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The value of the building permits issued by 63 cities during 1926 was substantially higher than in any other year since this record was commenced in 1920, while the cost of building materials was the lowest in the record of the last eight years. The aggregate for the year, based upon revised statements from civic officials, was \$156,386,607, compared with \$125,029,367 in 1925, and with \$148,215,407 in 1922, the previous high total in the last six years. The average index number of wholesale prices of building materials stood at 149.2, compared with 153.7 in 1925, in which prices were lower than in the five preceding years; the index number of wages in the building trades, compiled by the Department of Labour, averaged 172.1, as compared with 170.4 in 1925. The 1913 figures are the base upon which these indexes, in both cases, are computed.

The pronounced increase in building, as indicated by the authorizations of the 63 co-operating cities, was also reflected in the index number of employment based upon returns from over 300 building contractors employing a mean payroll of 30,098 persons; the index averaged 157.4, as compared with 121.1 in 1925. Last year's average was the highest in the record, which was instituted in 1920. According to the MacLean Building Review for January, 1927, the value of the contracts awarded throughout Canada was \$372,947,900 in 1926, as compared with \$297,973,000 in the preceding year, an increase of 25 p.c. Development in the mining, power and paper industries was an important factor contributing to the total, of which a considerable share was outside city limits and is therefore not reflected in these building permits; the latter, however, gained in the same proportion as the contracts awarded.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN 63 CITIES, BY PROVINCES, WITH COMPARISONS  
FROM 1920

The value of the building permits issued in 63 cities during the last seven years is given below:-

Year	Value	Average Index Numbers of	
		Wholesale prices of building materials (1913 = 100)	Wages in the build- ing trades. (1913 = 100)
	\$		
1920	117,019,622	214.9	180.9
1921	116,794,414	183.2	170.5
1922	148,215,407	162.2	162.5
1923	133,521,621	167.0	166.4
1924	126,583,148	159.1	169.1
1925	125,029,367	153.7	170.4
1926	156,386,607	149.2	172.1

During 1926, there were increases of 25.1 p.c., 23.5 p.c., 17.1 p.c., 5.5 p.c., 33.9 p.c., and 33.6 p.c., as compared with 1925, 1924, 1923, 1922, 1921 and 1920, respectively.

Table I is a statement of building permits issued in 63 cities during the last seven years; the 35 leading cities for which records are available since 1910 are marked thus "x". The inclusion of Kamloops and North Vancouver made necessary the revision of the figures since 1920; the former was added to give representation in these statistics to the interior of British Columbia, and the latter on account of its proximity to Vancouver.

All provinces except Nova Scotia and New Brunswick registered increases in the value of the building authorized, the largest absolute gains being in British Columbia and Quebec.



MARITIME PROVINCES.- In Nova Scotia, the permits issued were valued at \$908,945, a decline of \$190,842 or 17.4 p.c. as compared with 1925. New Brunswick also recorded a reduction in the building authorized, of 21.3 p.c., while in Prince Edward Island there was an increase.

Quebec.- The aggregate for Quebec, \$42,167,440, was 19.8 p.c. higher than in 1925, but it was slightly lower than in 1924, when the building authorized had its greatest valuation since 1920. The six cities reporting in Quebec issued 27 p.c. of the total for the 63 cities; in 1925 the proportion to the aggregate was over 23 p.c. and in 1924 nearly 34 p.c.

ONTARIO.- The 1926 total of building permits issued, which constituted approximately 42 p.c. of the general aggregate, was higher by \$5,484,890 or 9.2 p.c., than in 1925. It was also greater than in 1924, 1921 and 1920, though lower than in either 1927 or 1922.

PRAIRIE PROVINCES.- There was an important revival in building in Manitoba, where the permits issued were valued at \$11,091,772, as compared with \$5,205,828 in the preceding year, an increase of 113.1 p.c. This total was the highest in the last seven years. In Saskatchewan, building authorizations also advanced, rising from \$2,531,380 in 1925 to \$6,529,041 in the year under review, or by 157.9 p.c. The 1926 aggregate for the three reporting cities in Saskatchewan was the highest since 1913. Alberta showed gains of 43.8 p.c., 11.4 p.c. and 58.4 p.c. over 1925, 1924 and 1923; respectively, but the total was lower than in the first three years of the record. The proportion of permits issued in the Prairie Provinces to the total for the 63 cities was 13.9 p.c., as compared with 8.5 p.c. in 1925.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.- The British Columbia aggregate of \$25,400,314 was the greatest since the record for the 63 cities was begun in 1920, being 47.3 p.c. above the 1925 total and 73.9 p.c. higher than in 1922, which until 1925 and 1926, was the high level of the record. The nine cities reporting in this province issued 16 p.c. of the Dominion aggregate.

