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## APPENDIXES

# Estimates of the Value of Housing from Census and Survey Data 

## Owner-Occupied Housing

## ESTIMATE FROM MEAN VALUE PUBLISHED BY CENSUS BUREAU FOR 1950

Most of the value data for owner-occupied housing published in the 1950 Housing Census were in the form of medians or of frequency distributions containing a substantial open-end class of houses valued at over $\$ 20,000$. The only mean values published were in a preliminary release ${ }^{1}$ in 1951. These were taken from a sample of approximately 46,000 dwelling units, of which about 15,000 reported urban and rural nonfarm owner-occupied home values. It was the average value of $\$ 10,800$ from this sample that was used by Grebler, Blank, and Winnick in estimating the total value of owner-occupied housing in $1950 .{ }^{2}$ In making their estimate, they noted two disturbing features of this average house value. One was that it led to an estimate of total value for residential real estate far above that derived by cumulating construction expenditures, and the other was that it was considerably above the average given in the Survey of Consumer Finances. They compared it to the SCF figure for 1949 but a more relevant comparison, probably not available when they wrote, might be to the 1950 Survey which was taken just before the Census and which showed an average value of $\$ 8,600 .^{3}$ The censús average was even above the estimated average price of new nonfarm houses purchased in 1950, which was $\$ 9,400 .{ }^{4}$

There are several other objections to the Census average. One, as was pointed out by Margaret Reid, ${ }^{5}$ is that it implies a suspiciously high average value for houses over $\$ 20,000$. If the midpoint of each class is assumed to be the class mean, the published Census average implies an average value for houses over $\$ 20,000$ of $\$ 72,800$, including a value of $\$ 74,400$ for urban houses over $\$ 20,000$. One might suspect that the use of midpoints was the cause of these high estimates, but èven if we took the upper limit of each class as the mean the estimated averages for the top class would be very high, $\$ 50,000$ for urban houses and $\$ 46,300$ for urban and rural nonfarm.

[^0]Actually, we have some evidence that the class midpoints are too high as estimates of class means rather than too low. Average house values for cities over 50,000 population are given in publications on block statistics ${ }^{6}$ and these can be compared with the distributions by value class, as above, to give an estimate for houses over $\$ 20,000$. This experiment was performed for the two largest cities, New York and Chicago, where house values were considerably above the national level. In both cases, estimated average values for the $\$ 20,000$ and over class came out below $\$ 20,000$, a result which indicates that the class midpoints were above the true class averages.

The Block Statistics data also give us another check on the reasonableness of the average value for houses over $\$ 20,000$ implied by the published national average. Among the cities with populations of over 100,000 for which house value distributions are given in the U.S. summary chapter of the Census, ${ }^{7}$ the cities with the highest average values are Yonkers, N.Y. (\$16,741), and Washington, D.C. (\$15,978). One would expect, although it is not necessarily true, that the average values for houses over $\$ 20,000$ in these cities would be higher than the national average. Using class midpoints as averages, we estimate average house values in the over $\$ 20,000$ class to be $\$ 26,000$ for Washington and $\$ 24,800$ for Yonkers. Maximum estimates, derived by assuming each class to be centered on its lowest value, are only $\$ 34,100$ and $\$ 30,000$, considerably below the minimum national estimates.
Further grounds for suspicion regarding the published national averages are provided by the mean-to-median ratio, which was 1.47. This is considerably higher than the Survey of Consumer Finances ratios, which were 1.14 and 1.18 in early 1949 and 1951, the closest years available, and which were never higher than 1.20 between 1949 and 1959. It is also higher than the 1940 ratio which can be derived from the 1940 Housing Census (1.21) even though we have reason to believe, as shall be seen later, that there was some fall in the ratio between 1940 and 1950. And it is much higher than the 1950 ratio for cities over 100,000 (1.09) which can be derived from block statistics, and much higher than any of the ratios for individual cities over 50,000 which can be derived from the same source.
In view of this evidence, we decided to discard the published figure and estimate the mean value indirectly.

## NBER ESTIMATE OF VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED ONE-FAMILY HOUSES

Since the mean-to-median ratio fluctuates within a fairly narrow range, it was decided to estimate it as an approach to average value. The ratio for 1940 was available in the housing census for that year, but an

[^1]examination of the data for a number of cities (for which 1950 average values were available in the Block Statistics series) suggested that there had been some fall in the ratio between 1940 and 1950. This decline was estimated from the fall in the ratio of mean to weighted median value (a weighted average of medians) for cities over 50,000 . These cities were the only ones, aside from very small urban places, for which average values were shown in 1950. Weighted medians (weighted by number of owner-occupied one-family units) were used because the true median was not shown in 1950 for cities over 50,000 . Several experiments indicated that these weighted medians were within 1 or 2 per cent of the true ones, a result which suggests that the change in the mean-to-median ratio computed from them should represent the figure for the true medians well.

The estimate of the mean-to-median ratio for 1950 that emerges from these calculations (1.14) is equal to the 1949 ratio from the Survey of Consumer Finances, mentioned earlier (the 1951 SCF ratio is 1.18), and the estimate for the mean value of owner-occupied one-family houses is therefore close to that of Margaret Reid ${ }^{8}$ who used the SCF data. Our calculations are summarized in Table A-1 and the estimated mean value is applied in Table A-2 to the number of one-family owneroccupied houses to estimate total value. This total (\$14l billion) is almost identical with the Reid estimate but much smaller, of course, than the Grebler-Blank-Winnick figure of $\$ 168$ billion. ${ }^{9}$

The 1950 mean-to-median ratio was used with the 1960 median house value to produce a similar estimate of the 1960 value of one-family owner-occupied houses (Tables A-1 and A-2).

## NBER ESTIMATE OF VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED TWO- TO FOUR-FAMILY HOUSES, 1950

The only value data for owner-occupied two- to four-family houses in 1950 are from Vol. IV of the 1950 Housing Census. They apply only to mortgaged houses, which are less than half of the total, and they have the further disadvantage of pertaining to properties rather than structures, with the result that they must contain some one-dwelling-unit structures on two- to four-unit properties.

The published median value for mortgaged two- to four-unit properties (Table A-5) was taken to represent the median for all properties of that size. This could not be done for one-dwelling-unit properties because mortgaged properties tended to be newer than nonmortgaged ones, but this does not seem to be the case in two- to four-unit properties where even the mortgaged ones were old-almost all dating from

[^2]before 1940 and the majority from before 1930. Furthermore, a rough comparison of the age distributions of mortgaged two- to four-unit properties and of all two- to four-unit properties does not suggest any large differences in age structure. ${ }^{10}$
An average value per property was calculated by using the same mean-to-median ratio as for one-family houses (Table A-1). Total value was derived by multiplying the average by the number of properties and the number of units was divided between owners and renters by assuming one owner-occupant for each property.

The next problem was to split the value of owner-occupied two- to four-family houses between owner-occupied units and rented units. The solution required a roundabout calculation using 1940 data on the ratio of the average value of owner-occupied units to the average value of rented units in owner-occupied two- to four-family structures (Tables A-9 and A-4) . This ratio, applied to the 1950 total values and numbers of units produced the estimates in the lower half of Table A-5.

ESTIMATE OF VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSES, 1956
Another benchmark for the measurement of the housing stock is the Census Bureau's 1956 National Housing Inventory (NHI). Like the Current Population Survey (CPS) and Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF) data mentioned later, the NHI was a sample survey, but since the sample was large and housing information was the main objective, it is probably more reliable than either of the other two. ${ }^{11}$
Because the NHI did not give as much detailed information as the Housing Census, some relationships from earlier Censuses were needed to complete the value estimates in Table A-6. Specifically, these were the mean-to-median ratio estimated for 1950 (confirmed by SCF data), and, for owner-occupied two- to four-family houses, the ratio of number and value of rental to owner-occupied units. With these ratios and the 1956 median values and numbers of each type of property, total values could be estimated.

VALUE OF OWNER-OCCUPIED TWO- TO FOUR-FAMILY HOUSES, 1960
The 1960 value of two- to four-family houses (Table A-7) is based on preliminary data from the 1960 Census of Housing. A more reliable estimate, depending less on 1950 and 1956 relationships, will be possible when the final volumes are published. Only the numbers of twoto four-unit properties are now available (December 1962). Numbers

[^3]of units are estimated from 1950 data, and average values from the 1960 figure for one-family houses and 1956 relationships between twoto four-family and one-family structure average values.

## ANNUAL INTERPOLATING SERIES FOR VALUE OF <br> OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSES, 1945-60

Since 1950, 1956, and 1960 are the only years for which extensive surveys of housing were made, it is necessary to construct an annual series from less reliable data to interpolate between and extrapolate from those years.
If construction and other flow data are not to be used, the best remaining sources of data, and the most comparable in nature to the Housing Census figures, are the University of Michigan Survey Research Center's Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF), the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey (CPS), and, for later years, the Census Bureau Current Housing Reports. The method of constructing the interpolating series, given in detail in Table A-8 for 1945-56 and in Table A-9 for 1956-60, is to start with the number of households from the CPS and, using ratios from the SCF and the Current Housing Survey and straight-line interpolations, to estimate the number of nonfarm owner-occupied houses. These figures, multiplied by average house values from the SCF, give estimates of the total value of nonfarm owner-occupied houses, which we then use to interpolate and extrapolate the estimates constructed earlier.

This interpolating series is several percentage points lower than the estimates constructed from similar data by Theodore G. Flechsig at the Federal Reserve Board. ${ }^{12}$ The difference is due mainly to the fact that the FRB used the SCF breakdown of households between farm and nonfarm while the CPS figures were used here. The SCF concept matches the population from which the house values were taken, but the CPS concept is comparable to the benchmark data to be interpolated.

