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Results for January to September 2018

**Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices:
January to September 2017 versus January to September 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2017	January to September 2018	Difference in value between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	% change between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	41 536 579	43 975 472	2 438 893	5,9
-Dwelling-houses	24 996 010	25 259 680	263 670	1,1
-Flats and townhouses	16 140 370	17 204 365	1 063 995	6,6
-Other residential buildings	400 199	1 511 427	1 111 228	277,7
Non-residential buildings	19 628 457	18 356 938	-1 271 519	-6,5
Additions and alterations	21 502 028	21 972 804	470 776	2,2
Total	82 667 064	84 305 214	1 638 150	2,0

1/ 2017 and 2018 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) increased by 2,0% (R1 638,2 million) during January to September 2018 compared with January to September 2017.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (5,9% or R2 438,9 million) and additions and alterations (2,2% or R470,8 million). A decrease was recorded for non-residential buildings (-6,5% or -R1 271,5 million) – see Table A.

**Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to September 2017 versus January to September 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2017	January to September 2018	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to September 2017	% change between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	Difference in value between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	22 954 285	25 198 488	27,8	9,8	2,7	2 244 203
Eastern Cape	4 771 421	5 442 414	5,8	14,1	0,8	670 993
Northern Cape	602 775	801 193	0,7	32,9	0,2	198 418
Free State	2 383 184	2 773 252	2,9	16,4	0,5	390 068
KwaZulu-Natal	14 880 296	15 285 859	18,0	2,7	0,5	405 563
North West	2 765 512	2 228 711	3,3	-19,4	-0,6	-536 801
Gauteng	30 384 511	28 365 486	36,8	-6,6	-2,4	-2 019 025
Mpumalanga	2 411 574	2 991 238	2,9	24,0	0,7	579 664
Limpopo	1 513 506	1 218 573	1,8	-19,5	-0,4	-294 933
Total	82 667 064	84 305 214	100,0	2,0	2,0	1 638 150

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to September 2017, divided by 100.

The largest positive contribution to the total increase of 2,0% (R1 638,2 million) was made by Western Cape (contributing 2,7 percentage points or R2 244,2 million). Gauteng (contributing -2,4 percentage points or -R2 019,0 million) was the largest negative contributor – see Table B.

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to September 2017 versus January to September 2018

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to September 2017	January to September 2018	Difference in value between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	% change between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	37 160 139	37 857 563	697 424	1,9
Non-residential buildings	17 567 703	15 807 760	-1 759 943	-10,0
Additions and alterations	19 226 781	18 921 127	-305 654	-1,6
Total	73 954 623	72 586 450	-1 368 173	-1,9

1/ 2017 and 2018 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2015 prices) decreased by 1,9% (-R1 368,2 million) year-on-year during January to September 2018. Non-residential buildings fell by 10,0% (-R1 759,9 million) – see Table C.

Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices

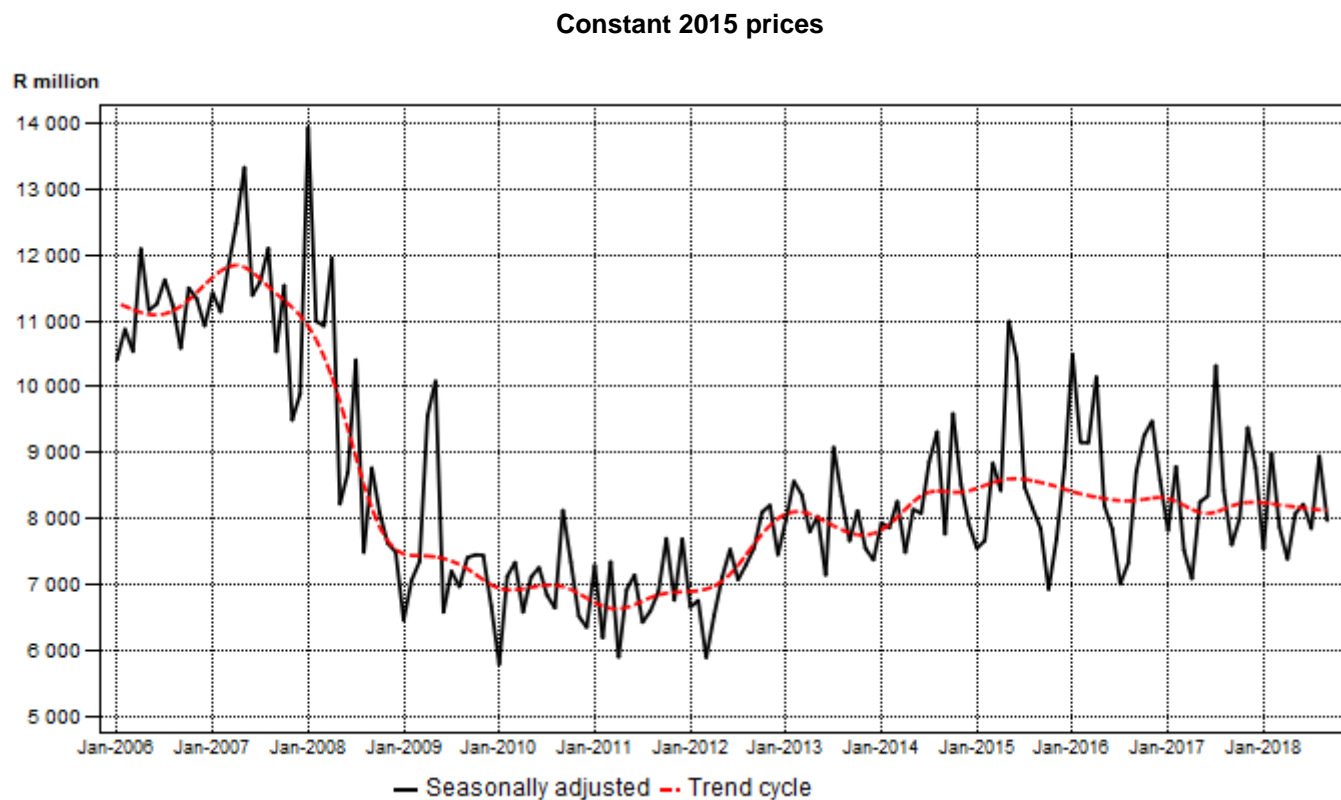
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	April to June 2018	July to September 2018	% change between April to June 2018 and July to September 2018
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	12 495 817	13 186 296	5,5
Non-residential buildings 1/	4 905 905	5 644 398	15,1
Additions and alterations	6 285 018	5 946 874	-5,4
Total	23 686 740	24 777 568	4,6

1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed increased by 4,6% in the third quarter of 2018 compared with the second quarter of 2018. Increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (15,1%) and residential buildings (5,5%). A decrease was recorded for additions and alterations (-5,4%) – see Table D.

Figure 1 – Real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities



**Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices:
January to September 2017 versus January to September 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2017	January to September 2018	Difference in value between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	% change between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	27 672 275	31 024 581	3 352 306	12,1
-Dwelling-houses	16 775 757	16 433 072	-342 685	-2,0
-Flats and townhouses	8 653 200	14 169 854	5 516 654	63,8
-Other residential buildings	2 243 318	421 655	-1 821 663	-81,2
Non-residential buildings	16 148 680	12 952 708	-3 195 972	-19,8
Additions and alterations	8 672 187	9 228 502	556 315	6,4
Total	52 493 142	53 205 791	712 649	1,4

1/ 2017 and 2018 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) increased by 1,4% (R712,6 million) during January to September 2018 compared with January to September 2017.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (12,1% or R3 352,3 million) and additions and alterations (6,4% or R556,3 million). A decrease was recorded for non-residential buildings (-19,8% or -R3 196,0 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to September 2017 versus January to September 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2017	January to September 2018	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to September 2017	% change between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	Difference in value between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000				
Western Cape	15 256 062	15 279 877	29,1	0,2	0,0	23 815
Eastern Cape	1 420 151	1 738 844	2,7	22,4	0,6	318 693
Northern Cape	384 941	323 195	0,7	-16,0	-0,1	-61 746
Free State	725 607	848 949	1,4	17,0	0,2	123 342
KwaZulu-Natal	10 898 541	6 777 451	20,8	-37,8	-7,9	-4 121 090
North West	1 226 852	1 457 998	2,3	18,8	0,4	231 146
Gauteng	21 076 215	24 751 337	40,2	17,4	7,0	3 675 122
Mpumalanga	884 622	1 363 757	1,7	54,2	0,9	479 135
Limpopo	620 151	664 383	1,2	7,1	0,1	44 232
Total	52 493 142	53 205 791	100,0	1,4	1,4	712 649

1/ 2017 and 2018 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to September 2017, divided by 100.

Seven provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed during January to September 2018. The largest positive contribution was recorded for Gauteng (contributing 7,0 percentage points or R3 675,1 million). KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -7,9 percentage points or -R4 121,1 million) was the largest negative contributor – see Table F.

