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## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

### SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDING PLANS PASSED AT CURRENT PRICES

**Table A – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to April 2007 versus January to April 2008**

Estimates at current prices	January to April 2007	January to April 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008	Percentage change between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	13 831 448	13 908 799	77 351	0,6
-Dwelling-houses	9 051 010	8 048 925	-1 002 085	-11,1
-Flats and townhouses	4 406 344	5 425 562	1 019 218	23,1
-Other residential buildings	374 094	434 312	60 218	16,1
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	4 532 976	6 579 541	2 046 565	45,1
Additions and alterations	6 130 178	6 916 054	785 876	12,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>24 494 602</b>	<b>27 404 394</b>	<b>2 909 792</b>	<b>11,9</b>

1/ Apr. 2008 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 increased

*As indicated in Table A, the value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to April 2008 rose by 11,9% (R2 909,8 million) compared with January to April 2007.*

All of the main categories of buildings contributed positively to the 11,9% year-on-year increase recorded for January to April 2008. Non-residential buildings increased by 45,1% (R2 046,6 million), followed by additions and alterations (12,8% or R785,9 million) and residential buildings (0,6% or R77,4 million) (see Table A). The large increase in non-residential buildings during January to April 2008 can mainly be attributed to large increases reported for shopping space in Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Eastern Cape and Western Cape.

**Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to April 2007 versus January to April 2008**

Estimates at current prices	January to April 2007	January to April 2008 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to April 2007	Percentage change between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of building plans passed between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008 2/	Difference in value between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008
	R'000	R'000				R'000
<b>Western Cape</b>	5 453 596	6 006 758	22,3	10,1	2,3	553 162
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	1 315 286	1 041 676	5,4	-20,8	-1,1	-273 610
<b>Northern Cape</b>	148 982	179 983	0,6	20,8	0,1	31 001
<b>Free State</b>	687 792	581 008	2,8	-15,5	-0,4	-106 784
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	3 296 845	5 380 276	13,5	63,2	8,5	2 083 431
<b>North West</b>	1 184 958	779 931	4,8	-34,2	-1,7	-405 027
<b>Gauteng</b>	10 699 989	11 742 296	43,7	9,7	4,3	1 042 307
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	1 247 466	1 178 292	5,1	-5,5	-0,3	-69 174
<b>Limpopo</b>	459 688	514 174	1,9	11,9	0,2	54 486
<b>Total</b>	<b>24 494 602</b>	<b>27 404 394</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>11,9</b>	<b>11,9</b>	<b>2 909 792</b>

1/ Apr. 2008 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 Jan. to Apr. 2007 and Jan. to Apr. 2008 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to Apr. 2007, divided by 100.

Five provinces reported increases in the value of building plans passed (see Table B). The largest contributor to the increase of 11,9% was KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 8,5 percentage points or R2 083,4 million), followed by Gauteng (4,3 percentage points or R1 042,3 million) and Western Cape (2,3 percentage points or R553,2 million).

## SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDING PLANS PASSED AT CONSTANT PRICES

**Table C – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices: January to April 2007 versus January to April 2008**

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to April 2007	January to April 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008	Percentage change between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	8 232 641	7 486 771	-745 870	-9,1
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	2 698 212	3 530 739	832 527	30,9
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	3 648 646	3 736 250	87 604	2,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>14 579 499</b>	<b>14 753 760</b>	<b>174 261</b>	<b>1,2</b>

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### Total real value of recorded building plans passed increased

The real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during January to April 2008 increased by 1,2% (R174,3 million) compared with January to April 2007. Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (30,9% or R832,5 million) and additions and alterations (2,4% or R87,6 million). A decrease of 9,1% (-R745,9 million) was reported for residential buildings.

**Table D – Seasonally adjusted key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices: Current quarter versus previous quarter**

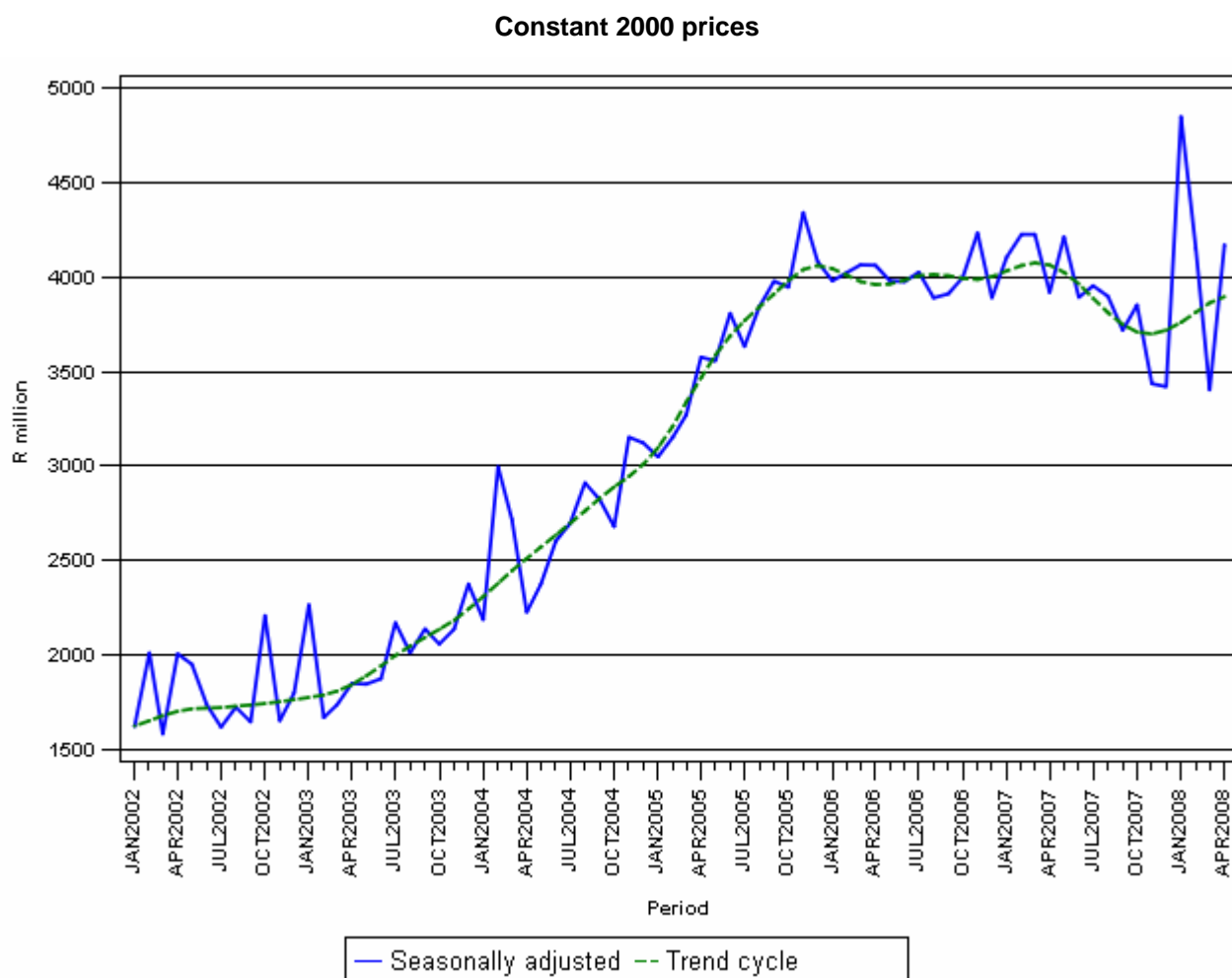
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	November 2007 to January 2008	February to April 2008	Percentage change between November 2007 to January 2008 and February to April 2008
	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	5 586 212	6 532 924	16,9
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	2 705 768	2 399 945	-11,3
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	3 414 783	2 794 089	-18,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 706 763</b>	<b>11 726 958</b>	<b>0,2</b>

### Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed remained constant

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities during the quarter ending April 2008 increased marginally by 0,2% compared with the quarter ending January 2008. An increase was reported for residential buildings (16,9%). This increase was to a large extent counteracted by decreases reported for additions and alterations (-18,2%) and non-residential buildings (-11,3%) (see Table D).

Figure 1 shows both the seasonally adjusted and the trend series for recorded building plans passed at constant 2000 prices between January 2002 and April 2008. The sharp increases in the seasonally adjusted value for January and April 2008 were mainly due to large projects passed for shopping space and additions and alterations to non-residential buildings.

