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BUILDING PERMITS FOR NOVEMBER, 1935, WITH COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS FOR OCTOBER, 1935,  
 AND NOVEMBER, 1934, AND CUMULATIVE FIGURES FOR FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS, 1920-1935.

The aggregate value of the construction represented by the building permits issued by 58 cities during November was \$3,315,001. This was a seasonal decline of \$705,307 or 17.5 p.c. as compared with the October total of \$4,020,308, but an increase of \$692,467, or 26.4 p.c. in the more significant comparison with the November, 1934, figure of \$2,622,534.

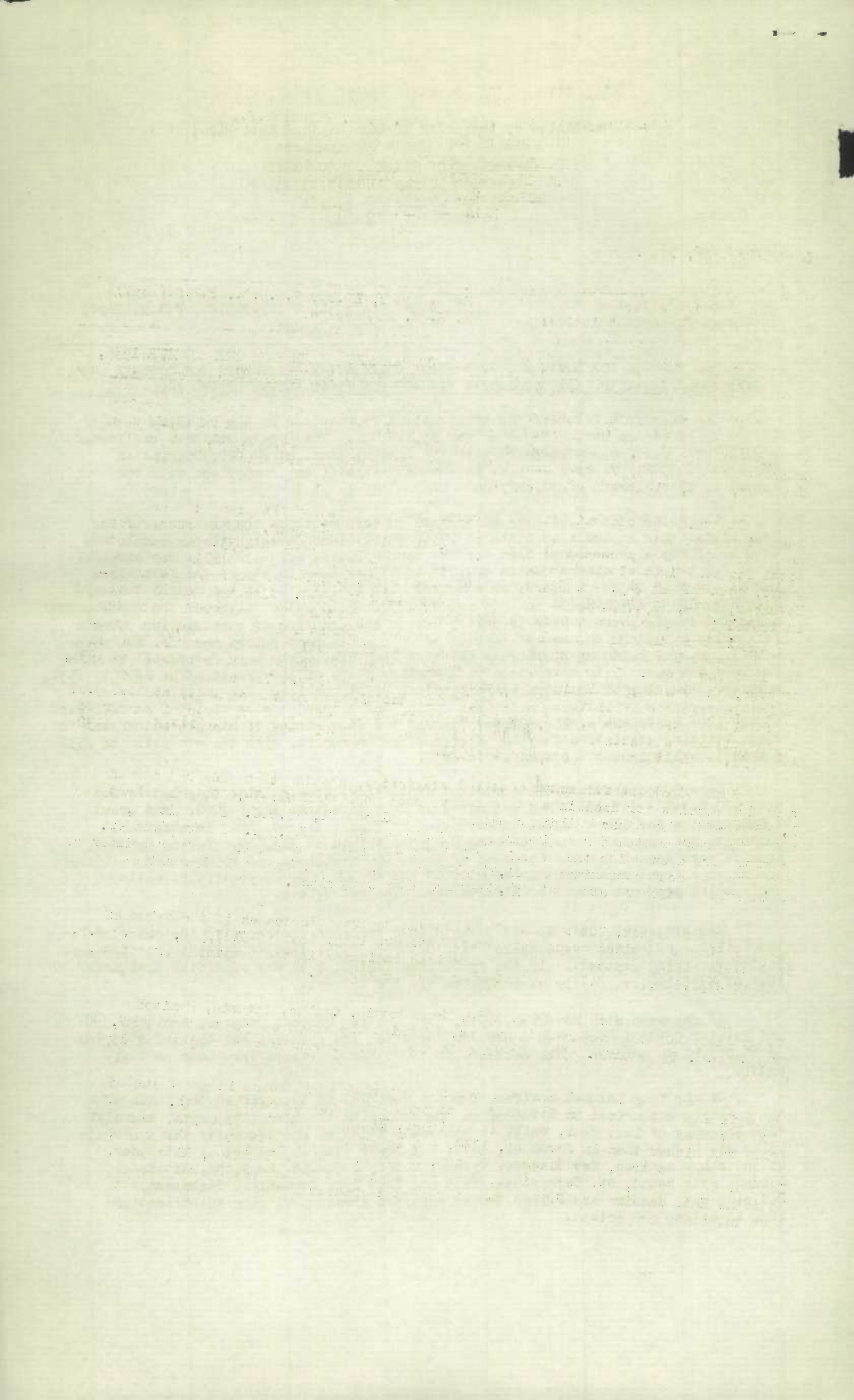
The value of the building authorized in each month of the present year has been higher than in the same month of 1934, while since January, the aggregate for each month has also exceeded that for the corresponding month in 1933. The cumulative total for the first eleven months of 1935 is higher than in any of the last three years, standing at \$43,846,688, as compared with \$24,935,704 in the months January-November, 1934, \$19,793,204 in 1933 and \$40,750,142 in 1932. Although the improvement indicated in the present year is partly due to the granting of construction permits for public buildings in several centres as an unemployment relief measure, the movement in general building operations has also been distinctly more favourable than in the last few years. In comparison with earlier years of the record, from 1920 to 1931, however, the value of building authorizations continues low. The index number of wholesale prices of building materials during the elapsed months of 1935, at 82.1 p.c. of the 1926 basic average, was lower than in the same period of any preceding year for which building statistics for the 58 cities are on record, with the exception of 1932 and 1933, while it was the same as in 1931.