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to September 2017 versus January to September 2018

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to September 2017	January to September 2018	Difference in value between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018	% change between January to September 2017 and January to September 2018
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	24 769 214	26 680 313	1 911 099	7,7
Non-residential buildings	14 423 033	11 131 837	-3 291 196	-22,8
Additions and alterations	7 754 919	7 944 349	189 430	2,4
Total	46 947 166	45 756 499	-1 190 667	-2,5

1/ 2017 and 2018 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2015 prices) decreased by 2,5% (-R1 190,7 million) year-on-year during January to September 2018. Non-residential buildings fell by 22,8% (-R3 291,2 million) – see Table G.

Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices

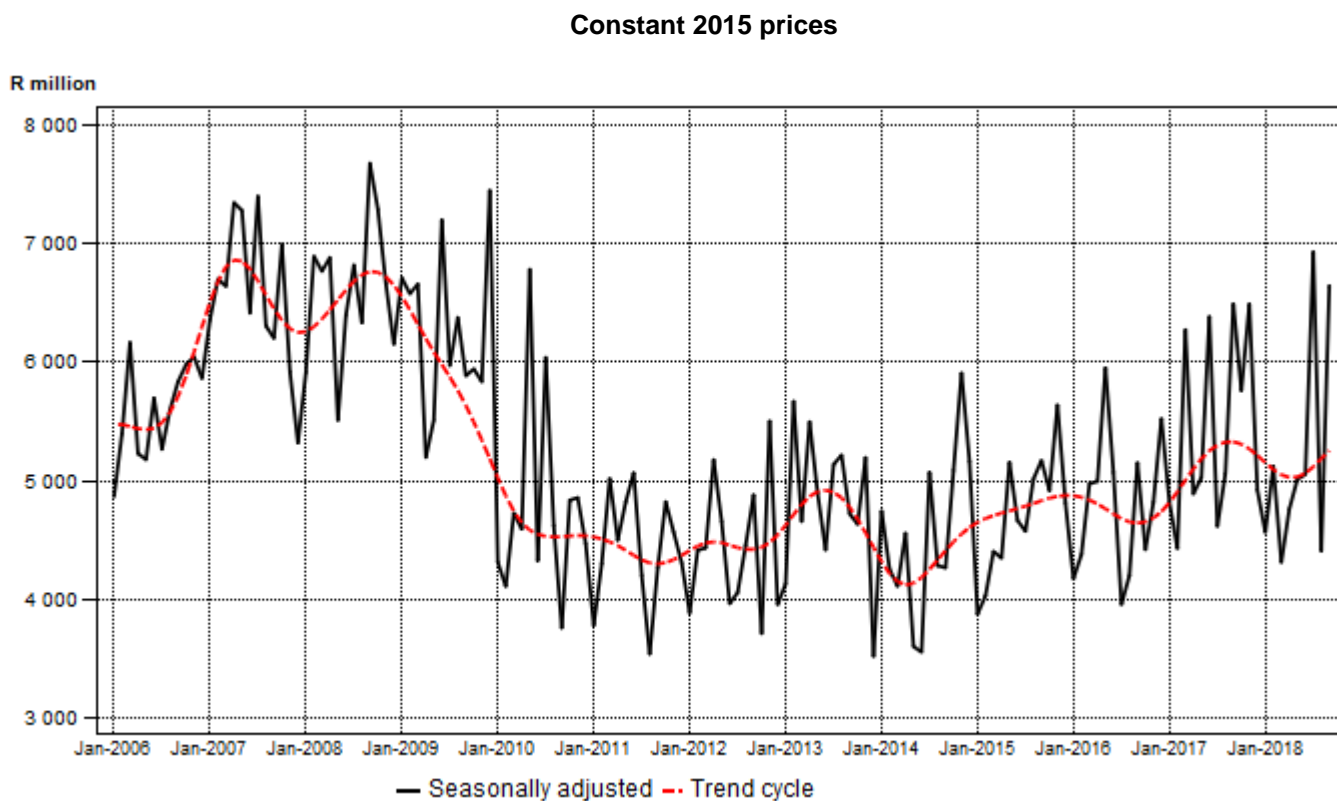
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	April to June 2018	July to September 2018	% change between April to June 2018 and July to September 2018
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 823 332	10 455 504	18,5
Non-residential buildings 1/	3 591 820	4 606 459	28,2
Additions and alterations	2 405 470	2 913 189	21,1
Total	14 820 622	17 975 152	21,3

1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 21,3% in the third quarter of 2018 compared with the second quarter of 2018. Increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (28,2%), additions and alterations (21,1%) and residential buildings (18,5%) – see Table H.

Figure 2 – Real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities



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Table 1 – Value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	3 161 447	6,2	1 916 288	-57,8	1 703 058	17,3	6 780 793	-24,4
	February	4 539 426	-1,2	2 957 537	11,1	2 161 104	1,7	9 658 067	3,0
	March	4 726 354	2,7	1 795 765	-32,2	2 277 738	10,8	8 799 857	-5,4
	April	4 056 771	-26,0	1 002 693	-64,7	1 983 859	-16,9	7 043 323	-34,2
	May	4 647 680	10,4	2 420 751	7,5	2 442 934	9,0	9 511 365	9,3
	June	5 117 576	1,8	2 192 921	40,6	2 642 793	9,4	9 953 290	10,6
	July	6 214 644	65,2	2 805 151	102,8	2 626 367	3,7	11 646 162	51,7
	August	4 586 063	3,7	2 874 162	60,0	2 958 451	29,1	10 418 676	22,4
	September	4 486 618	-6,6	1 663 189	-33,8	2 705 724	-0,1	8 855 531	-11,7
	October	5 302 305	-2,2	1 903 123	-26,5	2 993 633	10,2	10 199 061	-4,9
	November	4 585 400	-5,0	3 903 092	14,0	2 785 284	13,3	11 273 776	5,2
	December	4 230 596	-10,7	2 535 273	66,5	1 982 402	1,4	8 748 271	6,5
	Total	55 654 880	1,4	27 969 945	-5,9	29 263 347	7,0	112 888 172	0,9
2018	January	3 423 823	8,3	1 326 388	-30,8	2 048 834	20,3	6 799 045	0,3
	February	4 728 955	4,2	3 173 522	7,3	2 360 140	9,2	10 262 617	6,3
	March	4 324 029	-8,5	1 544 746	-14,0	2 549 303	11,9	8 418 078	-4,3
	April	4 593 385	13,2	1 718 431	71,4	2 162 953	9,0	8 474 769	20,3
	May	5 653 709	21,6	1 817 021	-24,9	2 476 180	1,4	9 946 910	4,6
	June	4 961 410	-3,1	2 143 598	-2,2	2 702 425	2,3	9 807 433	-1,5
	July	5 177 874	-16,7	1 765 016	-37,1	2 732 053	4,0	9 674 943	-16,9
	August	6 483 327	41,4	2 530 349	-12,0	2 464 165	-16,7	11 477 841	10,2
	September	4 628 960	3,2	2 337 867	40,6	2 476 751	-8,5	9 443 578	6,6

1/ The percentage change is the change in the value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the relevant year/month compared with the value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the comparable period of the previous year expressed as a percentage.

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 2 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	4 394 239	-21,9	1 916 288	25,9	2 301 492	-3,3	8 612 019	-9,6
	February	4 525 188	3,0	2 957 537	54,3	2 231 950	-3,0	9 714 675	12,8
	March	4 263 985	-5,8	1 795 765	-39,3	2 266 508	1,5	8 326 258	-14,3
	April	4 604 082	8,0	1 002 693	-44,2	2 324 094	2,5	7 930 869	-4,7
	May	4 442 820	-3,5	2 420 751	141,4	2 379 396	2,4	9 242 967	16,5
	June	4 633 382	4,3	2 192 921	-9,4	2 508 102	5,4	9 334 405	1,0
	July	6 337 660	36,8	2 805 151	27,9	2 427 131	-3,2	11 569 942	23,9
	August	4 001 456	-36,9	2 874 162	2,5	2 589 503	6,7	9 465 121	-18,2
	September	4 488 329	12,2	1 663 189	-42,1	2 448 284	-5,5	8 599 802	-9,1
	October	4 643 527	3,5	1 903 123	14,4	2 623 013	7,1	9 169 663	6,6
	November	4 292 725	-7,6	3 903 092	105,1	2 573 772	-1,9	10 769 589	17,4
	December	5 091 751	18,6	2 535 273	-35,0	2 504 760	-2,7	10 131 784	-5,9
2018	January	4 672 401	-8,2	1 326 388	-47,7	2 659 593	6,2	8 658 382	-14,5
	February	4 689 391	0,4	3 173 522	139,3	2 455 065	-7,7	10 317 978	19,2
	March	4 716 611	0,6	1 544 746	-51,3	2 908 240	18,5	9 169 597	-11,1
	April	4 550 721	-3,5	1 718 431	11,2	2 230 767	-23,3	8 499 919	-7,3
	May	5 127 954	12,7	1 817 021	5,7	2 401 693	7,7	9 346 668	10,0
	June	4 732 360	-7,7	2 143 598	18,0	2 639 759	9,9	9 515 717	1,8
	July	5 077 783	7,3	1 765 016	-17,7	2 391 613	-9,4	9 234 412	-3,0
	August	5 708 652	12,4	2 530 349	43,4	2 198 777	-8,1	10 437 778	13,0
	September	4 688 996	-17,9	2 337 867	-7,6	2 345 231	6,7	9 372 094	-10,2
	Apr. – Jun. 18	14 411 035		5 679 050		7 272 219		27 362 304	
	Jul. – Sep. 18 2/	15 475 431	7,4	6 633 232	16,8	6 935 621	-4,6	29 044 284	6,1

1/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the previous month expressed as a percentage.

