

Table 2. Privately Owned Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits

(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				
2a. Seasonally adjusted annual rate (19,000 permit-issuing places)									
1998 - February	1,635	1,176	74	385	169	356	721	389	
March	1,569	1,136	71	362	146	311	733	379	
April	1,517	1,145	55	317	133	305	664	415	
May	1,543	1,152	66	325	133	318	715	377	
June	1,517	1,128	74	315	151	307	675	384	
July	1,581	1,173	74	334	154	310	724	393	
August	1,618	1,180	72	366	144	302	784	388	
September	1,544	1,164	69	311	154	309	710	371	
October	1,690	1,198	65	427	169	335	789	397	
November	1,656	1,238	62	356	171	332	728	425	
December	1,729	1,306	77	346	172	413	743	401	
1999 - January (r)	1,778	1,275	79	424	169	322	838	449	
February (p)	1,745	1,309	73	363	183	356	820	386	
Average relative standard error (%)	1	1	4	1	2	2	1	1	
2b. Not seasonally adjusted (19,000 permit-issuing places)									
1997	1,441.1	1,062.4	34.9	33.6	310.3	141.9	299.8	635.9	363.5
1998	1,604.3	1,183.7	32.1	36.4	352.1	157.2	323.2	727.1	396.8
Average relative standard error (%)	(Z)	(Z)	2	4	(Z)	1	1	1	1
1998 First 2 months	200.2	145.5	4.1	4.6	46.0	18.2	33.2	97.6	51.2
1999 First 2 months	219.1	160.1	4.5	4.6	49.9	18.3	32.1	115.3	53.4
Average relative standard error (%)	1	(Z)	3	7	(Z)	3	1	1	1
1998 - February	105.6	76.6	2.2	2.6	24.3	8.7	18.5	51.7	26.7
March	138.0	103.8	2.8	3.4	28.0	11.7	25.7	67.5	33.1
April	144.7	112.9	2.7	2.7	26.4	12.9	30.8	62.4	38.7
May	137.5	105.9	2.5	3.1	26.0	12.7	30.7	62.2	31.8
June	151.8	115.2	3.1	4.4	29.0	16.1	31.4	64.3	40.0
July	146.8	109.9	3.1	3.5	30.3	14.9	29.6	65.3	37.0
August	142.2	103.3	3.0	3.1	32.7	13.2	28.7	66.3	34.0
September	140.2	102.1	2.9	3.3	31.9	14.4	29.8	62.1	33.9
October	147.6	103.4	2.8	3.5	37.9	15.5	32.6	65.3	34.1
November	118.2	85.6	2.4	2.3	28.0	12.8	24.7	51.9	28.8
December	125.3	89.1	2.8	2.8	30.5	12.2	26.9	56.1	30.1
1999 - January (r)	105.3	73.7	2.2	2.3	27.1	9.0	13.3	55.9	27.1
February (p)	113.8	86.4	2.3	2.3	22.8	9.3	18.7	59.4	26.3
Average relative standard error (%)	1	1	4	3	1	2	2	1	1
2c. Not started at end of period - not seasonally adjusted (19,000 permit-issuing places)									
1998 - February	120.5	68.4	4.3	47.8	11.1	16.7	65.1	27.7	
December (r)	137.1	79.5	3.1	54.5	16.0	18.2	75.9	27.1	
1999 - January (r)	134.6	75.4	2.8	56.4	16.2	18.4	75.6	24.5	
February (p)	136.6	78.9	3.5	54.2	15.9	20.2	73.8	26.6	
Average relative standard error (%)	4	3	9	8	10	10	5	6	

See footnotes below Table 1.