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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 August 2007 versus January to August 2008

Estimates at current prices	January to August 2007	January to August 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008	Percentage change between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	30 468 026	27 000 195	-3 467 831	-11,4
-Dwelling-houses	20 397 912	16 190 842	-4 207 070	-20,6
-Flats and townhouses	9 421 058	9 795 573	374 515	4,0
-Other residential buildings	649 056	1 013 780	364 724	56,2
Non-residential buildings	10 526 444	12 111 656	1 585 212	15,1
Additions and alterations	14 510 486	14 396 086	-114 400	-0,8
Total	55 504 956	53 507 937	-1 997 019	-3,6

1/ Aug. 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 decreased

The value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to August 2008 decreased by 3,6% (-R1 997,0 million) compared with January to August 2007 (see Table A).

Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-11,4% or -R3 467,8 million) and additions and alterations (-0,8% or -R114,4 million). These decreases were partially counteracted by an increase reported for non-residential buildings (15,1% or R1 585,2 million).

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

Estimates at current prices	January to August 2007	January to August 2008 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to August 2007	Percentage change between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of building plans passed between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008 2/	Difference in value between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	12 334 783	11 342 401	22,2	-8,0	-1,8	-992 382
Eastern Cape	2 900 136	1 924 585	5,2	-33,6	-1,8	-975 551
Northern Cape	515 462	332 279	0,9	-35,5	-0,3	-183 183
Free State	1 557 530	1 569 760	2,8	0,8	0,0	12 230
KwaZulu-Natal	8 350 064	10 789 103	15,0	29,2	4,4	2 439 039
North West	2 116 791	1 804 415	3,8	-14,8	-0,6	-312 376
Gauteng	24 158 777	22 161 197	43,5	-8,3	-3,6	-1 997 580
Mpumalanga	2 501 345	2 528 829	4,5	1,1	0,0	27 484
Limpopo	1 070 068	1 055 368	1,9	-1,4	0,0	-14 700
Total	55 504 956	53 507 937	100,0	-3,6	-3,6	-1 997 019

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to Aug. 2007 and Jan. to Aug. 2008 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to Aug. 2007, divided by 100.

Six provinces reported decreases in the value of building plans passed. The biggest contributor to the decrease of 3,6% was Gauteng (contributing -3,6 percentage points or -R1 997,6 million), followed by Western Cape (-1,8 percentage points or -R992,4 million) and Eastern Cape (-1,8 percentage points or -R975,6 million). However, KwaZulu-Natal counteracted these decreases to a certain extent, increasing by 4,4 percentage points (R2 439,0 million) (see Table B).

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 August 2007 versus January to August 2008

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to August 2007	January to August 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008	Percentage change between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	17 739 135	13 873 881	-3 865 254	-21,8
Non-residential buildings	6 121 008	6 230 661	109 653	1,8
Additions and alterations	8 435 992	7 390 744	-1 045 248	-12,4
Total	32 296 135	27 495 286	-4 800 849	-14,9

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

Total real value of recorded building plans passed decreased

The real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during January to August 2008 decreased by 14,9% (-R4 800,8 million) compared with January to August 2007. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-21,8% or -R3 865,3 million) and additions and alterations (-12,4% or -R1 045,2 million). An increase of 1,8% (R109,7 million) was reported for non-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

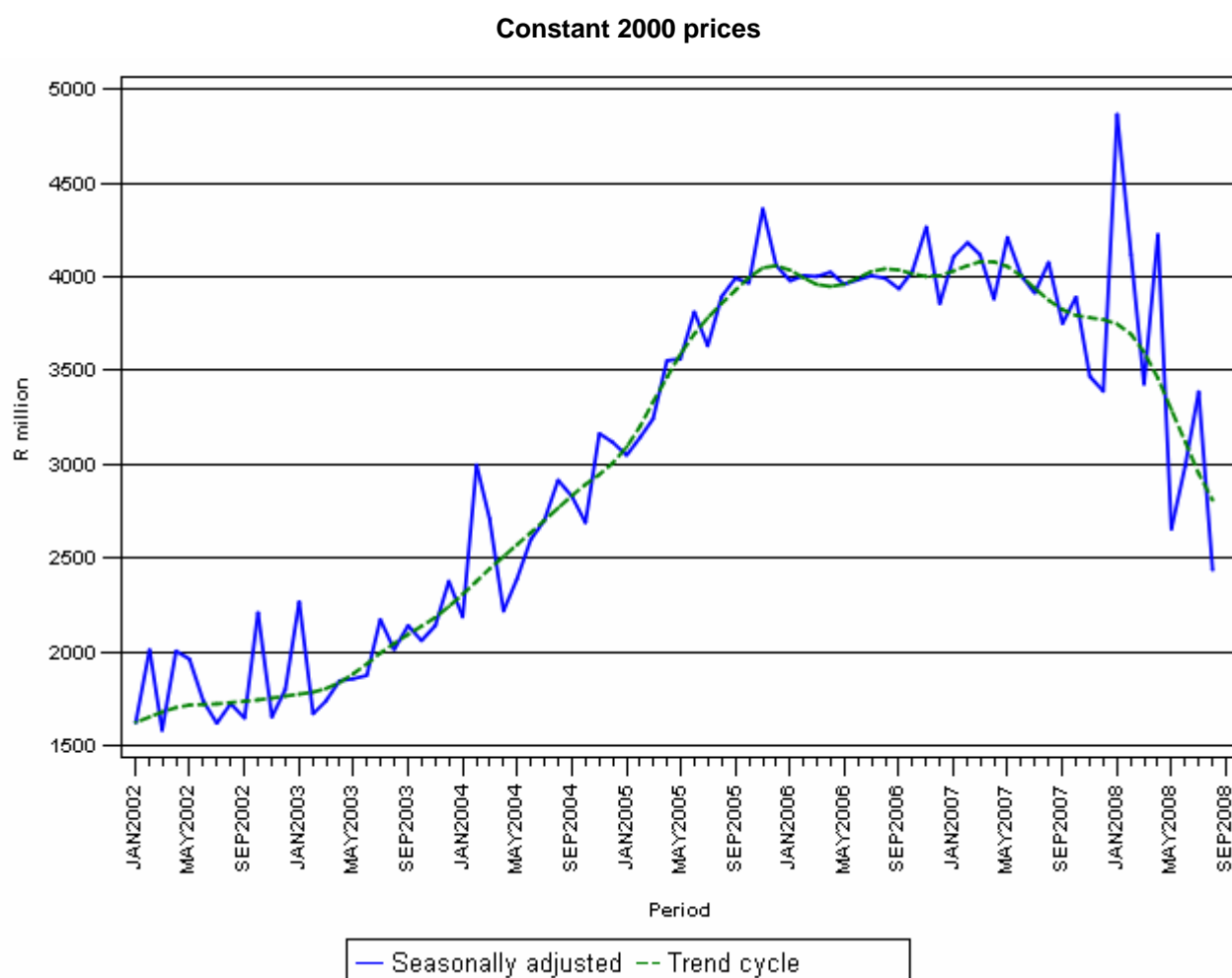
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	March to May 2008	June to August 2008	Percentage change between March to May 2008 and June to August 2008
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	5 372 218	4 462 330	-16,9
Non-residential buildings	2 428 341	1 762 497	-27,4
Additions and alterations	2 503 004	2 588 479	3,4
Total	10 303 563	8 813 306	-14,5

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities during the three months ending August 2008 decreased by 14,5% compared with the three months ending May 2008. Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-27,4%) and residential buildings (-16,9%). However, an increase of 3,4 was reported for additions and alterations (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 August 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. The sharp decreases in the seasonally adjusted value for May and August 2008 can be attributed to decreases in plans passed for all major building categories.

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 August 2007 versus January to August 2008

Estimates at current prices	January to August 2007	January to August 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008	Percentage change between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	19 031 936	18 054 113	-977 823	-5,1
-Dwelling-houses	11 634 254	11 252 801	-381 453	-3,3
-Flats and townhouses	6 835 316	6 332 444	-502 872	-7,4
-Other residential buildings	562 366	468 868	-93 498	-16,6
Non-residential buildings	5 739 032	7 168 848	1 429 816	24,9
Additions and alterations	5 176 987	6 335 160	1 158 173	22,4
Total	29 947 955	31 558 121	1 610 166	5,4

1/ Aug. 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 August 2008 increased by 5,4% (R1 610,2 million) compared with January to August 2007.

Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (24,9% or R1 429,8 million) and additions and alterations (22,4% or R1 158,2 million). A decrease of 5,1% (-R977,8 million) was reported for residential buildings during this period.

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

Estimates at current prices	January to August 2007	January to August 2008 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to August 2007	Percentage change between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of buildings completed between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008 2/	Difference in value between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	7 768 378	8 115 973	25,9	4,5	1,2	347 595
Eastern Cape	1 060 673	1 221 336	3,5	15,1	0,5	160 663
Northern Cape	262 441	221 781	0,9	-15,5	-0,1	-40 660
Free State	796 797	557 419	2,7	-30,0	-0,8	-239 378
KwaZulu-Natal	4 767 225	4 879 282	15,9	2,4	0,4	112 057
North West	1 129 948	1 189 577	3,8	5,3	0,2	59 629
Gauteng	12 855 165	13 965 790	42,9	8,6	3,7	1 110 625
Mpumalanga	963 380	1 036 680	3,2	7,6	0,2	73 300
Limpopo	343 948	370 283	1,1	7,7	0,1	26 335
Total	29 947 955	31 558 121	100,0	5,4	5,4	1 610 166

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

Seven provinces reported increases in the value of buildings completed. The largest contributor to the increase of 5,4% was Gauteng (3,7 percentage points or R1 110,6 million), followed by Western Cape (1,2 percentage points or R347,6 million) and Eastern Cape (0,5 of a percentage point or R160,7 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 August 2007 versus January to August 2008

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to August 2007	January to August 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008	Percentage change between January to August 2007 and January to August 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	11 873 049	10 262 368	-1 610 681	-13,6
Non-residential buildings	3 888 537	4 355 990	467 453	12,0
Additions and alterations	3 358 539	3 690 872	332 333	9,9
Total	19 120 125	18 309 230	-810 895	-4,2

1/ Aug. 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 August 2008 decreased by 4,2% (-R810,9 million) compared with January to August 2007. A decrease in the real value of buildings completed was reported for residential buildings (-13,6% or -R1 610,7 million). However, this decrease was to a certain extent counteracted by increases reported for non-residential buildings (12,0% or R467,5 million) and additions and alterations (9,9% or R332,3 million).

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

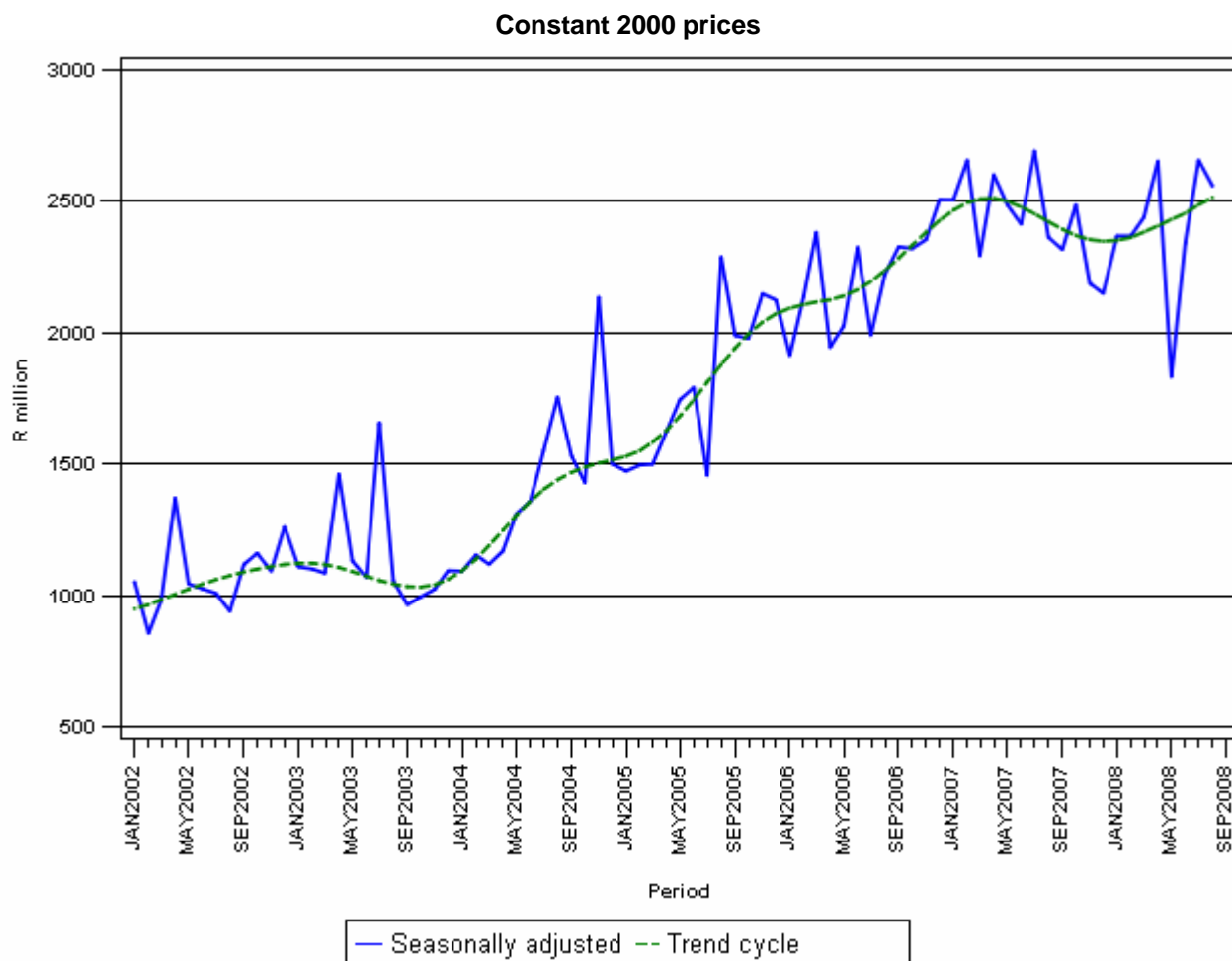
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	March to May 2008	June to August 2008	Percentage change between March to May 2008 and June to August 2008
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	4 020 251	4 010 407	-0,2
Non-residential buildings	1 532 161	2 090 810	36,5
Additions and alterations	1 374 131	1 459 123	6,2
Total	6 926 543	7 560 340	9,2

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 three months ending August 2008 increased by 9,2% compared with the three months ending May 2008. This was mainly due to increases reported for non-residential buildings (36,5%) and additions and alterations (6,2%). A decrease of 0,2% was reported for residential buildings (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 August 2008. The sharp decrease in the seasonally adjusted value for May 2008 can be attributed to a decrease reported for residential buildings.

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	1 460 970	16,5	2 222 070	20,4	8 125 541	21,0
	June	4 045 284	5,7	1 427 671	45,2	1 729 470	4,2	7 202 425	11,3
	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
	Total	43 967 345	6,5	15 674 580	3,8	21 794 731	12,3	81 436 656	7,5
2008	January	2 768 780	-2,1	1 799 722	82,2	2 091 211	55,3	6 659 713	29,0
	February	4 160 004	18,1	1 078 667	-21,0	1 830 159	12,7	7 068 830	8,6
	March	3 378 017	-15,2	1 333 238	34,0	1 386 097	-12,1	6 097 352	-7,0
	April	3 831 677	9,6	2 550 483	115,4	1 741 807	10,0	8 123 967	29,7
	May	2 793 277	-37,1	1 451 679	-0,6	1 690 213	-23,9	5 935 169	-27,0
	June*	3 263 216	-19,3	1 094 128	-23,4	1 847 992	6,9	6 205 336	-13,8
	July	4 074 503	-2,2	1 707 682	22,2	2 132 839	-4,4	7 915 024	1,6
	August 2/	2 730 721	-31,4	1 096 057	-35,8	1 675 768	-23,8	5 502 546	-30,2