Some 50 cities furnished detailed statistics, showing that they had issued over 260 permits for dwellings estimated to cost more than \$1,434,000, and about 1,060 permits for other buildings estimated at almost \$1,640,000. In addition, authority was granted for engineering projects valued at \$13,500. During October, permits were issued for the erection of about 400 dwellings and 1,500 other buildings, estimated to cost approximately \$1,200,000 and \$2,500,000, respectively, while engineering projects valued at \$33,244 were also authorized.

New Brunswick, Ontario and Saskatchewan reported increases in the value of the building authorized as compared with October, 1935, that of \$187,588, or 8.9 p.c. in Ontario being greatest. Of the reductions indicated in the remaining provinces, that of \$738,124, or 58.7 p.c. in Quebec was the largest.

As compared with November, 1934, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia reported increases, of which the greatest was that of \$598,340 or 35.0 p.c. in Ontario. The declines in the other provinces were comparatively small.

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, while in Montreal, Winnipeg and Vancouver, the aggregate value was higher than in November, 1934, but lower than in October of this year. Of the other centres, New Glasgow, Sydney, Moncton, Guelph, Hamilton, Kitchener, London, Owen Sound, St. Catharines, York and East York Townships, Saskatoon, Medicine Hat, Nanaimo and Prince Rupert reported greater building authorizations than in either comparison.



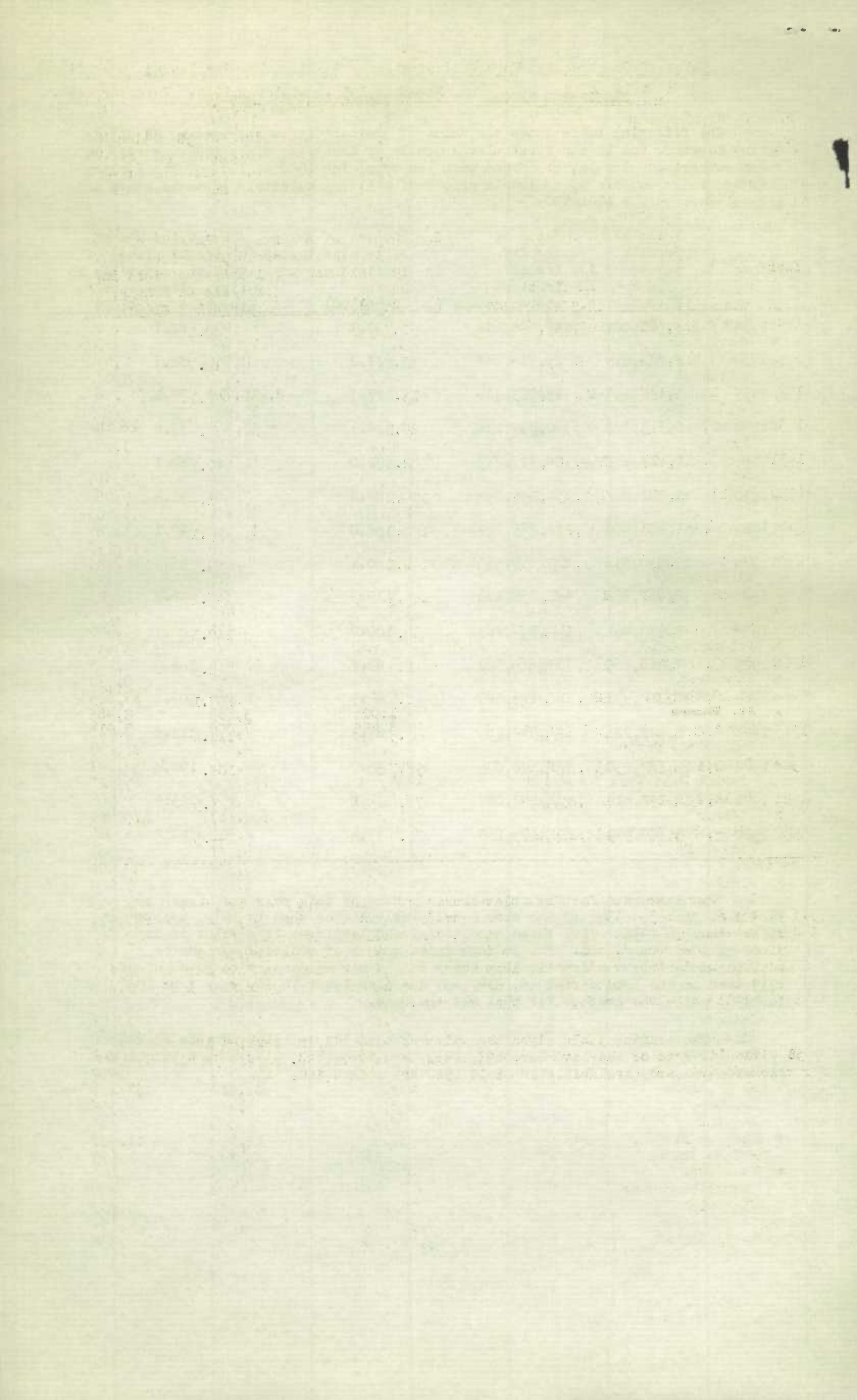
CUMULATIVE RECORD FOR FIRST ELEVEN MONTHS, 1920-1935.

