Building permits, October 2025

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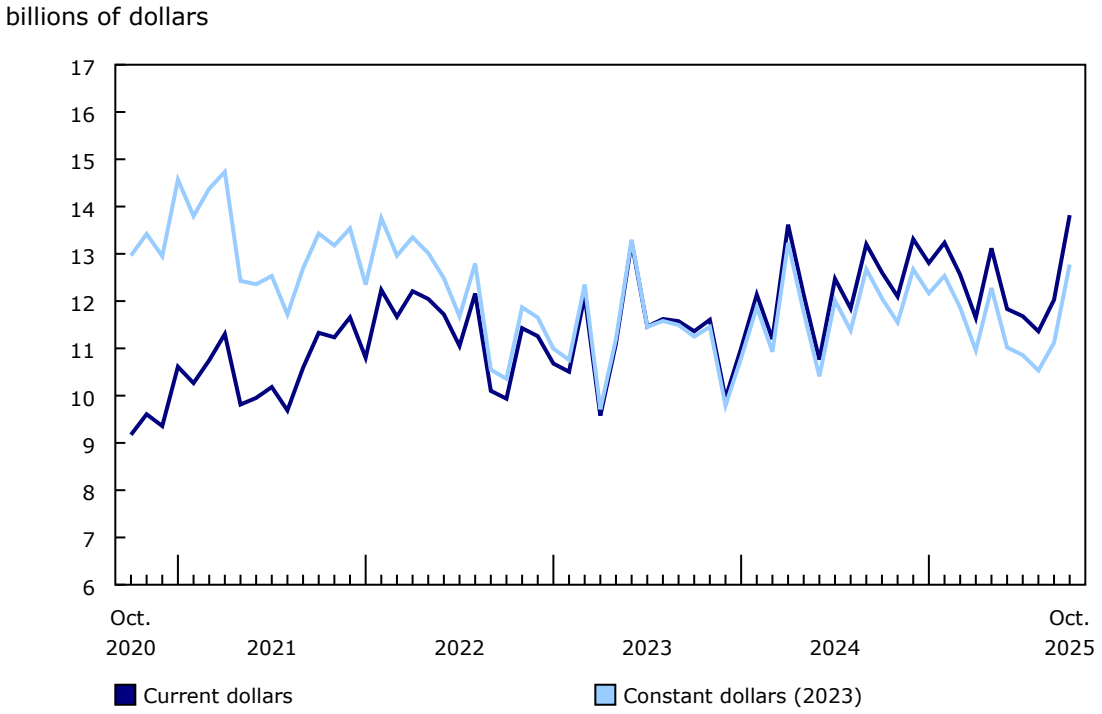
In October, the total value of building permits issued in Canada rose $1.8 billion (+14.9%) to $13.8 billion. The increase in construction intentions was led by the residential sector (+$1.1 billion). An increase was also observed in the non-residential sector (+$702.8 million).

On a constant dollar basis (2023=100), the total value of building permits issued in October grew 14.9% from the previous month and was up 5.9% on a year-over-year basis.

