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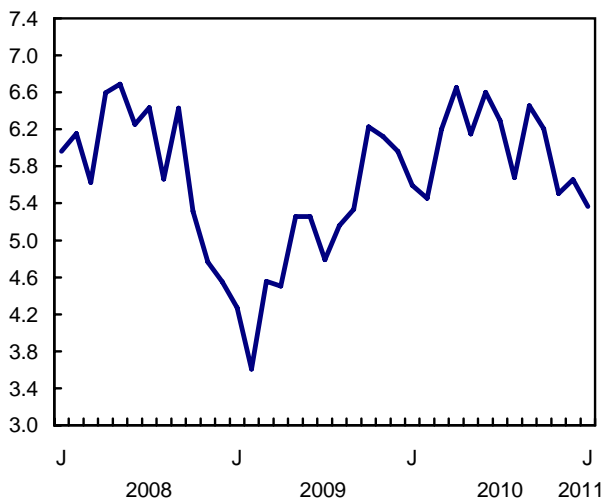
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Total value of permits

\$ billions



In the non-residential sector, the value of permits fell 13.3% to \$1.7 billion, a third consecutive monthly decline and the lowest level since February 2009. The January 2011 decrease came from lower construction intentions in all components, with the largest drops in Alberta and British Columbia.

In the residential sector, the value of permits edged down 0.9% to \$3.7 billion following a 19.6% increase in December. The decrease in January occurred mainly as a result of declines in the value for multiple dwellings in Ontario, following a sizeable increase in December.

The total value of building permits decreased in six provinces, led by Ontario and Alberta. Quebec recorded by far the largest increase.

Note to readers

Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted data, which eases comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations.

The Building Permits Survey covers 2,400 municipalities representing 95% of the population. It provides an early indication of building activity.

The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small, and their levels of building activity have little impact on the total.

The value of planned construction activities shown in this release excludes engineering projects (for example, waterworks, sewers or culverts) and land.

For the purpose of this release, the census metropolitan area of Ottawa-Gatineau (Ontario/Quebec) is divided into two areas: Gatineau part and Ottawa part.

Revision

Preliminary data are provided for the current reference month.

With this release, seasonal adjustment options were reviewed to take into account the most recent data. Revised seasonally adjusted estimates for each month in the three previous years are released at the same time as the annual revision to the unadjusted data.

Non-residential sector: Declines in all three components

In the industrial component, the value of permits fell 33.5% to \$303 million, as a result of lower intentions for utilities and transportation buildings in Alberta and Ontario. Both provinces had recorded higher construction intentions for these types of buildings in December.

In the institutional component, the value of permits decreased 19.4% to \$346 million. This fourth consecutive monthly decrease brought the value of permits to their lowest level since February 2005. The decline in January was largely attributable to lower construction intentions for religious buildings in Ontario and Saskatchewan, as well as for day care and nursing homes in Ontario, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

In the commercial component, municipalities issued permits worth \$1.0 billion in January, 1.7% less than in December and a third consecutive monthly decline. The January decrease was mainly a result of lower construction intentions for office buildings in Alberta and for retail and wholesale outlets in Ontario and Alberta.

Residential sector: Single and multi-family permits move in opposite directions

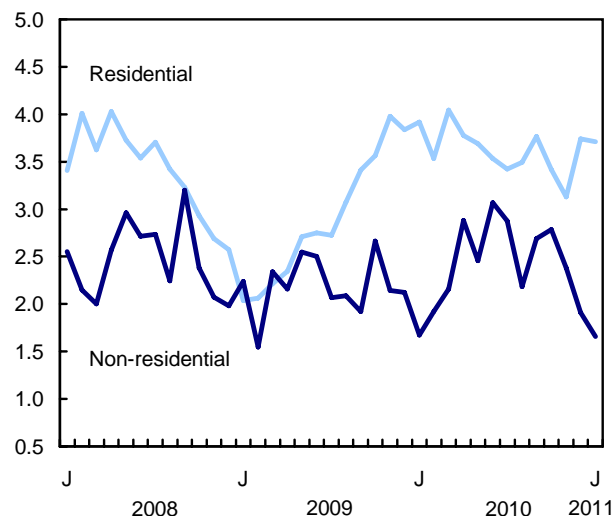
The value of building permits for single-family dwellings increased for a third consecutive month, up 12.2% from December to \$2.3 billion in January. This was their highest level since April 2010. The advance was a result of higher construction intentions in eight provinces, led by Quebec.

Following a strong gain in December, municipalities issued \$1.4 billion in building permits for multi-family dwellings in January, down 17.5% from the previous month. Ontario was by far the province with the largest decrease in the value of multi-family permits. Multi-family construction intentions were also down in six other provinces.

Municipalities across Canada approved 18,057 new dwellings in January, up 2.0% from December. The increase came from single-family dwellings, which rose 8.8% to 7,562 units. The number of multi-family dwellings declined 2.3% to 10,495 units.

Residential and non-residential sectors

\$ billions



Declines in Ontario and Alberta, increase in Quebec

In January, the total value of building permits fell in six provinces.