The actual interpolation is shown in Table A-10 for the total value of owner-occupied nonfarm houses and for the value of the owneroccupied units within them. It is the former concept that seems to be closest to the one used in the SCF data, although the reports are not explicit on this point.

The increase in the ratio of Census-NHI to CPS-SCF estimates reflects the more rapid increase in house prices and in the number of households disclosed by the former source. ${ }^{13}$

[^4]
## Renter-Occupied Housing

## VALUE OF RENTAL HOUSING IN THE 1950 CENSUS

Census and other survey estimates of the value of rental housing rest on much less secure foundations than those of owner-occupied housing, mainly because value data have rarely been collected. The estimate by Reid ${ }^{14}$ differs from that of Grebler, Blank, and Winnick ${ }^{15}$ (GBW) by an even wider margin than that for owner-occupied houses. In this case, it is the Reid estimate, based on the relationship between rental unit values and those for one-family homes, that is higher. The estimate here, which is a somewhat more elaborate version of that made by GBW, is built up from data on rents, available for several dates, and from value-rent ratios from partial and less reliable data.

Data on rents, like those on house values, were given in the Census almost exclusively in the form of medians and frequency distributions. But Block Statistics data from the 1950 Census did include average and total values of contract rents paid in each city of over 50,000 population, and it was possible to compile a total and average for cities over 100,000 which could be compared with the median for such cities. The mean-to-median ratio for contract rents in these cities (Table A-11) underlies almost all the other rent and value calculations made here. Fortunately, for this purpose, cities over 100,000 contain approximately half of all rental units, a much greater share than for owner-occupied houses.

The estimation process for 1950 is described fully in Tables A-12 through A-16. It appears (Tables A-12, A-13, A-14) that the average rent calculated from the frequency distribution coincides very closely with that calculated from the mean-to-median ratio. This is particularly true, as it should be, for urban units.
It was necessary to scale down the average contract rents obtained from the census in this way to something like a space rent basis because this was the concept of rent in the numerators of the rent-tovalue ratios in Vol. IV of the 1950 Census. The ratio of rent excluding landlords' expenditures for utilities, fuel, etc., to contract rent (Table A-15) was taken from the National Income Division (which in turn estimated it from 1950 Census data). This ratio and the 1950 mean-to-median ratio were used in our rental housing estimates for all years.

The total value of renter-occupied nonfarm housing calculated in Table A-16 is very close to the GBW estimate but far below that made by Margaret Reid, mainly because she used the very high estimated

[^5]average value per unit of $\$ 5,782 .{ }^{16}$ Part of the difference between the two average values may stem from the fact that the Reid estimate attempted to eliminate the depressing influence of rent control on the value of rented property. But it does not seem likely that that could be the sole explanation for a difference between average values of $\$ 3,700$ and $\$ 5,800$, particularly since some decontrol had already taken place by 1950 . Even by 1956, when the effect of rent control must have been considerably weakened, the average level estimated here was no higher than that used for 1950 in the Reid article.

## value of rental housing in 1956

The calculation for 1956 in Tables A-17 and A-18 is similar in principle to that for 1950 but cruder in execution because less detail was available in the source. Rent by type of structure was given only for gross rent in 1956, and the average had to be lowered to the contract monthly rent level before the National Income Division ratios could be used to eliminate landlords' expenditures for utilities, fuel, etc. As in 1950, the estimate of average rent from the frequency distribution ( $\$ 65.64$ ) confirmed the estimate from the mean-to-median ratio, which was $\$ 66$, when the mean was estimated using class midpoints as class means.

## value of rental housing, november 1945,

 APRIL 1947, AND APRIL 1960Cruder estimates of the stock of rental housing can be made from sample surveys taken in 1945 and 1947 and preliminary data from the 1960 Census of Housing. The sample surveys did not distinguish various types of structure and the available Census data did not show rent by type of structure, and it was therefore necessary to use average value-to-rent ratios for urban, rural-nonfarm, and total housing from the 1950 Census. This method assumes, in effect, that the average value-to-rent ratio did not change between 1945 and 1960, aside from shifts between the urban and rural-nonfarm sectors. Some evidence from the 1950 and 1960 Censuses suggests that there was some increase in the proportion of both one-family structures and structures of fifty units or more. ${ }^{17}$ If this had been taken into account, it might have raised the 1960 value-to-rent ratio to about 114 and thus increased estimated total value and value per unit by about $11 / 2$ per cent.

Estimates for the three years are shown in Table A-19.

[^6]
## INTERPOLATION AND EXTRAPOLATION OF VALUE OF RENTAL HOUSING, 1945-58

Aside from the five somewhat shaky benchmarks already described, there are no census- or survey-type data on rental housing except on the number of renter-occupied units. In Table A-20 an attempt is made to estimate the value of these for $1945-58$ by interpolating and extrapolating the average values per rental unit by average values for owner-occupied houses. The breakdown of renter-occupied housing between one- to four-family and larger structures can be made only for 1950 and 1956, and the one- to four-family series in Table A-20 is interpolated between those dates and extrapolated by the total value of rented houses.
Information on the small group of owner-occupants in structures of five units or more, sometimes included with renters, is available for 1950 and 1956. We use the value of rented units in structures of five units or more to interpolate and extrapolate these estimates.
This class of owner-occupants in multifamily dwellings apparently fails to include many of the growing number of owners of cooperative apartments. The 1956 National Housing Inventory (NHI) listed 98,000 units other than renter-occupied in structures of twenty units or more. Of these, 45,000 were "available", vacant units, leaving only 53,000 owner-occupied plus not available vacant units, which seems to be a small number in view of the New York City Planning Commission estimate of 39,000 cooperative units in New York City at the beginning of $1957 .{ }^{18}$ Furthermore, the NHI showed, for standard metropolitan areas in the northeast, only 42,000 units other than rented in structures of twenty units or more. Even a very low estimate of the vacancy rate, for example, 1 per cent, would subtract 13,000 from this figure. This would leave only 29,000 for vacant units not available for rent or sale, landlords living in owned apartment houses, and cooperative owners who, as we have seen, numbered 39,000 in New York City alone.

## Vacant housing

Estimates of the number of units of vacant housing and their value, by type of structure and divided between housing for sale and housing for rent, are described in Tables A-21 through A-26. These are only a small part of the total housing stock but a part which, as might be expected, has grown much more rapidly than the total. Our estimates relate only to that part of vacant housing which is described as "available," excluding seasonal and dilapidated housing and several other minor groups.

[^7]Data are from the 1950 Census of Housing, the 1956 National Housing Inventory, the 1960 Census of Housing, special Census Bureau surveys in 1945 and 1947, and, since 1955, the Census Bureau's quarterly survey of housing vacancies. As was the case with occupied housing, the value estimates are more reliable for sale units than for rental units. Values for the latter must still be estimated from rent data, using value-to-rent ratios from the 1950 Census.

The estimate for 1950 for all vacant units is quite close to that of Margaret Reid. ${ }^{19}$

TABLE A-1
Estimation of Average Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied One-Family
Houses, 1950 and 1960

|  | $\begin{gathered} 1940 \\ (1) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1950 \\ \text { (2) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1960 \\ (3) \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cities over 50,000 |  |  |  |
| 1. Mean value (dollars) | 4,421 | 9,677.0 |  |
| 2. Weighted median value (dollars) | 3,879 | 9,039.0 |  |
| 3. Ratio of mean to weighted median | 1.1897 | 1.07058 |  |
| Urban and Rural Nonfarm |  |  |  |
| 4. Median value (dollars) |  | 7,354 | 11,900 |
| 5. Ratio of mean to median | 1.2134 | 1.13981 |  |
| 6. Est. mean value (dollars) |  | 8,382.2 | 13,564 |

Col. 1, lines 1-2: U.S. Census of Housing: 1970, Vol. II, Part 1, Table 85, pp. 145-147.
3: Line 1 divided by line 2.
5: Ibid., Table 14, p. 45.
Col. 2, line 1: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. V, Block Statistics, Parts 1 through 209.

2: Ibid., Vol. I, General Characteristics, Parts 1 through 49.
3: Line 1 divided by line 2.
4: Ibid., Vol. I, General Characteristic, Part 1, Table 16, p. 11.
5: Col. 1, line 5, multiplied by the ratio of col. 2, line 3, to col. 1, line 3.
6: Line 4 times line 5.
Col. 3, line 4: U.S. Census of Housing: 1960, Advance Reports, Housing Characteristics, Series HC(A2), No. 1 (June 1962), p. 12.
6: Line 4 multiplied by col. 2, line 5 .

[^8]TABLE A-2

## Estimation of Total Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied One-Family Houses, 1950 and 1960

1950
Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Units in 1-Dwelling-Unit Structures
Without business, on 1-dwelling-unit properties

1. Number ..... 15,878,421
2. Mean value (dollars) ..... 8,382.2Without business, on properties of 2 or more dwelling units
3. Number493,000
With business
4. Number ..... 500,000
Total
5. Number ..... 16,871,421
6. Estimated total value (million dollars) ..... 141,420
1960
Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Units in 1-Dwelling-Unit Structures Without business
7. Number ..... 26,171,774
8. Mean value (dollars) ..... 13,564
9. Estimated total value (million dollars) ..... 354,994
10. With business, estimated total value (million dollars) ..... 2,713
11. Total value (million dollars) ..... 357,707

## Source

Lines 1, 3-4: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. II, Part 1, Table A.
2: Table A-1, col. 2, line 6.
5: Sum of lines 1,3 , and 4.
6: Line 5 multiplied by line 2.
7: U.S. Census of Housing, 1960, Advance Reports, Housing Characteristics, Series HC (A2), No. 1 (June 1962) , p. 12.
8: Table A-1, col. 3, line 6.
9: Line 7 multiplied by line 8.
10: Line 8 multiplied by 200,000 . The latest figure on the number of one-family owner-occupied houses with business is for $1956,216,000$ (See Table A-6, line 8) .
11: Sum of lines 9 and 10.

