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INTRODUCTION

This report provides estimates of expenditures by property owners for construction improvements (additions, alterations, and major replacements) and maintenance and repairs to residential properties.

Table 1 presents quarterly expenditures for all properties, at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, in current dollars for 1993 to 2002. Table 2 shows actual (not seasonally adjusted) quarterly estimates separately by type of property (all owner-occupied, owner-occupied oneunit, and rental) for 1999 to 2002. Tables 3, 4, and 5 present actual quarterly expenditures for owneroccupied one-unit properties by region (Table 3), year structure was built (Table 4), and for payment to contractors or for materials purchased (Table 5) for 2001 and 2002. Please note that all dollar values shown in this report are in current dollars.

Data for this report were collected by direct interview and by mail from a sample of owners of residential properties. General information about the survey including definitions, survey methodology, and reliability of the data appears in Appendixes A and B. Appendix C includes a description of the adjustments for seasonal variation.

SUMMARY

Expenditures made by residential property owners for construction improvements and repairs during the firstquarter 2002 were estimated at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$169.9 billion. Spending on improvements was at a seasonally adjusted rate of \$126.2 billion during the first-quarter and expenditures for repairs amounted to \$43.6 billion.

Actual expenditures for improvements and repairs to all properties amounted to an estimated \$32.5 billion during the first-quarter 2002. Of this amount, owners of all owner-occupied properties spent \$22.3 billion and owners of rental, vacant, and seasonal properties spent \$10.2 billion.

Table 1. Expenditures for Residential Properties: Quarterly 1993 to 2002

Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate

[Millions of dollars. Components may not add to totals because of rounding]

Year and quarter	Total expenditures	Maintenance and repairs	Total	Additions and alterations	Major replacements
1993					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter	120,000 118,700 120,700 129,500	49,300 43,400 44,000 47,000	70,700 75,300 76,700 82,500	48,200 46,700 57,500 61,300	22,500 28,600 19,200 21,200
1994					
1st quarter	126,300 138,700 123,300 130,400	45,100 49,600 43,800 49,800	81,300 89,100 79,500 80,600	61,100 65,300 51,800 49,000	20,100 23,900 27,700 31,600
1995					
1st quarter	131,200 133,200 127,900 107,200	49,100 48,700 48,800 41,600	82,100 84,500 79,100 65,600	55,300 56,200 48,300 44,300	26,800 28,300 30,900 21,200
1996					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	135,500 113,300 136,800 142,300	43,400 39,200 35,700 43,200	92,200 74,100 101,200 99,100	60,900 52,400 70,400 75,100	31,200 21,700 30,700 24,100
1997					
1st quarter	126,500 129,000 138,500 138,300	36,900 42,600 45,800 37,400	89,600 86,400 92,700 100,900	62,500 62,000 66,000 70,300	27,200 24,400 26,700 30,600
1998					
1st quarter	140,700 152,700 119,100 123,300	40,900 43,700 42,400 40,500	99,800 109,000 76,700 82,800	72,200 79,000 49,200 52,800	27,600 30,000 27,500 30,000
1999					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	127,400 128,200 150,800 162,100	36,100 41,400 44,900 45,100	91,300 86,800 105,900 117,000	60,800 60,500 78,900 86,300	30,500 26,300 27,000 30,700
2000					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	156,300 144,400 156,700 156,300	44,900 43,800 42,300 38,500	111,400 100,600 114,400 117,800	74,300 68,100 83,800 85,500	37,100 32,500 30,600 32,300
2001					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	154,600 162,500 162,400 147,800	50,900 47,900 46,800 45,500	103,700 114,600 115,600 102,300	76,100 79,500 85,800 66,900	27,600 35,100 29,800 35,400
2002 ^r					
1st quarter	169,900	43,600	126,200	87,600	38,600

^rRevised.

