

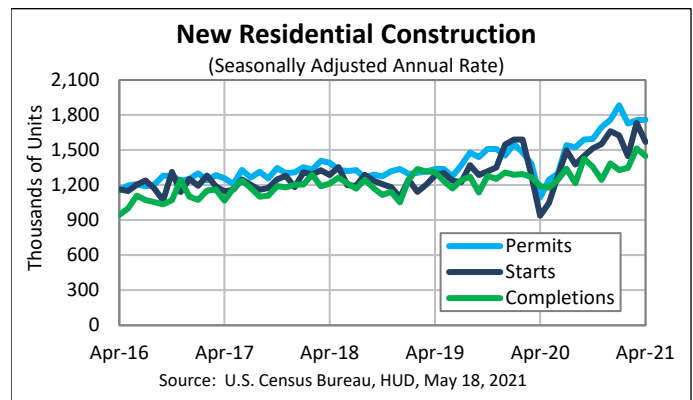
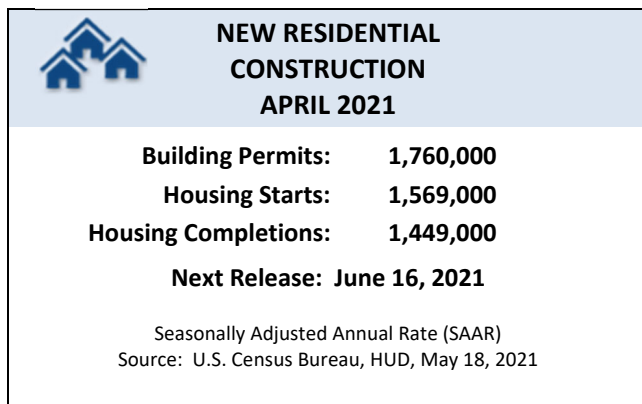
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MONTHLY NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION, APRIL 2021

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Notice of Revision: With this release, unadjusted estimates of housing units authorized by building permits for January through December 2020 have been revised. Also, seasonally adjusted estimates of housing units authorized by building permits have been revised back to January 2015, and seasonally adjusted estimates of housing units authorized but not started, started, under construction, and completed have been revised back to January 2016. All revised estimates are available on our website.

May 18, 2021 - The U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development jointly announced the following new residential construction statistics for April 2021:



Building Permits

Privately-owned housing units authorized by building permits in April were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,760,000. This is 0.3 percent (± 1.2 percent)* above the revised March rate of 1,755,000 and is 60.9 percent (± 1.8 percent) above the April 2020 rate of 1,094,000. Single-family authorizations in April were at a rate of 1,149,000; this is 3.8 percent (± 1.0 percent) below the revised March figure of 1,194,000. Authorizations of units in buildings with five units or more were at a rate of 559,000 in April.

Housing Starts

Privately-owned housing starts in April were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,569,000. This is 9.5 percent (± 10.8 percent)* below the revised March estimate of 1,733,000, but is 67.3 percent (± 21.6 percent) above the April 2020 rate of 938,000. Single-family housing starts in April were at a rate of 1,087,000; this is 13.4 percent (± 7.9 percent) below the revised March figure of 1,255,000. The April rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 470,000.

Housing Completions

Privately-owned housing completions in April were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,449,000. This is 4.4 percent (± 8.6 percent)* below the revised March estimate of 1,515,000, but is 21.7 percent (± 15.8 percent) above the April 2020 rate of 1,191,000. Single-family housing completions in April were at a rate of 1,045,000; this is 0.1 percent (± 8.4 percent)* above the revised March rate of 1,044,000. The April rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 401,000.

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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 three months to establish an underlying trend for building permit authorizations, six months for total starts, and six 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 percent) above” appears in the text, this indicates the range (-0.7 to +5.7 percent) in which the actual percentage change is likely to have occurred. All ranges given for percentage 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 percentage changes shown in the tables. On average, the preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates of total building permits, housing starts and housing completions are revised 2.7 percent or less. Explanations of confidence intervals and sampling variability can be found on our website. www.census.gov/construction/nrc/how_the_data_are_collected/

API

The Census Bureau’s application programming interface lets developers create custom apps to reach new users and makes key demographic, socio-economic and housing statistics more accessible than ever before. www.census.gov/developers/

FRED Mobile App



Receive the latest updates on the nation’s key economic indicators by downloading the FRED App <https://fred.stlouisfed.org/fred-mobile/> for both Apple and Android devices. FRED, the signature database of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, now incorporates the Census Bureau’s 13 economic indicators.

