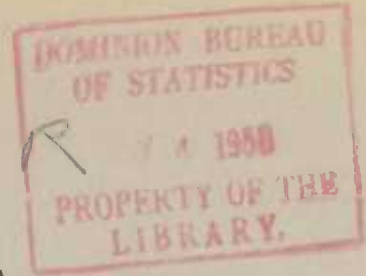


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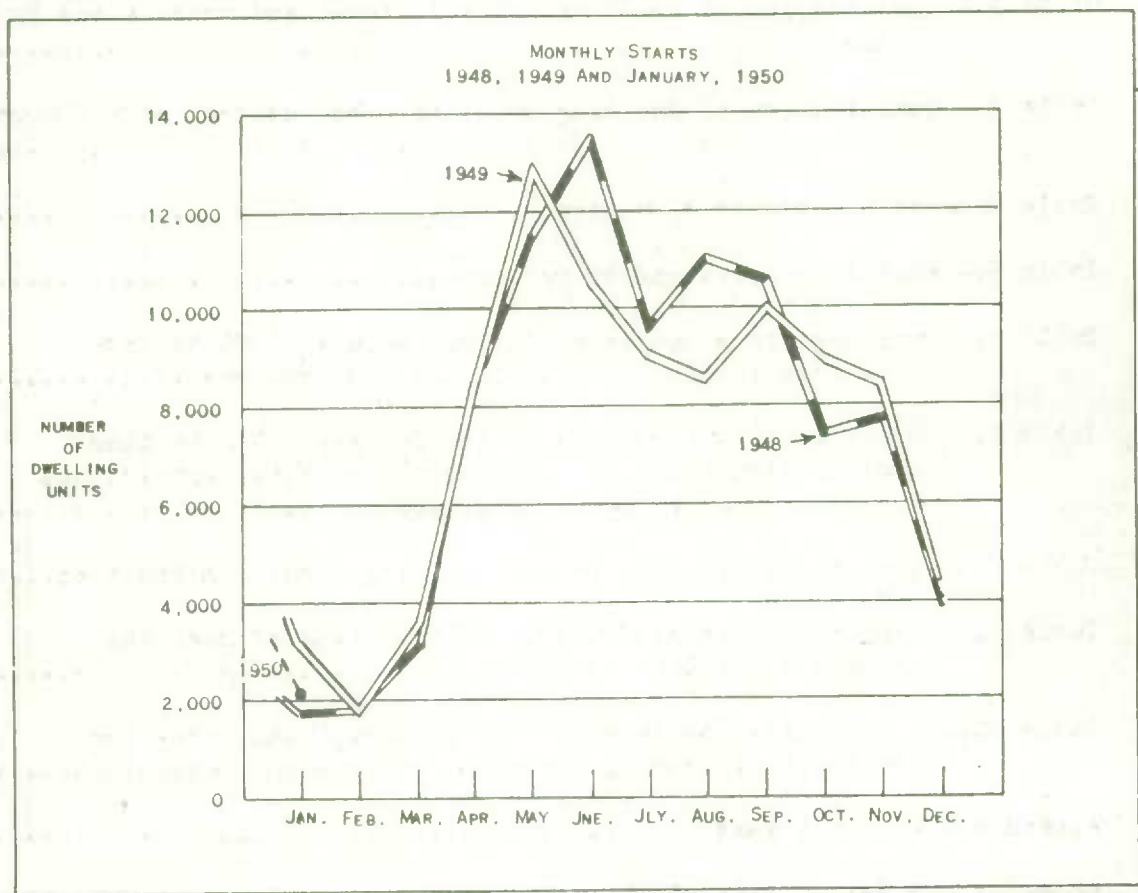
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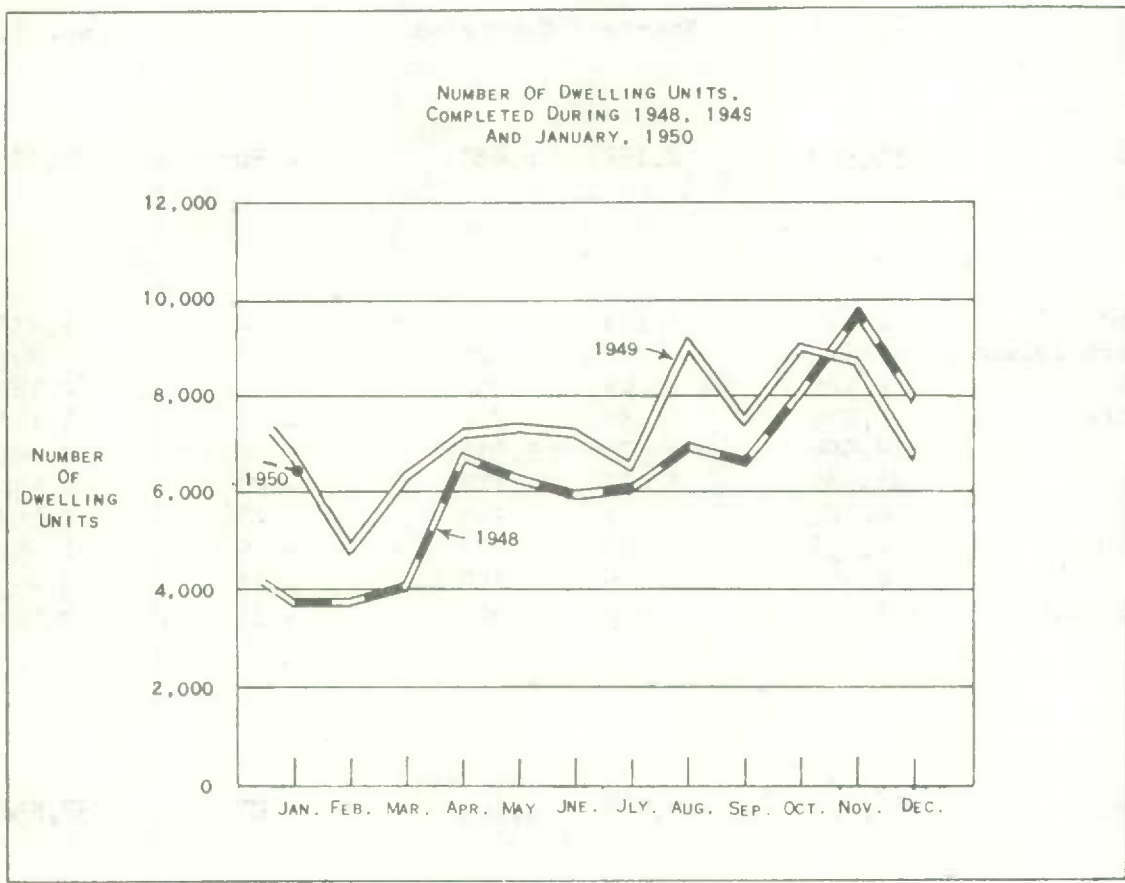