Table 2. Expenditures for Residential Properties by Property Type: Quarterly 1999 to2002

Not Seasonally Adjusted

[Millions of dollars. Components may not add to totals because of rounding]

			Improvements					
					Additions a	nd alterations	;	
Property type, year, and quarter	Total	Mainte- nance			To stru	uctures	To prop- erty out-	Major
	tures	repairs	Total	Total	Additions	Alterations	structures	ments
ALL PROPERTIES								
Annual								
1999	142,900	42,352	100,549	72,056	16,164	42,058	13,833	28,493
2000	152,975	42,236	110,739	77,979	18,189	40,384	19,407 16 218	32,760
Relative standard error of annual estimates (percent)	137,703	47,491	6	77,500 Q	14,133	47,200	10,210	52,714
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2nd quarter	34 798	0,040	23 902	17 081	3 961	9 558	3 562	6 821
3rd quarter	42,934	12,990	29,944	22,400	5,813	11,420	5,167	7,544
4th quarter	41,388	11,618	29,770	20,984	4,768	12,998	3,217	8,786
2000: 1st quarter	29,055	8,530	20,525	14,160	3,639	7156	3,366	6,365
2nd quarter	39,693	11,543	28,150	19,219	4,612	10,369	4,238	8,931
4th quarter	40,199	9,919	30,280	20,773	4,416	9,978	6,379	9,507
2001: 1st quarter	28,785	9,673	19,112	14,481	3,580	8,483	2,418	4,630
2nd quarter	44,986	12,590	32,396	22,415	3,821	13,318	5,276	9,982
3rd quarter	45,352	13,525	31,827	24,425	4,253	14,981	5,191	7,402
	38,642	11,703	26,940	16,239	2,479	10,426	3,333	10,701
2002: 1st quarter	32,524	8,224	24,300	16,814	3,559	10,041	3,214	7,486
Relative standard error of current quarter estimates (percent)	8	10	10	14	26	19	19	11
ALL OWNER-OCCUPIED PROPERTIES								
Annual								
1999	99,281	24,250	75,031	55,802	10,773	33,678	11,351	19,229
2001	104,384	23,493	85,023	61,961	14,782	37,016	13,307	23,063
Relative standard error of annual estimates(percent)	6	11	8	11	20	15	13	7
Quarterly								
1999: 1st quarter	17,363	4,478	12,884	8,982	1,177	6,234	1,570	3,902
2nd quarter	26,251	6,790	19,461	14,064	2,586	8,204	3,274	5,397
3rd quarter	28,565	7,059	21,506	16,798	3,635	9,050	4,113	4,708
2000: 1st quarter	10.622	5 106	1/ 515	11 008	3 183	5 278	2,004	3 /17
2000. Ist quarter	27,216	5,645	21,571	14,830	4,149	7,064	3,617	6,740
3rd quarter	29,955	7,516	22,439	17,011	4,167	9,015	3,829	5,428
4th quarter	27,791	5,225	22,565	16,312	3,283	8,203	4,826	6,254
2001: 1st quarter	18,968	4,227	14,741	11,741	3,331	6,674	1,736	3,000
Zna quarter	32,168	6,766 7 924	25,402	17,633	2,754	10,171	4,708	7,769
4th quarter	25,519	5,702	19,817	12,129	1,976	7,797	2,356	7,688
2002: ^r 1st quarter	22,322	3,629	18,693	13,367	3,097	7,765	2,505	5,325
Relative standard error of current quarter estimates (percent)	10	13	12	17	31	23	22	13

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 2. Expenditures for Residential Properties by Property Type: Quarterly 1999 to2002—Con.

Not Seasonally Adjusted

[Millions of dollars. Components may not add to totals because of rounding]

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*These estimates are subject to high sampling errors. Caution should be used in estimating quarterly differences. Revised.

¹Includes rental, vacant, and seasonal properties.

Table 3. Expenditures for Owner-Occupied One-Unit Properties by Region: Quarterly 2001 to 2002

Not Seasonally Adjusted

[Millions of dollars. Components may not add to totals because of rounding]

Year and quarter		Region					
rear and quarter	United States	Northeast	Midwest	South	West		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	105,997 18,543 31,480 31,781 24,193	19,039 3,377 4,883 6,906 3,874	24,330 4,630 7,292 6,004 6,405	27,828 4,630 9,201 7,080 6,897	34,800 5,886 10,105 11,792 7,018		
2002: 1st quarter	21,925	4,286	5,067	7,505	5,067		
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	6 10	11 14	7 13	12 17	14 25		
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS							
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	23,642 4,029 6,594 7,754 5,266	6,330 741 2,109 2,474 1,006	5,004 816 1,248 1,663 1,276	7,348 1,608 1,888 2,058 1,794	4,960 864 1,348 1,558 1,190		
2002: 1st quarter	3,477	437	738	1,572	731		
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	11 13	36 44	8 16	11 21	13 21		
TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS							
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	82,355 14,514 24,886 24,027 18,927	12,709 2,636 2,774 4,432 2,868	19,326 3,814 6,043 4,340 5,128	20,480 3,042 7,313 5,022 5,103	29,840 5,022 8,756 10,233 5,828		
2002: 1st quarter	18,448	3,849	4,330	5,933	4,336		
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	8 13	19 20	8 15	13 19	16 30		