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New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized in Permit-Issuing Places

(Thousands of Units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.)

Table 1a - Seasonally adjusted annual rate

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020 (r)												
April	1,094	673	34	387	62	31	146	90	637	418	249	134
May	1,246	753	44	449	112	47	172	102	681	441	281	163
June	1,296	850	41	405	128	54	186	119	685	484	297	193
July	1,542	993	49	500	146	56	236	134	783	577	377	226
August	1,522	1,055	53	414	127	57	195	136	823	618	377	244
September	1,589	1,121	46	422	156	65	215	143	837	647	381	266
October	1,595	1,141	60	394	141	59	220	144	848	665	386	273
November	1,696	1,155	54	487	165	64	233	145	890	672	408	274
December	1,758	1,233	49	476	155	71	259	168	898	710	446	284
2021												
January (r)	1,883	1,268	55	560	195	79	245	175	956	711	487	303
February (r)	1,726	1,145	48	533	170	78	250	172	863	609	443	286
March (r)	1,755	1,194	58	503	155	78	253	174	908	661	439	281
April (p)	1,760	1,149	52	559	168	76	228	158	943	652	421	263
Average RSE (%) ¹	2	2	4	1	3	6	3	4	2	2	2	3
Percent Change ²												
Apr. 2021 from Mar. 2021	0.3%	-3.8%	-10.3%	11.1%	8.4%	-2.6%	-9.9%	-9.2%	3.9%	-1.4%	-4.1%	-6.4%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 1.2	± 1.0	± 10.4	± 2.7	± 3.0	± 6.1	± 5.6	± 3.2	± 0.7	± 0.8	± 1.6	± 2.2
Apr. 2021 from Apr. 2020	60.9%	70.7%	52.9%	44.4%	171.0%	145.2%	56.2%	75.6%	48.0%	56.0%	69.1%	96.3%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 1.8	± 2.1	± 16.6	± 3.9	± 16.1	± 23.5	± 9.1	± 7.5	± 1.0	± 1.9	± 4.7	± 5.6

Table 1b - Not seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2019 Annual	1,386.0	862.1	42.6	481.4	141.2	52.7	184.8	114.2	710.3	486.2	349.8	209.0
2020 Annual	1,471.1	979.4	47.2	444.5	134.8	56.3	202.1	128.0	776.3	568.5	358.0	226.7
RSE (%)	2	2	2	1	2	3	3	4	2	2	2	3
2020 Year to date	429.5	282.3	12.9	134.3	35.1	14.8	50.6	32.1	237.1	169.6	106.9	65.8
2021 Year to date	567.9	384.2	16.7	167.0	50.0	22.9	69.7	48.2	305.8	222.3	142.4	90.8
RSE (%)	2	2	4	1	3	5	3	3	2	2	2	2
Year to date percent change²	32.2%	36.1%	29.5%	24.4%	42.5%	54.7%	37.8%	50.2%	29.0%	31.1%	33.2%	38.0%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 0.8	± 1.0	± 8.2	± 1.9	± 4.0	± 12.0	± 3.1	± 3.2	± 1.0	± 1.1	± 2.6	± 2.5
2020 (r)												
April	98.4	63.9	2.9	31.5	5.0	2.8	14.2	9.0	56.3	39.3	23.0	12.8
May	107.3	66.5	3.4	37.3	9.6	4.2	15.9	9.8	57.3	38.0	24.5	14.6
June	127.2	84.8	4.0	38.3	13.5	5.6	18.7	12.8	65.2	46.4	29.8	20.1
July	138.9	92.5	4.4	42.0	13.3	5.4	22.0	13.3	70.5	52.4	33.0	21.4
August	128.9	90.2	4.8	33.9	10.3	5.0	18.0	12.4	70.1	52.1	30.6	20.8
September	136.3	95.0	4.0	37.3	13.7	6.2	20.5	13.8	70.6	52.9	31.5	22.0
October	135.9	95.5	5.4	35.0	12.0	5.3	21.8	13.6	70.1	54.4	32.0	22.3
November	123.1	79.6	4.2	39.3	13.2	4.8	17.5	10.1	62.7	46.2	29.7	18.4
December	137.0	88.6	3.7	44.7	13.1	5.0	16.7	10.1	68.2	52.1	39.0	21.4
2021												
January	128.8	83.9	3.6	41.3	13.4	5.0	12.6	8.3	70.4	51.3	32.4	19.3
February	120.1	81.1	3.4	35.6	10.8	4.8	13.4	9.1	64.9	46.9	31.0	20.3
March (r)	157.6	110.8	5.2	41.5	13.0	6.5	21.0	15.0	84.8	63.3	38.8	26.0
April (p)	160.6	108.1	4.5	48.0	13.6	6.9	22.4	15.8	85.5	60.4	39.0	25.0
Average RSE (%) ¹	2	2	4	1	3	6	3	4	2	2	2	3

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Note: Year-to-date permits estimates reflect revisions not distributed to months.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, New Residential Construction, May 18, 2021.