The number of dwelling units commenced in January 1950 is estimated at 2,152, including 103 begun in Newfoundland. This compares with last year's estimate for Canada of 3,066 dwelling units for the same month. Completions for the month of January were estimated at 6,480 dwelling units, which shows no significant change from last January's estimate of 6,643 completed dwelling units.

At the end of January 1950, there was still a large number of dwelling units under construction, 55,125 units remain uncompleted compared with 52,852 at the end of January 1949.

The average length of time required to build a dwelling unit completed during the month of January of this year was estimated at 6.8 months, which is about the same as that reported for last January.

It is estimated from the types of dwelling units being constructed that approximately 22 per cent of those completed in January, 1950 are for rental purposes and that the remainder are owner occupied. This is comparable to last January's rental proportion of 21 per cent. During 1949 an estimate of 26 per cent of new dwellings completed were built for rental compared with 25 per cent during 1948.



These estimates, as well as other statistics contained in this bulletin are the results of a nation-wide survey carried out each month by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics with the co-operation of the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. All Metropolitan areas and urban centres with a population of 5,000 or more are enumerated completely. Approximately 400 sample areas lying outside these municipalities are also chosen for complete enumeration.

In some of the tables, there appears a column headed "adjustments". These adjustments can arise in various ways. For example, after a start on a dwelling has been made, construction may cease, or a structure when completed may contain more or less dwelling units than were reported when construction commenced.

