Investment in building construction, June 2026

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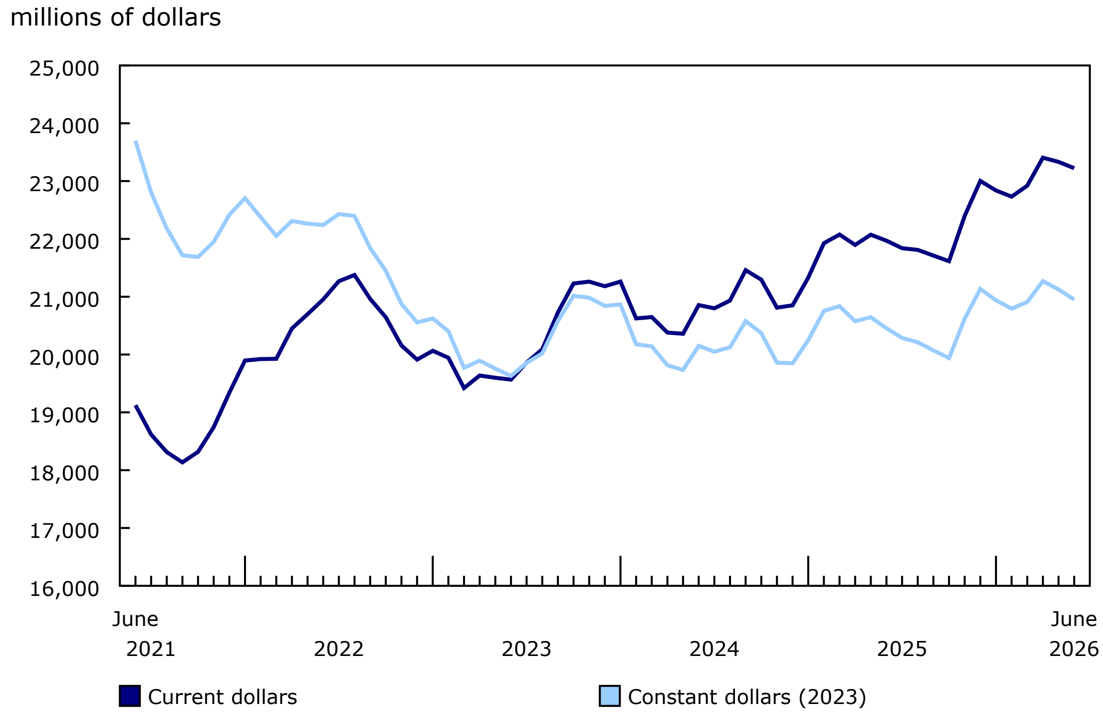
The total value of investment in building construction decreased $109.7 million (-0.5%) to $23.2 billion in June. This slight decrease occurred while the total value of building permits grew 18.5% in the month, reflecting the lag in converting permit issuance into on-site construction investment.

In June, declines in investment in building construction were recorded in both the residential (-0.6%) and non-residential (-0.1%) sectors. Year over year, investment in building construction grew 5.7% in June.

On a constant dollar basis (2023=100), the total value of investment in building construction declined 0.8% from the previous month to $21.0 billion in June, but it was up 2.4% year over year.

Chart 1
Investment in building construction, seasonally adjusted



Source(s): Table 34-10-0293-01.

Multi-unit component weighs on residential investment

In June, investment in residential building construction decreased $104.9 million to $16.1 billion. The multi-unit component (-1.9%) led the decline, while the single-family component (+0.9%) moderated it.

Investment in multi-unit construction was down $171.2 million to $8.6 billion in June. British Columbia (-$119.9 million) drove the decline, followed by Manitoba (-$51.3 million). In total, six provinces and two territories contributed to the decrease.

Meanwhile, investment in single-family home construction increased $66.2 million to $7.5 billion in June, driven by British Columbia (+$96.5 million). The growth was moderated by declines in seven provinces and two territories, led by Ontario (-$43.9 million).

