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#### **NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION IN JULY 2015**

The U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development jointly announced the following new residential construction statistics for July 2015:

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Privately-owned housing units authorized by building permits in July were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,119,000. This is 16.3 percent ( $\pm 1.1\%$ ) below the revised June rate of 1,337,000, but is 7.5 percent ( $\pm 1.4\%$ ) above the July 2014 estimate of 1,041,000.

Single-family authorizations in July were at a rate of 679,000; this is 1.9 percent ( $\pm 1.0\%$ ) below the revised June figure of 692,000. Authorizations of units in buildings with five units or more were at a rate of 412,000 in July.

#### **HOUSING STARTS**

Privately-owned housing starts in July were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,206,000. This is 0.2 percent ( $\pm 15.2\%$ )\* above the revised June estimate of 1,204,000 and is 10.1 percent ( $\pm 10.8\%$ )\* above the July 2014 rate of 1,095,000.

Single-family housing starts in July were at a rate of 782,000; this is 12.8 percent ( $\pm 9.8\%$ ) above the revised June figure of 693,000. The July rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 413,000.

#### HOUSING COMPLETIONS

Privately-owned housing completions in July were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 987,000. This is 2.4 percent ( $\pm 13.4\%$ )\* above the revised June estimate of 964,000 and is 14.6 percent ( $\pm 11.5\%$ ) above the July 2014 rate of 861,000.

Single-family housing completions in July were at a rate of 627,000; this is 1.4 percent  $(\pm 10.9\%)^*$  below the revised June rate of 636,000. The July rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 350,000.

New Residential Construction data for August 2015 will be released on Thursday, September 17, 2015, at 8:30 A.M. EDT.

Our Internet site is: http://www.census.gov/starts

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

In interpreting changes in the statistics in this release, note that month-to-month changes in seasonally adjusted statistics often show movements which may be irregular. It may take 3 months to establish an underlying trend for building permit authorizations, 6 months for total starts, and 5 months for total completions. The statistics in this release are estimated from sample surveys and are subject to sampling variability as well as nonsampling error including bias and variance from response, nonreporting, and undercoverage. Estimated relative standard errors of the most recent data are shown in the tables. Whenever a statement such as "2.5 percent (±3.2%) above" appears in the text, this indicates the range (-0.7 to +5.7 percent) in which the actual percent change is likely to have occurred. All ranges given for percent changes are 90-percent confidence intervals and account only for sampling variability. If a range does not contain zero, the change is statistically significant. If it does contain zero, the change is not statistically significant; that is, it is uncertain whether there was an increase or decrease. The same policies apply to the confidence intervals for percent changes shown in the tables. On average, the preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates of total building permits, housing starts and housing completions are revised three percent or less. Explanations of confidence intervals and sampling variability can be found on our web site listed above.

<sup>\* 90%</sup> confidence interval includes zero. The Census Bureau does not have sufficient statistical evidence to conclude that the actual change is different from zero.

Table 1. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized in Permit-Issuing Places

