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The August report of Building Permits includes returns from 178 of the 204 municipalities in Canada which have systems for issuing such permits and of this number 161 reported detailed operations. The remaining 17 advised that no permits had been issued during the month of August while 26 municipalities had failed to report at the close of September l2th.

The total value of permits reported as issued in the month of August is $\$ 8,159,508$. Revised values for the month of July include returns from 201 municipalities and aggregate $\$ 10,676,743$. Reports were received from 52 of the 58 original municipalities and show a value of $\$ 6,077,182$ for August. The corresponding revised value for July includes 58 réturns and is $\$ 7,734,966$ while the August, 1941, value was $\$ 9,620,358$.

The total value of permits issued by all municipalities during the eight elapsed months of the current year is $\$ 70,072,454$. The value of the 58 municipalities for the same period is $\$ 50,748,817$, while their corresponding value in 1941 was $\$ 67,692,157$.

During the month of August new construction of all types amounted to 73.4 per cent of the total value, wile the percentage of new residential construction was 47.1

## THE CONSTRUGTION INDUSTRY IN CANADA

BUILDING PFRMITS, AUGUST, 1942.

Table 1. - Values and Classifications of Building Permits issued by 178 Municipalities in Canada, by Provinces, August, 1942.


Building Permits, Aupust. 1942.

Table 2. - Cumulative and Comparative Record of Building Permits and their indexes, together with average indexes of wholesale prices of building materlals, 1920-1941.
$(1926=100)$

| Year | Value of Building Permits Issue 4 |  |  | Index of Value of Building Permits |  |  | Average Index of Tholesale Prices of Building Materials |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August | July | First <br> 8 months | August | July | Firgt 8 months | August | July | Firgt 8 months |
| 1942 | 8,159,508 | 8,841,741 | 70,072,454 | 52.1 (2) | 57.9 (2) | 46.5 (2) | (3) | 113.8 | (5) |
| 1941 | 12,852,381 | 12,905,287 | 89,464,256 | 81.6 (2) | 51.2 (2) | 62.0 (2) | 110.6 | 109.0 | 104.5 |
| 1940 | 11,634,407 | 11,961,321 | 71,418,272 | 66,0 (2) | 47.5 (2) | 47.0 (2) | 97.4 | 96.4 | 95.5 |
| 1959 | 6,178,212 | 6,584,125 | 39,807,093 | 52.9 | 55.2 | 36.4 | 90.5 | 88.6 | 88.1 |
| 1938 | 5,829,984 | 6,114,845 | 37,897,396 | 49.9 | 32.7 | 34.7 | 88.5 | 87.4 | 90.2 |
| 1937 | 4,262,966 | 5,529,295 | 57,849,205 | '36.5 | 29.6 | 34.7 | 95.4 | 95.7 | 95.4 |
| 1936 | 3,673,455 | 5,029,802 | 27,026,141 | 31.5 | 26.9 | 24.7 | 85.6 | 85.2 | 84.6 |
| 1935 | 4,311,968 | 4,396,402 | 33,348,881 | 36.9 | 23.5 | 30.5 | 81.0 | 81.2 | 81.2 |
| 1934 | 5,764,425 | 3,257,470 | 17,435,272 | 32.2 | 17.4 | 18.0 | 82.8 | 85.2 | 82.8 |
| 1955 | 1,910,809 | 2,180,405 | 14,407,111 | 16.3 | 11.7 | 13.2 | 80.7 | 80.8 | 77.0 |
| 1932 | 3,825,251 | 4,412,169 | 32,576,464 | 32.8 | 25.6 | 29.8 | 75.3 | 75.6 | 77.7 |
| 1931 | 8,201,879 | 11,042,609 | 78,194,996 | 70.3 | 59.1 | 71.6 | 81.2 | 82.4 | 85.0 |
| 1930 | 14,029,564 | 15,824,781 | 115,268, 330 | 120.2 | 84.7 | 105.5 | 87.8 | 89.5 | 95.4 |
| 1929 | 21,582,221 | 22,702,584 | 168,894,072 | 184.9 | 121.5 | 154.6 | 99.2 | 98.8 | 2 |
| 1928 | 17,448,542 | 25,761,956 | 145,247,485 | 149.5 | 137.9 | 135.0 | 98.1 | 97.9 | 96.4 |
| 1927 | 29,478,378 | 16,569,195 | 126,690, 292 | 252.5 | 87.6 | 116.0 | 97.0 | 96.7 | 96.2 |
| 1926 | 11,672,599 | 18,685,415 | 109,211,942 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.7 |
| 1925 | 9,511,008 | 12,812,605 | 88,225,328 | 81.5 | 68.6 | 80.8 | 102.9 | 102.9 | 103.1 |
| 1924 | 9,406,733 | 11,681,196 | 81,762,083 | 80.6 | 62.5 | 74.9 | 103.5 | 104.0 | 109.0 |
| 1925 | 11,425,031 | 13,078,549 | 97,551,074 | 97.9 | 70.0 | 89.3 | 112.5 | 115.5 | 111.8 |
| 1922 | 18,158,932 | 15,740,810 | 105,181,41,6 | 155.6 | 84.2 | 96.3 | 109.7 | 109.5 | 108.4 |
| 1921 | 10,928,039 | 10,965,891 | 77,665,614 | 93.6 | 58.7 | 71.1 | 117.6 | 119.4 | 128.6 |
| 1920 | 10,805,846 | $13,743,045$ | 86,303,601 | 92.6 | 73.6 | 79.0 | 141.0 | 142.8 | 145.8 |