2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Table 3 – Value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices by type of building

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	2 874 043	-1,3	1 742 080	-60,8	1 548 235	9,0	6 164 358	-29,8
	February	4 096 955	-7,0	2 669 257	4,5	1 950 455	-4,3	8 716 667	-3,1
	March	4 254 144	-3,3	1 616 350	-36,1	2 050 169	4,3	7 920 663	-11,0
	April	3 644 898	-30,0	900 892	-66,5	1 782 443	-21,3	6 328 233	-37,7
	May	4 138 629	3,9	2 155 611	1,1	2 175 364	2,6	8 469 604	2,9
	June	4 573 348	-2,8	1 959 715	34,2	2 361 745	4,4	8 894 808	5,6
	July	5 548 789	58,0	2 504 599	93,9	2 344 971	-0,8	10 398 359	45,0
	August	4 072 880	-1,3	2 552 542	52,3	2 627 399	22,9	9 252 821	16,5
	September	3 956 453	-11,4	1 466 657	-37,3	2 386 000	-5,3	7 809 110	-16,2
	October	4 642 999	-7,7	1 666 482	-30,6	2 621 395	4,0	8 930 876	-10,2
	November	3 990 775	-10,1	3 396 947	7,8	2 424 094	7,2	9 811 816	-0,4
	December	3 678 779	-14,9	2 204 585	58,7	1 723 828	-3,3	7 607 192	1,5
	Total	49 472 692	-3,9	24 835 717	-11,5	25 996 098	1,3	100 304 507	-4,7
2018	January	2 977 237	3,6	1 153 381	-33,8	1 781 595	15,1	5 912 213	-4,1
	February	4 115 714	0,5	2 761 986	3,5	2 054 082	5,3	8 931 782	2,5
	March	3 756 758	-11,7	1 342 090	-17,0	2 214 859	8,0	7 313 707	-7,7
	April	3 980 403	9,2	1 489 108	65,3	1 874 309	5,2	7 343 820	16,0
	May	4 886 525	18,1	1 570 459	-27,1	2 140 173	-1,6	8 597 157	1,5
	June	4 273 394	-6,6	1 846 338	-5,8	2 327 670	-1,4	8 447 402	-5,0
	July	4 406 701	-20,6	1 502 141	-40,0	2 325 151	-0,8	8 233 993	-20,8
	August	5 541 305	36,1	2 162 691	-15,3	2 106 124	-19,8	9 810 120	6,0
	September	3 919 526	-0,9	1 979 566	35,0	2 097 164	-12,1	7 996 256	2,4

1/ The percentage change is the change in the value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the relevant year/month compared with the value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the comparable period of the previous year expressed as a percentage.

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 4 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	3 986 803	-20,5	1 742 080	25,4	2 089 986	-4,3	7 818 869	-8,9
	February	4 100 254	2,8	2 669 257	53,2	2 020 010	-3,3	8 789 521	12,4
	March	3 883 790	-5,3	1 616 350	-39,4	2 023 503	0,2	7 523 643	-14,4
	April	4 143 712	6,7	900 892	-44,3	2 046 565	1,1	7 091 169	-5,7
	May	3 980 602	-3,9	2 155 611	139,3	2 116 115	3,4	8 252 328	16,4
	June	4 115 163	3,4	1 959 715	-9,1	2 268 482	7,2	8 343 360	1,1
	July	5 636 952	37,0	2 504 599	27,8	2 177 208	-4,0	10 318 759	23,7
	August	3 559 677	-36,9	2 552 542	1,9	2 314 472	6,3	8 426 691	-18,3
	September	3 970 742	11,5	1 466 657	-42,5	2 165 502	-6,4	7 602 901	-9,8
	October	4 059 502	2,2	1 666 482	13,6	2 280 479	5,3	8 006 463	5,3
	November	3 724 832	-8,2	3 396 947	103,8	2 257 427	-1,0	9 379 206	17,1
	December	4 375 367	17,5	2 204 585	-35,1	2 192 578	-2,9	8 772 530	-6,5
2018	January	4 084 267	-6,7	1 153 381	-47,7	2 303 117	5,0	7 540 765	-14,0
	February	4 097 247	0,3	2 761 986	139,5	2 137 340	-7,2	8 996 573	19,3
	March	4 065 131	-0,8	1 342 090	-51,4	2 464 758	15,3	7 871 979	-12,5
	April	3 974 090	-2,2	1 489 108	11,0	1 922 259	-22,0	7 385 457	-6,2
	May	4 427 226	11,4	1 570 459	5,5	2 083 554	8,4	8 081 239	9,4
	June	4 094 501	-7,5	1 846 338	17,6	2 279 205	9,4	8 220 044	1,7
	July	4 308 997	5,2	1 502 141	-18,6	2 039 850	-10,5	7 850 988	-4,5
	August	4 888 413	13,4	2 162 691	44,0	1 899 643	-6,9	8 950 747	14,0
	September	3 988 886	-18,4	1 979 566	-8,5	2 007 381	5,7	7 975 833	-10,9
	Apr. – Jun. 18	12 495 817		4 905 905		6 285 018		23 686 740	
	Jul. – Sep. 18 2/	13 186 296	5,5	5 644 398	15,1	5 946 874	-5,4	24 777 568	4,6

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2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Table 5 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	2 359 273	6,8	1 324 149	128,9	755 314	16,0	4 438 736	29,1
	February	2 987 483	21,5	793 718	-22,9	839 781	-3,5	4 620 982	6,0
	March	3 590 701	42,3	2 469 283	36,4	1 096 654	24,9	7 156 638	37,3
	April	3 722 887	60,7	835 924	-60,4	688 546	-16,3	5 247 357	-0,1
	May	2 997 231	-8,5	1 458 694	-19,8	938 447	2,7	5 394 372	-10,2
	June	3 184 349	2,5	2 807 943	111,9	1 119 285	20,3	7 111 577	32,7
	July	2 791 841	19,3	1 418 931	23,3	878 502	24,5	5 089 274	21,3
	August	3 021 402	20,3	1 538 208	27,6	1 121 295	41,6	5 680 905	26,0
	September	3 017 108	-17,3	3 501 830	164,1	1 234 363	25,5	7 753 301	30,1
	October	3 332 642	9,2	2 668 765	187,5	831 585	-18,6	6 832 992	36,6
	November	3 663 759	21,0	3 257 545	93,7	1 141 897	9,7	8 063 201	40,2
	December	4 159 930	-7,9	863 246	-12,4	958 305	9,8	5 981 481	-6,2
	Total	38 828 606	11,0	22 938 236	43,8	11 603 974	10,7	73 370 816	19,5
2018	January	2 685 943	13,8	807 034	-39,1	792 693	4,9	4 285 670	-3,4
	February	2 996 399	0,3	1 521 419	91,7	1 053 541	25,5	5 571 359	20,6
	March	2 823 654	-21,4	1 044 722	-57,7	1 068 288	-2,6	4 936 664	-31,0
	April	3 373 893	-9,4	1 205 988	44,3	890 508	29,3	5 470 389	4,3
	May	3 191 090	6,5	1 473 491	1,0	903 658	-3,7	5 568 239	3,2
	June	3 381 928	6,2	1 478 214	-47,4	1 020 156	-8,9	5 880 298	-17,3
	July	4 918 774	76,2	1 649 068	16,2	1 362 088	55,0	7 929 930	55,8
	August	2 862 038	-5,3	1 060 192	-31,1	1 181 840	5,4	5 104 070	-10,2
	September	4 790 862	58,8	2 712 580	-22,5	955 730	-22,6	8 459 172	9,1

1/ The percentage change is the change in the value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant year/month compared with the value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the comparable period of the previous year expressed as a percentage.

