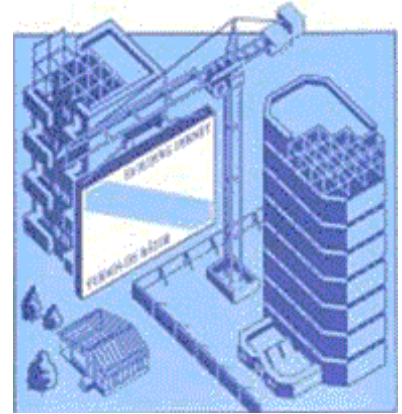


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Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted data, which facilitate comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations. For information on seasonal adjustment, see *Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions*.

The Building Permits Survey covers over 2,400 municipalities, representing 95% of the Canadian population. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small and their levels of building activity have little impact on the total for the entire population.

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Revision

Data for the current reference month are subject to revision based on late responses. Data for the previous month have been revised.

Trend-cycle estimates have been added to the charts as a complement to the seasonally adjusted series. Both the seasonally adjusted and the trend-cycle estimates are subject to revision as additional observations become available. These revisions could be large and even lead to a reversal of movement, especially at the end of the series. The higher variability associated with the trend-cycle estimates is indicated with a dotted line on the chart.

For information on trend-cycle data, see the *StatCan Blog* and *Trend-cycle estimates – Frequently asked questions*.

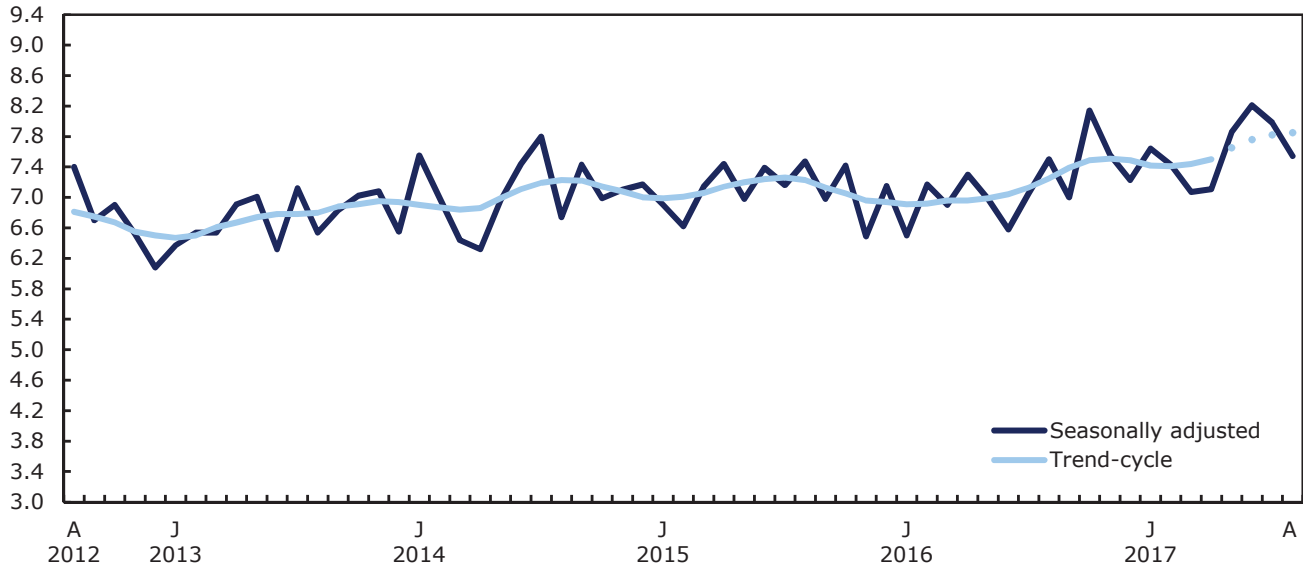
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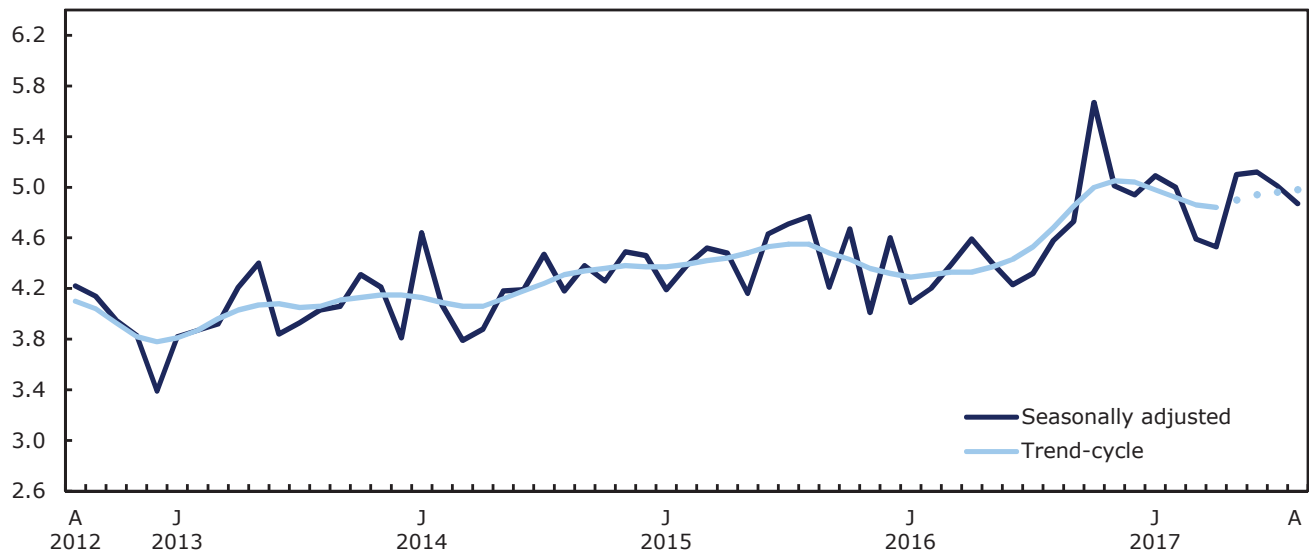
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Chart 2
Value of residential building permits - Total

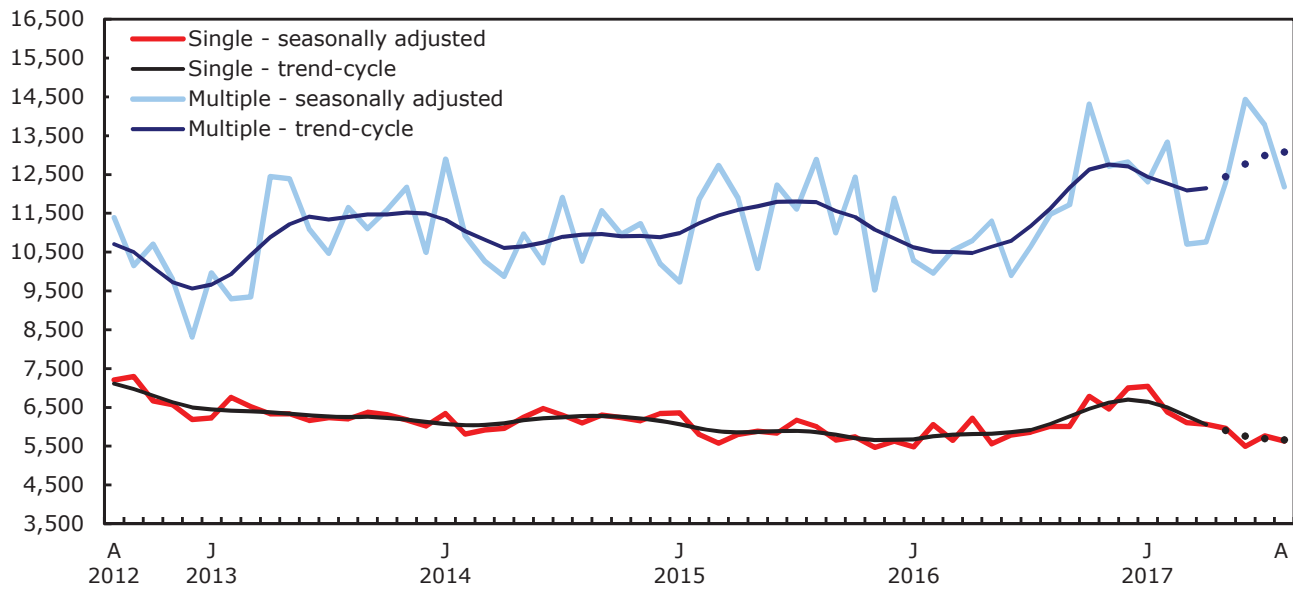
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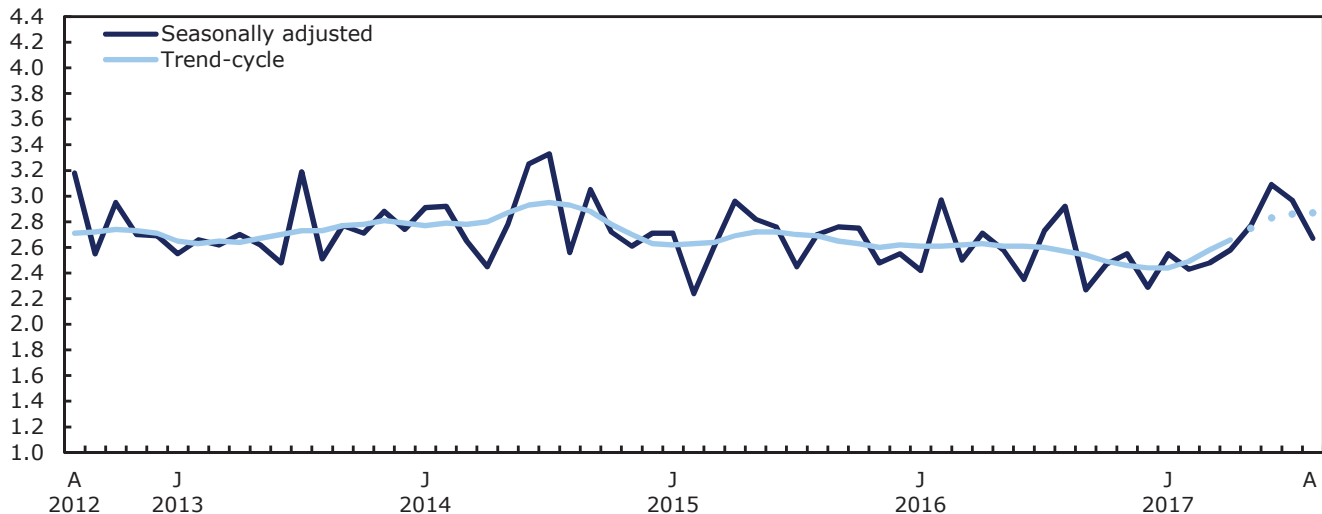
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Value of non-residential building permits - Total

