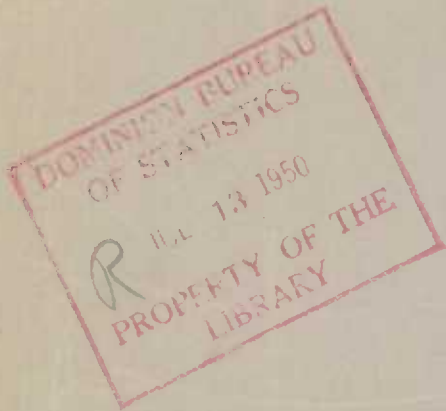


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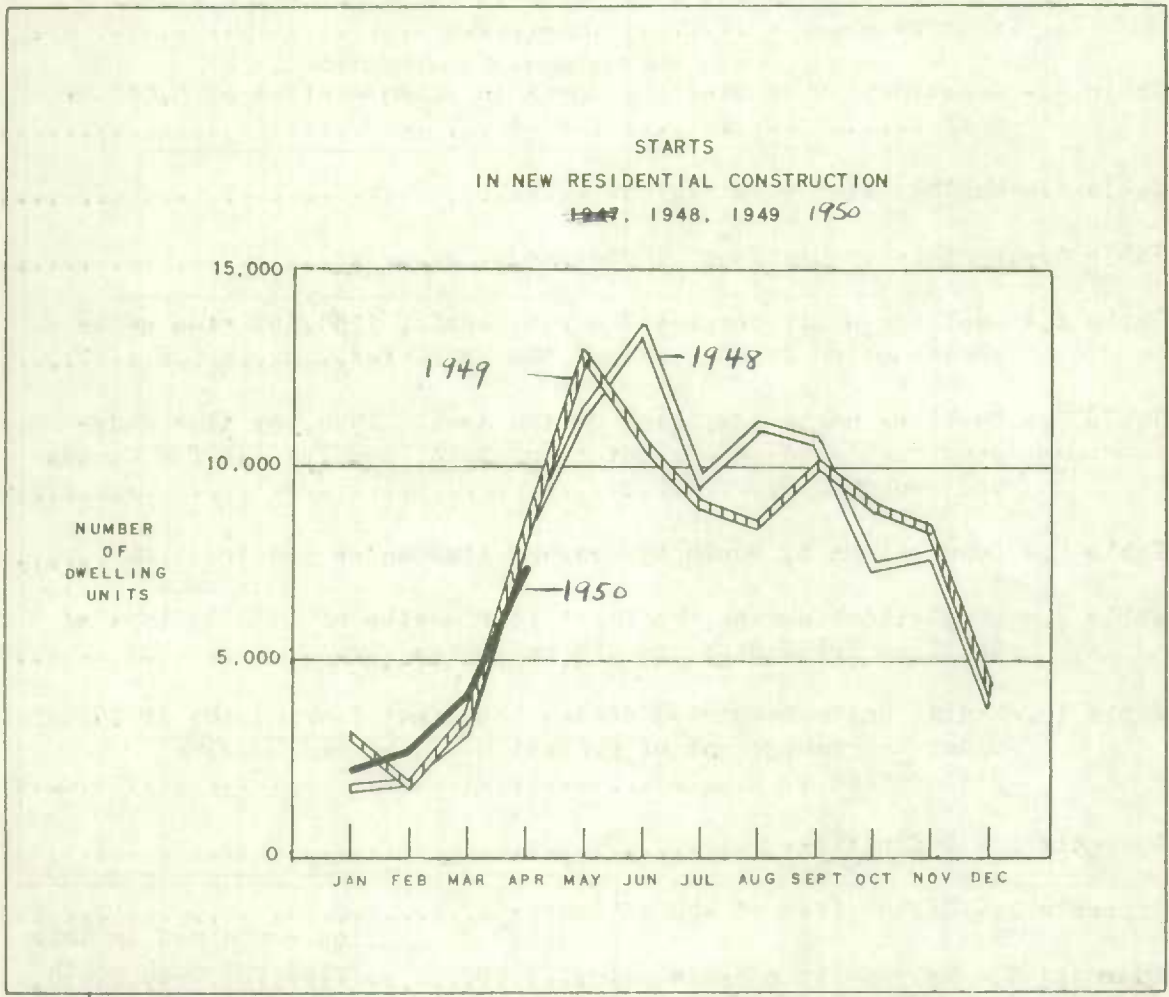
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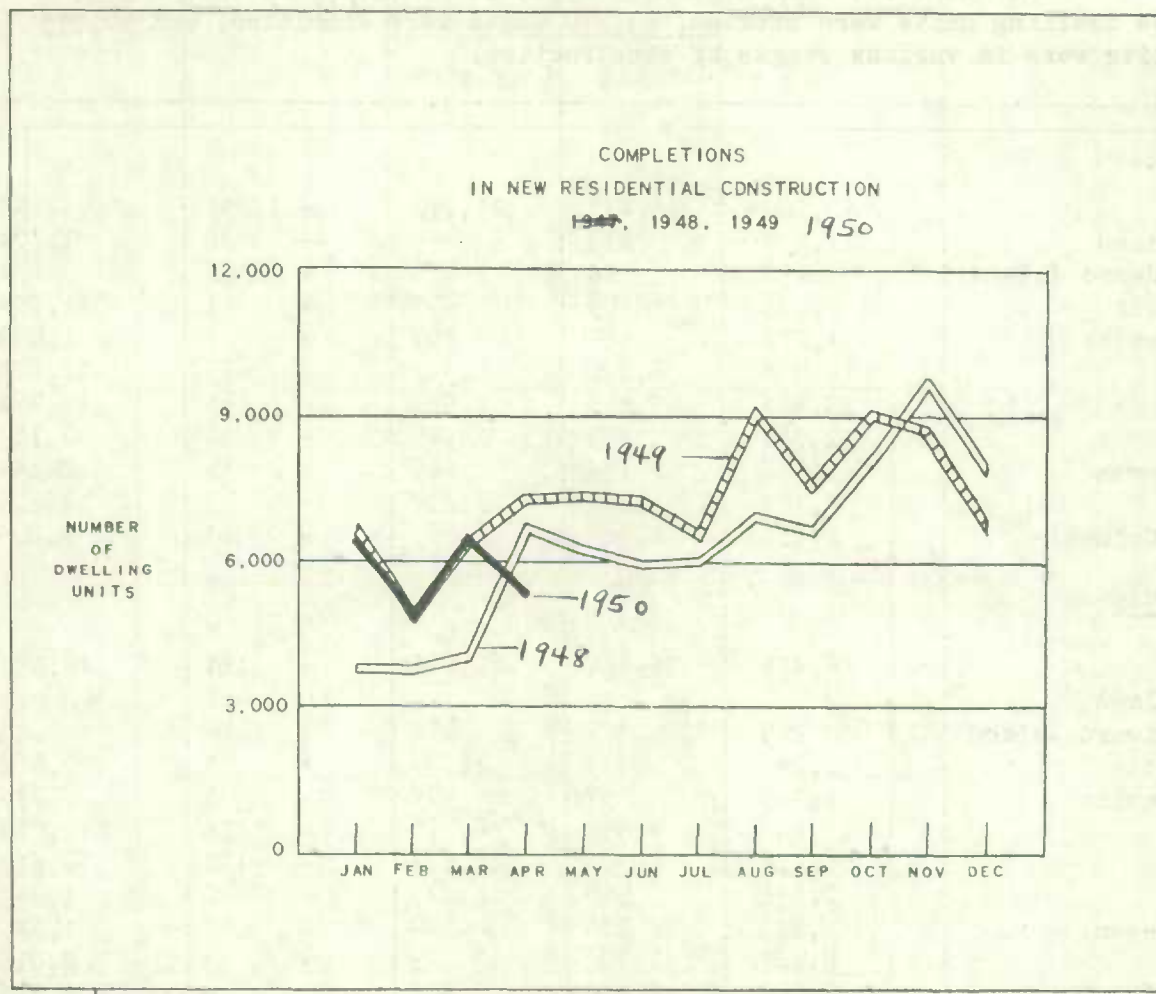
In the first four months of 1950, it is estimated that 16,437 new dwelling units were started, 23,270 units were completed, and 50,775 units were in various stages of construction.



The numbers of new dwelling units started and completed during the first four months of 1950 were somewhat lower in both cases than during the corresponding period of 1949. Considerable increases in Quebec and New Brunswick were more than overbalanced by decreases in the other provinces.

Average length of time under construction for dwelling units completed in April, 1950, was estimated to be 7.6 months.