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



## SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDINGS COMPLETED AT CURRENT PRICES

**Table E – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices: January to April 2007 versus January to April 2008**

Estimates at current prices	January to April 2007	January to April 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008	Percentage change between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	8 320 613	8 656 033	335 420	4,0
-Dwelling-houses	5 134 730	5 413 493	278 763	5,4
-Flats and townhouses	2 712 049	3 090 538	378 489	14,0
-Other residential buildings	473 834	152 002	-321 832	-67,9
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	2 775 441	2 885 946	110 505	4,0
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	2 427 026	2 959 222	532 196	21,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 523 080</b>	<b>14 501 201</b>	<b>978 121</b>	<b>7,2</b>

1/ Apr. 2008 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 increased

*As indicated in Table E, the value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to April 2008 increased by 7,2% (R978,1 million) compared with January to April 2007.*

Increases were reported for additions and alterations (21,9% or R532,2 million), residential buildings (4,0% or R335,4 million) and non-residential buildings (4,0% or R110,5 million) during this period.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to April 2007 versus January to April 2008**

Estimates at current prices	January to April 2007	January to April 2008 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to April 2007	Percentage change between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of buildings completed between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008 2/	Difference in value between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008
	R'000	R'000				R'000
<b>Western Cape</b>	3 640 741	3 893 557	26,9	6,9	1,9	252 816
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	416 460	621 427	3,1	49,2	1,5	204 967
<b>Northern Cape</b>	130 495	102 946	1,0	-21,1	-0,2	-27 549
<b>Free State</b>	322 975	271 376	2,4	-16,0	-0,4	-51 599
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	2 186 787	2 281 248	16,2	4,3	0,7	94 461
<b>North West</b>	591 034	549 474	4,4	-7,0	-0,3	-41 560
<b>Gauteng</b>	5 637 799	6 115 498	41,7	8,5	3,5	477 699
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	426 186	504 766	3,2	18,4	0,6	78 580
<b>Limpopo</b>	170 603	160 909	1,3	-5,7	-0,1	-9 694
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 523 080</b>	<b>14 501 201</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>7,2</b>	<b>7,2</b>	<b>978 121</b>

1/ Apr. 2008 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 Jan. to Apr. 2007 and Jan. to Apr. 2008 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during Jan. to Apr. 2007, divided by 100.

Five provinces reported increases in the value of buildings completed. The largest contributor to the increase of 7,2% was Gauteng (3,5 percentage points or R477,7 million), followed by Western Cape (1,9 percentage points or R252,8 million) and Eastern Cape (1,5 percentage points or R205,0 million) (see Table F).

## SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDINGS COMPLETED AT CONSTANT PRICES

**Table G – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices: January to April 2007 versus January to April 2008**

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to April 2007	January to April 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008	Percentage change between January to April 2007 and January to April 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	5 290 841	4 987 777	-303 064	-5,7
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	1 894 117	1 783 352	-110 765	-5,8
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	1 617 407	1 762 507	145 100	9,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8 802 365</b>	<b>8 533 636</b>	<b>-268 729</b>	<b>-3,1</b>

1/ Apr. 2008 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

### Total real value of buildings reported as completed decreased

As indicated in Table G, the real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during January to April 2008 decreased by 3,1% (-R268,7 million) compared with January to April 2007. Decreases in the real value of buildings completed were reported for non-residential buildings (-5,8% or -R110,8 million) and residential buildings (-5,7% or -R303,1 million). However, an increase of 9,0% (R145,1 million) was reported for additions and alterations during the above-mentioned period.

**Table H – Seasonally adjusted key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to large municipalities at constant 2000 prices: Current quarter versus previous quarter**

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	November 2007 to January 2008	February to April 2008	Percentage change between November 2007 to January 2008 and February to April 2008
	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	4 104 293	4 458 498	8,6
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	1 446 057	1 386 599	-4,1
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	1 161 430	1 474 137	26,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 711 780</b>	<b>7 319 234</b>	<b>9,1</b>

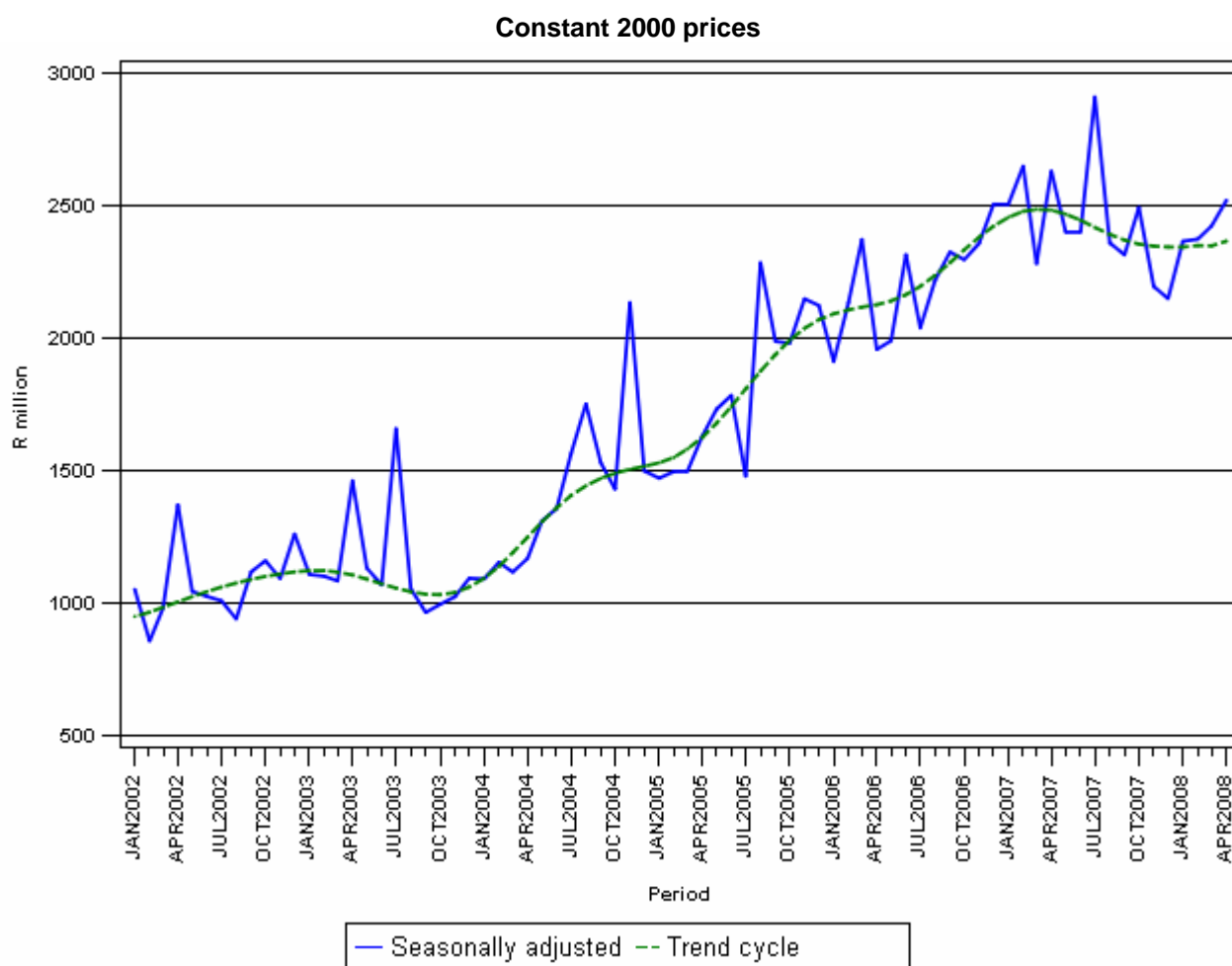
### Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities during the quarter ending April 2008 increased by 9,1% compared with the quarter ending January 2008. The biggest increase was reported for additions and alterations (26,9%), followed by residential buildings (8,6%). A decrease was reported for non-residential buildings (-4,1%) (see Table H).



Figure 2 shows both the seasonally adjusted and trend series for buildings reported as completed to municipalities at constant 2000 prices between January 2002 and April 2008.

**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		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/
2007	January	2 827 517	10,5	987 578	26,9	1 346 316	23,4	5 161 411	16,6
	February	3 522 549	10,4	1 365 860	44,9	1 623 501	12,4	6 511 910	16,8
	March	3 984 514	32,8	995 325	-19,8	1 576 921	1,2	6 556 760	13,0
	April	3 496 868	26,5	1 184 213	-29,6	1 583 440	14,3	6 264 521	7,4
	May	4 442 501	22,8	1 461 981	16,6	2 117 343	14,7	8 021 825	19,4
	June	3 919 860	2,5	1 427 671	45,2	1 729 470	4,2	7 077 001	9,4
	July	4 165 556	6,3	1 397 269	-3,2	2 230 946	20,9	7 793 771	8,1
	August	3 983 237	-0,9	1 707 558	15,5	2 197 822	30,0	7 888 617	9,7
	September	3 553 483	-5,5	1 494 949	36,5	1 696 134	-3,5	6 744 566	2,0
	October	4 001 808	2,6	1 524 115	-12,6	2 383 645	29,8	7 909 568	5,7
	November	3 508 017	-12,7	1 005 570	-27,2	1 863 343	0,9	6 376 930	-12,0
	December	2 436 011	-9,5	1 123 502	3,9	1 341 123	-6,8	4 900 636	-6,0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>43 841 921</b>	<b>6,2</b>	<b>15 675 591</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>21 690 004</b>	<b>11,8</b>	<b>81 207 516</b>	<b>7,2</b>
2008	January*	2 752 957	-2,6	1 786 132	80,9	2 090 231	55,3	6 629 320	28,4
	February*	4 169 335	18,4	1 073 773	-21,4	1 823 363	12,3	7 066 471	8,5
	March	3 342 972	-16,1	1 130 738	13,6	1 380 393	-12,5	5 854 103	-10,7
	April 2/	3 643 535	4,2	2 588 898	118,6	1 622 067	2,4	7 854 500	25,4

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

\*Revised.