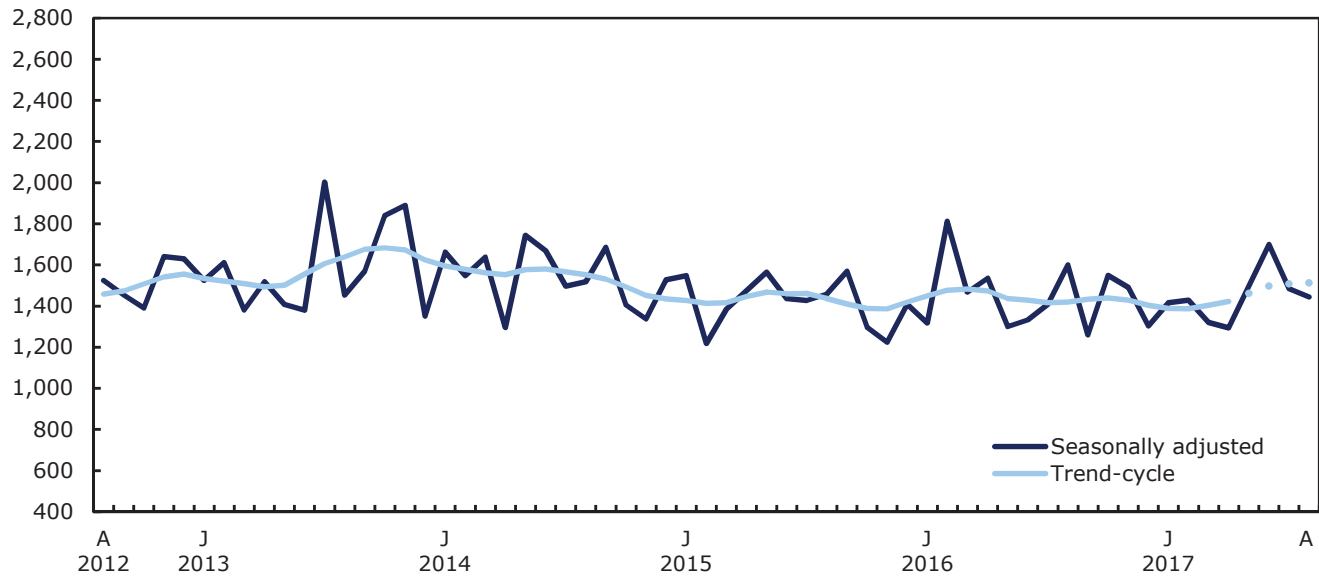
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Value of commercial building permits

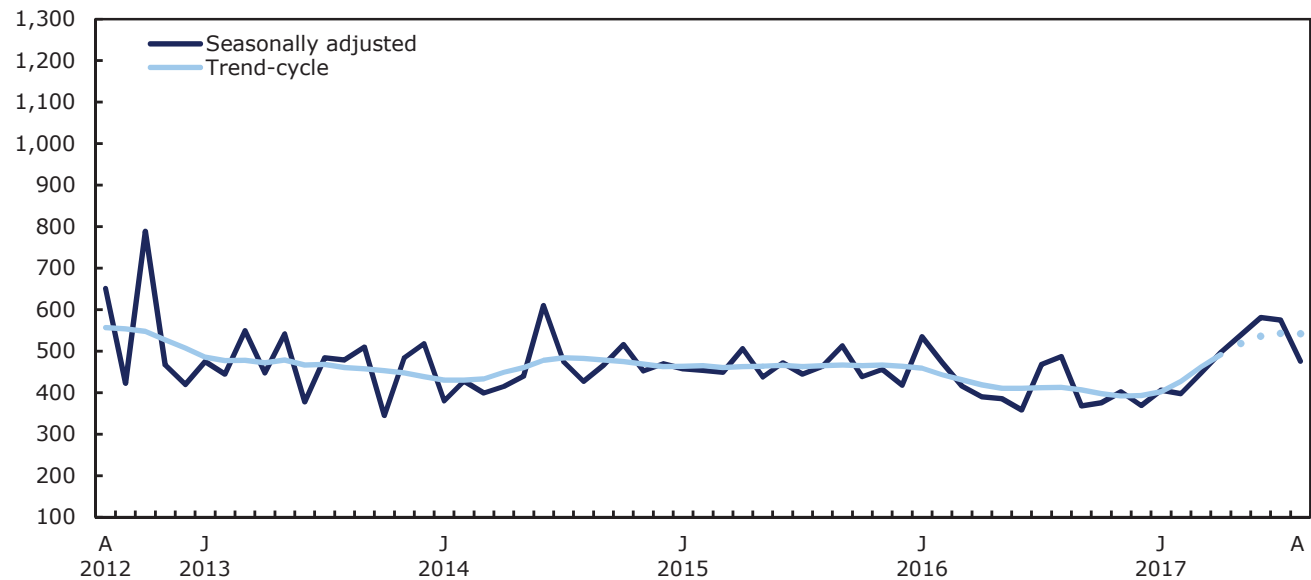
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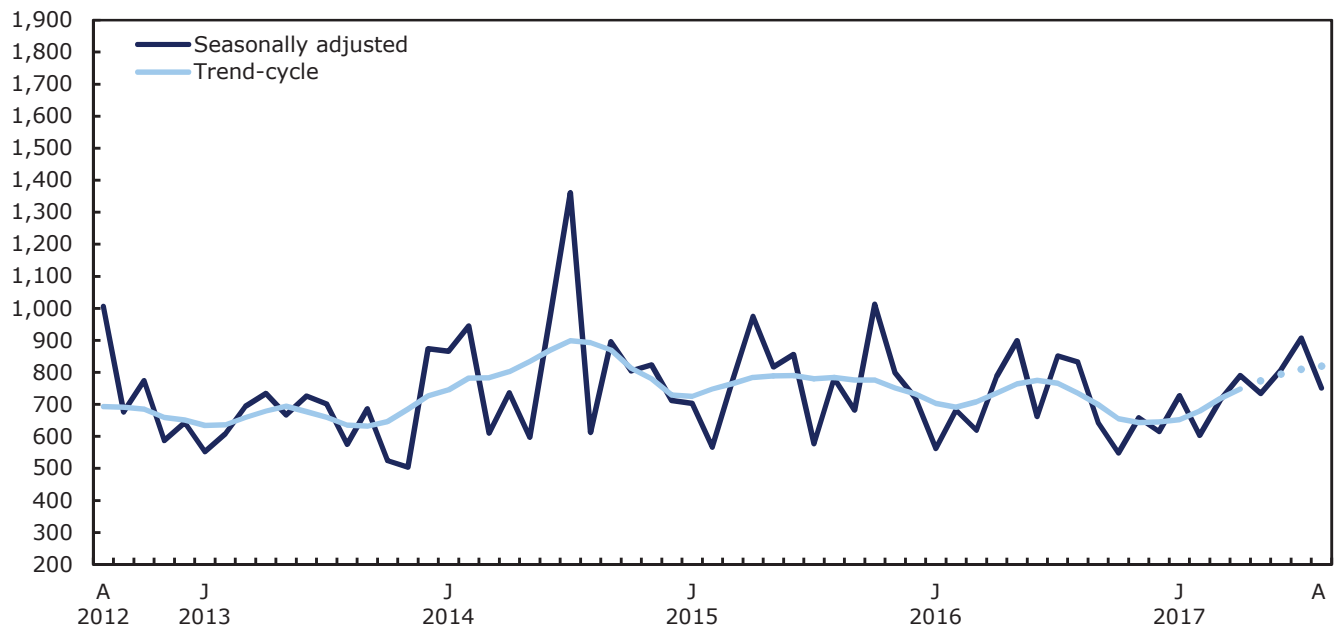
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Chart 7
Value of institutional and governmental building permits

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Tables

Table 1
Total value of building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted

	2017	2017	August to July	July to June	June to May	May to April	April to March	March to February
	August ^p	July ^r						
	thousands of dollars		percentage change					
Canada	7,542,953	7,979,551	-5.5	-2.8	4.4	10.7	0.5	-4.9
Newfoundland and Labrador	74,115	41,099	80.3	-20.0	-26.5	128.0	-4.0	-29.1
Prince Edward Island	18,754	23,993	-21.8	10.6	-57.3	173.6	3.4	-8.5
Nova Scotia	114,267	124,816	-8.5	-2.4	35.2	-24.7	26.7	-27.7
New Brunswick	77,904	66,824	16.6	-1.7	-51.6	65.1	33.5	-43.8
Quebec	1,485,550	1,552,567	-4.3	3.2	14.5	0.3	3.1	5.6
Ontario	2,991,935	3,344,641	-10.5	-3.6	3.8	14.0	-7.2	4.0
Manitoba	192,622	237,126	-18.8	-26.7	42.4	7.1	16.8	-31.2
Saskatchewan	183,644	147,649	24.4	-27.0	20.2	-2.9	12.9	-37.7
Alberta	1,101,683	1,036,879	6.2	-5.7	-6.9	17.9	-9.9	-0.5
British Columbia	1,245,357	1,382,831	-9.9	4.3	4.7	5.0	24.0	-20.1
Yukon	40,425	8,489	376.2	13.8	-7.6	-22.2	88.2	92.8
Northwest Territories	15,797	1,862	748.4	-81.0	199.6	-10.7	103.5	-93.8
Nunavut	900	10,775	-91.6	...	47.7	...	...	-100.0

