FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION WASHINGTON

STEWART McDONALD
ADMINISTRATOR

September 24, 1938

Honorable Marriner S. Eccles, Chairman Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System Washington, D. C.

Dear Marriner:

The attached chart and figures are self-explanatory, and it is thought would be of interest to you.

Last week the volume of mortgages selected for appraisal made a new high peak.

It is indicated that 70 per cent of the volume covers newly constructed homes; that is, homes either to be constructed or recently finished.

Sincerely yours,

Stewart McDonald
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Administrator

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION MEMORANDUM

DATE 9/22/38

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The following table shows the comparative volume of small home mortgage insurance applications for the first eight months of 1937 and 1938.

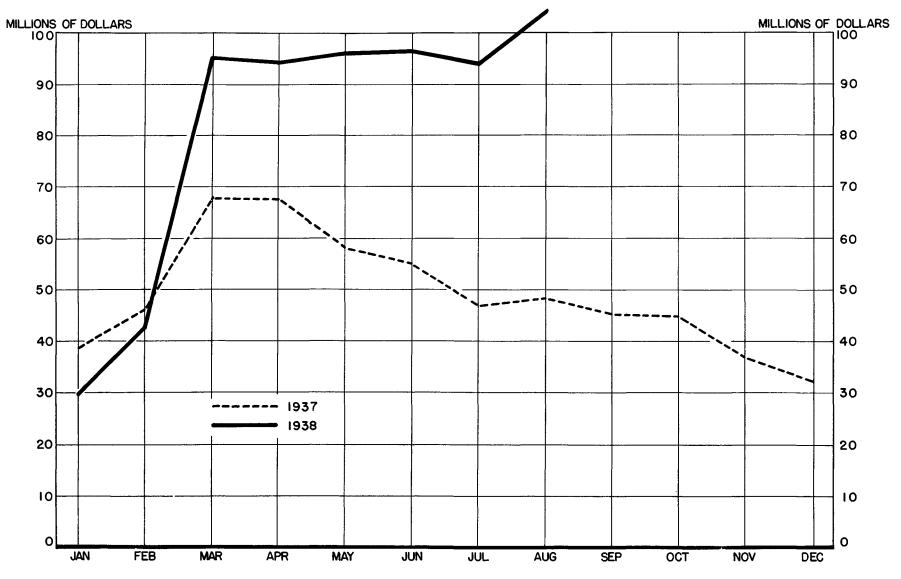
MORTGAGES SELECTED FOR APPRAISAL

Month	1937	1938
Jan.	\$38,786,750	\$29,904,199
Feb.	46,042,118	42,612,638
Mar.	68,045,452	95,161,202
Apr.	67,886,307	94,229,313
May	58,232,578	96,108,623
June	55,184,630	97,231,622
July	47,152,173	94,175,437
Aug.	48,309,774	104,226,887

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MONTHLY VOLUME OF HOME MORTGAGES SELECTED FOR APPRAISAL

AMOUNT REPORTED BY INSURING OFFICES AT END OF EACH MONTH



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