#### COMPARATIVE BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN LEADING CITIES

Statistics of building permits issued by 63 cities since 1920 are given in Table I, while Table 3 is a record for the four largest centres since 1910.

Montreal.- The value of the building permits issued by Montreal was \$31,720,049, the highest since the record for this city was instituted in 1910, exceeding the 1925 and 1924 totals by 24.3 p.c. and 2.3 p.c., respectively. The 1924 figures were, until 1926, the greatest in the record. Approximately half the aggregate for last year represented residential building. If the Westmount authorizations, \$4,034,425, are added to the Montreal total, those adjoining cities together issued nearly 27 p.c. of the total for the 63 cities.

Toronto.- There was a slight increase in the value of the permits granted by Toronto as compared with 1925, and a larger gain over 1924, but the total was lower than in 1923 or 1922. Only slightly over 41 p.c. of the building authorized in Toronto was listed as residential; this is accounted for by the proximity of the residential suburban areas of York Townships, in which dwellings made up nearly 70 p.c. of the aggregate. The value of authorizations in the Toronto metropolitan area was \$31,588,124, or 20 p.c. of the total for the 63 cities.

Winnipeg.- Considerable recovery in building was indicated by authorizations in Winnipeg, where the total for 1926 was \$10,362,600; as compared with \$4,156,690 in 1925, this was an increase of 149.3 p.c. The aggregate for the year under review considerably exceeded any other since 1914. Non-residential building accounted for almost 76 p.c. of the total for 1926. St. Boniface, just across the river from Winnipeg, reported building estimated at \$501,256.

Vancouver.- The value of the permits issued in Vancouver, \$15,501,262, was 94.6 p.c. greater than in the preceding year; it was also higher than the total for any other year of the record except 1911 and 1912. Little more than a quarter of the 1926 authorizations was for dwellings, but in the adjoining cities, a very large proportion of the total was earmarked for this class of construction. The Vancouver metropolitan area, including Point Grey, North and South Vancouver, issued 15 p.c. of the total value for the 63 cities.



In Windsor, permits valued at \$7,319,454 were taken out, while if statistics for the adjacent Border Cities be added, the total was \$12,342,692. The aggregate for these cities in 1925 was \$8,114,905; there was, therefore, an increase of 52.1 p.c. during 1926. Point Grey, already mentioned in connection with Vancouver, reported building estimated at \$6,045,650, the highest aggregate in the seven years of the record. In Regina, the permits, totalling \$4,242,511, had a greater valuation than in any year since the war. Westmount reported authorizations valued at \$4,034,425, which was also higher than in any other year since 1914.

In Quebec, London, Hamilton and Ottawa, the permits issued totalled over \$3,000,000 in each case, while Three Rivers, Fort William, Kitchener, Niagara Falls, Oshawa, Ford, Sandwich, Walkerville, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton and South Vancouver, registered permits for buildings estimated to cost between \$1,000,000 and \$2,100,000.

The following cities recorded increases in the value of the building authorized during 1926 as compared with the preceding year, - Sydney, Moncton, Montreal, Quebec, Westmount, Brantford, Chatham, Fort William, Galt, Kingston, London, Niagara Falls, Oshawa, Peterborough, Port Arthur, Stratford, St. Catharines, Toronto, Welland, Windsor, Ford, Sandwich, Walkerville, Woodstock, Brandon, Winnipeg, Moose Jaw, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Kamloops, New Westminster, Vancouver, Point Grey, North and South Vancouver and Victoria.

#### BUILDING ACTIVITIES BY MONTHS

The authorizations granted in April, \$19,044,499, were the highest in any one month of 1926, while those for June, \$18,718,050, held second place in that respect. In 1925, April and May showed the greatest aggregate, - \$15,442,855 and \$15,500,165, respectively.

#### BUILDING ACTIVITIES BY TYPES OF BUILDINGS

Some 50 cities furnished detailed reports showing that they had issued over 15,000 permits for dwellings estimated to cost in excess of \$64,000,000 and nearly 25,500 permits for other buildings at a proposed cost of practically \$77,000,000. The average estimated cost per dwellings was therefore, \$4,200, while the average for other buildings was \$3,000. The former category includes houses and apartments, and in many but not all cases, repairs and alterations. Permits for garages usually constitute a large proportion of the total number of buildings, other than residential, but in most cases have a low valuation. During 1925, over 16,000 permits were granted for dwellings at a proposed cost of \$6,565,000, an average of \$4,100 per dwelling; some 26,000 permits were issued, valued at \$50,500,000, giving an average of \$1,900 per building.

#### BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN 35 CITIES, WITH COMPARISONS FROM 1910

The value of the building permits issued in the 35 cities originally used in these compilations was \$131,048,721, as compared with \$101,021,798 in 1925; this was an increase of 29.7 p.c., as compared with the general advance of 25.1 p.c. in the aggregate for the 63 cities. The proportion of the permits issued in these 35 cities to the grand total was 83.8 in 1926, compared with 81.0 in 1925 and 86.2 p.c. in 1920, when this proportion was highest.

The 1926 aggregate for the 35 cities was only exceeded in 1911, 1912 and 1913, when a very extensive building programme was necessary to meet the situation created by the large influx of immigrants.

Table 2 gives, by provinces, the value of the building permits issued in the 35 cities, since 1910, as well as indexes of costs of building materials and of wages in the building trades.

#### BUILDING ACTIVITIES IN FOUR LARGEST CITIES WITH COMPARISONS FROM 1910

The value of the building permits issued in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver aggregated \$83,613,495, an increase of 31.8 p.c. as compared with the 1925 total of \$63,438,784. There were large gains in all four cities in that comparison. The proportion of the building authorized in these centres to the total for the 35 cities, 63.8 p.c., was higher than in any other year of the record except 1910.

When the estimated cost of building authorized in the "satellite cities" in the immediate vicinity of the four leading cities is added, the value of the building permits in the four metropolitan areas was \$101,434,390; this was an increase of 27.7 p.c. over the 1925 aggregate of \$79,412,559.

Table 3 is a record of building permits issued in the four largest cities since 1910.



Table I.- Estimated Cost of Building Work as indicated by the Value of Building Permits issued in 63 cities.

Cities	1926	1925	1924
	\$	\$	\$
P.E.I. Charlottetown	29,000	21,800	31,900
Nova Scotia	908,945	1,099,787	901,621
x Halifax	764,498	1,035,564	731,209
New Glasgow	7,870	20,286	18,505
x Sydney	136,577	43,937	151,907
New Brunswick	771,421	986,325	1,492,364
Fredericton	37,050	98,175	257,325
x Moncton	342,701	204,620	101,774
x Saint John	391,670	683,530	1,133,265
Quebec	42,167,440	35,186,268	42,562,336
x Montreal-Maisonneuve	31,720,049	25,520,523	31,013,419
x Quebec	3,939,281	3,274,371	7,331,846
Shawinigan Falls	315,760	384,925	229,377
x Sherbrooke	712,350	1,037,110	529,878
x Three Rivers	1,445,575	2,064,815	1,046,210
x Westmount	4,034,425	2,904,524	2,411,606
Ontario	65,373,757	59,888,867	57,330,141
Belleville	306,610	194,725	195,000
x Brantford	232,049	159,537	191,480
Chatham	591,650	193,858	352,329
x Fort William	1,291,250	727,340	1,272,570
Galt	181,185	108,723	124,742
x Guelph	344,616	426,641	404,304
x Hamilton	3,128,950	2,675,830	3,309,800
x Kingston	608,532	493,758	1,035,620
x Kitchener	1,100,111	1,546,262	1,221,122
x London	3,621,200	2,389,800	2,113,500
Niagara Falls	1,504,000	1,114,290	802,622
Oshawa	1,044,100	576,205	786,985
x Ottawa	3,101,748	4,942,327	2,540,699
Owen Sound	154,450	536,970	161,125
x Peterborough	342,757	272,637	437,510
x Port Arthur	961,580	402,488	1,186,207
x Stratford	480,915	407,731	641,619
x St. Catharines	940,642	666,962	713,638
x St. Thomas	138,597	350,181	164,026
Sarnia	601,646	725,698	840,803
Sault Ste. Marie	235,766	242,993	559,245
x Toronto	26,029,584	25,797,196	23,926,028
York and East York Townships	5,558,540	6,611,440	5,710,400
Welland	404,049	124,320	178,880
x Windsor	7,319,454	4,333,945	4,429,308
Ford	1,592,058	1,104,445	1,371,662
Riverside	455,630	600,750	403,450
Sandwich	1,707,550	1,224,765	959,799
Walkerville	1,268,000	851,000	1,058,000
Woodstock	126,538	86,050	237,668
Manitoba	11,091,372	5,205,828	3,867,102
x Brandon	227,516	76,579	270,825
St. Boniface	501,256	972,559	418,377
x Winnipeg	10,362,600	4,156,690	3,177,900
Saskatchewan	6,529,041	2,531,380	2,856,190
x Moose Jaw	268,326	243,535	501,129
x Regina	4,242,511	1,208,403	939,785
x Saskatoon	2,018,204	1,079,442	1,415,276
Alberta	4,115,317	2,862,260	3,695,604
x Calgary	1,999,048	1,197,475	1,031,420
x Edmonton	1,853,735	1,481,890	2,305,095
Lethbridge	236,359	161,189	226,222
Medicine Hat	26,175	21,706	132,367
British Columbia	25,400,314	17,246,852	13,845,390
Kamloops	187,269	99,105	163,361
Nanaimo	77,496	212,591	89,005
x New Westminster	748,169	704,263	321,432
Prince Rupert	187,465	337,769	209,312
x Vancouver	15,501,262	7,964,375	6,230,774
Point Grey	6,045,650	5,080,000	4,251,300
North Vancouver	564,074	268,542	1,123,441
South Vancouver	1,390,690	1,032,690	616,662
x Victoria	698,239	547,517	838,103
Total - 63 cities	156,886,607	125,029,367	126,583,148
x Total - 35 cities	131,048,721	101,021,798	105,070,264