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	3 786 284	10,2	1 291 565	-2,5	1 817 382	8,1	6 895 231	7,0
	February	3 762 826	-0,6	1 557 970	20,6	1 729 136	-4,9	7 049 932	2,2
	March	4 198 512	11,6	984 891	-36,8	1 662 392	-3,9	6 845 795	-2,9
	April	3 946 677	-6,0	958 883	-2,6	1 748 026	5,2	6 653 586	-2,8
	May	3 917 220	-0,7	1 413 916	47,5	1 981 809	13,4	7 312 945	9,9
	June	3 749 112	-4,3	1 502 140	6,2	1 707 698	-13,8	6 958 950	-4,8
	July	3 675 783	-2,0	1 202 281	-20,0	1 947 213	14,0	6 825 277	-1,9
	August	3 645 351	-0,8	1 443 685	20,1	2 047 261	5,1	7 136 297	4,6
	September	3 301 253	-9,4	1 615 738	11,9	1 679 668	-18,0	6 596 659	-7,6
	October	3 608 993	9,3	1 319 366	-18,3	1 983 600	18,1	6 911 959	4,8
	November	3 281 065	-9,1	1 126 626	-14,6	1 781 257	-10,2	6 188 948	-10,5
	December	3 110 176	-5,2	1 417 184	25,8	1 565 225	-12,1	6 092 585	-1,6
2008	January	3 679 591	18,3	2 334 179	64,7	2 812 857	79,7	8 826 627	44,9
	February	4 446 318	20,8	1 223 463	-47,6	1 956 965	-30,4	7 626 746	-13,6
	March	3 560 092	-19,9	1 353 572	10,6	1 476 625	-24,5	6 390 289	-16,2
	April	4 339 039	21,9	2 000 259	47,8	1 917 675	29,9	8 256 973	29,2
	May	2 458 104	-43,3	1 378 546	-31,1	1 492 984	-22,1	5 329 634	-35,5
	June	3 013 397	22,6	1 172 842	-14,9	1 834 211	22,9	6 020 450	13,0
	July	3 599 909	19,5	1 466 676	25,1	1 847 826	0,7	6 914 411	14,8
	August	2 506 061	-30,4	946 485	-35,5	1 579 698	-14,5	5 032 244	-27,2
	Mar. - May 08	10 357 235		4 732 377		4 887 284		19 976 896	
	Jun. - Aug.08 2/	9 119 367	-12,0	3 586 003	-24,2	5 261 735	7,7	17 967 105	-10,1

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	1 693 124	-1,4	591 364	13,2	806 177	10,1	3 090 665	4,0
	February	2 106 788	-1,1	816 902	29,8	970 993	0,7	3 894 683	4,6
	March	2 375 977	18,9	593 515	-28,3	940 323	-9,4	3 909 815	1,2
	April	2 049 747	12,4	694 146	-37,5	928 159	1,5	3 672 052	-4,6
	May	2 563 474	8,8	843 029	3,3	1 282 210	6,7	4 688 713	7,2
	June	2 319 544	-5,2	818 619	30,2	991 669	-6,6	4 129 832	-0,2
	July	2 376 244	-3,8	797 073	-12,4	1 272 645	9,4	4 445 962	-2,2
	August	2 254 237	-9,1	966 360	6,0	1 243 816	19,4	4 464 413	0,7
	September	2 013 305	-12,8	846 997	25,9	960 982	-11,0	3 821 284	-5,9
	October	2 252 002	-5,6	857 690	-19,6	1 341 387	19,4	4 451 079	-2,7
	November	1 970 796	-19,0	564 927	-32,5	1 046 822	-6,3	3 582 545	-18,3
	December	1 363 185	-15,9	628 708	-3,4	750 489	-13,4	2 742 382	-12,6
	Total	25 338 423	-3,2	9 019 330	-5,9	12 535 672	1,9	46 893 425	-2,4
2008*	January	1 534 800	-9,4	997 629	68,7	1 159 208	43,8	3 691 637	19,4
	February	2 267 032	7,6	587 829	-28,0	997 362	2,7	3 852 223	-1,1
	March	1 797 774	-24,3	709 547	19,5	737 678	-21,6	3 244 999	-17,0
	April	1 972 042	-3,8	1 312 652	89,1	896 452	-3,4	4 181 146	13,9
	May	1 393 851	-45,6	724 391	-14,1	843 420	-34,2	2 961 662	-36,8
	June	1 614 654	-30,4	541 380	-33,9	914 395	-7,8	3 070 429	-25,7
	July	1 984 658	-16,5	831 798	4,4	1 038 889	-18,4	3 855 345	-13,3
	August 2/	1 309 070	-41,9	525 435	-45,6	803 340	-35,4	2 637 845	-40,9

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 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	2 250 552	9,6	770 541	-2,6	1 084 299	7,2	4 105 392	6,5
	February	2 230 828	-0,9	925 318	20,1	1 025 299	-5,4	4 181 445	1,9
	March	2 551 979	14,4	582 654	-37,0	981 655	-4,3	4 116 288	-1,6
	April	2 296 261	-10,0	559 335	-4,0	1 024 247	4,3	3 879 843	-5,7
	May	2 253 693	-1,9	819 856	46,6	1 135 599	10,9	4 209 148	8,5
	June	2 153 527	-4,4	865 355	5,5	985 152	-13,2	4 004 034	-4,9
	July	2 101 623	-2,4	690 752	-20,2	1 119 862	13,7	3 912 237	-2,3
	August	2 078 836	-1,1	825 382	19,5	1 171 800	4,6	4 076 018	4,2
	September	1 875 309	-9,8	918 490	11,3	955 506	-18,5	3 749 305	-8,0
	October	2 030 922	8,3	743 020	-19,1	1 116 850	16,9	3 890 792	3,8
	November	1 837 267	-9,5	631 187	-15,1	999 065	-10,5	3 467 519	-10,9
	December	1 727 181	-6,0	786 914	24,7	875 344	-12,4	3 389 439	-2,3
2008	January	2 023 623	17,2	1 288 851	63,8	1 553 218	77,4	4 865 692	43,6
	February	2 399 952	18,6	661 504	-48,7	1 056 088	-32,0	4 117 544	-15,4
	March	1 934 539	-19,4	712 759	7,7	777 740	-26,4	3 425 038	-16,8
	April	2 214 970	14,5	1 023 893	43,7	986 271	26,8	4 225 134	23,4
	May	1 222 709	-44,8	691 689	-32,4	738 993	-25,1	2 653 391	-37,2
	June	1 493 969	22,2	583 479	-15,6	913 694	23,6	2 991 142	12,7
	July	1 757 299	17,6	720 076	23,4	908 018	-0,6	3 385 393	13,2
	August	1 211 062	-31,1	458 942	-36,3	766 767	-15,6	2 436 771	-28,0
	Mar. - May 08	5 372 218		2 428 341		2 503 004		10 303 563	
	Jun. - Aug.08 2/	4 462 330	-16,9	1 762 497	-27,4	2 588 479	3,4	8 813 306	-14,5

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	30,8	4 585 237	21,1
	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
	Total	29 119 594	11,7	9 221 668	57,9	8 037 521	15,4	46 378 783	19,3
2008	January	1 605 749	-2,3	673 686	39,2	606 740	-4,8	2 886 175	4,4
	February	2 123 278	-4,4	619 227	-30,0	903 748	60,1	3 646 253	-0,6
	March	2 470 344	17,2	944 060	21,3	783 511	17,1	4 197 915	18,1
	April	2 473 221	5,3	791 484	26,0	731 536	31,6	3 996 241	13,1
	May	1 779 918	-33,7	670 917	-6,0	729 371	24,1	3 180 206	-20,2
	June	2 491 257	-3,3	806 526	38,9	765 473	16,1	4 063 256	6,5
	July	2 503 045	-10,0	1 551 892	40,0	927 897	28,7	4 982 834	8,1
	August 2/	2 607 301	-2,3	1 111 056	98,1	886 884	13,4	4 605 241	14,8

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.

