

**5.—New Dwelling Units, by Provinces, 1949**

(Exclusive of Conversions)

Province	Urban	Rural	Total
	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Island.....	104	154	258
Nova Scotia.....	1,832	1,224	3,056
New Brunswick.....	1,003	798	1,801
Quebec.....	19,874	3,038	22,912
Ontario.....	23,144	8,296	31,440
Manitoba.....	3,679	1,128	4,807
Saskatchewan.....	2,648	928	3,576
Alberta.....	7,595	1,816	9,411
British Columbia.....	8,448	1,824	10,272
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>68,327</b>	<b>19,206</b>	<b>87,533</b>

**6.—New Dwelling Units, by Metropolitan Areas, 1947-49**

(Exclusive of Conversions)

Metropolitan Area	1947	1948	1949	1947	1948	1949
	No.	No.	No.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Halifax.....	371	471	780	0.5	0.6	0.9
Saint John.....	457	134	345	0.6	0.2	0.4
Quebec.....	834	1,082	1,090	1.1	1.4	1.2
Montreal.....	6,183	8,814	14,394	8.5	11.6	16.4
Ottawa.....	1,194	1,454	975	1.7	1.9	1.1
Toronto.....	3,836	4,143	6,712	5.3	5.4	7.7
Hamilton.....	1,141	1,317	1,909	1.6	1.7	2.2
London.....	799	732	1,204	1.1	1.0	1.4
Windsor.....	839	806	1,416	1.2	1.1	1.6
Winnipeg.....	3,242	2,881	3,228	4.5	3.8	3.7
Vancouver.....	3,750	6,758	5,831	5.2	8.9	6.6
Victoria.....	829	1,353	1,021	1.1	1.8	1.2
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>23,475</b>	<b>29,945</b>	<b>38,965</b>	<b>32.4</b>	<b>39.4</b>	<b>44.4</b>
<b>Totals, Canada.....</b>	<b>72,346</b>	<b>76,097</b>	<b>87,533</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Section 3.—Contracts Awarded and Building Permits Issued**

In this Section statistics are given of work actually in sight either as contracts awarded or as building permits. These figures are related to those of work performed during the year only so far as the work thus provided for is completed and duly reported in the Census of Construction. Further, values of contracts awarded, and especially of building permits, are estimates (more often underestimates) of work to be done. Obviously these statistics and those of Section 4 cannot be expected to agree, since much work contracted for towards the end of any one year is often not commenced until the next and extends into more than one year especially as regards large contracts or contracts undertaken late in any year. The figures given are, therefore, supplementary to those of Section 4 and are valuable as showing from year to year the work immediately contemplated during the period.

**Construction Contracts.**—The figures published by McLean Building Reports, Limited, for construction contracts awarded during 1949 showed a total of \$1,143,547,300. This amount represented an increase of 20 p.c. over the \$954,082,400 reported for 1948 and 98 p.c. over the high pre-war level (\$576,651,800) established in 1929.

Of the four main classes of construction shown in Table 6, industrial, engineering and residential showed increases of 39 p.c., 31 p.c. and 25 p.c., respectively, over those of 1948; the business class showed a small increase of 3 p.c.