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Results for January to July 2021

Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to July 2020 versus January to July 2021

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Jul 2020 1/	Jan – Jul 2021 1/	Difference in value between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	% change between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	
	R'000	R'000	R'000		
Residential buildings	18 064 392	33 453 211	15 388 819	85,2	
-Dwelling-houses	10 472 687	20 258 602	9 785 915	93,4	
-Flats and townhouses	7 421 330	12 786 059	5 364 729	72,3	
-Other residential buildings	170 375	408 550	238 175	139,8	
Non-residential buildings	8 175 627	11 892 306	3 716 679	45,5	
Additions and alterations	9 874 272	16 300 283	6 426 011	65,1	
Total	36 114 291	61 645 800	25 531 509	70,7	

^{1/2020} and 2021 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) increased by 70,7% (R25 531,5 million) during January to July 2021 compared with January to July 2020.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (85,2% or R15 388,8 million), additions and alterations (65,1% or R6 426,0 million) and non-residential buildings (45,5% or R3 716,7 million) – see Table A.

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to July 2020 versus January to July 2021

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Jul 2020 1/	Jan – Jul 2021 1/	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during Jan – Jul 2020	% change between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	Difference in value between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	12 448 483	16 429 319	34,5	32,0	11,0	3 980 836
Eastern Cape	1 919 573	4 852 366	5,3	152,8	8,1	2 932 793
Northern Cape	599 904	623 660	1,7	4,0	0,1	23 756
Free State	1 118 067	1 558 819	3,1	39,4	1,2	440 752
KwaZulu-Natal	6 018 242	11 575 701	16,7	92,3	15,4	5 557 459
North West	1 230 700	2 968 871	3,4	141,2	4,8	1 738 171
Gauteng	10 529 522	20 274 954	29,2	92,6	27,0	9 745 432
Mpumalanga	1 622 865	2 069 363	4,5	27,5	1,2	446 498
Limpopo	626 935	1 292 747	1,7	106,2	1,8	665 812
Total	36 114 291	61 645 800	100,0	70,7	70,7	25 531 509

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The largest contributions to the total increase of 70,7% (R25 531,5 million) were made by Gauteng (contributing 27,0 percentage points or R9 745,4 million), KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 15,4 percentage points or R5 557,5 million), Western Cape (contributing 11,0 percentage points or R3 980,8 million) and Eastern Cape (contributing 8,1 percentage points or R2 932,8 million) – see Table B.

^{2/} The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to July 2020 and January to July 2021 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to July 2020, divided by 100.

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to July 2020 versus January to July 2021

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	Jan – Jul 2020 1/	Jan – Jul 2021 1/	Difference in value between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	% change between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	
	R'000	R'000	R'000		
Residential buildings	14 531 417	24 575 650	10 044 233	69,1	
Non-residential buildings	6 580 558	8 755 695	2 175 137	33,1	
Additions and alterations	7 943 019	11 967 764	4 024 745	50,7	
Total	29 054 994	45 299 109	16 244 115	55,9	

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Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2015 prices) increased by 55,9% (R16 244,1 million) during January to July 2021 compared with January to July 2020. Increases were recorded for residential buildings (69,1% or R10 044,2 million), additions and alterations (50,7% or R4 024,7 million) and non-residential buildings (33,1% or R2 175,1 million) – see Table C.

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

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	Feb – Apr 2021 R'000	May – Jul 2021 R'000	% change between Feb – Apr 2021 and May – Jul 2021
Residential buildings	10 816 151	10 535 637	-2,6
Non-residential buildings 1/	5 438 198	3 000 127	-44,8
Additions and alterations	5 554 852	5 076 193	-8,6
Total	21 809 201	18 611 957	-14,7

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

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased by 14,7% in the three months ended July 2021 compared with the previous three months. Decreases were recorded for non-residential buildings (-44,8%), additions and alterations (-8,6%) and residential buildings (-2,6%) – see Table D.