TABLE A-3
Data on Owner-Occupied Two- to Four-Family Structures and Two- to Four-Unit Properties, 1940
Average Monthly Rental Value, Owner-Occupied Units in Other Than 1-Family Structures
2. Mortgaged units (dollars) ..... 36.062
3. Ratio of all units to mortgaged units .....  90062
Average Value of Owner-Occupied Two- to Four-Unit Properties
4. Mortgaged (dollars) ..... 6,247
5. Mortgaged and nonmortgaged (dollars) ..... 5,626
Number of Units in Owner-Occupied Two- to Four-Family Structures
6. Owner-occupied units ..... 1,771,177
7. Rented units ..... 1,989,558
Owner-Occupied Units in Two- to Four-Family Structures
8. Median value (dollars) ..... 2,671
9. Est. mean value (dollars) ..... 3,241
10. Total value (million dollars) ..... 5,740.4
Owner-Occupied Two- to Four-Unit Properties
11. Total value (million dollars) ..... 9,964.6
12. Value of rented units (million dollars) ..... 4,224.2
13. Mean value of rented units (dollars) ..... 2,177.9

## Source

## Lines 1 and 2: Table A-4.

3: Line 1 divided by line 2.
4: U.S. Census of Housing: 1940, Vol. IV, Part 1, Table VII, p. 4.
5: Line 3 times line 4.
6 and 7: U.S. Census of Housing: 1940, Vol. III, Part 1, Table A-2, p. 11. The number of owner-occupied units is assumed equal to the number of structures. All other units are assumed rented, including 50,000 in oneto four-family houses with business, estimated roughly from the distribution for all owner-occupied one- to four-family houses between onefamily and two- to four-family.
8: Ibid., Table A-4a, p. 18.
9: Median multiplied by mean-to-median ratio (Table A-1).
10: Line 6 times line 9.
11: Line 5 times line 6.
12: Line 11 minus line 10 .
18: Line 12 divided by line 7.

TABLE A-4
Comparison of Mortgaged and Nonmortgaged Owner-Occupied Units in Other Than One-Family Structures, by Estimated Rental Value, 1940

| Estimated Monthly Rental Value (dollars) |  | Number of Units |  | Total Estimated Monthly Rent (thousand dollars) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Range | Estimated <br> Midpoint | Mortgaged | Free of Mortgage or Not Reporting | Mortgaged | Free of Mortgage or Not Reporting |
| Under 5 | 2.25 | 6,330 | 53,639 | 14.2 | 120.7 |
| 5-9 | 7.00 | 19,562 | 69,001 | 136.9 | 483.0 |
| 10-14 | 12.00 | 46,057 | 97,503 | 552.7 | 1,170.0 |
| 15-19 | 17.00 | 73,832 | 110,972 | 1,255.1 | 1,886.5 |
| 20-24 | 22.00 | 109,051 | 131,770 | 2,399.1 | 2,898.9 |
| 25-29 | 27.00 | 117,403 | 123,774 | 3,169.9 | 3,341.9 |
| 30-39 | 34.50 | 191,940 | 170,881 | 6,621.9 | 5,895.4 |
| 40-49 | 44.50 | 114,616 | 88,259 | 5,100.4 | 3,927.5 |
| 50-59 | 54.50 | 58,751 | 47,697 | 3,201.9 | 2,599.5 |
| 60-74 | 67.00 | 40,226 | 29,447 | 2,695.1 | 1,972.9 |
| 75-99 | 87.00 | 22,501 | 17,094 | 1,957.6 | 1,487.2 |
| 100 and over | 137.50 | 17,295 | 17,294 | 2,378.1 | 2,377.9 |
| Total |  | 817,564 | 957,331 | 29,482.9 | 28,161.4 |
| Average estimated monthly rent (dollars) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mortgaged units |  |  | . 06 |  |  |
| Other units |  |  | . 42 |  |  |
| All units |  |  | 2.48 |  |  |

Source: U.S. Census of Housing: 1940, Vol. III, Part 1, Table A-4a, p. 18.

## TABLE A-5

## Estimation of Value of Owner-Occupied and Rental Units in Owner-Occupied Two- to Four-Family Houses, 1950

| Owner-Occupied, Mortgaged Properties with 2 to 4 Units |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1. Median market value (dollars) | 10,100 |
| 2. Est. mean market value (dollars) | 11,512 |
| 3. Number of properties | $1,235,829$ |
| 4. Est. total value of properties (thousand dollars) | $14,226,863$ |
| 5. No. of units | $2,837,544$ |
| 6. No. of rental units | $1,601,715$ |
| 7. Ratio of average value of owner-occupied units to |  |
| average value of rental units, 1940 | 1.48813 |
| 8. Est. average value of owner-occupied units (dollars) | $6,153.1$ |
| 9. Est. average value of rental units (dollars) | $4,194.8$ |
| Owner-Occupied Units in 2-to 4-Unit Structures |  |
| 10. No. of 2-dwelling-unit structures, semidetached | 186,247 |
| 11. No. of 2-dwelling-unit structures, other | $1,772,224$ |
| 12. No. of 3-and 4-dwelling-unit structures | 521,165 |
| 13. Total number of dwelling units | $2,479,636$ |
| 14. Est. total value (million dollars) | $15,257.4$ |
| Rental Units in Owner-Occupied 2- to 4-Unit Structures |  |
| 15. Est. number of rental units | $\mathbf{3 , 2 1 8 , 7 6 9}$ |
| 16. Est. total value (million dollars) | $13,288.3$ |

## SOURCE

Line 1, 3, and 5: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. IV, Part 1, p. 322.
2: Line 1 multiplied by the mean-to-median ratio (Table A-1, col. 2, line 5).
4: Line 2 times line 3 .
6: Line 5 minus line 3 .
7: Table A-3, ratio of line 9 to line 13.
8-9: Calculated from lines 9,4 , and 6 , using the ratio of line 7.
10-13: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 5, p. 3, less number of one-dwelling-unit, semidetached structures from Vol. II, Part 1, Table A, p. XVII.
14: Line 8 times line 13.
15: Line 13 times the ratio of line 6 to line 3.
16: Line 9 times line 15.
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## TABLE A-6

Estimation of Value of Owner-Occupied and Rental Units in Owner-Occupied Nonfarm One- to Four-Family Houses, 1956

|  | Mortgaged | Nonmortgaged | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Owner-Occupied 1- to 4-Unit Properties |  |  |  |
| 1. Median value, 1- to 4 -unit properties (dollars) | 12,571 | 10,094 |  |
| 2.1 -unit properties (dollars) | 12,416 | 9,611 |  |
| 3. Est. mean value, 1- to 4 -unit properties (dollars) | 14,329 | 11,505 |  |
| 4. 1-unit properties (dollars) | 14,152 | 10,955 | 12,748 |
| 5. Number of properties, 1- to 4-unit (thousands) | 14,203.2 | 11,439.8 | 25,637.0 |
| 6.1 -unit (thousands) | 12,713.0 | 9,950.3 | 22,663.3 |
| 2- to 4-unit (thousands) | 1,490.2 | 1,483.5 | 2,973.7 |
| $8 . \quad 1$-unit with business (thousands) |  |  | 216.0 |
| 9. Est. value of properties, 1- to 4-unit (million dollars) | 203,518 | 131,546 | 335,064 |
| 10. $\quad 1$-unit (million dollars) | 179,914 | 109,006 | 288,920 |
| 11.2 2- to 4 -unit (million dollars) | 23,604 | 22,540 | 46,144 |
| 12. 1-unit with business (million dollars) |  |  | 2,754 |
| Owner-Occupied 2- to 4-Unit Properties |  |  |  |
| 13. Number of rental units (thousands) |  |  | 3,854.1 |
| 14. Est. average value of rental units (dollars) |  |  | 5,573.4 |
| 15. Est. average value of owner-occupied units (dollars) |  |  | 8,293.9 |
| 16. Est. total value of rental units (million dollars) |  |  | 21,480 |
| 17. Est. total value of owner-occupied units (million dollars) |  |  | 24,664 |
| 18. Total Value of Owner-Occupied Units in 1-to 4-Unit Houses (million dollars) |  |  | 316,338 |

[^9]12: Line 4 times line 8.
13. Number of prope
Number of properties (line 7), multiplied by the
average number of rental units per property, 1950 (Table A-4, line 6 divided by line 3). 14-15: Estimated from lines 7, 11, and 13
15: Estimated from lines 7,11 , and 18 , using 1940 ratio
of average value of owner-occupied to average value of rental units (Table A-5, line 7). 16: Line 13 times line 14.

17: Line 7 times line 15.
18: Sum of lines 10,12 , and 17 .