**Table 2 – Seasonally adjusted values 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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	3 775 690	7,9	1 299 874	-1,8	1 813 156	8,1	6 888 720	6,0
	February	3 764 985	-0,3	1 595 251	22,7	1 732 958	-4,4	7 093 194	3,0
	March	4 442 374	18,0	1 025 983	-35,7	1 657 024	-4,4	7 125 381	0,5
	April	3 909 603	-12,0	976 372	-4,8	1 798 334	8,5	6 684 309	-6,2
	May	3 934 204	0,6	1 458 908	49,4	1 913 428	6,4	7 306 540	9,3
	June	3 663 678	-6,9	1 416 646	-2,9	1 702 775	-11,0	6 783 099	-7,2
	July	3 674 840	0,3	1 246 611	-12,0	1 989 924	16,9	6 911 375	1,9
	August	3 556 394	-3,2	1 325 260	6,3	1 956 928	-1,7	6 838 582	-1,1
	September	3 264 955	-8,2	1 609 899	21,5	1 675 131	-14,4	6 549 985	-4,2
	October	3 552 906	8,8	1 315 085	-18,3	1 976 293	18,0	6 844 284	4,5
	November	3 226 776	-9,2	1 123 736	-14,6	1 774 616	-10,2	6 125 128	-10,5
	December	3 176 060	-1,6	1 417 805	26,2	1 561 202	-12,0	6 155 067	0,5
2008	January	3 648 268	14,9	2 335 913	64,8	2 804 789	79,7	8 788 970	42,8
	February	4 460 079	22,3	1 251 229	-46,4	1 956 137	-30,3	7 667 445	-12,8
	March	3 749 510	-15,9	1 200 127	-4,1	1 465 023	-25,1	6 414 660	-16,3
	April	4 080 007	8,8	2 066 949	72,2	1 840 499	25,6	7 987 455	24,5
	Nov.07 - Jan.08	10 051 104		4 877 454		6 140 607		21 069 165	
	Feb. - Apr.08 2/	12 289 596	22,3	4 518 305	-7,4	5 261 659	-14,3	22 069 560	4,7

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

**Table 3 – Values and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices by type of building**

Year and month		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/
2007	January	1 691 099	-1,5	590 657	13,1	805 213	10,0	3 086 969	3,9
	February	2 110 575	-0,9	818 370	30,1	972 739	0,9	3 901 684	4,8
	March	2 378 814	19,0	594 224	-28,2	941 445	-9,3	3 914 483	1,3
	April	2 052 153	12,5	694 961	-37,4	929 249	1,6	3 676 363	-4,5
	May	2 567 920	9,0	845 076	3,5	1 223 898	1,8	4 636 894	6,0
	June	2 247 626	-8,2	818 619	30,2	991 669	-6,6	4 057 914	-2,0
	July	2 374 889	-3,9	796 619	-12,5	1 271 919	9,3	4 443 427	-2,2
	August	2 251 689	-9,2	965 267	5,9	1 242 409	19,2	4 459 365	0,6
	September	2 008 752	-13,0	845 081	25,6	958 809	-11,2	3 812 642	-6,1
	October	2 246 944	-5,8	855 764	-19,7	1 338 375	19,1	4 441 083	-2,9
	November	1 967 480	-19,1	563 976	-32,6	1 045 061	-6,5	3 576 517	-18,5
	December	1 361 661	-16,0	628 006	-3,5	749 650	-13,5	2 739 317	-12,7
	<b>Total</b>	<b>25 259 602</b>	<b>-3,5</b>	<b>9 016 620</b>	<b>-5,9</b>	<b>12 470 436</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>46 746 658</b>	<b>-2,7</b>
2008	January*	1 524 339	-9,9	988 999	67,4	1 157 382	43,7	3 670 720	18,9
	February*	2 272 117	7,7	585 162	-28,5	993 658	2,2	3 850 937	-1,3
	March	1 787 686	-24,8	604 673	1,8	738 178	-21,6	3 130 537	-20,0
	April 2/	1 902 629	-7,3	1 351 905	94,5	847 032	-8,8	4 101 566	11,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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**Table 4 – Seasonally adjusted values and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices by type of building**

Year and month		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/
2007	January	2 249 190	7,6	775 142	-2,0	1 081 852	7,3	4 106 184	5,5
	February	2 240 491	-0,4	954 550	23,1	1 031 626	-4,6	4 226 667	2,9
	March	2 642 204	17,9	605 041	-36,6	978 991	-5,1	4 226 236	-0,0
	April	2 287 277	-13,4	576 839	-4,7	1 054 755	7,7	3 918 871	-7,3
	May	2 268 561	-0,8	841 238	45,8	1 103 331	4,6	4 213 130	7,5
	June	2 102 252	-7,3	812 783	-3,4	978 316	-11,3	3 893 351	-7,6
	July	2 101 192	-0,1	713 171	-12,3	1 139 970	16,5	3 954 333	1,6
	August	2 027 460	-3,5	755 046	5,9	1 116 146	-2,1	3 898 652	-1,4
	September	1 854 943	-8,5	912 858	20,9	951 135	-14,8	3 718 936	-4,6
	October	2 002 535	8,0	738 971	-19,0	1 111 664	16,9	3 853 170	3,6
	November	1 812 573	-9,5	628 970	-14,9	994 592	-10,5	3 436 135	-10,8
	December	1 761 968	-2,8	787 289	25,2	871 133	-12,4	3 420 390	-0,5
2008	January	2 011 671	14,2	1 289 509	63,8	1 549 058	77,8	4 850 238	41,8
	February	2 412 397	19,9	680 862	-47,2	1 058 673	-31,7	4 151 932	-14,4
	March	1 996 971	-17,2	631 865	-7,2	774 999	-26,8	3 403 835	-18,0
	April	2 123 556	6,3	1 087 218	72,1	960 417	23,9	4 171 191	22,5
	Nov.07 - Jan.08	5 586 212		2 705 768		3 414 783		11 706 763	
	Feb. - Apr.08 2/	6 532 924	16,9	2 399 945	-11,3	2 794 089	-18,2	11 726 958	0,2

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

**Table 5 – Values 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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	1 643 461	30,6	483 947	52,8	637 592	56,7	2 765 000	39,5
	February	2 220 763	25,3	884 589	116,4	564 618	2,1	3 669 970	34,2
	March	2 106 924	-0,3	778 599	18,7	668 881	13,5	3 554 404	5,8
	April	2 349 465	34,4	628 306	134,1	555 935	23,4	3 533 706	43,2
	May	2 684 077	34,9	713 817	40,0	587 834	2,1	3 985 728	29,6
	June	2 576 642	11,6	580 714	19,5	659 194	16,2	3 816 550	13,5
	July	2 781 646	22,6	1 108 133	232,1	720 746	29,9	4 610 525	46,1
	August	2 668 958	12,2	560 927	13,9	782 187	40,3	4 012 072	17,0
	September	2 340 305	-7,9	943 457	133,0	677 900	1,8	3 961 662	9,7
	October	2 524 579	6,5	1 216 247	58,3	844 411	40,0	4 585 237	22,5
	November	2 705 875	2,2	698 089	7,2	897 925	5,2	4 301 889	3,6
	December	2 516 899	-5,9	624 843	15,3	440 298	-19,3	3 582 040	-4,8
	<b>Total</b>	<b>29 119 594</b>	<b>11,7</b>	<b>9 221 668</b>	<b>57,9</b>	<b>8 037 521</b>	<b>16,1</b>	<b>46 378 783</b>	<b>19,4</b>
2008	January	1 605 221	-2,3	673 686	39,2	606 948	-4,8	2 885 855	4,4
	February*	2 129 212	-4,1	619 227	-30,0	903 748	60,1	3 652 187	-0,5
	March	2 466 263	17,1	944 060	21,3	780 945	16,8	4 191 268	17,9
	April 2/	2 455 337	4,5	648 973	3,3	667 581	20,1	3 771 891	6,7

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

\* Revised.

**Table 6 – Seasonally adjusted values 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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	2 411 365	-2,2	574 497	-10,7	725 318	15,0	3 711 180	-0,7
	February	2 546 337	5,6	923 486	60,7	586 671	-19,1	4 056 494	9,3
	March	2 261 093	-11,2	634 985	-31,2	656 370	11,9	3 552 448	-12,4
	April	2 613 951	15,6	842 771	32,7	654 140	-0,3	4 110 862	15,7
	May	2 603 233	-0,4	622 713	-26,1	560 274	-14,3	3 786 220	-7,9
	June	2 571 352	-1,2	593 021	-4,8	660 692	17,9	3 825 065	1,0
	July	2 556 422	-0,6	1 367 203	130,5	711 699	7,7	4 635 324	21,2
	August	2 466 050	-3,5	623 298	-54,4	763 554	7,3	3 852 902	-16,9
	September	2 208 326	-10,5	861 847	38,3	661 546	-13,4	3 731 719	-3,1
	October	2 425 032	9,8	849 009	-1,5	773 212	16,9	4 047 253	8,5
	November	2 212 672	-8,8	672 688	-20,8	731 649	-5,4	3 617 009	-10,6
	December	2 301 667	4,0	760 891	13,1	507 305	-30,7	3 569 863	-1,3
2008	January	2 376 357	3,2	817 737	7,5	694 924	37,0	3 889 018	8,9
	February	2 437 486	2,6	644 157	-21,2	945 836	36,1	4 027 479	3,6
	March	2 646 575	8,6	752 518	16,8	759 472	-19,7	4 158 565	3,3
	April	2 733 851	3,3	857 827	14,0	783 199	3,1	4 374 877	5,2
	Nov.07 - Jan.08	6 890 696		2 251 316		1 933 878		11 075 890	
	Feb. - Apr.08 2/	7 817 912	13,5	2 254 502	0,1	2 488 507	28,7	12 560 921	13,4

