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### **Results for January to February 2017**

Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to February 2016 versus January to February 2017

Estimates at current prices	January to February 2016 1/ R'000	January to February 2017 1/ R'000	Difference in value between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017 R'000	% change between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017
Residential buildings	7 568 434	7 710 576	142 142	1,9
-Dwelling-houses	5 085 548	4 375 041	-710 507	-14,0
-Flats and townhouses	2 191 705	3 292 605	1 100 900	50,2
-Other residential buildings	291 181	42 930	-248 251	-85,3
Non-residential buildings	5 492 058	3 943 030	-1 549 028	-28,2
Additions and alterations	3 576 837	3 872 406	295 569	8,3
Total	16 637 329	15 526 012	-1 111 317	-6,7

<sup>1/2016</sup> and 2017 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

### Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 6,7% (-R1 111,3 million) during January to February 2017 compared with January to February 2016.

Non-residential buildings fell by 28,2% (-R1 549,0 million) – see Table A. There were large year-on-year decreases in plans passed for shopping space in KwaZulu-Natal (-R1 573,9 million) and Gauteng (-R775,6 million) – see Tables 14 and 16, pages 22 and 24.

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to February 2016 versus January to February 2017

Estimates at current prices	January to February 2016 1/	January to February 2017 1/	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to February 2016	% change between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	Difference in value between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	3 350 531	4 266 619	20,1	27,3	5,5	916 088
Eastern Cape	596 596	743 600	3,6	24,6	0,9	147 004
Northern Cape	169 989	84 219	1,0	-50,5	-0,5	-85 770
Free State	651 399	550 380	3,9	-15,5	-0,6	-101 019
KwaZulu-Natal	4 385 638	3 010 750	26,4	-31,3	-8,3	-1 374 888
North West	373 875	823 287	2,2	120,2	2,7	449 412
Gauteng	6 219 782	5 292 391	37,4	-14,9	-5,6	-927 391
Mpumalanga	642 699	398 121	3,9	-38,1	-1,5	-244 578
Limpopo	246 820	356 645	1,5	44,5	0,7	109 825
Total	16 637 329	15 526 012	100,0	-6,7	-6,7	-1 111 317

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The largest negative contributions to the total decrease of 6,7% (-R1 111,3 million) were made by KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -8,3 percentage points or -R1 374,9 million) and Gauteng (contributing -5,6 percentage points or -R927,4 million). The largest positive contribution was made by Western Cape (5,5 percentage points or R916,1 million) – see Table B.

<sup>2/</sup> The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to February 2016, divided by 100.

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to February 2016 versus January to February 2017

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to February 2016 1/	January to February 2017 1/	Difference in value between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	% change between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	7 315 039	6 984 990	-330 049	-4,5
Non-residential buildings	5 329 550	3 572 924	-1 756 626	-33,0
Additions and alterations	3 457 971	3 508 950	50 979	1,5
Total	16 102 560	14 066 864	-2 035 696	-12,6

<sup>1/2016</sup> and 2017 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

### Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2015 prices) decreased by 12,6% (-R2 035,7 million) year-on-year during January to February 2017. Non-residential buildings fell by 33,0% (-R1 756,6 million) – see Table C. There were large year-on-year decreases in plans passed for shopping space in KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng – see Tables 14 and 16, pages 22 and 24.

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

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	September to November 2016 R'000	December 2016 to February 2017 R'000	% change between September to November 2016 and December 2016 to February 2017	
Residential buildings	12 895 485	13 472 108	4,5	
Non-residential buildings 1/	7 175 998	4 907 706	-31,6	
Additions and alterations	6 610 009	6 301 670	-4,7	
Total	26 681 492	24 681 484	-7,5	

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

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased by 7,5% in the three months ended February 2017 compared with the previous three months. Non-residential buildings fell by 31,6% – see Table D.

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

### Constant 2015 prices

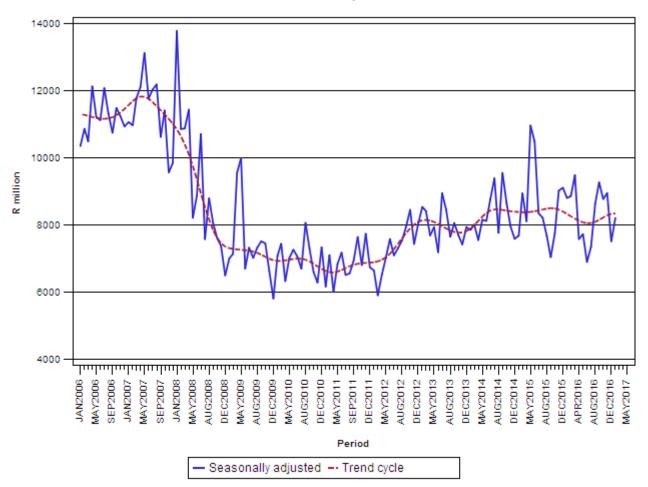


Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices: January to February 2016 versus January to February 2017

Estimates at current prices	January to February 2016 1/ R'000	January to February 2017 1/ R'000	Difference in value between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017 R'000	% change between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017
Residential buildings	4 667 339	5 346 072	678 733	14,5
-Dwelling-houses	3 008 557	3 215 945	207 388	6,9
-Flats and townhouses	1 632 766	1 760 018	127 252	7,8
-Other residential buildings	26 016	370 109	344 093	1 322,6
Non-residential buildings	1 608 364	2 117 867	509 503	31,7
Additions and alterations	1 521 190	1 594 238	73 048	4,8
Total	7 796 893	9 058 177	1 261 284	16,2

<sup>1/2016</sup> and 2017 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

### Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) increased by 16,2% (R1 261,3 million) during January to February 2017 compared with January to February 2016.

All three major building categories recorded increases. The largest percentage increase was recorded for non-residential buildings (31,7% or R509,5 million), followed by residential buildings (14,5% or R678,7 million) and additions and alterations (4,8% or R73,0 million) – see Table E.

Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to February 2016 versus January to February 2017

Estimates at current prices	January to February 2016 1/	January to February 2017 1/	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to February 2016	% change between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	Difference in value between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	1 986 121	2 498 540	25,5	25,8	6,6	512 419
Eastern Cape	192 306	239 834	2,5	24,7	0,6	47 528
Northern Cape	53 908	55 203	0,7	2,4	0,0	1 295
Free State	314 218	49 390	4,0	-84,3	-3,4	-264 828
KwaZulu-Natal	1 000 974	1 161 057	12,8	16,0	2,1	160 083
North West	332 463	170 694	4,3	-48,7	-2,1	-161 769
Gauteng	3 515 415	4 495 421	45,1	27,9	12,6	980 006
Mpumalanga	297 593	271 758	3,8	-8,7	-0,3	-25 835
Limpopo	103 895	116 280	1,3	11,9	0,2	12 385
Total	7 796 893	9 058 177	100,0	16,2	16,2	1 261 284

<sup>1/ 2016</sup> and 2017 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Six provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed during January to February 2017. The largest contributions were recorded for Gauteng (contributing 12,6 percentage points or R980,0 million) and Western Cape (contributing 6,6 percentage points or R512,4 million) – see Table F.

<sup>2/</sup> The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to February 2016, divided by 100.

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to February 2016 versus January to February 2017

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to February 2016 1/	January to February 2017 1/	Difference in value between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	% change between January to February 2016 and January to February 2017	
	R'000	R'000	R'000		
Residential buildings	4 518 423	4 844 367	325 944	7,2	
Non-residential buildings	1 553 453	1 922 316	368 863	23,7	
Additions and alterations	1 471 307	1 445 052	-26 255	-1,8	
Total	7 543 183	8 211 735	668 552	8,9	

<sup>1/2016</sup> and 2017 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

### Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2015 prices) increased by 8,9% (R668,6 million) year-on-year during January to February 2017. Increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (23,7% or R368,9 million) and residential buildings (7,2% or R325,9 million) – see Table G.