TABLE A-7

## Estimation of Value of Owner-Occupied and Rental Units in Owner-Occupied Two- to Four-Family Houses; 1960

1. Number of rental units in owner-occupied 2- to 4-unit properties 2,485,444
2. Number of rental units in 2-unit properties 1,443,248
3. Number of owner-occupied 3- to 4-unit properties 456,227
4. Average number of rental units per owner-occupied 9- to 4-unit property, 1950
2.284380
5. Estimated number of rental units in owner-occupied 3- to 4-unit properties 1,042,196
6. 1956 ratio of average value of rental units in owner-occupied
2- to 4-unit properties to average value of owner-
occupied l-unit properties
7. 1956 ratio of average value of owner-occupied units in owner-occupied 2- to 4-unit properties to average value of owner-occupied 1-unit properties
.650604
Owner-Occupied 2- to 4-Unit Properties, 1960
8. Estimated average value of rental units (dollars) $\quad 5,930.2$
9. Estimated average value of owner-occupied units (dollars) 8,824.8
10. Estimated total value of rental units (million dollars) 14,799.2
11. Estimated total value of owner-occupied units (million dollars) 16,762.5

## Source

Line 1: Line 2 plus line 5.
2-3: 1960 Census of Housing, Housing Characteristics, Series HC(A2)-1, Table 3, p. 6.

4: 1950 Census of Housing, Volume IV, Part 1, Table 3, p. 322.
5: Line 3 multiplied by line 4.
6-7: Table A-6, ratio of line 14 to line 4, and ratio of line 15 to line 4.
8-9: Lines 6 and 7 multiplied by Table A-1, col. 3, line 6.
10: Line 1 multiplied by line 8 .
11: Sum of lines 2 and 3, multiplied by line 9.

TABLE A-8
Construction of Interpolating Series for Value of Owner-Occupied Houses, 1945-56

|  | Number of Nonfarm Households (thousands) (1) | Home-Owners as Per Cent of Nonfarm Households (2) | Estimated Number of Nonfarm Home-Owners (thousands) (3) | Mean Value of Nonfarm OwnerOccupied Houses (thousand dollars) <br> (4) | Estimated Value of Nonfarm OwnerOccupied Houses (billion dollars) (5) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dec. 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1956 | 44,077 | 59.4786 | 26,216 | 12.7 | 332.9 |
| 1955 | 42,933 | 58.5731 | 25,147 | 11.7 | 294.2 |
| 1954 | 41,997 | 57.6675 | 24,219 | 11.0 | 266.4 |
| 1953 | 41,138 | 56.7620 | 23,351 | 10.7 | 249.9 |
| 1952 | 40,226 | 55.8564 | 22,469 | 10.7 | 240.4 |
| 1951 | 39,272 | 54.9508 | 21,580 | 10.0 | 215.8 |
| 1950 | 38,235 | 54.0453 | 20,664 | 9.9 | 192.2 |
| Apr. 1, |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1950 | 37,105 | 53.3661 | 19,801 |  |  |
| Dec. 31, |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1949 | 36,917 | 53.37 | 19,703 | 8.6 | 169.4 |
| 1948 | 35,229 | 59.37 | 18,802 | 9.1 | 171.1 |
| 1947 | 33,695 | 51.28 | 17,279 | 8.7 | 150.3 |
| 1946 | 32,385 |  | 16,761 | 7.2 | 120.7 |
| 1945 | 31,404 |  | 15,976 | 6.2 | 99.1 |

## Source

Col. 1 (except April 1950): Interpolated between figures for November 1945 (from Characteristics of Occupied Dwelling Units, for the United States: November, 1945 Housing-Special Reports, Series H-46, No. 1) and April 1947 and later dates (from Households and Families, by Type, 1950 to 1959, Current Population Reports, Series P-20, No. 94, p. 2). December 31 figures were estimated by straight-line interpolation, assuming the surveys were taken at midmonth.
April 1950: 1950 Census of Housing, Vol. I, Part 1, p. 3, Table 5.
2, 1947-49: Extrapolated from 1950 using Survey of Consumer Finances data from various issues of the Federal Reserve Bulletin.
April 1950 and 1956: Owner-occupied nonfarm divided by total occupied nonfarm households, 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part I, p. 20, Table 3;

Other years: Estimated by straight-line interpolation.
3, 1947-56: Col. 1 times col. 2.
1945-46: Interpolated between April 1947 and November 1945. For April 1947, the number of nonfarm households, from Households and Families, by Type, 1950 to 1959, Series P-20, No. 94, p. 2, is multiplied by the ratio of owner-occupied to total occupied, from Housing Characteristics of the United States: April, 1947, Current Population Reports: Housing, Series P-70, No. 1, p. 9. For November 1945, data are from Characteristics of Occupied Dwelling Units, for the United States, November, 1945, Series H-46, No. 1 .

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## Source to Table A-8 (concluded)

4, 1948-49 and 1951-58: Survey of Consumer Finances data.
1950: Interpolated on a straight line.
1945-47: Extrapolated from 1948 via Boeckh index for construction cost of residences, published in Housing Statistics, December 1958 Supplement, p. 52. December and January were averaged to obtain year-end figures.

5: Col. 3 times col. 4.

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## TABLE A-9

|  | Number of Nonfarm Households (thousands) (1) | Home-Owners as Per Cent of Nonfarm Households (2) | Home-Owners <br> as Per <br> Cent of <br> Total <br> Households <br> (3) | Owner-Occupied, and Sold But Not Yet Occupied, as Per Cent of Total Occupied (4) | Estimate of <br> Number of Nonfarm Home-Owners (thousands) (5) | Mean Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Houses (thousand dollars) <br> (6) | Estimated Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Houses (billion dollars) (7) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. 31, } \\ 1960 \end{gathered}$ | 48,050 | 61.0461 |  | 61.884 | 29,393 | 13.4 | 393.1 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { April 31, } \\ & 1960 \end{aligned}$ | 47,284 | 60.9159 | 61.8527 | 61.752 | 28,803 | 13.4 | 386.0 |
| Dec. 31, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1959 | 46,964 | 60.8053 |  |  | 28,557 | 13.4 | 382.7 |
| 1958 | 45,766 | 60.9631 |  |  | 27,626 | 12.9 | 356.4 |
| 1957 | 45,037 | 59.9208 |  |  | 26,987 | 12.8 | 345.4 |
| 1956 | 44,077 | 59.4786 | 60.3933 |  | 26,216 | 12.7 | 332.9 |

April 1, 1960: Ratio of owner-occupied (farm and nonling (from 1960 Census of Housing, Preliminary Reports, Series HC (A2) -1, p. 2).

Col. 4: Housing Vacancies, Current Housing Reports, Series H-111. April 1, 1960 figure is average of first and second quarters; December 31, 1960 is average of fourth and first quarters.

1956: Table A-8, col. 3.
1957-60: Col. 1 times col. 2.
6, 1956-58: Survey of Consumer Finances data reprinted
from various issues of the Federal Reserve Bulletin. 1959: 1960 Survey of Consumer Finances, Survey Research Center, University of Michigan, p. 63.

April 1 and December 31, 1960: Extrapolated from December 31, 1959 via Boeckh index on residences, from


Source
Col. 1: Households and Families By Type, 1960 and 1961, Current Population Reports, Series P-20, Numbers 94, and 109. Figures for March 1960 and 1961 we Alaska (Statistical Abstract of the United States, 1962, page 759) and households that would not have been called nonfarm under the 1950 definition (see Number 103 in source cited above). Dec. 31 figures were estimated by straight-line interpolation, assuming the surveys were taken at mid-month.
2. 1950 . Extrapolated from 1956 via col. 3.

1957-59: Estimated by straight-line interpolation.
December 31, 1960: Extrapolated from April 1960 via
col. 4.
3, 1956: Ratio of owner-occupied total (farm and nonfarm) 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, p. 15).

TABLE A-10
estimation of Value of Owner-Occupied Nonfarm Houses from Census and Survey Data, 1945-60
(billion dollars)

|  | Interpolating Series, Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Houses (1) | Censtus and National Housing Inventory Data |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Units (2) | Value of Rental Units in Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Houses (3) | Total Value of Nonfarm Owner-Occupied Houses, Interpolated and Extrapolated (4) |
| Dec. 31, |  |  |  |  |
| 1960 | 393.1 | 381.4 | 15.0 | 396.4 |
| April 1, |  |  |  |  |
| 1960 | 386.0 | 374.5 | 14.7 | 389.2 |
| Dec. 31, 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 1959 | 382.7 | 370.7 | 15.4 | 386.1 |
| 1958 | 356.4 | 348.0 | 17.2 | 360.2 |
| 1957 | 345.4 | 380.3 | 19.5 | 349.8 |
| 1956 | 332.9 | 316.3 | 21.5 | 387.8 |
| 1955 | 294.2 | 277.1 | 19.5 | 296.6 |
| 1954 | 266.4 | 248.8 | 18.1 | 266.9 |
| 1953 | 249.9 | 231.3 | 17.4 | 248.7 |
| 1952 | 240.4 | 220.5 | 17.2 | 237.7 |
| 1951 | 215.8 | 196.2 | 15.8 | 212.0 |
| 1950 | 192.2 | 173.2 | 14.8 | 187.5 |
| April 1, 150.7 |  |  |  |  |
| 1950 | 175.1 | 156.7 | 13.3 | 170.0 |
| Dec. 31, |  |  |  |  |
| 1949 | 169.4 | 151.6 | 12.9 | 164.5 |
| 1948 | 171.1 | 153.1 | 13.0 | 166.1 |
| 1947 | 150.3 | 194.5 | 11.4 | 145.9 |
| 1946 | 120.7 | 108.0 | 9.2 | 117.2 |
| 1945 | 99.1 | 88.7 | 7.5 | 96.2 |

## Source

Col. 1, Dec. 31, 1945-60, and April 1, 1960: Table A-8, col. 5 and Table A-9, col. 7.
April 1, 1950: Interpolated between Dec. 31, 1949, and Dec. 31, 1950.
2, April 1, 1950: Table A-2, line 6, plus Table A-5, line 14.
Dec. 31, 1956: Table A-6, line 18.
April 1, 1960: Table A-2, line 11, plus Table A-7, line 11.
Other years: Interpolated and extrapolated via col. 1.
3, April 1, 1950: Table A-5, line 16.
Dec. 31, 1956: Table A-6, line 16.
April 1, 1960: Table A-7, line 10.
Other years: Interpolated and extrapolated via col. 1.
4, April 1, 1950 and 1960, and Dec. 31, 1956: Col. 2 plus col. 3.
Other years: Interpolated and extrapolated via col. I.