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

Table 7 – Values and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices by type of building

Year and month		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/
2007	January	1 061 053	21,2	332 381	43,0	427 914	48,2	1 821 348	30,4
	February	1 412 524	15,0	604 227	102,6	376 915	-3,8	2 393 666	24,8
	March	1 331 570	-8,7	530 381	11,1	445 624	7,5	2 307 575	-1,8
	April	1 485 694	23,7	427 128	119,9	366 954	16,7	2 279 776	33,4
	May	1 670 485	22,7	483 616	31,8	382 704	-4,6	2 536 805	19,2
	June	1 598 013	1,2	392 640	12,4	421 749	7,0	2 412 402	3,9
	July	1 701 322	10,9	743 713	214,1	454 443	19,3	2 899 478	34,7
	August	1 613 224	0,6	374 451	7,3	482 236	26,6	2 469 911	5,9
	September	1 413 750	-17,2	628 552	120,6	416 400	-8,2	2 458 702	0,5
	October	1 503 001	-5,0	802 803	49,8	516 459	26,0	2 822 263	11,6
	November	1 591 397	-9,1	454 485	0,1	543 538	-6,0	2 589 420	-7,0
	December	1 467 797	-16,2	399 772	6,2	265 080	-28,2	2 132 649	-14,6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>17 849 830</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>6 174 149</b>	<b>48,6</b>	<b>5 100 016</b>	<b>6,8</b>	<b>29 123 995</b>	<b>9,6</b>
2008	January	931 131	-12,2	424 770	27,8	363 007	-15,2	1 718 908	-5,6
	February*	1 228 566	-13,0	381 768	-36,8	541 491	43,7	2 151 825	-10,1
	March	1 425 050	7,0	579 889	9,3	466 236	4,6	2 471 175	7,1
	April 2/	1 403 030	-5,6	396 925	-7,1	391 773	6,8	2 191 728	-3,9

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

\*Revised.



**Table 8 – Seasonally adjusted values and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices by type of building**

Year and month		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/
2007	January	1 622 592	-0,7	396 459	-11,5	486 275	14,7	2 505 326	-0,0
	February	1 624 914	0,1	634 116	59,9	391 000	-19,6	2 650 030	5,8
	March	1 414 336	-13,0	432 420	-31,8	434 288	11,1	2 281 044	-13,9
	April	1 626 751	15,0	574 016	32,7	431 063	-0,7	2 631 830	15,4
	May	1 615 052	-0,7	420 181	-26,8	365 314	-15,3	2 400 547	-8,8
	June	1 580 197	-2,2	397 761	-5,3	422 681	15,7	2 400 639	-0,0
	July	1 545 630	-2,2	915 935	130,3	450 236	6,5	2 911 801	21,3
	August	1 469 371	-4,9	416 333	-54,5	474 513	5,4	2 360 217	-18,9
	September	1 334 609	-9,2	572 758	37,6	407 815	-14,1	2 315 182	-1,9
	October	1 459 849	9,4	560 984	-2,1	473 375	16,1	2 494 208	7,7
	November	1 313 952	-10,0	438 949	-21,8	442 466	-6,5	2 195 367	-12,0
	December	1 357 543	3,3	488 562	11,3	303 763	-31,3	2 149 868	-2,1
2008	January	1 432 798	5,5	518 546	6,1	415 201	36,7	2 366 545	10,1
	February	1 410 554	-1,6	398 060	-23,2	565 484	36,2	2 374 098	0,3
	March	1 511 823	7,2	462 381	16,2	449 987	-20,4	2 424 191	2,1
	April	1 536 121	1,6	526 158	13,8	458 666	1,9	2 520 945	4,0
	Nov.07 - Jan.08	4 104 293		1 446 057		1 161 430		6 711 780	
	Feb. - Apr.08 2/	4 458 498	8,6	1 386 599	-4,1	1 474 137	26,9	7 319 234	9,1

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

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2 798	3 074	1 437	11 296	7 343	-35,0
		square metres	123 989	141 589	73 675	492 966	356 139	-27,8
		R'000	257 118	286 863	190 882	1 015 082	797 657	-21,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	2 497	2 058	2 013	10 248	7 775	-24,1
		square metres	613 768	536 645	518 742	2 522 249	1 998 554	-20,8
		R'000	1 937 153	1 932 514	1 909 781	8 035 928	7 251 268	-9,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	2 594	2 593	2 823	10 511	11 335	7,8
		square metres	338 960	282 997	359 743	1 297 601	1 333 337	2,8
		R'000	1 147 156	1 085 579	1 478 690	4 406 344	5 425 562	23,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	42 969	8 568	16 242	108 652	105 735	-2,7
		R'000	155 441	38 016	64 182	374 094	434 312	16,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	3 496 868	3 342 972	3 643 535	13 831 448	13 908 799	0,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	84 035	80 509	128 699	301 329	297 458	-1,3
		R'000	377 028	363 319	548 577	1 213 421	1 282 179	5,7
	2. Shopping space	square metres	88 187	87 618	227 760	320 868	631 712	96,9
		R'000	332 650	330 622	1 102 758	1 084 492	2 834 301	161,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	188 671	155 833	242 058	690 887	714 890	3,5
		R'000	432 056	409 989	732 902	1 893 569	2 132 468	12,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	14 201	8 732	45 528	98 831	86 009	-13,0
		R'000	42 479	26 808	204 661	341 494	330 593	-3,2
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 184 213	1 130 738	2 588 898	4 532 976	6 579 541	45,1
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	384 923	324 663	325 056	1 566 063	1 312 196
R'000			1 127 502	1 078 773	1 099 908	4 676 598	4 443 532	-5,0
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	118 332	79 449	118 667	365 285	574 691	57,3
		R'000	455 938	301 620	522 159	1 453 580	2 472 522	70,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 583 440	1 380 393	1 622 067	6 130 178	6 916 054	12,8
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	6 264 521	5 854 103	7 854 500	24 494 602	27 404 394	11,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	173	297	435	967	1 456	50,6
		square metres	7 881	14 620	22 353	44 249	71 591	61,8
		R'000	13 694	35 048	49 213	88 813	138 953	56,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	537	456	488	2 306	1 887	-18,2
		square metres	135 330	130 154	117 042	550 180	475 961	-13,5
		R'000	460 946	465 995	428 523	1 833 472	1 760 825	-4,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	372	388	385	1 865	2 674	43,4
		square metres	34 981	33 814	39 703	198 227	281 019	41,8
		R'000	114 055	122 611	156 246	712 594	1 034 865	45,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	8 270	4 652	4 457	43 052	9 554	-77,8
		R'000	29 667	17 217	13 845	155 724	32 751	-79,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	618 362	640 871	647 827	2 790 603	2 967 394	6,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	6 886	14 904	33 658	97 418	63 732	-34,6
		R'000	25 264	58 254	135 683	324 919	251 302	-22,7
	2. Shopping space	square metres	8 209	31 431	21 054	34 642	66 260	91,3
		R'000	27 807	121 142	76 717	111 010	252 434	127,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	57 733	44 189	64 808	164 246	221 024	34,6
		R'000	96 075	106 886	219 397	424 735	709 710	67,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 479	3 436	35 078	30 842	48 505	57,3
		R'000	8 866	9 713	161 638	94 319	193 551	105,2
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	158 012	295 995	593 435	954 983	1 406 997	47,3
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	113 799	91 713	96 697	449 099	352 480
R'000			314 961	293 474	316 523	1 271 302	1 137 213	-10,5
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	37 052	9 631	39 081	100 749	107 219	6,4
		R'000	148 378	47 583	175 199	436 708	495 154	13,4
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	463 339	341 057	491 722	1 708 010	1 632 367	-4,4
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 239 713	1 277 923	1 732 984	5 453 596	6 006 758	10,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	83	116	22	363	227	-37,5
		square metres	3 715	4 893	1 185	16 103	10 189	-36,7
		R'000	4 226	5 608	2 698	19 777	16 257	-17,8
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	178	96	89	618	336	-45,6
		square metres	47 174	23 827	23 474	159 653	94 844	-40,6
		R'000	139 997	67 776	75 976	444 704	312 305	-29,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	118	4	1	246	5	-98,0
		square metres	20 904	498	128	42 570	626	-98,5
		R'000	56 034	1 263	230	106 187	1 493	-98,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	18 457	1 455	108	21 118	1 563	-92,6
		R'000	49 502	3 927	211	55 112	4 138	-92,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	249 759	78 574	79 115	625 780	334 193	-46,6
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	3 832	3 435	11 008	8 879	14 443
R'000			10 545	8 389	33 090	24 437	41 479	69,7
2. Shopping space		square metres	2 392	0	14 513	78 177	100 012	27,9
		R'000	5 933	0	41 819	197 646	403 944	104,4
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	7 156	2 720	5 344	21 115	19 099	-9,5
		R'000	14 923	6 558	10 408	53 557	42 201	-21,2
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	887	1 693	428	2 667	2 759	3,4
		R'000	2 395	5 268	1 054	6 813	8 005	17,5
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	33 796	20 215	86 371	282 453	495 629	75,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	33 462	22 103	15 261	132 787	68 511	-48,4
		R'000	77 539	56 854	36 930	339 820	173 268	-49,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	14 675	3 280	3 373	24 840	13 035	-47,5
		R'000	37 278	6 989	9 202	67 233	38 586	-42,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	114 817	63 843	46 132	407 053	211 854	-48,0
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	398 372	162 632	211 618	1 315 286	1 041 676	-20,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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**

			Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	3	26	10	-61,5
		square metres	0	0	183	1 354	461	-66,0
		R'000	0	0	659	4 375	1 128	-74,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	25	12	19	172	78	-54,7
		square metres	4 598	2 812	3 519	27 175	16 187	-40,4
		R'000	14 076	9 131	10 967	71 891	51 139	-28,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	6	99	0	14	112	700,0
		square metres	325	5 609	0	1 756	7 642	335,2
		R'000	1 138	14 514	0	5 286	20 206	282,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	240	0	2 407	
		R'000	0	0	720	0	8 305	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	15 214	23 645	12 346	81 552	80 778	-0,9
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	1 411	0	1 078	4 561	323,1
		R'000	0	3 723	0	2 587	13 113	406,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	96	0	317	4 946	2 940	-40,6
		R'000	344	0	1 141	8 844	9 657	9,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 915	509	932	2 990	3 291	10,1
		R'000	4 596	1 120	2 610	6 488	8 805	35,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	710	276	364	849	1 217	43,3
		R'000	2 130	607	1 019	2 403	3 241	34,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	7 070	5 450	4 770	20 322	34 816	71,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 960	4 882	4 205	18 241	18 683	2,4
		R'000	14 520	14 922	12 420	41 045	56 003	36,4
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	650	1 455	349	1 841	2 718	47,6
		R'000	1 889	4 154	1 472	6 063	8 386	38,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	16 409	19 076	13 892	47 108	64 389	36,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	38 693	48 171	31 008	148 982	179 983	20,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	50	12	11	144	46	-68,1
		square metres	2 755	802	654	7 686	2 923	-62,0
		R'000	4 537	1 882	1 655	12 540	6 857	-45,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	77	95	79	449	382	-14,9
		square metres	16 794	24 472	18 659	97 146	94 241	-3,0
		R'000	38 304	74 330	56 352	237 343	273 870	15,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	98	8	24	495	134	-72,9
		square metres	9 653	933	4 170	52 237	16 601	-68,2
		R'000	31 739	2 619	11 708	144 406	46 312	-67,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	907	220	0	12 540	278	-97,8
		R'000	3 628	792	0	41 707	920	-97,8
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	78 208	79 623	69 715	435 996	327 959	-24,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	225	3 649	2 844	5 280	7 511	42,3
		R'000	672	12 609	9 423	18 870	24 493	29,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	431	162	3 842	2 111	4 998	136,8
		R'000	1 100	486	12 737	7 148	16 379	129,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 637	967	4 256	13 765	7 295	-47,0
		R'000	5 920	2 722	11 083	25 479	19 180	-24,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	369	1 306	4 441	240,0
		R'000	0	0	1 158	3 246	14 173	336,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	7 692	15 817	34 401	54 743	74 225	35,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 297	14 065	10 602	62 215	53 968	-13,3
		R'000	31 783	34 961	28 595	147 066	134 796	-8,3
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 982	1 998	326	13 012	8 672	-33,4
		R'000	11 177	10 333	2 729	49 987	44 028	-11,9
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	42 960	45 294	31 324	197 053	178 824	-9,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	128 860	140 734	135 440	687 792	581 008	-15,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	78	69	60	351	273	-22,2
		square metres	4 330	3 938	3 546	19 684	15 519	-21,2
		R'000	12 695	12 579	13 462	61 499	59 495	-3,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	215	185	206	831	774	-6,9
		square metres	47 903	58 046	66 590	188 953	233 773	23,7
		R'000	172 396	261 152	324 928	675 077	1 076 646	59,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	374	267	545	2 122	2 156	1,6
		square metres	48 121	46 955	124 290	228 587	323 577	41,6
		R'000	192 526	188 988	587 660	838 987	1 603 916	91,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	14 542	1 497	8 291	16 214	11 374	-29,9
		R'000	67 665	13 473	39 803	73 975	61 026	-17,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	445 282	476 192	965 853	1 649 538	2 801 083	69,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	23 725	17 509	27 901	40 484	70 545	74,3
		R'000	101 937	82 063	98 066	171 522	296 843	73,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	17 286	1 151	4 640	36 210	109 697	202,9
		R'000	39 925	3 485	22 527	114 072	553 341	385,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	51 545	44 269	41 643	126 597	167 833	32,6
		R'000	123 445	113 487	131 800	335 012	488 082	45,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 349	1 670	2 510	20 522	8 659	-57,8
		R'000	3 372	5 981	9 880	74 973	36 354	-51,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	268 679	205 016	262 273	695 579	1 374 620	97,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	39 664	39 552	48 407	191 314	201 940	5,6
		R'000	130 105	164 059	199 935	660 979	837 989	26,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	21 057	10 391	9 999	75 953	87 677	15,4
		R'000	63 182	47 403	42 982	290 749	366 584	26,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	193 287	211 462	242 917	951 728	1 204 573	26,6
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	907 248	892 670	1 471 043	3 296 845	5 380 276	63,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	157	31	108	1 576	255	-83,8
		square metres	7 549	1 696	5 705	61 652	15 018	-75,6
		R'000	9 390	3 675	12 671	73 322	30 718	-58,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	181	180	225	851	730	-14,2
		square metres	41 495	39 265	42 916	189 964	145 479	-23,4
		R'000	113 854	114 043	111 551	524 026	383 362	-26,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	298	146	83	906	428	-52,8
		square metres	30 927	18 883	6 594	112 853	45 514	-59,7
		R'000	71 642	61 022	16 621	281 930	130 381	-53,8
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 958	3 081	2 464	-20,0
		R'000	0	0	6 853	9 985	7 934	-20,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	194 886	178 740	147 696	889 263	552 395	-37,9
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	2 337	2 193	2 075	8 003	15 704	96,2
		R'000	4 594	5 745	7 157	22 363	44 923	100,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	4 805	517	1 798	25 737	16 494	-35,9
		R'000	9 267	931	5 000	73 435	43 137	-41,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	9 892	1 300	6 021	24 381	11 383	-53,3
		R'000	15 378	4 550	6 770	46 625	16 799	-64,0
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 919	1 372	588	9 937	1 960	-80,3
		R'000	4 501	3 962	1 050	27 279	5 012	-81,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	33 740	15 188	19 977	169 702	109 871	-35,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 484	8 656	12 724	48 218	42 088	-12,7
		R'000	20 973	18 354	25 805	105 878	90 175	-14,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	289	3 335	761	6 047	10 117	67,3
		R'000	648	11 930	3 210	20 115	27 490	36,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	21 621	30 284	29 015	125 993	117 665	-6,6
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	250 247	224 212	196 688	1 184 958	779 931	-34,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\*Revised.