Infographic 1 – Investment in residential building construction, June 2026

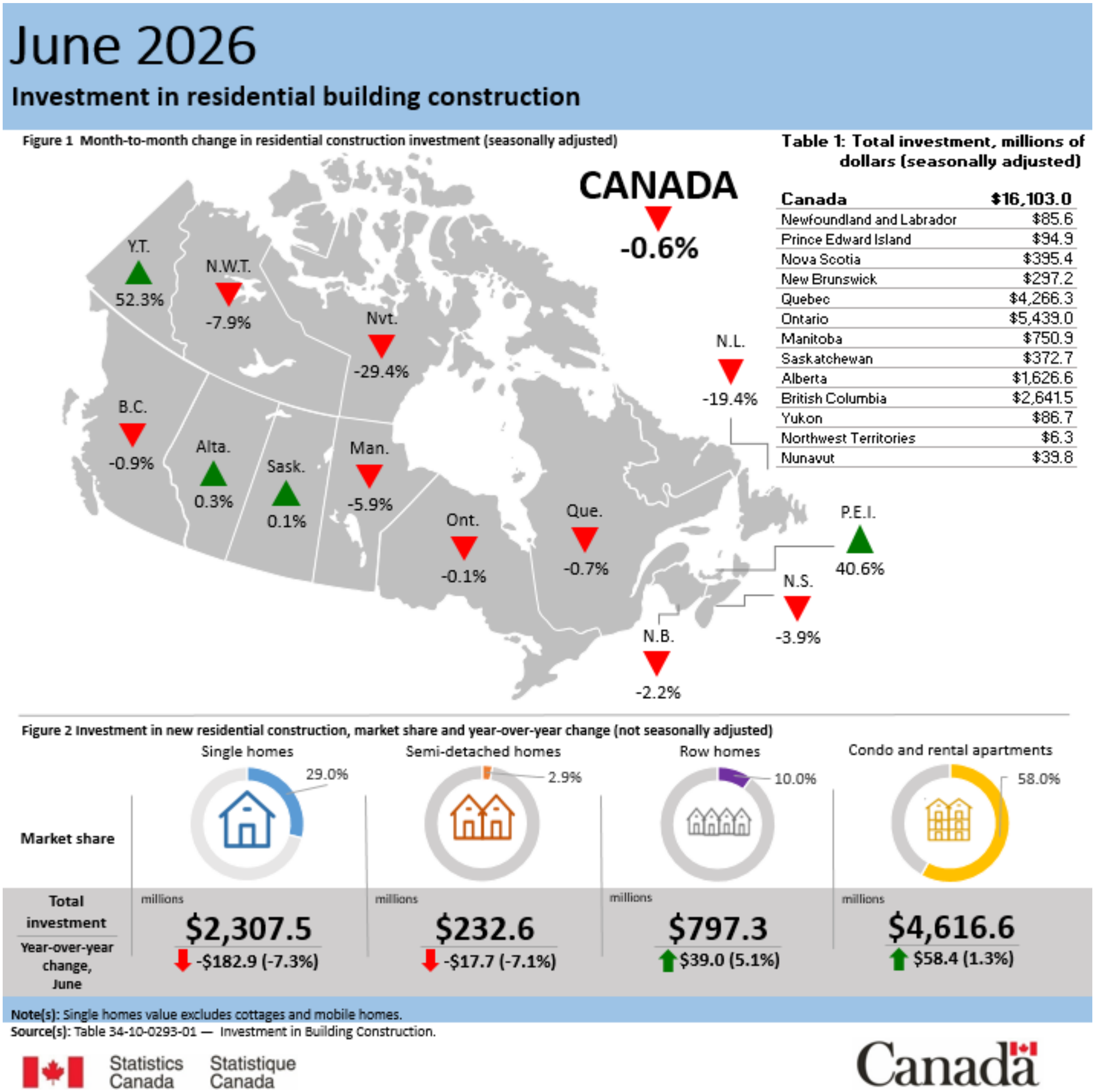
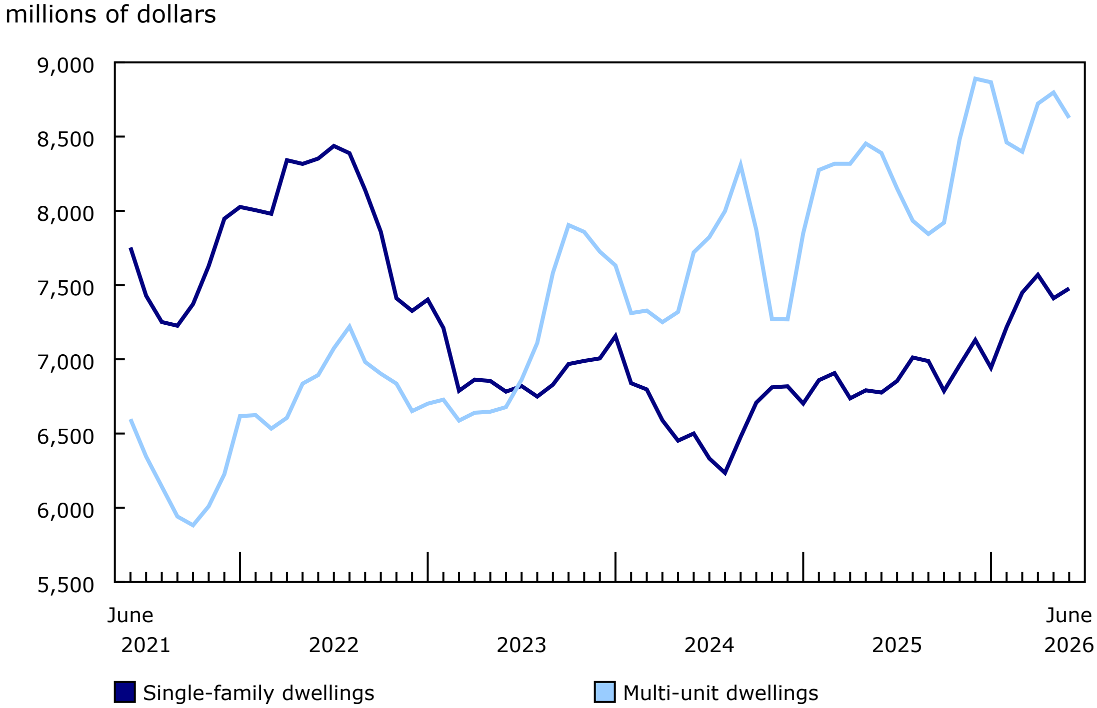