TABLE A-11
Median and Mean Contract Rents, Cities over 100,000, 1950

| Mean contract monthly rent | $\$ 43.45$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Median contract monthly rent ${ }^{\mathbf{b}}$ | $\$ 39.38$ |
| Mean-to-median ratio | $\mathbf{1 . 1 0 3 3 5}$ |

2 U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. V, Block statistics, various numbers.
${ }^{\bullet}$ U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Chapter 1, Table 31, p. 118.

TABLE A-12
Estimation of Average Contract and Adjusted Gross Monthly Rent, by Type of Structure, Rural Nonfarm, 1950

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Average Rent (dollars) |

Source
Col. 1: Number reporting rent paid, from U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. II, Part 1, Table D-2, p. 34.
2: Estimated by multiplying number of units in each contract monthly rent class by midpoint of class (same source as col. 1), using $\$ 5.00$ for lowest class and $\$ 150.00$ for highest.
3: Col. 2 divided by col. 1.
4: For total of all types of structures, median of $\$ 21.67$ (U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 14, p. 10) multiplied by mean-to-median ratio (Table A-11). Ratio of average for all structures from mean-to-median ratio to average from frequency distribution used to step down frequency distribution averages (col. 3) for types of structure.
5: Col. 4 multiplied by ratio (Table A-15) of gross rent, excluding line 5, to contract rent.

TABLE A-19
Estimation of Average Contract Monthly Rent, by Type of Structure, Total Urban ${ }^{a}$ and Rural Nonfarm, 1950

| Type of Structure | Number of Rental Units (thousands) (1) | Total <br> Rent (thousand dollars) <br> (2) | Average Rent (dollars) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Estimated from <br> Frequency Distribution (3) | Est. from Mean-toMedian Ratio (4) |
| 1-dwelling-unit, detached | 4,116.1 | 197,170 | 33.33 | 32.67 |
| Other 1- and 2-dwelling-unit | 4,161.4 | 158,904 | 38.19 | 37.43 |
| 3- and 4-dwelling-unit | 2,533.2 | 100,995 | 39.87 | 39.08 |
| 5- to 9-dwelling-unit | 1,735.3 | 70,916 | 40.87 | 40.06 |
| 10- to 19-dwelling-unit | 957.4 | 43,240 | 45.16 | 44.27 |
| 20- and more dwelling-unit | 1,659.9 | 94,649 | 57.02 | 55.89 |
| Total | 15,163.9 | 605,892 | 39.96 | 39.17 |

## Source

Col. 1: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. II, Part 1, Table A-2, p. 4.
2-3: See notes to Table A-12.
4: For total of all types of structures, median of $\$ 35.50$ (U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 14, p. 10) multiplied by mean-to-median ratio (Table A-11). For all other figures, see notes to Table A-12.

- Including rural nonfarm in metropolitan areas.

TABLE A-14
Estimation of Average Contract and Adjusted Gross Monthly Rent, by Type of Structure, Urban, 1950

| Type of Structure | Number of <br> Rental <br> Units <br> (thousands) <br> (l) | Total Rent (thousand dollars)(2) | Average Rent (dollars) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Estimated from Frequency Distribution (3) | Estimated from Mean-to-median Ratio <br> (4) | Adjusted to Gross Rent, Excluding Utilities, Fuel (5) |
| 1-dwelling-unit, detached | 2,959.1 | 111,168 | 37.57 | 37.14 | 31.56 |
| Other 1- and 2-dwelling-unit | 3,811.4 | 149,734 | 39.29 | 38.84 | 33.00 |
| 3- and 4-dwelling-unit | 2,418.8 | 97,287 | 40.22 | 39.76 | 33.79 |
| 5- to 9-dwelling-unit | 1,684.6 | 69,183 | 41.07 | 40.60 | 34.50 |
| 10- to 19-dwelling-unit | 947.8 | 42,911 | 45.27 | 44.75 | 38.03 |
| 20- and more dwelling-unit | 1,656.9 | 94,516 | 57.04 | 56.39 | 47.92 |
| Total | 13,478.8 | 564,818 | 41.90 | 41.42 | 35.20 |

Source
Cols. 1-2: Table A-15 minus Table A-12.
3: See notes to Table A-12.
4: For total of all types of structures, median of $\$ 37.54$ (U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 14, p. 10) multiplied by mean-to-median ratio (Table A-11). For all other figures, see notes to Table A-12.
5: See notes to Table A-12.

TABLE A-15
Calculation of Space Rent and Net Rent for Nonfarm Rented Dwellings, 1950

|  | Urban | Rural Nonfarm | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. No. of rented nonfarm dwellings (thousands) | 14,510 | 8,649 | 17,959 |
| 2. Times average annual rent (dollars) | 504 | 343 |  |
| Equals total contract rent (million dollars) | 7,207 | 1,251 | 8,458 |
| 3. Less landlords' expenses for facility and utility service incl. in rent (million dollars) | - | - | 1,630 |
| 4. Use of cookstoves, refrigerators, furnishings | 464 | 49 | 513 |
| 5. Electricity, fuel, water, gas, and misc. | 1,083 | 34 | 1,117 |
| 6. Equals personal consumption expenditures for space rent (million dollars) | 5,660 | 1,168 | 6,828 |

Source: National Income, 1954 Edition, Supplement to Survey of Current Business, Exhibit 3, p. 87.
Estimation of Value of Rental Housing, by Type of Structure, 1950

| Type of Structure | Urban |  |  |  | Rural Nonfarm |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of <br> Dwelling Units (1) | Total Monthly Rent (thousand dollars) <br> (2) | Estimated Total Value (million dollars) (3) | Average Value Per Dwelling Unit (dollars) (4) | Number of Dwelling Units (5) | Total Monthly Rent (thousand dollars) <br> (6) | Estimated Total Value (million dollars) <br> (7) | Average Value Per Dwelling Unit (dollars) (8) | Estimated Total Value (million dollars) <br> (9) |
| 1-dwelling-unit, detached | 3,045,193 | 96,106.3 | 12,813.9 | 4,207.9 | 2,304,772 | 49,414.3 | 6,588.4 | 2,858.6 | 19,402.3 |
| 1-dwelling-unit, attached | 409,522 | 13,507.6 | 1,801:0 | 4,400.0 | -52,038 | 1,299.8 | 179.9 | 9,380.6 | 1,974.3 |
| 1- and 2 -dwelling-unit, semidetached | 778,070 | 25,676.3 | 2;801:0 | 3,599.9 | 141,935 | 3,545.5 | 386.8 | 2,725.2 | 3,187.8 |
| 2-dwelling-unit, other | 2,815,616 | 92,915.3 | 10,136.1 | 3,600.0 | 389,929 | 9,740.4 | 1,062.6 | 2,725.1 | 11,198.7 |
| 3- and 4-dwelling-unit | 2,504,284 | 84,619.8 | 9,231.2 | 3,686.2 | 178,698 | 5,525.3 | . 602.8 | 3,379.3 | 9,834.0 |
| 5- to 9-dwelling-unit | 1;804,115 | 62,242.0 | 6,224.2 | 3,450.0 | 76,631 | 2,495.9 | 249.6 | 3;257:2 | 6,473.8 |
| 10- to 19-dwelling-unit | 964,463 | 36,678.5 | 3,667.8 | 3,802.9 | 17,216 | 562.6 | 56:3 | 3;270.2 | 3,724.1 |
| 20- to 49-dwelling-unit | 1,117,324 | 53,542.2 | 5,354.2 | 4,792.0 | 4,154 | 176.4 | 17.6 | 4,236.9 | 5,571.8 |
| 50-dwelling-unit or more | 637,773 | 30,562.1 | 2;821.2 | 4;423.5 | 523 | 22.2 | 2.0 | 3,824.1 | 2,829.2 |
| Total | 14,076,160 | 495,850.1 | 54,850.6 | 3,896.7 | 3,165,891 | 72,782.4 | 9,139.4 | 2,886.8 | 63,990.0 |
| 1- to 4-dwelling-unit | 9,552,485 |  | 36,783.2 | 3,850.6 | 3,067,967 |  | 8,813.9 | 2,878.4 | 45,597.1 |
| 5-and over dwelling-unit | 4,523,675 |  | 18,067.4 | 3,994.0 | 98,524 |  | 325.5 | 3,503.8 | 18,392.9 |
| Owner-Occupied Dwell Units in Structures of 5 or More Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 or More Units 5 - to 9 -dwelling-unit | 181,468 |  | 693.8 453.6 | 3,450.0 | 9,265 6,083 |  | 30.9 198 |  | 724.7 |
| 10- to 19-dwelling-unit | 32,597 |  | 124.0 | 3,802.9 | 2,700 |  | 8.8 | 3,270.2 |  |
| 20- to 49-dwelling-unit | 16,932 |  | 81.1 | 4,792.0 | 474 |  | 2.0 | 4,236.9 |  |
| 50-dwelling-unit and over | 7,946 |  | 35.1 | 4,423.5 | 8 |  | . 03 | 3,824.1 |  |