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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses &lt; 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	2 201	2 343	689	7 257	4 651	-35,9
		<b>square metres</b>	94 027	105 396	34 386	313 661	217 755	-30,6
		<b>R'000</b>	202 505	209 930	100 587	695 923	499 457	-28,2
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses &gt;= 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	959	838	717	3 809	2 805	-26,4
		<b>square metres</b>	252 068	210 237	204 520	1 031 167	756 917	-26,6
		<b>R'000</b>	823 709	805 639	772 747	3 479 664	2 851 595	-18,0
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	1 144	1 483	1 463	4 093	5 100	24,6
		<b>square metres</b>	172 144	150 713	162 020	577 695	590 178	2,2
		<b>R'000</b>	611 280	630 459	631 657	2 079 715	2 390 805	15,0
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>square metres</b>	793	0	0	2 493	70 762	2 738,4
		<b>R'000</b>	4 979	0	0	12 191	300 815	2 367,5
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 642 473</b>	<b>1 646 028</b>	<b>1 504 991</b>	<b>6 267 493</b>	<b>6 042 672</b>	<b>-3,6</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>square metres</b>	44 948	28 692	50 988	127 081	101 910	-19,8
		<b>R'000</b>	229 313	162 262	264 618	613 283	547 870	-10,7
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>square metres</b>	48 010	30 194	180 422	118 761	236 798	99,4
		<b>R'000</b>	221 473	145 754	939 190	515 565	1 177 724	128,4
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>square metres</b>	41 544	57 416	103 602	283 352	247 090	-12,8
		<b>R'000</b>	130 087	162 676	306 072	805 983	742 678	-7,9
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>square metres</b>	3 951	156	4 895	27 419	7 549	-72,5
		<b>R'000</b>	15 920	827	25 645	118 226	35 776	-69,7
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>596 793</b>	<b>471 519</b>	<b>1 535 525</b>	<b>2 053 057</b>	<b>2 504 048</b>	<b>22,0</b>
<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>square metres</b>	149 558	118 555	111 053	555 540	478 275	-13,9
		<b>R'000</b>	484 450	430 548	416 221	1 844 506	1 759 342	-4,6
	<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>	<b>square metres</b>	39 510	45 999	60 993	124 831	328 628	163,3
		<b>R'000</b>	187 711	162 304	278 133	534 933	1 436 234	168,5
	<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>672 161</b>	<b>592 852</b>	<b>694 354</b>	<b>2 379 439</b>	<b>3 195 576</b>	<b>34,3</b>
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 911 427</b>	<b>2 710 399</b>	<b>3 734 870</b>	<b>10 699 989</b>	<b>11 742 296</b>	<b>9,7</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses &lt; 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	33	196	100	454	370	-18,5
		<b>square metres</b>	2 251	9 578	5 106	18 542	19 155	3,3
		<b>R'000</b>	5 757	16 079	8 052	32 206	35 314	9,7
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses &gt;= 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	247	115	104	871	479	-45,0
		<b>square metres</b>	55 115	30 115	25 323	209 474	117 970	-43,7
		<b>R'000</b>	135 325	82 069	74 877	585 298	345 342	-41,0
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	141	25	205	530	353	-33,4
		<b>square metres</b>	15 297	4 577	15 078	55 465	29 239	-47,3
		<b>R'000</b>	52 289	11 565	54 410	167 778	94 038	-44,0
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>square metres</b>	0	744	764	3 889	1 508	-61,2
		<b>R'000</b>	0	2 607	1 902	10 918	4 509	-58,7
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>193 371</b>	<b>112 320</b>	<b>139 241</b>	<b>796 200</b>	<b>479 203</b>	<b>-39,8</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>square metres</b>	2 082	5 886	0	11 289	11 532	2,2
		<b>R'000</b>	4 703	24 615	0	30 770	44 794	45,6
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>square metres</b>	6 536	14 163	1 174	11 210	74 507	564,6
		<b>R'000</b>	25 873	36 824	3 627	40 046	333 294	732,3
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>square metres</b>	11 509	2 797	15 187	43 015	30 890	-28,2
		<b>R'000</b>	29 812	7 604	44 112	167 300	87 342	-47,8
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>square metres</b>	573	129	676	2 119	3 043	43,6
		<b>R'000</b>	2 189	450	1 853	6 631	9 883	49,0
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>62 577</b>	<b>69 493</b>	<b>49 592</b>	<b>244 747</b>	<b>475 313</b>	<b>94,2</b>
<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>square metres</b>	11 532	18 148	18 800	67 748	66 654	-1,6
		<b>R'000</b>	30 958	47 595	45 043	168 121	179 682	6,9
	<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>	<b>square metres</b>	992	2 445	1 102	13 804	11 371	-17,6
		<b>R'000</b>	3 001	9 088	2 980	38 398	44 094	14,8
	<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>33 959</b>	<b>56 683</b>	<b>48 023</b>	<b>206 519</b>	<b>223 776</b>	<b>8,4</b>
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>289 907</b>	<b>238 496</b>	<b>236 856</b>	<b>1 247 466</b>	<b>1 178 292</b>	<b>-5,5</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\*Revised.

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

			Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	23	10	9	158	55	-65,2
		square metres	1 481	666	557	10 035	3 528	-64,8
		R'000	4 314	2 062	1 885	26 627	9 478	-64,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	78	81	86	341	304	-10,9
		square metres	13 291	17 717	16 699	68 537	63 182	-7,8
		R'000	38 546	52 379	53 860	184 453	196 184	6,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	43	173	117	240	373	55,4
		square metres	6 608	21 015	7 760	28 211	38 941	38,0
		R'000	16 453	52 538	20 158	69 461	103 546	49,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	424	6 265	5 825	-7,0
		R'000	0	0	848	14 482	13 914	-3,9
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	59 313	106 979	76 751	295 023	323 122	9,5
2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 830	225	1 817	7 520	313,9
		R'000	0	5 659	540	4 670	17 362	271,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	422	10 000	0	9 074	20 006	120,5
		R'000	928	22 000	0	16 726	44 391	165,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 740	1 666	265	11 426	6 985	-38,9
		R'000	11 820	4 386	650	28 390	17 671	-37,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 333	0	620	3 170	7 876	148,5
		R'000	3 106	0	1 364	7 604	24 598	223,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	15 854	32 045	2 554	57 390	104 022	81,3
3. Flats and townhouses	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 167	6 989	7 307	40 901	29 597	-27,6
		R'000	22 213	18 006	18 436	97 881	75 064	-23,3
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 125	915	2 683	4 208	5 254	24,9
		R'000	2 674	1 836	6 252	9 394	11 966	27,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	24 887	19 842	24 688	107 275	87 030	-18,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	100 054	158 866	103 993	459 688	514 174	11,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 431	2 530	1 706	8 295	6 998	-15,6
		square metres	64 677	105 705	77 798	342 366	307 880	-10,1
		R'000	125 049	160 564	171 475	612 455	610 069	-0,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 929	1 966	1 694	6 699	6 745	0,7
		square metres	403 455	424 108	396 326	1 489 672	1 490 548	0,1
		R'000	1 218 902	1 331 860	1 322 129	4 522 275	4 803 424	6,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	2 411	2 354	2 291	7 984	7 778	-2,6
		square metres	235 001	256 357	241 313	854 299	830 279	-2,8
		R'000	778 560	941 511	901 928	2 712 049	3 090 538	14,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	63 333	12 694	15 280	97 798	43 247	-55,8
		R'000	226 954	32 328	59 805	473 834	152 002	-67,9
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	2 349 465	2 466 263	2 455 337	8 320 613	8 656 033	4,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	39 436	165 160	21 419	202 396	272 841	34,8
		R'000	150 126	593 222	73 189	669 853	1 017 046	51,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	30 415	25 090	93 004	194 213	226 178	16,5
		R'000	88 653	90 822	355 416	598 346	838 739	40,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	109 398	83 935	53 856	453 501	316 704	-30,2
		R'000	359 212	231 584	153 679	1 290 383	866 871	-32,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	8 454	10 494	15 179	67 143	47 938	-28,6
		R'000	30 315	28 432	66 689	216 859	163 290	-24,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	628 306	944 060	648 973	2 775 441	2 885 946	4,0
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	125 837	170 070	168 777	637 855	643 445	0,9
		R'000	358 541	515 700	497 460	1 768 475	1 939 720	9,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	44 291	65 614	49 715	201 080	283 545	41,0
		R'000	197 394	265 245	170 121	658 551	1 019 502	54,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	555 935	780 945	667 581	2 427 026	2 959 222	21,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	3 533 706	4 191 268	3 771 891	13 523 080	14 501 201	7,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\* Revised.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	406	128	242	2 834	745	-73,7
		square metres	17 210	5 405	10 443	102 800	32 506	-68,4
		R'000	26 563	10 371	18 439	137 764	60 204	-56,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	434	511	410	1 701	1 776	4,4
		square metres	93 880	105 290	93 618	380 678	395 108	3,8
		R'000	286 226	331 284	301 662	1 126 765	1 260 768	11,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	436	795	396	2 247	1 999	-11,0
		square metres	51 603	72 112	35 310	224 666	181 596	-19,2
		R'000	145 792	227 749	118 554	693 888	626 454	-9,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 112	3 448	13 450	18 494	16 898	-8,6
		R'000	5 914	10 243	56 026	70 332	66 269	-5,8
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	464 495	579 647	494 681	2 028 749	2 013 695	-0,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	988	17 333	3 492	75 780	48 709	-35,7
		R'000	2 258	56 334	8 450	204 113	155 966	-23,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	4 651	1 652	22 935	13 752	54 771	298,3
		R'000	15 348	4 130	107 986	40 783	221 734	443,7
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	39 891	27 616	19 803	165 857	134 235	-19,1
		R'000	117 253	89 792	63 988	472 903	373 122	-21,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 187	3 686	8 927	21 484	17 846	-16,9
		R'000	6 694	11 281	44 817	57 883	67 203	16,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	141 553	161 537	225 241	775 682	818 025	5,5
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	39 684	58 007	56 033	219 771	238 930
R'000			104 871	169 646	154 543	574 460	668 126	16,3
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	15 018	15 147	19 009	89 984	95 895	6,6
		R'000	59 378	79 811	79 857	261 850	393 711	50,4
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	164 249	249 457	234 400	836 310	1 061 837	27,0
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	770 297	990 641	954 322	3 640 741	3 893 557	6,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building								
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	201	110	74	451	289	-35,9
		square metres	8 075	4 618	3 442	18 829	12 761	-32,2
		R'000	11 302	6 580	5 858	30 995	20 161	-35,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	75	109	104	352	379	7,7
		square metres	18 876	24 021	18 598	59 090	79 765	35,0
		R'000	53 004	68 178	50 197	154 888	221 247	42,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	60	77	62	143	254	77,6
		square metres	5 979	7 895	6 742	17 011	26 106	53,5
		R'000	13 762	23 309	17 056	39 341	75 000	90,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 235	0	2 171	
		R'000	0	0	2 408	0	4 328	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	78 068	98 067	75 519	225 224	320 736	42,4
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	680	5 936	1 254	6 685
R'000			0	2 380	17 885	3 163	20 423	545,7
2. Shopping space		square metres	0	1 414	47	1 612	27 411	1 600,4
		R'000	0	3 587	68	3 838	88 715	2 211,5
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	2 538	15 884	7 279	17 682	24 673	39,5
		R'000	4 881	28 543	14 038	44 027	44 932	2,1
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	36	2 791	2 195	3 012	37,2
		R'000	0	78	6 616	4 795	7 132	48,7
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	4 881	34 588	38 607	55 823	161 202	188,8
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 315	13 419	8 573	47 022	37 376
	R'000		20 577	30 416	19 706	92 603	82 046	-11,4
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 863	7 704	11 878	19 575	29 618	51,3
		R'000	4 426	15 572	19 934	42 810	57 443	34,2
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	25 003	45 988	39 640	135 413	139 489	3,0
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	107 952	178 643	153 766	416 460	621 427	49,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	52	2	31	66	34	-48,5
		square metres	2 087	132	1 295	2 830	1 467	-48,2
		R'000	4 591	396	1 335	5 792	1 843	-68,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	15	7	14	72	56	-22,2
		square metres	3 055	1 147	2 978	13 131	9 626	-26,7
		R'000	9 427	3 386	8 862	32 671	28 197	-13,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	24	32	8	78	67	-14,1
		square metres	3 177	3 159	1 081	10 497	7 680	-26,8
		R'000	8 968	8 672	3 027	26 540	21 469	-19,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	117	0	1 032	
		R'000	0	0	328	0	2 890	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	22 986	12 454	13 552	65 003	54 399	-16,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	659	0	5 682	812	-85,7
		R'000	0	2 372	0	14 000	2 800	-80,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	562	0	0	4 250	352	-91,7
		R'000	1 614	0	0	9 468	1 268	-86,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 133	0	0	2 206	302	-86,3
		R'000	2 719	0	0	5 537	664	-88,0
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	324	1 034	0	1 358	
		R'000	0	907	2 894	0	3 801	
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	4 333	3 279	2 894	29 005	8 533	-70,6
	3. Additions and alterations	square metres	2 572	2 893	2 904	10 942	11 847	8,3
		R'000	7 988	8 153	8 142	26 201	35 160	34,2
3. Additions and alterations	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 510	912	63	1 767	2 010	13,8
		R'000	9 589	2 110	176	10 286	4 854	-52,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	17 577	10 263	8 318	36 487	40 014	9,7
	4. Recorded buildings completed	R'000	44 896	25 996	24 764	130 495	102 946	-21,1