Table 4. Expenditures for Owner-Occupied One-Unit Properties by Year Built: Quarterly 2001 to2002

Not Seasonally Adjusted

[Millions of dollars. Components may not add to totals because of rounding]

		Year built					
Year and quarter	All years	1990 to 2001	1980 to 1989	1970 to 1979	1960 to 1969	Before 1960	Not reported
TOTAL EXPENDITURES							
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	105,997 18,543 31,480 31,781 24,193	28,221 4,757 6,630 8,541 8,293	11,651 2,137 3,397 3,719 2,398	14,278 2,829 5,109 2,766 3,573	11,436 1,818 3,714 2,736 3,168	35,133 4,996 10,647 13,298 6,192	5,279 2,006 1,983 721 569
2002: 1st quarter	21,925	6,152	1,877	3,169	1,729	8,735	263
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	6 10	17 23	13 25	12 22	20 29	9 14	24 42
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS							
2001: Total	23,642 4,029 6,594 7,754 5,266	4,970 577 1,191 1,508 1,694	2,457 538 702 867 350	2,995 492 818 1,031 654	2,997 661 895 794 646	9,233 1,354 2,624 3,383 1,872	991 406 364 171 49
2002: 1st quarter	3,477	799	323	355	474	1,519	8
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	11 13	16 25	18 25	12 28	21 40	13 16	35 43
TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS							
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	82,355 14,514 24,886 24,027 18,927	23,250 4,180 5,439 7,032 6,599	9,194 1,599 2,695 2,852 2,047	11,283 2,336 4,291 1,736 2,920	8,439 1,157 2,819 1,942 2,521	25,900 3,642 8,023 9,915 4,319	4,288 1,599 1,619 550 520
2002: 1st quarter	18,448	5,353	1,554	2,814	1,255	7,216	255
Relative standard error estimates (percent): AnnualQuarter	8 13	19 29	14 29	13 28	25 35	11 17	27 46

Table 5. Expenditures for Owner-Occupied One-Unit Properties by Payments to Contractors orMaterials Purchased by Owner: Quarterly 2001 to 2002

Not Seasonally Adjusted

[Millions of dollars. Components may not add to totals because of rounding]

Year and quarter		Total	Payments for building materials purchased by owner—			
	All payments	contractors or hired labor ¹	Total	For jobs done by owner ²	For jobs done under contract	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	105,997 18,543 31,480 31,781 24,193	88,220 15,211 26,543 26,623 19,843	17,777 3,332 4,938 5,159 4,349	13,428 2,545 4,026 3,693 3,163	4,349 786 911 1,466 1,186	
2002: 1st quarter	21,925	18,087	3,839	3,052	786	
Relative standard error estimates (percent): AnnualQuarter	6 10	7 12	8 13	9 13	17 23	
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS						
2001: Total	23,642 4,029 6,594 7,754 5,266	19,220 3,279 5,373 6,276 4,292	4,422 749 1,222 1,478 974	3,481 663 1,061 966 790	942 86 160 512 183	
2002: 1st quarter	3,477	2,627	850	761	89	
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	11 13	13 16	9 13	8 13	18 26	
TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS						
2001: Total 1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	82,355 14,514 24,886 24,027 18,927	69,000 11,932 21,170 20,347 15,551	13,355 2,582 3,716 3,681 3,376	9,947 1,882 2,965 2,727 2,373	3,408 701 751 953 1,003	
2002: 1st quarter	18,448	15,459	2,988	2,291	698	
Relative standard error estimates (percent): Annual Quarter	8 13	8 14	10 17	10 17	22 29	

¹Includes building materials supplied by the contractor or hired labor.

²Includes building materials purchased to have on hand.

Appendix A. Explanations

PROPERTIES INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT

This report presents improvement and repair expenditures by property owners for residential properties in the 50 states and the District of Columbia, with the exceptions noted below. These data cover single and multiunit structures, publicly and privately owned structures, nonfarm and farm properties, and residential properties that are occupied by owners or renters or are vacant.

