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BUILDING PERMITS FOR NOVEMBER, 1934, WITH COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS FOR OCTOBER, 1934,
AND NOVEMBER, 1933, AND CUMULATIVE FIGURES FOR FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS, 1920-1934.

The aggregate value of the construction represented by the building permits issued by 61 cities during November was \$2,601,418. This was a seasonal decline of \$120,501 or 4.4 p.c. as compared with the October total of \$2,721,919, but an increase of \$977,280, or 60.2 p.c. in the more significant comparison with the November, 1933, figure of \$1,624,138. The value of the building authorized during the first eleven months of 1934 amounted to \$24,326,224, an increase of \$4,533,020 over the total for the same period in 1933.

Some 50 cities furnished detailed statistics, showing that they had issued 250 permits for dwellings estimated to cost more than \$900,000, and about 1,500 permits for other buildings estimated at almost \$1,605,000. In addition, authority was granted for an engineering project valued at \$24,120. During October, authority was granted for the erection of about 350 dwellings and 2,300 other buildings, estimated to cost approximately \$630,000 and \$1,565,000, respectively.

Ontario and Saskatchewan reported increases of 13.0 p.c. and 37.2 p.c., respectively, in the value of the building authorized as compared with October, 1934. Reductions were indicated in the remaining provinces, those of \$132,504, or 21.2 p.c. in Quebec and \$122,060 or 83.3 p.c. in Manitoba being largest.

As compared with November, 1933, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia reported increases, of which the greatest was that of \$737,255 or 76.0 p.c. in Ontario. There was a decline of \$26,635 or 52.1 p.c. in this comparison in Manitoba.

Of the four largest centres, Toronto recorded an increase in the value of the building authorized in November as compared with the preceding month, and also with November of last year; in Montreal and Vancouver, the aggregate value was higher than in November, 1933, but lower than in October of this year, while in Winnipeg there was a reduction in both comparisons. Of the other centres, Fredericton, Westmount, Galt, Guelph, Kingston, London, Owen Sound, Sault Ste. Marie, Windsor, East Windsor, Riverside, Woodstock, Regina, Kamloops and New Westminster reported greater building authorizations than in either comparison.

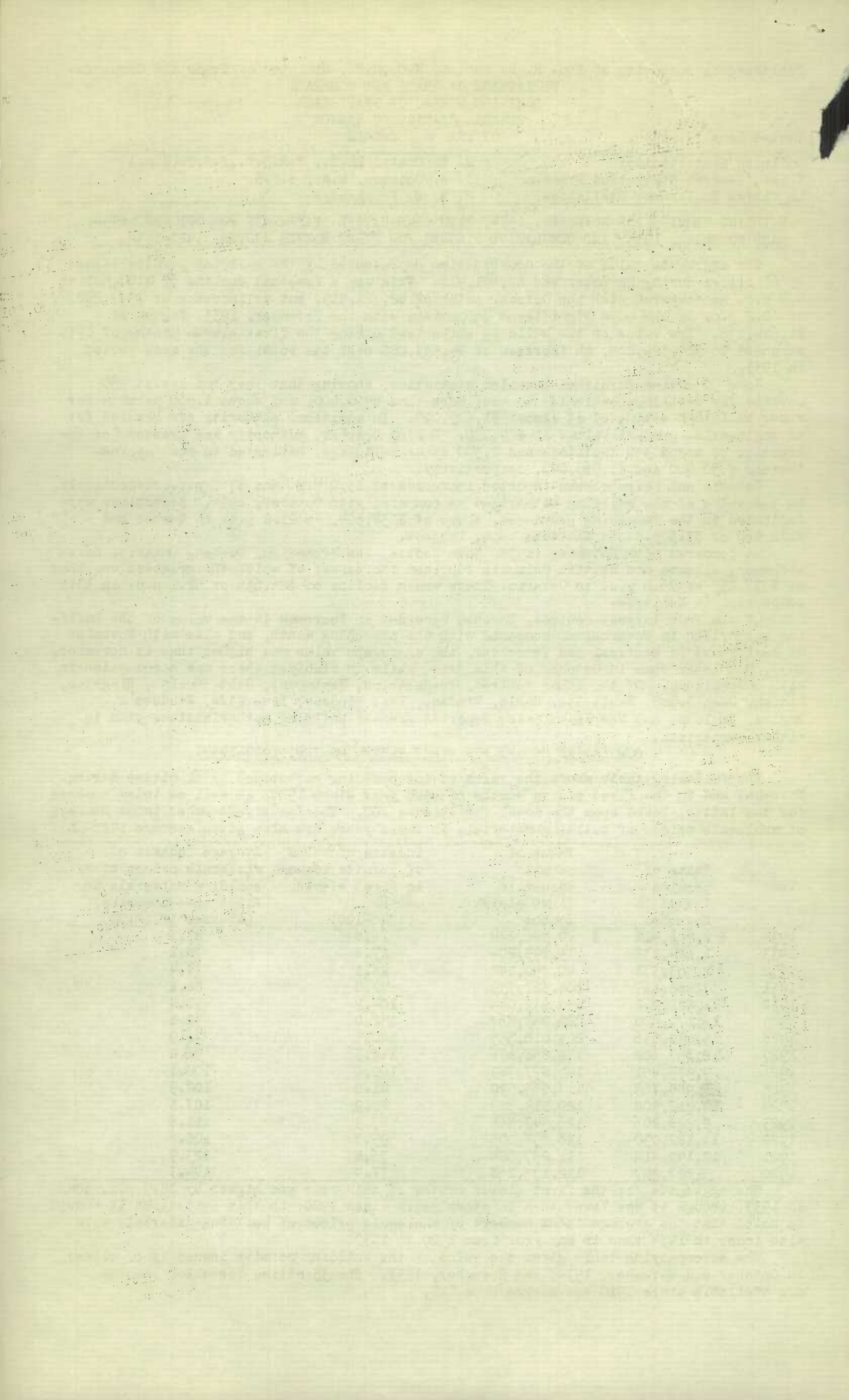
CUMULATIVE RECORD FOR FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS, 1920-1934.