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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.)

Table 2a - Seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020 (r)												
April	162	89	S	71	16	8	12	7	83	50	51	24
May	170	93	S	75	15	8	12	8	94	54	49	23
June	164	91	S	71	14	8	12	8	91	52	47	23
July	167	93	S	71	13	7	13	8	91	54	50	24
August	170	98	S	70	14	8	10	7	95	58	51	25
September	178	104	S	72	17	10	11	9	96	59	54	26
October	183	106	S	74	22	11	11	9	98	60	52	26
November	187	108	S	76	23	12	13	10	101	61	50	25
December	187	104	S	80	23	12	13	8	98	60	53	24
2021												
January (r)	204	114	S	87	23	12	13	9	111	66	57	27
February (r)	217	122	S	92	25	12	16	12	118	71	58	27
March (r)	221	126	S	93	24	12	15	11	123	74	59	29
April (p)	232	131	S	98	24	12	16	11	132	78	60	30
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	6	X	10	15	17	11	12	8	8	11	11
Percent Change ²												
Apr. 2021 from Mar. 2021	5.0%	4.0%	S	5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%	7.3%	5.4%	1.7%	3.4%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 3.5	± 3.6	X	± 7.8	± 10.6	± 13.5	± 10.6	± 12.5	± 5.4	± 4.8	± 4.5	± 9.5
Apr. 2021 from Apr. 2020	43.2%	47.2%	S	38.0%	50.0%	50.0%	33.3%	57.1%	59.0%	56.0%	17.6%	25.0%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 9.7	± 14.7	X	± 18.7	± 56.2	± 50.0	± 23.4	± 33.0	± 14.6	± 17.6	± 10.7	± 29.2

Table 2b - Not seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020												
April	166.7	93.8	1.7	71.3	16.0	7.9	13.3	8.8	84.5	51.7	53.0	25.3
May	172.0	95.4	1.7	74.9	15.5	8.9	13.4	8.7	93.7	54.1	49.4	23.6
June	169.8	93.7	2.4	73.6	14.9	8.6	12.0	8.2	94.5	52.9	48.4	24.1
July	168.2	96.4	2.6	69.2	13.5	7.3	12.9	8.6	90.9	55.9	50.8	24.6
August	167.1	97.1	2.3	67.7	14.4	7.6	9.5	6.9	93.5	58.0	49.8	24.7
September	176.0	102.7	2.3	70.9	16.7	9.8	10.6	8.8	97.7	58.7	51.0	25.4
October	178.1	102.9	2.8	72.3	19.5	10.2	10.5	8.5	97.1	59.4	51.0	24.9
November	174.4	99.2	2.8	72.5	20.8	11.1	11.7	8.6	94.6	57.5	47.4	22.1
December	187.9	101.0	3.2	83.6	23.0	11.1	11.6	7.0	99.1	58.9	54.2	24.1
2021												
January	201.9	109.7	3.0	89.3	22.8	11.0	12.3	7.7	109.1	64.2	57.7	26.8
February (r)	215.7	119.1	3.1	93.6	25.8	12.4	16.2	11.1	116.4	68.6	57.3	27.0
March (r)	226.6	130.6	2.4	93.6	25.0	12.2	16.7	11.8	123.8	76.5	61.1	30.0
April (p)	241.7	139.8	3.1	98.8	24.0	11.8	19.1	13.7	135.3	82.2	63.3	32.1
Average RSE (%) ¹	6	6	27	10	15	17	11	12	8	8	11	11

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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.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, New Residential Construction, May 18, 2021.

Additional information on the survey methodology may be found at www.census.gov/construction/nrc/how_the_data_are_collected/.

New Privately-Owned Housing Units Started

(Thousands of Units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.)