Chart 1
Total value of building permits, seasonally adjusted



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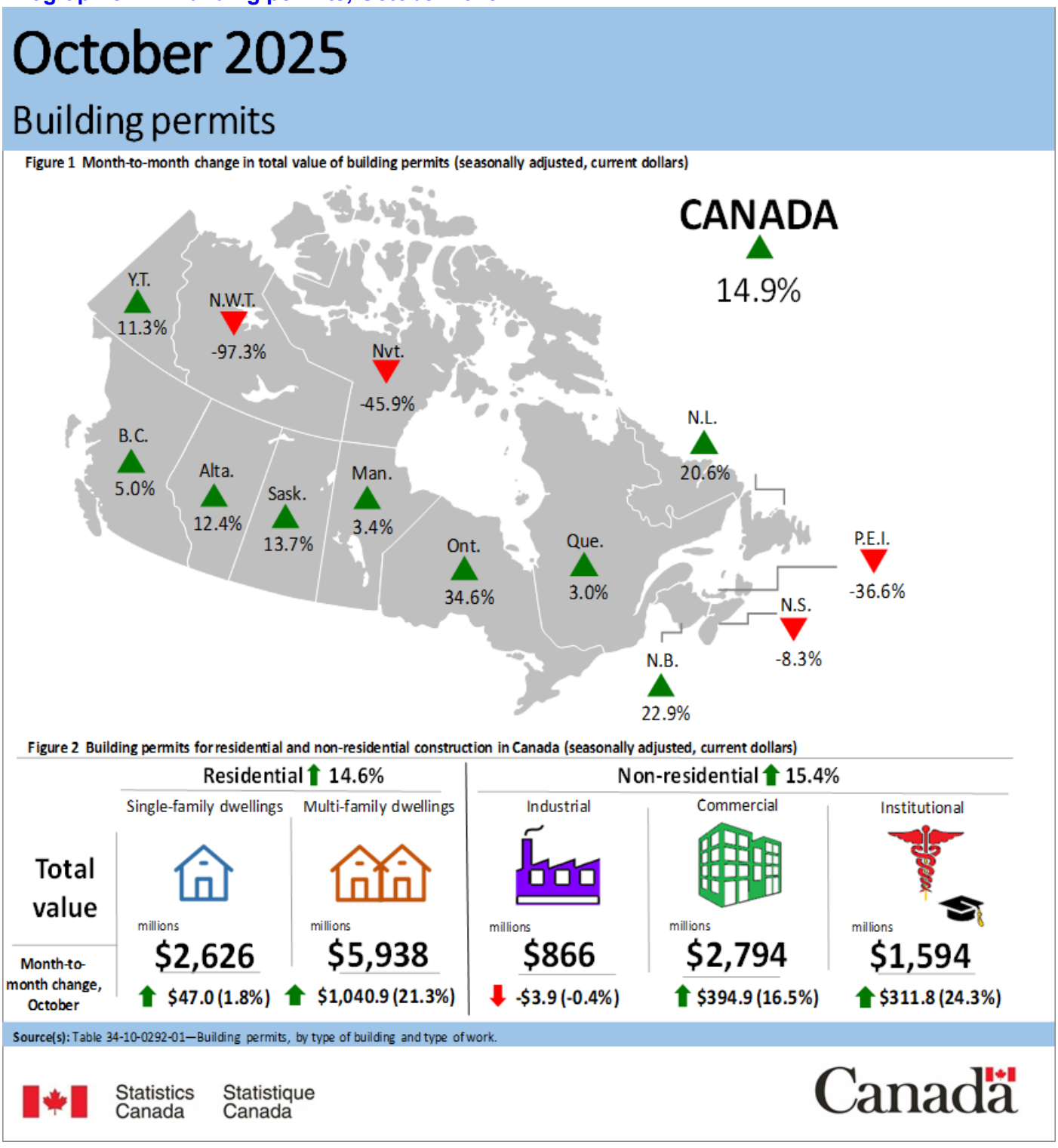
Infographic 1 – Building permits, October 2025



Ontario's multi-family component leads residential sector increases

In October, residential construction intentions increased $1.1 billion (+14.6%) to $8.6 billion. Ontario (+$882.6 million) contributed the most to the national growth.

The multi-family component grew $1.0 billion to $5.9 billion in October. The largest increase was recorded in Ontario (+$876.4 million), specifically the Toronto census metropolitan area (CMA) (+$408.9 million), followed by Quebec (+$81.4 million). Overall, seven provinces and one territory contributed to the increase in this component.

The single-family component was up $47.0 million to $2.6 billion in October, with the gains being primarily attributed to Alberta (+$28.7 million).

Across Canada, a total of 24,300 multi-family dwellings and 4,100 single-family dwellings were authorized in October, marking a 13.6% increase from the previous month. Year-to-date, the average number of multi-family dwellings authorized is 21,500 per month, up from 19,100 during the same period in 2024.

