

**Percent Distribution of New Privately Owned Residential Buildings Started in Permit-Issuing Places in 1999
by Number of Months from Authorization**

	Buildings with 1 unit			Buildings with 2 units or more					
	Total ¹	Purpose of construction			Total	Number of units in building			
		Built for sale	Contractor-built	Owner-built		2 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 19	20 or more
Percent Distribution (Percents may not add to 100 due to rounding)									
United States									
Prior to or same month as authorization	55	56	57	53	38	47	36	31	30
1 month	33	33	33	32	27	28	27	27	28
2 months	7	7	6	7	14	11	15	15	15
3 months	2	2	1	3	7	7	7	6	9
4 months or more	3	3	2	5	14	7	15	21	19
Northeast									
Prior to or same month as authorization	54	56	59	48	41	39	46	54	49
1 month	30	30	31	31	27	26	42	23	25
2 months	8	7	6	10	11	12	7	10	7
3 months	3	3	2	3	11	12	2	4	10
4 months or more	5	5	2	7	10	11	3	9	9
Midwest									
Prior to or same month as authorization	59	61	60	57	55	65	49	45	46
1 month	32	32	31	31	27	26	29	26	25
2 months	5	5	6	7	5	3	5	13	2
3 months	1	1	1	2	4	2	8	5	2
4 months or more	2	1	1	3	9	4	9	10	25
South									
Prior to or same month as authorization	51	51	54	50	26	47	23	21	20
1 month	35	35	36	35	26	30	21	23	29
2 months	8	9	6	7	19	18	25	17	17
3 months	2	2	2	4	7	1	6	7	12
4 months or more	3	3	3	5	22	5	25	31	21
West									
Prior to or same month as authorization	60	60	60	57	43	45	46	35	44
1 month	30	31	30	29	31	29	33	36	25
2 months	6	6	6	7	12	13	7	13	15
3 months	2	2	(Z)	2	6	7	7	5	6
4 months or more	2	2	3	6	8	6	7	11	10

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Relative Standard Error									
United States									
Prior to or same month as authorization	2	2	3	3	5	7	9	8	7
1 month	3	3	5	5	4	7	9	7	5
2 months	4	5	8	10	8	16	20	11	7
3 months	6	7	17	14	8	17	15	12	14
4 months or more	7	8	16	10	10	18	14	13	12
Northeast									
Prior to or same month as authorization	4	4	9	8	10	12	7	10	24
1 month	6	7	16	9	11	13	14	21	25
2 months	15	10	11	19	24	27	57	30	59
3 months	15	19	35	28	14	15	57	77	39
4 months or more	18	25	33	11	16	18	52	19	35
Midwest									
Prior to or same month as authorization	3	4	6	6	7	8	15	15	18
1 month	5	6	9	9	8	12	20	13	20
2 months	9	15	13	19	33	69	30	38	62
3 months	16	20	38	27	29	54	41	50	68
4 months or more	19	23	37	23	32	71	52	42	42
South									
Prior to or same month as authorization	3	3	6	5	15	15	21	15	11
1 month	3	3	8	7	8	17	20	12	6
2 months	6	6	17	17	11	26	23	15	9
3 months	9	9	24	23	13	88	23	14	15
4 months or more	11	11	22	24	14	52	14	16	13
West									
Prior to or same month as authorization	4	4	9	6	6	13	7	13	9
1 month	7	6	13	12	7	18	6	11	12
2 months	9	10	18	22	10	28	12	17	9
3 months	13	14	62	40	19	50	9	19	30
4 months or more	12	13	43	14	11	37	20	18	22

- Represents zero.

A Represents a relative standard error that is greater than or equal to 100 or could not be computed.

Z Less than 0.5 percent.

¹Includes units built for rent (not shown separately).