The largest decreases occurred in Ontario and Alberta. In Ontario, the decline was attributable

to lower construction intentions for multi-family dwellings, which had posted a significant increase in December. In Alberta, the decrease came from the non-residential sector and, to a lesser extent, multi-family dwellings. Manitoba and British Columbia also registered declines because of lower construction intentions for non-residential buildings.

In contrast, Quebec reported by far the largest increase, led by the residential sector. Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island also posted gains.

Permits down in most census metropolitan areas

The total value of permits fell in 21 of the 34 census metropolitan areas.

The largest declines occurred in Toronto, Calgary and Kitchener–Cambridge–Waterloo. In Toronto, the decrease came mostly from multi-family dwellings and, to a lesser degree, the industrial component. The decline in Calgary was primarily a result of lower construction intentions for multi-family dwellings and commercial buildings. In Kitchener–Cambridge–Waterloo, the drop came mainly from multi-family permits.

In contrast, Montréal and Ottawa posted the biggest gains. The increase in Montréal came from both the residential and non-residential sectors, with multi-family dwellings accounting for two-thirds of the gain. In Ottawa, the advance was the result of higher construction intentions in most components except industrial buildings.

Available on CANSIM: tables 026-0001 to 026-0008 and 026-0010.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2802.

The January 2011 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001-X, free) will be available soon.

The February building permit data will be released on April 7.

To order data, contact Jasmine Gaudreault (toll-free 1-800-579-8533; 613-951-6321; bdp_information@statcan.gc.ca). For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Mariane Bien-Aimé (613-951-7520), Investment and Capital Stock Division.

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Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, Canada

	January 2010	November 2010	December 2010 ^r	January 2011 ^p	December 2010 to January 2011	January 2010 to January 2011
Seasonally adjusted						
	\$ millions				% change	
Total	5,592.1	5,508.4	5,654.4	5,367.3	-5.1	-4.0
Residential	3,918.3	3,129.5	3,742.9	3,709.7	-0.9	-5.3
Single ¹	2,594.6	2,073.0	2,093.8	2,349.7	12.2	-9.4
Multiple	1,323.7	1,056.5	1,649.2	1,360.0	-17.5	2.7
Non-residential	1,673.8	2,378.9	1,911.5	1,657.6	-13.3	-1.0
Industrial	250.8	449.6	455.7	302.9	-33.5	20.8
Commercial	982.0	1,299.5	1,026.2	1,008.4	-1.7	2.7
Institutional	441.0	629.8	429.6	346.4	-19.4	-21.5
	number of units				% change	
Total dwellings	18,348	14,142	17,696	18,057	2.0	-1.6
Single ¹	8,971	6,818	6,953	7,562	8.8	-15.7
Multiples	9,377	7,324	10,743	10,495	-2.3	11.9

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^p preliminary

1. Included in this category are the following types of dwellings: single-detached, mobile home and cottage.

Note: Data may not add to totals as a result of rounding.

Value of building permits, by province and territory

	January 2010	November 2010	December 2010 ^r	January 2011 ^p	December 2010 to January 2011	January 2010 to January 2011
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Non-residential	1,673.8	2,378.9	1,911.5	1,657.6	-13.3	-1.0
Newfoundland and Labrador	87.5	91.3	76.0	92.1	21.2	5.4
Residential	75.0	58.3	67.6	80.1	18.5	6.8
Non-residential	12.4	33.0	8.4	12.0	43.9	-3.1
Prince Edward Island	10.8	22.2	23.5	26.5	12.9	145.7
Residential	9.0	13.5	16.2	19.3	19.0	114.1
Non-residential	1.8	8.7	7.3	7.2	-0.7	305.3
Nova Scotia	131.7	126.4	93.5	105.6	12.9	-19.8
Residential	102.6	84.7	79.7	65.6	-17.7	-36.1
Non-residential	29.0	41.7	13.8	40.0	190.0	37.8
New Brunswick	56.5	83.5	76.8	53.4	-30.4	-5.4
Residential	34.3	46.5	40.7	28.2	-30.6	-17.6
Non-residential	22.2	37.1	36.1	25.2	-30.2	13.6
Quebec	1,227.9	1,293.5	1,033.2	1,365.4	32.2	11.2
Residential	991.3	751.7	749.0	1,059.9	41.5	6.9
Non-residential	236.5	541.8	284.2	305.5	7.5	29.1
Ontario	2,263.5	2,039.5	2,493.5	2,128.8	-14.6	-6.0
Residential	1,399.6	1,140.4	1,687.8	1,311.1	-22.3	-6.3
Non-residential	864.0	899.1	805.7	817.8	1.5	-5.4
Manitoba	120.3	146.5	163.6	135.3	-17.3	12.5
Residential	99.3	83.9	116.5	119.9	2.9	20.8
Non-residential	21.0	62.6	47.2	15.4	-67.4	-26.7
Saskatchewan	119.0	172.1	205.7	199.2	-3.1	67.5
Residential	76.4	116.4	123.4	109.6	-11.2	43.5
Non-residential	42.6	55.7	82.2	89.6	9.0	110.6
Alberta	890.3	866.7	866.9	665.5	-23.2	-25.3
Residential	603.2	445.4	467.2	438.3	-6.2	-27.3
Non-residential	287.1	421.3	399.7	227.1	-43.2	-20.9
British Columbia	680.9	654.5	616.6	588.5	-4.5	-13.6
Residential	524.8	384.7	391.2	472.2	20.7	-10.0
Non-residential	156.1	269.8	225.5	116.4	-48.4	-25.4
Yukon	3.0	11.1	3.3	6.4	97.0	116.9
Residential	2.5	3.6	2.7	5.2	91.7	106.1
Non-residential	0.4	7.5	0.5	1.2	124.2	182.9
Northwest Territories	1.0	1.0	1.9	0.4	-77.3	-54.7
Residential	0.2	0.4	1.0	0.2	-76.5	30.1
Non-residential	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.2	-78.1	-73.8
Nunavut	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	400.0	...
Residential	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	300.0	...
Non-residential	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Value of building permits, by census metropolitan area¹