Table 1.- Construction of dwelling units in Canada and the provinces

	Under con-	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Adjustments	Under con-
	struction	Started	Completed		struction
	Jan. 1				Jan. 31
Canada 1950	59,503	2,152	6,480	- 50	55,125
Provinces:					
Newfoundland	1,334	103	-	-	1,437
Prince Edward Island	292	-	29	-	263
Nova Scotia	2,326	45	250	-	2,121
New Brunswick	1,274	85	211	- 1	1,147
Quebec	14,984	579	1,932	- 6	13,625
Ontario	23,585	1,077	2,112	- 20	22,530
Manitoba	2,781	7	245	15	2,558
Saskatchewan	1,452	17	209	- 9	1,251
Alberta	4,309	75	872	- 13	3,499
British Columbia	7,166	164	620	- 16	6,694
Canada 1949	56,456	3,066	6,643	- 27	52,852
Provinces:					
Newfoundland	*	*	*	*	*
Prince Edward Island	203	-	37	-	166
Nova Scotia	2,748	36	195	-	2,589
New Brunswick	1,069	1	93	- 1	976
Quebec	13,848	624	1,591	-	12,881
Ontario	21,112	1,248	2,449	- 12	19,899
Manitoba	2,632	12	241	- 12	2,391
Saskatchewan	1,853	7	141	-	1,719
Alberta	5,262	459	550	- 2	5,169
British Columbia	7,729	679	1,346	-	7,062
* Not available.					

Table 2.- Construction of dwelling units in rural and urban areas by regions

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31	Jan. 1 to Dec. 31		Under construction Jan. 31
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Canada	2,152	6,480	55,125	3,066	6,643	52,852
urban	1,958	5,532	41,797	2,210	5,262	42,958
5000 or more	1,958	4,541	34,857	1,993	4,552	36,638
under 5000	-	991	6,940	217	710	6,320
rural	194	948	13,328	856	1,381	9,894
non-farm	161	760	11,061	744	1,119	7,664
farm	33	188	2,267	112	262	2,230
Newfoundland	103	-	1,437	*	*	*
urban	5	-	175	*	*	*
5000 or more	5	-	175	*	*	*
under 5000	-	-	-	*	*	*
rural	98	-	1,262	*	*	*
non-farm	98	-	1,106	*	*	*
farm	-	-	156	*	*	*
Maritime Provinces	130	490	3,531	37	325	3,731
urban	130	305	2,000	37	263	2,131
5000 or more	130	161	1,372	37	263	1,750
under 5000	-	144	628	-	-	381
rural	-	185	1,531	-	62	1,600
non-farm	-	91	884	-	-	1,188
farm	-	94	647	-	62	412
Quebec	579	1,932	13,625	624	1,591	12,881
urban	579	1,866	11,749	624	1,413	11,159
5000 or more	579	1,306	10,405	624	1,385	9,869
under 5000	-	560	1,344	-	28	1,290
rural	-	66	1,876	-	178	1,722
non-farm	-	66	1,600	-	150	1,504
farm	-	-	276	-	28	218
Ontario	1,077	2,112	22,530	1,248	2,449	19,899
urban	993	1,759	15,484	930	1,815	15,492
5000 or more	993	1,675	13,294	867	1,566	13,907
under 5000	-	84	2,190	63	249	1,585
rural	84	353	7,046	318	634	4,407
non-farm	63	283	6,222	318	586	3,547
farm	21	70	824	-	48	860

\* Not available.

Table 2 - (Concluded)

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31	Jan. 1 to Dec. 31		Under construction Jan. 31
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Prairie Provinces	99	1,326	7,308	478	932	3,279
urban	87	1,124	6,475	282	729	7,912
5000 or more	87	931	4,844	128	418	5,579
under 5000	-	203	1,631	154	311	2,333
rural	12	192	833	196	203	1,367
non-farm	-	168	489	84	79	665
farm	12	24	344	112	124	702
British Columbia	164	620	6,694	679	1,346	7,062
urban	164	468	5,914	337	1,042	6,264
5000 or more	164	468	4,767	337	920	5,533
under 5000	-	-	1,147	-	122	731
rural	-	152	780	342	304	798
non-farm	-	152	760	342	304	760
farm	-	-	20	-	-	38

Table 3.- Construction of dwelling units in urban centres of 5000 or more

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31	Jan. 1 to Dec. 31		Under construction Jan. 31
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Newfoundland:						
Bell Island	-	-	8	*	*	*
Corner Brook	-	-	16	*	*	*
Grand Falls	-	-	-	*	*	*
St. John's	5	-	151	*	*	*
Prince Edward Island:						
Charlottetown	-	-	33	-	9	44
Summerside	-	1	174	-	-	10
Nova Scotia:						
Amherst	2	5	10	-	1	48
Halifax	40	46	291	22	61	491
New Glasgow	-	2	23	1	4	84
Springhill	-	1	17	1	-	16
Stellarton	1	1	5	-	21	54
Sydney	-	27	279	2	45	330
Truro	2	3	14	8	17	68
Yarmouth	-	9	15	2	12	40

\* Not available.