			United	States		North	neast	Mid	west	So	uth	W	est
	Period		In st	ructures wi									
		Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
						Seas	sonally adju	isted annual	rate			I	
2014:	July	1,041	640	30	371	119	51	173	101	511	353	238	135
	August	1,040	643	35	362	117	54	170	108	536	353	217	128
	September	1,053	653	26	374	130	59	163	101	525	362	235	131
	October	1,120	652	32	436	117	55	158	102	559	360	286	135
	November	1,079	663	28	388	135	61	143	97	518	359	283	146
	December	1,077	685	24	368	101	53	163	100	573	379	240	153
2015:	January	1,059	657	27	375	121	50	148	99	520	364	270	144
	February	1,098	626	28	444	92	36	158	92	569	349	279	149
	March	1,038	642	26	370	129	42	149	99	496	352	264	149
	April	1,140	666	32	442	175	45	147	100	551	365	267	156
	May	1,250	681	34	535	288	47	171	105	528	368	263	161
	June (r)	1,337	692	34	611	284	50	174	109	586	376	293	157
	July (p)	1,119	679	28	412	113	52	166	106	576	366	264	155
Averas	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	2	2	8	2	3	4	3	4	2	2	2	2
	nt Change:												
1 6166	July 2015 from June 2015	-16.3%	-1.9%	-17.6%	-32.6%	-60.2%	4.0%	-4.6%	-2.8%	-1.7%	-2.7%	-9.9%	-1.3%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 1.1	± 1.0	± 9.6	± 1.9	± 1.0	± 4.6	± 3.7	± 4.2	± 2.0	± 0.6		± 3.5
	July 2015 from July 2014	7.5%	6.1%	-6.7%	11.1%	-5.0%	2.0%	-4.0%	5.0%	12.7%	3.7%		14.8%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 1.4	± 1.1	± 5.1	± 3.8	± 3.4	± 6.4	± 3.7	± 2.8	± 2.6	± 0.9		± 4.2
	90% Confidence Interval		_1.1	_5.1	_5.0			ally adjuste		_2.0	_0,,	-2.,	2
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2013: 2014:		990.8 1,046.4	620.8 634.6	29.0 29.8	341.1 382.0	107.1 118.5	52.6 54.5	156.8 164.0	101.8 99.9	493.3 519.5	330.0 343.0		136.3 137.1
	2014 11 1												
2014:	2014 Universe	1,052.1	640.3	29.9	382.0	118.5	54.6	165.2	101.0	524.1	347.7	244.3	137.1
RSE (9	%)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
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2014:	Year to Date <sup>2</sup>	606.0	375.6	15.4	214.9	68.8	29.5	93.5	58.5	301.8	203.3	142.0	84.3
2015:	Year to Date <sup>2</sup>	691.8	408.8	18.1	264.8	104.4	27.7	92.3	60.7	331.9	224.8	163.1	95.6
RSE (	%)	2	2	6	1	2	3	4	4	2	1	1	2
	Year to Date Percent Change 4	14.2%	8.8%	17.5%	23.2%	51.9%	-6.1%	-1.2%	3.8%	10.0%	10.6%	14.9%	13.4%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 1.9	± 1.9	± 12.2	± 2.4	± 4.5	± 4.2	± 6.6	± 8.0	± 1.5	± 1.1	± 1.9	± 2.2
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2014:	July	97.1	61.0	2.6	33.5	11.5	4.9	17.0	10.2	46.4	32.6	22.2	13.2
	August	90.3	56.3	3.1	30.9	10.2	4.6		10.2	46.0	30.5		11.0
	September	92.7	56.0	2.4	34.3	11.9	5.6	16.6	9.7	44.5	29.8	19.7	10.9
	October	98.4	56.9	3.1	38.4	10.1	5.1	16.2	10.4	48.4	30.1	23.7	11.3
	November	72.8	42.8	2.0	28.1	10.0	4.4	10.2	6.4	33.9	23.0	18.8	9.0
	December	85.0	47.3	2.0	35.7	8.2	3.8	11.1	5.8	45.7	26.9	19.9	10.9
2015:	January	70.0	43.5	1.7	24.8	7.5	2.9	6.7	4.6	38.1	26.7	17.7	9.4
	February	77.5	43.5	2.0	32.0	5.2	2.0	7.9	4.6	43.9	26.6	20.6	10.3
	March	91.3	57.5	2.3	31.5	10.2	3.5	12.1	8.1	45.7	32.5	23.3	13.3
	April	104.8	64.2	2.8	37.9	16.2	4.2	14.3	10.2	49.8	34.8	24.5	14.9
	May	111.1	62.3	3.0	45.9	25.6	4.4	16.3	10.4	46.2	32.5	23.1	14.9
	June (r)	134.1	70.0	3.6	60.5	31.1	5.1	17.8	11.6	55.2	36.4	29.9	16.8
	July (p)	100.9	64.7	2.6	33.6	10.7	5.0	15.8	10.7	50.5	33.8	23.9	15.2

