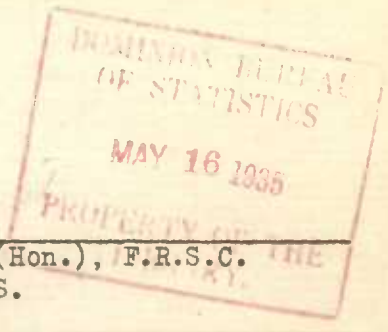


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BUILDING PERMITS FOR APRIL, 1935, WITH COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS FOR MARCH, 1935, AND APRIL, 1934, AND CUMULATIVE FIGURES FOR FIRST FOUR MONTHS, 1920-1935.

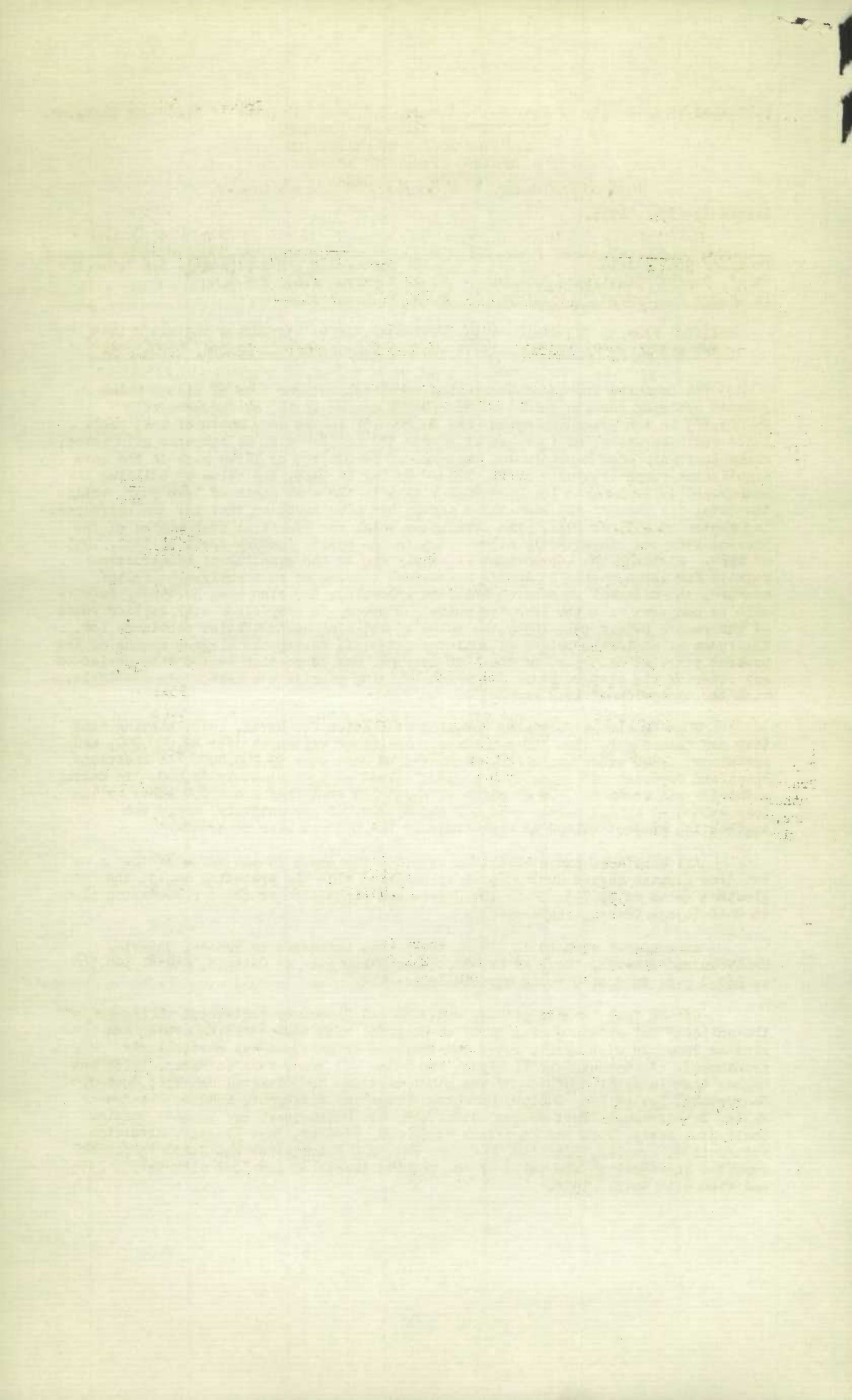
The Dominion Bureau of Statistics tabulated returns from 61 cities which granted building permits valued at \$6,272,052 during April, as compared with \$4,009,675 in the preceding month, and \$2,269,157 in the same month of last year. There was, therefore, an increase of \$2,262,377 or 56.4 p.c. as compared with March, while there was also a pronounced increase of \$4,002,895 or 176.4 p.c. in the more significant comparison with April, 1934. So far in 1935, the value of building authorized in each month has been higher than in the same month of last year, while the total for each of the last three months has also exceeded that for the corresponding months of 1933 or 1932. The cumulative total for the first four months of the present year was consequently higher than in the period January-April of 1932, 1933 or 1934. Although the improvement is mainly due to the granting of construction permits for large public buildings in several centres as an unemployment relief measure, the movement in general building operations has also been decidedly favourable as compared with the last few years. However, in comparison with earlier years of the record (viz., 1920-1931), the value of building authorization continues low. The index of wholesale prices of building materials during the elapsed months of the present year, at 81.5 p.c. of the 1926 average, was lower than in the same period of any other of the sixteen years for which building permits statistics are available, with the exception of 1932 and 1933.

