

Table 1. New Privately Owned Housing Units Started

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

Period	Total	In structures with --				Northeast	Midwest	South	West
		1 unit	2 units	3 and 4 units	5 units or more				
1a. Seasonally adjusted annual rate									
1998 - July	1,719	1,306	41	372	154	314	818	433	
August	1,615	1,264	50	301	142	316	770	387	
September	1,576	1,251	27	298	135	316	717	408	
October	1,698	1,298	40	360	155	350	835	358	
November	1,654	1,375	30	249	153	324	759	418	
December	1,750	1,383	29	338	157	416	747	430	
1999 - January	1,820	1,393	57	370	150	335	901	434	
February	1,752	1,380	27	345	206	342	842	362	
March	1,746	1,394	33	319	147	381	821	397	
April	1,577	1,260	30	287	137	335	706	399	
May (r)	1,668	1,389	26	253	158	361	734	415	
June (r)	1,571	1,272	30	269	159	357	703	352	
July (p)	1,661	1,328	33	300	169	297	763	432	
Average relative standard error (%)	3	3	9	9	7	6	4	4	
1b. Not seasonally adjusted									
1997	1,474.0	1,133.7	18.1	26.4	295.8	136.8	303.6	670.3	363.3
1998	1,616.9	1,271.4	15.7	26.9	302.9	148.5	330.5	743.0	394.9
Average relative standard error (%)	1	1	7	11	3	3	2	1	1
1998 First 7 months	928.6	739.2	10.2	16.8	162.4	83.7	182.9	428.3	233.7
1999 First 7 months	976.5	792.9	8.0	10.3	165.3	89.2	195.3	455.0	236.9
Average relative standard error (%)	1	1	7	14	4	5	3	2	1
1998 - July	156.0	120.5	1.5	2.3	31.7	15.3	31.2	70.6	38.8
August	147.5	115.1	1.4	3.2	27.8	12.9	31.3	67.7	35.5
September	141.5	112.4	1.0	1.3	26.9	13.1	29.8	62.3	36.3
October	155.5	113.5	1.2	3.0	37.7	16.0	36.4	71.9	31.3
November	124.2	101.3	0.9	1.9	20.1	12.0	25.1	58.8	28.3
December	119.6	89.8	0.9	0.8	28.0	10.7	25.0	54.0	29.9
1999 - January	108.0	82.1	0.7	2.0	23.3	7.9	13.5	57.3	29.2
February	112.2	89.1	0.7	0.8	21.6	9.6	16.5	62.1	24.1
March	149.3	122.9	1.4	1.4	23.6	12.1	29.2	73.1	34.9
April	146.5	118.8	1.8	1.2	24.8	12.1	32.6	64.9	36.9
May (r)	155.6	130.4	1.1	1.1	23.0	14.7	35.7	66.9	38.3
June (r)	152.1	127.5	1.1	1.9	21.6	15.9	38.0	64.4	33.8
July (p)	152.7	122.2	1.1	2.0	27.4	17.1	29.7	66.2	39.8
Average relative standard error (%)	3	3	11	13	9	7	6	4	4

(p) Preliminary. (r) Revised. (X) Not applicable. (Z) Less than 50 units or less than 0.5 percent.

Average relative standard error (Avg. RSE): Annual -- Avg. RSE for the last 2 years; Year to Date -- Avg. RSE for the current period and the same period last year; Monthly -- Avg. RSE for the latest 6 month period (January-June or July-December).