Source to Table A-16


TABLE A-17
Estimation of Average Gross, Average Contract, and Adjusted Gross Monthly Rent, by Type of Structure, 1956

| Type of Structure | Number of <br> Rental <br> Units <br> (thousands) <br> (1) | Total Monthly Rent (thousand dollars) (2) | Average Rent (dollars) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Gross <br> Estimated from Frequency Distribution (3) | Contract Estimated from Mean- to MedianRatio (4) | Adjusted Gross or Space Rent (5) |
| 1-dwelling-unit | 4,828.4 | 311,749 | 64.57 | 57.53 | 49.93 |
| 2-dwelling-unit | 3,467.4 | 227,847 | 65.71 | 58.54 | 50.81 |
| 3- and 4-dwelling-unit | 2,573.4 | 159,882 | 62.13 | 55.35 | 48.04 |
| 5- to 9-dwelling-unit | 1,841.2 | 112,627 | 61.17 | 54.50 | 47.30 |
| 10-dwelling-unit or more | 2,752.6 | 202,844 | 73.69 | 65.65 | 56.98 |
| Total | 15,463.1 | 1,014,949 | 65.64 | 58.48 | 50.76 |

## Source

Col. 1: 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Table 12, p. 47.
2: Estimated by multiplying number of units in each gross monthly rent class by midpoint of class (same source as col. 1), using $\$ 15.00$ for the lowest class, $\$ 150.00$ for the highest, and $\$ 34.50, \$ 44.50, \$ 54.50, \$ 69.50$, and $\$ 89.50$ for the others.
3: Col. 2 divided by col. 1.
4: Estimated using mean-to-median ratio (Table A-11) and the median from 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Table 3, pp. 20-21, by the same method as in col. 4 of Table A-12.
5: Col. 4 multiplied by the ratio (Table A-15) of gross rent, excluding line 5, to contract rent.

TABLE A-18
Estimation of Value of Rental Housing, by Type of Structure, 1956

| Type of Structure | Number of Dwelling Units <br> (1) | Total Monthly Rent (thousand dollars) (2) | Estimated <br> Total Value (million dollars) (3) | Estimated Average Value Per Dwelling Unit (dollars) (4) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-dwelling-unit | 6,119,155 | 305,529.4 | 40,736.2 | 6,657.2 |
| 2-dwelling-unit | 3,898,995 | 198,107.9 | 21,611.6 | 5,542.9 |
| 3- and 4-dwelling-unit | 2,778,934 | 183,500.0 | 14,558.8 | 5,289.0 |
| 5- to 9-dwelling-unit | 1,977,481 | 93,584.9 | 9,353.5 | 4,790.0 |
| 10-dwelling-unit or more | 3,019,401 | 172,045.5 | 16,516.4 | 5,470.1 |
| Total | 17,793,966 | 902,717.7 | 102,776.5 | 5,775.9 |
| 1- to 4-dwelling-unit | 12,797,084 | 637,137.3 | 76,906.6 | 6,009.7 |
| 5-dwelling-unit and over | 4,996,882 | 265,580.4 | 25,869.9 | 5,177.2 |
| Owner-occupied 5-dwelling-unit or over | 195,955 |  | 1,014.5 | 5,177.2 |

Source
Col. 1: 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Table 12, p. 47. Includes those not reporting rent. Owner-occupied 5 -dwelling-units and over, Table 1, p. 15.
2: Col. 1 multiplied by Table A-17, col. 5.
3: Col. 2 multiplied by value-to-rent ratios as follows: 1-dwelling-unit, 133.33; 2- to 4 -units, 109.09 ; 5- to 9 -units, $100.00 ; 10$-dwelling-unit or more, 96.00 . See Table A-14, notes to cols. 3 and 7.
4: Col. 3 divided by col. 1 .

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TABLE A-19
Estimation of Value of Rental Housing, November 1945, April 1947, and April 1960

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## TABLE A-20

Estimation of Value of All Rental Units and of Owner-Occupied Units in Structures of Five Units or More, 1945-60

| Dec. 31 (unless otherwise indicated) | Number of Nonfarm Rental Units (thousands) (1) | Estimated Value Per Rental Unit (dollars) (2) | Mean Value of OwnerOccupied Nonfarm Houses (thousand (dollars) <br> (3) | Estimated Value (million dollars) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Total Nonfarm Rental Units <br> (4) | Nonfarm Rental Units, 1- to 4Family Structures (5) | Rental Units in Structures of 5 or More Units (6) | Owner- <br> Occupied Units in Structures of 5 or More Units (7) | Total (cols. 4 and 7) (8) |
| Nov. 15, 1945 |  | 2,953.4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1945 | 15,428 | 2,968.8 | 6.2 | 45,802.6 | 32,520.3 | 13,282.3 | 516.9 | 46,319.5 |
| 1946 | 15,624 | 3,091.9 | 7.2 | 48,307.8 | 34,299.1 | 14,008.7 | 545.1 | 48,852.9 |
| Apr. 15, 1947 |  | 3,127.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1947 | 16,416 | 3,715.7 | 8.7 | 60,996.9 | 43,308.5 | 17,688.4 | 688.3 | 61,685.2 |
| 1948 | 16,427 | 3,864.9 | 9.1 | 63,488.7 | 45,077.7 | 18,411.0 | 716.4 | 64,205.1 |
| 1949 | 17,214 | 3,632.0 | 8.6 | 62,521.2 | 44,390.7 | 18,130.5 | 705.5 | 63,226.7 |
| Apr. 1, 1950 | 17,304 | 3,711.3 | 8.8 | 64,220.3 | 45,597.1 | 18,623.2 | 724.7 | 64,945.0 |
| 1950 | 17,571 | 3,956.3 | 9.3 | 69,516.1 | 49,631.2 | 19,884.9 | 773.2 | 70,289.3 |
| 1951 | 17,692 | 4,303.1 | 10.0 | 76,130.4 | 54,753.6 | 21,376.8 | 830.3 | 76,960.7 |
| 1952 | 17,757 | 4,656.7 | 10.7 | 82,689.0 | 59,905.1 | 22,783.9 | 884.0 | 83,573.0 |
| 1953 | 17,787 | 4,709.1 | 10.7 | 83,760.8 | 61,121.8 | 22,639.0 | 877.5 | 84,638.3 |
| 1954 | 17,778 | 4,895.0 | 11.0 | 87,023.3 | 63,959.8 | 23,063.5 | 893.0 | 87,916.3 |
| 1955 | 17,786 | 5,263.8 | 11.7 | 93,621.9 | 69,301.6 | 24,320.3 | 940.7 | 94,562.6 |
| 1956 | 17,861 | 5,775.9 | 12.7 | 103,163.3 | 76,906.6 | 26,256.7 | 1,014.5 | 104,177.8 |
| 1957 | 18,050 | 5,867.1 | 12.8 | 105,901.2 | 78,947.7 | 26,953.5 | 1,041.4 | 106,942.6 |
| 1958 | 18,140 | 5,959.1 | 12.9 | 108,098.1 | 80,585.4 | 27,512.7 | 1,063.0 | 109,161.1 |
| 1959 | 18,407 | 6,237.9 | 19.4 | 114,821.0 | 85,597.2 | 29,223.8 | 1,129.1 | 115,950.1 |
| Apr. 1, 1960 | 18,481 | 6,249.9 | 13.4 | 115,504.4 | 86,106.7 | 29,397.7 | 1,135.9 | 116,640.3 |
| 1960 | 18,717 | 6,249.9 | 13.4 | 116,979.4 | 87,206.3 | 29,773.1 | 1,150.4 | 118,129.8 |

Source to Table A-20


TABLE A-21
Estimation of Value of Vacant Nonfarm Housing, 1950

## Available for Sale

1. Median value, $1 \cdot$ dwelling unit structures (dollars) $\quad 8,450$
2. Est. mean value, 1-dwell.-unit structures (dollars) 9,631
3. No. of 1 -dwelling-unit structures 165,582
4. Est. value of 1 -dwell.-unit structures (mill. dollars) $1,592.8$
5. Total number of units 178,821
6. No. of units in 2 - to 4 -unit structures 13,439
7. Est. mean value of units in 2- to 4 -unit structures (dollars) 5,761
8. Est. total value of 2- to 4-unit structures (mill. dollars) 77.4
9. Est. total value of vacant nonfarm housing (mill. dollars) 1,670.2

|  | Urban |  | Rural Nonfarm |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Available for Rent |  |  |  |
| 10. Median contract rent (dollars) | 47.01 |  | 30.07 |
| 11. Est. mean contract rent (dollars) | 51.87 |  | 33.18 |
| 12. Est. mean space rent (dollars) | 44.08 |  | 32.28 |
| 13. Average value-to-rent ratio | 110.62 |  | 125.57 |
| 14. Est. average value (dollars) | 4,876.1 |  | 4,052.4 |
| 15. Number of units | 354,266 |  | 105,865 |
| 16. Est. total value (million dollars) | 1,727.4 |  | 429.1 |
| 17. Number of units, 1 - to 4-unit structures |  | 323,287 |  |
| 18. Number of units, structures of 5 units and over |  | 136,844 |  |
| 19. Est. average value, 1- to 4 -unit structures (dollars) |  | 4,549.5 |  |
| 20. Est. average value, struct. of 5 units and over (dollars) |  | 5,010.5 |  |
| 21. Est. total value, 1- to 4-unit structures (million dollars) |  | 1,470.8 |  |
| 22. Est. total value, struct. of 5 units and over (million dollars) |  | 685.7 |  |

## Source to Table A-21

Line 1: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 16, p. 11.
2: Line 1 multiplied by the 1950 mean-to-median ratio (Table A-1).
3: Same as line 1 .
4: Line 2 times line 3.
5: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 2, p. 2.
6: Line 5 minus line 8 .
7: Line 2 multiplied by the ratio for owner-occupied houses of average value of units in 2 - to 4 -unit structures (Table A-5, line 4 divided by line 5) to average value of 1 -unit structures (Table A-2, line 2).
8: Line 6 times line 7.
9: Line 4 plus line 8.
10: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 14, p. 10.
11: Line 10 multiplied by the 1950 mean-to-median rent ratio (Table A-11).
12: Line 11 multiplied by 1950 ratio of space rent to contract rent (Table A-15).
13: Table A-16, all structures, col. 3 divided by col. 2 and col. 7 divided by col. 6.
14: Line 12 times line 18.
15: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 2, p. 2.
16: Line 14 times line 15.
17-18: Total vacant units in nonfarm structures (U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 5, p. 3) less, for 1- to 4 -unit structures, the sum of lines 8 and 6.
19-20: Estimated from lines 16,17 , and 18 , using the ratio for occupied rental units of the average value of units in 1 - to 4 -unit structures to average value of units in structures 5 units and over (Table A-16).
21: Line 17 times line 19.
22: Line 18 times line 20.