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	2 427 933	-2,1	580 693	-10,0	724 240	14,7	3 732 866	-0,6
	February	2 550 263	5,0	943 562	62,5	586 824	-19,0	4 080 649	9,3
	March	2 241 209	-12,1	663 947	-29,6	658 746	12,3	3 563 902	-12,7
	April	2 572 203	14,8	840 305	26,6	644 478	-2,2	4 056 986	13,8
	May	2 629 646	2,2	701 872	-16,5	592 208	-8,1	3 923 726	-3,3
	June	2 537 197	-3,5	624 417	-11,0	673 105	13,7	3 834 719	-2,3
	July	2 579 305	1,7	1 006 595	61,2	692 711	2,9	4 278 611	11,6
	August	2 443 639	-5,3	618 262	-38,6	763 448	10,2	3 825 349	-10,6
	September	2 209 741	-9,6	870 903	40,9	661 332	-13,4	3 741 976	-2,2
	October	2 435 925	10,2	854 643	-1,9	759 190	14,8	4 049 758	8,2
	November	2 227 672	-8,5	675 680	-20,9	719 625	-5,2	3 622 977	-10,5
	December	2 316 436	4,0	765 587	13,3	507 839	-29,4	3 589 862	-0,9
2008	January	2 392 757	3,3	829 149	8,3	692 908	36,4	3 914 814	9,1
	February	2 432 479	1,7	657 312	-20,7	944 438	36,3	4 034 229	3,1
	March	2 621 762	7,8	788 991	20,0	764 043	-19,1	4 174 796	3,5
	April	2 701 199	3,0	1 041 165	32,0	842 080	10,2	4 584 444	9,8
	May	1 758 538	-34,9	679 636	-34,7	745 311	-11,5	3 183 485	-30,6
	June	2 436 577	38,6	871 479	28,2	784 903	5,3	4 092 959	28,6
	July	2 338 209	-4,0	1 389 643	59,5	895 680	14,1	4 623 532	13,0
	August	2 387 833	2,1	1 232 851	-11,3	868 797	-3,0	4 489 481	-2,9
	Mar. - May 08	7 081 499		2 509 792		2 351 434		11 942 725	
	Jun. - Aug.08 2/	7 162 619	1,1	3 493 973	39,2	2 549 380	8,4	13 205 972	10,6

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	1 702 483	11,0	743 713	214,1	454 443	19,3	2 900 639	34,8
	August	1 611 227	0,5	374 451	7,3	482 236	26,6	2 467 914	5,8
	September	1 412 768	-17,3	628 552	120,6	416 400	-8,2	2 457 720	0,5
	October	1 501 860	-5,1	802 803	49,8	516 459	17,7	2 821 122	10,3
	November	1 589 691	-9,2	454 485	0,1	543 538	-6,0	2 587 714	-7,0
	December	1 467 797	-16,2	399 772	6,2	265 080	-28,2	2 132 649	-14,6
	Total	17 845 165	1,2	6 174 149	48,6	5 100 016	6,1	29 119 330	9,5
2008*	January	932 103	-12,2	424 770	27,8	363 317	-15,1	1 720 190	-5,6
	February	1 225 307	-13,3	381 768	-36,8	540 519	43,4	2 147 594	-10,3
	March	1 428 638	7,3	579 889	9,3	467 210	4,8	2 475 737	7,3
	April	1 414 520	-4,8	484 088	13,3	428 802	16,9	2 327 410	2,1
	May	1 007 693	-39,7	406 124	-16,0	420 872	10,0	1 834 689	-27,7
	June	1 409 579	-11,8	485 567	23,7	438 918	4,1	2 334 064	-3,2
	July	1 401 253	-17,7	929 277	25,0	529 319	16,5	2 859 849	-1,4
	August 2/	1 443 275	-10,4	664 507	77,5	501 915	4,1	2 609 697	5,7

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 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	1 620 912	-0,8	400 218	-10,8	485 223	14,3	2 506 353	-0,0
	February	1 618 512	-0,1	647 797	61,9	390 714	-19,5	2 657 023	6,0
	March	1 404 869	-13,2	452 995	-30,1	435 788	11,5	2 293 652	-13,7
	April	1 607 171	14,4	570 631	26,0	424 391	-2,6	2 602 193	13,5
	May	1 628 818	1,3	474 063	-16,9	385 369	-9,2	2 488 250	-4,4
	June	1 562 112	-4,1	420 868	-11,2	430 972	11,8	2 413 952	-3,0
	July	1 577 952	1,0	676 138	60,7	438 203	1,7	2 692 293	11,5
	August	1 477 695	-6,4	411 686	-39,1	474 549	8,3	2 363 930	-12,2
	September	1 331 444	-9,9	578 015	40,4	407 887	-14,0	2 317 346	-2,0
	October	1 457 962	9,5	563 991	-2,4	465 027	14,0	2 486 980	7,3
	November	1 312 429	-10,0	440 034	-22,0	436 050	-6,2	2 188 513	-12,0
	December	1 355 180	3,3	490 887	11,6	304 121	-30,3	2 150 188	-1,8
2008	January	1 429 786	5,5	524 779	6,9	414 179	36,2	2 368 744	10,2
	February	1 398 365	-2,2	407 469	-22,4	563 004	35,9	2 368 838	-0,0
	March	1 502 319	7,4	485 598	19,2	452 110	-19,7	2 440 027	3,0
	April	1 525 772	1,6	636 219	31,0	492 250	8,9	2 654 241	8,8
	May	992 160	-35,0	410 344	-35,5	429 771	-12,7	1 832 275	-31,0
	June	1 370 357	38,1	522 907	27,4	450 362	4,8	2 343 626	27,9
	July	1 311 406	-4,3	832 904	59,3	512 754	13,9	2 657 064	13,4
	August	1 328 644	1,3	734 999	-11,8	496 007	-3,3	2 559 650	-3,7
	Mar. - May 08	4 020 251		1 532 161		1 374 131		6 926 543	
	Jun. - Aug.08 2/	4 010 407	-0,2	2 090 810	36,5	1 459 123	6,2	7 560 340	9,2

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3 366	5 177	2 484	26 644	18 862	-29,2
		square metres	156 267	215 859	106 980	1 168 650	861 553	-26,3
		R'000	329 210	307 229	249 403	2 210 712	1 747 580	-20,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	3 181	2 149	1 618	22 315	15 520	-30,5
		square metres	747 101	544 624	440 268	5 574 373	3 984 716	-28,5
		R'000	2 484 580	1 964 397	1 576 903	18 187 200	14 443 262	-20,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	2 717	4 014	1 880	22 939	21 837	-4,8
		square metres	318 973	451 995	197 986	2 755 456	2 462 276	-10,6
		R'000	1 064 278	1 690 447	858 271	9 421 058	9 795 573	4,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	15 838	39 746	11 227	157 173	225 265	43,3
		R'000	105 169	112 430	46 144	649 056	1 013 780	56,2
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	3 983 237	4 074 503	2 730 721	30 468 026	27 000 195	-11,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	102 165	49 610	52 241	639 807	635 779	-0,6
		R'000	372 020	254 883	225 550	2 622 148	2 975 053	13,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	147 885	133 844	78 166	770 240	974 405	26,5
		R'000	635 339	598 483	344 803	2 869 488	4 186 902	45,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	213 442	259 443	114 156	1 500 308	1 429 132	-4,7
		R'000	615 711	755 197	369 785	4 170 299	4 201 773	0,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	28 137	22 980	41 557	252 161	195 728	-22,4
		R'000	84 488	99 119	155 919	864 509	747 928	-13,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 707 558	1 707 682	1 096 057	10 526 444	12 111 656	15,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	469 522	399 571	326 576	3 483 964	2 719 700	-21,9
		R'000	1 520 051	1 446 146	1 159 520	10 662 087	9 377 284	-12,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	175 956	154 837	125 548	967 379	1 171 475	21,1
		R'000	677 771	686 693	516 248	3 848 399	5 018 802	30,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 197 822	2 132 839	1 675 768	14 510 486	14 396 086	-0,8
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	7 888 617	7 915 024	5 502 546	55 504 956	53 507 937	-3,6

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

			Aug. 2007	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	426	2 245	611	2 707	4 771	76,2
		square metres	20 626	91 433	25 606	124 040	211 582	70,6
		R'000	46 993	114 632	56 301	266 180	372 415	39,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	747	289	280	4 945	3 265	-34,0
		square metres	172 890	90 539	82 661	1 208 681	860 195	-28,8
		R'000	607 877	342 307	305 049	4 080 089	3 221 852	-21,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	697	573	227	4 332	4 457	2,9
		square metres	63 037	46 539	23 070	434 498	471 981	8,6
		R'000	217 330	163 256	83 508	1 509 286	1 733 795	14,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	8 146	8 783	696	51 422	63 423	23,3
		R'000	56 525	32 707	2 784	212 804	411 626	93,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	928 725	652 902	447 642	6 068 359	5 739 688	-5,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	34 276	919	2 856	206 443	88 662	-57,1
		R'000	91 672	3 602	11 670	670 811	350 442	-47,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	32 452	2 936	2 409	89 279	76 244	-14,6
		R'000	120 546	10 445	7 322	311 009	286 236	-8,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	37 518	65 692	19 089	367 948	347 650	-5,5
		R'000	118 208	235 741	68 633	1 051 771	1 146 229	9,0
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 929	8 401	19 424	55 914	83 003	48,4
		R'000	9 997	28 179	82 528	162 497	329 766	102,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	340 423	277 967	170 153	2 196 088	2 112 673	-3,8
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	137 755	91 084	80 748	980 633	709 499	-27,6
		R'000	437 513	309 246	289 008	2 877 981	2 365 420	-17,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	32 785	41 011	32 870	271 224	257 620	-5,0
		R'000	191 538	170 418	141 527	1 192 355	1 124 620	-5,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	629 051	479 664	430 535	4 070 336	3 490 040	-14,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 898 199	1 410 533	1 048 330	12 334 783	11 342 401	-8,0

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.

