Plan between 1935 and the outbreak of war, aggregated about \$100,000,000 which, of course, represented only a part of the capital actually spent, since the borrowers contributed large amounts on their own account.

1.—Loans Approved under the Dominion Housing Act, 1935, and Part I of the National Housing Act, 1938, by Provinces, 1937-41, with Totals, October, 1935, to December, 1941.

Note. Figures for 1935 and 1936 are given at p. 46	39 of the	1940 Year Book.
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Description	Loans				Family Units Provided					
Province	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	4 186 48 303 604 36 2 Nil 243	5 139 50 355 1,076 110 5 Nil 784	264 30 Nil	1 94 30 397 3,152 429 24 Nil 1,101	25 4 25	839 36 2	5 -	66 1,244 3,691	49 ₂ 24	72 25 425 2,458 602 22
Totals	1,426	2,524	4,549	5,228	4,693	1,961	4,138	6,367	6,073	4,693

Desertes	Amounts						Totals, 1935-41			
Province	1937	1937 1938		1940	1941	Loans	Units	Amount		
······································	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	No.	No.	\$		
Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	21,670 837,692 219,188 2,348,514 3,434,833 207,750 8,200 988,348		563,880 223,130 4,256,502 11,341,565 1,269,896 236,302	350,030 112,650 2,402,410 10,016,187 1,625,468 73,195	247,930 90,375 1,428,137 7,568,169 1,993,960 79,100	215 2,223 10,474 1,453 83 Nil	12,998 1,663 154	2,992,800 931,272 15,608,510 41,843,341 5,804,177		
Totals	8,066,195	14,641,949	20,307,718	17,885,082	14,673,223	19,145	24,265	80,545,025		

After the commencement of hostilities in September, 1939, there was little need for further support to private building enterprise, although the existing Government housing policy was continued. It soon became evident that the Government's contribution to construction for defence, together with the necessary financing to meet expansion in war industry, would quickly take up the slack that still remained. This has proved to be the case, while at the same time civilian construction has become subject to war-time restrictions and priority rulings, so that it has become of secondary importance.

Government Control of Civil Construction Since the Outbreak of War.—In May, 1941, authority to control new construction, repairs to buildings, expansion of existing facilities and replacement or new installation of equipment was given to the Priorities Officer, and exercised through a Construction Control Division set up in the Priorities Branch of the Department of Munitions and Supply. In August, 1941, a Controller of Construction was appointed and the powers of the Priorities Officer in this field were conferred upon him.