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# **NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION IN JUNE 2006**

The U.S. Census Bureau and the Department of Housing and Urban Development jointly announced the following new residential construction statistics for June 2006:

### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Privately-owned housing units authorized by building permits in June were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,862,000. This is 4.3 percent ( $\pm 1.0\%$ ) below the revised May rate of 1,946,000 and is 14.9 percent ( $\pm 1.0\%$ ) below the June 2005 estimate of 2,188,000.

Single-family authorizations in June were at a rate of 1,395,000; this is 6.3 percent ( $\pm 1.0\%$ ) below the May figure of 1,488,000. Authorizations of units in buildings with five units or more were at a rate of 397,000 in June.

### HOUSING STARTS

Privately-owned housing starts in June were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,850,000. This is 5.3 percent  $(\pm 6.6\%)^*$  below the revised May estimate of 1,953,000 and is 11.0 percent  $(\pm 5.6\%)$  below the June 2005 rate of 2,078,000.

Single-family housing starts in June were at a rate of 1,486,000; this is 6.5 percent  $(\pm 7.2\%)^*$  below the May figure of 1,590,000. The June rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 306,000.

## HOUSING COMPLETIONS

Privately-owned housing completions in June were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 2,017,000. This is 6.4 percent  $(\pm 9.4\%)^*$  above the revised May estimate of 1,896,000 and is 2.0 percent  $(\pm 8.4\%)^*$  above the June 2005 rate of 1,977,000.

Single-family housing completions in June were at a rate of 1,738,000; this is 7.5 percent  $(\pm 9.8\%)^*$  above the May figure of 1,616,000. The June rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 255,000.

New Residential Construction data for July 2006 will be released on Wednesday, August 16, 2006, at 8:30 A.M. EDT.

Our Internet site is: http://www.census.gov/newresconst

### **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 4 months to establish an underlying trend for building permit authorizations, 5 months for total starts, and 6 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%) above" appears in the text, this indicates the range (-0.7 to +5.7 percent) in which the actual percent change is likely to have occurred. All ranges given for percent 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 percent changes shown in the tables. On average, the preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates of total building permits, housing starts and housing completions are revised about one percent. Explanations of confidence intervals and sampling variability can be found on our web site listed above.

\*90% confidence interval includes zero. The Census Bureau does not have sufficient statistical evidence to conclude that the actual change is different from zero.

Table 1. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized in Permit-Issuing Places