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	146	61	27	1 015	1 267	24,8
		square metres	6 521	2 823	1 523	45 427	53 310	17,4
		R'000	13 939	5 833	3 841	72 207	75 212	4,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	250	138	97	1 500	731	-51,3
		square metres	49 554	30 670	22 695	345 103	192 951	-44,1
		R'000	138 123	97 044	65 163	984 052	618 371	-37,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	295	146	75	1 022	262	-74,4
		square metres	19 182	6 466	5 023	111 170	16 118	-85,5
		R'000	49 240	18 870	12 534	293 085	42 133	-85,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	19 114	0	23 167	20 967	-9,5
		R'000	0	35 475	0	60 504	40 262	-33,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	201 302	157 222	81 538	1 409 848	775 978	-45,0
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	3 567	0	0	13 256	16 474
R'000			10 692	0	0	36 627	47 188	28,8
2. Shopping space		square metres	11 618	1 358	449	109 332	125 507	14,8
		R'000	30 178	3 700	900	278 683	418 295	50,1
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	22 042	8 428	0	94 859	30 648	-67,7
		R'000	45 082	18 454	0	209 046	67 092	-67,9
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	15 270	1 967	527	20 985	7 155	-65,9
		R'000	39 359	5 078	673	54 257	18 434	-66,0
5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	125 311	27 232	1 573	578 613	551 009	-4,8	
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	32 490	27 402	22 840	277 835	159 254	-42,7
		R'000	87 880	71 084	68 220	727 388	411 374	-43,4
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	10 549	8 468	8 635	73 307	58 721	-19,9
		R'000	26 755	33 074	31 565	184 287	186 224	1,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	114 635	104 158	99 785	911 675	597 598	-34,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	441 248	288 612	182 896	2 900 136	1 924 585	-33,6

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

			Aug. 2007	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	7	2	1	42	15	-64,3
		square metres	367	102	72	2 177	759	-65,1
		R'000	1 023	368	261	6 929	2 104	-69,6
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	35	24	16	303	152	-49,8
		square metres	7 213	3 895	3 025	52 984	30 407	-42,6
		R'000	23 197	13 156	10 130	150 715	97 522	-35,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	14	0	98	106	216	103,8
		square metres	1 325	0	7 992	13 953	16 402	17,6
		R'000	3 789	0	21 905	41 005	44 876	9,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	117	0	0	117	4 119	3 420,5
		R'000	410	0	0	410	14 110	3 341,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	28 419	13 524	32 296	199 059	158 612	-20,3
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	1 464	0	0	7 674	4 561
R'000			5 124	0	0	22 522	13 113	-41,8
2. Shopping space		square metres	22 643	552	0	33 274	5 186	-84,4
		R'000	79 251	1 495	0	103 733	15 896	-84,7
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	0	0	6 531	4 563	-30,1
		R'000	0	0	0	15 238	12 367	-18,8
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	75	0	0	2 507	1 692	-32,5
		R'000	225	0	0	7 037	4 286	-39,1
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	84 600	1 495	0	148 530	45 662	-69,3
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 490	4 146	4 115	40 812	36 473
	R'000		18 245	13 228	13 075	108 517	108 952	0,4
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	603	110	1 724	21 480	5 923	-72,4
		R'000	2 639	969	5 328	59 356	19 053	-67,9
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	20 884	14 197	18 403	167 873	128 005	-23,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	133 903	29 216	50 699	515 462	332 279	-35,5

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.

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	122	395	59	1 707	806	-52,8
		square metres	5 811	16 054	2 660	73 954	34 971	-52,7
		R'000	6 384	21 414	4 409	72 619	53 082	-26,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	109	124	89	904	829	-8,3
		square metres	25 952	31 023	20 444	203 439	195 027	-4,1
		R'000	63 258	103 298	66 680	510 121	607 491	19,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	267	142	162	1 135	653	-42,5
		square metres	41 606	9 869	15 483	121 255	60 204	-50,3
		R'000	110 339	39 002	60 915	322 817	214 337	-33,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	215	0	0	15 733	1 248	-92,1
		R'000	860	0	0	55 143	4 835	-91,2
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	180 841	163 714	132 004	960 700	879 745	-8,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	7 232	8 478	17,2
		R'000	0	0	0	24 946	28 676	15,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 492	14 715	807	30 747	21 445	-30,3
		R'000	4 380	66 218	4 500	126 420	91 260	-27,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 118	29 248	5 697	30 063	63 128	110,0
		R'000	2 438	58 496	11 394	54 059	135 613	150,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	883	164	3 226	8 933	176,9
		R'000	0	2 309	738	7 317	25 143	243,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	6 818	127 023	16 632	212 742	280 692	31,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	20 406	18 908	12 962	116 305	-8,9
			R'000	56 341	57 277	38 418	319 229	2,3
		2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 517	4 267	4 164	21 018	4,3
			R'000	7 663	15 467	10 847	90 094	25,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	64 004	72 744	49 265	384 088	409 323	6,6
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	251 663	363 481	197 901	1 557 530	1 569 760	0,8

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.

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	126	513	160	752	1 111	47,7
		square metres	7 441	21 596	8 394	42 622	54 832	28,6
		R'000	27 170	34 740	24 952	139 618	155 518	11,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	192	259	202	1 762	1 628	-7,6
		square metres	47 490	63 650	51 421	420 938	440 373	4,6
		R'000	197 287	280 681	233 116	1 615 957	1 986 909	23,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	484	555	272	4 443	4 089	-8,0
		square metres	63 865	101 604	50 668	511 414	612 572	19,8
		R'000	244 301	472 173	235 540	2 036 487	2 915 145	43,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	10 102	0	20 478	24 060	17,5
		R'000	0	37 719	0	89 699	106 452	18,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	468 758	825 313	493 608	3 881 761	5 164 024	33,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	24 077	42 120	2 545	97 640	157 096	60,9
		R'000	136 923	219 706	6 976	453 351	739 323	63,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	42 671	12 536	23 706	129 170	170 306	31,8
		R'000	232 033	64 609	120 321	553 707	829 023	49,7
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	72 333	43 006	23 767	272 994	314 949	15,4
		R'000	219 277	130 601	97 849	748 723	942 398	25,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	942	3 782	10 898	64 635	36 723	-43,2
		R'000	2 550	18 258	40 986	277 617	156 700	-43,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	590 783	433 174	266 132	2 033 398	2 667 444	31,2
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	53 016	95 494	48 368	440 309	451 086	2,4
		R'000	202 784	435 711	213 374	1 554 191	1 915 672	23,3
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	65 321	19 816	15 061	231 454	204 237	-11,8
		R'000	211 184	104 505	70 875	880 714	1 041 963	18,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	413 968	540 216	284 249	2 434 905	2 957 635	21,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 473 509	1 798 703	1 043 989	8 350 064	10 789 103	29,2

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	109	83	549	2 345	1 061	-54,8
		square metres	6 483	4 692	24 284	96 704	52 910	-45,3
		R'000	8 465	13 489	43 847	118 580	111 323	-6,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	211	142	116	1 702	1 370	-19,5
		square metres	48 262	27 723	25 114	373 856	278 050	-25,6
		R'000	103 253	78 562	66 872	990 486	752 132	-24,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	51	80	96	1 249	767	-38,6
		square metres	6 237	7 066	7 366	153 596	94 333	-38,6
		R'000	14 910	23 284	25 289	381 742	281 231	-26,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	174	166	0	5 615	13 623	142,6
		R'000	383	365	0	15 603	46 547	198,3
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	127 011	115 700	136 008	1 506 411	1 191 233	-20,9
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	4 272	0	7 385	15 023	23 089
R'000			12 423	0	51 100	41 542	96 023	131,1
2. Shopping space		square metres	157	1 949	1 936	58 052	45 138	-22,2
		R'000	314	5 116	5 979	170 470	114 426	-32,9
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	1 552	95	0	39 754	16 755	-57,9
		R'000	3 120	266	0	82 824	31 809	-61,6
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	25	316	1 213	11 405	5 220	-54,2
		R'000	50	1 000	4 890	31 030	16 751	-46,0
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	15 907	6 382	61 969	325 866	259 009	-20,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 107	12 824	21 496	106 153	109 372	3,0
		R'000	25 045	33 801	58 664	239 267	271 640	13,5
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 103	2 790	3 862	13 691	21 046	53,7
		R'000	3 286	27 931	10 646	45 247	82 533	82,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	28 331	61 732	69 310	284 514	354 173	24,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	171 249	183 814	267 287	2 116 791	1 804 415	-14,8

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.