<sup>(</sup>p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable. Z Relative standard error is less than 0.5 percent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period <sup>2</sup>Reflects revisions not distributed to months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence interval

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Computed using unrounded data

Table 2. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized, but Not Started, at End of Period

[Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

Period						heast		west	So	citii		est
i chou		In st	ructures wi	th								
			2 to 4	5 units								
	Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
				1		Seasonall	y adjusted	1				
2014: July	109	50	(5)	40	12		12	7	62	25	21	10
August	112	58 58	(S) (S)	49 52	12 12	6	13 14	8	63 63	35 34	21 23	10 10
September	113	58	(S)	53	12	6	15	7	62	35	24	10
October	119	58	(S)	59	12	6	16	8	63	34	28	10
November	122	59	(S)	60	13	6	16	8	65	35	28	10
December	118	58	(S)	58	12	6	16	7	65	35	25	10
2015: January	114	58	(S)	54	12	6	14	7	65	35	23	10
February	129	63	(S)	63	13	7	15	7	74	38	27	11
March	133	66	(S)	65	15	7	15	8	72	38	31	13
April	132	63	(S)	67	15	6	14	7	74	38	29	12
May (r)	141	64	(S)	75	25	6	14	7	75	39	27	12
June (r)	153	66	(S)	85	30	7	14	9	81	38	28	12
July (p)	144	61	(S)	81	29	6	14	8	73	36	28	11
Average RSE $(\%)^1$	7	6	(X)	12	20	17	12	10	10	8	10	15
Percent Change: 2												
July 2015 from June 2015	-5.9%	-7.6%	(S)	-4.7%	-3.3%	-14.3%	0.0%	-11.1%	-9.9%	-5.3%	0.0%	-8.3%
90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 4.9	± 4.8	(X)	± 8.3	± 6.5	± 10.2	± 10.9	± 9.1	± 7.8	± 7.5	± 11.2	± 8.4
July 2015 from July 2014	32.1%	5.2%	(S)	65.3%	141.7%	0.0%	7.7%	14.3%	15.9%	2.9%	33.3%	10.0%
90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 13.1	± 11.6	(X)	± 30.7	± 87.3	± 13.4	± 27.5	± 24.8	± 16.6	± 14.6	± 31.6	± 29.2
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2014: July	112.5	60.0	2.4	50.0	12.8	6.3		7.5	65.4	36.5	20.8	9.8
August September	111.6 112.7	57.9	1.9	51.8	12.0	5.7	13.6	7.6	63.5	34.9	22.4	9.6 9.8
September	112.7	58.1	1.6	52.9	12.0	5.9	15.1	6.9	62.4	35.5	23.2	9.8
October	120.0	58.8	2.2	59.0	11.2	5.8	17.4	8.1	63.4	34.6	28.0	10.4
November	113.5	55.3	2.5	55.7	11.7	5.6	13.8	6.6	62.2	33.3	25.9	9.8
December	116.2	56.1	1.9	58.2	11.5	6.0	13.7	6.0	66.3	33.6	24.7	10.5
2015: January	112.7	56.5	2.1	54.0	11.3	5.9	12.8	6.2	66.0	34.4	22.5	10.1
February	125.4	60.8	2.5	62.1	13.1	6.9	14.1	6.9	73.0	36.5	25.3	10.6
March	133.3	65.9	2.3	65.1	14.5	7.0	16.3	8.9	70.5	37.3	32.0	12.8
April	135.2	66.6	1.9	66.7	15.2	6.3	15.1	8.2	73.9	39.9	31.0	12.1
May (r)	142.7	65.8	2.1	74.8	25.0	5.8		8.1	74.5	39.3	29.1	12.7
June (r)	160.4	68.2	2.1	90.1	33.6	6.9	16.0	9.3	80.5	39.2	30.2	12.8
July (p)	148.0	64.3	2.1	81.6	30.5	6.3	14.9	8.7	75.5	37.5	27.2	11.7
Average RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	7	6	21	12	20	17	12	10	10	8	10	15

<sup>(</sup>p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

Note: These data represent the number of housing units authorized in all months up to and including the last day of the reporting period and not started as of that date without regard to the months of original permit issuance. Cancelled, abandoned, expired, and revoked permits are excluded.