The following table shows the value of the building authorized by 61 cities during November and in the first eleven months of each year since 1920, as well as index numbers for the latter, based upon the total for 1926 as 100. The January-November index numbers of wholesale prices of building materials in these years are also given (average 1926=100).

Year	Value of permits issued in November	Value of permits issued in first eleven months	Indexes of value of permits issued in first eleven months (1926=100)	Average indexes of wholesale prices of building materials in first eleven months, (Average 1926=100)
1934	\$ 2,601,418	\$ 24,326,224	16.8	83.1
1933	1,624,138	19,793,204	13.7	78.1
1932	2,553,373	40,750,142	28.1	77.4
1931	7,282,117	104,327,739	72.0	82.1
1930	11,821,292	150,939,044	104.2	91.4
1929	16,171,400	220,255,867	152.0	99.1
1928	15,830,836	203,010,555	140.1	96.9
1927	12,857,622	172,858,176	119.3	96.2
1926	9,975,451	144,877,789	100.0	100.1
1925	7,988,765	117,665,590	81.2	102.9
1924	10,212,908	120,119,829	82.9	107.1
1923	8,228,206	126,547,365	87.3	111.8
1922	11,182,030	138,698,005	95.7	108.6
1921	12,192,414	111,257,084	76.8	123.9
1920	5,627,949	112,175,268	77.4	144.3

The aggregate for the first eleven months of this year was higher by 22.9 p.c. than in 1933, though it was lower than in other years since 1920; in this connection it should be noted that the average index numbers of wholesale prices of building materials were also lower in 1934 than in any year from 1920 to 1930.

The accompanying table gives the value of the building permits issued by 61 cities in October and November, 1934, and November, 1933. The 35 cities for which records are available since 1910 are marked thus "x".



Estimated Value of New Building as Indicated by Building Permits Issued by 61 Cities.

Cities	November, 1934	October, 1934	November, 1933
P.E.I. - Charlottetown	\$-	\$-	\$-
Nova Scotia	66,300	81,145	47,600
x Halifax	64,425	79,220	44,910
New Glasgow	450	175	1,690
x Sydney	1,425	1,750	1,000
New Brunswick	21,125	22,937	13,485
Fredericton	5,300	1,500	3,000
x Moncton	2,130	1,082	2,537
x Saint John	13,695	20,355	7,948
Quebec	491,876	624,380	355,692
x Montreal - x Maisonneuve	337,786	369,927	237,742
x Quebec	25,960	54,390	34,765
Shawinigan Falls	1,000	350	1,000
x Sherbrooke	19,100	6,200	21,500
x Three Rivers	2,950	138,550	1,150
x Westmount	105,080	54,963	59,535
Ontario	1,707,301	1,510,443	970,046
Belleville	5,625	8,750	1,200
x Brantford	26,545	15,537	31,592
Chatham	3,150	6,950	2,535
x Fort William	7,850	7,680	11,600
Galt	22,810	10,271	613
x Guelph	9,060	3,581	4,750
x Hamilton	33,625	79,455	26,460
x Kingston	13,768	10,948	10,198
x Kitchener	12,737	20,681	1,989
x London	134,925	34,465	49,490
Niagara Falls	1,930	62,933	1,690
Oshawa	1,825	5,395	11,100
x Ottawa	79,780	184,070	59,965
Owen Sound	3,300	560	2,400
x Peterborough	3,434	18,396	9,840
x Port Arthur	2,275	13,080	10,695
x Stratford	5,330	12,180	8,545
x St. Catharines	13,625	132,128	1,370
x St. Thomas	2,485	871	3,575
Sarnia	3,915	4,549	12,720
Sault Ste. Marie	21,230	7,885	3,310
x Toronto	1,050,776	721,811	647,970
York & East York Townships	63,927	79,886	45,195
Welland	325	4,845	670
x Windsor	33,180	26,000	5,475
East Windsor	125,000	10,250	Nil
Riverside	2,500	Nil	Nil
Sandwich	13,900	19,200	Nil
Walkerville	3,000	4,000	Nil
Woodstock	5,469	4,086	5,099
Manitoba	24,450	146,510	51,085
x Brandon	2,200	7,150	Nil
St. Boniface	1,500	7,360	10,685
x Winnipeg	20,750	132,000	40,400
Saskatchewan	69,689	50,780	8,575
x Moose Jaw	950	4,230	25
x Regina	67,139	44,815	5,605
x Saskatoon	1,600	1,735	2,945
Alberta	62,424	113,834	61,784
x Calgary	37,526	43,896	34,864
x Edmonton	21,560	58,023	21,470
Lethbridge	1,248	9,030	4,950
Medicine Hat	2,090	2,885	500
British Columbia	158,253	171,890	115,871
Kamloops	3,972	1,195	3,390
Nanaimo	948	1,285	4,400
x New Westminster	11,490	8,250	1,000
Prince Rupert	1,925	5,060	275
x Vancouver	115,240	133,610	78,314
North Vancouver	475	4,685	350
x Victoria	24,203	17,805	28,042
Total - 61 Cities	2,601,418	2,721,919	1,624,138
Total - x35 Cities	2,304,604	2,458,834	1,507,266

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