*Revised.

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2 296	1 752	1 011	16 599	8 717	-47,5
		square metres	102 099	73 074	40 922	711 107	397 133	-44,2
		R'000	213 773	107 885	106 570	1 419 831	882 247	-37,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 341	763	615	8 742	5 669	-35,2
		square metres	331 228	219 222	189 639	2 402 432	1 569 543	-34,7
		R'000	1 158 675	826 249	689 375	8 281 445	5 855 609	-29,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	799	2 032	847	9 092	9 526	4,8
		square metres	105 909	224 425	78 867	1 231 258	1 018 440	-17,3
		R'000	382 352	747 768	395 145	4 359 815	4 009 240	-8,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	7 186	1 101	5 409	28 663	79 662	177,9
		R'000	46 991	3 964	26 611	185 266	339 850	83,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 801 791	1 685 866	1 217 701	14 246 357	11 086 946	-22,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	10 452	5 823	26 935	244 491	275 641	12,7
		R'000	55 220	29 705	124 482	1 245 002	1 489 057	19,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	34 241	96 106	45 596	274 975	421 937	53,4
		R'000	162 782	435 922	197 111	1 209 703	2 007 475	65,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	68 447	104 418	50 085	566 932	550 807	-2,8
		R'000	204 239	288 987	147 189	1 644 896	1 593 973	-3,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	6 399	6 667	6 791	84 416	33 331	-60,5
		R'000	26 277	41 602	19 321	301 528	139 857	-53,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	448 518	796 216	488 103	4 401 129	5 230 362	18,8
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	179 408	122 680	115 460	1 262 192	948 791	-24,8
		R'000	613 584	454 086	422 911	4 216 499	3 480 186	-17,5
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	55 726	74 690	58 140	295 051	568 010	92,5
		R'000	212 389	321 220	239 877	1 294 792	2 363 703	82,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	825 973	775 306	662 788	5 511 291	5 843 889	6,0
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	3 076 282	3 257 388	2 368 592	24 158 777	22 161 197	-8,3

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	106	114	44	730	1 002	37,3	
		square metres	5 182	5 293	2 100	32 408	48 868	50,8	
		R'000	7 011	6 445	4 420	57 171	74 294	30,0	
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	199	345	134	1 770	1 304	-26,3	
		square metres	47 339	63 605	31 177	420 615	289 524	-31,2	
		R'000	149 242	175 141	91 819	1 181 982	880 178	-25,5	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	42	405	20	1 024	1 088	6,3	
		square metres	9 438	44 453	3 217	108 240	95 028	-12,2	
		R'000	23 976	194 625	8 132	306 182	352 878	15,3	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	3 569	4 086	5 077	24,3	
		R'000	0	0	10 449	11 509	14 958	30,0	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	180 229	376 211	114 820	1 556 844	1 322 308	-15,1
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	224	0	10 047	16 680	46 989	181,7
R'000			627	0	25 139	49 254	174 696	254,7	
2. Shopping space		square metres	1 588	1 553	1 589	20 827	83 078	298,9	
		R'000	3 810	6 740	5 267	62 966	366 238	481,6	
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	5 806	7 363	11 583	94 448	78 375	-17,0	
		R'000	14 327	20 019	34 882	297 294	216 946	-27,0	
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	1 784	775	2 180	4 990	8 266	65,7	
		R'000	4 461	1 988	6 063	13 613	25 007	83,7	
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	23 225	28 747	71 351	423 127	782 887	85,0	
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	19 481	18 681	12 337	165 088	128 666	-22,1	
		R'000	54 660	51 526	35 319	424 335	355 206	-16,3	
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	4 411	276	596	30 853	18 470	-40,1	
		R'000	15 271	2 817	4 048	97 039	68 428	-29,5	
	3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	69 931	54 343	39 367	521 374	423 634	-18,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	273 385	459 301	225 538	2 501 345	2 528 829	1,1	

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.

*Revised.

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

			Aug. 2007	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	28	12	22	747	112	-85,0
		square metres	1 737	792	1 419	40 211	7 188	-82,1
		R'000	4 452	2 423	4 802	57 577	21 385	-62,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	97	65	69	687	572	-16,7
		square metres	17 173	14 297	14 092	146 325	128 646	-12,1
		R'000	43 668	47 959	48 699	392 353	423 198	7,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	68	81	83	536	779	45,3
		square metres	8 374	11 573	6 300	70 072	77 198	10,2
		R'000	18 041	31 469	15 303	170 639	201 938	18,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	480	1 553	7 892	13 086	65,8
		R'000	0	2 200	6 300	18 118	35 140	94,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	66 161	84 051	75 104	638 687	681 661	6,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	23 833	748	2 473	31 368	14 789	-52,9
		R'000	59 339	1 870	6 183	78 093	36 535	-53,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 023	2 139	1 674	24 584	25 564	4,0
		R'000	2 045	4 238	3 403	52 797	58 053	10,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 626	1 193	3 935	26 779	22 257	-16,9
		R'000	9 020	2 633	9 838	66 448	55 346	-16,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	713	189	360	4 083	11 405	179,3
		R'000	1 569	705	720	9 613	31 984	232,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	71 973	9 446	20 144	206 951	181 918	-12,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 369	8 352	8 250	83 229	60 254	-27,6
		R'000	23 999	20 187	20 531	201 724	149 605	-25,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 941	3 409	496	9 301	15 521	66,9
		R'000	7 046	10 292	1 535	22 706	42 184	85,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	31 045	30 479	22 066	224 430	191 789	-14,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	169 179	123 976	117 314	1 070 068	1 055 368	-1,4

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.

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3 837	2 119	2 227	19 553	14 637	-25,1
		square metres	167 211	98 699	98 816	829 368	664 278	-19,9
		R'000	274 522	211 920	199 220	1 427 829	1 382 581	-3,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	2 289	1 873	1 789	14 708	13 388	-9,0
		square metres	501 779	437 077	400 581	3 308 415	3 015 445	-8,9
		R'000	1 582 981	1 438 188	1 339 902	10 206 425	9 870 220	-3,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 972	2 075	2 304	18 131	16 023	-11,6
		square metres	225 706	228 474	263 533	2 056 480	1 709 943	-16,9
		R'000	752 703	810 439	958 017	6 835 316	6 332 444	-7,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	17 341	10 488	29 910	126 868	114 107	-10,1
		R'000	58 752	42 498	110 162	562 366	468 868	-16,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	2 668 958	2 503 045	2 607 301	19 031 936	18 054 113	-5,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	22 252	130 366	102 953	434 455	657 017	51,2
		R'000	86 884	549 317	421 431	1 530 651	2 543 775	66,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	24 754	117 201	93 797	354 243	569 993	60,9
		R'000	72 794	474 025	411 520	1 196 196	2 242 643	87,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	104 696	166 679	69 955	941 368	744 001	-21,0
		R'000	319 444	448 538	207 652	2 637 913	2 078 033	-21,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	28 971	17 874	14 321	122 956	84 036	-31,7
		R'000	81 805	80 012	70 453	374 272	304 397	-18,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	560 927	1 551 892	1 111 056	5 739 032	7 168 848	24,9
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	191 329	203 452	202 576	1 381 203	1 415 820	2,5
		R'000	579 607	608 390	594 729	3 897 998	4 253 532	9,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	47 132	56 215	89 867	374 110	547 463	46,3
		R'000	202 580	319 507	292 155	1 278 989	2 081 628	62,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	782 187	927 897	886 884	5 176 987	6 335 160	22,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	4 012 072	4 982 834	4 605 241	29 947 955	31 558 121	5,4

