Building Permits.—Statistics of building permits were first collected in 1910, when the series covered 35 urban centres; in 1920 they were extended to cover 58 municipalities, including unincorporated suburban areas as, with the advent of the automobile, a growing percentage of persons working in cities were residing outside the municipal boundaries of the urban centres in which they earned their living. In 1940 the series was again extended to cover 204 municipalities. The number of urban centres included is being expanded further. However, until plans are advanced it is felt desirable in the Year Book to maintain comparability with earlier issues by retaining the '204' list.

Building permits issued in 1948 registered an increase of 44 p.c. compared with 1947.

## 7.-Values of Building Permits Issued by 204 Municipalities, 1947 and 1948

Nore.—Statistics for these series covering years previous to 1946 will be found in the corresponding tables of earlier editions of the Year Book. For the 35 cities marked (•) the record goes back to 1910; the 23 places marked (o) were added in 1920.

Province and Municipality	1947	1948	Province and Municipality	1947	1948
	\$	\$		\$	\$
Prince Edward Island	470.975	839,100	Quebec—concluded Longueuil	601,955	1,186,840
- (1)			Mégantic	353,250	410,980
• Charlottetown	470,975	839,100	• Montreal ( • Maison- neuve)	50,796,777	74, 114, 875
N			Montreal East	1,796,256	2,017,455
Nova Scotia	7,676,830	10,996,830	Montreal North Montreal West	739,725 410,345	1,082,385 335,100
Amherst	236,845	949,954	Mount Royal	1,716,290	1,787,905
Bridgewater	258,750	180,150	Noranda	645,350	615.050
Dartmouth	555.210	470,300	Outremont	828,850	1,180,600
Glace Bay	436,833	438,787	Pointe-aux-Trembles	533,325	550,100
• Halifax	3,650,839	5,395,714	Pointe Claire	794,419	1,030,270
Liverpool	69.300	48,800	• Quebec	5,608,667	8,344,423
o New Glasgow	351,185	301,490	Rimouski	416,380	745,440
New Waterford	69,800	134,700	Rivière-du-Loup	397,445	325,650
North Sydney	120.500	76,025	Rouyn	1,428,540	658,770
• Sydney	753,583	1,279,400	Ste. Agathe-des-Monts	552,000	387,800
Sydney Mines	76,210	106,025	Ste. Anne-de-Bellevue	42,225	385,165
Truro	894,500	1,267,395	St. Hyacinthe	604,175	1,264,300
Yarmouth	203,275	348,090	St. Jean	1,153,700	911,950
			St. Jérôme	1,028,075	2,232,522
No. Bernetale			St. Joseph-de-Grantham	196,830	311,597
New Brunswick	7,236,794	10,200,361	St. Lambert	557,805	760,575
Completite	FOF THE	904 007	St. Laurent.	1,600,350	9,361,300
Campbellton	705,745	304,325	• Shawinigan Falls	4,480,050	2, 164, 885
Chatham	69,500	2,102,200	• Sherbrooke	2,228,000	5,068,775
Dalhousie	125,460	179,555	Sorel	474,630	201,280
• Fredericton	1,994,127	2,803,715	• Three Rivers	1,260,078	2,477,050
• Moncton	2,766,132	1,581,587	Val d'Or	812, 175	1,741,185
Newcastle	58,775	348,415	Valleyfield	874,174	993,006
• Saint John	1,233,394	2,725,289	Verdun	2,603,600	4,375,775
St. Stephen	283,661	155,275	• Westmount	874,890	1,042,395
Quebec	97,730,827	145 994 596	Ontario	161.903.785	995 446 699
		110,041,000	Olitario	101,300,400	225,446,632
Cap-de-la-Madeleine		1,706,210	Amherstburg	297,650	240,080
Chicoutimi	1,004,785	1,281,475	Barrie	554,407	746,820
Costicook	167,985	301,815	• Belleville	1,712,590	1,848,760
Drummondville	841,575	1,450,860	Bowmanville	135,013	219,135
Granby	1,721.870	1,291,045	Bracebridge	290,163	113,350
Grand <sup>*</sup> Mère	349.450	1,249,775	Brampton	648,272	1,301,684
Hampstead	257,800	284,793	• Brantford	1,354,461	2,202,849
Hull	878,751	1,381,375	Brockville	721,450	1,006,900
Iberville	153,730	219,465	Burlington	538,150	954,740
Joliette	1,185,050	1,674,700	Campbellford	238,400	78,600
Jonquière	617,750	1,049,950	• Chatham	1,227,590	2,772,089
Lachine		3,624,970	Cobourg	244,375	241,065
Laprairie		158,850	Cochrane	55,368	92,289
La Tuque		915,100	Collingwood	150,750	137,934
Lévis	282,250	1,168,800	Cornwall	1,119,998	1,000,165