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

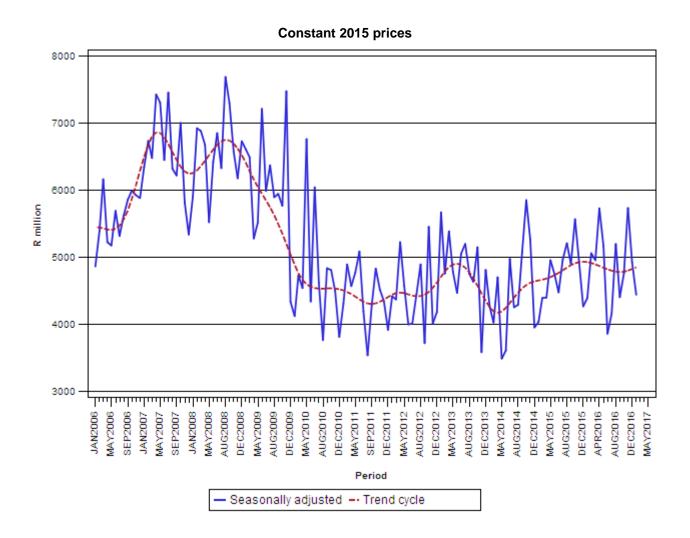
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	September to November 2016 R'000	December 2016 to February 2017 R'000	% change between September to November 2016 and December 2016 to February 2017	
Residential buildings	8 021 110	9 751 407	21,6	
Non-residential buildings 1/	3 642 180	2 821 316	-22,5	
Additions and alterations	2 707 467	2 535 000	-6,4	
Total	14 370 757	15 107 723	5,1	

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

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 5,1% in the three months ended February 2017 compared with the previous three months. An increase was recorded for residential buildings (21,6%). Decreases were recorded for non-residential buildings (-22,5%) and additions and alterations (-6,4%) – see Table H.

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



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

		Residential	buildings	Non-residenti	Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
Year and month 2/		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	
2016	January	2 976 023	-12,8	3 244 246	372,0	1 451 533	-13,0	7 671 802	33,0	
20.0	February	4 592 411	20,1	2 247 812	71,5	2 125 304	-8,7	8 965 527	20,1	
	March	4 577 390	7,6	2 515 020	17,0	2 056 047	-8,8	9 148 457	5,6	
	April	5 000 890	18,2	2 758 347	42,2	2 388 049	20,6	10 147 286	24,5	
	May	4 208 361	-0,2	1 580 343	-64,7	2 241 429	3,0	8 030 133	-26,1	
	June	4 978 546	10,3	1 445 606	-63,9	2 415 528	9,1	8 839 680	-17,6	
	July	3 762 166	-16,1	1 334 132	-35,8	2 532 825	-4,6	7 629 123	-17,2	
	August	4 397 152	3,3	1 796 343	-5,4	2 291 169	-0,1	8 484 664	0,4	
	September	4 802 689	2,1	2 513 194	66,5	2 695 573	19,9	10 011 456	18,3	
	October	5 420 582	21,5	2 488 211	120,9	2 717 674	17,8	10 626 467	34,6	
	November	4 827 911	10,5	2 750 077	95,4	2 458 564	15,0	10 036 552	26,8	
	December	4 666 896	24,0	1 462 921	-27,1	1 954 313	-10,4	8 084 130	1,7	
	Total	54 211 017	7,4	26 136 252	6,3	27 328 008	3,3	107 675 277	6,1	
2017	January	3 161 447	6,2	1 731 491	-46,6	1 703 058	17,3	6 595 996	-14,0	
2017	February	4 549 129	-0,9	2 211 539	-1,6	2 169 348	2,1	8 930 016	-0,4	

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

	V	Residential buildings		Non-residentia	l buildings 3/	Additions and	dalterations	Total	
	Year and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
	January	4 235 765	-8,6	3 244 246	61,7	2 084 483	-18,6	9 564 494	4,0
2016	February	4 384 144	3,5	2 247 812	-30,7	2 135 625	2,5	8 767 581	-8,3
	March	4 494 562	2,5	2 515 020	11,9	2 187 210	2,4	9 196 792	4,9
	April	4 859 175	8,1	2 758 347	9,7	2 323 316	6,2	9 940 838	8,1
	May	4 194 525	-13,7	1 580 343	-42,7	2 260 634	-2,7	8 035 502	-19,2
	June	4 464 054	6,4	1 445 606	-8,5	2 410 047	6,6	8 319 707	3,5
	July	3 666 468	-17,9	1 334 132	-7,7	2 350 706	-2,5	7 351 306	-11,6
	August	4 102 601	11,9	1 796 343	34,6	1 990 893	-15,3	7 889 837	7,3
	September	4 480 659	9,2	2 513 194	39,9	2 319 989	16,5	9 313 842	18,0
	October	4 950 832	10,5	2 488 211	-1,0	2 602 428	12,2	10 041 471	7,8
	November	4 586 940	-7,4	2 750 077	10,5	2 229 154	-14,3	9 566 170	-4,7
	December	5 973 110	30,2	1 462 921	-46,8	2 412 158	8,2	9 848 189	2,9
004=	January	4 494 440	-24,8	1 731 491	18,4	2 331 833	-3,3	8 557 764	-13,1
2017	February	4 934 844	9,8	2 211 539	27,7	2 210 001	-5,2	9 356 384	9,3
	Sep. – Nov. 16	14 018 431		7 751 482		7 151 571		28 921 483	
	Dec. 16 - Feb. 17 2/	15 402 394	9,9	5 405 951	-30,3	6 953 992	-2,8	27 762 337	-4,0

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

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

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

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

,	V	Residential	buildings	Non-resident	ial buildings	Additions and	d alterations	To	tal
	Year and month 2/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2242	January	2 911 960	-15,8	3 174 409	355,4	1 420 287	-16,1	7 506 656	28,3
2016	February	4 403 079	13,3	2 155 141	61,8	2 037 684	-13,9	8 595 904	13,3
	March	4 376 090	1,8	2 404 417	10,7	1 965 628	-13,7	8 746 135	0,0
	April	4 744 677	11,8	2 617 028	34,5	2 265 701	14,1	9 627 406	17,8
	May	3 981 420	-5,7	1 495 121	-66,6	2 120 557	-2,6	7 597 098	-30,2
	June	4 661 560	3,6	1 353 564	-66,1	2 261 730	2,5	8 276 854	-22,6
	July	3 512 760	-21,2	1 245 688	-39,6	2 364 916	-10,3	7 123 364	-22,2
	August	4 101 821	-3,3	1 675 693	-11,5	2 137 285	-6,5	7 914 799	-6,0
	September	4 467 618	-4,8	2 337 855	55,1	2 507 510	11,7	9 312 983	10,3
	October	5 028 369	13,7	2 308 173	106,8	2 521 033	10,3	9 857 575	26,0
	November	4 441 500	2,7	2 529 970	81,5	2 261 788	6,8	9 233 258	17,8
	December	4 258 117	14,3	1 334 782	-32,8	1 783 132	-17,4	7 376 031	-6,3
	Total	50 888 971	0,8	24 631 841	0,2	25 647 251	-3,0	101 168 063	-0,3
2017	January	2 879 278	-1,1	1 576 950	-50,3	1 551 055	9,2	6 007 283	-20,0
2017	February	4 105 712	-6,8	1 995 974	-7,4	1 957 895	-3,9	8 059 581	-6,2