From the types of dwelling units built, it is estimated that 28% of the units completed in the first four months of 1950 were intended for rental.



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.

A column headed "adjustments" appears in Table 1. 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 construction Jan. 1	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Adjustments	Under construction Apr. 30
		Started	Completed		
<u>1950</u>					
Canada	59,503	16,437	23,270	- 1,895	50,775
Newfoundland	1,334	213	99	+ 26	1,474
Prince Edward Island	292	14	116	+ 14	204
Nova Scotia	2,326	308	839	- 1	1,794
New Brunswick	1,274	365	583	- 7	1,049
Quebec	14,984	6,840	8,341	- 659	12,824
Ontario	23,585	5,110	7,554	- 1,165	19,976
Manitoba	2,781	409	995	- 12	2,183
Saskatchewan	1,452	173	465	- 11	1,149
Alberta	4,309	1,242	2,219	- 19	3,313
British Columbia	7,166	1,763	2,059	- 61	6,809
<u>1949</u>					
Canada	56,456	16,862	25,077	- 161	48,080
Newfoundland	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island	203	1	110	-	94
Nova Scotia	2,748	424	1,085	+ 1	2,088
New Brunswick	1,069	87	378	- 1	777
Quebec	13,848	4,961	6,778	- 16	12,015
Ontario	21,112	6,350	8,725	- 120	18,617
Manitoba	2,632	506	1,225	- 20	1,893
Saskatchewan	1,853	294	500	- 2	1,645
Alberta	5,262	1,780	3,023	- 3	4,016
British Columbia	7,729	2,459	3,253	-	6,935
<u>1948</u>					
Canada	42,215	14,951	18,298	+ 312	39,180
Newfoundland	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island	209	14	72	-	151
Nova Scotia	2,161	417	380	+ 23	2,221
New Brunswick	736	160	321	- 11	564
Quebec	9,076	4,996	4,865	- 33	9,174
Ontario	17,243	4,648	6,806	+ 121	15,206
Manitoba	2,315	356	979	-	1,692
Saskatchewan	1,469	194	622	- 14	1,027
Alberta	2,310	494	1,216	+ 150	1,738
British Columbia	6,696	3,672	3,037	+ 76	7,407

Note - Newfoundland included only in 1950.

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

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Canada	16,437	23,270	50,775	16,862	25,077	48,080
urban	14,763	20,027	39,241	13,406	21,357	37,926
5000 or more	14,060	17,569	33,065	12,111	18,344	32,885
under 5000	703	2,458	6,176	1,295	3,013	5,041
rural	1,674	3,243	11,534	3,456	3,720	10,154
non-farm	1,450	2,756	9,375	3,122	2,891	8,270
farm	224	487	2,159	334	829	1,884
Newfoundland	213	99	1,474	..	..	..
urban	71	66	201	..	..	..
5000 or more	71	66	201	..	..	..
under 5000	-	-	-	..	..	..
rural	142	33	1,273	..	..	..
non-farm	142	33	1,117	..	..	..
farm	-	-	156	..	..	..
Maritime Provinces	687	1,538	3,047	512	1,573	2,959
urban	464	1,200	1,432	264	1,147	1,475
5000 or more	413	782	1,027	264	1,135	1,106
under 5000	51	418	405	-	12	369
rural	223	338	1,615	248	426	1,484
non-farm	200	153	1,036	248	290	1,146
farm	23	185	579	-	136	338
Quebec	6,840	8,341	12,824	4,961	6,778	12,015
urban	6,540	7,803	11,120	4,731	6,088	10,575
5000 or more	6,303	6,564	10,218	4,675	5,749	9,540
under 5000	237	1,239	902	56	339	1,035
rural	300	538	1,704	230	690	1,440
non-farm	272	500	1,438	230	578	1,306
farm	28	38	266	-	112	134
Ontario	5,110	7,554	19,976	6,350	8,725	18,617
urban	4,515	6,089	14,524	4,370	7,212	13,427
5000 or more	4,425	5,783	12,466	4,016	6,354	12,214
under 5000	90	306	2,058	354	858	1,213
rural	595	1,465	5,452	1,980	1,513	5,190
non-farm	520	1,374	4,595	1,806	1,258	4,363
farm	75	91	857	174	255	827

Note - Newfoundland included only in 1950.