Table 3.- (Continued)

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
<b>New Brunswick:</b>						
Campbellton	-	-	-	-	34	-
Edmundston	-	-	4	-	15	1
Fredericton	-	3	42	-	13	213
Moncton	74	35	261	1	23	111
Saint John	11	28	204	-	3	240
<b>Quebec:</b>						
Asbestos	-	7	5	2	29	27
Chicoutimi	-	-	84	3	-	31
Drummondville	-	7	23	7	3	60
Granby	2	19	34	4	4	26
Grand'Mere	2	5	20	-	11	31
Hull	33	5	125	5	8	135
Joliette	29	7	104	8	10	89
Jonquiere	-	-	15	10	14	27
Kenogami	1	-	4	-	1	12
Lachute	1	2	4	-	-	6
La Tuque	-	-	26	-	26	14
Magog	-	4	6	1	-	9
Montreal	481	1,100	8,367	511	862	8,395
Quebec	8	-	807	42	286	314
Rimouski	-	13	16	-	10	39
Riviere du Loup	-	14	19	-	-	13
Rouyn	-	-	76	-	-	36
St. Hyacinthe	-	-	55	-	-	50
St. Jean	-	46	71	5	45	68
St. Jerome	-	6	105	-	4	29
St. Joseph d'Alma	-	2	49	1	-	23
St. Joseph de Grantham	-	-	-	-	-	4
Shawinigan Falls	-	1	14	-	3	67
Sherbrooke	13	18	142	3	14	108
Sorel	-	-	7	-	-	20
Thetford Mines	-	3	11	-	2	16
Trois Rivières	9	30	149	16	53	178
Valleyfield	-	5	40	1	-	8
Victoriaville	-	7	27	-	-	34
<b>Ontario:</b>						
Barrie	11	17	74	-	16	61
Belleville	-	11	249	4	27	318
Brampton	-	2	31	-	-	28
Brantford	16	38	223	-	24	206
Brockville	6	4	37	7	4	50
Chatham	-	-	125	28	26	182
Cobourg	2	5	21	1	1	95

Table 3.- (Continued)

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Ontario: (Cont'd)						
Collingwood	-	-	26	1	1	39
Cornwall	10	8	63	9	19	63
Dundas	-	5	2	5	11	18
Fort Erie	12	1	22	-	2	50
Fort Frances	-	-	45	-	4	28
Fort William	-	29	143	1	33	177
Galt	-	6	123	4	14	87
Guelph	2	6	95	11	24	166
Hamilton	81	76	1,048	144	109	1,258
Hawkesbury	-	-	11	1	1	12
Ingersoll	1	-	23	-	-	22
Kenora	-	-	18	-	-	28
Kingston	23	22	88	8	16	137
Kitchener	31	48	468	21	89	640
Leamington	3	-	28	1	8	31
Lindsay	-	4	25	6	8	26
London	27	76	909	69	90	812
Midland	3	-	18	-	2	11
Niagara Falls	13	23	212	2	6	288
North Bay	1	7	31	-	24	58
Orillia	7	15	21	2	2	69
Oshawa	-	12	95	6	9	138
Ottawa	229	98	871	65	112	756
Owen Sound	-	-	24	-	14	48
Parry Sound	1	-	8	-	-	-
Pembroke	6	2	41	7	9	100
Peterborough	4	35	231	4	37	284
Port Arthur	-	12	130	-	20	139
Port Colborne	-	2	14	-	1	21
Port Hope	-	7	44	2	-	53
Preston	-	-	9	-	3	21
Renfrew	5	1	13	2	6	56
St. Catharines	19	29	281	1	3	355
St. Thomas	1	23	47	2	35	87
Sarnia	9	29	235	9	42	445
Sault Ste. Marie	5	28	103	1	23	114
Simcoe	-	-	22	6	8	46
Smith's Falls	21	4	30	-	7	14
Stratford	-	-	90	-	11	112
Sudbury	3	9	97	7	7	117
Thorold	1	2	24	1	9	85
Timmins	1	2	27	-	-	36
Toronto	388	824	5,882	411	457	4,830

Table 3.- (Concluded)