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

Constant 2015 prices

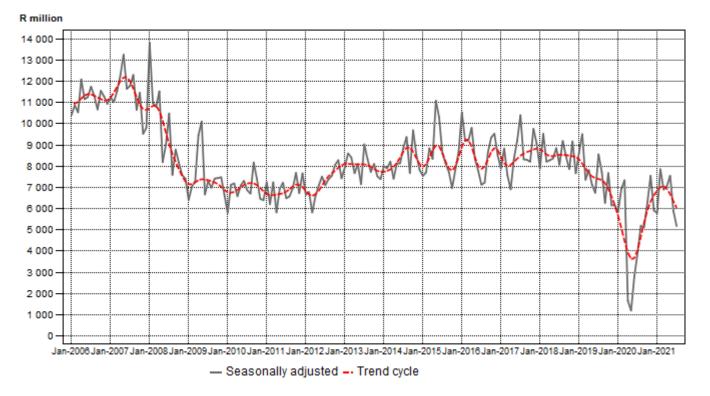


Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices: January to July 2020 versus January to July 2021

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Jul 2020 1/ R'000	Jan – Jul 2021 1/ R'000	Difference in value between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	% change between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	
Residential buildings	11 215 124	17 128 260	5 913 136	52,7	
-Dwelling-houses	6 594 856	9 907 870	3 313 014	50,2	
-Flats and townhouses	4 427 193	6 809 485	2 382 292	53,8	
-Other residential buildings	193 075	410 905	217 830	112,8	
Non-residential buildings	7 445 819	6 845 944	-599 875	-8,1	
Additions and alterations	4 680 315	6 709 299	2 028 984	43,4	
Total	23 341 258	30 683 503	7 342 245	31,5	

^{1/2020} and 2021 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 31,5% (R7 342,2 million) during January to July 2021 compared with January to July 2020.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (52,7% or R5 913,1 million) and additions and alterations (43,4% or R2 029,0 million). A decrease was recorded for non-residential buildings (-8,1% or -R599,9 million) – see Table E.

Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to July 2020 versus January to July 2021

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Jul 2020 1/	Jan – Jul 2021 1/	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during Jan – Jul 2020	% change between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	Difference in value between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	7 022 757	11 189 814	30,1	59,3	17,9	4 167 057
Eastern Cape	1 408 961	1 643 612	6,0	16,7	1,0	234 651
Northern Cape	240 635	342 510	1,0	42,3	0,4	101 875
Free State	524 419	411 802	2,2	-21,5	-0,5	-112 617
KwaZulu-Natal	4 117 523	4 097 267	17,6	-0,5	-0,1	-20 256
North West	504 194	1 317 690	2,2	161,3	3,5	813 496
Gauteng	8 456 075	10 703 452	36,2	26,6	9,6	2 247 377
Mpumalanga	731 402	564 830	3,1	-22,8	-0,7	-166 572
Limpopo	335 292	412 526	1,4	23,0	0,3	77 234
Total	23 341 258	30 683 503	100,0	31,5	31,5	7 342 245

^{1/ 2020} and 2021 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 July 2021, of which Western Cape (contributing 17,9 percentage points or R4 167,1 million) and Gauteng (contributing 9,6 percentage points or R2 247,4 million) were the largest positive contributors – see Table F.

^{2/} The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to July 2020 and January to July 2021 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to July 2020, divided by 100.

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to July 2020 versus January to July 2021

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	Jan – Jul 2020 1/	Jan – Jul 2021 1/	Difference in value between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	% change between Jan – Jul 2020 and Jan – Jul 2021	
	R'000	R'000	R'000		
Residential buildings	9 009 884	12 569 674	3 559 790	39,5	
Non-residential buildings	5 985 831	5 014 352	-971 479	-16,2	
Additions and alterations	3 762 301	4 916 787	1 154 486	30,7	
Total	18 758 016	22 500 813	3 742 797	20,0	

^{1/2020} and 2021 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 20,0% (R3 742,8 million) during January to July 2021 compared with January to July 2020. Increases were recorded for residential buildings 39,5% (R3 559,8 million) and additions and alterations 30,7% (R1 154,5 million). Non-residential buildings fell by 16,2% (-R971,5 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	Feb – Apr 2021	May – Jul 2021	% change between Feb – Apr 2021 and May – Jul 2021
	R'000	R'000	,
Residential buildings	6 089 725	5 607 019	-7,9
Non-residential buildings 1/	2 103 709	2 455 532	16,7
Additions and alterations	2 253 797	2 201 092	-2,3
Total	10 447 231	10 263 643	-1,8