Chart 2
Number of units authorized for the residential sector and for the single-family and multi-family components

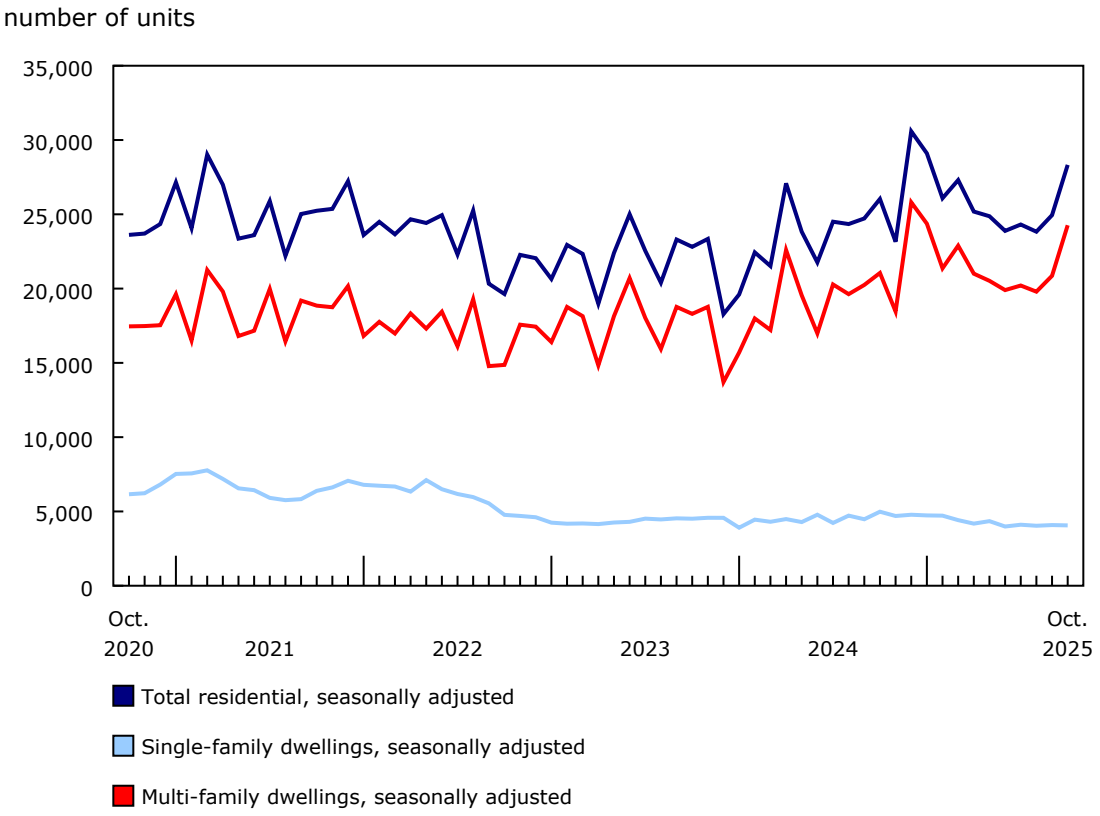


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Chart 3
Value of building permits for the residential and non-residential sectors