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31	Jan. 1 to Jan. 31		Under construction Jan. 31
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Ontario: (Concl'd)						
Trenton	-	-	25	-	32	44
Welland	1	19	89	-	13	154
Whitby	-	1	18	1	8	14
Windsor	49	96	616	16	133	744
Woodstock	1	7	49	1	6	134
Manitoba:						
Brandon	1	6	21	-	11	113
Portage la Prairie	-	-	62	1	3	1
Winnipeg	6	239	1,819	11	152	1,931
Saskatchewan:						
Moose Jaw	-	6	49	-	-	136
North Battleford	-	11	7	-	-	59
Prince Albert	1	-	106	-	-	103
Regina	3	87	277	-	32	194
Saskatoon	1	14	228	7	13	141
Swift Current	-	7	23	-	-	102
Weyburn	-	-	7	-	-	53
Yorkton	-	4	13	-	-	104
Alberta:						
Calgary	9	111	697	52	121	1,084
Edmonton	48	306	1,288	48	80	1,125
Lethbridge	18	130	177	8	5	260
Medicine Hat	-	10	70	1	1	173
British Columbia:						
Kamloops	-	-	39	-	1	34
Kelowna	2	10	42	-	13	79
Nanaimo	3	8	218	11	21	167
Nelson	-	-	11	-	5	9
Prince George	-	-	13	-	-	-
Prince Rupert	2	4	11	-	-	5
Trail	-	3	75	6	6	248
Vancouver	156	428	3,313	241	750	4,121
Vernon	1	6	11	1	17	33
Victoria	-	9	1,034	78	107	837

Table 4.- Monthly starts by regions

	Canada	Newfoundland	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1948 January	1,675	x	53	251	610	179	582
February	1,894	x	12	590	397	140	755
March	3,109	x	40	1,355	796	134	784
April	8,274	x	487	2,800	2,845	591	1,551
May	11,407	x	999	3,019	3,762	2,555	1,072
June	13,409	x	982	3,613	3,740	3,564	1,510
July	9,684	x	731	2,227	3,773	1,825	1,128
August	11,013	x	947	2,270	3,361	3,090	1,345
Sept ember	10,651	x	686	3,079	3,673	2,314	899
October	7,437	x	280	2,075	2,759	1,511	812
November	7,795	x	287	2,282	2,974	1,636	616
December	3,846	x	208	1,421	1,286	352	579
1949 January	3,066	x	37	624	1,248	478	679
February	1,745	x	43	535	781	127	259
March	3,585	x	128	1,386	1,255	185	631
April	8,466	x	304	2,416	3,066	1,790	890
May	12,809	x	817	3,525	4,941	2,539	987
June	10,528	x	613	3,042	3,497	2,391	985
July	9,086	x	609	2,705	3,155	1,629	988
August	8,542	x	678	2,003	2,988	1,880	993
Sept ember	10,035	x	702	2,065	4,303	1,621	1,344
October	6,964	x	552	2,182	3,883	1,667	680
November	8,434	x	340	2,157	3,455	1,817	665
December	4,249	x	200	1,556	1,451	441	601
1950 January	2,152	103	130	579	1,077	99	164

x Not available.

Table 5.- Monthly completions by regions

	Canada	Newfoundland	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1948 January	3,736	x	164	564	1,534	610	864
February	3,778	x	174	798	1,451	676	679
March	4,055	x	158	1,525	1,113	613	046
April	6,729	x	277	1,978	2,708	918	848
May	6,284	x	300	1,267	2,803	1,225	689
June	5,946	x	432	1,556	2,175	966	817
July	6,073	x	313	2,067	2,026	620	1,047
August	6,970	x	495	2,062	2,404	777	1,232
September	6,667	x	421	1,988	1,674	1,536	1,048
October	8,164	x	731	2,068	2,923	1,402	1,040
November	9,701	x	625	2,179	3,124	2,916	857
December	7,994	x	719	2,119	2,456	1,736	964
1949 January	6,643	x	325	1,591	2,449	932	1,346
February	4,807	x	358	1,159	1,881	717	692
March	6,388	x	477	1,866	2,066	1,248	731
April	7,251	x	413	2,174	2,329	1,851	484
May	7,374	x	201	1,990	2,880	1,386	917
June	7,275	x	539	1,988	2,454	1,559	735
July	6,588	x	414	2,077	2,352	1,011	804
August	9,109	x	566	2,154	3,614	1,772	1,003
September	7,563	x	398	1,607	2,571	2,041	946
October	9,059	x	365	2,655	3,034	2,037	968
November	8,700	x	615	2,194	3,224	1,882	785
December	6,776	x	444	1,527	2,586	1,358	861
1950 January	6,480	-	490	1,932	2,112	1,326	620

x Not available.