1/ The percentage change between January 2007 and January 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\*Revised.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses &lt; 80 square metres</b>	Number	4	85	27	323	144	-55,4
		square metres	263	4 355	1 360	14 593	7 604	-47,9
		R'000	458	6 003	2 299	17 016	12 183	-28,4
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses &gt;= 80 square metres</b>	Number	53	91	47	257	245	-4,7
		square metres	10 141	15 886	7 893	49 277	41 941	-14,9
		R'000	21 905	36 631	20 084	103 292	103 789	0,5
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	Number	31	7	6	107	63	-41,1
		square metres	4 238	305	1 344	13 023	8 440	-35,2
		R'000	12 576	793	3 144	38 596	19 951	-48,3
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	square metres	0	8 970	391	4 987	9 574	92,0
		R'000	0	21 395	608	79 092	22 472	-71,6
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	R'000	<b>34 939</b>	<b>64 822</b>	<b>26 135</b>	<b>237 996</b>	<b>158 395</b>	<b>-33,4</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	square metres	3 307	6 252	0	4 561	6 252	37,1
		R'000	10 000	21 848	0	14 514	21 848	50,5
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	square metres	1 875	0	0	4 155	0	-100,0
		R'000	5 625	0	0	14 596	0	-100,0
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	square metres	673	2 800	1 280	1 512	5 387	256,3
		R'000	2 363	7 600	1 911	4 303	12 386	187,8
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	square metres	0	819	441	191	1 260	559,7
		R'000	0	1 802	794	529	2 596	390,7
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	R'000	<b>17 988</b>	<b>31 250</b>	<b>2 705</b>	<b>33 942</b>	<b>36 830</b>	<b>8,5</b>
<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	square metres	6 022	7 075	6 832	19 581	26 256	34,1
		R'000	11 178	16 345	14 620	36 718	60 072	63,6
	<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>	square metres	2 943	717	3 268	6 495	4 303	-33,7
		R'000	5 047	2 972	10 564	14 319	16 079	12,3
	<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>	R'000	<b>16 225</b>	<b>19 317</b>	<b>25 184</b>	<b>51 037</b>	<b>76 151</b>	<b>49,2</b>
<b>4. Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	R'000	<b>69 152</b>	<b>115 389</b>	<b>54 024</b>	<b>322 975</b>	<b>271 376</b>	<b>-16,0</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	96	212	328	475	756	59,2
		square metres	4 877	8 164	10 928	20 902	28 949	38,5
		R'000	14 489	19 255	22 334	55 267	74 352	34,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	130	139	121	522	511	-2,1
		square metres	28 170	35 286	27 121	119 088	117 522	-1,3
		R'000	111 595	154 651	118 247	450 409	506 029	12,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	178	294	292	772	844	9,3
		square metres	29 821	49 804	55 734	128 160	148 042	15,5
		R'000	117 560	195 517	235 302	412 807	595 436	44,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	87	12 606	87	-99,3
		R'000	0	0	435	101 900	435	-99,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	243 644	369 423	376 318	1 020 383	1 176 252	15,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	1 531	5 751	5 184	13 266	38 736	192,0
		R'000	1 500	25 655	25 935	35 301	187 048	429,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	6 869	2 290	3 340	41 308	8 623	-79,1
		R'000	15 372	6 300	8 500	133 105	25 904	-80,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	51 205	19 694	2 389	154 527	49 934	-67,7
		R'000	188 301	50 544	7 167	441 900	146 699	-66,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 755	0	706	9 677	7 164	-26,0
		R'000	13 045	0	3 398	36 568	31 136	-14,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	218 218	82 499	45 000	646 874	390 787	-39,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	19 746	23 843	21 274	94 790	94 933	0,2
		R'000	67 842	100 816	95 199	336 689	422 846	25,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	14 418	12 197	3 027	43 440	86 277	98,6
		R'000	92 152	41 178	14 433	182 841	291 363	59,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	159 994	141 994	109 632	519 530	714 209	37,5
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	621 856	593 916	530 950	2 186 787	2 281 248	4,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\*Revised.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	188	32	224	808	666	-17,6
		square metres	7 538	1 705	7 659	31 249	24 032	-23,1
		R'000	5 859	3 368	8 286	27 754	38 974	40,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	135	149	88	532	519	-2,4
		square metres	23 507	39 624	19 737	118 411	111 208	-6,1
		R'000	66 382	84 044	50 449	341 471	273 958	-19,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	159	83	135	592	530	-10,5
		square metres	13 503	9 090	11 455	45 436	46 515	2,4
		R'000	33 620	26 392	46 268	111 586	153 568	37,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	276	0	0	276	
		R'000	0	690	0	0	690	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	105 861	114 494	105 003	480 811	467 190	-2,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 705	4 455	2 795	10 178	264,2
		R'000	0	8 700	12 106	6 148	28 332	360,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 920	512	0	21 809	4 467	-79,5
		R'000	5 461	1 126	0	64 760	9 302	-85,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	1 265	0	0	2 186	
		R'000	0	3 100	0	0	4 500	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	299	602	0	1 922	3 282	70,8
		R'000	896	1 143	0	4 634	8 183	76,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	6 357	14 069	12 106	75 542	50 317	-33,4
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 813	2 289	1 305	12 616	13 864
R'000			4 441	3 905	2 944	27 168	23 370	-14,0
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	0	507	1 771	1 208	-31,8
		R'000	0	0	7 292	7 513	8 597	14,4
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	4 441	3 905	10 236	34 681	31 967	-7,8
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	116 659	132 468	127 345	591 034	549 474	-7,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	416	1 826	689	3 066	3 742	22,0
		square metres	20 464	74 602	38 100	134 917	169 967	26,0
		R'000	50 453	106 115	105 984	301 711	364 425	20,8
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	807	728	802	2 595	2 661	2,5
		square metres	186 870	147 851	199 707	636 431	597 365	-6,1
		R'000	574 000	494 573	693 785	2 030 193	2 025 456	-0,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 500	964	1 347	3 798	3 760	-1,0
		square metres	123 905	106 359	124 469	387 581	388 129	0,1
		R'000	438 517	434 476	458 077	1 317 451	1 520 148	15,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	61 021	0	0	61 021	13 209	-78,4
		R'000	220 350	0	0	220 350	54 918	-75,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 283 320	1 035 164	1 257 846	3 869 705	3 964 947	2,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	27 707	130 618	2 352	85 599	160 307	87,3
		R'000	113 725	472 933	8 813	343 885	597 629	73,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	902	19 222	65 487	86 758	124 357	43,3
		R'000	4 586	75 679	235 064	273 087	476 304	74,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	13 805	12 426	17 730	101 612	88 397	-13,0
		R'000	43 095	39 347	52 765	299 297	253 182	-15,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 093	4 797	1 280	30 334	10 962	-63,9
		R'000	9 570	12 186	8 170	109 122	35 476	-67,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	170 976	600 145	304 812	1 025 391	1 362 591	32,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	40 368	50 812	64 416	205 915	183 424
R'000			127 715	159 375	185 072	614 408	559 878	-8,9
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	7 539	27 371	10 422	36 223	57 732	59,4
		R'000	22 776	118 007	33 557	128 295	228 082	77,8
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	150 491	277 382	218 629	742 703	787 960	6,1
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 604 787	1 912 691	1 781 287	5 637 799	6 115 498	8,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\*Revised.