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

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Prairie Provinces	1,824	3,679	6,645	2,580	4,748	7,554
urban	1,638	3,152	5,973	2,172	4,151	6,370
5000 or more	1,320	2,711	4,262	1,419	2,709	4,569
under 5000	318	441	1,711	753	1,442	1,801
rural	186	527	672	408	597	1,184
non-farm	88	354	391	268	271	657
farm	98	173	281	140	326	527
British Columbia	1,763	2,059	6,809	2,459	3,253	6,935
urban	1,535	1,717	5,991	1,869	2,759	6,079
5000 or more	1,528	1,663	4,891	1,737	2,397	5,456
under 5000	7	54	1,100	132	362	623
rural	228	342	818	590	494	856
non-farm	228	342	798	570	494	798
farm	-	-	20	20	-	58

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

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Newfoundland						
Bell Island	8	4	12	..	..	..
Corner Brook	-	-	16	..	..	..
Grand Falls	-	-	-	..	..	..
St. John's	63	62	173	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island						
Charlottetown	-	5	28	1	38	16
Summerside	-	41	134	-	2	8
Nova Scotia						
Amherst	2	7	7	1	37	13
Halifax	166	208	255	144	336	338
New Glasgow	-	8	17	1	40	46
Springhill	-	8	10	1	7	9

Note - Newfoundland included only in 1950.



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

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Nova Scotia - Con.						
Stellarton	1	2	4	-	65	9
Sydney	41	132	215	41	159	255
Truro	8	9	14	20	43	54
Yarmouth	10	17	17	11	30	35
New Brunswick						
Campbellton	-	-	-	1	35	-
Edmundston	8	4	8	-	16	-
Fredericton	3	16	32	3	219	15
Moncton	145	182	179	1	80	54
Saint John	29	143	107	39	28	254
Quebec						
Asbestos	14	13	13	4	53	5
Chicoutimi	12	9	87	17	26	14
Drummondville	82	34	78	24	28	52
Granby	22	42	30	16	21	21
Grand'Mere	23	13	32	10	21	31
Hull	133	92	138	30	69	91
Joliette	40	88	34	28	35	84
Jonquiere	2	9	8	16	24	23
Kenogami	10	1	12	7	12	8
Lachute	14	3	16	1	-	7
La Tuque	-	4	22	24	37	27
Magog	36	6	40	10	7	11
Montreal	5,186	5,060	8,482	3,682	4,451	7,971
Quebec	361	673	471	264	445	377
Rimouski	-	29	-	-	31	18
Riviere du Loup	-	33	-	-	7	6
Rouyn	-	-	76	-	-	36
St. Hyacinthe	42	48	49	15	51	16
St. Jean	38	91	64	46	90	65
St. Jerome	29	32	108	28	27	34
St. Joseph d'Alma	5	15	41	12	3	31
St. Joseph de Grantham	12	-	12	4	-	8
Shawinigan Falls	22	8	26	16	39	47
Sherbrooke	79	44	182	92	70	141
Sorel	1	6	2	5	2	23
Thetford Mines	11	19	11	23	10	31
Trois Rivieres	92	134	126	243	152	301
Valleyfield	27	34	38	40	5	42
Victoriaville	10	24	20	18	33	19

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

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Ontario						
Barrie	22	62	40	15	47	45
Belleville	37	62	235	6	86	261
Brampton	7	11	29	11	13	26
Brantford	112	217	186	221	146	305
Brockville	16	22	29	41	9	79
Chatham	19	69	75	48	84	144
Cobourg	5	7	22	2	16	81
Collingwood	-	17	9	6	13	32
Cornwall	33	54	40	30	58	45
Dundas	2	5	21	12	16	20
Fort Erie	13	7	17	-	42	10
Fort Frances	-	10	35	-	13	19
Fort William	8	130	50	48	142	115
Galt	28	52	105	11	37	71
Guelph	34	46	87	29	49	159
Hamilton	236	365	855	423	501	1,108
Hawkesbury	5	4	12	3	8	7
Ingersoll	8	3	27	11	8	25
Kenora	-	-	26	-	-	28
Kingston	71	73	85	23	47	121
Kitchener	181	296	370	113	266	555
Leamington	5	7	23	5	15	28
Lindsay	2	9	22	12	19	20
London	343	396	901	303	317	823
Midland	8	13	9	4	9	8
Niagara Falls	27	73	149	53	114	231
North Bay	11	20	28	7	57	32
Orillia	19	27	20	9	28	50
Oshawa	30	53	84	73	108	106
Ottawa	898	417	1,201	177	491	475
Owen Sound	4	8	20	9	48	23
Parry Sound	2	3	6	-	-	-
Pembroke	17	27	27	22	62	62
Peterborough	47	152	159	50	132	225
Port Arthur	3	85	60	40	120	78
Port Colborne	12	7	21	2	7	17
Port Hope	4	15	40	2	6	47
Preston	3	4	8	2	13	13
Renfrew	8	6	11	7	15	52
St. Catharines	46	84	251	74	143	288
St. Thomas	9	12	46	24	78	66
Sarnia	24	39	240	89	158	409
Sault Ste. Marie	17	100	43	35	78	93
Simcoe	7	11	18	10	26	32