(1) Revised figures containing returns from 201 municipaities.
(2) Figures besed on values reported by the origincl 58 municipalities.
(5) Data not yet available.

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Table 5. - Value of Building Perits ismed by 204 Municipalitios in Canada in July and August, 1942, together with the aggregate for the first eight months of this year, and for 204 municipalities in August, 1941.
M.P.I." - Indicates that no peritis were issued during the current month. "Ro Roport" - Indicates that the municipality failed to furniah its monthly roport.

|  | Value of Peraits Iasued during - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1942 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Juiy } \\ & 1942 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { August } \\ & 1941 \end{aligned}$ | First 8 months 1942 |
| CAFADA | 8,159,508 | 10,676,745 (1) | 12,852,581 | 70,072,454 |
| Primge simard ISLand | - | 1,850 | 20,250 | 29,990 |
| Cuarlottotom | W.P.I. | 1,850 | 20,250 | 29,990 |
| Hova scotia | 157,425 | 412,695 (1) | 581,512 | 1,542,875 |
| Amberst | Wo Roport | 15,225 | 265,900 | 50,525 |
| Bridgewator | 1.P.I. | H.P.I. | 1,000 | 11,500 |
| Dartriouth | 7,745 | 10,010 | 26,910 | 138,485 |
| Clace Bey | 15,569 | 15,450 | 25,422 | 116,966 |
| x Ealifax | 46,921 | 107,725 | 155,065 | 635,318 |
| Liverpool | 4,400 | 2,700 | 850 | 27,150 |
| Lunenburg | N.P.I. | \%.P.I. | 6,000 | \%.P.I. |
| Hew Gleagow | 11,420 | 9,718 | 8,725 | 57,525 |
| New Waterford | R.P.I. | 2,850 | 11,535 | 11,850 |
| Morth Oydney | Ho Report | No Report | \%.P.I. | 1,000 |
| $x$ Syduay | 41,400 | 259,000 | 45,900 | 419,465 |
| Sydrey Mines | 8,000 | 3,400 | 10,800 | 10,50n |
| Truro | 4,750 | 9,650 | 28,610 | 61,660 |
| Farnouth | 2,220 | 1,185 | 995 | 20,355 |
| Hen Browsulca | 55,532 | 140,685 | 2,108,981 | 618,279 |
| Canpbellton Chathein | $\begin{aligned} & 1,650 \\ & \text { R.P.I. } \end{aligned}$ | 12,000 M.P.I. | 10,350 H.P.I. | 18,950 15,700 |
| Dalhorsie | No Report | \%o Report | 1,815 | Fo Report |
| Frederioton | Ho Report | 8,675 | 3,500 | 157,235 |
| I Moncton | 28,490 | 27,890 | 2,060,290 | 158,042 |
| Vercastio | To Report | 2,050 | 1,825 | 24,960 |
| $x$ Saint John | 25,192 | 95,068 | 30,401 | 267,592 |
| St. Stephen | Ho Report | No Report | 1,000 | , |
| cursce | 2,378,581 | 2,075,470 (1) | 2,492,517 | 19,422,065 |
| Cap-do-la-Madeloing | 12,870 | 5,480 | 6,095 | 128,975 |
| Chicoutin 1 | 51,825 | 19,225 | 28,600 | 194,530 |
| Costicoot | 1,800 | . 575 | 625 | 4,525 |
| Prumondville | 28,500 | 52,450 | 17,800 | 104,010 |
| Orany | To Rieport | 51,725 | 55,525 | 210,457 |
| Grand'Mere | 8,800 | 2,000 | 19,200 | 44,800 |
| Hampotead | 1.P.I. | M.P.I. | 25,000 | 71,650 |
| Eul | 72,660 | 28, 825 | 15,865 | 256,244 |
| Iborvill | 8,800 | 4,775 | 5,000 | 28,950 |
| Jollotte | 18,025 | 9,360 | 19,500 | 71,510 |
| Jonquidre | 57,700 | 11,200 | 24,250 | 300,400 |
| Lactio | 259,086 | 26,800 | 71,855 | 108,258 |
| Impreitie | 875 | 825 | 850 | 6,820 |
| Ine tuque | To leport | 1,014,645 | 5,425 | 8,540,295 |