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

	V	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	al buildings 3/	Additions and	dalterations	Tot	al
	Year and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
	January	3 905 938	-13,5	3 174 409	59,8	2 031 838	-19,6	9 112 185	0,9
2016	February	4 610 168	18,0	2 155 141	-32,1	2 044 726	0,6	8 810 035	-3,3
	March	4 362 277	-5,4	2 404 417	11,6	2 094 152	2,4	8 860 846	0,6
	April	4 658 325	6,8	2 617 028	8,8	2 214 020	5,7	9 489 373	7,1
	May	3 951 393	-15,2	1 495 121	-42,9	2 138 249	-3,4	7 584 762	-20,1
	June	4 113 723	4,1	1 353 564	-9,5	2 264 297	5,9	7 731 584	1,9
	July	3 453 665	-16,0	1 245 688	-8,0	2 202 194	-2,7	6 901 546	-10,7
	August	3 819 423	10,6	1 675 693	34,5	1 859 031	-15,6	7 354 147	6,6
	September	4 134 753	8,3	2 337 855	39,5	2 156 423	16,0	8 629 031	17,3
	October	4 559 811	10,3	2 308 173	-1,3	2 407 549	11,6	9 275 533	7,5
	November	4 200 921	-7,9	2 529 970	9,6	2 046 037	-15,0	8 776 928	-5,4
	December	5 427 367	29,2	1 334 782	-47,2	2 191 817	7,1	8 953 966	2,0
204=	January	3 825 621	-29,5	1 576 950	18,1	2 112 690	-3,6	7 515 261	-16,1
2017	February	4 219 120	10,3	1 995 974	26,6	1 997 163	-5,5	8 212 257	9,3
	Sep Nov. 16	12 895 485		7 175 998		6 610 009		26 681 492	
	Dec. 16 - Feb. 17 2/	13 472 108	4,5	4 907 706	-31,6	6 301 670	-4,7	24 681 484	-7,5

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

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

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

	Year and month 2/	Residential	buildings	Non-resident	ial buildings	Additions an	d alterations	To	tal
	rear and month 2	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2242	January	2 208 305	21,4	578 503	-26,4	651 330	29,8	3 438 138	10,7
2016	February	2 459 034	17,8	1 029 861	1,0	869 860	28,7	4 358 755	15,2
	March	2 523 781	-1,7	1 810 745	110,9	878 230	-14,4	5 212 756	17,1
	April	2 316 846	-11,2	2 113 528	189,3	822 389	-8,9	5 252 763	23,8
	May	3 275 280	5,0	1 819 266	87,9	913 420	14,6	6 007 966	23,0
	June	3 105 362	19,4	1 325 164	25,4	930 103	-5,5	5 360 629	15,5
	July	2 339 251	-11,2	1 150 587	5,0	705 601	-17,2	4 195 439	-8,5
	August	2 511 205	-11,3	1 205 852	-15,1	791 833	-2,8	4 508 890	-11,0
	September	3 647 566	21,5	1 326 114	-19,5	983 917	16,6	5 957 597	8,5
	October	3 050 481	13,5	928 259	-45,2	1 022 162	33,4	5 000 902	-2,9
	November	3 026 831	-11,9	1 682 124	-14,7	1 040 884	19,4	5 749 839	-8,4
	December	4 515 140	61,4	985 304	-32,0	873 119	14,2	6 373 563	27,2
	Total	34 979 082	8,7	15 955 307	8,6	10 482 848	7,0	61 417 237	8,3
2017	January	2 359 273	6,8	1 324 149	128,9	755 314	16,0	4 438 736	29,1
2017	February	2 986 799	21,5	793 718	-22,9	838 924	-3,6	4 619 441	6,0

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

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

	Voor and month	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	al buildings 3/	Additions an	d alterations	To	tal
	Year and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2012	January	2 961 517	11,3	578 503	-60,1	834 645	-7,4	4 374 665	-12,7
2016	February	2 714 473	-8,3	1 029 861	78,0	836 985	0,3	4 581 319	4,7
	March	2 662 024	-1,9	1 810 745	75,8	818 925	-2,2	5 291 693	15,5
	April	2 350 564	-11,7	2 113 528	16,7	740 219	-9,6	5 204 310	-1,7
	May	3 296 914	40,3	1 819 266	-13,9	928 411	25,4	6 044 591	16,1
	June	3 278 181	-0,6	1 325 164	-27,2	916 960	-1,2	5 520 305	-8,7
	July	2 263 061	-31,0	1 150 587	-13,2	710 768	-22,5	4 124 416	-25,3
	August	2 478 682	9,5	1 205 852	4,8	771 856	8,6	4 456 390	8,0
	September	3 318 784	33,9	1 326 114	10,0	948 338	22,9	5 593 236	25,5
	October	2 854 930	-14,0	928 259	-30,0	976 475	3,0	4 759 665	-14,9
	November	2 502 771	-12,3	1 682 124	81,2	1 007 333	3,2	5 192 228	9,1
	December	4 319 942	72,6	985 304	-41,4	1 020 430	1,3	6 325 676	21,8
	January	3 133 853	-27,5	1 324 149	34,4	961 973	-5,7	5 419 976	-14,3
2017	February	3 310 379	5,6	793 718	-40,1	817 099	-15,1	4 921 196	-9,2
	Sep. – Nov. 16	8 676 485		3 936 497		2 932 146		15 545 129	,
	Dec. 16 – Feb. 17 2/	10 764 174	24,1	3 103 171	-21,2	2 799 502	-4,5	16 666 848	7,2

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

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

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

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

,	V	Residential	buildings	Non-residenti	al buildings	Additions and	d alterations	Tot	al
	Year and month 2/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2242	January	2 160 768	17,1	566 050	-29,0	637 309	25,3	3 364 127	6,8
2016	February	2 357 655	11,1	987 403	-4,7	833 998	21,4	4 179 056	8,7
	March	2 412 793	-7,0	1 731 114	99,6	839 608	-19,0	4 983 515	10,8
	April	2 198 146	-16,0	2 005 245	173,6	780 255	-13,9	4 983 646	17,1
	May	3 098 657	-0,8	1 721 160	77,6	864 163	8,3	5 683 980	16,2
	June	2 907 642	12,2	1 240 790	17,7	870 883	-11,2	5 019 315	8,5
	July	2 184 175	-16,5	1 074 311	-1,3	658 824	-22,2	3 917 310	-13,9
	August	2 342 542	-17,0	1 124 862	-20,6	738 650	-9,0	4 206 054	-16,7
	September	3 393 085	13,3	1 233 594	-24,9	915 272	8,7	5 541 951	1,1
	October	2 829 760	6,2	861 094	-48,7	948 202	24,9	4 639 056	-9,1
	November	2 784 573	-18,2	1 547 492	-20,7	957 575	11,0	5 289 640	-14,9
	December	4 119 653	48,8	899 000	-37,3	796 641	5,2	5 815 294	17,2
	Total	32 789 449	1,9	14 992 115	2,2	9 841 380	0,5	57 622 944	1,8
2017	January	2 148 700	-0,6	1 205 964	113,0	687 900	7,9	4 042 564	20,2
2017	February	2 695 667	14,3	716 352	-27,5	757 152	-9,2	4 169 171	-0,2

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

	V	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	ll buildings 3/	Additions and	d alterations	Tot	al
	Year and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
	January	2 891 828	10,5	566 050	-60,5	811 194	-8,6	4 269 071	-13,6
2016	February	2 602 750	-10,0	987 403	74,4	803 647	-0,9	4 393 800	2,9
	March	2 548 063	-2,1	1 731 114	75,3	784 774	-2,3	5 063 951	15,3
	April	2 246 365	-11,8	2 005 245	15,8	706 111	-10,0	4 957 721	-2,1
	May	3 132 718	39,5	1 721 160	-14,2	879 769	24,6	5 733 647	15,7
	June	3 065 726	-2,1	1 240 790	-27,9	861 209	-2,1	5 167 725	-9,9
	July	2 121 403	-30,8	1 074 311	-13,4	665 339	-22,7	3 861 053	-25,3
	August	2 315 161	9,1	1 124 862	4,7	720 514	8,3	4 160 537	7,8
	September	3 086 825	33,3	1 233 594	9,7	881 063	22,3	5 201 482	25,0
	October	2 642 308	-14,4	861 094	-30,2	903 952	2,6	4 407 354	-15,3
	November	2 291 977	-13,3	1 547 492	79,7	922 452	2,0	4 761 921	8,0
	December	3 913 515	70,7	899 000	-41,9	925 819	0,4	5 738 335	20,5
	January	2 849 171	-27,2	1 205 964	34,1	870 237	-6,0	4 925 371	-14,2
2017	February	2 988 721	4,9	716 352	-40,6	738 944	-15,1	4 444 017	-9,8
	Sep. – Nov. 16	8 021 110		3 642 180		2 707 467		14 370 757	
	Dec. 16 – Feb. 17 2/	9 751 407	21,6	2 821 316	-22,5	2 535 000	-6,4	15 107 723	5,1