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 6 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	3 022 876	-26,3	1 324 149	34,4	958 581	-4,0	5 305 606	-12,8
	February	3 291 163	8,9	793 718	-40,1	813 671	-15,1	4 898 552	-7,7
	March	3 658 357	11,2	2 469 283	211,1	828 441	1,8	6 956 081	42,0
	April	3 741 226	2,3	835 924	-66,1	855 702	3,3	5 432 852	-21,9
	May	3 212 064	-14,1	1 458 694	74,5	962 864	12,5	5 633 622	3,7
	June	3 260 243	1,5	2 807 943	92,5	1 070 461	11,2	7 138 647	26,7
	July	2 837 537	-13,0	1 418 931	-49,5	903 730	-15,6	5 160 198	-27,7
	August	3 114 528	9,8	1 538 208	8,4	1 040 757	15,2	5 693 493	10,3
	September	2 681 800	-13,9	3 501 830	127,7	1 178 492	13,2	7 362 122	29,3
	October	3 109 413	15,9	2 668 765	-23,8	798 295	-32,3	6 576 473	-10,7
	November	3 133 710	0,8	3 257 545	22,1	1 065 953	33,5	7 457 208	13,4
	December	3 751 403	19,7	863 246	-73,5	1 077 050	1,0	5 691 699	-23,7
2018	January	3 439 134	-8,3	807 034	-6,5	1 008 131	-6,4	5 254 299	-7,7
	February	3 317 226	-3,5	1 521 419	88,5	1 037 605	2,9	5 876 250	11,8
	March	2 889 121	-12,9	1 044 722	-31,3	1 023 398	-1,4	4 957 241	-15,6
	April	3 386 812	17,2	1 205 988	15,4	890 335	-13,0	5 483 135	10,6
	May	3 387 092	0,0	1 473 491	22,2	924 774	3,9	5 785 357	5,5
	June	3 419 555	1,0	1 478 214	0,3	963 279	4,2	5 861 048	1,3
	July	5 072 588	48,3	1 649 068	11,6	1 407 336	46,1	8 128 992	38,7
	August	2 994 080	-41,0	1 060 192	-35,7	1 102 069	-21,7	5 156 341	-36,6
	September	4 223 066	41,0	2 712 580	155,9	911 709	-17,3	7 847 355	52,2
	Apr. – Jun. 18	10 193 459		4 157 693		2 778 388		17 129 540	
	Jul. – Sep. 18 2/	12 289 734	20,6	5 421 840	30,4	3 421 114	23,1	21 132 688	23,4

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2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices by type of building

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	2 144 794	-0,7	1 203 772	112,7	686 649	7,7	4 035 215	19,9
	February	2 696 284	14,4	716 352	-27,5	757 925	-9,1	4 170 561	-0,2
	March	3 231 954	34,0	2 222 577	28,4	987 087	17,6	6 441 618	29,3
	April	3 344 912	52,2	751 055	-62,5	618 640	-20,7	4 714 607	-5,4
	May	2 668 950	-13,9	1 298 926	-24,5	835 661	-3,3	4 803 537	-15,5
	June	2 845 710	-2,1	2 509 332	102,2	1 000 255	14,9	6 355 297	26,6
	July	2 492 715	14,1	1 266 903	17,9	784 377	19,1	4 543 995	16,0
	August	2 683 306	14,5	1 366 082	21,4	995 821	34,8	5 045 209	20,0
	September	2 660 589	-21,6	3 088 034	150,3	1 088 504	18,9	6 837 127	23,4
	October	2 918 250	3,1	2 336 922	171,4	728 183	-23,2	5 983 355	29,0
	November	3 188 650	14,5	2 835 113	83,2	993 818	3,8	7 017 581	32,7
	December	3 617 330	-12,2	750 649	-16,5	833 309	4,6	5 201 288	-10,6
	Total	34 493 444	5,2	20 345 717	35,7	10 310 229	4,8	65 149 390	13,1
2018	January	2 335 603	8,9	701 769	-41,7	689 298	0,4	3 726 670	-7,6
	February	2 607 832	-3,3	1 324 124	84,8	916 920	21,0	4 848 876	16,3
	March	2 453 218	-24,1	907 665	-59,2	928 139	-6,0	4 289 022	-33,4
	April	2 923 651	-12,6	1 045 050	39,1	771 671	24,7	4 740 372	0,5
	May	2 758 073	3,3	1 273 545	-2,0	781 035	-6,5	4 812 653	0,2
	June	2 912 944	2,4	1 273 225	-49,3	878 687	-12,2	5 064 856	-20,3
	July	4 186 191	67,9	1 403 462	10,8	1 159 224	47,8	6 748 877	48,5
	August	2 446 186	-8,8	906 147	-33,7	1 010 120	1,4	4 362 453	-13,5
	September	4 056 615	52,5	2 296 850	-25,6	809 255	-25,7	7 162 720	4,8

1/ The percentage change is the change in the value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant year/month compared with the value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the comparable period of the previous year expressed as a percentage.

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 8 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	2 744 964	-26,1	1 203 772	33,9	868 873	-4,4	4 817 609	-12,8
	February	2 974 420	8,4	716 352	-40,5	736 064	-15,3	4 426 836	-8,1
	March	3 301 161	11,0	2 222 577	210,3	747 316	1,5	6 271 054	41,7
	April	3 369 112	2,1	751 055	-66,2	768 308	2,8	4 888 475	-22,0
	May	2 867 162	-14,9	1 298 926	72,9	858 586	11,8	5 024 674	2,8
	June	2 914 696	1,7	2 509 332	93,2	958 669	11,7	6 382 697	27,0
	July	2 538 405	-12,9	1 266 903	-49,5	808 483	-15,7	4 613 791	-27,7
	August	2 766 455	9,0	1 366 082	7,8	924 566	14,4	5 057 103	9,6
	September	2 363 055	-14,6	3 088 034	126,1	1 038 870	12,4	6 489 959	28,3
	October	2 724 987	15,3	2 336 922	-24,3	696 682	-32,9	5 758 591	-11,3
	November	2 726 008	0,0	2 835 113	21,3	926 756	33,0	6 487 877	12,7
	December	3 235 896	18,7	750 649	-73,5	934 132	0,8	4 920 677	-24,2
2018	January	2 987 680	-7,7	701 769	-6,5	874 347	-6,4	4 563 796	-7,3
	February	2 891 349	-3,2	1 324 124	88,7	905 450	3,6	5 120 923	12,2
	March	2 515 302	-13,0	907 665	-31,5	887 782	-2,0	4 310 749	-15,8
	April	2 940 762	16,9	1 045 050	15,1	773 795	-12,8	4 759 607	10,4
	May	2 935 574	-0,2	1 273 545	21,9	800 579	3,5	5 009 698	5,3
	June	2 946 996	0,4	1 273 225	0,0	831 096	3,8	5 051 317	0,8
	July	4 324 289	46,7	1 403 462	10,2	1 199 643	44,3	6 927 394	37,1
	August	2 558 774	-40,8	906 147	-35,4	941 909	-21,5	4 406 830	-36,4
	September	3 572 441	39,6	2 296 850	153,5	771 637	-18,1	6 640 928	50,7
	Apr. – Jun. 18	8 823 332		3 591 820		2 405 470		14 820 622	
	Jul. – Sep. 18 2/	10 455 504	18,5	4 606 459	28,2	2 913 189	21,1	17 975 152	21,3

1/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous month expressed as a percentage.

2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Table 9 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: South Africa

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 252	1 297	1 266	14 131	14 102	-0,2
		square metres	62 327	60 504	66 271	675 955	670 608	-0,8
		R'000	335 986	357 942	386 713	3 322 855	3 663 464	10,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 436	1 382	1 212	11 536	11 229	-2,7
		square metres	377 309	369 912	335 743	3 115 433	3 001 090	-3,7
		R'000	2 675 379	2 697 370	2 458 372	21 673 155	21 596 216	-0,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 927	2 729	1 624	16 453	20 281	23,3
		square metres	191 609	372 568	174 812	2 054 908	2 107 049	2,5
		R'000	1 457 041	3 364 954	1 753 262	16 140 370	17 204 365	6,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 707	7 515	4 290	55 877	149 311	167,2
		R'000	18 212	63 061	30 613	400 199	1 511 427	277,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	4 486 618	6 483 327	4 628 960	41 536 579	43 975 472	5,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	36 451	10 428	33 251	503 282	356 700	-29,1
		R'000	357 868	77 963	340 558	4 667 393	3 279 511	-29,7
	Shopping space	square metres	12 745	56 938	32 146	455 242	436 783	-4,1
		R'000	75 243	541 203	280 578	3 767 155	3 581 444	-4,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	144 637	249 055	189 640	1 417 096	1 432 827	1,1
		R'000	914 668	1 587 501	1 210 373	8 370 575	8 765 395	4,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	40 950	48 424	76 937	398 503	386 498	-3,0
		R'000	315 410	323 682	506 358	2 823 334	2 730 588	-3,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 663 189	2 530 349	2 337 867	19 628 457	18 356 938	-6,5
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	278 141	227 480	253 948	2 230 589	2 142 308
R'000			2 031 534	1 687 522	1 913 992	15 683 095	15 599 245	-0,5
Other buildings 4/		square metres	59 234	71 348	47 747	582 559	670 559	15,1
		R'000	674 190	776 643	562 759	5 818 933	6 373 559	9,5
Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 705 724	2 464 165	2 476 751	21 502 028	21 972 804	2,2	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	8 855 531	11 477 841	9 443 578	82 667 064	84 305 214	2,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 10 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Western Cape