Table 2
Value of non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted

	2017	2017	August to July	July to June	June to May	May to April	April to March	March to February
	August ^p	July ^r						
	thousands of dollars		percentage change					
Canada	2,670,651	2,965,814	-10.0	-4.0	11.6	7.3	4.0	2.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	39,381	11,813	233.4	-43.0	-47.2	234.8	64.4	-46.2
Prince Edward Island	3,243	8,731	-62.9	11.9	-76.2	733.6	-25.8	-25.9
Nova Scotia	27,142	32,719	-17.0	-22.8	33.8	-46.7	52.5	10.1
New Brunswick	44,401	37,053	19.8	4.1	-67.5	141.3	82.7	-59.2
Quebec	586,545	636,561	-7.9	0.1	26.7	-2.7	4.6	8.7
Ontario	1,068,698	1,420,081	-24.7	1.0	24.1	2.5	-0.5	30.1
Manitoba	81,641	90,118	-9.4	-38.6	90.7	1.6	23.6	-45.3
Saskatchewan	95,347	49,588	92.3	-44.7	29.5	-10.6	23.6	-58.8
Alberta	332,531	370,762	-10.3	-4.5	-10.2	27.2	-18.5	-8.5
British Columbia	341,820	300,861	13.6	-1.1	-9.3	-1.9	33.5	-0.3
Yukon	36,127	3,115	...	-20.2	16.1	37.5	-33.9	...
Northwest Territories	13,525	1,111	...	-85.5	184.8	44.0	...	-99.7
Nunavut	250	3,301	-92.4	...	...	...	...	...

Table 3
Value of residential building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted

	2017	2017	August to July	July to June	June to May	May to April	April to March	March to February
	August ^p	July ^r						
	thousands of dollars		percentage change					
Canada	4,872,302	5,013,737	-2.8	-2.1	0.5	12.6	-1.3	-8.3
Newfoundland and Labrador	34,734	29,286	18.6	-4.5	0.2	61.8	-23.7	-21.9
Prince Edward Island	15,511	15,262	1.6	9.9	-23.2	23.4	15.6	1.5
Nova Scotia	87,125	92,097	-5.4	7.7	35.9	-4.9	9.9	-40.9
New Brunswick	33,503	29,771	12.5	-8.0	4.6	-22.0	2.1	-25.9
Quebec	899,005	916,006	-1.9	5.4	7.0	2.2	2.1	3.8
Ontario	1,923,237	1,924,560	-0.1	-6.7	-6.5	20.9	-10.8	-6.2
Manitoba	110,981	147,008	-24.5	-16.8	17.7	10.1	13.3	-20.9
Saskatchewan	88,297	98,061	-10.0	-12.9	13.7	3.4	5.5	-3.7
Alberta	769,152	666,117	15.5	-6.3	-5.0	13.1	-4.8	5.1
British Columbia	903,537	1,081,970	-16.5	5.8	9.7	7.8	20.5	-25.4
Yukon	4,298	5,374	-20.0	51.2	-24.5	-40.6	336.9	-29.6
Northwest Territories	2,272	751	202.5	-64.4	269.2	-68.0	4.9	26.5
Nunavut	650	7,474	-91.3	...	19.8	...	...	-100.0

Table 4
Number of dwelling units authorized, province and territories, seasonally adjusted at annual rate

	2017	2017	August to July	July to June	June to May	May to April	April to March	March to February
	August ^p	July ^r						
	units		percentage change					
Canada	213,732	234,504	-8.9	-2.0	9.2	8.4	0.1	-14.7
Newfoundland and Labrador	1,752	1,392	25.9	-15.9	13.1	110.3	-36.3	-8.1
Prince Edward Island	948	696	36.2	-29.3	-44.6	54.2	57.4	-7.6
Nova Scotia	5,136	5,172	-0.7	3.1	44.6	-13.5	34.7	-40.5
New Brunswick	1,752	1,656	5.8	4.5	-2.9	-33.0	18.0	-57.2
Quebec	50,892	54,612	-6.8	0.0	20.0	1.9	2.5	-0.6
Ontario	70,644	77,880	-9.3	-9.9	4.7	10.5	-6.3	-17.2
Manitoba	5,424	7,308	-25.8	1.8	-2.4	2.3	18.8	-30.4
Saskatchewan	4,548	5,388	-15.6	-13.5	19.9	16.4	-6.8	-8.1
Alberta	32,340	26,184	23.5	-6.6	4.5	4.6	-12.5	20.9
British Columbia	39,456	53,304	-26.0	13.3	10.1	17.8	16.3	-32.5
Yukon	444	504	-11.9	90.9	-29.0	-35.4	242.9	-33.3
Northwest Territories	108	36	200.0	-72.7	...	-80.0	25.0	...
Nunavut	288	372	-22.6	...	-50.0	...	...	...

Table 5
Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted, 2017

	Number of dwelling units			Estimated value of construction						
	Singles ¹	Multiples	Total dwellings	Non-residential					Total	Total
				Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	thousands of dollars		
	units									
Canada										
July ^r	5,763	13,779	19,542	5,013,737	575,328	1,483,586	906,900	2,965,814	7,979,551	
August ^p	5,630	12,181	17,811	4,872,302	475,584	1,443,816	751,251	2,670,651	7,542,953	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	48,449	99,792	148,241	39,313,588	3,918,815	11,581,707	6,032,600	21,533,122	60,846,710	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	46,628	84,890	131,518	34,793,455	3,513,582	11,773,381	5,892,482	21,179,445	55,972,900	
Newfoundland and Labrador										
July ^r	62	54	116	29,286	1,416	10,196	201	11,813	41,099	
August ^p	70	76	146	34,734	11,595	8,237	19,549	39,381	74,115	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	575	303	878	233,307	32,925	98,208	23,184	154,317	387,624	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	671	369	1,040	267,526	5,893	104,641	23,584	134,118	401,644	
Prince Edward Island										
July ^r	51	7	58	15,262	6,270	2,266	195	8,731	23,993	
August ^p	45	34	79	15,511	1,321	1,472	450	3,243	18,754	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	385	272	657	114,805	15,931	37,247	18,652	71,830	186,635	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	295	218	513	93,756	15,455	33,070	10,329	58,854	152,610	
Nova Scotia										
July ^r	184	247	431	92,097	4,197	22,045	6,477	32,719	124,816	
August ^p	150	278	428	87,125	2,416	17,611	7,115	27,142	114,267	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,244	1,720	2,964	649,150	40,831	213,172	68,203	322,206	971,356	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,167	1,687	2,854	554,217	37,124	148,141	55,122	240,387	794,604	
New Brunswick										
July ^r	90	48	138	29,771	5,650	20,510	10,893	37,053	66,824	
August ^p	95	51	146	33,503	1,378	16,295	26,728	44,401	77,904	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	768	732	1,500	293,768	58,968	231,675	130,141	420,784	714,552	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	873	664	1,537	316,371	44,868	229,833	80,005	354,706	671,077	
Quebec										
July ^r	899	3,652	4,551	916,006	109,083	332,924	194,554	636,561	1,552,567	
August ^p	842	3,399	4,241	899,005	120,135	340,085	126,325	586,545	1,485,550	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	6,610	25,399	32,009	6,624,509	874,437	2,141,414	1,234,513	4,250,364	10,874,873	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	6,904	20,615	27,519	5,844,580	756,667	1,907,521	1,146,883	3,811,071	9,655,651	
Ontario										
July ^r	2,183	4,307	6,490	1,924,560	346,413	596,665	477,003	1,420,081	3,344,641	
August ^p	2,132	3,755	5,887	1,923,237	220,236	495,206	353,256	1,068,698	2,991,935	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	20,201	35,294	55,495	16,506,338	1,850,274	4,600,978	2,567,983	9,019,235	25,525,573	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	19,934	29,595	49,529	14,751,427	1,578,793	4,442,413	2,048,888	8,070,094	22,821,521	
Manitoba										
July ^r	299	310	609	147,008	17,668	62,698	9,752	90,118	237,126	
August ^p	223	229	452	110,981	10,551	54,094	16,996	81,641	192,622	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	2,301	3,053	5,354	1,212,509	100,396	504,110	123,292	727,798	1,940,307	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,960	2,203	4,163	913,074	200,690	507,383	228,155	936,228	1,849,302	
Saskatchewan										
July ^r	198	251	449	98,061	4,969	40,953	3,666	49,588	147,649	
August ^p	172	207	379	88,297	6,776	70,337	18,234	95,347	183,644	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,543	1,788	3,331	761,894	119,351	418,885	122,900	661,136	1,423,030	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,487	1,447	2,934	673,310	57,234	335,965	297,638	690,837	1,364,147	
Alberta										
July ^r	1,067	1,115	2,182	666,117	34,305	209,746	126,711	370,762	1,036,879	
August ^p	1,107	1,588	2,695	769,152	32,981	229,321	70,229	332,531	1,101,683	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	8,601	9,352	17,953	5,539,093	417,759	1,828,049	1,085,958	3,331,766	8,870,859	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	7,188	9,865	17,053	4,799,645	496,215	2,513,612	1,267,605	4,277,432	9,077,077	
British Columbia										
July ^r	713	3,729	4,442	1,081,970	44,930	178,488	77,443	300,861	1,382,831	
August ^p	774	2,514	3,288	903,537	66,089	208,811	66,920	341,820	1,245,357	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	6,094	21,677	27,771	7,323,614	394,300	1,484,909	579,311	2,458,520	9,782,134	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	5,963	17,990	23,953	6,509,744	310,443	1,525,506	561,314	2,397,263	8,907,007	