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	1 583	722	1 527	2 961	2 249	-24,0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	76 388	35 962	72 972	141 330	108 934	-22,9
		R'000	373 523	213 982	395 942	649 444	609 924	-6,1
		Number	1 459	876	1 184	2 537	2 060	-18,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	394 319	241 755	312 934	672 869	554 689	-17,6
Residential buildings		R'000	2 603 040	1 645 537	2 119 580	4 436 104	3 765 117	-15,1
Residential buildings		Number	2 135	1 582	2 036	3 315	3 618	9,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	187 530	174 536	246 475	286 914	421 011	46,7
		R'000	1 452 000	1 288 602	2 004 003	2 191 705	3 292 605	50,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	21 806	2 641	4 319	33 156	6 960	-79,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	163 848	13 326	29 604	291 181	42 930	-85,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	4 592 411	3 161 447	4 549 129	7 568 434	7 710 576	1,9
	Office and banking space	square metres	84 192	25 166	67 017	97 630	92 183	-5,6
	Office and banking space	R'000	775 035	241 003	579 722	866 475	820 725	-5,3
	Shopping space	square metres	91 480	17 281	76 797	345 214	94 078	-72,7
	Shopping space	R'000	669 487	120 604	705 441	3 120 690	826 045	-73,5
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	132 547	204 831	109 084	208 646	313 915	50,5
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	668 728	1 195 748	629 754	1 062 381	1 825 502	71,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	22 775	25 442	44 871	67 022	70 313	4,9
	Other Hori-residential buildings 3/	R'000	134 562	174 136	296 622	442 512	470 758	6,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	2 247 812	1 731 491	2 211 539	5 492 058	3 943 030	-28,2
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	272 793	182 828	225 723	444 065	408 551	-8,0
	Dwelling-Houses	R'000	1 801 448	1 236 990	1 529 602	2 897 422	2 766 592	-4,5
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	40 072	56 144	63 866	89 585	120 010	34,0
	Outer buildings 4/	R'000	323 856	466 068	639 746	679 415	1 105 814	62,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 125 304	1 703 058	2 169 348	3 576 837	3 872 406	8,3
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	8 965 527	6 595 996	8 930 016	16 637 329	15 526 012	-6,7

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	607	394	780	943	1 174	24,5
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	28 231	18 317	35 498	43 166	53 815	24,7
		R'000	157 875	116 716	210 311	243 537	327 027	34,3
		Number	421	247	396	673	643	-4,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	106 061	62 103	89 688	165 726	151 791	-8,4
Residential buildings		R'000	721 518	414 051	579 522	1 106 912	993 573	-10,2
Residential buildings		Number	437	311	998	685	1 309	91,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	49 504	31 219	118 802	80 630	150 021	86,1
		R'000	371 505	242 927	871 192	599 357	1 114 119	85,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	17 799	1 322	2 052	17 799	3 374	-81,0
		R'000	137 926	6 610	14 671	137 926	21 281	-84,6
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 388 824	780 304	1 675 696	2 087 732	2 456 000	17,6
	Office and banking space	square metres	7 376	1 217	43 569	7 376	44 786	507,2
	Office and banking space	R'000	58 847	8 543	374 549	58 847	383 092	551,0
	Shopping space	square metres	293	517	8 720	293	9 237	3 052,6
	Chopping space	R'000	1 793	2 585	68 057	1 793	70 642	3 839,9
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	29 483	14 520	26 857	36 458	41 377	13,5
	maamarana warenouse space	R'000	185 512	100 285	176 496	236 364	276 781	17,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 840	4 890	2 498	8 920	7 388	-17,2
	Other horr residential ballatings of	R'000	18 950	28 065	16 273	54 813	44 338	-19,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	265 102	139 478	635 375	351 817	774 853	120,2
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	68 353	48 961	62 560	115 730	111 521	-3,6
	Dwoming flouded	R'000	434 600	321 370	403 458	733 966	724 828	-1,2
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	7 116	11 859	17 889	18 798	29 748	58,3
	Caron bandings 4/	R'000	84 789	125 275	185 663	177 016	310 938	75,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	519 389	446 645	589 121	910 982	1 035 766	13,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	2 173 315	1 366 427	2 900 192	3 350 531	4 266 619	27,3

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

<sup>3/</sup> 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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	51	5	335	129	340	163,6
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 992	261	14 829	7 382	15 090	104,4
		R'000	17 280	1 599	66 513	43 063	68 112	58,2
		Number	97	43	80	166	123	-25,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	20 177	9 940	18 972	34 707	28 912	-16,7
Residential buildings		R'000	115 053	58 480	112 189	204 758	170 669	-16,6
Residential ballangs		Number	33	22	58	43	80	86,0
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	3 278	1 834	4 461	4 672	6 295	34,7
		R'000	17 322	8 425	22 803	23 322	31 228	33,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	148	0	132	148	132	-10,8
	Other residential ballatings 2/	R'000	962	0	528	962	528	-45,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	150 617	68 504	202 033	272 105	270 537	-0,6
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	153	146	153	4,8
	Cinco and Samuring opace	R'000	0	0	810	710	810	14,1
	Shopping space	square metres	242	299	242	1 242	541	-56,4
	Chiopping opace	R'000	968	1 196	1 176	4 968	2 372	-52,3
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 958	4 974	27 187	20 334	32 161	58,2
	mademar and waremedee space	R'000	16 831	27 357	149 529	89 005	176 886	98,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 068	1 039	827	3 488	1 866	-46,5
	Carlot Hori Testaeritiai Ballainige G	R'000	14 120	5 197	4 962	16 130	10 159	-37,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	31 919	33 750	156 477	110 813	190 227	71,7
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	18 910	14 267	28 706	33 155	42 973	29,6
	2 5 ig 115 4555	R'000	102 258	77 536	172 931	187 897	250 467	33,3
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	4 259	1 905	2 283	6 982	4 188	-40,0
	Carol Sandings I/	R'000	17 122	16 346	16 023	25 781	32 369	25,6
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	119 380	93 882	188 954	213 678	282 836	32,4
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	301 916	196 136	547 464	596 596	743 600	24,6

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	0	0	4	3	4	33,3
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	0	0	200	230	200	-13,0
		R'000	0	0	1 200	1 380	1 200	-13,0
		Number	16	22	11	29	33	13,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	3 621	2 395	2 416	6 303	4 811	-23,7
Residential buildings		R'000	23 746	16 342	15 091	40 652	31 433	-22,7
Residential buildings		Number	10	0	0	36	0	
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	875	0	0	4 462	0	
		R'000	5 274	0	0	26 174	0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	390	0	0	390	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	2 535	0	0	2 535	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	29 020	18 877	16 291	68 206	35 168	-48,4
	Office and banking space	square metres	7 690	0	0	7 690	0	
	Office and banking space	R'000	46 140	0	0	46 140	0	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Shopping space	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	2 205	216	2 205	920,8
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	0	0	14 333	1 296	14 333	1 005,9
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	502	347	311	502	658	31,1
	Other hon-residential buildings 3/	R'000	2 794	2 256	2 022	2 794	4 278	53,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	48 934	2 256	16 355	50 230	18 611	-62,9
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 663	2 499	1 566	7 695	4 065	-47,2
	Dwciii ig-flouses	R'000	37 364	17 149	10 354	49 563	27 503	-44,5
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	381	0	381	
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	110	120	2 817	1 990	2 937	47,6
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	37 474	17 269	13 171	51 553	30 440	-41,0
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	115 428	38 402	45 817	169 989	84 219	-50,5