 $Z\ \mbox{Relative}$  standard error is less than 0.5 percent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Computed using unrounded data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

## Table 3. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Started

_			United	States		Nortl	neast	Mid	west	So	uth	We	est
	Period		In st	tructures wi									
		Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
						Seas	sonally adju	isted annua	l rate			1	
2014:	July	1,095	657	(S)	422	139	48	162	108	528	354	266	147
	August	966	643	(S)	306	107	54	180	98	477	354	202	137
	September	1,026	661	(S)	353	109	54	169	116	504	344	244	147
	October	1,079	705	(S)	357	100	55	162	101	596	390	221	159
	November	1,007	670	(S)	328	107	55	172	109	454	361	274	145
	December	1,080	724	(S)	336	113	52	168	127	500	381	299	164
2015.	I		E0.6		250	100			102	504	202	202	
2015:	January February	1,080 900	706 600	(S) (S)	368 292	108 46	56 22	145 102	103 81	534 509	382 349	293 243	165 148
	March	954	623	(S)	311	100	44	102	87	511	349	243	146
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	April	1,190	735	(S)	436	193	53	167	123	525	379	305	180
	May (r)	1,072	697	(S)	366	143	54	147	103	511	370	271	170
	June (r)	1,204	693	(S)	498	222	42	149	100	547	394	286	157
	July (p)	1,206	782	(S)	413	161	70	179	120	589	409	277	183
Avera	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	6	4	(X)	16	22	16	12	10	8	6	9	7
Perce	nt Change:												
10,00	July 2015 from June 2015	0.2%	12.8%	(S)	-17.1%	-27.5%	66.7%	20.1%	20.0%	7.7%	3.8%	-3.1%	16.6%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 15.2	± 9.8	(X)	± 35.5	± 52.2	± 54.0	± 26.4	± 26.9	± 16.8	± 15.2	± 25.9	± 20.0
	July 2015 from July 2014	10.1%	19.0%	(S)	-2.1%	15.8%	45.8%	10.5%	11.1%	11.6%	15.5%	4.1%	24.5%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 10.8	± 10.5	(X)	± 28.4	± 27.8	± 38.2	± 19.6	± 19.6	± 18.3	± 15.6	± 18.9	± 14.8
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2013: 2014:		924.9 1,003.3	617.6 647.9	13.6 13.7	293.7 341.7	96.9 109.6	55.3 51.3	149.6 162.5	102.0 105.7	463.5 496.3	325.9 345.9	214.8 235.0	134.3 145.1
RSE (	%)	2	1	15	5	4	3	3	3	2	2	3	2
	Year to Date	581.7	377.7	7.4	196.7	64.1	28.6	90.2	59.4	291.0	201.8	136.5	87.9
2015:	Year to Date	647.6	419.9	7.0	220.7	82.4	29.3	86.3	60.3	317.7	228.3	161.3	101.9
RSE (	%)	3	1	15	7	12	6	4	3	3	2	3	2
	Year to Date Percent Change 3	11.3%	11.2%	-4.4%	12.2%	28.5%	2.7%	-4.3%	1.6%	9.2%	13.1%	18.2%	15.9%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	±4.5	± 3.1	± 30.3	± 12.3	± 26.0	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 6.6	± 4.4	± 4.2	± 8.2	± 8.1
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2014	Lile	101.0			20.2	12.0		15.0		45.0	21.6	25.0	
2014:	August	101.0 86.2	61.3 58.0	1.5 1.5	38.3 26.7	12.8 9.7	4.5 5.0	15.9 16.6	11.0 9.5	47.3 41.5	31.6 30.8	25.0 18.4	14.1 12.7
	September	94.2	58.3	1.2	34.7	10.1	4.8	16.7	11.4	45.7	29.9	21.7	12.2
	October November	92.0 75.8	58.4 47.3	1.5 0.7	32.0 27.8	9.0	5.0	15.1 13.8	9.7	50.2 32.7	31.7	17.6	12.0 9.8
	December	73.4	47.3	1.4	23.8	8.6 8.0	4.2 3.6	10.1	8.5 7.2	35.3	24.8 26.9	20.8 20.0	10.4
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2015:	January	73.0	46.4	0.4	26.2	6.9	3.2	7.5	4.5	37.6	26.8	21.0	11.9
	February	61.9	40.6	0.6	20.7	2.8	1.2	5.0	3.5	37.3	25.9	16.8	10.0
	March	79.7	52.9	1.6	25.2	8.0	3.4	10.5	6.1	44.4	31.1	16.8	12.2
	April	108.5	69.5	1.6	37.4	17.3	5.3	16.0	12.2	46.7	34.1	28.5	17.8
	May (r)	99.6	66.5	0.8	32.3	13.2	5.3	14.6	10.8	46.6	34.2	25.1	16.2
	June (r)	112.7	69.9	1.1	41.7	19.4	4.3	14.8	10.7	51.8	39.0	26.7	15.9
	July (p)	112.3	74.1	1.0	37.2	14.8	6.6	17.9	12.6	53.3	37.0	26.4	17.9
Avera	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	6	4	34	16	22	16	12	10	8	6	9	7
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<sup>(</sup>p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards. X Not applicable. Z Relative standard error is less than 0.5 percent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.  $^2\,\mbox{See}$  the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Computed using unrounded data.