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	374	542	373	5 019	5 002	-0,3	
		square metres	16 837	25 153	16 944	231 411	223 336	-3,5	
		R'000	113 306	151 796	104 827	1 404 107	1 315 685	-6,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	500	513	395	3 894	3 958	1,6	
		square metres	120 343	119 182	101 319	933 249	964 253	3,3	
		R'000	827 734	768 747	646 013	6 289 769	6 429 451	2,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	942	257	331	5 597	8 125	45,2	
		square metres	104 545	36 848	37 211	595 374	797 005	33,9	
		R'000	791 105	285 541	294 024	4 519 820	6 031 985	33,5	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	632	0	76	12 271	23 546	91,9	
		R'000	4 424	0	361	86 734	181 966	109,8	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 736 569	1 206 084	1 045 225	12 300 430	13 959 087	13,5
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 386	0	5 958	110 025	76 018	-30,9
R'000			12 047	0	52 241	967 099	608 768	-37,1	
Shopping space		square metres	3 195	2 244	22 278	65 198	124 208	90,5	
		R'000	22 365	17 020	197 169	514 235	1 018 060	98,0	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	51 765	66 672	28 383	239 226	313 478	31,0	
		R'000	395 979	448 922	202 509	1 709 938	2 120 660	24,0	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	8 725	27 721	33 378	122 601	166 694	36,0	
		R'000	65 659	210 163	214 696	816 783	1 169 900	43,2	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	496 050	676 105	666 615	4 008 055	4 917 388	22,7	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	89 484	70 120	75 463	655 961	627 128	-4,4
	R'000		589 978	460 805	491 298	4 298 533	4 192 029	-2,5	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	32 748	32 425	11 691	212 292	209 291	-1,4	
		R'000	408 910	306 370	164 892	2 347 267	2 129 984	-9,3	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	998 888	767 175	656 190	6 645 800	6 322 013	-4,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices		R'000	3 231 507	2 649 364	2 368 030	22 954 285	25 198 488	9,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 11 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Eastern Cape

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	23	21	39	1 479	1 040	-29,7
		square metres	1 156	1 167	2 355	68 120	48 622	-28,6
		R'000	4 329	7 430	14 848	330 219	303 141	-8,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	127	79	93	996	970	-2,6
		square metres	24 612	20 688	18 396	235 838	205 871	-12,7
		R'000	153 996	138 688	119 732	1 450 503	1 323 918	-8,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	33	41	23	312	1 132	262,8
		square metres	4 077	5 120	3 522	38 426	75 898	97,5
		R'000	35 664	34 304	23 950	237 125	477 002	101,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	492	66	6 210	2 132	-65,7
		R'000	0	3 313	449	36 924	12 175	-67,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	193 989	183 735	158 979	2 054 771	2 116 236	3,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 897	925	9 568	29 708	210,5
		R'000	0	19 700	6 290	54 222	188 279	247,2
	Shopping space	square metres	1 151	0	1 644	16 835	8 294	-50,7
		R'000	7 305	0	11 039	94 806	51 500	-45,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	5 604	54 402	124 055	141 085	13,7
		R'000	0	36 236	349 128	740 102	839 093	13,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	4 661	1 114	26 336	23 303	44 543	91,1
		R'000	29 765	5 601	167 567	133 466	267 248	100,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	37 070	61 537	534 024	1 022 596	1 346 120	31,6
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	25 083	21 961	25 278	219 105	223 280
R'000			169 325	138 771	159 102	1 348 438	1 382 573	2,5
Other buildings 4/		square metres	6 313	8 722	8 691	51 777	98 780	90,8
		R'000	40 121	60 373	61 512	345 616	597 485	72,9
Total additions and alterations	R'000	209 446	199 144	220 614	1 694 054	1 980 058	16,9	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	440 505	444 416	913 617	4 771 421	5 442 414	14,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 12 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Northern Cape

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	3	4	28	18	-35,7
		square metres	274	186	200	1 548	996	-35,7
		R'000	1 781	1 496	1 609	8 526	8 026	-5,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	16	7	16	131	120	-8,4
		square metres	4 066	1 649	3 357	30 057	23 594	-21,5
		R'000	30 538	11 396	22 217	210 555	159 825	-24,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	8	14	0	52	..
		square metres	0	810	1 267	0	4 697	..
		R'000	0	6 075	10 028	0	35 032	..
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	780	1 705	118,6
		R'000	0	0	0	5 070	11 935	135,4
	Total residential buildings	R'000	32 319	18 967	33 854	224 151	214 818	-4,2
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 477	1 017	9 564
R'000			0	0	11 760	4 734	76 788	1 522,1
Shopping space		square metres	0	5 632	0	6 056	9 288	53,4
		R'000	0	42 240	0	39 964	71 638	79,3
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	583	2 064	3 379	11 093	14 610	31,7
		R'000	3 395	15 480	24 028	75 383	101 179	34,2
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	2 840	0	0	3 832	2 199	-42,6
		R'000	19 302	0	0	25 369	17 682	-30,3
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	22 697	57 720	35 788	145 450	267 287	83,8
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 083	3 104	3 255	29 013	30 390
	R'000		38 392	23 084	25 267	206 299	222 177	7,7
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	256	2 041	1 294	2 638	12 211	362,9
		R'000	6 155	15 688	8 236	26 875	96 911	260,6
Total additions and alterations	R'000	44 547	38 772	33 503	233 174	319 088	36,8	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	99 563	115 459	103 145	602 775	801 193	32,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 13 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Free State

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	9	6	28	86	160	86,0
		square metres	518	337	1 704	5 082	9 107	79,2
		R'000	3 641	2 338	12 637	31 191	59 380	90,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	45	45	42	502	501	-0,2
		square metres	9 765	9 235	7 391	108 903	104 654	-3,9
		R'000	59 945	55 850	50 858	626 284	655 302	4,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	5	21	0	584	320	-45,2
		square metres	439	1 954	0	69 937	24 029	-65,6
		R'000	3 251	12 350	0	478 627	168 936	-64,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	366	1 622	557	1 743	13 489	673,9
		R'000	2 130	8 372	2 860	9 492	86 123	807,3
Total residential buildings	R'000	68 967	78 910	66 355	1 145 594	969 741	-15,4	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	378	0	4 862	5 167	6,3
		R'000	0	2 419	0	38 896	33 925	-12,8
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	702	5 893	31 143	428,5
		R'000	0	0	5 422	32 010	205 330	541,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 402	15 220	730	36 801	64 505	75,3
		R'000	21 138	94 889	5 639	198 134	434 759	119,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	30	0	0	10 144	6 630	-34,6
		R'000	184	0	0	67 001	40 768	-39,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	21 322	97 308	11 061	336 041	714 782	112,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 094	8 262	8 321	99 613	94 836
R'000			62 761	51 538	53 863	559 458	608 608	8,8
Other buildings 4/		square metres	937	143	535	23 621	54 887	132,4
		R'000	6 004	17 456	3 977	342 091	480 121	40,3
Total additions and alterations	R'000	68 765	68 994	57 840	901 549	1 088 729	20,8	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	159 054	245 212	135 256	2 383 184	2 773 252	16,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 14 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: KwaZulu-Natal

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	29	8	12	763	135	-82,3
		square metres	1 533	494	799	33 065	8 288	-74,9
		R'000	10 492	3 718	7 702	136 078	64 491	-52,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	79	108	90	928	831	-10,5
		square metres	22 195	35 442	26 622	281 051	259 013	-7,8
		R'000	209 386	343 186	266 405	2 624 917	2 534 161	-3,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	225	472	621	2 229	2 362	6,0
		square metres	27 265	59 779	90 246	326 559	300 141	-8,1
		R'000	224 536	655 545	1 036 701	3 177 831	3 111 160	-2,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	787	4 742	0	20 197	85 792	324,8
		R'000	5 760	48 103	0	183 589	1 078 938	487,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	450 174	1 050 552	1 310 808	6 122 415	6 788 750	10,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	2 229	2 828	8 616	75 862	115 649	52,4
		R'000	15 603	31 108	94 776	694 682	1 209 699	74,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	4 347	1 382	168 362	55 553	-67,0
		R'000	0	47 817	15 202	1 552 039	577 163	-62,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	31 456	75 770	30 688	294 527	336 002	14,1
		R'000	188 674	479 790	188 687	1 753 181	2 067 386	17,9
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	481	2 369	4 019	43 932	41 240	-6,1
		R'000	4 326	19 153	31 157	375 855	359 434	-4,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	208 603	577 868	329 822	4 375 757	4 213 682	-3,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	25 487	33 619	28 164	291 921	267 193
R'000			261 549	336 071	302 405	2 844 058	2 658 780	-6,5
Other buildings 4/		square metres	4 750	14 654	7 142	132 997	131 333	-1,3
		R'000	88 026	222 171	112 000	1 538 066	1 624 647	5,6
Total additions and alterations	R'000	349 575	558 242	414 405	4 382 124	4 283 427	-2,3	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 008 352	2 186 662	2 055 035	14 880 296	15 285 859	2,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 15 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: North West