2005   Innec				United	States		Nortl	neast	Midwest		So	uth	We	est
Total   Junit   Origina   Total   Junit   Origina   Total   Junit		Period		In st										
2005   Junu			Total	1 unit							Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
August							Sea	sonarry adju	isted annual	rate				
April	2005:	June	2,188	1,690	86	412	214	126	361	280	1,068	831	545	453
September   2,246   1,776   87   325   210   141   353   265   1,065   861   616					99	385	206	134	371			836	584	462
October														442
November   2,191   1,716   81   394   210   125   351   256   1,062   881   550		September	2,240	1,778	87	375	211	141	351	282	1,062	861	616	494
December   2,077   1,642   84   331   279   121   379   279   1,062   847   517		October	2,131	1,717	81	333	198	129	353	289	1,041	849	539	450
2006. January   2.185   1.686   103   443   2.10   130   334   274   1.671   442   330   156   166   167   148   148   158   158   168   158   168   1														437
Primary   1,104   819   446   208   136   388   229   1,119   832   566		December	2,107	1,642	84	381	209	121	319	239	1,062	847	517	435
March	2006:	January	2,195	1,664	103	428	210	130	384	274	1,071	842	530	418
April 1,973 1,497 72 404 186 115 293 237 997 764 501 1406 May 1,986 1,488 84 374 163 1103 532 242 999 770 530 1406 May 2,000 1408 1488 84 374 163 1103 532 242 999 770 530 1406 1408 1408 1408 1408 1408 1408 1408 1408														407
May		March	2,085	1,555	83	447	208	126	335	251	1,039	808	503	370
June		April	1,973	1,497	72	404	186	115	293	237	993	764	501	381
Percent Change:   June 2006 from May 2006		May <sup>r</sup>	1,946	1,488	84	374	163	103	312	242	969	770	502	373
Percent Change:   June 2006 from May 2006		June <sup>p</sup>	1,862	1,395	70	397	173	99	307	225	918	710	464	361
Percent Change:   June 2006   From May 2006   -4.3%   -6.3%   -16.7%   6.1%   6.1%   6.1%   -3.9%   -1.6%   -7.0%   -5.3%   -7.8%   -7.6%	Averas	re RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>		·	3	2		3	3	3			1	1
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Second   S	1 erce	-	-4.3%	-6.3%	-16.7%	6.1%	6.1%	-3.9%	-1.6%	-7.0%	-5.3%	-7.8%	-7.6%	-3.2%
Dune 2006 from June 2005														± 1.5
2004   2.070.1   1.613.4   90.4   366.2   197.0   131.8   370.5   2.95.5   960.8   756.1   541.9   2.070.1   2.155.3   1.682.0   84.0   389.3   203.8   126.6   353.9   278.7   1.039.0   826.8   558.6   4.0   2.070.1   2.155.3   1.682.0   84.0   389.3   203.8   126.6   353.9   278.7   1.039.0   826.8   558.6   4.0   2.070.1   2.155.3   1.682.0   84.0   389.3   203.8   126.6   353.9   278.7   1.039.0   826.8   558.6   4.0   2.0														-20.3%
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2005: Year to Date <sup>2</sup> 1,079,1 850,0 41,1 188,0 97,0 59,6 174,5 141,7 523,9 418,3 283,7 206: Year to Date <sup>2</sup> 1,029,9 788,2 40,8 200,9 92,0 56,2 154,7 120,4 520,7 412,0 262,6 11  RSE (%)  (%) (%) 1 2 (%) 2 2 2 1 2 1 2 (%) 2 3 1 2 6,9 41,1 188,0 18,1 18,1 18,1 18,1 18,1 18,1			2,155.3	1,682.0	84.0	389.3	203.8	126.6	353.9	278.7	1,039.0	826.8	558.6	450.0
2006: Year to Date <sup>2</sup> 1,0299 788.2 40.8 2009 92.0 56.2 154.7 120.4 520.7 412.0 262.6 12	RSE (9	6)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
2006: Year to Date <sup>2</sup> 1,0299 788.2 40.8 2009 92.0 56.2 154.7 120.4 520.7 412.0 262.6 12	2005:	Year to Date <sup>2</sup>	1.079.1	850.0	41.1	188.0	97.0	59.6	174.5	141.7	523.9	418.3	283.7	230.4
Year to Date Percent Change 4         -4.6%         -7.3%         -0.7%         6.9%         -5.1%         -5.6%         -11.4%         -15.1%         -0.6%         -1.5%         -7.5%         -13           90% Confidence Interval 3         ±0.8         ±0.9         ±2.8         ±1.3         ±2.8         ±3.6         ±1.9         ±2.2         ±0.6         ±0.7         ±1.3         ±           2005: June         211.9         166.2         8.7         37.1         22.1         13.0         34.8         28.4         99.2         79.2         55.8           July         185.5         145.9         7.6         31.9         18.3         12.1         32.7         26.0         86.5         68.7         48.0           August         208.0         161.9         8.4         37.7         20.1         13.0         35.3         27.5         101.3         79.7         51.3           September         193.7         151.3         7.8         34.6         18.6         12.7         32.3         25.8         88.9         70.7         53.9           October         176.0         139.1         7.1         29.8         16.8         11.2         32.9         25.9         82.6 <td></td> <td>199.6</td>														199.6
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		May <sup>r</sup>	184.5	145.1	7.8	31.6	16.4	10.6	31.1	25.0	88.8	72.5	48.2	37.0
$\Delta_{Vergo} = RSE (\%)^{1}$ 1 1 3 2 2 3 3 3 1 1 1		June <sup>p</sup>	179.5	136.1	7.1	36.3	17.7	10.2	29.1	22.6	86.6	68.0	46.0	35.3
Average root (n)	Averag	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1	1	3	2	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	1

Preliminary. Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Reflects revisions not distributed to months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 4}$  Computed using unrounded data.

Table 2. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized, but Not Started, at End of Period