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

	1950			1949		
	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30	Jan. 1 to Apr. 30		Under construction Apr. 30
	Started	Completed		Started	Completed	
Ontario - con.						
Smith's Falls	24	14	23	5	12	14
Stratford	8	34	64	9	33	99
Sudbury	36	52	87	43	74	82
Thorold	5	10	20	2	43	52
Timmins	3	6	25	2	10	28
Toronto	1,658	2,155	5,821	1,721	1,815	4,797
Trenton	16	4	37	1	61	12
Welland	14	48	14	6	57	117
Whitby	15	17	15	27	16	32
Windsor	257	325	595	118	548	431
Woodstock	6	38	23	20	40	116
Manitoba						
Brandon	23	18	31	14	67	71
Portage la Prairie	-	34	28	6	3	6
Winnipeg	314	871	1,468	432	931	1,565
Saskatchewan						
Moose Jaw	2	12	45	13	58	90
North Battleford	1	12	7	4	14	49
Prince Albert	21	44	82	5	40	68
Regina	47	197	211	105	86	245
Saskatoon	56	65	230	61	71	137
Swift Current	-	14	16	6	19	89
Weyburn	2	3	6	-	23	30
Yorkton	-	6	11	8	41	71
Alberta						
Calgary	484	421	862	321	724	749
Edmonton	233	760	1,019	370	463	1,064
Lethbridge	93	219	160	47	109	195
Medicine Hat	44	35	86	27	60	140
British Columbia						
Kamloops	11	23	27	26	8	53
Kelowna	32	24	58	44	42	94
Nanaimo	35	57	201	80	76	181
Nelson	12	4	19	2	7	9
Prince George	-	3	10	2	-	2
Prince Rupert	6	8	9	-	-	5
Trail	14	32	27	47	25	270
Vancouver	1,182	1,281	3,486	1,208	1,878	3,960
Vernon	15	10	21	6	26	29
Victoria	221	221	1,033	322	335	853

Table 4. Monthly starts by regions

	Canada	Newfound- land	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1948 January	1,675	..	53	251	610	179	582
February	1,894	..	12	590	397	140	755
March	3,109	..	40	1,355	796	134	784
April	8,274	..	487	2,800	2,845	591	1,551
May	11,407	..	999	3,019	3,762	2,555	1,072
June	13,409	..	982	3,613	3,740	3,564	1,510
July	9,684	..	731	2,227	3,773	1,825	1,128
August	11,013	..	947	2,270	3,361	3,090	1,345
September	10,651	..	686	3,079	3,673	2,314	899
October	7,437	..	280	2,075	2,759	1,511	812
November	7,795	..	287	2,282	2,974	1,636	616
December	3,846	..	208	1,421	1,286	352	579
1949 January	3,066	..	37	624	1,248	478	679
February	1,745	..	43	535	781	127	259
March	3,585	..	128	1,386	1,255	185	631
April	8,466	..	304	2,416	3,066	1,790	890
May	12,809	..	817	3,525	4,941	2,539	987
June	10,528	..	613	3,042	3,497	2,391	985
July	9,086	..	609	2,705	3,155	1,629	988
August	8,542	..	678	2,003	2,988	1,880	993
September	10,035	..	702	2,065	4,303	1,621	1,344
October	8,964	..	552	2,182	3,883	1,667	680
November	8,434	..	340	2,157	3,455	1,817	665
December	4,249	..	200	1,556	1,451	441	601
1950 January	2,152	103	130	579	1,077	99	164
February	2,694	-	36	1,136	1,133	181	208
March	4,169	58	135	1,857	1,256	319	544
April	7,422	52	386	3,268	1,644	1,225	847

Note - Newfoundland included only in 1950.