Information on properties classified as primarily nonresidential is excluded, even though such properties may contain some residential space. Residential properties are defined as those having half or more of the enclosed space devoted to nontransient residential use. Also excluded are residential structures on the grounds of institutions, schools, convents, Armed Forces installations, etc.; hotels, motels, tourist cabins, manufactured homes, and boarding houses; and unusual living quarters, such as tents, boats, etc.

Expenditures made by renters are not included in this report. A study of renters' expenditures in 1989 showed that they accounted for less than 1 percent of all expenditures for improvements and repairs.

EXPENDITURES INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT

The expenditures covered in this report are those connected with construction activity intended to maintain or improve the property. The expenditures involve expenses for maintenance and repairs, additions, alterations, and major replacements that are made on the property by the owners. Included are all costs, for both the inside and outside of the house, whether on the main dwelling, on other structures on the property incidental to the residential use of the main dwellings, or for the grounds on which the structures are erected.

As a general principle, expenses connected with items not permanently attached or firmly affixed to some part of the house or property are not included in the report. Thus, expenses connected with the repair or replacement of household appliances, such as stoves, refrigerators, television sets, room air-conditioners, etc., are excluded, as are costs connected with house furnishings such as furniture, rugs, and draperies. While the cost of appliances is excluded, the construction cost of building-in such appliances (e.g., the cost of building-in a wall oven) is included in the scope of this report. Everyday household and housekeeping expenses, such as waxing floors and furniture, cleaning walls and windows, etc., are not within the scope of this report. Expenditures for grading, draining, fencing, and paving are included, but costs of landscaping (i.e., planting of flowers, trees, shrubs, etc.) are not included in this report.

Kinds of Expenditures

Expenditures included in this report cover work done under contract or by hired labor, materials purchased by owners, and the cost of purchasing or renting tools and equipment for purposes of carrying on jobs that fall within the scope of the report. However, no attempt is made to estimate or include the value of labor in do-it-yourself jobs.

Timing of Expenditures

For one-to-four-housing-unit properties with one unit owner-occupied and owner-occupied condominiums, expenditures are reported in the month of payment for labor and materials regardless of when the work was done.

For one-to-four-housing-unit properties with no unit owner occupied and all properties with five housing units or more, expenditures appear in the quarter in which they are found in the owners' or managers' records.

PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS Residential Property

A property consists of the land in one ownership unit, all residential structures on this land, and any facilities attached to the land. It includes the house and additional residential structures on the land, and auxiliary nonresidential structures, such as a garage or a workshop. For the nonresident owners and owners of properties with five housing units or more, property identification is generally determined by bookkeeping practices. Groups of buildings owned by one person or organization can be classified as one or more properties, depending on whether separate expenditure data are kept by the owner.

Housing Unit

In general, a housing unit is a group of rooms or a single room occupied as separate living quarters by a family, a group of unrelated persons living together, or by a person living alone. Vacant living quarters that are intended for occupancy as separate quarters are also housing units. Separate living guarters are defined as having either (1) direct access from the outside or through a common hall, or (2) a kitchen or cooking equipment for the exclusive use of the occupants.

REGIONS

The standard census geographic regions are used in the tables of this report. States contained in each region are as follows: Northeast—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey; Midwest-Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota; South—Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas; West-Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Idaho, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, and Hawaii.

TYPES OF EXPENDITURES

Expenditures are classified broadly as either maintenance and repairs or construction improvements. Improvements are further classified as additions to residential structures, alterations within residential structures, additions and alterations on property outside residential structures, and major replacements.

In general, when a maintenance or repair job is undertaken as part of a more extensive alteration or construction improvement, the cost of it is reported with the alteration or improvement of which it is a part. For example, repair of a floor as part of remodeling a room is reported with the alteration.

Maintenance and Repairs

Expenditures represent current costs for incidental maintenance and repairs that keep a property in ordinary working condition, rather than additional investment in the property.

Maintenance includes expenses for painting, papering, floor sanding, furnace cleaning or adjustment, etc. Repairs include many kinds of expenditures for plumbing, heating, electrical work, and other kinds of activity involved in the upkeep of residential properties. Repairs also include replacements of parts and of whole units, except for a select list specified below as major replacement expenditures. For example, roof repairs (including replacement of shingles, gutters, etc.) are classified under maintenance and repairs, but a complete reroofing is classified as a major replacement. Plumbing repairs may include extensive replacement of water pipes, but if the entire piping system is removed and a new one put in, the expenditures for the work are classified as major replacements.