Table 5
Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, seasonally adjusted, 2017

	Number of dwelling units			Estimated value of construction					
	Singles ¹	Multiples	Total dwellings	Residential	Non-residential			Total	Total
					Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental		
	units			thousands of dollars					
Yukon									
July ^r	14	28	42	5,374	32	3,078	5	3,115	8,489
August ^p	13	24	37	4,298	2,106	214	33,807	36,127	40,425
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	100	135	235	32,894	6,583	12,804	35,081	54,468	87,362
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	135	132	267	31,404	1,373	13,581	49,301	64,255	95,659
Northwest Territories									
July ^r	3	0	3	751	100	1,011	0	1,111	1,862
August ^p	7	2	9	2,272	0	1,883	11,642	13,525	15,797
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	26	10	36	12,471	6,765	6,229	43,362	56,356	68,827
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	46	71	117	27,424	5,714	11,025	123,633	140,372	167,796
Nunavut									
July ^r	0	31	31	7,474	295	3,006	0	3,301	10,775
August ^p	0	24	24	650	0	250	0	250	900
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1	57	58	9,236	295	4,027	20	4,342	13,578
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	5	34	39	10,977	3,113	690	25	3,828	14,805

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

Table 6
Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, seasonally adjusted, 2017

	Number of dwelling units			Estimated value of construction						
	Singles ¹	Multiples	Total dwellings	Non-residential					Total	Total
				Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	Total		
	units	units							thousands of dollars	
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia										
July ^r	27	100	127	26,704	2,587	1,258	0	3,845	30,549	
August ^p	17	28	45	13,568	10,638	8,585	68	19,291	32,859	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	180	806	986	223,943	38,174	25,992	14,180	78,346	302,289	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	217	440	657	122,140	15,465	24,893	333	40,691	162,831	
Barrie, Ontario										
July ^r	23	7	30	14,169	2,501	2,371	476	5,348	19,517	
August ^p	46	3	49	27,926	1,150	3,552	1,982	6,684	34,610	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	391	610	1,001	279,248	14,180	48,479	52,341	115,000	394,248	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	439	312	751	221,379	30,584	57,680	16,601	104,865	326,244	
Belleville, Ontario										
July ^r	55	7	62	18,586	1,281	4,774	99	6,154	24,740	
August ^p	53	16	69	18,905	650	187	831	1,668	20,573	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	319	124	443	112,364	31,424	12,659	8,054	52,137	164,501	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Brantford, Ontario										
July ^r	22	50	72	16,088	2,585	6,286	275	9,146	25,234	
August ^p	58	2	60	22,945	2,783	13,374	1,480	17,637	40,582	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	181	289	470	121,837	31,186	33,833	8,964	73,983	195,820	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	170	111	281	78,716	38,621	16,746	3,122	58,489	137,205	
Calgary, Alberta										
July ^r	380	277	657	216,649	8,939	69,260	41,004	119,203	335,852	
August ^p	393	639	1,032	280,597	5,923	70,307	5,293	81,523	362,120	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	3,034	3,015	6,049	1,901,144	143,340	679,610	194,733	1,017,683	2,918,827	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	2,309	3,552	5,861	1,857,313	68,879	893,170	350,894	1,312,943	3,170,256	
Edmonton, Alberta										
July ^r	406	544	950	264,437	5,971	76,947	50,996	133,914	398,351	
August ^p	414	807	1,221	314,675	9,063	95,197	41,318	145,578	460,253	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	3,235	5,193	8,428	2,211,382	112,274	646,734	422,096	1,181,104	3,392,486	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	2,723	4,946	7,669	2,011,255	222,799	1,141,481	311,201	1,675,481	3,686,736	
Greater Sudbury, Ontario										
July ^r	11	21	32	11,121	67,847	7,900	4,512	80,259	91,380	
August ^p	14	72	86	24,424	17,378	2,958	6,984	27,320	51,744	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	86	133	219	69,510	93,180	34,000	69,695	196,875	266,385	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	118	126	244	72,580	4,510	52,428	11,353	68,291	140,871	
Guelph, Ontario										
July ^r	18	218	236	49,438	464	2,309	17,789	20,562	70,000	
August ^p	22	45	67	20,378	1,631	3,416	6,362	11,409	31,787	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	173	778	951	233,124	9,306	33,625	62,879	105,810	338,934	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	178	698	876	171,038	14,224	51,808	19,882	85,914	256,952	
Halifax, Nova Scotia										
July ^r	75	229	304	62,361	0	8,499	5,233	13,732	76,093	
August ^p	69	210	279	58,152	600	14,778	5,660	21,038	79,190	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	500	1,362	1,862	396,356	11,561	147,137	48,498	207,196	603,552	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	419	1,228	1,647	289,002	2,489	78,058	25,634	106,181	395,183	
Hamilton, Ontario										
July ^r	44	244	288	101,692	468	23,213	24,603	48,284	149,976	
August ^p	42	135	177	61,405	2,210	13,654	77,447	93,311	154,716	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	450	2,170	2,620	820,735	97,820	164,752	256,878	519,450	1,340,185	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	614	1,637	2,251	677,771	12,697	133,982	115,101	261,780	939,551	
Kelowna, British Columbia										
July ^r	45	155	200	50,908	5,978	11,180	2,386	19,544	70,452	
August ^p	50	328	378	79,853	1,420	11,827	338	13,585	93,438	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	457	2,031	2,488	557,679	28,546	78,552	40,523	147,621	705,300	
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	370	949	1,319	374,105	17,478	83,478	31,612	132,568	506,673	

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					Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental		
	units	units					thousands of dollars		
Kingston, Ontario									
July ^r	31	17	48	12,455	35	5,041	11,798	16,874	29,329
August ^p	42	130	172	21,018	445	2,732	5,516	8,693	29,711
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	220	588	808	126,888	7,369	39,717	103,239	150,325	277,213
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	229	92	321	75,057	16,108	23,184	23,222	62,514	137,571
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario									
July ^r	75	65	140	54,560	17,228	10,102	6,492	33,822	88,382
August ^p	70	154	224	66,838	11,824	9,481	16,151	37,456	104,294
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	614	1,510	2,124	508,354	132,322	150,475	101,877	384,674	893,028
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	982	2,389	3,371	729,869	55,195	184,668	155,243	395,106	1,124,975
Lethbridge, Alberta									
July ^r	26	114	140	12,142	139	4,519	0	4,658	16,800
August ^p	35	17	52	10,402	683	9,873	1,370	11,926	22,328
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	303	261	564	85,183	10,531	26,697	162,236	199,464	284,647
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
London, Ontario									
July ^r	141	217	358	117,853	6,660	11,711	8,998	27,369	145,222
August ^p	162	250	412	142,961	11,727	20,366	41,561	73,654	216,615
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,226	1,584	2,810	827,675	41,483	113,781	73,809	229,073	1,056,748
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	896	1,563	2,459	694,125	44,567	164,030	177,522	386,119	1,080,244
Moncton, New Brunswick									
July ^r	25	16	41	8,289	1,155	11,816	850	13,821	22,110
August ^p	29	3	32	9,231	597	6,802	14,430	21,829	31,060
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	198	408	606	101,226	17,607	68,563	70,785	156,955	258,181
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	208	298	511	105,764	20,121	132,396	21,155	173,672	279,436
Montréal, Quebec									
July ^r	231	2,259	2,490	470,349	35,455	186,892	86,537	308,884	779,233
August ^p	232	2,366	2,598	527,791	61,880	256,077	64,321	382,278	910,069
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,905	14,682	16,587	3,445,234	364,405	1,305,622	753,598	2,423,625	5,868,859
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,905	11,226	13,131	2,811,525	256,600	1,165,417	782,495	2,204,512	5,016,037
Oshawa, Ontario									
July ^r	78	613	691	163,508	9,287	5,194	3,250	17,731	181,239
August ^p	24	18	42	18,863	3,704	1,102	20,314	25,120	43,983
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	647	1,756	2,403	668,686	21,227	56,020	55,650	132,897	801,583
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	705	948	1,653	484,337	23,520	65,413	69,834	158,767	643,104
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
July ^r	153	685	838	151,734	5,357	37,049	15,223	57,629	209,363
August ^p	206	667	873	190,982	10,383	18,047	11,383	39,813	230,795
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,330	3,926	5,256	1,232,343	28,784	406,581	137,717	573,082	1,805,425
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,309	3,714	5,023	1,142,589	95,431	565,521	147,154	808,106	1,950,695
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
July ^r	47	145	192	34,895	3,854	5,418	3,029	12,301	47,196
August ^p	42	178	220	46,167	180	7,987	14,652	22,819	68,986
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	249	1,383	1,632	316,415	17,369	62,403	32,020	111,792	428,207
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	242	1,154	1,396	226,063	4,452	44,196	31,170	79,818	305,881
Peterborough, Ontario									
July ^r	31	7	38	11,707	290	1,868	534	2,692	14,399
August ^p	33	2	35	14,450	1,815	1,501	1,153	4,469	18,919
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	204	40	244	84,185	3,596	10,661	8,150	22,407	106,592
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	223	139	362	87,742	2,967	9,865	6,402	19,234	106,976
Québec, Quebec									
July ^r	79	513	592	107,669	2,360	87,785	56,525	146,670	254,339
August ^p	55	230	285	55,029	6,979	15,987	15,665	38,631	93,660
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	569	4,432	5,001	779,915	50,269	288,490	129,245	468,004	1,247,919
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	560	3,154	3,714	669,325	43,623	190,751	95,775	330,149	999,474