Table 4. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Under Construction at End of Period

			United	States		North	neast	Mid	west	Soi	uth	We	est
	Period		In st	ructures wi	th								
	renod			2 to 4	5 units								
		Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
			1				Seasonall	ly adjusted	I .	ı ı			
2014: July		790	344	(S)	434	123	39	121	60	354	171	192	74
August		793	349	(S)	433	123	40	123	61	354	171	192	74
September		796	350	(S)	435	121	40	123	62	356	173	196	75
October		806	357	(S)	437	121	40	124	62	369	179	192	76
November		816	360	(S)	445	127	41	128	63	365	180	196	76
December		828	363	(S)	453	129	41	128	63	372	183	199	76
2015: January		834	365	(S)	457	131	42	128	63	370	181	205	79
February		833	359	(S)	463	130	41	128	63	367	175	208	80
March		842	360	(S)	471	129	41	129	63	376	175	208	81
April		867	366	(S)	489	143	42	129	63	379	177	216	84
May (r)		877	371	(S)	494	147	43	128	63	383	179	219	86
June (r)		890	376	(S)	502	159	43	127	63	382	185	222	85
July (p)		908	389	(S)	507	164	45	127	65	388	191	229	88
Average RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>		3	2	(X)	6	10	5	6	4	4	4	4	4
Percent Change:													
	from June 2015	2.0%	3.5%	(S)	1.0%	3.1%	4.7%	0.0%	3.2%	1.6%	3.2%	3.2%	3.5%
90% Confi	idence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 1.3	± 1.5	(X)	± 2.2	± 2.0	± 4.1	± 2.5	± 3.3	± 2.5	± 1.9	± 1.8	± 3.1
-	from July 2014	14.9%	13.1%	(S)	16.8%	33.3%	15.4%	5.0%	8.3%	9.6%	11.7%	19.3%	18.9%
	idence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 5.3	± 4.2	(X)	± 9.0	± 25.9	± 9.8	± 10.7	± 8.6	± 6.3	± 6.3	± 8.1	± 7.9
90% Congi	aence miervai	± 5.5	± 7.2	(A)	± 7.0					± 0.3	± 0.5	± 0.1	± 7.2
							Not season	ally adjusted	d				
2014: July		808.6	360.9	11.7	436.1	123.9	39.5	125.4	64.1	361.8	178.1	197.4	79.2
August		804.7	365.2	11.0	428.5	123.4	40.9	126.0	64.5	359.4	181.4	195.8	78.4
September		810.2	366.2	11.1	433.0	121.1	40.7	127.3	66.2	361.7	179.8	200.2	79.5
October		814.7	366.6	11.7	436.3	121.5	41.0	127.9	65.9	371.4	181.7	193.9	78.0
November		818.4	360.7	11.7	446.7	121.5 127.4	41.4	127.9	64.7	365.2	179.3	195.9	75.3
December		806.6	344.7	11.7	450.2	127.7	40.4	125.6	61.4	360.2	172.3	193.1	70.6
2015: January		811.3	345.3	11.5	454.5	128.9	40.3	123.9	59.7	359.4	171.4	199.1	73.9
February		808.8	338.7	10.7	459.4	127.7	39.3	121.5	57.3	357.8	166.9	201.8	75.1
March		827.6	345.2	11.2	471.1	128.2	39.9	123.5	57.7	371.1	170.0	204.8	77.7
April		866.2	361.8	11.9	492.5	143.4	41.6	126.4	60.1	380.3	176.6	216.1	83.5
May (r)		885.9	373.6	12.2	500.1	148.2	43.1	128.7	62.4	387.9	181.3	221.1	86.8
June (r)		907.3	387.4	12.1	507.8	160.6	43.6	129.9	65.1	389.6	190.2	227.3	88.5
July (p)		930.1	406.7	11.8	511.6	165.5	45.6	131.4	68.6	397.7	199.2	235.4	93.3
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 $<sup>(</sup>p) \ Preliminary. \quad (r) \ Revised. \quad RSE \ Relative \ standard \ error. \quad S \ Does \ not \ meet \ publication \ standards \ because \ tests \ for \ identifiable \ and \ stable \ seasonality \ do \ not \ meet \ reliability \ standards.$ 

X Not applicable. Z Relative standard error is less than 0.5 percent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period. <sup>2</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