	January 2010	November 2010	December 2010 ^r	January 2011 ^p	December 2010 to January 2011	January 2010 to January 2011
Seasonally adjusted						
	\$ millions			% change		
Total: Census metropolitan areas	4,156.4	3,886.7	4,227.3	3,968.9	-6.1	-4.5
St. John's	67.4	58.4	42.0	55.9	33.1	-17.1
Halifax	75.3	83.4	48.7	44.4	-8.8	-41.0
Moncton	8.2	26.6	13.8	11.2	-18.9	36.2
Saint John	9.3	19.1	11.7	11.7	-0.3	25.3
Saguenay	8.5	19.6	10.4	11.6	11.9	35.9
Québec	150.0	117.9	120.2	126.7	5.4	-15.5
Sherbrooke	35.7	21.8	35.5	35.6	0.4	-0.3
Trois-Rivières	18.8	21.1	27.1	9.2	-65.9	-50.8
Montréal	634.8	581.3	428.4	731.7	70.8	15.3
Ottawa–Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	187.8	292.6	169.7	289.2	70.4	54.0
Gatineau part	63.6	104.2	40.2	55.8	38.9	-12.2
Ottawa part	124.2	188.4	129.5	233.3	80.2	87.8
Kingston	10.1	40.4	21.5	7.5	-65.1	-26.0
Peterborough	6.5	12.1	2.8	2.2	-21.7	-66.7
Oshawa	73.5	51.1	37.6	50.3	33.8	-31.5
Toronto	1,157.5	873.8	1,301.8	1,047.3	-19.5	-9.5
Hamilton	86.7	77.8	106.9	117.3	9.8	35.3
St. Catharines–Niagara	32.4	47.7	40.4	30.8	-23.8	-5.0
Kitchener–Cambridge–Waterloo	236.7	113.6	288.0	167.5	-41.8	-29.2
Brantford	11.9	10.0	12.1	7.4	-39.4	-38.2
Guelph	22.0	30.0	10.8	12.1	12.8	-44.8
London	80.8	71.8	74.9	48.2	-35.7	-40.4
Windsor	13.6	23.5	52.2	9.3	-82.1	-31.2
Barrie	16.2	18.1	11.3	7.2	-36.6	-55.8
Greater Sudbury	6.8	43.6	45.4	23.7	-47.7	249.6
Thunder Bay	1.3	4.5	4.7	6.0	28.6	346.8
Winnipeg	67.6	87.2	106.6	99.5	-6.6	47.3
Regina	35.8	32.6	34.3	108.2	215.6	202.2
Saskatoon	40.4	85.6	105.3	61.5	-41.6	52.1
Calgary	280.4	227.0	309.6	181.6	-41.4	-35.3
Edmonton	308.6	288.9	256.5	205.7	-19.8	-33.4
Kelowna	31.0	23.9	33.9	16.6	-51.0	-46.4
Abbotsford–Mission	12.0	19.0	57.1	6.4	-88.8	-46.8
Vancouver	365.6	340.4	328.1	380.1	15.8	4.0
Victoria	63.1	122.4	78.1	45.4	-41.8	-28.0

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1. Go online to view the census subdivisions that comprise the census metropolitan areas.

Note: Data may not add to totals as a result of rounding.



Salary and salary scales of full-time teaching staff at Canadian universities

2009/2010 (supplementary)

Preliminary data on the salaries of full-time teaching staff at 68 Canadian universities for the 2009/2010 academic year was released in *The Daily* on September 28, 2010.

Information is now available on the salaries of full-time teaching staff at additional Canadian universities, along with information on the salary scales for selected institutions for the 2009/2010 academic year. The institutions that are included are all those that have completed the survey by the middle of February 2011.

The information is collected annually under the University and College Academic Staff System.

As more information becomes available, it will be released periodically. Once information for all institutions has been received, a final report will be issued. Also available are special requests from this data set.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3101.

For further information or to order data, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-800-307-3382; 613-951-7608; fax: 613-951-9040; educationstats@statcan.gc.ca), Tourism and the Centre for Education Statistics Division. ■

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