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

<sup>4/</sup> 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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	45	11	25	99	36	-63,6
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 609	677	1 270	5 638	1 947	-65,5
		R'000	14 339	3 687	7 477	24 855	11 164	-55,1
		Number	86	60	57	137	117	-14,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	21 743	11 797	10 957	35 270	22 754	-35,5
Residential buildings		R'000	117 882	62 815	61 041	189 062	123 856	-34,5
Residential buildings		Number	102	36	78	102	114	11,8
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	11 392	7 727	10 757	11 392	18 484	62,3
		R'000	78 546	51 306	75 299	78 546	126 605	61,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 975	0	0	3 109	0	
	Other residential ballarings 2/	R'000	20 560	0	0	21 163	0	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	231 327	117 808	143 817	313 626	261 625	-16,6
	Office and banking space	square metres	10 229	187	0	10 229	187	-98,2
	Cinico and Samuring opace	R'000	80 888	1 496	0	80 888	1 496	-98,2
	Shopping space	square metres	2 449	2 538	693	2 449	3 231	31,9
	Chiopping space	R'000	15 713	12 015	3 773	15 713	15 788	0,5
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	14 458	5 276	10 752	15 297	16 028	4,8
	mademarana warenedde space	R'000	65 062	25 011	51 584	68 838	76 595	11,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	547	1 598	547	-65,8
	Other non residential buildings 5/	R'000	0	0	2 462	7 467	2 462	-67,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	161 663	38 522	57 819	172 906	96 341	-44,3
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	18 150	9 101	13 501	27 977	22 602	-19,2
	Dwoming Houses	R'000	95 542	46 752	73 361	143 374	120 113	-16,2
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 097	661	1 372	1 778	2 033	14,3
	Caro: Sandingo 4/	R'000	16 298	5 397	66 904	21 493	72 301	236,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	111 840	52 149	140 265	164 867	192 414	16,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	504 830	208 479	341 901	651 399	550 380	-15,5

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	20	25	13	41	38	-7,3
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	1 049	1 506	789	2 319	2 295	-1,0
		R'000	8 233	9 586	6 098	17 641	15 684	-11,1
		Number	110	86	129	202	215	6,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	33 405	26 164	36 534	64 417	62 698	-2,7
Residential buildings		R'000	282 690	255 812	319 782	530 297	575 594	8,5
residential ballatings		Number	581	64	382	637	446	-30,0
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	35 582	8 156	58 056	46 225	66 212	43,2
		R'000	340 750	67 771	610 676	433 243	678 447	56,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	844	0	2 135	12 060	2 135	-82,3
	Other residential ballatings 2/	R'000	4 220	0	14 405	130 950	14 405	-89,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	635 893	333 169	950 961	1 112 131	1 284 130	15,5
	Office and banking space	square metres	22 977	7 066	602	23 197	7 668	-66,9
	Chiec and banking space	R'000	228 442	52 119	3 010	229 213	55 129	-75,9
	Shopping space	square metres	13 267	0	52 135	211 771	52 135	-75,4
	опоррінд зрасс	R'000	119 529	0	526 529	2 100 444	526 529	-74,9
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	9 526	18 165	13 802	23 093	31 967	38,4
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	45 560	115 768	84 946	114 744	200 714	74,9
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	12 029	913	10 209	12 760	11 122	-12,8
	Other Hon-residential buildings 3/	R'000	77 767	6 391	61 002	81 057	67 393	-16,9
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	471 298	174 278	675 487	2 525 458	849 765	-66,4
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	32 324	26 251	28 474	52 703	54 725	3,8
	Dwoming-nouses	R'000	266 257	243 072	271 338	449 306	514 410	14,5
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	16 037	18 360	16 565	41 841	34 925	-16,5
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	112 568	155 387	207 058	298 743	362 445	21,3
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	378 825	398 459	478 396	748 049	876 855	17,2
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 486 016	905 906	2 104 844	4 385 638	3 010 750	-31,3

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	8	5	11	18	16	-11,1
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	500	296	685	1 186	981	-17,3
		R'000	2 669	1 297	3 083	5 760	4 380	-24,0
		Number	76	60	69	135	129	-4,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	21 234	15 651	19 575	35 835	35 226	-1,7
Residential buildings		R'000	103 484	87 281	101 246	178 312	188 527	5,7
		Number	79	738	66	113	804	611,5
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	6 727	74 660	7 088	8 987	81 748	809,6
		R'000	29 231	446 400	47 856	38 723	494 256	1 176,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Office residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	135 384	534 978	152 185	222 795	687 163	208,4
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	729	0	729	
	Omoc and banking space	R'000	0	0	4 887	0	4 887	
	Shopping space	square metres	1 051	733	2 211	1 051	2 944	180,1
	Chopping space	R'000	5 249	3 299	12 773	5 249	16 072	206,2
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 250	2 518	178	4 779	2 696	-43,6
	mademar and warehouse space	R'000	5 000	10 205	890	24 355	11 095	-54,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	546	283	0	1 398	283	-79,8
	Carlot Horr residential ballatings of	R'000	2 730	1 274	0	7 416	1 274	-82,8
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	12 979	14 778	18 550	37 020	33 328	-10,0
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 977	8 118	8 511	21 693	16 629	-23,3
	2 Holling Houses	R'000	55 920	39 164	41 846	100 813	81 010	-19,6
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 652	41	3 282	2 739	3 323	21,3
	Caron Sandings 4/	R'000	7 750	845	20 941	13 247	21 786	64,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	63 670	40 009	62 787	114 060	102 796	-9,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	212 033	589 765	233 522	373 875	823 287	120,2

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	660	197	298	1 262	495	-60,8
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	31 146	10 429	16 381	58 107	26 810	-53,9
		R'000	133 593	61 844	86 290	216 617	148 134	-31,6
		Number	483	238	335	863	573	-33,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	145 333	80 866	108 677	248 970	189 543	-23,9
Residential buildings		R'000	1 029 226	590 324	786 513	1 765 507	1 376 837	-22,0
		Number	854	383	402	1 660	785	-52,7
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	75 818	47 870	41 419	126 192	89 289	-29,2
		R'000	589 422	456 788	347 211	972 390	803 999	-17,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	-53,9 -31,6 -33,6 -33,6 -23,9 -22,0 -52,7 -29,2 -17,321,2 -24,8 -17,8 -83,0 -82,3 86,6 118,9 -15,5 -11,6 -15,0 -14,7 -14,3 185,9 135,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 752 241	1 108 956	1 220 014	2 954 514	2 328 970	-21,2
	Office and banking space	square metres	35 464	15 706	17 733	44 444	33 439	-24,8
	Chiec and banking space	R'000	358 438	174 321	176 635	426 858	350 956	-17,8
	Shopping space	square metres	67 620	8 776	11 419	119 123	20 195	-83,0
	опорринд зрасс	R'000	495 178	81 073	86 288	942 925	167 361	-82,3
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	69 806	155 726	26 191	97 468	181 917	86,6
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	331 065	900 415	143 181	476 672	1 043 596	118,9
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	223	14 229	12 592	31 756	26 821	-15,5
	Other Hon-residential buildings 3/	R'000	1 217	112 499	101 430	242 109	213 929	-11,6
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 185 898	1 268 308	507 534	2 088 564	1 775 842	-15,0
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	97 869	60 326	65 512	147 566	125 838	-14,7
	Dwolling floudes	R'000	720 216	429 906	476 842	1 057 557	906 748	-14,3
Additions and alterations	Other huildings 4/	square metres	8 027	21 803	21 125	15 015	42 928	185,9
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	72 369	150 982	129 849	119 147	280 831	135,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	792 585	580 888	606 691	1 176 704	1 187 579	0,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	3 730 724	2 958 152	2 334 239	6 219 782	5 292 391	-14,9