The following table shows the value of the building authorized by 58 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)
1935	\$ 3,315,001	\$43,846,688	30.3	82.1
1934	2,622,534	24,935,704	17.2	82.7
1933	1,624,138	19,793,204	13.7	78.1
1932	2,553,373	40,750,142	23.1	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 75.8 p.c. than in 1934; it was also considerably higher than in 1933, and rather higher than in 1932. With these exceptions, the total was lower than in any other year of the record. The average index number of wholesale prices of building materials was fractionally lower in the months January to November of 1935 than in the same period of 1934, and was also lower <sup>than</sup> in any year from 1920 to 1930, while the average for 1931 was the same.

The accompanying table gives the value of the building permits issued by 58 cities in October and November, 1935, and November, 1934. The 35 cities for which records are available since 1910 are marked thus "x".



## Estimated Value of Construction Work as Indicated by Building Permits Issued by 58 Cities.

C i t i e s	November, 1935.	October, 1935.	November, 1934.
P.E.I.- Charlottetown	\$ 3,650	14,600	5,450
Nova Scotia	80,885	84,910	66,300
x Halifax	71,235	84,150	64,425
New Glasgow	1,900	760	450
x Sydney	7,750	Nil	1,425
New Brunswick	20,220	15,563	21,125
Fredericton	450	2,150	5,300
x Moncton	10,000	1,508	2,130
x Saint John	9,770	11,905	13,695
Quebec	518,630	1,256,754	491,876
x Montreal - x Maisonneuve	428,115	675,042	337,786
x Quebec	60,245	530,070	25,960
Shawinigan Falls	200	26,882	1,000
x Sherbrooke	16,000	15,000	19,100
x Three Rivers	1,400	2,450	2,950
x Westmount	12,670	7,310	105,080
Ontario	2,306,307	2,118,719	1,701,967
Belleville	125	11,997	5,625
x Brantford	15,736	35,369	26,140
Chatham	2,175	4,900	3,150
x Fort William	4,300	10,575	7,850
Galt	2,207	3,319	22,810
x Guelph	15,846	13,678	9,060
x Hamilton	142,305	50,631	33,625
x Kingston	15,250	37,000	13,768
x Kitchener	77,589	61,475	12,737
x London	252,780	89,255	134,925
Niagara Falls	280	6,275	1,930
Oshawa	2,100	2,325	1,825
x Ottawa	358,000	590,480	79,580
Owen Sound	4,300	1,270	3,300
x Peterborough	9,680	23,777	3,434
x Port Arthur	4,889	11,478	2,275
x Stratford	850	9,755	5,330
x St. Catharines	40,744	8,068	13,625
x St. Thomas	1,005	3,885	2,485
Sarnia	5,458	7,000	3,915
Sault Ste. Marie	5,975	8,670	21,230
x Toronto	1,097,798	783,493	1,052,047
York & East York Townships	219,940	154,790	63,927
Welland	3,350	22,257	325
x Windsor	17,665	155,617	175,080
Riverside	350	2,900	2,500
Woodstock	5,610	8,480	5,469
Manitoba	56,250	114,545	24,450
x Brandon	1,600	1,100	2,200
St. Bonifade	50	17,995	1,500
x Winnipeg	54,600	95,450	20,750
Saskatchewan	30,165	17,855	69,689
x Moose Jaw	225	4,975	950
x Regina	23,390	6,695	67,139
x Saskatoon	6,550	6,185	1,600
Alberta	30,850	84,450	62,424
x Calgary	16,143	17,969	37,526
x Edmonton	6,180	50,170	21,560
Lethbridge	4,587	15,746	1,248
Medicine Hat	3,935	565	2,090
British Columbia	268,044	312,912	173,253
Kamloops	2,951	5,430	3,972
Nanaimo	2,931	2,625	948
x New Westminster	16,425	24,445	11,490
Prince Rupert	3,305	2,800	1,925
x Vancouver	216,955	247,555	115,240
North Vancouver	370	950	475
x Victoria	25,107	29,107	39,203
Total - 58 Cities	3,315,001	4,020,308	2,622,534
xTotal- 35 Cities	3,038,802	3,695,622	2,320,270

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