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(1) Rorised figures containing reterna from armioipalities not iaciuded in our July report.

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Table 5. - Value of Building Permits isoued by 204 Muncipalities in Canade in Jult and August, 1842, together with the aggregate for the First eignt monthy of this year, and for 204 Minicipalities in lvgust, 1911 - (Continued).

|  | Value of Porndts Issued during - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1942 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1942 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Angust } \\ 1941 \end{gathered}$ | Firet 8 month 1942 |
| QUEBEC - (Contluded) |  |  |  |  |
| Levis | 18,905 | 6,565 | 5,815 | 59,015 |
| Longueuil | 27,850 | 31,625 | 21,500 | 174,550 |
| Megantic | No Report | 4,675 | 5,525 | 19,877 |
| $x$ Montreal (x Maisonneuve) | 1,202,550 | 781,950 | 742,497 | 8,252,152 |
| Montreal East | Ho Report | 200 | 7,725 | 250,145 |
| Montreal North | 12,575 | 13,450 | 2,500 | 56,100 |
| Montreal West | \%.P.I. | N.P.I. | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Mount royal | 55,600 | 96,520 | 55,050 | 585,890 |
| Norenda | 500 | 150 | 5,150 | 12,745 |
| Outremont | 27,500 | 9,100 | 47,050 | 226,500 |
| Pointe aux Irembles | 4,075 | 22,660 | 14,025 | 38,025 |
| Pointe Claire | 5,500 | 11,155 | 12,000 | 45,450 |
| * Quebec | 95,170 | 114,550 | 181,265 | 1,059,051 |
| Rimousti | 8,400 | 11,525 | 7,800 | 45,825 |
| Riviere du Loup | 2,567 | 2,545 | 2,095 | 20,657 |
| Rowns | 8,020 | 6,205 | 925 | 48,085 |
| Ste. Agathe-des-Monts | 5,800 | 825 | 548,500 | 16,925 |
| Ste. Anne-de-8ellevie | 5,675 | 6,450 | 250 | 61,680 |
| St. flyacinthe | 2,950 | 4,800 | 32,200 | 57,225 |
| St. Jean | 108,150 | 28,175 | 10,650 | 225,570 |
| St. Jerowe | 25,175 | 17,700 | 18,500 | 200,225 |
| St. Joseph de Grantham St. Lambert | 150 25,905 | N.P.I. 255 | 8,500 | 10,100 |
| St. Lambert | 25,905 36,800 | 255 7,400 | 17,000 45,500 | 70,685 |
| Shawinigan Palls | No Report | 59,980 | 217,100 | 95,500 571,485 |
| $x$ Sherbrooke | 40,800 | 36,675 | 184,100 | 352,750 |
| Sorel | 58,500 | 6,990 | 52,600 | 480,465 |
| * Troie-Rivieres | No Report | 25,115 1,175 | 21,445 | 197,665 |
| Val d'or | No Report | 1,175 27,855 | 3,600 $\mathbf{5 5 , 5 0 0}$ | 8,405 100,115 |
| Verdun | 168,500 | 104,155 | 151,090 | 846,510 |
| $x$ Westmount | N.P.I. | 14,540 | 9,400 | 94,150 |
| ORTARIO | 5,329,461 | 4,814,064 (1) | 4,982,772 | 52,184,582 |
| Amherstburg | 4,100 | 8,700 | 11,240 | 57.612 |
| Barrie | 7,522 | 6,455 | 16,00s | 87,767 |
| Bellevill | 50,250 | 10,150 | 7,800 | 155,480 |
| Bomaenville | 100 | N.P.I. | N.P.I. | 4,900 |
| Bracebridge | N.P.I. | 3,000 | M.P.I. | 3,000 |
| Brampton | 7,115 | 15,659 | 20,550 | 86,680 |
| $\pm$ Brantford | 28,620 | 78,278 | 25,160 | 478,665 |
| Brockull | 400 | 5,200 | 6,854 | 20,950 |
| Burlington | 6,825 | 15,850 | 52,755 | 109,080 |
| Campbellford | 3,700 | N.P.I. | N.P.I. | 4,050 |
| Chatham | 6,445 | 20,050 | 14,490 | 154,588 |
| Cobourg | 2,000 | N.P.I. | 5,850 | 5,635 |
| Cochran | 500 | 1,000 | 700 | 1,850 |
| Collingwood | No Report | 4,480 | 10,650 | 15,388 |
| Cosnwall | 19,797 | 10,258 | 9,484 | 150,206 |