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	148	80	46	412	126	-69,4
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	7 449	4 139	2 362	20 253	6 501	-67,9
		R'000	27 891	17 568	10 164	81 763	27 732	-66,1
		Number	102	58	64	226	122	-46,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	25 802	16 156	16 591	53 136	32 747	-38,4
Residential buildings		R'000	126 869	72 748	97 355	282 031	170 103	-39,7
		Number	16	11	27	16	38	137,5
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	2 056	1 253	2 258	2 056	3 511	70,8
		R'000	9 252	5 745	10 189	9 252	15 934	72,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	40	929	0	40	929	2 222,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	180	4 181	0	180	4 181	2 222,8
	Total residential buildings	R'000	164 192	100 242	117 708	373 226	217 950	-41,6
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 710	4 092	1 710	-58,2
	Chief and banking space	R'000	0	0	7 799	21 539	7 799	-63,8
	Shopping space	square metres	6 558	4 230	451	9 285	4 681	-49,6
	Chopping space	R'000	31 057	19 458	2 030	49 598	21 488	-56,7
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	632	1 499	1 912	6 510	3 411	-47,6
	industrial and warehouse space	R'000	2 528	6 895	8 795	29 467	15 690	-46,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 889	502	6 862	5 661	7 364	30,1
	Other non residential ballatings of	R'000	13 594	2 259	31 296	26 345	33 555	27,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	47 179	28 612	49 920	126 949	78 532	-38,1
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	15 483	7 616	11 991	28 960	19 607	-32,3
	Dwoming Houses	R'000	69 398	34 037	54 896	133 711	88 933	-33,5
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	40	1 515	321	40	1 836	4 490,0
	Carlot ballatings 17	R'000	4 248	8 216	4 490	8 813	12 706	44,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	73 646	42 253	59 386	142 524	101 639	-28,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	285 017	171 107	227 014	642 699	398 121	-38,1

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	44	5	15	54	20	-63,0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 412	337	958	3 049	1 295	-57,5
		R'000	11 643	1 685	4 806	14 828	6 491	-56,2
		Number	68	62	43	106	105	-0,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	16 943	16 683	9 524	28 505	26 207	-8,1
Residential buildings Flats and		R'000	82 572	87 684	46 841	138 573	134 525	-2,9
		Number	23	17	25	23	42	82,6
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	2 298	1 817	3 634	2 298	5 451	137,2
		R'000	10 698	9 240	18 777	10 698	28 017	161,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	-57,5 -56,2 -0,9 -8,1 -2,9 82,6 137,2 161,9 3,0 670,0 626,152,1 -54,7 1419,1 2031,2 343,6 23,4 27,5 -72,9
	Total residential buildings	R'000	104 913	98 609	70 424	164 099	169 033	3,0
	Office and banking space	square metres	456	990	2 521	456	3 511	670,0
	Office and banking space	R'000	2 280	4 524	12 032	2 280	16 556	626,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	188	926	0	1 114	
	Griopping space	R'000	0	978	4 815	0	5 793	
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 434	2 153	0	4 491	2 153	-52,1
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	17 170	9 812	0	21 640	9 812	-54,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	678	3 239	11 025	939	14 264	1 419,1
	Other non residential buildings 5/	R'000	3 390	16 195	77 175	4 381	93 370	2 031,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	22 840	31 509	94 022	28 301	125 531	343,6
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 064	5 689	4 902	8 586	10 591	23,4
	Dwoming Houses	R'000	19 893	28 004	24 576	41 235	52 580	27,5
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 844	0	648	2 392	648	-72,9
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	8 602	3 500	6 001	13 185	9 501	-27,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	28 495	31 504	30 577	54 420	62 081	14,1
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	156 248	161 622	195 023	246 820	356 645	44,5

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

<sup>4/</sup> 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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	1 263	536	1 346	2 247	1 882	-16,2
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	59 975	27 173	62 100	105 918	89 273	-15,7
		R'000	246 090	134 470	294 233	421 850	428 703	1,6
		Number	871	597	723	1 590	1 320	-17,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	228 184	189 925	195 284	401 926	385 209	-4,2
Residential buildings		R'000	1 438 616	1 427 457	1 359 785	2 586 707	2 787 242	7,8
Residential buildings		Number	1 752	838	1 447	2 752	2 285	-17,0
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	121 937	74 107	151 163	223 441	225 270	0,8
		R'000	765 360	654 455	1 105 563	1 632 766	1 760 018	7,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 393	13 705	32 142	4 709	45 847	873,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	8 968	142 891	227 218	26 016	370 109	1 322,6
	Total residential buildings	R'000	2 459 034	2 359 273	2 986 799	4 667 339	5 346 072	14,5
	Office and banking space	square metres	54 972	77 451	15 745	81 650	93 196	14,1
	Chiec and banking space	R'000	412 157	827 093	120 478	665 996	947 571	42,3
	Shopping space	square metres	13 399	10 104	12 866	26 699	22 970	-14,0
	Chopping Space	R'000	101 739	61 917	88 272	195 419	150 189	-23,1
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	73 021	73 626	74 773	111 104	148 399	33,6
	mudstrial and warehouse space	R'000	426 952	391 471	445 352	626 894	836 823	33,5
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	15 799	6 928	20 529	21 581	27 457	27,2
	Cirici flori residentiai ballalings 3/	R'000	89 013	43 668	139 616	120 055	183 284	52,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 029 861	1 324 149	793 718	1 608 364	2 117 867	31,7
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	111 736	71 485	95 873	184 789	167 358	-9,4
	Dwoming houses	R'000	608 826	449 314	590 221	1 039 535	1 039 535	0,0
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	31 275	31 324	21 635	54 434	52 959	-2,7
	R'O	R'000	261 034	306 000	248 703	481 655	554 703	15,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	869 860	755 314	838 924	1 521 190	1 594 238	4,8
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	4 358 755	4 438 736	4 619 441	7 796 893	9 058 177	16,2

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	303	306	776	541	1 082	100,0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	13 767	14 751	33 956	24 218	48 707	101,1
		R'000	68 912	76 801	170 181	121 690	246 982	103,0
		Number	244	123	259	417	382	-8,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	58 193	30 936	59 220	99 298	90 156	-9,2
Residential buildings		R'000	350 661	198 188	379 690	598 418	577 878	-3,4
ntoordonnaa bananigo		Number	175	61	620	285	681	138,9
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	17 118	8 511	62 433	30 080	70 944	135,9
		R'000	129 372	58 409	476 275	231 093	534 684	131,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	378	16 522	0	16 900	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	1 702	132 820	0	134 522	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	548 945	335 100	1 158 966	951 201	1 494 066	57,1
	Office and banking space	square metres	13 700	7 445	1 754	13 700	9 199	-32,9
	emos and banking space	R'000	98 100	53 442	11 717	98 100	65 159	-33,6
	Shopping space	square metres	300	1 666	3 079	6 912	4 745	-31,4
	Chiopping opaco	R'000	2 930	9 638	21 510	54 736	31 148	-43,1
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	36 303	12 041	14 126	39 205	26 167	-33,3
	mademar and warehouse space	R'000	242 479	78 479	90 084	259 531	168 563	-35,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	6 121	497	8 688	7 867	9 185	16,8
		R'000	36 651	2 739	53 758	44 336	56 497	27,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	380 160	144 298	177 069	456 703	321 367	-29,6
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	43 631	34 045	50 608	74 554	84 653	13,5
	2 Houng Houses	R'000	215 551	185 693	274 119	363 662	459 812	26,4
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	10 003	10 083	7 159	19 813	17 242	-13,0
	Caron ballangs 4/	R'000	114 889	126 779	96 516	214 555	223 295	4,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	330 440	312 472	370 635	578 217	683 107	18,1
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 259 545	791 870	1 706 670	1 986 121	2 498 540	25,8