TABLE A-22
Estimation of Value of Vacant Nonfarm Dwelling Units Available for Rent or Sale, December 31, 1956, and April 1, 1960

|  | 1956 | 1960 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Available for Sale |  |  |
| 1. Median value, 1-dwell.-unit struct. without business (dollars) | 13,419 | 13,500 |
| 2. Est. mean value 1-dwell.-unit struct. without business (dollars) | 15,295 | 15,887 |
| 3. No. of nonfarm 1-dwell.-unit struct. without business | 332,544 | 487,791 |
| 4. Est. value, nonfarm l-dwell.-struct. without business (million dollars) | 5,086.3 | 7,505.6 |
| 5. No. of units in 2- to 4 -unit structures for sale | 26,396 | 38,989 |
| 6. Est. mean value of units in struct. of 2 to 4 units and of 1 unit with business (dollars) | 8,329 | 8,379 |
| 7. Est. total value of units in struct. of 2 to 4 units and of 1 unit with business (million dollars) | 219.4 | 284.8 |
| 8. Est. total value of structures for sale (million dollars) | 5,305.7 | 7,790.4 |
| Available for Rent |  |  |
| 9. Median contract monthly rent, nonfarm (dollars) | 46.00 | 57.00 |
| 10. Est. mean monthly contract rent (dollars) | 50.75 | 62.89 |
| 11. Est. mean monthly space rent (dollars) | 44.05 | 54.58 |
| 12. Est. average value per unit (dollars) | 5,015.2 | 6,214.0 |
| 13. No. of units, 1 - to 4 -unit structures | 879,530 | 915,392 |
| 14. No. of units, structures of 5 units and over | 308,388 | 444,922 |
| 15. Est. total value (million dollars) | 5,957.6 | 8,452.6 |
| 16. Av. value, 1- to 4 -unit struct. (dollars) | 5,202.2 | 6,509.0 |
| 17. Av. value, struct. of 5 units and over (dollars) | 4,481.6 | 5,607.3 |
| 18. Total value, 1 - to 4 -unit struct. (million dollars) | 4,575.5 | 5,957.9 |
| 19. Total value, struct. of 5 units and over (million dollars) | 1,382.1 | 2,494.8 |

## Source to Table A-22

Line 1, . 1956: 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Table 19, p. 60. 1960: 1960 Census of Housing, Advance Reports, Housing Characteristics, Series HC (A2)-1, June, 1962, p. 12.
2: Line 1 multiplied by 1950 mean-to-median ratio (Table A-1).
3: Same as line 1 .
4: Line 2 times line 3.
5, 1956: 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Tables 18 and 19. Number of dwelling units in structures of more than 1 dwelling unit for sale ( 29,543 in Table 18) multiplied by ratio of nonfarm 1 -unit structures for sale ( 392,544 in Table 19) to total 1 -unit structures for sale ( 373,042 in Table 18). The resulting figure is slightly underestimated because of the absence from the numerator of 1 -unit structures with business or on properties of 2 or more units, and is slightly overestimated because of the treatment of all units for sale as being in 1 - to 4 -unit structures.
1960: Total vacant for sale (same source as line 1, 1960, p. 2) minus line 3.
6: Line 2 multiplied by 1956 ratio of average value of units in owner-occupied 2. to 4 -unit properties and 1 -unit properties with business to average value of 1 -unit properties (Table A-6).
7: Line 5 times line 6.
8: Line 4 plus line 7.
9: Same as line 1 .
10: Line 9 multiplied by 1950 mean-to-median ratio for rents (Table A-11).
11: Line 10 multiplied by 1950 ratio of space to contract rent (Table A-15, line 2 minus line 5, divided by line 2).
12: Line 11 multiplied by ratio of average value to rent for occupied dwellings, 1956 (Table A-18) .
13, 1956: Total nonfarm vacant for rent (1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Table 19) less line 14. 1960: Total (assuming median to be all nonfarm) from same source as line 1,1960 , minus line 14.
14, 1956: Total available for rent in structures of 5 units or more (1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. III, Part 1, Table 18) .
1960: Same source as line 1, 1960, p. 6. These are assumed to be all nonfarm.
15: Sum of lines 13 and 14, multiplied by line 12.
16-17: Estimated from lines 13, 14, and 15, using the 1956 ratio for occupied rental units of average value of units in 1 - to 4 -unit structures to average value of units in structures of 5 or more units (Table A-18).
18: Line 13 times line 16.
19: Line 14 times line 17.
Table A-23
housing in the national balance sheet
Estimation of Value of Vacant Housing, 1955-60

|  | December 31, |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { April 1, } \\ 1960 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Dec. 31, } \\ 1960 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |  |  |
| 1. 1- to 4 -unit structures as \% of all vacant rental units. | 74.0 | 78.5 | 78.0 | 79.0 | 76.0 | 70.5 | 66.0 |
| 2. 1-unit structures as $\%$ of all vacant sales units | 91.0 | 93.0 | 92.5 | 95.5 | 93.0 | 93.5 | 96.0 |
| All Dwelling Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. \% occupied | 91.25 | 91.40 | 90.50 | 90.20 | 90.15 | 89.80 | 89.85 |
| 4. \% vacant, for rent | 2.20 | 1.95 | 2.10 | 2.30 | 2.50 | 2.70 | 2.90 |
| 5. \% vacant, for sale | . 50 | . 45 | . 55 | . 60 | . 60 | . 65 | . 70 |
| Vacant Nonfarm Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. Median rent (dollars) | 47.50 | 46.50 | 49.00 | 50.50 | 53.00 | 53.50 | 53.50 |
| 7. Median value, 1 -unit struct. for sale (dollars) | 10,850 | 12,100 | 12,550 | 12,600 | 13,700 | 13,550 | 12,700 |
| Sale Units |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. Total number (thousands) | 235 | 217 | 274 | 304 | 313 | 342 | 374 |
| 9. 1-unit structures (thousands) | 214 | 202 | 253 | 290 | 291 | 320 | 359 |
| 10. 2- to 4-unit structures (thousands) | 21 | 15 | 21 | 14 | 22 | 22 | 15 |
| 11. Estimated mean value, 1-unit structures (dollars) | 12,366.9 | 13,791.7 | 14,304.6 | 14,361.6 | 15,615.4 | 15,444.4 | 14,475.6 |
| 12. Estimated mean value, units in 2 - to 4 -unit structures (dollars) | 6,734.5 | 7,510.9 | 7,789.6 | 7,820.7 | 8,503.4 | 8,410.1 | 7,882.8 |
| 18. Estimated total value, 1-unit structures (million dollars) | 2,647 | 2,786 | 3,619 | 4,165 | 4,544 | 4,942 | 5,197 |
| 14. Estimated total value, 2 - to 4 -unit structures (million dollars) | 141 | 113 | 164 | 109 | 187 | 185 | 118 |

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Rental Units
15. Total number (thousands)
16. Estimated mean monthly contract rent (dollars)
16. Estimated mean monthly contract rent (dollars)
17. Estimated mean monthly space rent (dollars) 18. Value-to-rent ratio
19. Estimated average value per rental-unit (dollars) 20. Estimated total value (million dollars) (housands) 21. Number of units, 1 - to 4 -unit structures (thousands)
 23. Estimated average value per unit, 1- to 4-
24 Fuit structures (dollars) unit 5 -or more
24. Estimated average value per
25. Estimated total value, 1- to 4
unit structures (million dollars)
26. Estimated total value, 5 - or more
Total Values Adjusted to NHI and 1960 Census Levels 27. Sale units, 1 - to 4 -unit structures (million dollars) 28. Rental units, 1 - to 4 -unit structures (million dollars)

## Source to Table A-23

Lines 1-7: Housing Vacancies, Housing and Construction Reports, Series H-111. End-of-year figures shown are averages of fourth and first quarters.
8: Line 5 divided by line 3, times the number of nonfarm households (from Tables A-8 and A-9).
9: Line 2 times line 8.
10: Line 8 minus line 9.
11: Line 7 times 1.13981 ( 1950 mean-to-median ratio, Table A-1).
12: Line 11 times the 1956 ratio of the average value of units in 2 - to 4 -unit structures to the average value of 1 -unit structures (Table A-22).
13: Line 9 times line 11.
14: Line 10 times line 12.
15: Line 4 divided by line 3, times the number of nonfarm households (Tables A-8 and A-9) .
16: Line 6 times 1.10335 ( 1950 mean-to-median rent ratio, Table A-11).
17: Line 16 times $7341 \div 8458$ ( 1950 space-to-contract rent ratio, Table A-15).
18, 1956-60: 1956 average value-to-rent ratio (Table A-18). 1955: Interpolated on straight line between 1950 and 1956 ratios (Tables A-16 and A-18).
19: Line 17 times line 18.
20: Line 15 times line 19.
21: Line 1 times line 15.
22: Line 15 minus line 21.
25-24: Estimated from lines 20, 21, and 22, and 1956 ratio of average value of rental units in structures of 5 units or more to the average value of rental units in 1- to 4 -unit structures (Table A-18).
25-26: Lines 21 and 22 multiplied by lines 23 and 24.
27-29: December 1956 and April 1960, from Table A.22. Other years, interpolated and extrapolated via lines $18,14,25$, and 26.