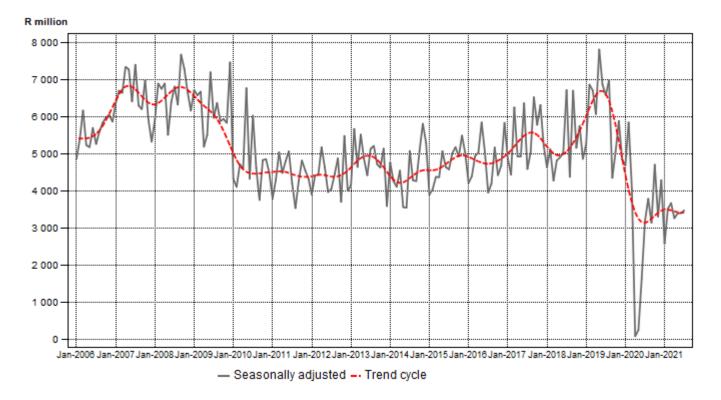
^{1/}Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 1,8% in the three months ended July 2021 compared with the previous three months. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-7,9%) and additions and alterations (-2,3%). Non-residential buildings rose by 16,7% – see Table H.

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

Constant 2015 prices



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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

	Vacuum durantle 0/	Residential	buildings	Non-residenti	al buildings	Additions and	l alterations	Total	
Year and month 2/		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
	January	2 682 473	-43,8	1 432 830	-11,1	1 686 359	-8,2	5 801 662	-29,4
2020	February	4 312 361	-38,3	1 840 942	-11,0	2 501 881	4,2	8 655 184	-24,5
	March	4 696 032	13,2	2 071 869	-14,2	2 487 758	7,5	9 255 659	4,3
	April	807 896	-81,1	729 784	-66,7	442 419	-82,9	1 980 099	-78,1
	May	809 776	-82,2	180 087	-89,4	436 126	-83,5	1 425 989	-84,0
	June	1 777 401	-56,5	955 406	-42,0	853 147	-66,3	3 585 954	-56,6
	July	2 978 453	-51,7	964 709	-50,4	1 466 582	-55,3	5 409 744	-52,5
	August	3 987 254	-20,8	898 911	-67,3	1 941 160	-20,9	6 827 325	-33,3
	September	3 891 983	9,6	1 005 117	-40,2	2 146 483	-20,6	7 043 583	-11,2
	October	5 099 397	-5,5	1 385 581	-47,8	2 505 796	-9,9	8 990 774	-17,0
	November	4 690 598	20,9	2 557 651	156,4	2 338 480	-15,0	9 586 729	25,7
	December	3 720 492	42,8	949 443	-52,0	1 978 329	0,8	6 648 264	1,5
	Total	39 454 116	-28,9	14 972 330	-36,7	20 784 520	-31,3	75 210 966	-31,2
	January	3 471 114	29,4	413 216	-71,2	1 522 409	-9,7	5 406 739	-6,8
2021	February	5 184 991	20,2	2 758 191	49,8	2 636 828	5,4	10 580 010	22,2
	March	4 552 882	-3,0	2 499 249	20,6	2 554 253	2,7	9 606 384	3,8
	April	5 000 286	518,9	2 024 317	177,4	2 135 961	382,8	9 160 564	362,6
	May	6 289 829	676,7	1 242 347	589,9	2 628 164	502,6	10 160 340	612,5
	June	4 345 472	144,5	1 934 417	102,5	2 403 167	181,7	8 683 056	142,1
	July	4 608 637	54,7	1 020 569	5,8	2 419 501	65.0	8 048 707	48,8

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

^{2/} Preliminary figures.