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					Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental		
	units	units					thousands of dollars		
Regina, Saskatchewan									
July ^r	64	163	227	44,302	1,313	17,785	954	20,052	64,354
August ^p	58	55	113	29,430	3,799	26,536	326	30,661	60,091
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	455	802	1,257	250,039	21,136	145,599	62,138	228,873	478,912
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	423	695	1,118	202,441	18,375	91,493	159,731	269,599	472,040
Saguenay, Quebec									
July ^r	45	15	60	16,394	360	5,608	1,626	7,594	23,988
August ^p	27	21	48	12,307	1,175	1,063	1,085	3,323	15,630
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	196	142	338	85,936	7,932	16,154	14,570	38,656	124,592
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	198	225	423	100,078	18,787	39,638	25,057	83,482	183,560
Saint John, New Brunswick									
July ^r	23	0	23	5,551	115	3,504	942	4,561	10,112
August ^p	16	2	18	4,632	97	4,344	894	5,335	9,967
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	172	23	195	48,699	17,828	82,706	13,672	114,206	162,905
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	125	47	167	42,032	7,001	36,261	15,902	59,164	101,196
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
July ^r	92	56	148	37,209	3,656	11,256	1,099	16,011	53,220
August ^p	76	143	219	43,508	1,282	29,003	16,673	46,958	90,466
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	744	849	1,593	372,048	19,956	164,753	44,169	228,878	600,926
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	719	575	1,294	316,600	20,433	153,917	97,158	271,508	588,108
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
July ^r	31	14	45	17,890	4,289	1,420	1,926	7,635	25,525
August ^p	36	68	104	20,744	8,086	4,528	5,022	17,636	38,380
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	215	489	704	142,343	40,420	41,225	59,384	141,029	283,372
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	252	484	736	155,915	26,548	45,574	22,979	95,101	251,016
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
July ^r	119	41	160	61,565	768	5,066	8,566	14,400	75,965
August ^p	101	133	234	71,336	2,732	5,742	3,509	11,983	83,319
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	855	810	1,665	470,987	21,090	73,086	41,912	136,088	607,075
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	952	661	1,613	446,976	18,925	59,544	29,713	108,182	555,158
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
July ^r	38	24	62	16,007	1,400	7,916	52	9,368	25,375
August ^p	36	24	60	17,324	10,500	5,959	18,228	34,687	52,011
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	298	171	469	130,950	14,796	81,171	21,658	117,625	248,575
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	338	263	601	154,863	2,639	75,869	19,845	98,353	253,216
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
July ^r	15	0	15	5,593	94	1,452	671	2,217	7,810
August ^p	17	49	66	13,231	1,727	10,242	80	12,049	25,280
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	89	157	246	46,688	2,663	30,670	31,318	64,651	111,339
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	111	67	178	38,309	3,167	14,679	7,245	25,091	63,400
Toronto, Ontario									
July ^r	568	1,707	2,275	751,938	28,850	415,496	341,758	786,104	1,538,042
August ^p	470	1,670	2,140	831,236	58,788	302,120	91,001	451,909	1,283,145
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	6,398	17,836	24,234	7,786,894	592,426	2,953,082	1,221,829	4,767,337	12,554,231
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	7,245	14,660	21,905	7,294,126	600,345	2,540,542	962,742	4,103,629	11,397,755
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
July ^r	15	152	167	34,323	24,634	2,214	12,777	39,625	73,948
August ^p	24	7	31	11,584	1,410	12,458	3,516	17,384	28,968
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	132	381	513	123,169	33,612	39,772	30,220	103,604	226,773
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	137	291	428	116,854	19,483	39,783	12,980	72,246	189,100
Vancouver, British Columbia									
July ^r	218	2,394	2,612	672,827	15,118	112,398	46,711	174,227	847,054
August ^p	238	1,615	1,853	531,036	18,696	144,195	44,491	207,382	738,418
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,877	14,273	16,150	4,267,460	154,945	973,126	341,866	1,469,937	5,737,397
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	2,282	12,625	14,907	4,126,494	103,529	1,021,861	284,606	1,409,996	5,536,490

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					Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental		
	units			thousands of dollars					
Victoria, British Columbia									
July ^r	43	686	729	117,351	420	8,723	10,190	19,333	136,684
August ^p	59	285	344	83,143	3,874	21,649	6,645	32,168	115,311
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	434	2,109	2,543	654,729	23,448	134,155	60,431	218,034	872,763
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	501	1,366	1,867	510,782	38,338	120,757	64,354	223,449	734,231
Windsor, Ontario									
July ^r	67	33	100	38,562	3,291	5,150	2,177	10,618	49,180
August ^p	40	12	52	24,028	5,824	24,214	943	30,981	55,009
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	600	275	875	303,353	31,537	57,003	53,860	142,400	445,753
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	617	319	936	306,242	31,891	29,266	32,482	93,639	399,881
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
July ^r	173	248	421	106,636	6,112	55,598	7,836	69,546	176,182
August ^p	116	191	307	72,647	1,566	41,335	14,672	57,573	130,220
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,539	2,583	4,122	914,335	32,223	429,698	92,329	554,250	1,468,585
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,240	1,854	3,094	653,448	157,739	439,621	168,530	765,890	1,419,338

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

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	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
	number of dwelling units						
Canada							
July ^r	6,488	70	874	2,481	10,921	1,349	22,183
August ^p	6,499	31	856	1,962	8,940	1,160	19,448
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	49,009	267	6,448	19,450	65,211	8,636	149,021
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	47,823	305	5,666	15,059	53,022	6,166	128,041
Newfoundland and Labrador							
July ^r	99	1	20	16	18	0	154
August ^p	107	1	16	3	55	2	184
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	579	5	61	55	167	22	889
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	694	3	26	8	299	37	1,067
Prince Edward Island							
July ^r	70	3	2	0	2	3	80
August ^p	60	1	4	10	20	0	95
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	389	16	40	39	182	11	677
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	284	15	20	71	119	8	517
Nova Scotia							
July ^r	219	5	22	0	271	1	518
August ^p	182	5	38	0	404	13	642
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,269	42	135	17	1,889	111	3,463
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,159	48	72	28	1,612	126	3,045
New Brunswick							
July ^r	125	1	14	0	19	6	165
August ^p	155	2	39	15	48	7	266
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	799	15	141	55	448	27	1,485
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	902	20	68	74	402	123	1,589
Quebec							
July ^r	987	19	196	134	2,660	657	4,653
August ^p	816	8	142	197	2,558	179	3,900
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	7,051	72	1,656	1,161	18,792	2,705	31,437
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	7,341	69	1,527	895	14,743	2,002	26,577
Ontario							
July ^r	2,489	38	226	1,576	2,594	437	7,360
August ^p	2,434	11	171	892	2,495	550	6,553
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	19,677	97	1,687	12,565	17,608	3,241	54,875
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	20,299	129	1,658	8,313	16,144	1,937	48,480
Manitoba							
July ^r	322	0	75	26	341	8	772
August ^p	253	0	42	24	140	5	464
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	2,388	5	356	283	2,225	184	5,441
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	2,040	8	121	410	1,511	94	4,184
Saskatchewan							
July ^r	212	1	20	35	299	23	590
August ^p	202	0	22	4	155	38	421
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,640	2	190	428	1,041	337	3,638
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	1,564	2	155	182	990	253	3,146
Alberta							
July ^r	1,154	2	264	217	773	63	2,473
August ^p	1,325	0	337	243	1,030	223	3,158
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	8,783	6	1,898	1,474	5,056	836	18,053
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	7,151	6	1,619	1,598	4,155	505	15,034
British Columbia							
July ^r	785	0	35	460	3,904	149	5,333
August ^p	939	2	43	543	2,022	139	3,688
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	6,304	2	280	3,291	17,715	1,134	28,726
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	6,195	5	389	3,470	12,872	1,040	23,971

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Yukon							
July ^r	23	0	0	17	10	1	51
August ^p	19	1	0	7	13	4	44
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	103	5	0	58	52	25	243
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	143	0	11	10	81	30	275
Northwest Territories							
July ^r	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
August ^p	7	0	2	0	0	0	9
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	26	0	2	0	6	2	36
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	46	0	0	0	71	0	117
Nunavut							
July ^r	0	0	0	0	30	1	31
August ^p	0	0	0	24	0	0	24
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1	0	2	24	30	1	58
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	5	0	0	0	23	11	39

Table 8
Dwelling units, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, August 2017

	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
	number of dwelling units						
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia	20	0	0	14	12	3	49
Barrie, Ontario	47	0	0	0	2	1	50
Belleville, Ontario	55	0	2	13	0	2	72
Brantford, Ontario	60	0	0	1	0	1	62
Calgary, Alberta	454	0	128	134	337	155	1,208
Edmonton, Alberta	477	0	189	76	637	52	1,431
Greater Sudbury, Ontario	14	0	4	0	69	3	90
Guelph, Ontario	23	0	6	20	2	19	70
Halifax, Nova Scotia	77	0	20	0	347	2	446
Hamilton, Ontario	43	0	3	30	93	17	186
Kelowna, British Columbia	60	0	0	32	301	7	400
Kingston, Ontario	42	1	2	12	37	86	180
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario	72	0	2	103	45	13	235
Lethbridge, Alberta	40	0	4	8	6	2	60
London, Ontario	167	0	0	69	190	5	431
Moncton, New Brunswick	43	0	26	0	0	1	70
Montréal, Quebec	214	0	50	155	1,851	96	2,366
Oshawa, Ontario	25	0	2	0	0	17	44
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	251	0	32	169	476	189	1,117
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec	212	0	22	168	329	185	916
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec	39	0	10	1	147	4	201
Peterborough, Ontario	34	0	0	1	0	1	36
Québec, Quebec	50	1	24	0	167	18	260
Regina, Saskatchewan	64	0	18	4	28	8	122
Saguenay, Quebec	24	1	0	0	14	5	44
Saint John, New Brunswick	24	0	1	0	14	1	40
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	84	0	0	0	123	29	236
Sherbrooke, Quebec	33	0	4	16	38	4	95
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	104	0	14	26	93	7	244
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	49	0	6	3	13	2	73
Thunder Bay, Ontario	18	0	2	0	48	2	70
Toronto, Ontario	484	0	42	261	1,315	146	2,248
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	22	0	4	0	0	2	28
Vancouver, British Columbia	284	0	12	395	1,200	67	1,958
Victoria, British Columbia	70	0	6	19	247	23	365
Windsor, Ontario	41	0	6	4	0	3	54
Winnipeg, Manitoba	113	0	32	20	114	3	282