Table 6.- Dwelling units completed during January, 1950 by time under construction for Canada and the Provinces.

	Total	months				1 year or more
		1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	
Canada	6,480	966	2,686	2,030	182	616
Provinces:						
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	29	-	15	-	-	14
Nova Scotia	250	14	105	39	1	91
New Brunswick	211	12	130	11	-	58
Quebec	1,932	355	784	719	65	9
Ontario	2,112	308	736	729	80	259
Manitoba	245	18	99	127	-	1
Saskatchewan	209	49	65	52	2	41
Alberta	872	148	411	258	8	47
British Columbia	620	62	341	95	26	96

Table 7.- Dwelling units completed during January, 1950 by time under construction as a percentage of total completions for Canada and Regions

	Total	months				1 year or more
		1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	
Canada	100	15	41	31	3	10
Regions:						
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maritime Provinces	100	5	51	10	-	34
Quebec	100	18	41	37	3	1
Ontario	100	15	35	34	4	12
Prairie Provinces	100	16	43	33	1	7
British Columbia	100	10	55	15	4	16

Table 8.- Completions by month by average time under construction

	Canada	Newfoundland	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1948 average	6.5	*	6.5	5.5	6.8	6.3	7.5
1949 average	7.0	*	7.9	6.4	7.5	6.0	8.1
1948 January	7.7	*	6.0	6.8	8.7	6.7	8.1
February	6.8	*	7.5	4.5	7.1	7.2	8.2
March	7.1	*	9.5	6.0	7.4	7.6	8.0
April	7.2	*	6.8	6.6	7.2	7.9	8.0
May	7.2	*	6.1	7.1	6.7	8.1	8.1
June	6.8	*	7.6	6.2	7.1	7.5	6.6
July	6.1	*	6.4	4.5	7.4	6.9	7.0
August	6.2	*	5.5	4.6	6.8	6.3	7.7
September	5.4	*	5.4	4.2	7.0	4.9	6.3
October	6.1	*	6.1	5.1	6.6	5.1	7.7
November	6.0	*	6.7	6.1	5.7	5.5	7.8
December	6.4	*	6.7	5.8	6.5	6.1	7.5
1949 January	7.0	*	7.6	7.7	6.4	6.2	7.6
February	7.3	*	8.6	6.6	8.0	6.4	6.6
March	7.9	*	9.9	6.9	8.2	7.4	8.7
April	7.9	*	9.4	7.6	8.0	7.5	8.3
May	8.0	*	8.5	7.0	8.5	7.3	9.7
June	7.4	*	7.9	6.4	8.2	6.6	8.5
July	7.3	*	9.9	6.0	7.8	6.9	8.7
August	6.9	*	6.5	5.8	8.4	5.1	7.6
September	5.9	*	5.9	5.4	6.4	4.8	8.0
October	6.1	*	7.4	5.5	6.5	5.2	8.2
November	6.3	*	7.1	6.5	6.3	5.2	7.3
December	6.5	*	6.2	6.0	7.3	5.3	7.5
1950 January	6.8	-	8.4	5.9	7.2	6.6	7.7

\* Not available.

Table 9.- Completions during January, 1950 by type of dwelling, for Canada and the Provinces.

	Total	one family detached	two-family detached	row or terrace	Apartment or flat	Other
Canada	6,480	4,903	792	6	779	-
Provinces:						
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	29	29	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	250	246	-	-	4	-
New Brunswick	211	75	104	4	28	-
Quebec	1,932	782	664	2	484	-
Ontario	2,112	1,943	12	-	157	-
Manitoba	245	199	-	-	46	-
Saskatchewan	209	209	-	-	-	-
Alberta	872	831	12	-	29	-
British Columbia	620	589	-	-	31	-

Table 10.- Rental units completed during January, 1950 under the management of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Canada	230	226	4	-	-	-
Provinces:						
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	42	42	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec	4	4	-	-	-	-
Ontario	184	180	4	-	-	-
Manitoba	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saskatchewan	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alberta	-	-	-	-	-	-
British Columbia	-	-	-	-	-	-