Table I.-Estimated Cost of Building Work as indicated by the Value of Building Permits issued in 63 cities (concluded)

Cities	1927	1922	1921	1920
	\$	\$	\$	\$
P.E.I. Charlottetown	50,200	31,500	138,200	53,200
Nova Scotia	739,646	2,416,024	2,807,985	4,356,285
x Halifax	378,699	1,752,032	2,199,398	3,421,379
New Glasgow	41,785	58,545	51,775	47,970
x Sydney	319,162	604,847	556,813	586,937
New Brunswick	1,049,856	2,028,219	1,503,820	2,535,625
Fredericton	305,895	233,197	234,800	298,650
x Moncton	385,461	1,077,942	699,520	1,201,673
x Saint John	358,500	707,100	574,500	1,035,700
Quebec	35,483,853	30,330,234	28,869,805	21,301,662
x Montreal-Maisonneuve	27,125,863	21,132,586	21,291,273	14,067,609
x Quebec	4,736,933	5,397,566	3,695,397	2,301,420
Shawinigan Falls	124,990	124,400	266,200	141,200
x Sherbrooke	732,100	712,000	753,900	3,265,538
x Three Rivers	780,735	1,193,650	1,286,740	845,975
x Westmount	1,933,232	1,770,032	1,576,293	1,179,890
Ontario	74,673,080	81,396,259	59,315,845	58,636,365
Belleville	54,825	254,400	119,700	73,250
x Brantford	615,686	465,420	404,445	798,073
Chatham	245,867	366,317	322,555	387,034
x Fort William	1,425,130	1,446,685	893,050	1,045,160
Galt	135,631	131,707	501,771	291,760
x Guelph	571,484	964,808	433,257	494,153
x Hamilton	5,452,930	4,928,465	4,639,450	4,340,220
x Kingston	649,233	701,495	591,515	494,736
x Kitchener	1,893,892	2,461,321	932,050	1,277,595
x London	3,261,065	2,605,630	2,527,510	2,146,305
Niagara Falls	758,513	676,694	1,145,589	493,965
Oshawa	1,923,110	1,355,130	320,405	349,496
x Ottawa	3,521,817	5,021,782	2,716,409	3,305,172
Owen Sound	319,450	196,450	119,000	146,175
x Peterborough	295,798	439,154	541,754	939,700
x Port Arthur	2,640,321	1,167,429	113,509	216,350
x Stratford	509,272	700,527	276,089	440,782
x St. Catharines	806,310	1,290,576	776,360	830,632
x St. Thomas	334,239	221,964	113,640	258,821
Sarnia	791,470	880,260	1,331,337	742,265
Sault Ste. Marie	401,032	583,813	896,920	1,034,290
x Toronto	30,609,227	35,237,925	23,878,246	25,737,063
York & East York Townships	8,921,650	11,167,700	8,101,100	4,312,350
Welland	206,105	362,371	435,735	299,420
x Windsor	4,725,034	4,143,495	5,123,110	4,850,310
Ford	1,539,702	1,473,270	323,185	674,745
Riverside	334,945	223,265	48,336	
Sandwich	809,754	854,250	550,225	687,610
Walkerville	610,000	431,000	1,016,000	1,178,000
Woodstock	309,583	242,956	114,593	290,928
Manitoba	5,177,487	7,653,442	6,714,883	9,248,971
x Brandon	183,034	225,029	749,190	412,829
St. Boniface	510,353	552,663	385,293	465,992
x Winnipeg	4,484,100	6,875,750	5,580,400	8,370,150
Saskatchewan	2,405,976	3,982,213	3,434,681	5,281,600
x Moose Jaw	289,398	379,180	500,177	1,533,125
x Regina	1,264,030	1,784,124	2,160,038	2,597,920
x Saskatoon	852,548	1,818,909	774,466	1,150,585
Alberta	2,597,987	5,723,204	4,170,446	6,451,876
x Calgary	821,840	3,102,700	2,293,800	2,900,100
x Edmonton	1,488,670	2,381,109	1,563,636	3,231,955
Lethbridge	255,570	247,695	217,760	252,090
Medicine Hat	28,907	32,700	90,190	61,731
British Columbia	11,343,536	14,664,292	9,833,750	3,654,069
Kamloops	99,728	146,165	237,820	90,282
Nanaimo	137,507	85,981	92,273	78,294
x New Westminster	350,848	332,050	264,870	319,109
Prince Rupert	97,148	314,412	620,833	405,189
x Vancouver	6,277,574	8,661,695	3,045,132	3,569,666
Point Grey	2,397,750	3,364,200	3,516,800	2,192,114
North Vancouver	220,546	107,059	194,874	149,706
South Vancouver	712,275	559,716	882,981	642,071
x Victoria	1,050,160	1,033,004	977,167	1,207,572
Total - 63 Cities	133,521,621	148,215,407	116,794,424	117,019,622
xTotal - 35 Cities	111,174,325	122,655,581	94,508,164	100,679,339