[Not seasonally adjusted. Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

			United	States		Northeast		Midwest		So	uth	West	
	Period	In structures with											_
		Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2005:	June	232.6	170.3	9.7	52.6	29.3	15.5	31.1	25.0	113.8	83.5	58.4	46.3
	July	222.0	161.4	9.4	51.2	28.5	15.6	30.2	24.3	107.5	79.6	55.8	42.0
	August	231.2	165.0	9.8	56.4	27.8	16.4	30.5	23.9	120.8	87.4	52.1	37.3
	September	231.2	166.9	7.9	56.5	27.1	17.0	27.6	22.0	122.9	88.3	53.6	39.7
	October	220.3	160.3	8.7	51.4	26.7	15.5	30.5	23.5	113.5	83.1	49.6	38.1
	November	217.6	158.7	8.4	50.4	27.3	15.3	27.9	21.5	112.9	85.5	49.5	36.4
	December	223.3	161.9	10.1	51.3	27.9	13.5	28.9	21.5	109.8	85.8	56.7	41.1
2006:	January	215.7	156.9	9.9	48.8	27.4	13.3	28.6	20.8	104.6	82.1	55.2	40.7
	February	214.9	152.6	9.9	52.4	27.3	14.8	30.3	20.2	105.4	81.7	51.9	36.0
	March	234.1	167.6	10.5	56.0	30.8	17.0	34.8	26.1	112.0	84.7	56.5	39.8
	April <sup>r</sup>	235.6	169.7	9.3	56.6	29.0	16.2	31.3	23.6	114.9	88.0	60.5	41.9
	May <sup>r</sup>	229.3	163.3	8.9	57.0	27.7	14.3	31.7	23.5	112.7	86.3	57.2	39.3
	June <sup>p</sup>	233.0	164.2	9.5	59.3	26.1	14.5	29.5	20.9	118.4	89.1	59.1	39.7
Avera	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	6	7	16	6	13	15	10	12	11	12	7	8
Perce	ent Change: 2												
	June 2006 from May 2006	1.6%	0.5%	6.3%	4.0%	-5.8%	1.6%	-6.8%	-11.4%	5.0%	3.3%	3.3%	1.1%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 4.1	± 4.7	$\pm 12.3$	± 9.4	± 16.5	± 20.0	± 9.1	± 10.7	± 5.0	± 5.7	± 7.0	± 7.3
	June 2006 from June 2005	0.2%	-3.6%	-2.1%	12.8%	-10.8%	-6.1%	-5.2%	-16.7%	4.0%	6.8%	1.1%	-14.3%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>3</sup>	± 7.7	± 9.2	± 24.1	± 14.8	± 15.7	± 20.1	± 15.4	± 10.6	± 14.2	± 17.5	± 10.3	± 9.2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup>Preliminary. <sup>r</sup>Revised. RSE Relative Standard Error.

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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period. 
<sup>2</sup> Computed using unrounded data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals

# Table 3. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Started

			United	States		North	neast	Mid	west	So	uth	We	est
	Period		In st	ructures wi	th								
		Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit						
						Seas	onally adju	sted annual	rate				
2005:	June	2,078	1,724	(S)	316	195	148	342	301	1,045	846	496	429
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	July	2,070	1,740	(S)	294	196	137	367	318	995	835	512	450
	August	2,075	1,713	(S)	319	204	135	375	303	925	790	571	485
	September	2,158	1,790	(S)	310	195	145	377	321	1,014	860	572	464
	October	2,046	1,726	(S)	287	170	144	336	302	1,029	848	511	432
	November	2,131	1,795	(S)	298	197	132	385	319	995	863	554	481
	December	2,002	1,633	(S)	338	167	129	295	250	1,104	871	436	383
2006:	Innuari	2265	1.014	(5)	42.4	241	175	260	222	1.126	001	510	106
2006:	January February	2,265 2,132	1,814 1,812	(S) (S)	424 285	241 186	175 145	369 326	332 298	1,136 1,038	901 882	519 582	406 487
	March	1,972	1,615	(S)	321	166	128	294	238	1,023	856	489	393
				` '									
	April <sup>r</sup>	1,832	1,524	(S)	252	178	133	338	284	881	731	435	376
	May <sup>r</sup>	1,953	1,590	(S)	319	192	137	300	252	949	795	512	406
	June <sup>p</sup>	1,850	1,486	(S)	306	170	92	309	261	911	751	460	382
	June												
Averag	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	3	4	(X)	11	10	12	7	7	5	5	5	6
Perce	nt Change:												
	June 2006 from May 2006	-5.3%	-6.5%	(S)	-4.1%	-11.5%	-32.8%	3.0%	3.6%	-4.0%	-5.5%	-10.2%	-5.9%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 6.6	± 7.2	(X)	± 24.4	± 21.9	± 15.3	± 14.0	± 19.6	± 10.1	± 9.9	± 10.3	± 10.1
	June 2006 from June 2005	-11.0%	-13.8%	(S)	-3.2%	-12.8%	-37.8%	-9.6%	-13.3%	-12.8%	-11.2%	-7.3%	-11.0%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 5.6	± 6.3	(X)	± 24.7	± 19.6	± 15.9	± 10.1	± 11.6	± 7.8	± 9.5	± 10.6	± 9.2
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		10550	1.510.5	10.0	202.0					000.5	540.4	5160	100.1
2004 2005		1,955.8 2,068.3	1,610.5 1,715.8	42.3 41.1	303.0 311.4	175.4 189.7	127.7 137.5	355.7 357.4	306.4 305.7	908.5 996.1	743.4 831.2	516.2 525.1	433.1 441.4
RSE (9	%)	1	1	10	4	3	5	2	1	1	2	2	2
(	,												
2005:	Year to Date	1,023.6	853.6	19.9	150.1	90.3	65.0	169.3	145.9	501.8	423.4	262.2	219.2
2006:	Year to Date	985.0	814.8	20.6	149.7	86.8	61.1	149.6	128.0	500.6	420.5	248.1	205.2
RSE (9	%)	1	1	11	5	7	8	2	2	2	2	2	2
TGE (				11	3	,	6	2	2	2	2	2	2
	Year to Date Percent Change 3	-3.8%	-4.5%	3.1%	-0.3%	-4.0%	-6.0%	-11.6%	-12.3%	-0.2%	-0.7%	-5.4%	-6.4%
	000/ Confidence Internal 2	± 2.4	± 2.6	± 23.5	± 10.1	± 10.1	± 9.5	± 4.2	± 4.5	± 3.8	± 3.8	± 4.1	± 3.8
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 2. <del>4</del>	± 2.0	±23.3	±10.1	± 10.1	± 9.3	± <b>4.</b> 2	± 4.5	± 3.0	± 3.0	± 4.1	± 3.0
2005:	June	192.8	162.8	3.2	26.9	19.5	15.5	35.0	31.4	93.1	76.2	45.3	39.6
	July August	187.6 192.0	158.0 158.6	3.2 3.9	26.3 29.5	18.3 19.8	13.0 13.4	34.5 36.7	30.1 30.1	88.3 83.7	74.0 71.2	46.5 51.8	41.0 43.9
	September	187.9	154.0	5.4	28.5	17.7	13.1	35.8	30.6	84.7	70.5	49.7	39.7
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	October	180.4	150.7	3.0	26.6	15.4	13.1	30.3	27.1	89.8	73.0	44.9	37.6
	November	160.7	133.1	3.2	24.4	15.9	10.6	32.2	26.8	72.1	61.2	40.5	34.5
	December	136.0	107.9	2.4	25.8	12.3	9.4	18.5	15.1	75.7	58.0	29.5	25.5
2006:	January	153.0	121.0	1.9	30.1	13.3	8.6	18.0	15.4	84.7	68.0	37.0	29.0
	February	145.1	123.6	2.4	19.1	10.1	7.4	17.1	15.2	77.7	67.2	40.2	33.9
	March	165.9	137.7	2.8	25.4	12.9	9.9	22.4	18.0	89.7	76.5	41.0	33.4
				4.6	21.0	16.0	12.2	30.0	25.5	77.8	65.3	36.7	31.8
	April	160 5	1240										
	April <sup>r</sup> May <sup>r</sup>	160.5 189.9	134.8 158.1	4.6 3.9	27.9	18.3	13.5	31.3	27.1	89.5	76.0	50.8	41.5
	April <sup>f</sup> May <sup>f</sup>												
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Preliminary. Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period. <sup>3</sup> Computed using unrounded data.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

Table 4. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Under Construction at End of Period