## Table 5. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Completed

			United	States		Nortl	neast	Mid	west	So	uth	We	est
	Period		In st	tructures wi									
		Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
						Seas	sonally adju	sted annua	rate				
2014:	July	861	630	(S)	224	93	53	151	117	433	331	184	129
	August	905	613	(S)	282	96	43	162	101	449	318	198	151
	September	948	627	(S)	314	123	51	166	106	475	346	184	124
	October	917	611	(S)	299	98	47	148	101	418	317	253	146
	November	867	609	(S)	244	54	42	132	99	458	329	223	139
	December	939	665	(S)	268	83	47	169	106	434	349	253	163
2015:	January	975	676	(S)	292	73	49	136	104	547	394	219	129
	February	865	602	(S)	245	56	40	135	92	473	346	201	124
	March	806	596	(S)	199	57	47	101	84	452	343	196	122
	April	999	681	(S)	305	112	48	187	125	469	352	231	156
	May (r)	1,010	648	(S)	355	143	42	160	103	486	359	221	144
	June (r)	964	636	(S)	319	72	40	148	99	528	339	216	158
	July (p)	987	627	(S)	350	98	49	166	101	514	325	209	152
Averas	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	6	5	(X)	14	22	16	13	13	9	8	9	10
Perce	nt Change: July 2015 from June 2015	2.4%	-1.4%	(S)	9.7%	36.1%	22.5%	12.2%	2.0%	-2.7%	-4.1%	3 20/	-3.8%
		± 13.4	± 10.9	(X)	± 42.6	± 49.6	± 42.3	± 24.9	± 22.1	± 21.4	± 14.2		± 22.5
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>							9.9%					
	July 2015 from July 2014 90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	14.6% ± 11.5	-0.5% ± 10.1	(S) (X)	56.3% ± 39.4	5.4% ± 56.2	-7.5% ± 17.8	± 24.7	-13.7% ± 22.8	18.7% ± 19.3	-1.8% ± 13.0		17.8% ± 27.5
	90% Conjuence interval	±11.5	± 10.1	(A)	± 37.4		Not seasona			± 17.5	±15.0	184 198 184 198 184 253 223 253 219 201 196 231 221 216 209 9  -3.2% ± 21.3 13.6% ± 31.1  179.2 205.5 3 104.6 116.4 3 11.3% ± 8.8 15.3 18.7 17.1 22.8 18.8 23.6 14.5 13.6 15.4	±27.5