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3	74	109	923	908	-1,6
		square metres	220	3 323	5 051	42 539	38 897	-8,6
		R'000	990	16 946	18 685	94 631	133 587	41,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	113	87	53	630	560	-11,1
		square metres	24 939	23 777	12 945	159 048	142 469	-10,4
		R'000	129 959	143 025	74 821	846 310	799 402	-5,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	365	27	20	1 898	883	-53,5
		square metres	13 736	4 160	1 312	174 586	81 350	-53,4
		R'000	85 081	24 848	6 956	1 053 032	429 680	-59,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 593	6 777	325,4
		R'000	0	0	0	7 915	36 643	363,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	216 030	184 819	100 462	2 001 888	1 399 312	-30,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	838	0	1 682	2 435	5 094	109,2
		R'000	3 917	0	7 918	14 090	25 060	77,9
	Shopping space	square metres	0	743	1 216	16 929	23 442	38,5
		R'000	0	3 961	6 039	90 303	125 508	39,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 329	3 643	0	9 776	20 286	107,5
		R'000	7 793	20 268	0	47 839	109 000	127,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	726	1 380	428	4 257	5 103	19,9
		R'000	4 066	6 853	2 133	20 810	25 613	23,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	15 776	31 082	16 090	173 042	285 181	64,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 042	8 118	9 631	96 833	89 882
R'000			47 992	46 516	53 914	494 775	482 530	-2,5
Other buildings 4/		square metres	2 138	730	690	14 134	9 137	-35,4
		R'000	11 498	4 751	5 420	95 807	61 688	-35,6
Total additions and alterations	R'000	59 490	51 267	59 334	590 582	544 218	-7,9	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	291 296	267 168	175 886	2 765 512	2 228 711	-19,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 16 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Gauteng

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	772	606	630	5 038	6 438	27,8
		square metres	39 685	27 714	34 743	252 271	318 228	26,1
		R'000	190 780	162 451	203 117	1 121 392	1 658 030	47,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	411	424	413	3 274	3 234	-1,2
		square metres	131 041	128 794	132 730	1 038 415	1 004 250	-3,3
		R'000	1 041 565	1 059 854	1 081 396	7 889 605	8 007 477	1,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	310	1 887	587	5 469	7 135	30,5
		square metres	36 835	261 946	38 629	807 010	796 880	-1,3
		R'000	294 492	2 335 452	366 538	6 446 408	6 807 674	5,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	7 143	3 819	-46,5
		R'000	0	0	0	41 331	30 529	-26,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 526 837	3 557 757	1 651 051	15 498 736	16 503 710	6,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	31 998	1 091	14 108	279 573	96 775	-65,4
		R'000	326 301	8 059	163 934	2 789 241	1 032 508	-63,0
	Shopping space	square metres	3 111	42 635	4 924	134 264	162 479	21,0
		R'000	19 597	423 378	45 707	1 206 390	1 423 373	18,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	48 290	69 611	42 553	651 383	436 322	-33,0
		R'000	254 633	431 864	266 076	3 586 484	2 469 903	-31,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	13 916	8 081	11 077	149 367	94 033	-37,0
		R'000	124 261	41 952	82 368	1 141 420	707 915	-38,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	724 792	905 253	558 085	8 723 535	5 633 699	-35,4
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	96 041	66 531	89 461	697 815	665 910
R'000			769 846	544 354	746 236	5 236 585	5 270 835	0,7
Other buildings 4/		square metres	10 271	8 690	16 656	128 110	124 940	-2,5
		R'000	82 854	80 823	134 632	925 655	957 242	3,4
Total additions and alterations	R'000	852 700	625 177	880 868	6 162 240	6 228 077	1,1	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	3 104 329	5 088 187	3 090 004	30 384 511	28 365 486	-6,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 17 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Mpumalanga

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	30	23	50	632	217	-65,7	
		square metres	1 721	1 329	3 317	31 579	12 715	-59,7	
		R'000	8 641	7 348	16 872	136 957	67 328	-50,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	89	84	73	748	680	-9,1	
		square metres	24 398	19 832	20 963	202 253	178 838	-11,6	
		R'000	141 225	114 231	133 552	1 091 330	1 065 975	-2,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	41	0	0	136	124	-8,8	
		square metres	3 818	0	0	13 344	11 551	-13,4	
		R'000	18 183	0	0	62 198	58 783	-5,5	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	922	659	3 591	3 161	11 742	271,5	
		R'000	5 898	3 273	26 943	15 975	71 804	349,5	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	173 947	124 852	177 367	1 306 460	1 263 890	-3,3
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 459	485	8 745	15 820	80,9	
		R'000	0	12 369	3 639	49 453	89 386	80,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	4 121	1 337	0	23 318	19 701	-15,5	
		R'000	19 620	6 787	0	138 951	96 277	-30,7	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 473	7 519	27 707	29 058	82 317	183,3	
		R'000	35 973	44 959	164 701	157 351	499 419	217,4	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	9 571	4 058	1 699	22 022	18 224	-17,2	
		R'000	67 847	20 152	8 437	125 011	103 358	-17,3	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	123 440	84 267	176 777	470 766	788 440	67,5
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 273	11 438	9 086	97 440	106 765	9,6
R'000			67 273	62 879	52 517	477 242	587 278	23,1	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	977	3 187	746	12 266	21 067	71,8	
		R'000	24 620	58 227	69 357	157 106	351 630	123,8	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	91 893	121 106	121 874	634 348	938 908	48,0	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices		R'000	389 280	330 225	476 018	2 411 574	2 991 238	24,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 18 – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Limpopo

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	14	21	163	184	12,9
		square metres	383	801	1 158	10 340	10 419	0,8
		R'000	2 026	4 419	6 416	59 754	53 796	-10,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	56	35	37	433	375	-13,4
		square metres	15 950	11 313	12 020	126 619	118 148	-6,7
		R'000	81 031	62 393	63 378	643 882	620 705	-3,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	6	16	28	228	148	-35,1
		square metres	894	1 951	2 625	29 672	15 498	-47,8
		R'000	4 729	10 839	15 065	165 329	84 113	-49,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	2 779	309	-88,9
		R'000	0	0	0	13 169	1 314	-90,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	87 786	77 651	84 859	882 134	759 928	-13,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	775	0	11 195	2 905	-74,1
		R'000	0	4 308	0	54 976	15 098	-72,5
	Shopping space	square metres	1 167	0	0	18 387	2 675	-85,5
		R'000	6 356	0	0	98 457	12 595	-87,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 339	2 952	1 798	21 177	24 222	14,4
		R'000	7 083	15 093	9 605	102 163	123 996	21,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	3 701	0	19 045	7 832	-58,9
		R'000	0	19 808	0	117 619	38 670	-67,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	13 439	39 209	9 605	373 215	190 359	-49,0
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 554	4 327	5 289	42 888	36 924
R'000			24 418	23 504	29 390	217 707	194 435	-10,7
Other buildings 4/		square metres	844	756	302	4 724	8 913	88,7
		R'000	6 002	10 784	2 733	40 450	73 851	82,6
Total additions and alterations	R'000	30 420	34 288	32 123	258 157	268 286	3,9	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	131 645	151 148	126 587	1 513 506	1 218 573	-19,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 19 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: South Africa

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	848	850	936	11 179	8 045	-28,0	
		square metres	42 683	41 869	47 388	540 578	406 802	-24,7	
		R'000	210 061	251 399	269 258	2 546 341	2 381 671	-6,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	827	873	829	7 409	7 486	1,0	
		square metres	222 719	211 627	220 436	1 988 569	1 910 454	-3,9	
		R'000	1 635 123	1 567 152	1 648 262	14 229 416	14 051 401	-1,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 333	1 144	2 036	10 342	12 124	17,2	
		square metres	147 812	130 486	354 732	1 071 122	1 775 314	65,7	
		R'000	1 165 257	1 038 082	2 839 157	8 653 200	14 169 854	63,8	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	840	871	5 166	236 708	53 411	-77,4	
		R'000	6 667	5 405	34 185	2 243 318	421 655	-81,2	
Total residential buildings		R'000	3 017 108	2 862 038	4 790 862	27 672 275	31 024 581	12,1	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	29 842	25 736	82 470	383 976	505 722	31,7	
		R'000	261 257	267 610	817 993	3 488 163	4 765 136	36,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	245 971	10 623	46 978	730 123	254 586	-65,1	
		R'000	2 622 043	82 152	375 815	6 443 052	2 123 022	-67,0	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	91 969	98 499	232 339	864 365	872 207	0,9	
		R'000	547 781	549 270	1 392 821	5 042 416	5 118 597	1,5	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	11 806	21 587	19 241	158 576	131 778	-16,9	
		R'000	70 749	161 160	125 951	1 175 049	945 953	-19,5	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	3 501 830	1 060 192	2 712 580	16 148 680	12 952 708	-19,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	130 690	84 107	86 046	912 878	841 736	-7,8
R'000			860 267	634 443	663 961	5 881 102	6 099 194	3,7	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	40 919	62 397	28 984	284 600	335 872	18,0	
		R'000	374 096	547 397	291 769	2 791 085	3 129 308	12,1	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 234 363	1 181 840	955 730	8 672 187	9 228 502	6,4	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	7 753 301	5 104 070	8 459 172	52 493 142	53 205 791	1,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 20 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Western Cape