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	726	565	679	5 734	2 501	-56,4
		square metres	32 391	24 307	29 056	224 404	110 889	-50,6
		R'000	62 440	39 446	51 792	345 353	205 681	-40,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	534	413	547	3 704	3 414	-7,8
		square metres	118 294	102 917	118 346	813 609	776 026	-4,6
		R'000	369 076	348 730	381 574	2 463 604	2 509 270	1,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	422	259	633	4 541	3 597	-20,8
		square metres	39 097	25 634	68 652	465 959	346 423	-25,7
		R'000	121 290	81 216	204 768	1 465 413	1 149 700	-21,5
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 344	7 324	5 463	21 093	30 318	43,7
		R'000	7 501	32 421	19 778	78 654	125 842	60,0
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	560 307	501 813	657 912	4 353 024	3 990 493	-8,3	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	7 758	29 453	34 123	168 838	155 910	-7,7
		R'000	17 636	116 876	113 416	483 342	541 663	12,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 768	2 975	9 464	39 459	108 455	174,9
		R'000	6 170	9 509	24 079	126 530	406 123	221,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	34 044	31 791	21 079	319 254	257 827	-19,2
		R'000	103 237	102 464	76 790	897 295	785 857	-12,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	25 463	4 666	2 339	55 409	19 293	-65,2
		R'000	74 022	14 961	4 318	157 688	51 168	-67,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	201 065	243 810	218 603	1 664 855	1 784 811	7,2
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	70 785	74 828	99 187	492 691	524 495
R'000			192 535	210 957	261 022	1 302 011	1 448 398	11,2
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	17 431	21 208	53 796	137 797	230 553	67,3
		R'000	65 119	159 022	164 446	448 488	892 271	99,0
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	257 654	369 979	425 468	1 750 499	2 340 669	33,7
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 019 026	1 115 602	1 301 983	7 768 378	8 115 973	4,5

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

			Aug. 2007	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building								
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	317	219	93	1 226	715	-41,7
		square metres	12 171	9 299	4 114	50 912	31 290	-38,5
		R'000	20 548	14 876	5 703	74 806	50 116	-33,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	140	217	80	819	761	-7,1
		square metres	22 289	36 943	17 258	140 871	151 667	7,7
		R'000	61 408	96 739	52 591	357 950	417 776	16,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	149	58	88	921	433	-53,0
		square metres	25 984	6 858	12 403	96 730	50 092	-48,2
		R'000	70 815	17 603	37 447	250 135	140 297	-43,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	105	0	0	2 517	2 611	3,7
		R'000	284	0	0	6 384	5 147	-19,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	153 055	129 218	95 741	689 275	613 336	-11,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	333	3 918	3 999	1 637	14 602	792,0
		R'000	940	11 006	10 112	4 234	41 541	881,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	41 093	3 400	16 326	74 019	353,4
		R'000	0	108 722	11 900	39 741	215 120	441,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	921	4 743	111	22 956	29 911	30,3
		R'000	1 465	12 303	230	54 422	58 292	7,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	459	490	520	3 273	6 778	107,1
		R'000	1 000	1 272	4 802	7 100	19 132	169,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	3 405	133 303	27 044	105 497	334 085	216,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 136	15 554	13 177	100 322	83 938	-16,3
		R'000	22 763	34 233	33 785	203 754	190 335	-6,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 208	3 509	2 576	27 890	38 962	39,7
		R'000	6 076	10 082	6 743	62 147	83 580	34,5
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	28 839	44 315	40 528	265 901	273 915	3,0
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	185 299	306 836	163 313	1 060 673	1 221 336	15,1

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.

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

			Aug. 2007	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	114	1	100	149	49,0
		square metres	178	5 523	58	4 088	7 048	72,4
		R'000	555	6 016	197	7 427	8 056	8,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	15	13	14	155	111	-28,4
		square metres	3 107	3 079	2 329	29 352	20 830	-29,0
		R'000	9 008	10 587	7 602	75 299	62 719	-16,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	9	5	5	154	98	-36,4
		square metres	1 291	714	694	21 158	12 756	-39,7
		R'000	3 615	1 785	1 943	53 952	35 026	-35,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	481	0	174	1 833	953,4
		R'000	0	1 684	0	609	5 774	848,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	13 178	20 072	9 742	137 287	111 575	-18,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 242	6 191	2 054	-66,8
		R'000	0	0	4 223	15 338	7 023	-54,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	786	0	0	7 008	3 063	-56,3
		R'000	2 201	0	0	16 341	8 859	-45,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	4 730	2 388	-49,5
		R'000	0	0	0	12 160	6 505	-46,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	498	2 209	343,6
		R'000	0	0	0	1 195	6 184	417,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	2 201	0	4 223	45 034	28 571	-36,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 411	2 321	2 728	23 322	23 101	-0,9
		R'000	6 050	7 180	8 432	61 557	66 404	7,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	819	875	36	4 627	4 811	4,0
		R'000	2 263	2 975	1 193	18 563	15 231	-17,9
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	8 313	10 155	9 625	80 120	81 635	1,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	23 692	30 227	23 590	262 441	221 781	-15,5

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.

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	654	17	7	1 456	216	-85,2
		square metres	28 235	942	443	64 525	11 765	-81,8
		R'000	28 209	1 846	756	69 437	19 631	-71,7
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	90	72	50	657	477	-27,4
		square metres	15 249	16 716	11 663	119 329	92 646	-22,4
		R'000	33 908	43 956	31 837	253 702	242 985	-4,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	91	89	21	424	261	-38,4
		square metres	10 897	7 251	2 156	50 028	28 660	-42,7
		R'000	26 863	19 395	6 737	130 763	68 945	-47,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	5 467	13 354	144,3
		R'000	0	0	0	79 956	32 264	-59,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	88 980	65 197	39 330	533 858	363 825	-31,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	7 425	6 252	-15,8
		R'000	0	0	0	23 358	21 848	-6,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	391	9 354	391	-95,8
		R'000	0	0	1 300	33 305	1 300	-96,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	480	1 154	0	11 044	8 579	-22,3
		R'000	1 200	3 243	0	17 075	18 744	9,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	800	0	3 060	2 060	-32,7
		R'000	0	2 860	0	8 008	5 456	-31,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 200	6 103	1 300	81 746	47 348	-42,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 029	7 728	7 797	52 030	51 289	-1,4
		R'000	13 923	17 115	14 384	103 910	113 109	8,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 007	972	532	15 507	8 098	-47,8
		R'000	47 700	4 648	2 231	77 283	33 137	-57,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	61 623	21 763	16 615	181 193	146 246	-19,3
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	151 803	93 063	57 245	796 797	557 419	-30,0

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	260	355	355	1 016	2 020	98,8
		square metres	9 747	12 212	12 482	44 304	73 981	67,0
		R'000	24 072	30 677	32 921	117 987	184 515	56,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	169	143	103	1 110	990	-10,8
		square metres	36 391	32 350	25 002	246 739	224 046	-9,2
		R'000	151 208	140 527	102 429	949 809	963 834	1,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	221	190	298	1 880	1 695	-9,8
		square metres	38 110	25 990	48 418	344 770	283 358	-17,8
		R'000	146 261	83 535	210 572	1 291 047	1 112 812	-13,8
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	20 824	439	-97,9
		R'000	0	0	0	122 445	3 147	-97,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	321 541	254 739	345 922	2 481 288	2 264 308	-8,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	89	6 102	14 369	22 580	78 437	247,4
		R'000	150	28 804	53 395	65 257	360 791	452,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	10 125	19 757	33 889	90 429	69 244	-23,4
		R'000	28 962	102 046	181 951	324 621	352 280	8,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	25 595	55 005	12 278	273 369	179 835	-34,2
		R'000	69 110	156 846	28 383	748 311	502 076	-32,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	249	2 735	644	18 555	12 152	-34,5
		R'000	623	12 262	3 053	61 215	51 181	-16,4
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	98 845	299 958	266 782	1 199 404	1 266 328	5,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	38 894	19 899	20 387	212 573	185 739	-12,6
		R'000	170 732	90 507	92 636	794 994	842 062	5,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	15 538	10 456	16 463	76 403	140 411	83,8
		R'000	51 921	64 244	51 403	291 539	506 584	73,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	222 653	154 751	144 039	1 086 533	1 348 646	24,1
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	643 039	709 448	756 743	4 767 225	4 879 282	2,4

