Building Permits.—The estimated value of proposed construction is indicated by the value of building permits issued. Figures of building permits issued are collected for more than 1,400 municipalities across the country and are available for the individual municipalities, for metropolitan areas, for provinces and for economic areas in Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba.

The total value of permits issued for construction work exceeded \$3,714,000,000 in 1966, a decrease of 2.5 p.c. from the 1965 record figure. Residential construction as a whole declined by 9.4 p.c., although residential repairs increased 5.1 p.c. Industrial construction increased 10.1 p.c., commercial construction decreased 5.9 p.c. and institutional and government construction was 8.7 p.c. higher, resulting in an over-all increase of 3.4 p.c. for non-residential construction. All provinces recorded decreases in 1966 except Ontario, which moved up 7.9 p.c., and Manitoba, which held steady. Table 11 shows the value of building permits issued in each of 50 municipalities in 1966 compared with 1965.

11.—Estimated Value of Proposed Construction as Indicated by Building Permits Issued in 50 Municipalities, 1965 and 1966

Nore.—Comparable figures from 1956 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1962 edition.

Province and Municipality	1965	1966	Province and Municipality	1965	1966
	\$'000	\$'000		\$'000	\$'000
Newfoundland-			Ontario—concluded		
St. John's	31,569	26,963	Port Arthur	9,787	10,324
Prince Edward Island—			Scarborough Township Toronto	92,270 212,184	88,093 217,546
Charlottetown	4,668	2,693	Toronto Township	64,092 26,590 182,512	70,142 55,146 162,117
Nova Scotia—			York Township	16,997	12,703
Halifax	33,515	28,939	Manitoba—		
New Brunswick—			Fort Garry)		
Fredericton	10,255 12,158 5,564	12,873 8,507 5,735	St. Boniface St. James Winnipeg	97,177	93,621
Quebec-			Saskatchewan—		
LaSalle Montreal Quebec St. Laurent Ste. Foy	21,559 300,553 23,073 24,744 22,416	24,798 155,662 10,573 17,988 15,705	Moose Jaw. Prince Albert. Regina. Saskatoon.	5,778 5,003 50,669 41,086	4,865 10,863 39,279 47,472
Sept Îles. Sherbrooke	3,613 17,856	10,303	Alberta—		
Trois-Rivières	7,691	7,760	Calgary Edmonton Jasper Place	129,028	114,295
Ontario—			Jasper Place	125,283	135,407
Brampton. Burlington. Etobicoke Township.	11,001 27,131 88,111	8,819 27,597 59,000	Lethbridge Medicine Hat Red Deer	7,505 3,769 7,023	4,006 3,107 7,990
Hamilton Kitchener	61,969 33,253	58,271 33,848	British Columbia—		
London London Township Nepean Township Oshawa Ottawa	52,846 1,676 17,294 26,602 106,724	48,970 1,103 20,296 21,420 127,205	Burnaby District	19,118 28,993 16,746 84,006 14,918	32,225 13,584 16,566 60,928 14,352

¹ Metropolitan Corporation of Greater Winnipeg.

² Jasper Place included with Edmonton following