Table 1: Total investment, millions of dollars (seasonally adjusted)

Canada	**$16,103.0**
Newfoundland and Labrador	$85.6
Prince Edward Island	$94.9
Nova Scotia	$395.4
New Brunswick	$297.2
Quebec	$4,266.3
Ontario	$5,439.0
Manitoba	$750.9
Saskatchewan	$372.7
Alberta	$1,626.6
British Columbia	$2,641.5
Yukon	$86.7
Northwest Territories	$6.3
Nunavut	$39.8

Chart 2
Investment in residential building construction, seasonally adjusted



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Non-residential building investment edges down

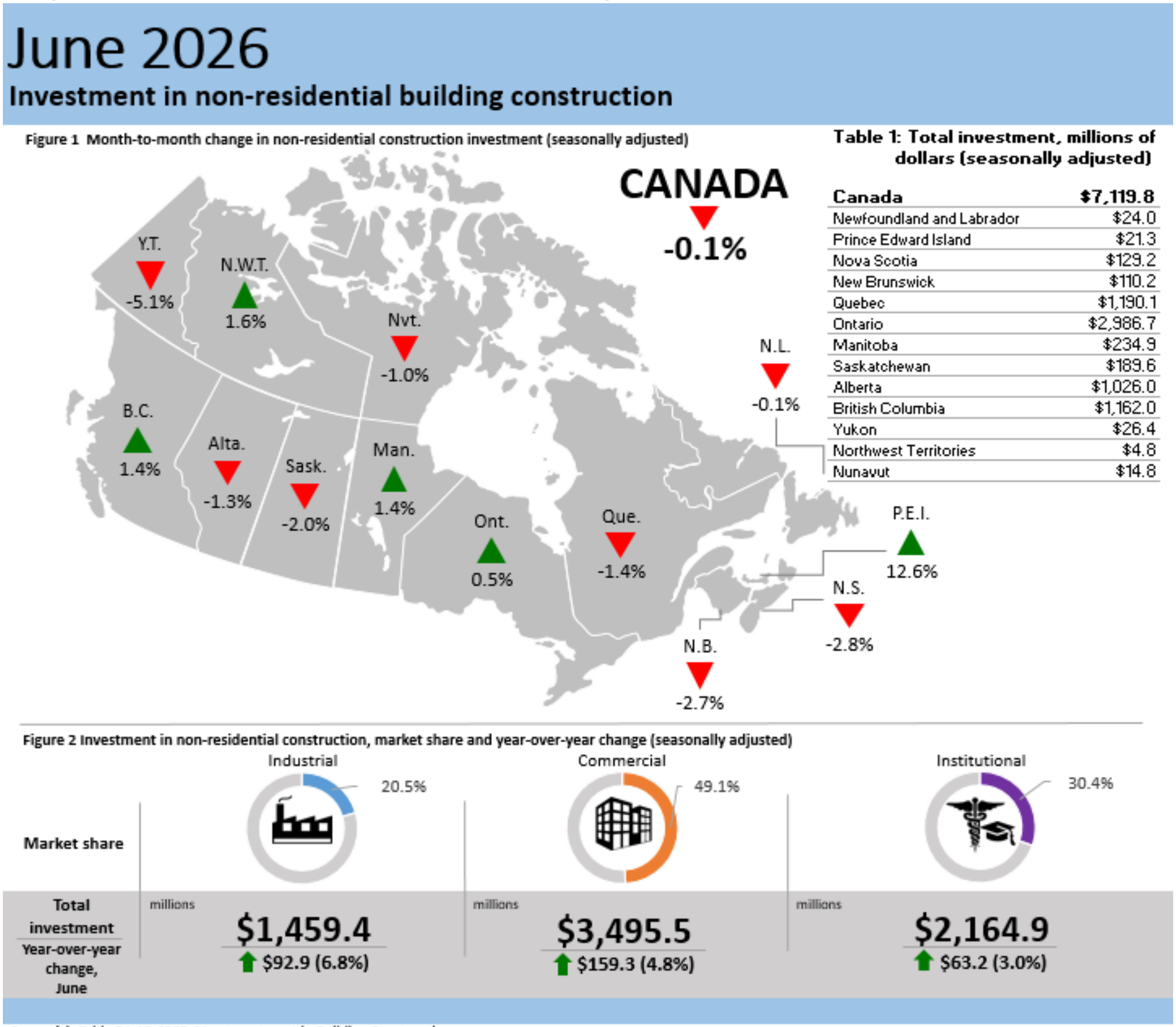
In June, the value of non-residential investment in building construction edged down $4.7 million (-0.1%) to $7.1 billion. The decline was driven by the commercial component (-0.7%), while the institutional (+0.6%) and industrial (+0.4%) components recorded increases.

