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 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1999 (r) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 1,804 | 1,393 |  |  | 358 | 146 | 328 | 871 | 459 |
| February | 1,738 | 1,379 |  |  | 334 | 194 | 358 | 843 | 343 |
| March | 1,737 | 1,377 |  |  | 327 | 159 | 378 | 810 | 390 |
| April | 1,561 | 1,248 |  |  | 282 | 135 | 337 | 684 | 405 |
| May | 1,649 | 1,368 |  |  | 255 | 152 | 352 | 734 | 411 |
| June | 1,562 | 1,269 |  |  | 264 | 158 | 355 | 697 | 352 |
| July | 1,704 | 1,348 |  |  | 316 | 171 | 320 | 768 | 445 |
| August | 1,657 | 1,285 |  |  | 341 | 171 | 337 | 762 | 387 |
| September | 1,628 | 1,290 |  |  | 300 | 135 | 365 | 740 | 388 |
| October | 1,636 | 1,343 |  |  | 267 | 129 | 371 | 764 | 372 |
| November | 1,663 | 1,344 |  |  | 294 | 150 | 389 | 709 | 415 |
| December | 1,748 | 1,426 |  |  | 292 | 157 | 409 | 824 | 358 |
| 2000-January (p) | 1,775 | 1,396 |  |  | 350 | 150 | 412 | 829 | 384 |
| Average relative standard error (\%) | 3 | 3 |  |  | 9 | 7 | 6 | 4 | 4 |

1b. Not seasonally adjusted

| 1998 | 1,616.9 | 1,271.4 | 15.7 | 26.9 | 302.9 | 148.5 | 330.5 | 743.0 | 394.9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1999(r) | 1,664.8 | 1,333.4 | 13.4 | 18.5 | 299.5 | 153.6 | 356.6 | 761.4 | 393.2 |
| Average relative standard error (\%) | 1 | 1 | 7 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 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 | 155.6 | 130.4 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 23.0 | 14.7 | 35.7 | 66.9 | 38.3 |
| June | 152.4 | 127.9 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 21.5 | 16.0 | 38.1 | 63.9 | 34.4 |
| July | 155.2 | 123.4 | 1.2 | 2.6 | 28.0 | 17.3 | 31.3 | 66.6 | 39.9 |
| August | 155.0 | 119.7 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 32.5 | 16.5 | 33.5 | 68.0 | 37.0 |
| September | 143.3 | 112.5 | 0.9 | 2.6 | 27.4 | 12.3 | 34.5 | 62.8 | 33.7 |
| October | 145.4 | 115.8 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 27.0 | 12.3 | 37.5 | 64.9 | 30.7 |
| November (r) | 127.9 | 102.1 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 23.7 | 12.5 | 30.0 | 54.5 | 30.9 |
| December (r) | 114.0 | 88.8 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 23.2 | 10.5 | 24.0 | 56.3 | 23.2 |
| 2000 - January (p) | 106.9 | 81.9 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 23.4 | 8.1 | 17.5 | 55.7 | 25.7 |
| 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).