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	252	336	365	4 098	3 098	-24,4	
		square metres	11 655	14 819	16 727	187 985	141 283	-24,8	
		R'000	68 176	84 246	102 434	1 037 982	823 993	-20,6	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	338	290	277	2 627	2 495	-5,0	
		square metres	76 601	70 092	70 370	612 043	595 041	-2,8	
		R'000	510 625	463 775	472 470	4 014 211	4 001 936	-0,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	561	450	288	2 400	3 904	62,7	
		square metres	52 192	36 053	29 922	282 679	417 028	47,5	
		R'000	403 844	286 098	240 034	2 162 168	3 220 164	48,9	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	840	260	0	80 508	23 381	-71,0	
		R'000	6 667	1 805	0	651 968	178 035	-72,7	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	989 312	835 924	814 938	7 866 329	8 224 128	4,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	11 737	350	22 141	128 033	98 619	-23,0	
		R'000	95 060	2 646	193 734	974 914	806 482	-17,3	
	Shopping space	square metres	15 864	2 311	39 546	58 522	109 984	87,9	
		R'000	137 666	17 630	314 230	457 875	864 387	88,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	24 609	37 398	53 674	256 075	227 239	-11,3	
		R'000	167 795	209 820	363 811	1 849 443	1 473 131	-20,3	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	10 805	1 752	2 039	51 954	52 253	0,6	
		R'000	61 980	15 933	13 070	326 952	367 325	12,3	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	462 501	246 029	884 845	3 609 184	3 511 325	-2,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	74 811	41 285	35 217	447 147	330 599	-26,1
R'000			432 987	271 072	229 510	2 533 418	2 053 720	-18,9	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	16 844	30 005	17 438	119 364	160 306	34,3	
		R'000	189 874	227 830	171 329	1 247 131	1 490 704	19,5	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	622 861	498 902	400 839	3 780 549	3 544 424	-6,2	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	2 074 674	1 580 855	2 100 622	15 256 062	15 279 877	0,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 21 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Eastern Cape

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	48	17	41	331	214	-35,3	
		square metres	2 355	838	1 990	16 885	11 543	-31,6	
		R'000	9 712	4 709	8 390	79 448	61 533	-22,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	61	48	36	479	431	-10,0	
		square metres	12 195	10 254	7 802	96 359	88 734	-7,9	
		R'000	77 231	69 342	53 047	559 024	588 057	5,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	8	49	11	79	170	115,2	
		square metres	1 187	3 923	1 634	7 775	17 308	122,6	
		R'000	7 487	28 139	10 599	45 780	114 423	149,9	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	4 056	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	23 020	0	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	94 430	102 190	72 036	707 272	764 013	8,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	3 361	1 056	-68,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	15 173	6 804	-55,2	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	237	0	1 892	2 124	12,3	
		R'000	0	1 177	0	9 025	12 023	33,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	4 403	18 467	46 187	150,1	
		R'000	0	0	23 623	92 846	278 216	199,7	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	291	6 962	572	5 193	8 996	73,2	
		R'000	1 847	44 557	2 841	26 708	56 516	111,6	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 847	45 734	26 464	143 752	353 559	146,0
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 377	5 628	5 521	74 453	72 299	-2,9
R'000			64 584	37 155	36 529	390 398	460 610	18,0	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	4 945	5 785	2 057	25 243	21 971	-13,0	
		R'000	32 385	37 672	16 317	178 729	160 662	-10,1	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	96 969	74 827	52 846	569 127	621 272	9,2	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	193 246	222 751	151 346	1 420 151	1 738 844	22,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 22 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Northern Cape

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1	1	0	2	10	400,0	
		square metres	44	55	0	120	660	450,0	
		R'000	308	413	0	764	5 133	571,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	7	4	11	43	39	-9,3	
		square metres	1 939	1 200	1 697	9 686	7 858	-18,9	
		R'000	12 801	9 261	12 443	66 588	58 615	-12,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	1	17	2	-88,2	
		square metres	0	0	75	1 928	221	-88,5	
		R'000	0	0	563	13 449	1 737	-87,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	935	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	5 512	0	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	13 109	9 674	13 006	86 313	65 485	-24,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 461	3 439	1 760	-48,8	
		R'000	0	0	10 958	19 157	13 051	-31,9	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	1 426	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	11 222	0	..	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	703	374	1 224	227,3	
		R'000	0	0	5 273	2 842	8 920	213,9	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	16 448	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	132 258	0	..	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	0	0	16 231	165 479	21 971	-86,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 570	2 019	3 099	14 396	22 287	54,8
R'000			12 006	15 143	23 743	107 873	166 944	54,8	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	54	398	0	3 210	7 349	128,9	
		R'000	1 316	6 085	1 875	25 276	68 795	172,2	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	13 322	21 228	25 618	133 149	235 739	77,0	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	26 431	30 902	54 855	384 941	323 195	-16,0	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 23 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Free State

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	39	11	4	142	140	-1,4	
		square metres	2 187	572	206	7 833	8 050	2,8	
		R'000	7 300	4 418	1 591	31 235	47 517	52,1	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	27	24	8	139	126	-9,4	
		square metres	5 080	4 398	1 835	26 088	25 763	-1,2	
		R'000	33 263	31 238	11 089	149 396	163 235	9,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	9	41	17	416	330	-20,7	
		square metres	1 320	8 086	3 233	33 293	43 562	30,8	
		R'000	9 776	62 456	24 972	226 507	325 879	43,9	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	205	168	607	261,3	
		R'000	0	0	1 018	756	3 162	318,3	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	50 339	98 112	38 670	407 894	539 793	32,3
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	1 206	0	2 573	6 974	171,0	
		R'000	0	9 315	0	17 649	51 500	191,8	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	983	2 145	118,2	
		R'000	0	0	0	5 129	12 664	146,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	9 627	0	1 340	10 162	658,4	
		R'000	0	74 050	0	7 315	77 446	958,7	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	145	0	489	4 665	815	-82,5	
		R'000	1 074	0	2 428	37 290	4 428	-88,1	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 074	83 365	2 428	67 383	146 038	116,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 494	1 923	1 499	31 753	15 549	-51,0
R'000			24 432	10 958	8 946	156 812	86 862	-44,6	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	330	0	1 319	7 538	471,5	
		R'000	1 371	4 270	6 117	93 518	76 256	-18,5	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	25 803	15 228	15 063	250 330	163 118	-34,8	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	77 216	196 705	56 161	725 607	848 949	17,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 24 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: KwaZulu-Natal

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	15	20	6	105	166	58,1	
		square metres	822	1 140	365	5 951	9 809	64,8	
		R'000	7 835	11 984	3 236	53 874	104 266	93,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	52	84	51	606	643	6,1	
		square metres	16 912	24 047	14 626	186 141	176 096	-5,4	
		R'000	161 390	272 984	158 251	1 754 639	1 813 928	3,4	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	100	36	116	1 027	476	-53,7	
		square metres	16 708	8 057	19 881	135 990	84 623	-37,8	
		R'000	147 476	75 922	209 229	1 280 624	837 496	-34,6	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	14 792	10 986	-25,7	
		R'000	0	0	0	165 085	128 626	-22,1	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	316 701	360 890	370 716	3 254 222	2 884 316	-11,4
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 267	7 887	25 734	51 612	74 906	45,1
R'000			34 293	86 757	283 074	531 504	817 987	53,9	
Shopping space		square metres	209 158	2 191	0	483 883	46 353	-90,4	
		R'000	2 300 738	24 101	0	4 568 041	480 299	-89,5	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	10 695	5 128	2 094	131 940	90 560	-31,4	
		R'000	64 170	30 870	14 658	760 800	544 299	-28,5	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	104	10 125	0	16 546	18 969	14,6	
		R'000	1 019	82 013	0	154 180	161 349	4,6	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	2 400 220	223 741	297 732	6 014 525	2 003 934	-66,7	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 027	13 420	12 343	102 543	134 295	31,0
	R'000		138 026	153 365	142 459	1 048 810	1 420 755	35,5	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	5 534	12 830	628	55 527	42 743	-23,0	
		R'000	50 041	155 129	29 934	580 984	468 446	-19,4	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	188 067	308 494	172 393	1 629 794	1 889 201	15,9
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	2 904 988	893 125	840 841	10 898 541	6 777 451	-37,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 25 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: North West

