

StatsUpdate

Topic: **Building Permits**
September 2012
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Background: The preliminary value of Nunavut building permits issued from January to September 2012 was **\$67.0 million**, a **decrease** of **7.4%** from the same period one year ago.

In Canada, the preliminary value of building permits **increased** by **10.8%** over the same period.

Detail:

Value of Building Permits, Nunavut, Yukon, Northwest Territories and Canada			
	Jan to Sept 2012 ¹	Jan to Sept 2011	Jan to Sept 2011 Compared to Jan to Sept 2012
	\$ millions		% change
Nunavut	67.0	72.4	-7.4
Residential	22.9	57.0	-59.8
Non-Residential	44.1	15.5	...
Canada	61,646.2	55,612.6	10.8
Residential	37,980.1	33,490.4	13.4
Non-Residential	23,666.1	22,122.2	7.0
Yukon	79.3	114.5	-30.7
Residential	54.7	56.0	-2.3
Non-Residential	24.6	58.5	-57.9
Northwest Territories	23.8	16.1	47.6
Residential	14.6	8.5	73.1
Non-Residential	9.2	7.7	19.5

Notes:

¹Estimates for September 2012 are preliminary and the estimates for August 2012 have been revised.

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Data may not add to totals as a result of rounding.

Notes to Readers:

The Building Permits Survey covers 2,400 municipalities representing 95% of the population. It provides an early indication of building activity. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small and their levels of building activity have little impact on the total. The value of planned construction activities shown in this release excludes engineering projects (e.g., waterworks, sewers or culverts) and land. The data is collected from Municipal offices.

Readers should be aware that the percentage change figures for Nunavut are a reflection of the relatively small values for building permits. If the change from year to date were to continue to decrease over a number of reporting periods and/or remain at a lower level, that would then be a more reliable indication of decreased economic activity.

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