Table 3a - Seasonally adjusted annual rate

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020 (r)												
April	938	685	S	238	50	23	137	103	569	413	182	146
May	1,046	733	S	305	70	35	144	99	510	403	322	196
June	1,273	903	S	363	116	77	208	134	653	489	296	203
July	1,497	995	S	492	132	72	210	136	845	564	310	223
August	1,376	1,023	S	331	87	59	241	158	706	552	342	254
September	1,448	1,105	S	338	126	68	210	127	763	645	349	265
October	1,514	1,162	S	337	84	56	208	153	840	668	382	285
November	1,551	1,182	S	353	143	71	189	134	806	659	413	318
December	1,661	1,315	S	336	136	84	246	219	837	692	442	320
2021												
January (r)	1,625	1,143	S	469	204	79	209	163	811	642	401	259
February (r)	1,447	1,069	S	365	109	69	136	108	771	581	431	311
March (r)	1,733	1,255	S	452	162	92	296	220	908	678	367	265
April (p)	1,569	1,087	S	470	172	80	193	149	804	593	400	265
Average RSE (%) ¹	5	4	X	17	19	18	13	13	7	6	9	8
Percent Change ²												
Apr. 2021 from Mar. 2021	-9.5%	-13.4%	S	4.0%	6.2%	-13.0%	-34.8%	-32.3%	-11.5%	-12.5%	9.0%	0.0%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 10.8	± 7.9	X	± 40.6	± 37.8	± 42.7	± 22.6	± 24.9	± 17.5	± 9.2	± 20.9	± 16.7
Apr. 2021 from Apr. 2020	67.3%	58.7%	S	97.5%	244.0%	247.8%	40.9%	44.7%	41.3%	43.6%	119.8%	81.5%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 21.6	± 14.1	X	± 70.9	± 125.6	± 177.3	± 36.7	± 24.3	± 28.0	± 15.9	± 43.9	± 35.2

Table 3b - Not seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2019 Annual	1,290.0	887.7	13.4	388.9	114.8	57.1	169.4	119.8	684.8	496.9	321.0	213.9
2020 Annual	1,379.6	990.5	12.3	376.8	111.5	60.2	191.6	135.6	735.5	553.1	341.0	241.5
RSE (%)	2	1	22	5	6	9	2	2	2	1	3	2
2020 Year to date	414.1	277.5	4.4	132.2	33.2	13.6	43.6	30.7	236.6	164.5	100.7	68.7
2021 Year to date	499.5	355.2	5.1	139.3	48.8	22.7	56.8	41.3	267.3	203.8	126.7	87.3
RSE (%)	3	2	27	8	14	10	4	4	2	3	4	5
Year to date percent change²	20.6%	28.0%	15.7%	5.4%	47.0%	67.1%	30.3%	34.8%	13.0%	23.9%	25.8%	27.0%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 5.4	± 5.4	± 104.0	± 12.3	± 33.5	± 27.9	± 14.1	± 16.1	± 5.6	± 6.6	± 10.3	± 13.6
2020												
April	84.9	63.1	1.3	20.5	4.4	2.1	12.4	9.5	51.3	37.9	16.7	13.7
May	95.1	67.5	0.7	26.9	6.2	3.1	14.4	10.4	45.7	36.3	28.8	17.7
June	118.8	86.8	0.6	31.4	11.2	7.8	20.7	14.4	59.5	45.4	27.3	19.2
July	138.7	93.9	0.9	43.8	12.8	7.5	20.7	14.1	76.3	51.2	28.8	21.0
August	122.5	92.3	1.8	28.4	7.7	5.3	22.3	15.2	61.8	48.6	30.7	23.2
September	126.3	95.1	0.5	30.8	11.5	6.2	19.8	12.2	64.8	54.0	30.3	22.6
October	131.2	100.2	1.3	29.7	7.8	5.4	20.4	15.5	70.4	55.2	32.7	24.1
November	117.8	87.5	1.3	29.1	11.5	5.6	15.0	10.5	60.0	48.0	31.2	23.4
December	115.1	89.7	0.7	24.6	9.5	5.7	14.7	12.7	60.4	49.8	30.4	21.5
2021												
January	115.2	77.9	1.0	36.2	14.7	5.0	11.3	7.8	60.7	47.6	28.5	17.5
February (r)	102.1	74.6	1.0	26.5	6.3	3.4	7.1	5.1	57.6	43.8	31.1	22.4
March (r)	141.4	102.8	2.1	36.5	12.7	7.0	21.0	14.9	76.7	58.1	30.9	22.7
April (p)	140.9	99.8	1.0	40.1	15.1	7.3	17.3	13.5	72.3	54.3	36.2	24.7
Average RSE (%) ¹	5	4	43	17	19	18	13	13	7	6	9	8