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	23	3	27	298	273	-8,4	
		square metres	1 375	165	1 235	17 398	15 762	-9,4	
		R'000	6 875	730	3 912	77 900	76 702	-1,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	24	37	44	419	531	26,7	
		square metres	5 281	9 208	8 101	87 809	108 369	23,4	
		R'000	31 098	53 918	44 410	465 967	609 533	30,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	138	12	2	380	477	25,5	
		square metres	17 738	1 839	312	39 140	54 031	38,0	
		R'000	89 220	11 207	1 928	209 071	300 768	43,9	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 620	785	1 862	137,2	
		R'000	0	0	8 099	4 651	9 188	97,5	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	127 193	65 855	58 349	757 589	996 191	31,5
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	480	0	6 983	1 909	-72,7
R'000			0	2 400	0	39 978	10 821	-72,9	
Shopping space		square metres	555	4 030	0	28 110	7 805	-72,2	
		R'000	3 523	20 150	0	153 460	41 427	-73,0	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	459	1 515	14 292	9 466	-33,8	
		R'000	0	2 295	7 574	69 248	45 601	-34,1	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	0	659	1 191	6 118	413,7	
		R'000	0	0	3 294	5 955	33 923	469,7	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	3 523	24 845	10 868	268 641	131 772	-50,9	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	733	1 220	575	28 022	47 319	68,9
	R'000		4 215	7 445	3 470	131 968	284 958	115,9	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	689	0	0	11 057	7 280	-34,2	
		R'000	4 874	70	0	68 654	45 077	-34,3	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	9 089	7 515	3 470	200 622	330 035	64,5	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	139 805	98 215	72 687	1 226 852	1 457 998	18,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 26 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Gauteng

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	435	413	394	5 122	3 711	-27,5	
		square metres	22 182	21 534	22 158	253 924	195 814	-22,9	
		R'000	99 767	130 606	128 274	1 094 997	1 142 281	4,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	272	311	323	2 598	2 483	-4,4	
		square metres	91 794	68 487	94 890	850 715	721 366	-15,2	
		R'000	734 583	534 507	764 917	6 613 097	5 764 364	-12,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	495	536	1 571	5 667	6 614	16,7	
		square metres	55 358	71 141	297 689	530 487	1 146 124	116,1	
		R'000	490 116	566 091	2 340 785	4 524 871	9 299 923	105,5	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	128 661	1 260	-99,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	1 359 092	8 807	-99,4	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 324 466	1 231 204	3 233 976	13 592 057	16 215 375	19,3
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	14 243	15 415	30 877	183 093	310 851	69,8
R'000			128 756	164 515	318 702	1 865 894	3 008 137	61,2	
Shopping space		square metres	20 394	1 854	5 499	137 649	64 651	-53,0	
		R'000	180 116	19 094	51 727	1 152 988	603 404	-47,7	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	55 687	42 924	167 787	402 905	458 847	13,9	
		R'000	308 780	215 888	964 429	2 065 348	2 534 561	22,7	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	461	2 748	12 223	57 148	39 920	-30,1	
		R'000	4 829	18 657	87 697	463 610	298 852	-35,5	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	622 481	418 154	1 422 555	5 547 840	6 444 954	16,2	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	24 949	15 109	25 578	189 230	184 912	-2,3
	R'000		179 275	119 211	206 339	1 394 716	1 423 796	2,1	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	12 853	9 826	8 861	61 849	80 945	30,9	
		R'000	93 685	86 021	54 768	541 602	667 212	23,2	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	272 960	205 232	261 107	1 936 318	2 091 008	8,0
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	2 219 907	1 854 590	4 917 638	21 076 215	24 751 337	17,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 27 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Mpumalanga

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	27	33	89	494	327	-33,8	
		square metres	1 563	1 718	4 085	23 689	17 371	-26,7	
		R'000	7 443	8 622	17 989	101 097	85 434	-15,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	32	51	49	315	511	62,2	
		square metres	7 867	17 070	14 748	70 389	127 822	81,6	
		R'000	47 880	95 144	97 751	356 081	744 357	109,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	5	0	0	223	49	-78,0	
		square metres	320	0	0	24 005	2 769	-88,5	
		R'000	1 526	0	0	112 020	17 100	-84,7	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	3 341	0	5 648	..	
		R'000	0	0	25 068	0	40 716	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	56 849	103 766	140 808	569 198	887 607	55,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	398	1 682	2 965	2 336	-21,2	
		R'000	0	1 977	8 353	14 032	11 549	-17,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	1 933	16 180	10 347	-36,1	
		R'000	0	0	9 858	77 259	49 917	-35,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	978	0	765	13 158	13 219	0,5	
		R'000	7 036	0	5 740	66 497	75 377	13,4	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	3 259	2 587	3 473	34,2	
		R'000	0	0	16 621	13 469	17 641	31,0	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	7 036	1 977	40 572	171 257	154 484	-9,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	536	3 132	2 027	22 781	31 136	36,7
R'000			3 721	18 314	11 900	104 678	184 405	76,2	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	3 223	0	4 658	6 775	45,4	
		R'000	550	28 820	8 929	39 489	137 261	247,6	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	4 271	47 134	20 829	144 167	321 666	123,1	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	68 156	152 877	202 209	884 622	1 363 757	54,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Table 28 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Limpopo

			Sep. 2017	Aug. 2018	Sep. 2018	Jan. - Sep. 2017	Jan. - Sep. 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	8	16	10	587	106	-81,9	
		square metres	500	1 028	622	26 793	6 510	-75,7	
		R'000	2 645	5 671	3 432	69 044	34 812	-49,6	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	14	24	30	183	227	24,0	
		square metres	5 050	6 871	6 367	49 339	59 405	20,4	
		R'000	26 252	36 983	33 884	250 413	307 376	22,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	17	20	30	133	102	-23,3	
		square metres	2 989	1 387	1 986	15 825	9 648	-39,0	
		R'000	15 812	8 169	11 047	78 710	52 364	-33,5	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	611	0	6 803	9 667	42,1	
		R'000	0	3 600	0	33 234	53 121	59,8	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	44 709	54 423	48 363	431 401	447 673	3,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	595	0	575	1 917	7 311	281,4	
		R'000	3 148	0	3 172	9 862	38 805	293,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	1 478	11 177	656,2	
		R'000	0	0	0	8 053	58 901	631,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	2 963	1 398	25 814	15 303	-40,7	
		R'000	0	16 347	7 713	128 077	81 046	-36,7	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	2 844	1 234	-56,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	14 627	5 919	-59,5	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	3 148	16 347	10 885	160 619	184 671	15,0
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	193	371	187	2 553	3 340	30,8
R'000			1 021	1 780	1 065	12 429	17 144	37,9	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	0	0	2 373	965	-59,3	
		R'000	0	1 500	2 500	15 702	14 895	-5,1	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 021	3 280	3 565	28 131	32 039	13,9	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	48 878	74 050	62 813	620 151	664 383	7,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.

3/ Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

Explanatory notes

Introduction	1	Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.
	2	In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.
Purpose of the survey	3	The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.
Scope of the survey	4	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings.
Classification	5	Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> , (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
Collection rate	6	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for September 2018 was 96,4%. The improved collection rate for August 2018 was 96,4%.
Statistical unit	7	The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
Survey methodology and design	8	Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.
Constant prices	9	The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2015. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: <i>Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2016=100) are converted to the base year 2015=100.

- Seasonal adjustment** 10 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 11 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at [Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment May 2017](#)
- Trend cycle** 12 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures** 13 Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 14 Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.
- Related publications** 15 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually;
 - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually; and
 - *Building Statistics* (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
- Rounding-off of figures** 16 Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

Symbols and abbreviations

17	..	No meaningful percentage change between two specified periods available since either one or both of the totals are nil
	0	Nil or figure too small to publish.
	*	Revised.
	Stats SA	Statistics South Africa.
	SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.
	ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.

Glossary

Additions and alterations	Extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.
Blocks of flats	High-density housing consisting of a number of self-contained dwelling-units, each with at least one living-room together with a kitchen and bathroom, conjoined to similar units in one building.
Dwelling-house	A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwelling-unit, e.g. granny flat, on the same premises as an existing residence. Out-buildings and garages are included.
Local government institutions	<p>Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District municipalities; • Metropolitan municipalities; and • Local municipalities.
Municipality	A generic term describing the “unit” of government in the local spheres responsible for local government in a geographically demarcated area and including district, metropolitan and local municipalities. It is an institution consisting of a municipal council (elected political representatives) and municipal administration (appointed officials).
District municipality	A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category C municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).
Metropolitan municipality	A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category A municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).
Local municipality	A municipality that shares municipal executive and legislative authority in its area with a district municipality within whose area it falls, which is described in section 155(1) of the constitution as a category B municipality.
Non-residential buildings	Factories and commercial, financial and other office buildings, as well as other buildings not used for residential purposes, such as churches, halls, clubs, schools and hospitals.
Other residential buildings	Institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, old people’s homes, hostels, hotels, motels, guesthouses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation, entertainment centres and casinos.
Percentage change	<p>When using monthly actual values, the percentage change is the change in actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the same month in the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using annual actual values, the percentage change is the change in the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant year compared with the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using seasonally adjusted values, the percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the previous month expressed as a percentage.</p>

Reference period	One calendar month.
Residential buildings	Buildings that are used primarily as residences. Includes dwelling-houses, flats, townhouses and other residential buildings.
Townhouses	Multiple, medium-density dwelling-units including cluster housing, group housing, simplexes, duplexes, triplexes and other similar dwelling-units which are usually grouped together, with one level of each unit on ground level. This category excludes blocks of flats.

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