

**Percent Distribution of New Privately Owned Residential Buildings Started in Permit-Issuing Places in 2002
by Number of Months from Authorization**

	Buildings with 1 unit			Buildings with 2 units or more					
	Total ¹	Purpose of construction			Total	Number of units in building			
		Built for sale	Contractor-built	Owner-built		2 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 19	20 or more
Percent Distribution (Percents may not add to 100 due to rounding)									
United States									
Prior to or same month as authorization	54	54	58	49	41	41	34	47	43
1 month	33	33	31	33	29	34	30	24	23
2 months	7	7	6	10	12	10	16	11	13
3 months	3	3	2	3	6	3	9	7	8
4 months or more	3	3	2	5	12	12	11	11	13
Northeast									
Prior to or same month as authorization	48	48	56	45	34	33	19	53	43
1 month	33	34	30	32	34	33	46	27	33
2 months	10	9	8	13	16	17	25	9	9
3 months	4	4	2	4	6	6	8	1	8
4 months or more	5	5	3	6	10	12	3	9	8
Midwest									
Prior to or same month as authorization	58	56	65	55	56	52	44	61	77
1 month	33	34	28	33	28	39	35	16	13
2 months	6	7	5	8	6	5	9	5	6
3 months	2	2	1	2	4	2	4	7	2
4 months or more	1	1	1	3	6	3	8	11	2
South									
Prior to or same month as authorization	52	52	56	48	36	42	30	35	36
1 month	35	35	32	33	25	32	21	23	22
2 months	8	7	7	10	14	5	17	19	15
3 months	3	3	3	4	9	1	16	11	11
4 months or more	3	3	3	4	16	20	16	12	16
West									
Prior to or same month as authorization	58	59	56	50	43	49	38	47	36
1 month	31	30	32	32	33	34	34	32	28
2 months	6	6	6	10	11	6	16	8	16
3 months	2	2	3	3	3	1	4	5	5
4 months or more	3	3	3	5	10	10	9	9	15

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Relative Standard Error									
United States									
Prior to or same month as authorization	2	3	4	4	6	8	10	10	7
1 month	3	3	6	4	7	10	9	11	6
2 months	6	6	8	9	9	21	17	16	10
3 months	6	8	13	15	13	36	24	20	14
4 months or more	8	8	15	16	15	24	25	21	13
Northeast									
Prior to or same month as authorization	8	7	12	7	11	8	45	33	12
1 month	9	9	15	6	15	17	12	32	18
2 months	13	13	22	16	19	29	25	49	24
3 months	16	27	39	17	35	45	30	83	18
4 months or more	18	18	29	19	34	42	75	66	22
Midwest									
Prior to or same month as authorization	6	8	4	7	13	18	22	17	9
1 month	7	9	8	9	21	25	20	34	37
2 months	16	20	18	21	27	58	21	39	46
3 months	19	25	42	23	41	71	27	50	55
4 months or more	18	26	31	25	35	64	21	57	24
South									
Prior to or same month as authorization	4	4	5	5	10	21	17	16	8
1 month	4	4	9	6	13	29	19	13	7
2 months	8	9	10	18	11	35	28	21	12
3 months	8	9	17	26	17	89	32	26	17
4 months or more	11	10	24	17	23	41	37	27	16
West									
Prior to or same month as authorization	4	3	13	14	7	11	9	13	20
1 month	6	5	19	12	7	14	11	15	9
2 months	10	12	23	9	18	58	31	24	16
3 months	15	16	19	39	20	60	34	23	20
4 months or more	19	21	27	49	17	23	34	22	23

- Represents zero.

A Represents a relative standard error that is greater than or equal to 100 or could not be computed.

Z Less than 0.5 percent.

¹Includes units built for rent (not shown separately).