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

			Apr. 2007*	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	11	120	75	135	559	314,1
		square metres	678	5 771	3 554	7 715	26 502	243,5
		R'000	2 101	5 448	3 483	14 099	25 890	83,6
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	229	181	71	476	448	-5,9
		square metres	31 657	47 318	18 371	78 676	107 081	36,1
		R'000	72 261	129 744	49 398	188 725	287 384	52,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	11	7	34	157	155	-1,3
		square metres	1 339	512	3 830	17 772	15 302	-13,9
		R'000	3 305	1 868	15 690	45 596	50 967	11,8
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	200	0	0	690	0	
		R'000	690	0	0	2 160	0	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	78 357	137 060	68 571	250 580	364 241	45,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	5 903	1 162	0	12 283	1 162	-90,5
		R'000	22 643	3 000	0	45 201	3 000	-93,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	13 174	0	1 195	17 634	2 742	-84,5
		R'000	40 000	0	3 798	51 153	8 095	-84,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	153	4 250	4 720	7 606	10 935	43,8
		R'000	600	12 658	12 500	17 235	30 076	74,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	120	230	0	1 340	719	-46,3
		R'000	110	1 035	0	3 328	1 655	-50,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	63 353	16 693	16 298	116 917	42 826	-63,4
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 505	11 154	6 345	22 042	33 625	52,5
		R'000	12 100	25 604	14 779	48 714	80 380	65,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	1 491	598	1 529	5 484	258,7
		R'000	4 026	5 430	2 419	9 975	17 319	73,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	16 126	31 034	17 198	58 689	97 699	66,5
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	157 836	184 787	102 067	426 186	504 766	18,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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.

\*Revised.

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

			Apr. 2007	Mar. 2008	Apr. 2008	Jan. - Apr. 2007	Jan. - Apr. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	57	15	16	137	63	-54,0
		square metres	3 485	953	1 017	8 531	4 092	-52,0
		R'000	9 233	3 028	3 457	22 057	12 037	-45,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	51	51	37	192	150	-21,9
		square metres	7 299	7 685	8 303	34 890	30 932	-11,3
		R'000	24 102	29 369	29 445	93 861	96 596	2,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	12	95	11	90	106	17,8
		square metres	1 436	7 121	1 348	10 153	8 469	-16,6
		R'000	4 460	22 735	4 810	26 244	27 545	5,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	37 795	55 132	37 712	142 162	136 178	-4,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 176	0	
		R'000	0	0	0	3 528	0	
	2. Shopping space	square metres	462	0	0	2 935	3 455	17,7
		R'000	647	0	0	7 556	7 417	-1,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	655	2 499	655	-73,8
		R'000	0	0	1 310	5 181	1 310	-74,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	2 335	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	6 108	
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	647	0	1 310	16 265	14 835	-8,8
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	812	578	1 095	5 176	3 190	-38,4
		R'000	1 829	1 440	2 455	11 514	7 842	-31,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	75	943	296	1 018	243,9
		R'000	0	165	1 889	662	2 054	210,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	1 829	1 605	4 344	12 176	9 896	-18,7
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	40 271	56 737	43 366	170 603	160 909	-5,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

2/ Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guesthouses, 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 29 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed and in process of completion 1/**

Province	Year	Number	Square metres 2/	Value R'000 2/
Western Cape	2002	19 534	531 116	168 852
	2003	16 926	507 780	247 187
	2004	12 751	382 530	211 424
Eastern Cape	2002	46 700	1 575 675	473 806
	2003	35 005	1 050 150	511 213
	2004	34 923	1 047 690	579 058
Northern Cape	2002	5 189	164 906	68 078
	2003	4 354	130 620	63 586
	2004	3 645	109 350	60 438
Free State	2002	8 617	348 492	154 121
	2003	14 848	445 440	216 840
	2004	16 522	495 660	273 951
KwaZulu-Natal	2002	21 958	831 349	234 041
	2003	31 372	941 160	458 157
	2004	35 968	1 079 040	596 385
North West	2002	21 309	630 115	210 439
	2003	13 809	414 270	201 667
	2004	10 149	304 470	168 281
Gauteng	2002	29 939	991 571	321 943
	2003	42 862	1 285 860	625 957
	2004	33 260	997 800	551 484
Mpumalanga	2002	19 883	660 505	253 931
	2003	21 336	640 080	246 079
	2004	18 808	564 240	311 855
Limpopo	2002	15 382	605 877	183 769
	2003	15 596	467 880	227 764
	2004	16 338	490 140	270 900
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>188 511</b>	<b>6 339 606</b>	<b>2 068 980</b>
	<b>2003</b>	<b>196 108</b>	<b>5 883 240</b>	<b>2 798 450</b>
	<b>2004</b>	<b>182 364</b>	<b>5 470 920</b>	<b>3 023 776</b>

**Table 30 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed: 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006**

Province	Number	Square metres 2/	Value R'000 2/
Western Cape	2 040	61 200	52 877
Eastern Cape	16 874	506 220	437 374
Northern Cape	5 293	158 790	137 195
Free State	17 635	529 050	457 099
KwaZulu-Natal	21 601	648 030	559 898
North West	14 445	433 350	374 414
Gauteng	23 409	702 270	606 761
Mpumalanga	14 389	431 670	372 963
Limpopo	21 973	659 190	569 540
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>137 659</b>	<b>4 129 770</b>	<b>3 568 121</b>

**Table 31 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed and in process of completion 1/: 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007**

Province	Number	Square metres 2/	R'000 2/
Western Cape	34 585	1 037 550	768 200
Eastern Cape	16 526	495 780	637 700
Northern Cape	3 880	116 400	104 800
Free State	19 662	589 860	528 400
KwaZulu-Natal	38 290	1 148 700	1 074 500
North West	46 972	1 409 160	696 500
Gauteng	77 044	2 311 320	1 748 300
Mpumalanga	10 651	319 530	329 900
Limpopo	23 609	708 270	646 700
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>271 219</b>	<b>8 136 570</b>	<b>6 535 000</b>

Source: Housing Subsidy System and Provincial Housing Departments co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing

1/ Includes all top structures completed and sites serviced in respect of the reporting period.

2/ Estimates by the National Department of Housing.

## Explanatory notes

<b>Introduction</b>	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. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the Housing Subsidy System and Provincial Housing Departments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 to table 31 (page 37).
	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.
<b>Purpose of the survey</b>	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.
<b>Scope of the survey</b>	4	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• passing of building plans; and</li> <li>• final inspection of completed buildings.</li> </ul>
<b>Classification</b>	5	Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02</i> . The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)</i> with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
<b>Response rate</b>	6	The preliminary response rate for the survey on building statistics for April 2008 was 96,6 %. Improved response rate for March 2008 was 98,3%.
<b>Statistical unit</b>	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.
<b>Survey methodology and design</b>	8	<p>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 90 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.</p> <p>According to the municipalities, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the provincial governments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 to table 31 (page 37).</p>
<b>Constant prices</b>	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 2000. 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>JBCC Contract Price Adjustment Provisions Work Group Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2000=100.



- 10** The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 9). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2008 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2008 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2008. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.
- Seasonal adjustment**
- 11** Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 12** 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.
- Trend cycle**
- 13** The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures**
- 14** 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 month are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 15** Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3 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 for 2007 where applicable.
- Related publications**
- 16** 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.
  - Bulletin of Statistics issued quarterly.
  - South African Statistics issued annually.
  - Report 50-11-01 issued annually.
- Rounding-off of figures**
- 17** The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
- Pre-release policy**
- 18** Stats SA's pre-release policy may be inspected at its website, [www.statssa.gov.za](http://www.statssa.gov.za)



**Symbols and abbreviations**

<b>19</b>	..	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
	JBCC	Joint Building Contracts Committee
	CD	Compact Disc
	US	United States
	SARB	South African Reserve Bank
	DTI	Department of Trade and Industry

**2010 World Cup note**

- 20** Information relating to the 2010 Soccer World Cup new stadia and renovations, as well as other public sector infrastructure spending e.g. Eskom expansions and the Gautrain project, will not be included in the private sector building data series, as these are partially public sector funded.

## Glossary

<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Include extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.
<b>Blocks of flats</b>	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.
<b>Dwelling-house</b>	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.
<b>Local government institutions</b>	Include – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District municipalities;</li> <li>• Metropolitan municipalities; and</li> <li>• Local municipalities.</li> </ul>
<b>Municipality</b>	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).
<b>District municipality</b>	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)).
<b>Metropolitan municipality</b>	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)).
<b>Local municipality</b>	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.
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Comprise factories, commercial, financial and other office buildings, as well as other buildings not used for residential purposes, such as churches, halls, clubs, schools and hospitals.
<b>Other residential buildings</b>	Institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, old people’s homes, hostels, hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation, entertainment centres and casinos.
<b>Percentage change</b>	<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>

<b>Reference period</b>	One calendar month.
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Comprise dwelling-houses, flats, townhouses and other residential buildings.
<b>Townhouses</b>	Multiple, medium-density dwelling-units and include 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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