Table 9
Dwelling units, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, cumulative, January to August 2017

	Singles, includes mobile homes	Cottages	Doubles	Rows	Apartments	Conversions	Total dwellings
	number of dwelling units						
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia	183	0	0	198	565	9	955
Barrie, Ontario	408	0	0	250	282	68	1,008
Belleville, Ontario	328	0	16	46	39	3	432
Brantford, Ontario	185	0	4	162	57	61	469
Calgary, Alberta	3,099	0	689	561	1,520	183	6,052
Edmonton, Alberta	3,306	0	1,077	750	2,743	546	8,422
Greater Sudbury, Ontario	97	0	4	0	110	25	236
Guelph, Ontario	167	0	56	146	299	269	937
Halifax, Nova Scotia	545	0	60	13	1,622	77	2,317
Hamilton, Ontario	439	0	75	611	1,237	143	2,505
Kelowna, British Columbia	469	0	4	238	1,662	106	2,479
Kingston, Ontario	228	2	10	91	261	118	710
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario	569	0	15	390	1,042	149	2,165
Lethbridge, Alberta	304	0	16	28	195	21	564
London, Ontario	1,214	0	12	604	860	41	2,731
Moncton, New Brunswick	219	0	110	8	238	4	579
Montréal, Quebec	2,009	0	471	778	11,074	1,799	16,131
Oshawa, Ontario	602	0	45	1,055	662	139	2,503
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	1,623	0	300	1,579	2,830	416	6,748
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec	1,361	0	147	1,471	1,884	335	5,198
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec	262	0	153	108	946	81	1,550
Peterborough, Ontario	205	0	12	20	1	7	245
Québec, Quebec	583	2	260	85	3,817	234	4,981
Regina, Saskatchewan	479	0	108	227	495	104	1,413
Saguenay, Quebec	209	4	11	0	73	52	349
Saint John, New Brunswick	178	2	5	0	24	5	214
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	779	0	66	164	517	178	1,704
Sherbrooke, Quebec	232	0	140	69	206	38	685
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	825	1	62	441	185	79	1,593
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	283	0	21	45	89	16	454
Thunder Bay, Ontario	95	0	10	0	102	38	245
Toronto, Ontario	5,951	1	703	6,250	9,676	1,386	23,967
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	146	0	51	0	299	37	533
Vancouver, British Columbia	1,942	0	130	2,207	11,957	486	16,722
Victoria, British Columbia	446	0	38	220	1,856	148	2,708
Windsor, Ontario	576	0	130	103	14	28	851
Winnipeg, Manitoba	1,568	0	326	276	1,770	156	4,096

Table 10
Value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, unadjusted, 2017

	Value of construction				
	Non-residential				Total
	Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional and governmental	
	thousands of dollars				
Canada					
July ^r	5,661,599	646,401	1,653,405	1,428,559	9,389,964
August ^p	5,493,896	575,450	1,773,588	733,271	8,576,205
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	40,081,337	4,211,380	12,122,985	6,929,238	63,344,940
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	34,532,622	3,498,404	11,868,978	6,205,934	56,105,938
Newfoundland and Labrador					
July ^r	40,226	1,416	10,744	201	52,587
August ^p	44,785	11,595	8,926	19,549	84,855
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	238,152	32,925	98,761	23,184	393,022
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	274,286	5,893	104,329	23,584	408,092
Prince Edward Island					
July ^r	18,778	6,270	2,266	195	27,509
August ^p	21,624	1,321	1,472	450	24,867
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	128,027	15,931	37,247	18,652	199,857
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	96,156	15,455	33,070	10,329	155,010
Nova Scotia					
July ^r	102,741	4,612	24,897	6,477	138,727
August ^p	126,457	3,703	18,656	7,115	155,931
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	741,253	41,995	218,134	68,203	1,069,585
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	586,249	39,731	147,376	55,122	828,478
New Brunswick					
July ^r	38,328	8,156	19,175	23,590	89,249
August ^p	54,623	4,958	14,642	32,063	106,286
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	301,057	66,334	267,036	146,291	780,718
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	330,797	45,518	251,093	85,012	712,420
Quebec					
July ^r	991,245	101,987	420,714	245,762	1,759,708
August ^p	902,796	131,271	372,739	139,182	1,545,988
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	6,817,553	933,184	2,350,196	1,343,610	11,444,543
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	5,913,791	726,337	1,935,846	1,248,745	9,824,719
Ontario					
July ^r	2,114,118	403,640	651,006	880,407	4,049,171
August ^p	2,156,928	250,701	734,688	301,388	3,443,705
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	16,528,101	2,026,834	4,772,456	3,195,775	26,523,166
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	14,712,850	1,601,563	4,567,003	2,114,011	22,995,427
Manitoba					
July ^r	186,030	20,123	53,060	10,822	270,035
August ^p	113,463	14,434	45,804	24,809	198,510
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	1,292,254	109,445	543,856	143,309	2,088,864
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	941,067	202,092	512,083	252,579	1,907,821
Saskatchewan					
July ^r	110,774	8,563	48,981	3,987	172,305
August ^p	100,205	19,700	87,708	17,727	225,340
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	826,853	117,906	442,700	130,307	1,517,766
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	713,394	56,074	322,525	319,993	1,411,986
Alberta					
July ^r	737,971	49,928	216,117	147,900	1,151,916
August ^p	914,953	47,786	270,593	56,645	1,289,977
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	5,549,225	423,466	1,826,926	1,068,065	8,867,682
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	4,278,920	498,470	2,417,697	1,301,467	8,496,554
British Columbia					
July ^r	1,306,667	41,279	199,350	109,213	1,656,509
August ^p	1,048,463	87,875	216,013	88,894	1,441,245
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	7,602,436	429,717	1,542,613	713,379	10,288,145
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	6,612,401	297,071	1,552,660	622,133	9,084,265

Table 10
Value of residential and non-residential building permits, provinces and territories, unadjusted, 2017

	Value of construction				Total
	Non-residential			Institutional and governmental	
	Residential	Industrial	Commercial		
	thousands of dollars				
Yukon					
July ^r	6,151	32	3,078	5	9,266
August ^p	5,730	2,106	214	33,807	41,857
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	34,922	6,583	12,804	35,081	89,390
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	33,018	1,373	13,581	49,301	97,273
Northwest Territories					
July ^r	1,096	100	1,011	0	2,207
August ^p	3,219	0	1,883	11,642	16,744
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	12,268	6,765	6,229	43,362	68,624
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	28,716	5,714	11,025	123,633	169,088
Nunavut					
July ^r	7,474	295	3,006	0	10,775
August ^p	650	0	250	0	900
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2017	9,236	295	4,027	20	13,578
Cumulative Jan. to Aug. 2016	10,977	3,113	690	25	14,805

Table 11
Value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, August 2017

	Value of construction				Total
	Non-residential			Institutional and governmental	
	Residential	Industrial	Commercial		
	thousands of dollars				
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia	15,544	9,754	8,863	75	34,236
Barrie, Ontario	28,128	1,290	5,357	1,240	36,015
Belleville, Ontario	19,213	729	282	520	20,744
Brantford, Ontario	23,083	3,121	20,172	926	47,302
Calgary, Alberta	329,741	7,951	75,007	3,427	416,126
Edmonton, Alberta	370,442	12,165	101,561	26,754	510,922
Greater Sudbury, Ontario	26,657	19,486	4,461	4,368	54,972
Guelph, Ontario	21,123	1,829	5,152	3,979	32,083
Halifax, Nova Scotia	85,632	600	15,360	5,660	107,252
Hamilton, Ontario	64,844	2,478	20,594	48,441	136,357
Kelowna, British Columbia	90,067	1,302	12,211	371	103,951
Kingston, Ontario	22,296	499	4,120	3,450	30,365
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario	70,730	13,258	14,299	10,102	108,389
Lethbridge, Alberta	12,173	917	10,533	887	24,510
London, Ontario	152,851	13,150	30,717	25,995	222,713
Moncton, New Brunswick	14,947	2,472	5,793	14,430	37,642
Montréal, Quebec	521,565	73,055	288,039	79,236	961,895
Oshawa, Ontario	19,203	4,153	1,662	12,706	37,724
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	249,787	11,855	36,204	25,170	323,016
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec	203,880	11,643	27,220	7,120	249,863
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec	45,907	212	8,984	18,050	73,153
Peterborough, Ontario	14,552	2,035	2,264	721	19,572
Québec, Quebec	54,774	8,239	17,982	19,297	100,292
Regina, Saskatchewan	31,693	7,525	32,574	336	72,128
Saguenay, Quebec	12,373	1,387	1,196	1,337	16,293
Saint John, New Brunswick	7,571	400	3,700	894	12,565
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	47,151	2,539	35,602	17,182	102,474
Sherbrooke, Quebec	20,807	9,546	5,093	6,187	41,633
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	74,416	3,063	8,661	2,195	88,335
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	20,647	10,500	5,959	18,228	55,334
Thunder Bay, Ontario	14,164	1,937	15,447	50	31,598
Toronto, Ontario	889,097	65,920	455,672	56,919	1,467,608
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	11,667	1,665	14,013	4,331	31,676
Vancouver, British Columbia	592,096	17,143	148,873	48,774	806,886
Victoria, British Columbia	93,246	3,552	22,351	7,285	126,434
Windsor, Ontario	24,465	6,530	36,521	590	68,106
Winnipeg, Manitoba	68,000	1,566	33,045	22,485	125,096

Table 12
Value of residential and non-residential building permits, census metropolitan areas, unadjusted, cumulative, January to August 2017