Maintenance and repairs do not include expenses for trash and snow removal, lawn maintenance and landscaping, or cleaning and janitorial services.

Construction Improvements

Expenditures for construction improvements are capital expenditures, which add to the value or useful life of a property. Since the classification is based on the concept of additions, alterations, and major replacements rather than dollar value, some very small expenditures, which may not be considered capital investments are included among the improvements, such as installing a new electrical socket or garbage disposal. Construction improvements, as noted above, cover additions to residential structures, alterations within residential structures, additions and alterations on properties outside residential structures, and major replacements.

Additions to residential structures. These refer to the actual enlargement of the structure, either by adding a wing, room, porch, attached garage, shed, or a carport, or by raising the roof, or digging a basement.

Alterations within residential structures. These include changes or improvements made within or on the structure. The changes or improvements range from a complete restructuring, which involves removal of the entire interior of the structure and remodeling it, to the installation of a new electric service outlet, wall switch, or new shelves.

Additions and alterations on property outside residential structures. These include laying or improving walks or driveways; building walls or fences; creating or improving recreational facilities such as swimming pools, tennis courts, barbecue fireplaces; constructing detached garages, sheds, patios, green houses, or the improvement of these by the installation of electricity, drains, or new storage facilities. Grading and filling are included, but not landscaping.

Major replacements. The following is a list of relatively expensive items that, when replaced, are considered to be construction improvements as opposed to repairs:

Complete furnace or	Plumbing fixtures
boiler	All water pipes
Entire roof	Windows
Central air-conditioner	Septic tank or cesspool
All siding	Sink or laundry tub
Water heater	Complete walks or
Entire electrical wiring	drive ways
Doors	Garbage disposal unit

In general, the distinction between major replacements and additions and alterations is that major replacements are not innovations. Installation of a bathtub, where there had not been one before, is an alteration, but the substitution of a new bathtub for an old one is a major replacement.

Appendix B. Survey Methods and Reliability of Data

INTRODUCTION

This appendix describes the data sources, sample design, and estimation procedures used to develop quarterly estimates of expenditures for the improvement and repairs to residential properties. This description refers to the revised survey methods effective with fourth-quarter 1984 data. A description of the earlier methods appears in Construction Reports C50-84-A, issued April 1985.

SOURCES OF DATA

The data presented in this report are compiled from two sources:

- 1. Household survey of a sample of consumer units.
- 2. Mail survey of owners of a sample of rental or vacant properties.

Household Survey

Description of survey. Data based on personal interviews are obtained from household members as part of the Consumer Expenditure (CE) Surveys conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The CE surveys are designed to collect data on major items of consumer expense, household characteristics, and income. The expenditures covered by the survey are those that respondents can be expected to recall fairly accurately for 3 months or longer, including expenditures for maintenance and repairs and improvement of properties. Each sample household is interviewed once per quarter for five consecutive quarters.

For the initial interview, information is collected on demographic and family characteristics and on the inventory of major durable goods of each consumer unit. Construction expenditure information is also collected in this interview, using a 1-month recall, and is used solely for bounding purposes: that is, to prevent the reporting of expenditures outside the reference period in subsequent interviews.

The second through fifth interviews use uniform questionnaires to collect expenditures for the previous months and the current month to date. Six months of data collection are required to account for all the expenditures for a quarter. Households that move from their sample address between interviews are dropped from the survey. New households that move into the sample address are screened for eligibility and included in the survey, if found qualified.

Sample design. The sample for the CE survey is a national probability sample of households designed to be representative of the urban U.S. civilian population. The eligible population is composed of all civilian non-institutional persons.

The second step in sampling was the selection of primary sampling units (PSUs) that consist of counties (or parts thereof), groups of counties, or independent cities. The set of sample PSUs used for the survey is composed of 105 areas. The PSUs in this part of the design are classified according to the following four categories: "A" PSUs, which comprise 31 self-representing areas, and are large metropolitan statistical areas with nonfarm population greater than 1.2 million, plus the Anchorage and Honolulu MSAs; 46 "B" PSUs defined as nonself-representing metropolitan areas; 10 "C" PSUs defined as urban nonmetropolitan areas; and 18 "D" PSUs defined as rural nonmetropolitan areas. The "B," "C," and "D" PSUs were selected using a controlled selection procedure to ensure a distribution across states and other stratifying characteristics.