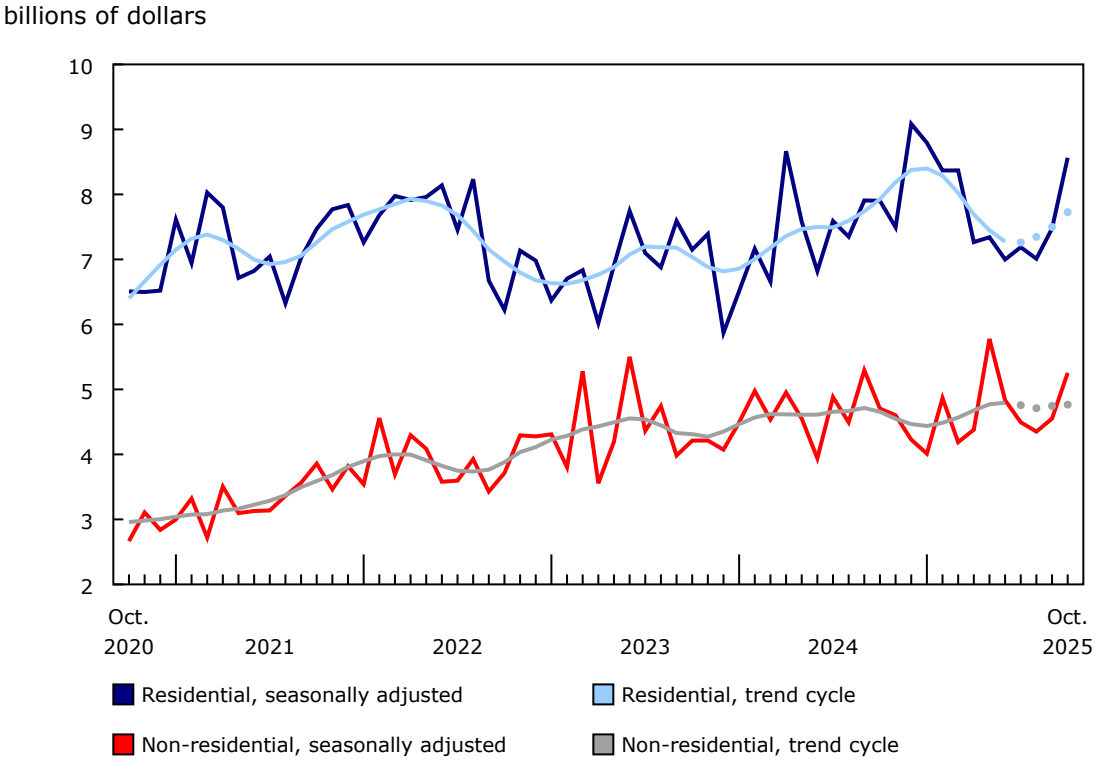

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Chart 4
Value of building permits for the single-family and multi-family components