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	138	70	94	1 840	916	-50,2
		square metres	6 470	4 111	5 411	71 596	38 494	-46,2
		R'000	9 187	12 598	16 685	65 797	78 468	19,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	137	142	136	1 052	1 041	-1,0
		square metres	32 940	28 456	24 191	227 538	216 688	-4,8
		R'000	97 859	77 557	69 634	650 459	564 168	-13,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	107	132	277	857	1 265	47,6
		square metres	9 801	10 958	16 136	69 104	101 983	47,6
		R'000	36 475	31 094	47 750	189 938	313 441	65,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	451	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 075	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	143 521	121 249	134 069	906 194	957 152	5,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	332	0	0	3 233	13 506	317,8
		R'000	730	0	0	7 178	36 184	404,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 947	0	0	34 325	41 571	21,1
		R'000	5 257	0	0	102 459	101 116	-1,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	8 296	0	9 458	11 469	21,3
		R'000	0	11 009	0	18 968	17 680	-6,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 800	968	0	4 722	4 689	-0,7
		R'000	6 160	3 500	0	10 794	12 492	15,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	12 147	14 509	0	139 399	167 472	20,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 120	1 563	2 852	29 101	26 492	-9,0
		R'000	2 789	3 612	6 610	59 689	52 052	-12,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	61	538	10 161	3 767	-62,9
		R'000	0	134	1 506	24 666	12 901	-47,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 789	3 746	8 116	84 355	64 953	-23,0
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	158 457	139 504	142 185	1 129 948	1 189 577	5,3

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 712	660	959	7 781	6 848	-12,0
		square metres	76 267	36 529	45 135	344 988	328 651	-4,7
		R'000	124 984	98 192	87 018	689 032	752 806	9,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	917	678	700	5 730	5 292	-7,6
		square metres	224 566	180 821	173 265	1 471 607	1 265 429	-14,0
		R'000	739 331	619 754	601 155	4 781 091	4 338 206	-9,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	842	1 280	947	8 647	8 208	-5,1
		square metres	88 599	145 674	109 573	927 848	841 570	-9,3
		R'000	311 795	555 660	432 136	3 237 991	3 365 418	3,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	14 892	0	24 447	76 103	56 376	-25,9
		R'000	50 967	0	90 384	272 158	270 726	-0,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 227 077	1 273 606	1 210 693	8 980 272	8 727 156	-2,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	9 464	90 748	49 220	201 776	377 799	87,2
		R'000	54 654	392 196	240 285	852 688	1 512 621	77,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	9 339	49 944	45 541	133 646	262 509	96,4
		R'000	28 468	240 815	187 190	487 056	1 124 300	130,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	39 650	61 244	36 487	276 457	228 107	-17,5
		R'000	135 619	152 367	102 249	836 999	623 390	-25,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	8 215	10 695	32 716	33 278	1,7
		R'000	0	45 157	57 972	120 042	150 071	25,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	218 741	830 535	587 696	2 296 785	3 410 382	48,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	50 534	70 053	47 491	418 472	432 602	3,4
		R'000	146 199	214 992	156 367	1 251 731	1 327 212	6,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	8 116	14 120	15 135	92 341	108 405	17,4
		R'000	23 576	65 040	61 991	326 377	501 040	53,5
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	169 775	280 032	218 358	1 578 108	1 828 252	15,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 615 593	2 384 173	2 016 747	12 855 165	13 965 790	8,6

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	9	103	34	178	1 133	536,5
		square metres	598	4 744	1 787	10 411	53 206	411,1
		R'000	1 543	4 643	3 158	21 823	53 894	147,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	244	149	111	1 096	979	-10,7
		square metres	40 424	25 738	20 955	187 004	204 766	9,5
		R'000	98 353	69 005	64 918	471 459	566 622	20,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	109	13	23	544	239	-56,1
		square metres	10 208	1 845	3 666	63 505	25 497	-59,9
		R'000	30 917	4 733	10 538	169 586	81 647	-51,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	690	6 042	775,7
		R'000	0	0	0	2 160	16 500	663,9
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	130 813	78 381	78 614	665 028	718 663	8,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	3 924	0	0	21 247	5 421	-74,5
		R'000	12 000	0	0	74 954	15 308	-79,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	3 432	1 112	18 734	7 286	-61,1
		R'000	0	12 933	5 100	53 953	26 128	-51,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	3 151	0	17 595	23 935	36,0
		R'000	0	6 421	0	38 689	60 294	55,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	123	3 550	842	-76,3
		R'000	0	0	308	5 828	1 963	-66,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	12 000	19 354	5 408	173 424	103 693	-40,2
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 698	10 991	8 491	43 274	75 958	75,5
		R'000	20 558	28 470	20 168	98 100	183 007	86,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 013	3 547	791	7 878	9 971	26,6
		R'000	5 925	9 981	2 642	26 828	31 317	16,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	26 483	38 451	22 810	124 928	214 324	71,6
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	169 296	136 186	106 832	963 380	1 036 680	7,6

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

			Aug. 2007*	Jul. 2008	Aug. 2008	Jan. - Aug. 2007	Jan. - Aug. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	17	16	5	222	139	-37,4
		square metres	1 154	1 032	330	14 140	8 954	-36,7
		R'000	2 984	3 626	990	36 167	29 414	-18,7
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	43	46	48	385	323	-16,1
		square metres	8 519	10 057	7 572	72 366	63 347	-12,5
		R'000	22 830	31 333	28 162	203 052	204 640	0,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	22	49	12	163	227	39,3
		square metres	1 719	3 550	1 835	17 378	19 604	12,8
		R'000	4 672	15 418	6 126	46 491	65 158	40,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	2 683	0	0	2 683	
		R'000	0	8 393	0	0	8 393	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	30 486	58 770	35 278	285 710	307 605	7,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	352	145	0	1 528	3 036	98,7
		R'000	774	435	0	4 302	6 796	58,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	789	0	0	4 962	3 455	-30,4
		R'000	1 736	0	0	12 190	7 417	-39,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 006	1 295	0	6 505	1 950	-70,0
		R'000	8 813	3 885	0	13 994	5 195	-62,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	1 173	2 735	133,2
		R'000	0	0	0	2 402	6 750	181,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	11 323	4 320	0	32 888	26 158	-20,5
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 722	515	466	9 418	12 206
R'000			4 058	1 324	1 325	22 252	30 953	39,1
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	1 467	0	1 506	2 485	65,0
		R'000	0	3 381	0	3 098	5 567	79,7
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	4 058	4 705	1 325	25 350	36 520	44,1
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	45 867	67 795	36 603	343 948	370 283	7,7

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.

* Revised.

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
South Africa	2002	188 511	6 339 606	2 068 980
	2003	196 108	5 883 240	2 798 450
	2004	182 364	5 470 920	3 023 776

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
South Africa	137 659	4 129 770	3 568 121

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
South Africa	271 219	8 136 570	6 535 000

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

Introduction	1	Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and therefore do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses. 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.
Purpose of the survey	3	The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.
Scope of the survey	4	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings.
Classification	5	Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (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.
Response rate	6	The preliminary response rate for the survey on building statistics for August 2008 was 98,3 %. Improved response rate for July 2008 was 99,1%.
Statistical unit	7	The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
Survey methodology and design	8	<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>
Constant prices	9	The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 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

Symbols and abbreviations

19	..	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

Additions and alterations	Include extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.
Blocks of flats	High-density housing consisting of a number of self-contained dwelling-units, each with at least one living-room together with a kitchen and bathroom, conjoined to similar units in one building.
Dwelling-house	A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwelling-unit, e.g. granny flat, on the same premises as an existing residence. Out-buildings and garages are included.
Local government institutions	Include – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District municipalities; • Metropolitan municipalities; and • Local municipalities.
Municipality	A generic term describing the “unit” of government in the local spheres responsible for local government in a geographically demarcated area and including district, metropolitan and local municipalities. It is an institution consisting of a municipal council (elected political representatives) and municipal administration (appointed officials).
District municipality	A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category C municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).
Metropolitan municipality	A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category A municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).
Local municipality	A municipality that shares municipal executive and legislative authority in its area with a district municipality within whose area it falls, which is described in section 155(1) of the constitution as a category B municipality.
Non-residential buildings	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.
Other residential buildings	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.
Percentage change	<p>When using monthly actual values, the percentage change is the change in actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the same month in the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using annual actual values, the percentage change is the change in the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant year compared with the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using seasonally adjusted values, the percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the previous month expressed as a percentage.</p>

Reference period	One calendar month.
Residential buildings	Comprise dwelling-houses, flats, townhouses and other residential buildings.
Townhouses	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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