areas and population covered remain the same.

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Estimated Cost of Building Work as Indicated by Permits Issued by 61 Cities.

Cities	January 1929	December 1928	January 1928
Prince Edward Island - Charlottetown	\$	\$	\$
Nova Scotia	423,450	89,030	25,275
x Halifax	423,400	72,805	18,335
New Glasgow	50	700	2,000
x Sydney	Nil	15,525	4,940
New Brunswick	5,385	11,850	15,965
Fredericton	Nil	Nil	Nil
x Moncton	1/ -	1,310	3,900
x Saint John	5,385	10,540	12,065
Quebec	1,060,305	3,645,317	1,944,350
x Montreal - x Maisonneuve	856,515	3,183,850	1,224,980
x Quebec	65,890	235,017	583,570
Shawinigan Falls	8,000	15,000	8,500
x Sherbrooke	27,000	27,300	Nil
x Three Rivers	18,900	63,775	27,300
x Westmount	84,000	120,375	100,000
Ontario	4,871,197	9,690,322	4,213,164
Belleville	Nil	6,200	8,500
x Brantford	3,884	35,288	14,648
Chatham	1,500	62,700	18,000
x Fort William	3,200	4,400	2,920
Galt	23,374	5,450	900
x Guelph	7,640	38,185	1,225
x Hamilton	283,800	145,400	250,600
x Kingston	9,310	17,845	6,770
x Kitchener	17,067	295,830	7,196
x London	28,125	76,870	101,550
Niagara Falls	37,212	36,465	55,450
Oshawa	560	524,732	51,550
x Ottawa	255,400	2,532,240	75,100
Owen Sound	Nil	2,500	2,500
x Peterborough	11,450	16,765	7,515
x Port Arthur	9,310	23,410	633,675
x Stratford	3,815	22,475	1,100
x St. Catharines	18,075	17,510	33,910
x St. Thomas	950	2,185	800
Sarnia	30,236	52,750	15,201
Sault Ste. Marie	4,484	3,788	8,145
x Toronto	3,019,162	4,290,021	2,162,329
York and East York Townships	449,125	348,395	380,150
Welland	20,400	3,500	5,355
x Windsor	348,900	249,025	190,175
Ford	6,300	42,985	4,000
Riverside	8,600	43,100	80,800
Sandwich	224,600	6,300	54,100
Walkerville	31,000	657,000	38,000
Woodstock	13,718	127,008	1,000
Manitoba	261,985	145,165	127,475
x Brandon	Nil	920	825
St. Boniface	16,885	30,995	17,000
x Winnipeg	245,100	113,250	109,650
Saskatchewan	91,170	454,425	53,950
x Moose Jaw	21,350	2,450	5,300
x Regina	65,220	283,975	31,650
x Saskatoon	4,600	168,000	17,000
Alberta	135,173	151,335	130,922
x Calgary	79,913	100,520	101,317
x Edmonton	27,100	27,060	13,650
Lethbridge	28,160	18,480	15,430
Medicine Hat	Nil	5,275	525
British Columbia	1,516,005	1,907,716	1,205,486
Kamloops	Nil	6,000	Nil
Nanaimo	Nil	7,115	5,980
x New Westminster	37,425	23,310	92,145
Prince Rupert	7,050	5,075	3,700
x Vancouver 2/	1,226,405	1,722,907	1,009,970
North Vancouver	14,150	11,730	29,910
x Victoria	230,975	131,579	63,821
Total - 61 Cities	8,364,670	16,095,160	7,716,587
xTotal - 35 Cities	7,439,266	13,572,727	6,487,601

1/ Report not received.

2/ Includes Point Grey and South Vancouver amalgamated with Vancouver as from January 1, 1929.

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