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	28	10	11	45	21	-53,3
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	1 695	585	570	2 738	1 155	-57,8
		R'000	9 191	3 282	2 487	15 111	5 769	-61,8
		Number	41	30	51	63	81	28,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	10 031	7 358	11 977	13 898	19 335	39,1
Residential buildings		R'000	54 471	37 853	60 184	74 404	98 037	31,8
Residential buildings		Number	34	12	4	71	16	-77,5
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	4 398	898	1 943	7 957	2 841	-64,3
		R'000	22 227	5 063	11 080	44 141	16 143	-63,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 059	0	3 139	1 059	3 139	196,4
	Other residential ballarings 2/	R'000	6 884	0	17 775	6 884	17 775	158,2
	Total residential buildings	R'000	92 773	46 198	91 526	140 540	137 724	-2,0
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	3 023	0	3 023	
	emos and banking space	R'000	0	0	13 483	0	13 483	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	1 158	0	1 158	
	Chiopping opaco	R'000	0	0	5 722	0	5 722	
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	757	140	3 640	2 537	3 780	49,0
	mademar and wateriouse space	R'000	3 406	560	18 131	10 752	18 691	73,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	126	0	126	
		R'000	0	0	783	0	783	
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	3 406	560	38 119	10 752	38 679	259,7
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 649	5 154	7 295	8 018	12 449	55,3
	2 wearing meases	R'000	27 043	24 987	33 896	37 769	58 883	55,9
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	71	404	259	685	663	-3,2
	-	R'000	364	2 260	2 288	3 245	4 548	40,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	27 407	27 247	36 184	41 014	63 431	54,7
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	123 586	74 005	165 829	192 306	239 834	24,7

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

<sup>4/</sup> 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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	0	0	0	0	0	
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
		Number	5	10	4	9	14	55,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	1 209	2 216	830	1 869	3 046	63,0
Residential buildings		R'000	8 686	15 192	6 187	11 962	21 379	78,7
Residential ballanigs		Number	1	0	2	1	2	100,0
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	149	0	171	149	171	14,8
		R'000	1 028	0	1 112	1 028	1 112	8,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	935	0	0	935	
		R'000	0	5 512	0	0	5 512	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	9 714	20 704	7 299	12 990	28 003	115,6
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	omes and saming space	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	120	0	120	
	Chiopping opace	R'000	0	0	720	0	720	
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	mademar and maremed space	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	_	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	0	720	0	720	
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 021	1 095	777	5 820	1 872	-67,8
	29 1.0000	R'000	14 264	7 618	5 093	40 578	12 711	-68,7
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	1 483	84	0	1 567	
	-	R'000	250	13 204	565	340	13 769	3 949,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	14 514	20 822	5 658	40 918	26 480	-35,3
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	24 228	41 526	13 677	53 908	55 203	2,4

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

<sup>4/</sup> 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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	1	43	3	2	46	2 200,0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	57	2 541	176	114	2 717	2 283,3
		R'000	266	13 778	1 018	371	14 796	3 888,1
		Number	30	7	5	38	12	-68,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	5 573	1 117	975	7 320	2 092	-71,4
Residential buildings		R'000	25 854	6 290	5 311	34 316	11 601	-66,2
Residential ballanigs		Number	878	0	0	881	0	
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	35 104	0	0	35 468	0	
		R'000	157 968	0	0	160 516	0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	105	0	
	Cities residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	525	0	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	184 088	20 068	6 329	195 728	26 397	-86,5
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Chiec and banking space	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	786	3 591	786	-78,1
	Chiopping opaco	R'000	0	0	3 990	25 137	3 990	-84,1
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	1 230	0	10 964	1 230	-88,8
	madeliai and warenedes space	R'000	0	6 765	0	49 339	6 765	-86,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Curior from residential ballatings of	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	 -86,5   -78,1 -84,1 -88,8 -86,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	6 765	3 990	74 476	10 755	-85,6
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 012	528	784	7 317	1 312	-82,1
	Dwelling flouded	R'000	27 054	2 882	3 540	32 927	6 422	-80,5
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	132	0	1 040	132	-87,3
	R'C	R'000	2 302	1 002	4 814	11 087	5 816	-47,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	29 356	3 884	8 354	44 014	12 238	-72,2
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	213 444	30 717	18 673	314 218	49 390	-84,3

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	13	0	9	39	9	-76,9
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	797	0	537	2 254	537	-76,2
		R'000	6 881	0	4 532	20 854	4 532	-78,3
		Number	78	50	71	124	121	-2,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	19 026	14 808	21 494	31 165	36 302	16,5
Residential buildings		R'000	142 876	135 939	192 097	246 216	328 036	33,2
residential buildings		Number	66	86	38	97	124	27,8
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	11 845	8 183	7 019	16 424	15 202	-7,4
		R'000	98 046	77 133	71 037	129 377	148 170	14,5
		square metres	0	11 467	0	2 833	11 467	304,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	129 566	0	14 165	129 566	814,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	247 803	342 638	267 666	410 612	610 304	48,6
	Office and banking space	square metres	563	0	1 893	15 879	1 893	-88,1
	Chiec and banking space	R'000	2 500	0	9 464	155 660	9 464	-93,9
	Shopping space	square metres	1 662	1 444	0	2 257	1 444	-36,0
	Chopping space	R'000	7 478	15 162	0	10 156	15 162	49,3
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	28 905	17 544	11 846	28 905	29 390	1,7
	maddinar and warehouse space	R'000	146 904	98 090	67 522	146 904	165 612	12,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	684	3 598	0	4 282	
	Curer non residential ballatings of	R'000	0	5 267	29 708	0	34 975	
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	156 882	118 519	106 694	312 720	225 213	-28,0
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 138	8 832	11 208	24 623	20 040	-18,6
	2 Houning Houses	R'000	113 784	80 888	120 630	210 532	201 518	-4,3
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	6 965	7 447	5 443	11 066	12 890	16,5
		R'000	36 327	60 182	63 840	67 110	124 022	84,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	150 111	141 070	184 470	277 642	325 540	17,3
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	554 796	602 227	558 830	1 000 974	1 161 057	16,0

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	11	10	46	28	56	100,0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	717	623	2 508	1 794	3 131	74,5
		R'000	2 613	2 726	10 141	6 579	12 867	95,6
		Number	62	32	29	143	61	-57,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	11 993	7 177	6 181	24 138	13 358	-44,7
Residential buildings		R'000	53 953	36 269	28 139	109 600	64 408	-41,2
Residential buildings		Number	189	31	24	260	55	-78,8
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	14 054	2 688	2 507	23 142	5 195	-77,6
		R'000	72 375	13 777	14 398	115 644	28 175	-75,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	128 941	52 772	52 678	231 823	105 450	-54,5
	Office and banking space	square metres	2 616	0	0	2 616	0	
	Cince and banking space	R'000	13 080	0	0	13 080	0	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	812	4 028	997	4 840	385,5
	Chopping space	R'000	0	4 415	22 154	4 487	26 569	492,1
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	1 574	0	0	1 574	
	maddinar and warehouse space	R'000	0	7 084	0	0	7 084	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	212	0	0	1 086	0	
	Curior from residential ballatings of	R'000	1 035	0	0	5 013	0	
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	14 115	11 499	22 154	22 580	33 653	49,0
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	16 722	351	4 999	17 519	5 350	-69,5
	2 Houning Houses	R'000	67 006	1 552	22 491	70 207	24 043	-65,8
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	50	1 204	1 678	1 254	-25,3
	R	R'000	302	1 086	6 462	7 853	7 548	-3,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	67 308	2 638	28 953	78 060	31 591	-59,5
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	210 364	66 909	103 785	332 463	170 694	-48,7