* Indicates anicipality wose recorde are avalleble back to 1910.
(1) Revised figures conteining returns from municipalities not included in our July report.


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BUILDING PERIITS, AUGUST, 1942.

Table 3. - Value of Building Permits issued by 204 Municipalities in Canada in July and August, 1942, together with the aggregate for the flrst eight months of this joar, and for 204 municipaities in iugust, 1941 - (Continued).

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(1) Revised figures containing returns from municipalitios not included in oar July report.

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Table S. - Value of Building Pernits issued by 204 Municipalities in Canade in July and Auguet, 1942, together with the aggregate for the firet oight monthe of this year, and for 204 Municipalitien in inguet, 1941 - (Continned).

|  | Value of Poritits Iscued during - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { August } \\ & 1942 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1942 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1941 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Frist } 8 \text { monthe. } \\ 1942 \end{gathered}$ |
| ONTARIO - (Conciuded) |  |  |  |  |
| Petrolla | No Roport | 11.P.I. | M.P.I. | - |
| $x$ Port Arthur | 71,125 | 55,185 | 117,019 | 416,109 |
| Port Colborne | $4,510$ | 1,180 | 14,745 | 40,685 |
| Preston | 38,800 | 9,125 | 50,952 | 105,365 |
| Renfrew | No Report | 5,100 | 1,200 | 12,100 |
| Riverside | 18,800 | 8,600 | 17,500 | 114,100 |
| $x$ St. Catharines | 84,710 | 72,515 | 185,555 | 460,975 |
| St. Maxy ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 700 | 150 | 420 | 1,625 |
| * St. Thomas | No Report | 15,810 | 152,065 | 52,580 |
| Sarnie | 25,687 | 14,929 | 10,769 | 145,551 |
| Sault Ste. Marie | 89,964 | 68,705 | 148,211 | 382,616 |
| Scarboro Tmp. | 85,960 | 76,960 | 103,835 | 449,725 |
| Simcoe | No Report | 8,700 | 200 | 14,775 |
| Smith's Falls | N.P.I. | 2,050 | 10,000 | 7,250 |
| $\times$ Stratford | 14,858 | 4,096 | 15,117 | 55,997 |
| Sudbury | 47,975 | 50,550 | 90,545 | 415,715 |
| Swancea | No Report | 9,710 | 14,445 | 61,452 |
| Tillsonburg | 4,800 11,207 | N.P.I. | - 550 | 25,050 |
| Timmins $\times$ Toronto | 11,207 714,017 | 9,955 757,821 | 17,902 569,184 | 50,056 $4,861,140$ |
| $\times$ ( Troronto | 714,017 14,250 | 737,821 8,620 | 369,184 6,400 | $4,861,140$ 39,420 |
| Wallaceburg | 750 | 1,200 | 3,000 | 12,125 |
| Waterloo | 19,110 | 15,114 | 39,645 | 122,114 |
| Well and | 20,461 | 21,540 | 29,400 | 584,710 |
| Weston | 18,290 | 14,880 | 47,620 | 134,058 |
| Mitby | 1,225 | 8,500 | 9,809 | 41,750 |
| $x$ Findsor | 145,447 | 186,859 | 283,495 | 2,757,885 |
| Woodstock | 8,193 | 8,480 | 14,741 | 94,225 |
| Iork Twp. | 143,000 | 255,390 | 126,455 | 1,512,290 |
| MANITOBA | 332,180 | 666,290 | 636,185 | 2,649,515 |
| $\times$ Brandon | 19,430 | 19,450 | 35,190 | 78,975 |
| Brooklands | 1,425 | 3,280 | 60 | 15,670 |
| Dauphin | 11,100 | 3,910 | 6,965 | 44,120 |
| North Kildonan | 2,800 | 13,140 | 6,030 | 36,845 |
| Portage-1a-Prairie | 2,400 | 6,200 | 11,800 | 37,890 |
| St. Boniface | 69,950 | 107,050 | 184,945 | 375,689 |
| Selkirk | No Report | 3,975 | 5,500 | 11,075 |
| The Pas | 125 | 1,000 | 2,275 | 2,225 |
| Transcona | 12,900 | 7,635 | 26,970 | 42,974 |
| $\times$ Winnipeg | 212,050 | 500,650 | 356,450 | 2,003,850 |
| SASKATCAETAN | 74,094 | 2?-,933 | 416,662 | 1,302,986 |
| Biggar | N.P.I. | N.P.I. | 3,000 | 500 |
| Estevan | 3,550 | 850 | 115 | 13,000 |
| Melville | 1,200 | 400 | 750 | 10,255 |