Investment in commercial construction was down $23.7 million to $3.5 billion in June. Alberta (-$9.7 million) and Ontario (-$5.8 million) were the primary contributors to the decrease, supported by broad declines across six additional provinces and the three territories.

Investment in the institutional component increased $13.2 million to $2.2 billion in June. Growth in Ontario (+$22.5 million) and British Columbia (+$5.1 million) was tempered by declines in Quebec (-$8.3 million) and Alberta (-$5.8 million).

Meanwhile, investment in the industrial component (+$5.7 million to $1.5 billion) also grew in June, led by British Columbia (+$14.0 million). However, the increase was partially offset by declines in five provinces and one territory, driven by Quebec (-$6.0 million).

Infographic 2 – Investment in non-residential building construction, June 2026



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Residential construction sector drives growth in the second quarter

The value of investment in building construction increased 2.1% (+$1.5 billion) to $70.0 billion in the second quarter. On a constant dollar basis (2023=100), the total value of investment in building construction rose 1.1% to $63.3 billion.

The remainder of this release will use constant dollars (2023=100).

Investment in residential building construction increased $741.4 million to $44.0 billion in the second quarter. Both the single-family (+$576.0 million; +2.9%) and multi-unit (+$165.4 million; +0.7%) components contributed to the increase.

Meanwhile, investment in non-residential building construction edged down $34.6 million to $19.3 billion in the second quarter. Declines in the commercial (-$166.6 million; -1.7%) and institutional (-$49.1 million; -0.8%) components were almost offset by an increase in the industrial component (+$181.1 million; +4.9%).

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

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Table 34-10-0286 has been archived on the Statistics Canada website and will no longer be updated but may still be viewed. The successor table is 34-10-0293, and the information from January 2017 onwards that was in table 34-10-0286 is still available in the new table, except for the constant dollar series, which has been rebased to 2023=100. Constant dollar data for January and February 2017 represent an average between the old base year (2012=100) and the new base year (2023=100) and should be used with caution. The 2017 data series will be backcasted and the figures will be revised with the release of our annual revision.

Data are subject to revisions based on late responses, delayed construction start dates for large projects, methodological changes, classification updates, price index updates for constant dollar series, benchmarking and adjustments to ad hoc macroeconomic events. Unadjusted data have been revised back to 2021. Seasonally adjusted data have been revised back to 2018.

Data presented in this release are seasonally adjusted with current dollar values unless otherwise stated. Using seasonally adjusted data allows month-to-month and quarter-to-quarter comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations. For information on seasonal adjustment, see the page Seasonal adjustment: Concepts and interpretation, 2026.

Monthly estimates for constant dollars are calculated using quarterly deflators from the Building Construction Price Index (18-10-0289-01). The monthly indexes used for the deflation process were part of a methodology review to increase the quality of the constant dollar and seasonally adjusted series. The indexes previously displayed a step pattern because of less frequent collection.

Detailed data on investment activity by type of building and type of work are now available in the unadjusted current dollar series.

The trade and services subcomponent includes buildings such as retail and wholesale outlets, retail complexes and motor vehicle show rooms. More detailed information can be found on the Integrated Metadatabase at Types of Building Structure - 2.2.1 - Trade and services.

Next release

Data on investment in building construction for July will be released on September 21.

Available tables: table 34-10-0293-01.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5014.

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