	Value of construction				Total
	Non-residential			Institutional and governmental	
	Residential	Industrial	Commercial		
	thousands of dollars				
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia	217,765	36,534	26,424	14,115	294,838
Barrie, Ontario	286,314	18,067	47,293	48,291	399,965
Belleville, Ontario	112,711	28,579	13,005	8,185	162,480
Brantford, Ontario	122,849	35,185	39,837	8,484	206,355
Calgary, Alberta	1,887,379	168,666	666,831	216,452	2,939,328
Edmonton, Alberta	2,182,339	97,437	643,438	401,199	3,324,413
Greater Sudbury, Ontario	75,279	107,048	35,265	69,962	287,554
Guelph, Ontario	230,393	9,611	32,250	78,990	351,244
Halifax, Nova Scotia	483,203	11,561	155,622	48,498	698,884
Hamilton, Ontario	806,854	121,170	176,129	260,626	1,364,779
Kelowna, British Columbia	562,471	21,575	82,239	34,929	701,214
Kingston, Ontario	119,859	6,845	39,324	107,596	273,624
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario	517,249	140,216	144,813	122,316	924,594
Lethbridge, Alberta	85,146	7,895	26,916	165,952	285,909
London, Ontario	832,074	41,233	126,754	64,732	1,064,793
Moncton, New Brunswick	100,430	24,792	74,759	70,785	270,766
Montréal, Quebec	3,497,116	422,103	1,449,413	791,173	6,159,805
Oshawa, Ontario	668,695	22,679	54,249	51,193	796,816
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	1,555,077	44,154	478,619	190,697	2,268,547
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec	1,248,326	30,223	417,156	156,613	1,852,318
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec	306,751	13,931	61,463	34,084	416,229
Peterborough, Ontario	86,009	3,881	10,898	8,576	109,364
Québec, Quebec	809,528	55,065	340,620	166,007	1,371,220
Regina, Saskatchewan	275,868	24,952	157,488	55,554	513,862
Saguenay, Quebec	93,372	7,172	19,924	16,269	136,737
Saint John, New Brunswick	49,410	18,234	111,871	13,672	193,187
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	394,749	25,343	161,147	54,957	636,196
Sherbrooke, Quebec	147,441	37,378	40,762	59,602	285,183
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	467,380	21,857	75,859	62,420	627,516
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	125,094	14,796	81,171	21,658	242,719
Thunder Bay, Ontario	48,913	3,042	35,833	25,896	113,684
Toronto, Ontario	7,743,518	642,165	3,060,176	1,695,080	13,140,939
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	133,419	29,755	44,018	36,068	243,260
Vancouver, British Columbia	4,435,298	173,221	1,001,203	410,864	6,020,586
Victoria, British Columbia	681,556	24,885	137,182	65,846	909,469
Windsor, Ontario	305,014	32,147	67,423	53,259	457,843
Winnipeg, Manitoba	966,868	32,223	469,444	112,346	1,580,881

Table 13
Value of non-residential building permits, by type of building, provinces and territories, unadjusted, August 2017

	Canada	Newfoundland and Labrador	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
	thousands of dollars						
Total non-residential	3,082,309	40,070	3,243	29,474	51,663	643,192	1,286,777
Industrial	575,450	11,595	1,321	3,703	4,958	131,271	250,701
Factories, plants	215,784	9,100	0	506	1,447	52,210	75,764
Transportation, utilities	114,974	1,900	0	600	1,194	40,020	28,601
Mining and agriculture	169,339	250	1,100	1,919	624	24,433	109,391
Minor industrial projects, new and improvements ¹	75,353	345	221	678	1,693	14,608	36,945
Commercial	1,773,588	8,926	1,472	18,656	14,642	372,739	734,688
Trade and services	373,873	1,958	0	2,284	6,071	64,641	131,316
Warehouses	249,883	0	500	6,481	750	23,358	135,806
Service stations	42,779	0	0	0	288	6,518	8,605
Office buildings	443,200	950	600	4,596	2,515	86,582	223,800
Recreation	200,919	1,000	0	634	540	50,946	60,788
Hotels, restaurants	251,251	1,620	0	0	0	98,169	82,435
Laboratories	34,336	0	0	0	400	8,147	21,852
Minor commercial projects, new and improvements ¹	177,347	3,398	372	4,661	4,078	34,378	70,086
Institutional and governmental	733,271	19,549	450	7,115	32,063	139,182	301,388
Schools, education	287,125	0	0	0	18,309	68,842	97,159
Hospitals, medical	181,888	1,500	450	0	8,869	24,445	121,929
Welfare, home	82,151	16,300	0	4,995	2,013	3,620	27,303
Churches, religion	35,150	250	0	322	263	14,517	9,308
Government buildings	100,927	900	0	1,404	1,025	19,866	27,472
Minor institutional and governmental projects, new and improvements ¹	46,030	599	0	394	1,584	7,892	18,217

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon	Northwest Territories	Nunavut
	thousands of dollars						
Total non-residential	85,047	125,135	375,024	392,782	36,127	13,525	250
Industrial	14,434	19,700	47,786	87,875	2,106	0	0
Factories, plants	0	2,546	24,826	48,350	1,035	0	0
Transportation, utilities	0	13,650	14,013	14,996	0	0	0
Mining and agriculture	10,903	950	3,130	15,639	1,000	0	0
Minor industrial projects, new and improvements ¹	3,531	2,554	5,817	8,890	71	0	0
Commercial	45,804	87,708	270,593	216,013	214	1,883	250
Trade and services	15,151	39,770	71,237	41,195	0	0	250
Warehouses	3,635	4,553	27,750	45,813	0	1,237	0
Service stations	4,130	4,860	17,878	500	0	0	0
Office buildings	5,449	5,366	33,450	79,892	0	0	0
Recreation	2,596	15,075	48,360	20,980	0	0	0
Hotels, restaurants	8,806	14,489	40,482	4,800	0	450	0
Laboratories	0	0	3,587	350	0	0	0
Minor commercial projects, new and improvements ¹	6,037	3,595	27,849	22,483	214	196	0
Institutional and governmental	24,809	17,727	56,645	88,894	33,807	11,642	0
Schools, education	18,685	15,118	33,196	35,816	0	0	0
Hospitals, medical	0	0	1,793	22,902	0	0	0
Welfare, home	769	0	12,741	14,410	0	0	0
Churches, religion	1,500	622	2,225	6,143	0	0	0
Government buildings	2,000	700	1,141	1,522	33,397	11,500	0
Minor institutional and governmental projects, new and improvements ¹	1,855	1,287	5,549	8,101	410	142	0

1. Refer to projects valued at less than \$250,000 for which the breakdown by type of building is not available.

Data quality, concepts and methodology

Description – Monthly survey of building permits

The following information should be used to ensure a clear understanding of the basic concepts that define the data provided in this product, of the underlying methodology of the survey, and of key aspects of the data quality. This information will provide you with a better understanding of the strengths and limitations of the data, and of how they can be effectively used and analysed. The information may be of particular importance to you when making comparisons with data from other surveys or sources of information, and in drawing conclusions regarding change over time.

Data source and methodology

The purpose of the **Monthly Survey of Building Permits** issued by Canadian municipalities is to collect data on construction intentions. The results of this survey are used by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) as a reference base for conducting a monthly survey of housing starts and completions in accordance with its mandate. The statistics on building permits are also essential for the computation of capital expenditures. Furthermore, since the issuance of a building permit is one of the first steps in the construction process, these statistics are widely used as a leading indicator of building activity.

General methodology: The Building Permits Survey covers all Canadian municipalities that issue permits. The number of Canadian municipalities currently surveyed approximately 2,400, representing all the provinces and territories. They account for 95% of the Canadian population. Participation in the survey is mandatory; the survey does not use a predetermined sample of municipalities. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small, and their level of building activity have little impact on the total. In practice, all urban agglomerations are represented in the survey, as well as a fair percentage of rural municipalities. With certain exceptions, the minimum coverage corresponds to the municipalities already included in the CMHC Housing Starts and Completions Survey. Non-responding municipalities that issue permits are urged on a regular basis to respond to the Building Permit Survey. Therefore, the number of municipalities covered is increasing continually.

The survey is usually conducted by mail, although certain municipalities choose to respond by telephone. The municipal officer responsible for issuing permits is asked to fill out a form each month describing all major construction projects.

The municipalities forward a copy of their completed report to Statistics Canada's Head Office and another copy to the local office of the CMHC. To reduce their overhead, an increasing number of respondents are producing a computerized report. Only those municipalities that are late in reporting and that are included in the above-mentioned CMHC. survey are subject to follow-up by telephone.

The reports received at Statistics Canada's Head Office are verified, coded and processed.

Strict quality control procedures are applied to ensure that collection, coding and data processing are as accurate as possible. Checks are also performed on totals and the magnitude of data. Reports that fail to meet the quality standards are subject to verification and are corrected as required.

Imputations are required for each characteristic for which no report has been received. These are calculated automatically, subject to certain constraints, by applying to previously used values, the month-to-month and year-to-year changes in similar values of responding municipalities and the historical pattern of the missing municipalities. No estimation is done for lack of coverage, concealment or the underevaluation of permits issued. For this reason, the sampling error cannot be computed.

The monthly statistics are not corrected for cancelled or expired permits. According to the municipal officers, the proportion of cancelled and unused permits is below 5%.

Reference period: The reference period for data collection purposes is the calendar month. Reports from municipalities which are part of a census metropolitan area or a census agglomeration must be received within 20 days following the month of reference. The other municipalities have 30 days to produce their reports. Results are released between 35 and 40 days after the end of the reference month. Annual data for the preceding calendar year are released with the data for the January survey month.

Revisions: Two types of revisions can affect the results of the Building Permits Survey:

Revisions due to the correction of coding errors

These types of revisions are done on a monthly basis only to the data pertaining to the month preceding the reference period.

Revisions due to the addition of late reports

Late reports for the month preceding the reference period are incorporated into the survey results on a continuing basis. However, reports received after the two-month deadline following the reference month are introduced only at the end of the year. As a result, the data for the last twelve months are subject to revision.