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(1) Revised figures containing returns from municipalities not included in our July report.

BUILDTNG PERMITS, AUGUST, 1942.

Table 3. - Value of Building Permits issued by 204 Municipalities in Canada in July and August, 1942, together with the aggregate for the first eight months of this year and for 204 Municipalities in August, 1941 - (Concluded).

|  | Value of Permits Issued during - |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August 1942 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1942 \end{aligned}$ | August <br> 1941 | First 8 months 1942 |
| SASKATCHEWAN - (Concluded) |  |  |  |  |
| $\times \text { Moose Jaw }$ | 2,195 | 144,549 | 10,212 | 203,978 |
| North Battleford | 3,500 | 9,840 | 17,705 | 47,740 |
| Prince Albert | 17,214 | 40,395 | 16,915 | 259,798 |
| $\times$ Regina | 26,960 | 60, 390 | 257,495 | 570,166 |
| * Saskatoon | 16,835 | 16,800 | 8,905 | 110,175 |
| Swift Current | 1,625 | 6,474 | 7,740 | 37,174 |
| Teyburn | 900 | 750 | 800 | 7,315 |
| Torkton | 115 | 1,685 | 93,025 | 43,085 |
| ALBERTA | 1,280,845 | 717,573 | 575,346 | 5,528,325 |
| $\times$ Calgary | 189,505 | 213,195 | 323,493 | 2,511,717 |
| Drumheller | 900 | 2,700 | 900 | 10,610 |
| $\times$ Edmonton | 1,054,345 | 424,965 | 209,558 | 2,575,220 |
| Lethbridge | 20,220 | 55,098 | 27,980 | 304,356 |
| Medicine Hat | 15,875 | 21,715 | 13,415 | 126,422 |
| BRITISH COLDMBIA | 575,780 | 966,087 (1) | 1,038,356 | 6,795,041 |
| Chilliwack | 1,500 | 3,800 | 13,800 | 51,815 |
| Cranbrook | 2,848 | 2,050 | 1,010 | 14,534 |
| Fernie | N.P.I. | 170 | 300 | 7,609 |
| Kımloops | 7,125 | 500 | 8,085 | 34,065 |
| Kelown | 13,000 | 7,639 | 13,155 | 118,280 |
| Nanaimo | No Report | 50 | 2,665 | 32,040 |
| Nelson | No Report | 8,531 | 8,604 | 24,792 |
| x New Festminster | 37,525 | 47,480 | 43,195 | 333,705 |
| North Vancouver | 61,925 | 16,970 | 42,200 | 449,468 |
| Prince George | 4,200 | 10,145 | 2,100 | 50,005 |
| Prince fupert | No Report | 414,500 | 9,025 | 459,905 |
| Revelstoke | No Report | + 450 | 4,050 | 4,960 |
| Rossland | 1,890 | 1,805 | 5,850 | 7,585 |
| Trail | 11,503 | 1,945 | 6,615 | 46,602 |
| $\times$ Vancouver | 577,465 | 348,715 | 767,345 | 4,537,020 |
| Vernon | 6,050 | 19,840 | 4,800 | 78,341 |
| $\times$ Victoria | 48,749 | 81,497 | 105,557 | 544,315 |
| Total 204 Municipalities | 8,159,508 (2) | 10,676,743 (5) | 12,852,381 | 70,072,454 |
| Total 58 Municipalities | 6,077,182 (3) | 7,734,966 | 9,620,358 | 50,748,817 |
| Total 35 Municipalities | 5,292,869 (4) | 6,340,533 | 8,342,331 | 43,521,249 |

x Indicates a municipality whose records are available back to 1910.
(1) Revised figures containing returns from municipalities not included in our July report.
(2) 178 municipalities oniy, reporting.
(3) 52 municipalities only, reporting.
(4) 35 municipalities only, reporting.
(5) Revised figures containing returns from 201 mmicipalities.