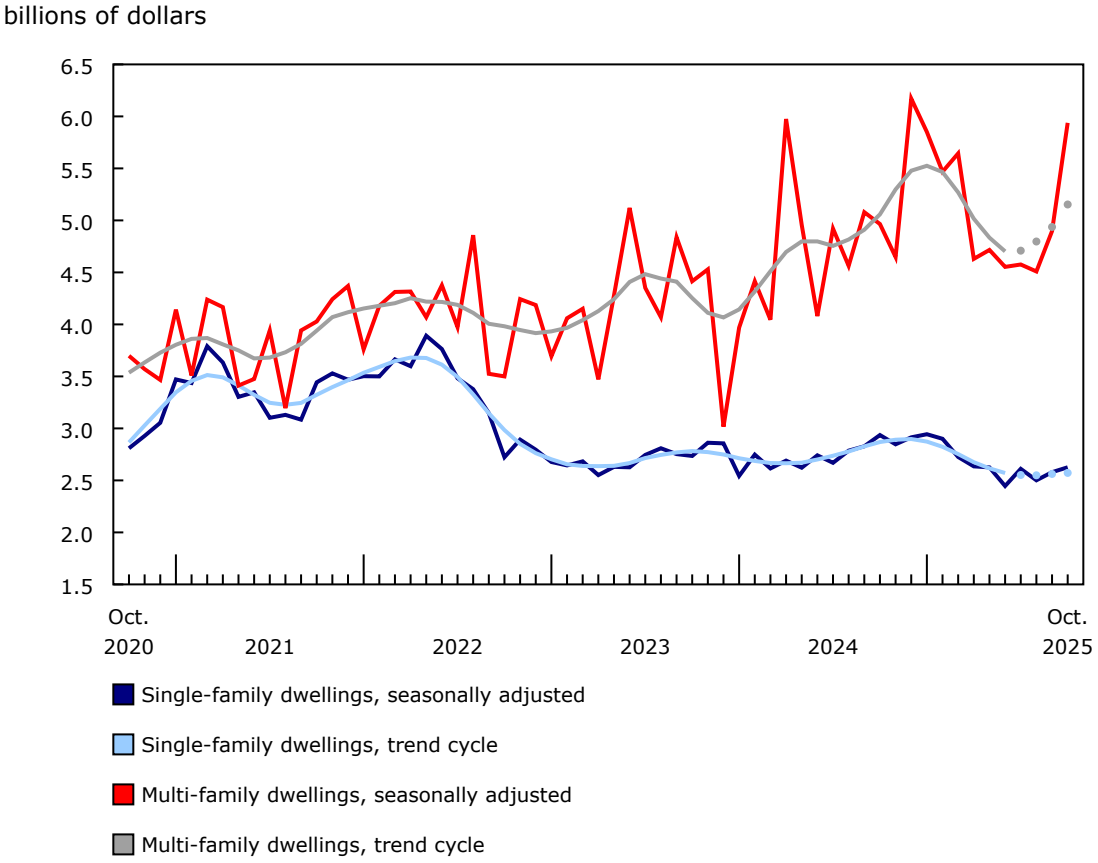

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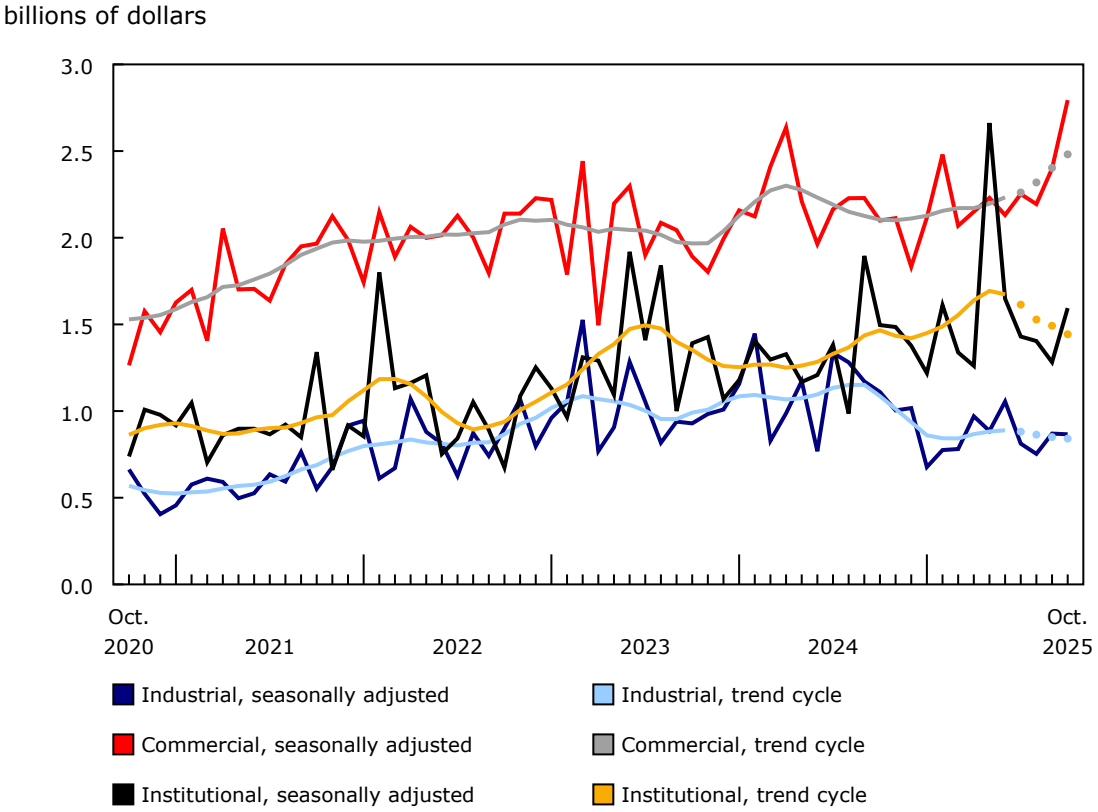
Chart 5
Value of building permits for the industrial, commercial and institutional components