2012		764.4	569.1	9.1	186.2	75.2	48.5	120.6	95.6	389.4	295.9	170.2	129.2
2013: 2014:		883.8	619.5	8.7	255.6	88.5	49.3	148.8	103.4	441.0	329.0		137.7
RSE (9	%)	2	1	22	5	4	3	4	2	3	2	3	2
2014.	Vt- D-t-	462.2	222.0	4.7	125.0	45.0	27.2	74.0	51.1	220.0	170.0	104.6	71.2
	Year to Date Year to Date	463.3 518.1	332.8 346.1	4.7 5.8	125.8 166.1	45.0 47.7	27.3 23.5	74.8 79.2	54.4 52.7	238.9 274.8	179.8 192.9		71.3 76.9
RSE (9	%)	3	2	22	7	13	7	7	4	4	3	3	3
	Year to Date Percent Change <sup>3</sup>	11.8%	4.0%	24.0%	32.1%	5.9%	-14.0%	5.8%	-3.0%	15.0%	7.3%	11.3%	7.9%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 5.2	± 3.3	± 48.4	± 18.5	± 24.5	± 6.2	± 14.3	± 10.3	± 5.5	± 5.1	± 8.8	± 5.8
2014:	July August	71.9 86.9	51.5 54.1	0.6 1.1	19.8 31.6	8.1 9.7	4.6 3.7	12.6 15.8	9.6 8.9	35.9 42.7	26.9 28.0		10.4 13.5
	September	88.5	56.9	0.7	31.0	12.2	5.1	16.0	10.1	43.3	30.5		11.1
	0.1	02.5		0.6	25.5	0.0	4.5	110	10.0	25.0	20.2	22.0	10.6
	October November	83.7 71.9	57.6 53.6	0.6 1.0	25.5 17.2	9.0 4.7	4.7 3.9	14.0 11.9	10.0 9.5	37.9 36.5	29.3 27.4		13.6 12.8
	December	89.5	64.5	0.6	24.5	7.9	4.6	16.3	10.5	41.7	34.0		15.4
2015.	T		45.0	0.5	10.4	4.0	2.4	0.7		250	260		0.5
2015:	January February	65.1 59.3	45.3 41.8	0.5 1.2	19.4 16.3	4.9 3.5	3.4 2.4	8.7 8.9	6.6 6.0	36.9 33.3	26.8 24.9		8.5 8.5
	March	60.5	44.7	0.9	15.0	3.4	2.7	7.0	5.7	34.7	26.5		9.9
	April	77.1	53.3	1.0	22.8	8.2	3.4	14.4	9.8	36.8	28.1	17.7	12.1
	May (r)	83.9	54.2	0.6	29.2	12.1	3.8	13.0	8.3	40.4	29.9		12.2
	June (r)	86.3	55.7	0.9	29.7	6.7	3.7	12.5	7.9	48.2	30.6	18.9	13.6
	July (p)	85.8	51.1	0.9	33.8	8.9	4.2	14.7	8.5	44.5	26.2	17.7	12.2

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Computed using unrounded data.