TABLE 2.- Estimated Cost of Building Work in the years 1910-1926, by provinces, as indicated by Building Permits issued in 35 Cities.

Provinces		1926	1925	1924	1923	1922	1921	1920	1919	1918
Nova Scotia	( 2 cities)	901,075	1,079,501	883,116	697,861	2,357,479	2,756,211	4,308,316	5,898,336	3,295,635
New Brunswick	( 2 cities)	734,371	888,150	1,235,039	743,961	1,745,042	1,274,020	2,236,973	2,674,716	498,748
Quebec	( 6 cities)	41,851,680	34,801,343	42,332,959	35,358,863	30,205,834	28,603,603	21,660,492	15,166,851	6,852,354
Ontario	(15 cities)	49,641,985	45,592,635	43,587,431	57,311,438	61,796,676	43,960,394	47,175,077	40,584,834	18,477,012
Manitoba	( 2 cities)	10,590,116	4,233,269	3,448,725	4,667,134	7,100,779	6,329,590	8,782,979	3,046,541	2,140,672
Saskatchewan	( 3 cities)	6,529,041	2,531,380	2,856,190	2,405,976	3,982,213	3,434,681	5,281,600	3,694,505	2,177,290
Alberta	( 2 cities)	3,852,783	2,679,365	3,336,515	2,310,510	5,440,809	3,862,496	6,138,055	3,143,346	1,548,270
British Columbia	( 3 cities)	16,947,670	9,216,155	7,390,309	7,678,582	10,026,749	4,287,169	5,096,347	2,904,284	1,848,289
Total 35 cities		131,048,721	101,021,798	105,070,284	111,174,325	122,655,581	94,508,164	100,679,839	77,113,413	36,838,270
1/ Average weighted index numbers of wholesale prices of building materials		149.2	153.7	159.1	167.0	162.2	183.2	214.9	175.8	150.5
2/ Average index numbers of wages in building trades		172.1	170.4	169.1	166.4	162.5	170.5	180.9	148.2	125.9

1/ Compiled by Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Average 1913 = 100  
2/ Compiled by Department of Labour, Average 1913 = 100



Table 2.-Estimated Cost of Building Work in the years 1910-1926, by Provinces, as indicated by Building Permits issued in 35 cities (concluded)