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Commercial and institutional components lead increase in non-residential sector

In October, the value of non-residential building permits rose $702.8 million to $5.3 billion. The commercial component (+$394.9 million) drove the increase, followed by the institutional component (+$311.8 million). Meanwhile, the industrial component edged down $3.9 million.

In October, commercial component gains were led by Ontario (+$392.3 million), specifically permit values for office buildings in the Toronto CMA. Meanwhile, decreases in six provinces and two territories moderated the gains in the component.

The increase in the institutional component in October was driven by British Columbia (+$132.2 million), with eight other provinces posting gains.

In October, the industrial component experienced a minor decline, mainly attributed to Quebec (-$118.6 million). Gains from Ontario (+$71.2 million) and British Columbia (+$24.4 million) mitigated the component's decline.

To explore data using an interactive user interface, visit the Building permits: Interactive Dashboard.

For more information on construction, please visit the Construction statistics portal.

For more information on housing, please visit the Housing statistics portal.

Note to readers

This Daily release was created with the assistance of a generative artificial intelligence tool, using data and analysis prepared by Statistics Canada analysts. The final content was verified by subject-matter experts.

Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted data with current dollar values, which facilitate month-to-month and quarter-to-quarter comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations. For information on seasonal adjustment, see Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions.

For information on trend-cycle data, see the page Trend-cycle estimates – Frequently asked questions.

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Building components

- ***Single-family dwellings:*** *Residential buildings containing only one dwelling unit (e.g., single-detached house, bungalow, linked home [linked at the foundation]).*
- ***Multi-family dwellings:*** *Residential buildings containing multiple dwelling units (e.g., apartment, apartment condominium, row house, semi-detached house).*
- ***Industrial buildings:*** *Buildings used in the processing or production of goods or related to transportation and communication.*
- ***Commercial buildings:*** *Buildings used in the trade or distribution of goods and services, including office buildings.*
- ***Institutional and government buildings:*** *Buildings used to house public and semi-public services, such as those related to health and welfare, education or public administration, and buildings used for religious services.*

Revision

Data are subject to revisions based on late responses, methodological changes and classification updates. Unadjusted data in current dollars have been revised for the previous month; unadjusted data in constant dollars have been revised for the previous two months. Seasonally adjusted data in current dollars have been revised for the previous two months; seasonally adjusted data in constant dollars have been revised for the previous three months.

Next release

Data on building permits for November 2025 will be released on January 13, 2026.

Table 1
Dwelling units, value of residential and non-residential building permits, Canada – Seasonally adjusted

	October 2024	August 2025[r]	September 2025[r]	October 2025[p]	September to October 2025	October 2024 to October 2025
	millions of dollars				% change	
Total	**12,605.5**	**11,361.3**	**12,027.0**	**13,817.7**	**14.9**	**9.6**
Residential	7,901.0	7,010.3	7,475.9	8,563.8	14.6	8.4
Single[1]	2,935.8	2,500.8	2,578.8	2,625.8	1.8	-10.6
Multiple	4,965.3	4,509.5	4,897.1	5,938.0	21.3	19.6
Non-residential	4,704.5	4,351.0	4,551.1	5,254.0	15.4	11.7
Industrial	1,109.5	752.5	870.0	866.1	-0.4	-21.9
Commercial	2,099.2	2,194.5	2,398.8	2,793.6	16.5	33.1
Institutional	1,495.8	1,404.0	1,282.4	1,594.2	24.3	6.6
	number of units				% change	
Total dwellings	**26,032**	**23,830**	**24,944**	**28,326**	**13.6**	**8.8**
Single[1]	4,982	4,037	4,083	4,062	-0.5	-18.5
Multiple	21,051	19,793	20,861	24,264	16.3	15.3