The sampling frame (the list from which housing units were chosen) for this survey was generated from the 1990 census 100-percent detail file, augmented by a new construction permits frame, and an area sample frame to represent all areas that do not have good 1990 census addresses, which are in nonpermit areas, or which have permit office problems.

The sample design is a rotating panel survey. Each rotation comprises one-fourth of a sample and is interviewed for five consecutive quarters. In each quarter, the housing units in five rotations are interviewed, but the rotation that is being interviewed for the second time is used solely to bound the data to be collected in the four subsequent quarters. Allowing for the bounding interviews and for nonresponse (including vacancies), the number of interviews per quarter is targeted at 5,000.

Estimation and data adjustment procedures. Estimates of expenditures for improvements and repairs are tabulated from responses to the CE questionnaire

(CE-302), Section 5, "Construction Repairs, Alterations, and Maintenance of Property," and Section 7, "Household Equipment Repairs, Service Contracts, and Furniture Repair and Reupholstering" by owner occupants of one- to four-unit properties and condominiums. Each sample household included in the survey represents a given number of households in the United States. The sum of the weighted sample households is the estimate of total households in the United States or the universe. The translation of sample households into the universe of households is known as weighting.

There are five basic steps in determining the weight for each interviewed household:

- 1. The basic weight assigned to a household is the PSU weight multiplied by the within PSU sampling interval. The PSU weight is the inverse of the PSU's probability of selection.
- 2. A subsampling factor adjusts for sampling that is done in the field.
- 3. A new permit factor is an adjustment made to the new permit sample that is introduced in that month for the other panels.
- 4. A noninterview adjustment factor adjusts for interviews that could not be collected from occupied housing units because of refusals or because no one was home. The adjustment is performed as a function of region, tenure, family size, and race.
- 5. A second stage adjustment factor adjusts the sample estimates of the population to independently derive census population estimates.

Mail Survey

Description of the survey. Nonresident owners of rental or vacant properties with one to four housing units and owners of rental or vacant properties containing five housing units or more, as identified in the CE household survey, are mailed a questionnaire to report detailed maintenance and repairs and improvement expenditures for their entire property. Approximately 3,000 owners are queried each quarter.

All mail questionnaires, including those from the initial mailing, are used in the tabulation of data for this report. This is based on an assumption that owners of rental properties keep detailed records of their expenditures for improvements and repairs and that the reports would be based on such records rather than on memory alone.

Sample design. The mail survey consists of owners of the properties identified in the household survey as being one to four unit properties with no resident owner and all properties (excluding owner occupied

condominiums) with five housing units or more. The probability of selection of a property is proportional to the number of housing units in the property.

Estimation and data adjustment procedures. The data collected on form SORAR-705 are adjusted for unreturned or unusable forms by region and MSA status. The weights are adjusted so that sample counts of renter occupied and vacant housing units agree with independently derived controls from the Current Population Survey.

RELIABILITY OF DATA

The statistics in this report are based on sample surveys and may differ from statistics that would have been obtained from a complete census using the same forms and procedures. An estimate based on a sample survey is subject to both sampling error and nonsampling error. The accuracy of a survey result is determined by the joint effect of these errors.

Measures of sampling errors. Sampling error reflects the fact that only a particular sample was surveyed rather than the entire population. The sample selected for the CE survey is one of a large number of similar probability samples that, by chance, might have been selected under the same specifications. Estimates derived from the different samples would differ from each other. The standard error, or sampling error, of a survey estimate is a measure of the variation among the estimates from all possible samples and, thus, is a measure of the precision with which an estimate from a particular sample approximates the average from all possible samples.

Estimates of standard errors have been computed from the sample data for statistics in this report. They are presented in the tables in the form of relative standard errors. The relative standard error equals the standard error divided by the estimated value to which it refers.