Appendix 1 : Definitions

- (a) The count of dwellings which are started, completed and under construction includes only new residential construction intended for year-round occupancy. Seasonal dwellings such as summer cottages, ski shacks, etc., are not counted. Dwellings which are occupied, even if unfinished, are regarded as completed for the purposes of this survey.
- (b) Type of dwelling
- (i) 1-family detached: a one-family house open on all four sides, i.e., not joined to other buildings;
  - (ii) 2-family detached: a two-family house which contains only two dwelling units, either one above the other open on all four sides, or two units side by side each open on three sides, sometimes known as a semi-detached house;
  - (iii) row or terrace: a one-family or two-family house in a row of three or more attached houses with common or adjacent walls;
  - (iv) apartment or flat: an apartment or flat is (a) a residential structure containing three or more dwelling units, or (b) a structure used for business purposes which contains one or more dwelling units (e.g., living quarters in an office building or factory, living quarters over a store, etc.); and
  - (v) other: any type of dwelling which does not fall into one of the above classifications.
- (c) For the purpose of this survey, a dwelling unit is defined as a structurally separate set of living quarters having its own entrance from outside of the building, or from a common passage inside. The number of dwelling units in a structure will be the number of households the structure is intended to accommodate.
- (d) For the purpose of this survey, a farm must contain at least one acre and must yield agricultural produce valued at \$50 or more per year.

Appendix 2 : Reliability of the estimates

Since the estimates in this report are partially based on a sample survey, they are subject to sampling variability. This sampling variability is not present in the data on the municipalities of 5,000 and over. When the estimates include an element derived from the sample survey, the sampling error increases as the size of the estimate decreases. Care should be taken, therefore, in interpreting the precision of some of the estimates. The estimate of unfinished dwellings for the whole of Canada should be within 5 per cent of the figure which would have been obtained from a complete count.

The estimates presented in the tables are shown to the last digit instead of being rounded, not because they are assumed to be accurate to the last digit, but rather for convenience in summation and economy in processing the tabulations.

In addition to sampling variation, all the estimates are subject to errors of enumeration. However, these should be very small as the survey for the most part can be carried on without interview with a consequent elimination of all types of respondent error. A complete count by the same enumerators would contain the same enumerative error.

Appendix 3 : Metropolitan areas

Some cities in Canada have reasonably well-defined suburban areas which, for the purposes of the survey of starts and completions of dwelling units, have been included under the name of the principal city. A list of the municipalities included in these metropolitan areas is given in Housing Bulletin No. 12 pp. 17-19.

Appendix 4 : Index of residential rents

Since November, 1947, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has been collecting data on money rents from a sample of households in conjunction with the quarterly labour force survey. The aggregate rent paid by a group of households in a given month is compared with the aggregate rent paid by the same group for the same living quarters in the next month. With a matched sample such as this, variations due to changes in the sample and to non-response are eliminated, and the index is a reliable measure of the change in rent paid for the same accommodation. Rent reported is the cash rent paid in all cases regardless of minor changes in the services provided.

Index of non-farm residential rents in Canada, by region  
(October, 1947 = 100)

MONTH	Total	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1947 July	99.7	99.4	100.0	99.4	99.5	99.9
October	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1948 January	100.2	100.8	100.1	100.4	99.9	100.5
April	100.6	101.1	100.5	100.7	100.0	101.2
July	100.9	101.7	100.8	100.8	100.1	102.1
October	100.9	102.1	100.9	101.1	100.2	100.8
1949 January	101.9	102.8	101.7	102.3	101.5	102.0
February	102.0	102.9	101.7	102.4	101.6	102.1
March	102.1	103.0	101.8	102.5	101.6	102.2
April	102.3	103.1	102.0	102.7	102.1	102.3
May	102.5	103.7	102.4	102.8	102.1	102.4
June	102.9	104.0	102.7	103.2	102.7	102.7
July	103.1	104.0	102.8	103.6	103.1	102.9
August	103.3	104.4	102.9	103.8	103.4	103.1
September	103.7	104.5	103.3	104.5	103.6	103.2
October	104.1	104.7	103.6	105.0	103.9	103.2
November	104.2	104.8	103.6	105.3	104.2	103.2
December	104.5	104.4	103.9	105.7	104.6	103.3
1950 January	104.9	104.6	104.1	106.5	104.9	103.8
February	110.0	106.8	111.7	109.7	109.4	107.1
March	110.8	108.1	111.8	110.7	109.8	109.6



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