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1. Included in this category are the following types of dwellings: single detached, mobile home and cottage.
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Table 2
Value of building permits, by province and territory – Seasonally adjusted

	October 2024	August 2025[r]	September 2025[r]	October 2025[p]	September to October 2025	October 2024 to October 2025
	millions of dollars				% change	
Canada	**12,605.5**	**11,361.3**	**12,027.0**	**13,817.7**	**14.9**	**9.6**
Residential	7,901.0	7,010.3	7,475.9	8,563.8	14.6	8.4
Non-residential	4,704.5	4,351.0	4,551.1	5,254.0	15.4	11.7
Newfoundland and Labrador	56.2	46.6	66.4	80.1	20.6	42.5
Residential	43.4	41.2	37.4	44.2	18.0	1.8
Non-residential	12.8	5.5	29.0	35.9	24.0	180.4
Prince Edward Island	62.9	61.9	59.8	38.0	-36.6	-39.7
Residential	50.8	45.5	27.7	28.9	4.2	-43.2
Non-residential	12.1	16.4	32.1	9.1	-71.8	-25.1
Nova Scotia	297.1	251.5	290.3	266.3	-8.3	-10.4
Residential	241.9	192.4	193.6	182.5	-5.7	-24.6
Non-residential	55.1	59.0	96.8	83.7	-13.5	51.9
New Brunswick	142.9	154.4	179.9	221.1	22.9	54.7
Residential	100.3	120.9	117.7	138.9	18.0	38.6
Non-residential	42.6	33.5	62.2	82.1	32.1	92.7
Quebec	2,478.3	2,423.9	2,658.5	2,737.6	3.0	10.5
Residential	1,591.8	1,577.6	1,839.7	1,938.0	5.3	21.7
Non-residential	886.5	846.3	818.8	799.6	-2.3	-9.8
Ontario	5,133.1	3,900.6	4,007.4	5,394.4	34.6	5.1
Residential	2,911.4	2,267.9	2,357.6	3,240.2	37.4	11.3
Non-residential	2,221.6	1,632.7	1,649.8	2,154.2	30.6	-3.0
Manitoba	439.0	447.3	425.9	440.5	3.4	0.4
Residential	233.7	241.1	270.2	241.2	-10.8	3.2
Non-residential	205.3	206.3	155.7	199.3	28.0	-2.9
Saskatchewan	241.9	221.7	246.2	280.0	13.7	15.7
Residential	140.1	131.6	135.4	145.7	7.6	4.0
Non-residential	101.8	90.1	110.7	134.3	21.3	31.9
Alberta	1,742.5	1,525.0	1,831.7	2,058.1	12.4	18.1
Residential	1,218.4	907.2	1,146.4	1,256.5	9.6	3.1
Non-residential	524.1	617.8	685.2	801.6	17.0	52.9
British Columbia	1,925.7	2,286.6	2,156.8	2,264.9	5.0	17.6
Residential	1,350.7	1,473.5	1,268.9	1,322.8	4.2	-2.1
Non-residential	575.0	813.1	888.0	942.1	6.1	63.8
Yukon	13.8	36.0	18.0	20.0	11.3	45.2
Residential	10.7	6.3	6.5	10.4	58.9	-2.6
Non-residential	3.1	29.7	11.4	9.6	-15.9	209.3
Northwest Territories	4.8	1.9	57.8	1.5	-97.3	-68.0
Residential	4.4	1.7	47.6	0.5	-98.9	-88.3
Non-residential	0.4	0.2	10.2	1.0	-89.9	138.0
Nunavut	67.4	3.8	28.2	15.3	-45.9	-77.4
Residential	3.4	3.4	27.0	14.0	-48.4	314.8
Non-residential	64.0	0.4	1.2	1.3	12.1	-98.0