Some 50 cities furnished detailed statistics for April, 1935, showing that they had issued more than 350 permits for dwellings valued at over \$2,500,000, and for almost 1,800 other buildings, estimated to cost over \$3,200,000. In addition, Brantford reported an engineering project valued at approximately \$8,000. In March, authority was given for the erection of about 150 dwellings and 1,000 other buildings, valued at approximately \$450,000 and \$3,400,000 respectively, while one engineering project valued at approximately \$14,000 was also reported.

All provinces except Manitoba recorded increases in the value of the building permits issued during April as compared with the preceding month, the greatest gains of \$1,793,634 or 104.0 p.c. and \$1,557,866 or 628.6 p.c. taking place in Ontario and Quebec, respectively.

As compared with April, 1934, there were increases in Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta, those of \$2,486,456 or 241.0 p.c. in Ontario, and \$1,306,968 or 262.0 p.c. in Quebec being especially notable.

Of the four largest cities, Montreal and Vancouver registered increases in the building authorized during April as compared with the preceding month, and also as compared with April, 1934; the increase in Montreal was particularly pronounced. In Toronto and Winnipeg, the value was lower than in March, 1935, but higher than in April, 1934. Of the other centres, New Glasgow, Moncton, Quebec, Sherbrooke, Belleville, Guelph, Hamilton, Kingston, Kitchener, London, Niagara Falls, Peterborough, Port Arthur, Stratford, St. Catharines, St. Thomas, Sarnia, Sault Ste. Marie, York and East York Townships, Windsor, East Windsor, Riverside, Walkerville, Brandon, Edmonton, Medicine Hat, New Westminster and North Vancouver reported increases in the value of the permits issued as compared with March, 1935, and also with April, 1934.



CUMULATIVE RECORD FOR FIRST FOUR MONTHS, 1920-1935.

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

Year	Value of permits issued in April	Value of permits issued in first four months	Indexes of value of permits issued in first four months (1926=100)	Average indexes of wholesale prices of building materials in first four months (1926 average = 100)
1935	\$ 6,272,052	\$14,666,720	35.1	81.5
1934	2,269,157	4,980,156	12.0	82.4
1933	1,595,502	4,661,323	11.2	75.1
1932	4,370,863	13,823,873	33.3	79.1
1931	13,495,165	38,241,259	92.1	83.7
1930	16,978,076	46,471,338	111.9	96.2
1929	29,656,709	72,606,937	174.8	99.4
1928	18,606,167	51,769,505	124.6	95.7
1927	17,312,470	42,340,823	101.9	96.3
1926	19,044,499	41,538,073	100.0	101.7
1925	15,482,383	35,463,398	85.4	103.1
1924	13,689,101	31,737,100	76.4	111.6
1923	19,530,851	39,008,970	93.9	110.8
1922	15,833,688	34,513,861	83.1	107.7
1921	13,500,360	27,069,872	65.2	136.9
1920	15,648,915	34,558,901	83.2	143.1

As already stated, the aggregate for the first four months of this year was approximately three times greater than in the same period of 1933 and 1934, also exceeding the total for the months January - April of 1932. However, the value was lower than in any other year since 1920. It must also be noted that the index numbers of wholesale prices of building materials in the present year have been lower than in any of the years from 1920 to 1931; they were also slightly below the 1934 level, though higher than in 1932 or 1933.