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

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Table 4a - Seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020 (r)												
April	1,194	515	S	666	178	54	152	75	530	246	334	140
May	1,179	510	S	657	174	54	147	73	520	240	338	143
June	1,187	512	S	663	175	55	150	74	524	241	338	142
July	1,199	517	S	671	177	55	154	75	534	245	334	142
August	1,212	529	S	672	175	55	159	79	543	253	335	142
September	1,218	545	S	662	179	57	160	80	546	264	333	144
October	1,228	566	S	651	179	57	162	83	552	277	335	149
November	1,247	586	S	650	180	56	163	83	564	291	340	156
December	1,264	609	S	645	178	57	163	86	576	303	347	163
2021												
January (r)	1,284	619	S	654	183	58	165	87	581	308	355	166
February (r)	1,289	623	S	655	181	58	163	85	581	309	364	171
March (r)	1,304	637	S	655	183	59	167	90	588	314	366	174
April (p)	1,312	642	S	658	188	61	167	92	588	314	369	175
Average RSE (%) ¹	3	3	X	5	6	9	5	4	4	6	5	6
Percent Change ²												
Apr. 2021 from Mar. 2021	0.6%	0.8%	S	0.5%	2.7%	3.4%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.6%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 0.8	± 1.0	X	± 1.3	± 2.5	± 3.1	± 2.9	± 3.3	± 1.2	± 1.4	± 1.6	± 2.3
Apr. 2021 from Apr. 2020	9.9%	24.7%	S	-1.2%	5.6%	13.0%	9.9%	22.7%	10.9%	27.6%	10.5%	25.0%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 3.3	± 4.1	X	± 4.1	± 6.5	± 11.7	± 7.0	± 7.5	± 5.5	± 6.9	± 5.0	± 7.4

Table 4b - Not seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020												
April	1,189.2	509.7	13.1	666.4	177.7	53.6	147.9	70.7	529.3	245.0	334.4	140.5
May	1,183.3	510.1	11.8	661.4	173.9	53.5	146.1	71.4	523.5	241.6	339.8	143.6
June	1,193.2	517.7	11.6	663.8	175.2	55.4	150.9	74.5	527.9	244.7	339.2	143.2
July	1,215.6	532.8	11.1	671.8	178.7	56.7	157.5	78.6	541.2	252.1	338.2	145.4
August	1,225.3	545.5	11.4	668.4	176.7	57.1	163.1	83.4	547.5	258.8	338.0	146.2
September	1,234.4	562.4	10.8	661.2	180.2	58.5	164.4	84.2	553.1	271.9	336.7	147.8
October	1,238.6	581.2	10.6	646.9	178.9	57.7	166.7	88.1	556.8	283.8	336.2	151.6
November	1,255.3	592.0	10.8	652.5	181.6	57.0	166.4	86.4	564.9	290.9	342.4	157.7
December	1,240.3	590.5	10.1	639.8	177.0	56.8	162.0	85.5	560.6	289.8	340.8	158.4
2021												
January	1,263.8	597.3	10.7	655.8	181.9	56.6	161.3	83.5	570.4	296.6	350.1	160.6
February (r)	1,270.3	600.4	10.9	658.9	178.9	55.4	157.0	78.6	574.7	300.8	359.7	165.6
March (r)	1,286.9	619.2	11.7	656.1	180.8	56.6	161.0	83.6	582.4	308.6	362.7	170.4
April (p)	1,307.0	634.7	12.0	660.2	186.8	59.7	162.4	87.0	588.0	313.0	369.8	175.1
Average RSE (%) ¹	3	3	20	5	6	9	5	4	4	6	5	6

p Preliminary

r Revised

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X Not applicable

¹ Average relative standard error for the latest 6-month period

² Computed using unrounded data

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New Privately-Owned Housing Units Completed

(Thousands of Units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding.)