Table 5.- Monthly completions by regions

	Canada	Newfound- land	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
1948 January	3,736	..	164	564	1,534	610	864
February	3,778	..	174	798	1,451	676	679
March	4,055	..	158	1,525	1,113	613	646
April	6,729	..	277	1,978	2,708	918	848
May	6,284	..	300	1,267	2,803	1,225	689
June	5,946	..	432	1,556	2,175	966	817
July	6,073	..	313	2,067	2,026	620	1,047
August	6,970	..	495	2,062	2,404	777	1,232
September	6,667	..	421	1,988	1,674	1,536	1,048
October	8,164	..	731	2,068	2,923	1,402	1,040
November	9,701	..	625	2,179	3,124	2,916	857
December	7,994	..	719	2,119	2,456	1,736	964
1949 January	6,643	..	325	1,591	2,449	932	1,346
February	4,807	..	358	1,159	1,881	717	692
March	6,388	..	477	1,866	2,066	1,248	731
April	7,251	..	413	2,174	2,329	1,851	484
May	7,374	..	201	1,990	2,880	1,386	917
June	7,275	..	539	1,988	2,454	1,559	735
July	6,588	..	414	2,007	2,352	1,011	804
August	9,109	..	566	2,154	3,614	1,772	1,003
September	7,563	..	398	1,607	2,571	2,041	946
October	9,059	..	365	2,655	3,034	2,037	968
November	8,700	..	615	2,194	3,224	1,882	785
December	6,776	..	444	1,527	2,586	1,358	861
1950 January	6,480	-	490	1,932	2,112	1,326	620
February	4,815	1	341	1,925	1,546	605	397
March	6,578	81	378	2,652	2,112	901	454
April	5,397	17	329	1,832	1,784	847	588

Note - Newfoundland included only in 1950.

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

	Total	Months				Over 1 year
		1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	
Canada	5,397	261	1,923	2,147	820	246
Newfoundland	17	17	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	17	-	1	1	14	1
Nova Scotia	249	7	107	100	33	2
New Brunswick	63	2	8	21	30	2
Quebec	1,832	91	699	757	236	49
Ontario	1,784	108	566	651	340	119
Manitoba	220	8	23	143	43	3
Saskatchewan	98	17	32	27	17	5
Alberta	529	2	298	167	60	2
British Columbia	588	9	189	280	47	63

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

	Total	Months				Over 1 year
		1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Canada	100	5	36	40	15	4
Newfoundland	100	100	-	-	-	-
Maritime Provinces	100	3	35	37	23	2
Quebec	100	5	38	41	13	3
Ontario	100	6	32	36	19	7
Prairie Provinces	100	3	42	40	14	1
British Columbia	100	1	32	48	8	11

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

	Canada	Newfound- land	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
February	7.2	-	7.3	6.2	7.4	8.3	9.6
March	7.0	3.0	7.5	6.4	7.2	7.1	9.6
April	7.6	2.0	7.6	7.3	8.0	7.1	8.6

Note - Newfoundland included only in 1950.

Table 9.- Completions during the first four months of 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	23,270	17,094	2,306	6	3,798	64
Newfoundland	99	99	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	116	107	2	-	7	-
Nova Scotia	839	833	-	-	6	-
New Brunswick	583	415	106	4	58	-
Quebec	8,341	3,338	2,124	2	2,844	33
Ontario	7,554	7,001	54	2	478	19
Manitoba	995	883	4	-	108	-
Saskatchewan	465	465	-	-	-	-
Alberta	2,219	2,083	14	-	118	4
British Columbia	2,059	1,870	2	-	179	8

Table 10.- Rental units completed during the first four months of 1950 under the  
management of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

	Total	One-family detached	Two-family detached	Row or terrace	Apartment or flat	Other
Canada	1,564	1,544	12	-	8	-
Newfoundland	40	40	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	25	25	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	245	245	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	134	134	-	-	-	-
Quebec	59	51	8	-	-	-
Ontario	563	559	4	-	-	-
Manitoba	147	147	-	-	-	-
Saskatchewan	89	89	-	-	-	-
Alberta	86	86	-	-	-	-
British Columbia	176	168	-	-	8	-



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	110.6	108.1	111.8	110.7	109.8	108.0



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