Table 1 gives the value of the building permits issued by 61 cities during April and March, 1935, and April, 1934. The 35 cities for which records are available since 1910 are marked thus "x".

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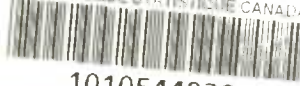
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Estimated Value of Construction Work as Indicated by Building Permits Issued by 61 Cities

Cities	April 1935	March 1935	April 1934
	\$	\$	\$
P.E.I. - Charlottetown	-	-	8,500
Nova Scotia	58,015	25,875	64,200
x Halifax	55,540	24,575	62,170
New Glasgow	1,825	-	830
x Sydney	650	1,300	1,200
New Brunswick	37,483	14,968	40,645
Fredericton	350	-	2,150
x Moncton	17,705	4,460	7,180
x Saint John	19,428	10,508	31,315
Quebec	1,805,716	247,850	498,748
x Montreal - x Maisonneuve	1,680,591	191,910	335,018
x Quebec	59,690	25,090	39,180
Shawinigan Falls	635	1,850	17,580
x Sherbrooke	34,650	10,700	12,000
x Three Rivers	5,420	5,800	38,980
x Westmount	24,730	12,500	55,990
Ontario	3,518,384	1,724,750	1,031,928
Belleville	13,550	2,500	2,050
x Brantford	12,610	28,261	16,478
Chatham	7,450	12,650	14,250
x Fort William	15,500	7,500	26,150
Galt	5,695	8,566	4,942
x Guelph	23,707	3,775	10,010
x Hamilton	916,285	47,640	101,655
x Kingston	23,319	1,370	21,634
x Kitchener	54,742	20,470	32,413
x London	1,065,170	99,580	39,485
Niagara Falls	1,090	715	500
Oshawa	3,040	550	7,325
x Ottawa	250,490	331,580	124,020
Owen Sound	5,875	5,400	6,000
x Peterborough	12,030	2,580	10,460
x Port Arthur	28,042	3,393	5,865
x Stratford	8,791	845	6,183
x St. Catharines	22,845	4,683	10,177
x St. Thomas	2,210	1,000	1,070
Sarnia	8,989	2,840	3,510
Sault Ste. Marie	17,370	7,275	9,640
x Toronto	616,214	1,021,677	462,603
York & East York Townships	273,770	72,345	65,207
Welland	11,550	10,895	32,360
x Windsor	98,990	14,975	6,755
East Windsor	2,500	1,550	950
Riverside	1,300	1,050	-
Sandwich	-	-	300
Walkerville	8,000	-	2,000
Woodstock	7,260	9,085	7,936
Manitoba	115,600	1,522,550	61,614
x Brandon	52,850	400	2,714
St. Boniface	3,700	1,800	4,050
x Winnipeg	59,050	1,520,350	54,850
Saskatchewan	58,540	45,255	69,860
x Moose Jaw	20,555	3,975	56,650
x Regina	18,235	21,000	7,825
x Saskatoon	19,750	20,280	5,385
Alberta	408,534	212,740	216,534
x Calgary	108,266	180,723	151,894
x Edmonton	280,339	18,890	46,195
Lethbridge	16,379	11,165	17,435
Medicine Hat	3,550	1,962	1,010
British Columbia	269,780	215,687	277,128
Kamloops	2,779	2,425	6,712
Nanaimo	2,550	2,800	31,906
x New Westminster	32,925	5,595	4,775
Prince Rupert	1,605	3,200	43,900
x Vancouver	198,755	168,390	143,380
North Vancouver	3,665	415	590
x Victoria	27,501	32,862	45,865
Total - 61 cities	6,272,052	4,009,675	2,269,157
Total - x 35 cities	5,867,573	3,848,637	1,978,524

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