COMPONENTS OF INVENTORY CHANGE
Part 1B: Inventory Characteristics

United States and Regions

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PREFACE

This report presents cross-tabulations of characteristics of the present and previous residences of recent movers, cross-tabulations of characteristics of new construction units and units which were the same in 1950 and 1959, and characteristics of available vacant units. The statistics are based on results of the December 1959 Components of Inventory Change survey, which is part of the 1960 Census of Housing. December 1959 is regarded as the survey date although the procedure for estimating some of the components required data compiled from the census returns of the April enumeration of the 1960 Census.

This report is one of the series of 18 reports which constitutes Part 1B of Volume IV. A separate report is issued for the United States, by regions, for the New York—Northeastern New Jersey Standard Consolidated Area, the Chicago—Northwestern Indiana Standard Consolidated Area, for the Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Detroit, Los Angeles—Long Beach, Philadelphia, and Seattle Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas; and for the Baltimore, Buffalo, Cleveland, Minneapolis—St. Paul, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, San Francisco—Oakland, and Washington (D. C.—Md.—Va.) Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas. The last eight areas named had a population of over one million in the 1950 Census of Population; the first nine areas, three of which were under one million, are the areas for which separate statistics were provided in the 1956 National Housing Inventory, the first survey to measure components of change.

Part 1A of Volume IV provides statistics on the counts and basic characteristics of all the components of change—new construction and other additions, conversions, mergers, demolitions and other losses, and dwelling units which were the same in 1950 and 1959—and some cross-tabulations of characteristics of new construction and same units. Reports are issued for the United States, by regions, and for the 17 metropolitan areas named above. The series of 18 reports constitutes 1960 Census of Housing, Volume IV, Components of Inventory Change, Part 1A, 1950-1959 Components.

Authorization for the 1960 Census of Housing was provided in the Act of Congress of August 31, 1954 (amended August 1957), which codified Title 13, United States Code. The law provides for a decennial census of housing, including utilities and equipment, to be taken in each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The law further provides that, in advance of, in conjunction with, or after the taking of each census, preliminary and supplementary statistics related to the main topic of the census may be collected.

The census program was designed in consultation with advisory committees and individuals to achieve a census having optimum value to users of housing statistics. The Housing Advisory Committee was organized by the Director of the Bureau of the Census and was made up of persons in private industry, universities, and local governments. It advised on various aspects of the housing census programs except the technical phases of the Residential Finance program for which the Technical Advisory Committee on Residential Finance was organized. A Federal Agency Population and Housing Census Council, organized by the Bureau of the Budget and made up of persons in Federal agencies, also advised on the basic programs. A joint staff committee, set up by the Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency and the Director of the Bureau of the Census, concentrated on aspects of particular interest to the housing agencies. In addition to the committees, working groups of specialists in housing subjects assisted the Census Bureau staff in the evaluation and improvement of housing concepts. A number of other committees, groups, and individuals also made contributions to the planning of the housing census.

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Results of the 1960 Census of Housing are published in seven housing volumes as described below. A separate series containing the census tract reports is a joint publication with data from the 1960 Census of Population. A series of special reports for local housing authorities constitutes the remainder of the final reports. The source of the data is the April 1960 enumeration, except for Volumes IV and V which are based largely on the enumeration of units in a sample of land area segments, started in late 1959 and completed in 1960. Prior to the final reports, several series of preliminary and advance reports were issued. Some unpublished statistics can be obtained for the cost of preparing a copy and certain special tabulations can be prepared, on a reimbursable basis, on request to the Chief, Housing Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D. C.

**Volume I** (Series HC(1) reports). States and Small Areas. Information about all subjects covered in the April 1960 enumeration, with a separate report for the United States by regions and geographic divisions, each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands of the United States. In the State reports, information is shown for the State as a whole and for each standard metropolitan statistical area, urbanized area, place of 1,000 inhabitants or more, county, and the rural-farm and rural-nonfarm parts of the county. The volume covers occupancy characteristics such as tenure, vacancy status, color, number of persons; structural characteristics, such as number of rooms and year structure built; condition of unit; plumbing facilities, such as water supply, and toilet and bathing facilities; equipment and fuels, including heating equipment, air conditioning, television sets, clothes washing machine, heating fuel, cooking fuel, and water heating fuel; and financial characteristics including value and rent.

**Volume II** (Series HC(2) reports). Metropolitan Housing. Cross-tabulations of housing and household characteristics, with a separate report for the United States by geographic divisions, and for each of the 192 standard metropolitan statistical areas of 100,000 inhabitants or more in the United States and Puerto Rico. Separate statistics for each of the 134 places of 100,000 inhabitants or more are included in the metropolitan area reports.

**Volume III** (Series HC(3) reports). City Blocks. Separate reports for cities and other urban places having 50,000 inhabitants or more prior to and at the time of the 1960 Census, and for a number of smaller localities which are arranged for block statistics. Data for a limited number of characteristics are presented by blocks. Statistics for 466 cities and localities in the United States and Puerto Rico are published in 420 separate reports.

**Volume IV** (Series HC(4) reports). Components of Inventory Change. Information on the source of the 1959 inventory and the disposition of the 1950 and 1956 inventories. Data are provided for components of change such as new construction, conversion, merger, demolition, and other additions and losses. Part 1 of the volume contains the 1950 to 1959 comparison, with a separate report for the United States by regions, and each of 17 selected metropolitan areas (15 standard metropolitan statistical areas, defined as of June 8, 1959, and 2 standard consolidated areas). Part 1 is published in two sets of reports for each area. Part 1A presents basic 1950 and 1959 data, with emphasis on the counts and characteristics of the components of change; Part 1B presents additional information on characteristics of the inventory, including characteristics of the present and previous residences of recent movers. Part 2 contains the 1957 to 1959 comparison, with a separate report for the United States by regions, and separate reports for 9 of the selected areas (standard metropolitan areas defined for the 1956 inventory).

**Volume V**. Residential Finance. Information on financing of residential property, including characteristics of mortgages, properties, and homeowners. Part 1 of the volume is a report on homeowner properties for the United States by regions, and each of 17 selected metropolitan areas (15 standard metropolitan statistical areas, defined as of June 8, 1959, and 2 standard consolidated areas). Part 2 is a report on rental and vacant properties for the United States.

**Volume VI**. Rural Housing. Cross-tabulations of housing and household characteristics for the 121 economic subregions of the United States, for rural-farm and rural-nonfarm housing units.

**Volume VII**. Housing of Senior Citizens. Cross-tabulations of housing and household characteristics of units occupied by persons 60 years old and over, for the United States, each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia, and selected standard metropolitan statistical areas.

**Series PHC(1) reports. Census Tracts.** Separate reports for 180 tracted areas in the United States and Puerto Rico. The reports contain information, by census tracts, on both housing and population subjects. (This series is the same as the tract reports included in the publication program for the 1960 Census of Population.)

**Series HC(SI) reports. Special Reports for Local Housing Authorities.** Separate reports for 139 localities in the United States. The program was requested by, and planned in cooperation with, the Public Housing Administration. The reports contain data on both owner- and renter-occupied housing units defined as substandard by Public Housing Administration criteria, with emphasis on gross rent, size of family, and income of renter families.

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