The sample estimate and an estimate of its standard error allow us to construct interval estimates with prescribed confidence that the interval includes the average result of all possible samples with the same size and design. A 90-percent confidence interval is defined to be from 1.6 standard errors below the estimate to 1.6 standard errors above the estimate. If all possible samples were selected and surveyed under essentially the same conditions and all the respective 90-percent confidence intervals were generated, then approximately 90-percent of the intervals would include the average value of all sample estimates and approximately 10-percent would not include this estimate. For example, if Table 2 showed that residential property owners spent \$38.6 billion for improvements and repairs for the quarter and the average relative standard error of the estimate was 8 percent. Multiplying \$38.6 billion by .08, we obtain \$3.1 billion as the standard error. To obtain a 90-percent confidence interval, multiply \$3.1 billion by 1.6, yielding limits of \$33.6 billion and \$43.6 billion (\$38.6 billion plus or minus \$5.0 billion). The average estimate for the specified quarter may or may not be contained in this computed interval, but one can say that the average estimate from all possible samples is included in the constructed interval with a specified confidence of 90 percent.

The sampling errors of some estimates are too great to allow meaningful comparisons among these estimates. The sampling errors should be regarded as orders of magnitude rather than absolute measurements.

Nonsampling errors and other limitations. As calculated for this report, the estimated relative standard errors measure certain nonsampling errors, but do not measure any systematic biases in the data. Bias is the difference, averaged over all possible samples with the same size and design, between the estimates and the true value being estimated. Nonsampling errors can be attributed to many sources: inability to obtain information about all cases in the sample; definitional difficulties; differences in interpretation of questions; inability or unwillingness of respondents to provide correct information; and errors made in processing the data.

These nonsampling errors also occur in complete censuses. Although no direct measurements of the biases have been obtained, it is believed that most of the important response and operational errors were detected in the course of reviewing the data for reasonableness and consistency.

Six potential sources of bias are:

- 1. Nonresponse to the survey as a result of selecting housing units from the permit frame for which addresses are no longer available at the permit office.
- 2. Nonresponse resulting from interview refusal or because no one was home.
- 3. Undercoverage in the sampling frame with respect to demographic and family characteristics of sample consumer units.
- 4. Memory failure, including failure to remember exact values, and the reporting of information for an earlier or later time period than when it actually occurred (telescoping).
- 5. Problems in classifying the types of jobs performed.
- 6. Adjustment for extreme values ("outliers") where an unusually large weighted value or more is contributed by a single job.

Appendix C. Adjustments for Seasonal Variations

ADJUSTMENTS FOR SEASONAL VARIATIONS

Quarterly estimates of expenditures for improvements and repairs are adjusted to eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur about the same time and in about the same magnitude each year. The seasonally adjusted estimates are converted to annual rates by multiplying by 4. Estimates for expenditures at seasonally adjusted annual rates are shown in Table 1. The factors used for making the adjustment were developed using the X-12-ARIMA, an enhanced version of the X-11 variant of the Census Method II seasonal adjustment program. A description of the X-12-ARIMA program appears in "New Capabilities and Methods of the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program," by David F. Findley et al. of the U.S. Census Bureau.

Table C. Factors Used to Seasonally Adjust Expenditures for Residential Properties

Year and quarter	Total expenditures	Maintenance and repairs	Total	Additions and alterations	Major replacements
1997					
1st quarter	73.4 109.3 116.6 100.5	71.9 106.9 116.3 105.4	74.1 110.5 116.8 98.7	77.1 115.6 111.1 96.4	67.0 97.7 130.6 104.2
1998					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter	73.4 109.2 118.1 100.9	70.7 107.2 117.4 105.0	74.6 109.9 118.5 98.9	77.0 115.3 111.5 96.3	68.4 96.2 131.3 103.6
1999					
1st quarter	74.7 108.6 113.9 102.1	75.9 105.3 115.7 103.0	74.2 110.1 113.1 101.8	76.3 112.9 113.6 97.3	70.0 103.7 111.8 114.5
2000					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	74.4 110.0 112.4 102.9	76.0 105.4 115.8 103.1	73.7 111.9 111.1 102.8	76.2 112.9 113.7 97.2	68.6 109.9 104.0 117.7
2001					
1st quarter 2nd quarter 3rd quarter 4th quarter	74.5 110.7 111.7 104.6	76.0 105.1 115.6 102.9	73.7 113.1 110.1 105.3	76.1 112.8 113.9 97.1	67.1 113.8 99.4 120.9
2002 ^r					
1st quarter	76.6	75.4	77.0	76.8	77.6

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