		United S		States		Northeast		Midwest		South		W	est
	Posite d		In st	ructures wi	th								
	Period			2 to 4	5 units								
		Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit						
							Seasonall	y adjusted					
2005:	June	1,331	915	(S)	377	166	87	218	169	595	413	352	246
	July	1,343	923	(S)	382	170	88	218	169	601	417	354	249
	August	1,360	934	(S)	389	171	90	219	169	608	422	362	253
	September	1,378	943	(S)	396	173	92	223	171	611	424	371	256
	October	1,373	952	(S)	384	172	95	221	172	613	428	367	257
	November	1,393	969	(S)	386	174	94	226	175	619	436	374	264
	December	1,401	972	(S)	394	173	95	225	173	631	441	372	263
2006:	January	1,418	986	(S)	399	176	99	226	174	645	451	371	262
	February	1,424	991	(S)	402	178	102	224	173	647	453	375	263
	March	1,420	983	(S)	408	176	101	223	172	643	446	378	264
		1.005	0.50	(0)	40.5	450	100		150		400	252	250
	April <sup>r</sup> May <sup>r</sup>	1,397 <b>1,398</b>	960 <b>954</b>	(S) (S)	405 <b>412</b>	173 <b>174</b>	100 <b>100</b>	222 <b>221</b>	170 <b>167</b>	630 <b>633</b>	432 <b>435</b>	372 <b>370</b>	258 <b>252</b>
	way	1,576	754	(3)	712	1/4	100	221	107	033	433	370	232
	June <sup>p</sup>	1,381	935	<b>(S)</b>	412	172	95	217	164	628	429	364	247
Avera	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1	2	(X)	3	5	7	4	5	2	2	3	4
Perce	ent Change:												
	June 2006 from May 2006	-1.2%	-2.0%	(S)	0.0%	-1.1%	-5.0%	-1.8%	-1.8%	-0.8%	-1.4%	-1.6%	-2.0%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 0.7	± 0.9	(X)	± 1.5	± 1.8	± 2.7	± 2.2	± 2.4	± 1.1	± 1.3	± 1.7	± 1.6
	June 2006 from June 2005	3.8%	2.2%	(S)	9.3%	3.6%	9.2%	-0.5%	-3.0%	5.5%	3.9%	3.4%	0.4%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 2.3	± 2.7	(X)	± 4.8	± 9.0	± 10.2	± 6.0	± 6.6	± 3.8	± 4.0	± 4.7	± 5.3
						]	Not seasona	ally adjusted	i				
2005:	June	1,355.3	939.2	38.5	377.6	168.0	88.7	222.3	172.9	607.0	425.4	358.0	252.2
	July	1,383.5	961.7	37.9	383.8	174.0	91.6	225.9	177.2	618.8	434.2	364.7	258.7
	August	1,398.2	978.4	36.2	383.6	174.0	91.0	223.9	177.2	623.3	434.2	373.1	265.9
	September	1,413.2	983.8	38.3	391.1	176.8	96.7	232.7	181.5	623.9	439.3	379.8	266.2
	October November	1,405.5	985.0	37.0	383.5	175.6	98.6	230.8	181.7	623.6	438.7	375.5	266.0
	December	1,402.6 1,355.9	977.5 929.1	37.9 35.0	387.3 391.8	177.0 171.9	96.5 93.9	232.6 221.4	181.7 169.6	617.4 604.2	433.8 415.4	375.5 358.4	265.5 250.2
	Becchiser	1,333.9	929.1	33.0	391.8	1/1.9	93.9	221.4	109.0	004.2	413.4	336.4	230.2
2006:	January	1,369.3	936.7	33.2	399.4	171.9	94.6	217.3	165.5	620.9	426.7	359.2	249.9
	February	1,371.2	938.7	30.6	401.9	170.3	94.1	211.3	160.8	625.8	431.9	363.8	251.9
	March	1,382.3	943.1	29.6	409.7	170.2	95.3	211.3	159.8	632.6	434.7	368.2	253.3
	April <sup>r</sup>	1,384.8	943.9	32.1	408.8	170.6	97.3	214.6	162.6	632.6	432.5	366.9	251.5
	May <sup>r</sup>	1,406.9	960.9	32.6	413.4	173.9	99.9	218.8	164.4	641.9	443.3	372.3	253.3
	June <sup>p</sup>	1,399.3	953.6	33.9	411.8	172.8	96.1	218.8	165.7	639.9	440.5	367.8	251.3
Avera	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	1	2	9	3	5	7	4	5	2	2	3	4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup>Preliminary. <sup>r</sup>Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards. X Not applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals

# Table 5. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Completed

			United	States		Nortl	neast	Midwest		South		We	est
	Period		In st	ructures wi									
		Total	1 unit	2 to 4 units	5 units or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
			Ç 1	1		Seas	onally adju	sted annual	rate	1	1	1	
2005:	June	1,977	1,696	(S)	249	202	176	371	321	935	776	469	423
	July	1,883	1,646	(S)	199	143	123	342	302	880	762	518	459
	August	1,954	1,652	(S)	255	208	133	359	311	876	756	511	452
	September	1,944	1,653	(S)	258	167	119	334	288	930	796	513	450
	October	1,967	1,615	(S)	325	153	109	344	293	958	797	512	416
	November	1,909	1,630	(S)	254	158	143	338	291	911	764	502	432
	December	1,953	1,668	(S)	243	178	137	327	293	936	797	512	441
2006:	January	2,044	1,652	(S)	345	184	122	354	307	995	798	511	425
	February	2,038	1,728	(S)	239	206	128	319	294	971	846	542	460
	March	2,203	1,869	(S)	286	189	137	364	311	1,112	951	538	470
	April <sup>r</sup>	2,043	1,716	(S)	295	231	141	338	292	978	845	496	438
	May <sup>r</sup>	1,896	1,616	(S)	249	176	140	304	282	911	759	505	435
	June <sup>p</sup>	2,017	1,738	(S)	255	171	154	351	307	942	819	553	458
Averag	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	4	4	(X)	11	13	15	9	9	6	6	7	7
Perce	nt Change:												
	June 2006 from May 2006	6.4%	7.5%	(S)	2.4%	-2.8%	10.0%	15.5%	8.9%	3.4%	7.9%	9.5%	5.3%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 9.4	± 9.8	(X)	$\pm25.0$	± 24.9	± 34.7	± 22.8	± 21.1	± 14.9	± 17.3	± 14.2	$\pm13.6$
	June 2006 from June 2005	2.0%	2.5%	(S)	2.4%	-15.3%	-12.5%	-5.4%	-4.4%	0.7%	5.5%	17.9%	8.3%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 8.4	± 9.4	(X)	± 28.6	± 23.9	± 27.1	± 21.3	± 19.5	± 9.8	± 12.3	± 19.8	$\pm$ 18.5
						]	Not seasona	ılly adjusted	i				
2004		1,841.9	1,531.5	23.5	286.9	155.9	118.9	362.4	303.6	840.4	699.8	483.3	409.2
2005		1,931.4	1,635.9	37.5	258.0	170.7	131.7	351.9	307.2	903.7	760.5	505.1	436.5
RSE (	%)	1	1	10	3	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2
2005:	Year to Date	896.6	754.7	18.3	123.6	77.4	60.6	165.2	143.8	419.5	347.8	234.6	202.5
2006:	Year to Date	947.8	798.7	19.1	130.0	87.2	61.9	152.2	133.7	462.3	393.1	246.1	210.1
RSE (	%)	1	1	13	5	9	8	4	3	2	2	3	3
	Year to Date Percent Change 3	5.7%	5.8%	4.3%	5.1%	12.6%	2.0%	-7.9%	-7.0%	10.2%	13.0%	4.9%	3.8%
	90% Confidence Interval <sup>2</sup>	± 3.5	± 3.4	± 28.0	±11.2	± 16.7	± 13.7	±6.9	± 6.1	± 6.0	± 5.9	± 6.0	± 5.7
2005:	June	171.0	144.5	3.0	23.4	16.9	14.4	31.0	26.3	81.9	66.9	41.2	36.9
	July	158.5	136.3	3.5	18.6	12.3	10.3	28.8	25.1	74.1	63.1	43.3	37.8
	August	178.3	145.0	5.2	28.1	19.9	11.6	33.8	28.5	78.7	65.5	46.0	39.4
	September	172.0	147.8	2.8	21.4	15.1	11.1	31.3	27.4	80.7	69.5	45.0	39.7
	October	175.7	147.1	2.2	26.3	13.9	10.3	31.9	27.8	84.5	71.4	45.4	37.6
	November	162.8	142.2	1.9	18.8	14.4	13.3	30.5	27.0	76.0	65.1	41.9	36.8
	December	187.5	162.8	3.6	21.1	17.8	14.2	30.6	27.6	90.2	78.1	48.9	42.8
2006:	January	142.4	115.1	3.2	24.0	13.3	8.9	23.5	20.2	69.8	56.1	35.8	29.8
	February	141.7	120.8	4.8	16.1	14.0	8.7	21.3	19.5	68.5	60.1	38.0	32.5
	March	169.2	144.9	3.5	20.8	12.7	9.0	26.1	22.3	87.6	75.9	42.8	37.8
	April <sup>r</sup>	160.3	134.0	2.6	23.8	17.2	10.0	26.6	22.9	77.9	67.1	38.6	34.0
	May <sup>r</sup>	158.0	133.6	2.7	21.7	14.0	10.9	25.4	23.4	76.5	63.3	42.1	36.0
	June <sup>p</sup>	176.2	150.3	2.2	23.7	15.9	14.4	29.3	25.3	82.1	70.6	48.9	40.1
	ge RSE (%) <sup>1</sup>	4	4	28	11	13	15	9	9	6	6	7	7

Preliminary. Revised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Computed using unrounded data.

 $<sup>^2\,\</sup>mathrm{See}$  the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.