Table 5a - Seasonally adjusted annual rate

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2020 (r)												
April	1,191	865	S	317	59	32	169	125	691	534	272	174
May	1,178	836	S	328	95	51	185	114	619	484	279	187
June	1,243	927	S	311	71	57	185	129	674	508	313	233
July	1,340	950	S	380	104	73	151	111	720	526	365	240
August	1,216	895	S	312	96	54	171	112	611	481	338	248
September	1,426	933	S	481	102	47	207	125	752	514	365	247
October	1,356	898	S	442	97	60	194	117	722	498	343	223
November	1,244	913	S	320	110	54	168	142	641	495	325	222
December	1,386	958	S	415	124	65	190	139	732	540	340	214
2021												
January (r)	1,328	1,012	S	311	108	71	175	146	740	568	305	227
February (r)	1,347	1,017	S	320	121	63	188	152	723	563	315	239
March (r)	1,515	1,044	S	465	128	77	219	128	824	605	344	234
April (p)	1,449	1,045	S	401	117	48	182	119	810	619	340	259
Average RSE (%) ¹	5	5	X	13	21	18	13	12	7	7	10	9
Percent Change ²												
Apr. 2021 from Mar. 2021	-4.4%	0.1%	S	-13.8%	-8.6%	-37.7%	-16.9%	-7.0%	-1.7%	2.3%	-1.2%	10.7%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 8.6	± 8.4	X	± 21.6	± 40.4	± 26.9	± 30.8	± 35.2	± 10.7	± 11.3	± 13.1	± 14.0
Apr. 2021 from Apr. 2020	21.7%	20.8%	S	26.5%	98.3%	50.0%	7.7%	-4.8%	17.2%	15.9%	25.0%	48.9%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 15.8	± 16.0	X	± 31.6	± 142.3	± 95.1	± 33.9	± 23.6	± 13.9	± 17.8	± 49.2	± 48.6

Table 5b - Not seasonally adjusted

Period	United States				Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2019 Annual	1,255.1	903.2	9.0	342.9	122.5	62.1	170.6	121.5	637.2	499.2	324.8	220.5
2020 Annual	1,286.9	911.7	10.5	364.7	95.2	56.7	182.5	125.6	678.4	506.1	330.9	223.4
RSE (%)	2	1	18	6	6	9	3	3	2	2	3	2
2020 Year to date	377.3	275.0	2.6	99.6	24.2	15.4	53.6	37.9	204.1	158.2	95.3	63.5
2021 Year to date	425.6	313.2	1.7	110.8	34.2	18.4	55.9	39.4	239.3	184.6	96.2	70.8
RSE (%)	3	2	29	8	14	14	7	5	4	3	6	5
Year to date percent change²	12.8%	13.9%	-36.9%	11.2%	41.1%	19.5%	4.2%	3.9%	17.3%	16.7%	1.0%	11.4%
90 percent confidence interval ³	± 5.5	± 4.5	± 31.0	± 14.0	± 37.4	± 32.9	± 16.1	± 12.0	± 7.0	± 5.5	± 12.1	± 11.4
2020												
April	94.6	69.3	0.7	24.6	4.3	2.2	13.5	10.1	55.7	43.5	21.0	13.4
May	98.5	69.5	1.2	27.7	7.9	4.1	15.3	9.3	51.6	40.3	23.6	15.9
June	110.7	81.8	0.4	28.5	6.7	5.4	16.4	11.2	58.5	43.3	29.2	21.8
July	117.1	79.5	0.9	36.7	9.2	6.2	12.9	9.0	63.7	45.0	31.3	19.3
August	111.2	78.9	0.9	31.3	8.7	4.5	16.1	10.2	55.4	42.4	31.0	21.9
September	121.1	78.6	1.0	41.4	9.2	4.5	18.2	11.1	61.7	41.2	32.1	21.9
October	120.8	80.7	1.4	38.8	9.2	5.9	18.2	11.4	62.5	42.9	31.0	20.5
November	99.8	75.6	0.8	23.4	8.7	4.6	14.1	12.2	51.6	41.0	25.3	17.8
December	130.5	92.0	1.2	37.3	11.5	6.2	17.8	13.2	69.2	51.9	32.1	20.8
2021												
January	93.7	72.2	0.3	21.1	7.9	5.4	11.9	10.0	53.4	41.8	20.5	15.1
February (r)	94.6	72.5	0.6	21.5	8.0	4.1	12.6	10.2	51.7	41.0	22.4	17.3
March (r)	121.9	84.8	0.5	36.6	9.6	5.6	16.8	9.6	68.5	51.2	27.1	18.4
April (p)	115.4	83.6	0.2	31.6	8.8	3.4	14.6	9.6	65.8	50.7	26.3	19.9
Average RSE (%) ¹	5	5	49	13	21	18	13	12	7	7	10	9

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