Provinces		1917	1916	1915	1914	1913	1912	1911	1910
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Nova Scotia	(2 cities)	1,320,647	1,348,434	1,262,087	990,293	1,158,954	1,200,781	1,004,958	831,594
New Brunswick	(2 cities)	870,963	675,980	864,339	852,655	2,882,780	689,755	645,556	469,215
Quebec	(6 cities)	8,794,149	9,890,630	12,267,849	24,527,591	34,893,449	26,672,297	25,705,190	20,003,902
Ontario	(15 cities)	17,407,571	20,229,574	14,353,828	38,558,430	49,474,905	50,022,468	39,669,026	33,603,188
Manitoba	(2 cities)	2,392,788	2,752,173	1,862,455	13,240,385	19,231,259	21,760,957	19,258,082	16,034,738
Saskatchewan	(3 cities)	1,294,659	687,170	574,987	2,783,235	13,007,665	20,947,160	12,521,629	6,240,649
Alberta	(2 cities)	858,000	895,040	460,375	8,938,627	17,862,103	34,840,639	16,712,432	7,750,850
British Columbia	(3 cities)	997,649	3,245,465	1,920,829	6,889,765	15,151,727	29,090,352	22,653,517	15,423,410
Total - 35 cities		33,936,426	39,724,466	33,566,749	96,780,981	153,662,842	185,233,449	138,170,390	100,357,546
1/ Average weighted index numbers of wholesale prices of building materials		130.7	103.8	90.3	93.8	100.	-	-	-
2/ Average index numbers of wages in building trades		109.9	102.4	101.5	100.8	100.	96.0	90.2	86.9

1/ Compiled by Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Average 1913 = 100.

2/ Compiled by Department of Labour, Average 1913 = 100.



Table 3.- Building Permits Issued by Four Largest Cities, 1910-1926

City	1926	1925	1924	1923	1922	1921	1920	1919	1918
Montreal	31,720,049	25,520,523	31,013,419	27,125,863	21,132,586	21,291,273	14,067,609	10,033,901	4,882,873
Toronto	26,029,584	25,727,196	23,926,028	30,609,227	35,237,925	23,878,246	25,737,063	19,617,838	8,535,331
Winnipeg	10,362,600	4,156,690	3,177,900	4,484,100	6,875,750	5,580,400	8,370,150	2,948,000	2,050,650
Vancouver	15,501,262	7,964,375	6,230,774	6,277,574	8,661,695	3,045,132	3,569,666	2,271,411	1,450,229
Total - 4 largest Cities	83,613,495	63,438,784	64,348,121	68,496,764	71,907,956	53,795,051	51,744,488	34,871,150	16,919,083
Total - 35 Cities	131,048,721	101,021,798	105,070,284	111,174,325	122,655,581	94,508,164	100,679,839	77,113,413	36,838,270
Total - 63 Cities	156,386,607	125,029,367	126,583,148	133,521,621	148,215,407	116,794,414	117,019,622	-	-
Proportion of permits issued in 4 largest cities to total for 35 cities	63.8	62.8	61.2	61.6	58.6	56.9	51.4	45.2	45.9
Proportion of permits issued in 4 largest cities to total for 63 cities	53.5	50.7	50.8	51.3	48.5	46.1	44.2	-	-

When the "satellite" cities in the immediate vicinity of the four leading cities are added, the percentage of the building in the four metropolitan areas is as follows:-, 1926, 64.9, 1925, 63.5, 1924, 62.2; 1923, 62.1; 1922, 60.1; 1921, 58.9; and 1920, 51.8.

Table 3.- Building Permits Issued by Four Largest Cities, 1910-1926.  
(Concluded)

City	1917	1916	1915	1914	1913	1912	1911	1910
Montreal	5,501,918	5,527,544	8,263,021	20,226,401	29,723,452	22,433,398	22,516,832	16,742,019
Toronto	7,163,556	9,881,671	6,651,889	20,694,288	27,038,913	27,401,761	24,373,949	20,740,498
Winnipeg	2,212,450	2,507,300	1,826,300	12,845,050	18,621,650	20,595,750	18,233,550	15,105,450
Vancouver	768,255	2,989,893	1,593,249	4,464,476	10,423,197	19,374,522	17,501,512	13,150,365
Total - 4 Largest Cities	15,646,179	20,906,408	18,334,459	58,250,215	85,807,212	89,805,431	82,625,843	65,738,332
Total - 35 Cities	33,936,426	39,724,466	33,566,749	96,780,981	153,662,842	185,233,449	138,170,390	100,357,546
Proportion of permits issued in four largest cities to total for 35 cities	46.1	52.6	54.6	60.2	55.8	48.5	59.8	65.5