



Accessing Building Permits

You can access monthly and annual building permits on the [U.S. Census Bureau website](#). We encourage you to use the Cooper Center ANNUAL building permit files because they are more complete (we actually contact localities that have not yet reported their building permit data to the U.S. Census Bureau). However, the monthly building permit files that we used to post to our website are identical to the ones found on the U.S. Census website.

Go to the [building permit home page](#), which will look like the screen shot below.

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The Census Bureau identified a processing error affecting estimates for imputed data by permit originally released on September 25, 2014. On October 8, 2014, new estimates were compiled percent of places. For the places affected, the average correction was approximately 2 housing and national level were unaffected by this error.

Many changes have been made to this site. Please read verbiage below before making a select

Monthly/Annual Month Year

Monthly August 2016

Annual Year 2015

Place/County State

County Virginia Submit

- Step One: Choose monthly or annual. If you select monthly, be sure to select the month and year for the permits you would like to access.
- Step Two: If looking for county data, select "county" under Place/County. Under state, select "Virginia." Click "submit."
- Step Three: On the next screen (below), select the county you would like to view and click "submit."

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August 2016

County

Albemarle County (003) Submit

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Congratulations, you have now accessed the monthly building permits for one county in Virginia. At this point, you can generate a text or CSV file of the data. You can also view all counties in Virginia for a particular item (single family, two family, etc...) by clicking the "browse" button in the far left-hand column.

2016 Building Permits



Monthly New Privately-Owned Residential Building Permits Albemarle County , Virginia (003)

Month: August Year: 2016 Go!

	Item	Current Month						Cumulative Year to Date					
		Estimates with Imputation			Reported only			Estimates with Imputation			Reported only		
		Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost
 Browse	Single Family	43	43	12,872,813	0	0	0	343	343	114,881,622	263	263	90,932,202
Browse	Two Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Browse	Three and Four Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Browse	Five or More Family	1	5	400,000	0	0	0	15	177	18,455,000	13	167	17,655,000
Browse	Total	44	48	13,272,813	0	0	0	358	520	133,336,622	276	430	108,587,202

[data not available for the time period]
Bureau of Economic Analysis

Permit Estimates - U.S., State, and Metropolitan Areas [Click this](#)

Send as text file.

Send as csv file.

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If you clicked the browse button for "single family" (in step 3), this is what you will see:

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Monthly New Privately-Owned Residential Building Permits Single Family for Counties in Virginia

Sort list by County/Place
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Profile	Area Name	Current Month						Cumulative Year to Date					
		Estimates with Imputation			Report only			Estimates with Imputation			Reported only		
		Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost	Buildings	Units	Construction cost
Profile	Albemarle County (003)	43	43	12,872,813	0	0	0	343	343	114,881,622	263	263	90,932,202
Profile	Amelia County (007)	4	4	691,290	4	4	691,290	31	31	6,190,770	31	31	6,190,770
Profile	Amherst County (009)	5	5	786,998	0	0	0	32	32	5,313,478	22	22	3,739,482
Profile	Arlington County (013)	13	13	5,302,000	13	13	5,302,000	170	170	61,312,817	170	170	61,312,817
Profile	Augusta County (015)	22	22	3,769,544	22	22	3,769,544	116	116	22,201,948	116	116	22,201,948
Profile	Bedford County (019)	24	24	6,313,900	24	24	6,313,900	182	182	48,757,864	182	182	48,757,864
Profile	Caroline County (033)	12	12	2,468,400	12	12	2,468,400	79	79	14,333,166	79	79	14,333,166
Profile	Charles City County (036)	2	2	367,000	2	2	367,000	12	12	2,140,510	11	11	1,979,100
Profile	Charlotte County (037)	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	623,000	5	5	623,000
Profile	Chesterfield County (041)	139	139	31,672,095	139	139	31,672,095	921	921	206,577,450	921	921	206,577,450
Profile	Clarke County (043)	5	5	1,861,011	5	5	1,861,011	42	42	16,000,911	42	42	16,000,911