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Table 3
Value of building permits, by census metropolitan area – Seasonally adjusted[1]

	October 2024	August 2025[r]	September 2025[r]	October 2025[p]	September to October 2025	October 2024 to October 2025
	millions of dollars				% change	
Total, census metropolitan areas	**10,037.4**	**8,635.4**	**9,093.6**	**10,628.5**	**16.9**	**5.9**
St. John's	38.9	33.9	53.4	61.9	15.9	59.1
Halifax	179.3	154.5	138.8	142.3	2.5	-20.7
Moncton	42.8	39.4	49.1	43.9	-10.7	2.5
Saint John	22.5	38.7	34.0	50.3	47.9	123.9
Fredericton	43.4	26.3	34.1	40.2	17.9	-7.3
Saguenay	107.8	63.2	64.2	49.5	-22.8	-54.1
Québec	275.3	281.8	268.1	298.5	11.3	8.4
Sherbrooke	60.9	87.4	61.9	102.6	65.9	68.5
Trois-Rivières	81.4	69.6	88.0	94.2	7.0	15.7
Drummondville	32.5	42.0	49.8	31.9	-35.9	-1.6
Montréal	1,042.3	931.8	1,111.5	1,176.3	5.8	12.9
Ottawa–Gatineau, Ontario and Quebec	387.8	356.7	337.3	485.6	43.9	25.2
Gatineau part	81.1	59.5	56.7	115.8	104.3	42.7
Ottawa part	306.7	297.2	280.7	369.8	31.8	20.6
Kingston	75.1	11.8	30.9	28.6	-7.4	-61.9
Belleville–Quinte West	68.0	23.5	20.7	81.5	293.4	20.0
Peterborough	11.2	11.4	11.3	26.4	133.6	134.8
Oshawa	75.3	81.0	67.0	86.8	29.6	15.3
Toronto	2,745.6	1,832.6	1,955.3	2,697.8	38.0	-1.7
Hamilton	141.0	149.1	157.3	336.4	113.9	138.6
St. Catharines–Niagara	140.7	180.3	232.9	182.9	-21.5	30.0
Kitchener–Cambridge–Waterloo	140.4	145.8	109.4	221.2	102.1	57.6
Brantford	108.8	41.2	69.9	53.0	-24.3	-51.3
Guelph	29.6	33.0	21.5	30.4	41.5	2.7
London	303.0	217.4	174.2	291.1	67.2	-3.9
Windsor	207.1	87.6	117.9	76.6	-35.0	-63.0
Barrie	99.6	80.0	49.6	149.6	201.5	50.3
Greater Sudbury	38.4	38.0	42.3	50.1	18.6	30.5
Thunder Bay	23.2	37.5	12.3	15.7	27.3	-32.3
Winnipeg	282.7	302.2	311.8	326.8	4.8	15.6
Regina	60.9	50.5	70.4	64.1	-9.0	5.2
Saskatoon	104.0	123.0	128.7	139.5	8.4	34.2
Lethbridge	34.3	38.5	43.0	48.7	13.2	42.1
Calgary	805.2	655.1	637.8	754.5	18.3	-6.3
Red Deer	9.6	3.3	8.7	4.3	-51.0	-55.7
Edmonton	594.1	489.8	683.3	580.1	-15.1	-2.4
Kelowna	59.3	152.1	96.3	71.8	-25.5	21.1
Kamloops	35.5	51.0	16.3	30.4	86.8	-14.4
Chilliwack	31.9	27.5	12.9	19.1	48.0	-40.1
Abbotsford–Mission	115.6	79.0	55.2	76.4	38.4	-33.9
Vancouver	1,213.8	1,389.5	1,484.3	1,203.3	-18.9	-0.9
Victoria	122.0	143.8	149.9	235.4	57.0	93.0
Nanaimo	46.6	34.6	32.3	168.7	422.6	261.9

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1. Go online to view the census subdivisions that make up the **census metropolitan areas**.
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