

2.—Construction Contracts Awarded in Canada, 1925-1930, by Provinces and Types of Construction, as Compiled by MacLean Building Reports, Ltd.

Distribution.	1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.
PROVINCE.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island.....	345,600	374,500	421,100	559,000	627,300	1,120,500
Nova Scotia.....	4,154,800	3,444,800	5,469,300	27,784,000	12,744,500	7,238,500
New Brunswick.....	4,373,300	4,593,000	3,597,200	7,826,000	6,806,500	11,067,600
Quebec.....	124,509,100	151,933,900	133,182,600	144,185,000	187,771,600	154,672,000
Ontario.....	121,248,100	141,929,400	196,159,600	188,351,700	215,773,100	175,459,600
Manitoba.....	13,093,200	19,186,600	29,939,900	23,995,300	38,156,500	22,010,900
Saskatchewan.....	4,923,100	14,251,500	11,337,600	22,127,100	34,184,300	27,361,300
Alberta.....	3,867,500	10,058,400	7,507,300	17,909,700	29,159,600	25,081,700
British Columbia.....	21,459,300	27,175,800	31,337,600	39,295,800	51,428,400	32,987,500
Totals.....	297,972,000	372,947,900	418,951,600	472,632,500	576,651,800	456,999,600
TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION.						
Apartments.....	12,723,600	20,979,300	25,981,800	36,720,500	22,527,200	15,330,300
Residences.....	83,786,300	88,583,100	98,957,800	102,445,800	106,374,100	77,961,200
Totals, Residential.....	96,489,900	109,562,400	124,939,600	139,166,300	128,901,300	93,291,500
Churches.....	8,646,900	9,942,600	12,052,700	8,327,500	8,867,800	7,265,600
Public garages.....	4,409,100	4,820,500	7,354,700	10,889,100	12,915,100	7,049,700
Hospitals.....	5,252,500	6,460,100	8,897,200	9,596,300	8,983,700	14,636,200
Hotels and clubs.....	4,598,400	19,979,400	30,596,700	15,486,400	20,110,500	13,806,700
Office buildings.....	9,335,700	11,957,000	40,752,900	34,120,900	37,466,100	26,529,600
Public buildings.....	6,736,000	4,546,400	8,195,200	8,744,700	19,062,600	16,804,600
Schools.....	13,231,900	17,110,700	22,244,000	20,907,400	22,482,300	35,079,800
Stores.....	13,511,200	12,640,200	11,831,900	27,448,000	27,353,900	10,006,100
Theatres.....	723,000	2,432,700	1,519,500	3,085,000	3,074,800	2,356,100
Warehouses.....	6,521,800	22,518,700	19,982,000	31,621,300	29,535,400	17,569,300
Totals, Business.....	73,667,100	112,406,900	163,428,800	178,226,000	190,161,700	151,103,700
Totals, Industrial.....	48,807,300	79,689,700	39,968,900	63,399,000	63,963,800	31,529,000
Bridges.....	17,804,400	6,681,700	23,468,900	7,360,200	11,218,500	11,333,700
Dams and wharves.....	4,768,800	7,374,500	6,565,300	8,297,900	24,721,300	10,281,600
Sewers and water-mains.....	8,102,100	7,899,300	9,624,700	10,455,800	17,552,200	28,680,800
Roads and streets.....	26,992,100	24,379,900	24,382,800	29,412,500	41,690,800	40,490,200
General engineering.....	30,741,300	24,961,500	26,552,600	43,812,400	99,437,200	90,298,100
Totals, Engineering.....	88,408,700	71,286,900	90,534,300	99,335,800	194,627,000	181,084,400

Building Permits.—The estimated value of construction in 61 cities of Canada, as indicated by their building permits, is shown for the years 1925 to 1930 inclusive in Table 3. These cities had in 1921 about 32.6 p.c. of the population of Canada, while their 1930 building permits aggregated \$166,379,325 or 36 p.c. of the total contracts awarded, as shown in Table 1. In Table 3 the 35 cities for which statistics of building permits are available since 1910 are indicated by an asterisk (*), and the totals for these cities are given beneath the totals for the larger group.

Table 4 shows the value of the building permits issued by 35 cities in the years 1910-1930. The average weighted index numbers of wholesale prices of building materials since 1913 are also given, as are the average indexes of wages in the building trades since 1910, the latter being compiled by the Department of Labour, and the former by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. These indexes are introduced to show as far as possible the fluctuations in building costs with their effect upon construction work. Attempts have been made to determine the relative proportion of material and wage costs in general building, but representative data could not be obtained.