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	718	103	427	1 304	530	-59,4
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	33 990	5 695	20 630	60 696	26 325	-56,6
		R'000	124 971	28 515	89 877	203 828	118 392	-41,9
		Number	311	314	260	611	574	-6,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	98 904	116 950	84 642	179 839	201 592	12,1
Residential buildings		R'000	698 291	954 472	637 044	1 315 015	1 591 516	21,0
ricolaciniai bananigo		Number	361	636	603	1 085	1 239	14,2
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	34 844	52 585	59 994	103 404	112 579	8,9
		R'000	263 743	494 360	451 915	918 814	946 275	3,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	334	925	6 729	712	712 7 654 975,0 4 442 53 974 1 115,1	
	Other residential ballange 2/	R'000	2 084	6 111	47 863	4 442	53 974	1 115,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 089 089	1 483 458	1 226 699	2 442 099	2 710 157	11,0
	Office and banking space	square metres	38 093	69 728	8 553	48 364	78 281	61,9
	emos and banking space	R'000	298 477	772 261	83 100	393 942	855 361	117,1
	Shopping space	square metres	11 437	724	3 695	12 155	4 419	-63,6
	Chopping opaco	R'000	91 331	6 757	34 176	97 362	40 933	-58,0
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	7 056	29 145	43 964	25 364	73 109	188,2
	mademar and warehouse space	R'000	34 163	144 876	263 630	142 928	408 506	185,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	8 622	3 775	8 117	11 784	11 892	0,9
		R'000	47 067	25 799	55 367	66 446	81 166	22,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	471 038	949 693	436 273	700 678	1 385 966	97,8
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	15 678	16 955	14 850	32 640	31 805	-2,6
	29 1.0000	R'000	106 234	126 297	108 027	223 603	234 324	4,8
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	10 858	10 275	7 486	15 042	17 761	18,1
	-	R'000	88 553	92 714	72 260	149 035	164 974	10,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	194 787	219 011	180 287	372 638	399 298	7,2
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 754 914	2 652 162	1 843 259	3 515 415	4 495 421	27,9

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	165	54	70	254	124	-51,2
		square metres	7 516	2 420	3 507	12 136	5 927	-51,2
		R'000	26 076	6 578	14 917	43 577	21 495	-50,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	69	22	18	138	40	-71,0
		square metres	15 342	6 331	4 137	32 279	10 468	-67,6
		R'000	66 383	28 260	22 964	140 757	51 224	-63,6
Trooluomian banamgo	Flats and townhouses	Number	17	12	148	26	160	515,4
		square metres	1 610	1 242	16 340	2 424	17 582	625,3
		R'000	6 526	5 713	75 164	10 188	80 877	693,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	98 985	40 551	113 045	194 522	153 596	-21,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	599	0	
		R'000	0	0	0	2 754	0	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	5 300	0	787	5 300	573,4
		R'000	0	25 155	0	3 541	25 155	610,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	8 286	0	3 669	8 286	125,8
		R'000	0	37 287	0	15 370	37 287	142,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	1 972	0	0	1 972	
		R'000	0	9 863	0	0	9 863	<u></u>
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	72 305	0	21 665	72 305	233,7
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	8 284	4 223	4 716	13 398	8 939	-33,3
		R'000	35 024	17 936	19 480	55 976	37 416	-33,2
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 378	1 292	0	5 110	1 292	-74,7
		R'000	18 047	6 483	1 958	25 430	8 441	-66,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	53 071	24 419	21 438	81 406	45 857	-43,7
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	152 056	137 275	134 483	297 593	271 758	-8,7

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

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

			Feb. 2016	Jan. 2017	Feb. 2017	Jan Feb. 2016	Jan Feb. 2017	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	24	10	4	34	14	-58,8
		square metres	1 436	558	216	1 968	774	-60,7
		R'000	7 180	2 790	1 080	9 840	3 870	-60,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	31	9	26	47	35	-25,5
		square metres	7 913	3 032	5 828	12 120	8 860	-26,9
		R'000	37 441	14 994	28 169	56 019	43 163	-22,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	31	0	8	46	8	-82,6
		square metres	2 815	0	756	4 393	756	-82,8
		R'000	14 075	0	4 582	21 965	4 582	-79,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	5 752	0	5 752	
		R'000	0	0	28 760	0	28 760	••
	Total residential buildings	R'000	58 696	17 784	62 591	87 824	80 375	-8,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	278	522	492	800	62,6
		R'000	0	1 390	2 714	2 460	4 104	66,8
	Shopping space	square metres	0	158	0	0	158	
		R'000	0	790	0	0	790	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	3 666	1 197	460	4 863	957,2
		R'000	0	18 330	5 985	2 070	24 315	1 074,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	844	0	0	844	0	
		R'000	4 260	0	0	4 260	0	
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	4 260	20 510	8 699	8 790	29 209	232,3
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	601	302	636	900	938	4,2
		R'000	2 866	1 461	2 945	4 281	4 406	2,9
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	158	0	0	158	
		R'000	0	2 290	0	3 000	2 290	-23,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 866	3 751	2 945	7 281	6 696	-8,0
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	65 822	42 045	74 235	103 895	116 280	11,9

<sup>1/</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2016 and 2017.

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

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

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

### **Explanatory notes**

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#### Introduction

- Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.
- 2 In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.

### Purpose of the survey 3

The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.

### Scope of the survey

- **4** This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding -
  - passing of building plans; and
  - final inspection of completed buildings.

### Classification

Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.

### **Collection rate**

6 The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for February 2017 was 91,8%. The collection rate for January 2017 was 95,5%.

#### Stati0stical 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

Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.

### **Constant prices**

The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2015. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices. In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2015=100.

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### Seasonal adjustment

- 10 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at

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#### Trend cycle

12 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.

### **Revised figures**

- Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 14 Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.

### **Related publications**

- 15 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
  - P5041.3: Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions issued annually.
  - P9101.2: Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region issued annually.
  - Building Statistics (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.

### Rounding-off of figures

Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

### Symbols and abbreviations

17 .. no meaningful percentage change between two specified periods

available since either one or both of the totals are nil

0 nil or figure too small to publish

\* revised

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SIC Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic

Activities

### **Glossary**

### **Additions and alterations**

Extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.

#### **Blocks of flats**

High-density housing consisting of a number of self-contained dwelling-units, each with at least one living-room together with a kitchen and bathroom, conjoined to similar units in one building.

### **Dwelling-house**

A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwelling-unit, e.g. granny flat, on the same premises as an existing residence. Out-buildings and garages are included.

### Local government institutions

Include -

- District municipalities;
- Metropolitan municipalities; and
- Local municipalities.

### Municipality

A generic term describing the "unit" of government in the local spheres responsible for local government in a geographically demarcated area and including district, metropolitan and local municipalities. It is an institution consisting of a municipal council (elected political representatives) and municipal administration (appointed officials).

### **District municipality**

A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category C municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).

### **Metropolitan municipality**

A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category A municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).

### Local municipality

A municipality that shares municipal executive and legislative authority in its area with a district municipality within whose area it falls, which is described in section 155(1) of the constitution as a category B municipality.

### Non-residential buildings

Factories and commercial, financial and other office buildings, as well as other buildings not used for residential purposes, such as churches, halls, clubs, schools and hospitals.

### Other residential buildings

Institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, old people's homes, hostels, hotels, motels, guesthouses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation, entertainment centres and casinos.

### Percentage change

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.

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.

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.

**Reference period** One calendar month.

townhouses and other residential buildings.

Townhouses Multiple, medium-density dwelling-units including cluster housing, group housing,

simplexes, duplexes, triplexes and other similar dwelling-units which are usually grouped together, with one level of each unit on ground level. This category

excludes blocks of flats.

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