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PREFACE

This part of Volume II presents statistics on housing and household characteristics of nonfarm occupied dwelling units for the United States and for each of the nine geographic divisions. The data are based on tabulations from the 1950 Censuses of Housing and Population, taken as of April 1, 1950. Authorization for the 1950 Census of Housing as part of the decennial census was provided by the Housing Act of 1949. This act, which was approved July 15, 1949, provided that "The Director of the Census is authorized and directed to take a census of housing in each State, the District of Columbia, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Alaska, in the year 1950 and decennally thereafter in conjunction with, at the same time, and as a part of the population inquiry of the decennial census in order to provide information concerning the number, characteristics (including utilities and equipment), and geographical distribution of dwelling units in the United States. The Director of the Census is authorized to collect such supplementary statistics (either in advance of or after the taking of such census) as are necessary to the completion thereof."

Volume II, Nonfarm Housing Characteristics, contains analytical data for nonfarm occupied dwelling units compiled from the 1950 Censuses of Housing and Population. Chapters in this volume were published first as a series of bulletins, Series H-8. Bulletins were published for the United States, for each of the 9 geographic divisions, and for each of the 152 standard metropolitan areas of 100,000 inhabitants or more. Statistics for each city of 100,000 Inhabitants or more are contained in the report for the standard metropolitan area in which the city is located. An identical set of tables was used for all publication areas.

Part 1 of Volume II contains the chapters for the United States and the nine geographic divisions. Parts 2 to 5 contain the chapters for the standard metropolitan areas and cities.

The materials and statistics in this volume were prepared under the direction of Howard G. Brunsman, Chief, Population and Housing Division, and Wayne F. Daugherty, Assistant Chief for Housing. Edwin D. Goldfield assisted in coordinating the census programs. The planning and development of the content of the volume were under the supervision of J. Hugh Roes, assisted by V. Rebecca Finklestein and Gene P. King. Carl A. S. Coan, Robert C. Hamer, and Beulah Washabaugh participated in the planning and preparation of the report.

The compilation of the statistics was under the direction of Robert E. Voight and supervised by Morton A. Meyer and Milton D. Lieberman, assisted by Sigmund Sehr, Ruth T. Stanton, and Erline S. Flagg. Sampling procedures were under the supervision of Joseph Steinberg, assisted by Joseph Waskberg and Albert Mindlin. The technical editorial work was under the supervision of Mildred M. Russell, assisted by Dorothy M. Belzer.

The collection of the information on which these statistics are based was under the direction of Lowell T. Galt, then Chief, Field Division. The organization and operation of the field service were under the supervision of John M. Bell, Assistant Chief for Operations, assisted by Charles F. Haas. The planning and procedures of the field program were under the supervision of Jack R. Robertson, then Assistant Chief for Programs, assisted by Leon S. Geosrey and Harold Nisselson. Training materials, including visual aids, were prepared under the supervision of James G. Stockard, assisted by Elizabeth T. Gardner.

Tabulations were under the direction of C. F. Van Aken, Chief, Machine Tabulation Division, assisted by Donald H. Heuser and Betty S. Mitchell. The geographic work, including the delineation of special types of urban territory and the preparation of maps, was under the direction of Clarence E. Batechelet, Chief, Geography Division. Robert H. Brooks of the Administrative Service Division was responsible for the printing arrangements. Other members of the staff have made significant contributions to the conduct of the housing census and to the materials presented in this volume.

The Technical Advisory Committee on Housing Statistics advised the Bureau on the selection of subjects, concepts, and definitions to be used in the housing census. The Bureau staff called upon members of the committee for advice throughout all the stages of planning, and their counsel and guidance have been invaluable in developing the census program. Those who served on the committee were: Ernest M. Fisher, Chairman, E. Everett Ashley, III, L. Durward Badgley, Lawrence N. Bloomberg, Roy J. Burroughs, Malcolm B. Catlin, Miles Colean, Donald R. G. Cowan, F. Stuart Fitzpatrick, Leo Goodman, Shirley K. Hart, Lyman Hill, Ethel D. Hoover, Paul F. Krueger, Richard U. Ratcliff, Bert Seidman, Allan F. Thornton, Allan A. Twichel, Warren J. Vinton, and Max S. Wehrly.

In addition to those of the present staff, important contributions to the general planning of the 1950 Census were made by the late J. C. Capt, Director of the Census until his retirement on August 17, 1949, and Dr. Philip M. Hauser, Acting Director until March 9, 1950.

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This volume comprises five parts. Data for the United States, each geographic division, and each standard metropolitan area are presented as separate chapters. The standard metropolitan areas are arranged alphabetically. Data for selected cities are contained in the chapter for the standard metropolitan area in which the city is located. The description of the division or standard metropolitan area is given on page 2 in the chapter for that division or area. The divisions, standard metropolitan areas, and cities, by chapter number, are listed below; the cities are indented under the names of the standard metropolitan areas.

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