Seasonal adjustment: Components of the building permits for which seasonal variation is present are seasonally adjusted using the X-12 ARIMA method. Seasonally adjusted data for the total number of housing units and the aggregate value of building permits are obtained indirectly, i.e., by adding up their seasonally adjusted components. Specifically, the total number of dwelling units is obtained by summing the seasonally adjusted data for single-family and multi-family units. The total value of building permits is obtained by summing the following components: residential, industrial, commercial and institutional. In cases where the component series contains no apparent seasonality, unadjusted values are used in the place of seasonally adjusted values in these aggregations.

At the end of the year, the seasonally adjusted time series are revised to take into account the most recent seasonal fluctuations at the same time as a revision to the previous year of the unadjusted data. In general, revisions for the seasonally adjusted estimates extending back three years are made with the release of January building permits data.

For more information on seasonal adjustment, see *Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions*.

As a complement to the seasonally adjusted series, trend-cycle estimates are produced to indicate the long-term underlying movement of a series and may also be used as early indicators of the direction of the short-term trend (within the current year). Both the seasonally adjusted and trend-cycle estimates are subject to revision as new data points are added to the series. These revisions could be large and even lead to a reversal of movement, especially at the end of the trend series. The higher variability associated with the trend-cycle estimates is indicated with a dotted line for the most recent four months on the graphs.

Starting with the release of January 2016 data, the Monthly survey of building permits trend-cycle is estimated using a standard method employed by several monthly economic indicators at Statistics Canada. For more information on this method, see the *StatCan Blog* and *Trend-cycle estimates – Frequently asked questions*.

Concepts and variables measured

The statistical data presented in this product refers to the number of dwelling units authorized and the **value of building permits**. The value of the permits reported includes the following expenditures: materials, labour, profit and overhead. The cost of land is never included in the estimated value of the permit while acquisition costs (legal fees, surveying fees and accrued interest) may be included at times.

The classification used in this publication deals strictly with structures for which a building permit was issued. Permits are generally issued for the following: construction of new buildings, alterations, additions, renovations, etc. Minor repair jobs such as painting, tiling, roofing, etc., for which no permit is required, and engineering work (such as dams, roads, pipelines, etc.), which, by definition, is not a building, are not included in the building permit series. Estimates of such work may be obtained on Cansim, tables 029-0045 and 029-0050 from the *Annual Capital and Repair Expenditures Survey: Actual, Preliminary Actual and Intentions (CAPEX) SDDS=2803*.

The description given by the municipalities as to the type of building (box #6 of Section A on the form) and the type of work involved (box #7 of Section A on the form) forms the basis for classification. The classification of buildings into major groups and subgroups is based on the following: intended use in the case of new buildings; present or intended use of buildings to which improvements are to be made; present use of the existing structure where the proposed construction is intended to provide additional facilities; principal use of the structure where the proposed construction has more than one intended use; however, where the building contains dwellings, the value of the construction is divided between residential and non-residential use.

Building categories

This publication, uses the following classification for the **value of permits issued** for construction of new buildings or for improvements: residential, industrial, commercial, institutional and government.

Residential: Includes all buildings intended for private occupancy whether on a permanent basis or not. Dwellings are divided into the following types: single-family, mobile, cottage, semi-detached, row house and apartment building.

Industrial: Includes all buildings used for manufacturing and processing; transportation, communication and other utilities, and agriculture, forestry and mining.

Commercial: Includes all buildings used to house activities related to the tertiary sector, such as stores, warehouses, garages, office buildings, theatres, hotels, funeral parlours and beauty salons.

Institutional and Government: Includes expenditures made by the community, public and government for buildings and structures like schools, universities, hospitals, clinics, churches, homes for the aged.

The **number of dwelling units** indicates the number of self contained dwelling units created. This should not be confused with the number of structures. For example, an apartment building containing six dwellings will be shown as six dwelling units. When an existing structure is converted into additional housing units, the number of units added is included. This publication uses the following classification for dwelling units:

Single-family: Refers to dwellings commonly called “single house”. It includes single dwellings that are completely isolated on all sides, including single dwellings linked to other dwellings below ground. Included are bungalows, split levels, two-storey single-family homes built by conventional methods or prefabricated.

Mobile homes: Refers to houses designed and constructed to be transported on their own chassis and for easy moving.

Cottage: Refers to dwellings that cannot be occupied year-round or on a permanent basis because the facilities required for comfort are inadequate.

Double or Semi-detached: Refers to dwellings in which each of the two dwellings are side by side and joined by a common wall or garage, but not attached to any other building and surrounded by open space.

Row Dwellings: Refers to a row of three or more dwellings attached to each other without dwellings above or below.

Apartment Building: Includes dwellings in a variety of buildings such as duplexes, semi-detached duplexes, triplexes, row duplexes, apartments as such and dwellings adjacent to non-residential structures.

Conversion: Refers to the number of dwellings added by conversion of existing structures.

Geographic classification

Geographic entities are classified according to Standard Geographical Classification (SGC) used by Statistics Canada. Each reporting entity is assigned a twelve-digit SGC code for identification according to the following geographic levels:

Province and territory (PR): There are ten provinces and three territories.

Economic region (ER): Refers to intraprovincial regions established by the Standards Division of Statistics Canada. There are seventy-six ERs.

Census division (CD): Refers to a group of census subdivisions established by provincial law. There are two hundred and eighty-eight CDs (data on this geographic group is available on request).

Census metropolitan area (CMA): Its delineation corresponds to the 2011 Census definition. The term CMA refers to the main labour market area of an urban area (the urbanized core) of at least 100,000 population, based on the Census population figures. The thirty-five CMAs are shown in this publication. Although the 2011 Census defines the Ottawa-Gatineau area as a single CMA, the area is shown in this publication as two separate entities since it is located in two different provinces.

Census agglomeration (CA): Refers to the smaller labour market area of an urbanized core of at least 10,000 population, as defined by the 2011 Census. There are one hundred and eleven CAs in Canada. When a CA overlaps the boundaries of two provinces, it is shown partly in each province. The Lloydminster agglomeration is an exception to this rule. It is treated as if it was totally located in Alberta.

Other municipalities of at least 10,000 population: Refers to municipalities not included in census agglomerations but with populations of at least 10,000 inhabitants. The distinction is made between these municipalities and CAs in order to permit comparison between the Building Permits Survey and the Housing Starts and Completions Survey which refers to this geographical concept.

Rural area: Refers to all geographic entities not included in a CMA or CA and not identified as a population centre by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Census subdivision (CSD): Refers to the general term applying to municipalities, Indian reserves, Indian settlements and unorganized territories. However, since Indian reserves and settlements do not issue building permits, they are not included in this publication.

Non-standard geographic unit: The geographic units shown in this publication do not all satisfy the above definition of census subdivision. Some provincial or municipal administrations producing monthly reports do not correspond to the official geographic entities; they are nevertheless shown in this publication under the geographic entity used by these administrations. These so-called non-standard geographic units are few in number and are mostly concentrated in the Maritime provinces.

Territorial revisions

Territorial boundaries were established according to the 2011 Census definitions. Changes in boundaries, status or name of census subdivisions between censuses are introduced in this publication on a yearly basis. Changes affecting the other geographic units (CMAs, CAs, CDs and ERs) are introduced every five years, eighteen months following the census.

Data accuracy

Since the building permit data are extracted from municipal administrative documents, two types of response errors are possible: errors attributable to the permit applicant and errors in transcription by the responding municipality. However, experience has shown that transcription errors are not very common and the increasing number of municipalities producing computerized reports tends to reduce the frequency of this type of error. Errors attributable to an understatement of the cost of construction are more probable. Since permit fees are in most cases based on the value of the construction, this leads unquestionably to under-estimation of project values.

In the last years, an average of 98.0% of the municipalities covered by the survey filed their monthly reports for the Building Permits Survey. The average monthly revision rate over the last few years has been 0.5%.

Comparability of data and related sources

Comparison of data must be done with reservation considering that the methods of issuing permits and the methods of estimating building values can differ from one municipality to another. Also, comparisons involving different periods must take into account the constant increase in the number of municipalities participating in the survey.

This publication contains only part of the data produced on building permits. However, you may order unpublished tables or address special requests, to the Building Construction and Property Value Section (613-951-6321 or 1-800-579-8533). The series presented here is also available on CANSIM: Tables 026-0001 to 026-0008 and 026-0010.

Related products

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62-202-X	Spending Patterns in Canada

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Appendix

Geographical abbreviations

C	City / Cité
CC	Chartered community
CG	Community government
CN	Crown colony / Colonie de la couronne
COM	Community
CT	Canton (municipalité de)
CU	Cantons unis (municipalité de)
CV	City / Ville
CY	City
DM	District municipality
HAM	Hamlet
ID	Improvement district
IGD	Indian government district
IM	Island municipality
IRI	Indian reserve / Réserve indienne
LGD	Local government district
LOT	Township and royalty
M	Municipality / Municipalité
MD	Municipal district
MÉ	Municipalité
MU	Municipality
NH	Northern hamlet
NL	Nisga'a land
NO	Unorganized / Non organisé
NV	Northern village
NVL	Nisgaa village
P	Parish / Paroisse (municipalité de)
PE	Paroisse (municipalité de)
RCR	Rural community / Communauté rurale
RDA	Regional district electoral area
RG	Region
RGM	Regional municipality
RM	Rural municipality
RV	Resort village
S-É	Indian settlement / Établissement indien
SA	Special area
SC	Subdivision of county municipality / Subdivision municipalité de comté
SÉ	Settlement / Établissement
SET	Settlement
SG	Self-government / Autonomie gouvernementale
SM	Specialized municipality
SNO	Subdivision of unorganized / Subdivision non organisée
SV	Summer village
T	Town
TC	Terres réservées aux Cris
TI	Terre inuite
TK	Terres réservées aux Naskapis
TL	Teslin land
TP	Township
TV	Town / Ville
V	Ville
VC	Village cri

Geographical abbreviations

VK	Village naskapi
VL	Village
VN	Village nordique

Source: Statistics Canada, 2011 Census of Population (<http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2011/ref/dict/table-tableau/table-tableau-5-eng.cfm>).