TABLE A-24
Interpolation and Extrapolation of Estimates of Vagant Housing for Sale, 1945-55

| Dec. 31 (unless otherwise indicated) | Mean Value of Units in Structures for Sale (dollars) (l) | Mean Value of Owner-Occupied Nonfarm Units (dollars) (2) | Ratio of Mean Values of Sale Units to OwnerOccupied Units (3) | Number of Vacant Units for Sale <br> (4) | Estimated Value of Vacant Units for Sale (million dollars) (5) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nov. 15, 1945 |  |  |  | 54,000 |  |
| 1945 | 6,552 | 5,552 |  | 57,530 | 376.9 |
| 1946 | 7,605 | 6,444 |  | 85,766 | 652.3 |
| Apr. 15, 1947 |  |  |  | 94,000 | . |
| 1947 | 9,187 | 7,784 |  | 114,310 | 1,050.2 |
| 1948 | 9,610 | 8,143 |  | 142,983 | 1,374.1 |
| 1949 | 9,080 | 7,694 |  | 171,656 | 1,558.6 |
| Apr. 1, 1950 | 9,340 | 7,914 | 1.1802 | 178,821 |  |
| 1950 | 9,905 | 8,382 | 1.1817 | 206,190 | 2,042.3 |
| 1951 | 10,762 | 9,092 | 1.1837 | 242,682 | 2,611.7 |
| 1952 | 11,635 | 9,814 | 1.1856 | 279,174 | 3,248.2 |
| 1953 | 11,763 | 9,905 | 1.1876 | 315,665 | 3,713.2 |
| 1954 | 12,220 | 10,273 | 1.1895 | 352,157 | 4,303.4 |
| 1955 | 18,129 | 11,019 | 1.1915 | 388,649 | 5,102.6 |

Source
Col. 1, April 1, 1950: Table A-21.
1955: Table A-23, average value, raised by 1956 ratio (Table A-22) to NHI level.
Other years: Interpolated and extrapolated via col. 2.
2: Table A-10, col. 2, divided by Table A-8, col. 3.
3: Ratio of col. 1 to col. 2.
4, November 1945 and April 1947: Housing Characteristics of the United States, April 1947, Current Population Reports, Housing Series P-70, No. 1, Tables 1 and 23, pp. 9 and 25.
April 1950: Table A-21.
1955: Table A-23, raised by 1956 ratio (Table A-22) to NHI level.
Other years: Interpolated on a straight line.
5: Col. 1 times col. 4.

TABLE A-25
Estimation of Value of Vacant Rental Units, November 1945

|  | Urban <br> (1) | Rural Nonfarm (2) | Urban and Rural Nonfarm (3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Median contract monthly rent (dollars) | 26.91 | 17.21 |  |
| 2. Estimated mean contract monthly rent (dollars) | 29.69 | 18.99 |  |
| 3. Estimated mean monthly space rent (dollars) | 25.23 | 18.47 |  |
| 4. Estimated average value per unit (dollars) | 2,790.9 | 2,319.3 |  |
| 5. Number of units | 223,000 | 193,000 |  |
| 6. Estimated total value (million dollars) | 622.4 | 447.6 |  |
| 7. Percentage of vacancies which were in structure of 5 or more units, 1950 | 25.44 | 7.883 |  |
| 8. Estimated no. of vacancies, 1- to 4-unit structures | 166,269 | 177,786 | 344,055 |
| 9. Estimated no. of vacancies, structures of 5 units or more | 56,781 | 15,214 | 71,945 |
| 10. Estimated average value, units in 1- to 4 -unit structures (dollars) |  |  | 2,527.8 |
| 11. Estimated average value, units in structures of 5 units or more (dollars) |  |  | 2,783.9 |
| 12. Estimated total value, units in 1- to 4 -unit structures (million dollars) |  |  | 869.7 |
| 13. Estimated total value, units in structures of 5 units or more (million dollars) |  |  | 200.3 |

## Source

Line 1, col. 1: Vacancy in Dwelling Units in the United States: 1945, Housing-Special Reports, Series H-46, No. 2, p. 2.
col. 2: assumed to bear same relation to urban as in 1950. The published 1945 figure could not be used because the concept of rural nonfarm was much more inclusive than in later years.
2.4: See lines 11-14 of Table A-21.

5: Housing Characteristics of the U.S.: April 1947, Current Population Reports, Housing, Series P-70, No. 1, Table 23, p. 25.
6: Line 4 times line 5.
7: U.S. Census of Housing: 1950, Vol. I, Part 1, Table 5, p. 3.
8: Line 5 minus line 9 .
9: Line 5 times line 7.
10-11: See notes to lines 19 and 20 of Table A-21.
12: Line 8 times line 10.
13: Line 9 times line 11 .
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TABLE A-26
Interpolation of Value of Vacant Rental Units, 1945-55

| DEC. 31 <br> (unless <br> OTHERWISE INDICATED) | vacant rental units |  |  |  |  |  | Mean Value of OwnerOccupied Nonfarm Units (dollars) (7) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average Value in Structures of |  | Number in Structures of |  | Value in Structures of. |  |  |
|  | 1-4 Units (dollars) <br> (1) | 5 Units or More (dollars) (2) | 1.4 Units (thousands) <br> (3) | 5 Units or More (thousands) <br> (4) | 1-4 Units (million dollars) <br> (5) | 5 Units or More (million dollars) <br> (6) |  |
| Nov. 15, 1945 | 2,527.8 | 2,783.9 | 344.1 | 71.9 |  |  |  |
| 1945 | 2,585.6 | 2,847.5 | 325.8 | 68.1 | 842.4 | 198.9 | 5,552 |
| 1946 | 3,013.3 | 3,249.6 | 179.9 | 37.6 | 542.1 | 122.0 | 6,444 |
| Apr. 15, 1947 |  |  | 137.3 | 28.7 |  |  |  |
| 1947 | 3,654.7 | 3,843.9 | 181.8 | 54.6 | 664.4 | 209.9 | 7,784 |
| 1948 | 3,838.7 | 3,943.6 | 244.7 | 91.1 | 939.3 | 359.3 | 8,143 |
| 1949 | 3,641.7 | 3,652.8 | 307.6 | 127.7 | 1,120.2 | 466.5 | 7,694 |
| Apr. 1, 1950 | 4,549.5 | 5,010.5 | 323.3 | 196.8 |  |  | 7,914 |
| 1950 | 3,983.3 | 3,899.6 | 400.2 | 172.5 | 1,594.1 | 672.7 | 8,382 |
| 1951 | 4,338.0 | 4,143.3 | 502.7 | 220.2 | 2,180.7 | 912.4 | 9,092 |
| 1952 | 4,701.2 | 4,378.8 | 605.3 | 267.8 | 2,845.6 | 1,172.6 | 9,814 |
| 1953 | 4,763.6 | 4,325.0 | 707.8 | 315.4 | 3,371.7 | 1,364.1 | 9,905 |
| 1954 | 4,960.1 | 4,987.9 | 810.4 | 368.1 | 4,019.7 | 1,593.2 | 10,273 |
| 1955 | 5,341.3 | 4,601.5 | 912.9 | 410.7 | 4,876.1 | 1,889.8 | 11,019 |

## Source to Table A-26

Cols. 1-2, Nov. 15, 1945: Table A-25.
Dec. 31, 1945: Interpolated on straight line between Nov. 15, 1945, and April 1, 1950.
April 1, 1950: Table A-21.
1955: Table A-23, adjusted to NHI level using ratio of Table A-22 to Table A-28.
1946-54: Interpolated via col. 7.
3-4, Nov. 15, 1945: Table A-25.
April 15, 1947: Housing Characteristics of the United States: April, 1947, Current Population Reports; Housing, Series P-70, No. 1, Table 1, p. 9, assuming the ratio of 1 - to 4 -unit structures and structures of 5 units or more to the total number to be the same in 1947 and 1945.
April 1, 1950: Table A-21.
1955: Table A-23, adjusted to NHI level using ratio of Table A-22 to Table A-28.
1945-54: Interpolated on a straight line.
5-6: Col. 1 times col. 3 and col. 2 times col. 4.
7: Table A-10, col. 2, divided by Table A-18, col. 3.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1} 1950$ Census of Housing, Preliminary Reports, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Series HC-5, No. 1.
    ${ }^{2}$ Leo Grebler, David M. Blank, and Louis Winnick, Capital Formation in Residential Real Estate, Princeton for NBER, 1956, p. 371.
    ${ }^{3}$ Federal Reserve Bulletin, June 1954, p. 574.
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    ${ }^{5}$ Journal of Political Economy, December 1959, p. 624.

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[^9]:    Source
    Lines 1-2, 5-6: 1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. II, Table
    3-4: Lines 1 and 2 multiplied by estimated mean-tomedian ratio, 1950 (Table A-1). Survey of Consumer Finances data indicate no change between 1950 and 1956. Total is line 10 divided by line 6 .

    1956 National Housing Inventory, Vol. II, p. 12.
    9: Line 3 times line 5.
    10: Line 4 times line 6 . 11: Line 9 minus line 10 .

