

**10.—Construction Contracts Awarded in Canada, by Provinces and Types of Construction, 1933-38—concluded.**

| Item.                           | 1933.             | 1934.              | 1935.              | 1936.              | 1937.              | 1938.              |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION.           | \$                | \$                 | \$                 | \$                 | \$                 | \$                 |
| Apartments.....                 | 903,900           | 1,641,900          | 3,249,600          | 3,921,100          | 5,815,100          | 7,807,900          |
| Residences.....                 | 23,025,800        | 28,946,200         | 33,158,900         | 38,936,800         | 50,391,900         | 47,217,700         |
| <b>Totals, Residential.....</b> | <b>23,929,800</b> | <b>30,588,100</b>  | <b>36,408,500</b>  | <b>42,857,900</b>  | <b>56,207,000</b>  | <b>55,025,600</b>  |
| Churches.....                   | 2,052,100         | 1,827,900          | 1,698,400          | 2,625,300          | 2,662,100          | 4,440,100          |
| Public garages.....             | 1,881,400         | 2,280,300          | 2,267,600          | 2,746,100          | 4,429,500          | 3,418,100          |
| Hospitals.....                  | 1,879,100         | 4,977,900          | 2,979,900          | 2,127,800          | 7,428,100          | 7,027,600          |
| Hotels and clubs.....           | 1,294,900         | 1,750,000          | 2,312,000          | 2,031,500          | 2,715,100          | 2,899,600          |
| Office buildings.....           | 1,096,100         | 3,989,300          | 1,687,900          | 3,149,000          | 5,911,600          | 5,076,900          |
| Public buildings.....           | 2,784,500         | 7,012,500          | 20,243,500         | 7,126,200          | 8,066,200          | 13,118,600         |
| Schools.....                    | 5,391,100         | 6,161,900          | 5,429,200          | 4,133,600          | 6,378,800          | 11,141,600         |
| Stores.....                     | 3,629,900         | 4,127,000          | 4,374,300          | 6,625,400          | 7,315,100          | 10,069,800         |
| Theatres.....                   | 483,000           | 633,600            | 1,429,600          | 2,516,000          | 2,397,600          | 1,867,100          |
| Warehouses.....                 | 5,784,400         | 4,713,600          | 8,019,800          | 4,690,100          | 7,987,600          | 4,267,700          |
| <b>Totals, Business.....</b>    | <b>26,276,500</b> | <b>37,480,300</b>  | <b>48,442,200</b>  | <b>37,771,000</b>  | <b>55,288,800</b>  | <b>63,337,100</b>  |
| <b>Totals, Industrial.....</b>  | <b>9,101,900</b>  | <b>8,637,900</b>   | <b>10,292,200</b>  | <b>14,973,700</b>  | <b>23,779,600</b>  | <b>15,952,200</b>  |
| Bridges.....                    | 6,315,900         | 5,329,800          | 3,362,200          | 7,751,200          | 7,584,800          | 4,273,100          |
| Dams and wharves.....           | 627,500           | 2,932,800          | 3,557,800          | 3,119,400          | 4,374,300          | 5,285,800          |
| Sewers and water-mains.....     | 5,577,400         | 3,873,000          | 3,715,000          | 2,515,800          | 2,946,000          | 3,428,500          |
| Roads and streets.....          | 16,509,700        | 24,432,400         | 27,421,300         | 23,649,200         | 35,840,100         | 16,732,600         |
| General engineering.....        | 8,951,100         | 13,137,200         | 22,105,800         | 29,949,800         | 28,035,300         | 23,223,000         |
| <b>Totals, Engineering.....</b> | <b>37,981,600</b> | <b>49,795,200</b>  | <b>65,162,100</b>  | <b>66,985,400</b>  | <b>78,781,100</b>  | <b>52,943,000</b>  |
| <b>Grand Totals.....</b>        | <b>97,289,800</b> | <b>125,811,500</b> | <b>160,345,000</b> | <b>162,588,000</b> | <b>224,054,700</b> | <b>187,277,900</b> |

**Building Permits.**—The estimated value of construction in 58 cities of Canada, as indicated by their building permits, is shown for the years 1933 to 1938, inclusive, in Table 11. These cities had in 1931 about 36 p.c. of the population of Canada while their 1938 building permits aggregated \$60,817,332 or 32.5 p.c. of the total contracts awarded, as shown in Table 9. In Table 11, 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 wider group.

Owing to the increasing use of the automobile and other means of rapid transportation, a growing percentage of those who work in the cities reside outside the municipal boundaries. Hence arises, in part, the necessity for an extension of the record of building permits to include such suburban areas as the York Townships in the case of Toronto, and North Vancouver in the case of Vancouver. South Vancouver and Point Grey were annexed to Vancouver as from Jan. 1, 1929.

The construction contracts in 1938 as shown in Table 10 declined by 16.4 p.c. compared with 1937, but the building permits of 58 cities in Table 11 increased by 8.9 p.c. In connection with this comparison, it may be noted that the contracts awarded for residential building declined by only 2.1 p.c. in 1938, while there was an increase of 14.5 p.c. in the value of the business buildings for which construction contracts were let. These classes figure prominently in the building authorizations of the cities.