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

	Vaan and mandh	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	al buildings 3/	Additions and	d alterations		Total
	Year and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2020	January	3 655 473	4,9	1 432 830	-27,6	2 297 375	-4,8	7 385 678	-6,2
2020	February	4 173 294	14,2	1 840 942	28,5	2 622 006	14,1	8 636 242	16,9
	March	4 618 671	10,7	2 071 869	12,5	2 529 890	-3,5	9 220 430	6,8
	April	814 539	-82,4	729 784	-64,8	477 958	-81,1	2 022 281	-78,1
	May	796 860	-2,2	180 087	-75,3	459 528	-3,9	1 436 475	-29,0
	June	1 656 054	107,8	955 406	430,5	784 237	70,7	3 395 697	136,4
	July	2 615 275	57,9	964 709	1,0	1 241 103	58,3	4 821 087	42,0
	August	3 735 710	42,8	898 911	-6,8	1 946 951	56,9	6 581 572	36,5
	September	3 605 516	-3,5	1 005 117	11,8	1 858 324	-4,6	6 468 957	-1,7
	October	4 518 635	25,3	1 385 581	37,9	2 208 336	18,8	8 112 552	25,4
	November	5 029 000	11,3	2 557 651	84,6	2 206 116	-0,1	9 792 767	20,7
	December	4 619 121	-8,2	949 443	-62,9	2 341 612	6,1	7 910 176	-19,2
2021	January	5 059 193	9,5	413 216	-56,5	2 252 596	-3,8	7 725 005	-2,3
2021	February	4 993 762	-1,3	2 758 191	567,5	2 678 114	18,9	10 430 067	35,0
	March	4 285 485	-14,2	2 499 249	-9,4	2 455 401	-8,3	9 240 135	-11,4
	April	5 175 145	20,8	2 024 317	-19,0	2 319 963	-5,5	9 519 425	3,0
	May	6 247 925	20,7	1 242 347	-38,6	2 741 756	18,2	10 232 028	7,5
	June	3 925 850	-37,2	1 934 417	55,7	2 237 415	-18,4	8 097 682	-20,9
	July	4 088 720	4,1	1 020 569	-47,2	2 112 729	-5,6	7 222 018	-10,8
	Feb – Apr 21	14 454 392		7 281 757		7 453 478		29 189 627	
	May - Jul 21 2/	14 262 495	-1,3	4 197 333	-42,4	7 091 900	-4,9	25 551 728	-12,5

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

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

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

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

	V	Residential	buildings	Non-residenti	ial buildings	Additions and	dalterations	Total		
	Year and month 2/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	
	January	2 159 801	-46,4	1 153 647	-15,2	1 357 777	-12,4	4 671 225	-32,7	
2020	February	3 455 417	-40,9	1 475 114	-14,8	2 004 712	-0,2	6 935 243	-27,7	
	March	3 787 123	10,5	1 670 862	-16,3	2 006 256	4,9	7 464 241	1,7	
	April	655 228	-81,4	591 877	-67,2	358 815	-83,1	1 605 920	-78,4	
	May	657 286	-82,4	146 175	-89,5	353 998	-83,7	1 157 459	-84,1	
	June	1 435 704	-57,2	771 733	-43,0	689 133	-66,9	2 896 570	-57,3	
	July	2 380 858	-52,8	771 150	-51,5	1 172 328	-56,3	4 324 336	-53,6	
	August	3 161 978	-22,9	712 856	-68,2	1 539 381	-23,0	5 414 215	-35,1	
	September	3 057 332	6,4	789 566	-41,9	1 686 161	-22,9	5 533 059	-13,8	
	October	3 971 493	-9,0	1 079 113	-49,8	1 951 555	-13,2	7 002 161	-20,1	
	November	3 647 432	16,0	1 988 842	146,0	1 818 414	-18,4	7 454 688	20,6	
	December	2 881 868	36,9	735 432	-54,0	1 532 400	-3,3	5 149 700	-2,6	
	Total	31 251 520	-31,4	11 886 367	-38,7	16 470 930	-33,5	59 608 817	-33,5	
	January	2 665 986	23,4	317 370	-72,5	1 169 285	-13,9	4 152 641	-11,1	
2021	February	3 916 156	13,3	2 083 226	41,2	1 991 562	-0,7	7 990 944	15,2	
	March	3 400 211	-10,2	1 866 504	11,7	1 907 583	-4,9	7 174 298	-3,9	
	April	3 676 681	461,1	1 488 468	151,5	1 570 560	337,7	6 735 709	319,4	
	May	4 564 462	594,4	901 558	516,8	1 907 231	438,8	7 373 251	537,0	
	June	3 092 863	115,4	1 376 809	78,4	1 710 439	148,2	6 180 111	113,4	
	July	3 259 291	36,9	721 760	-6,4	1 711 104	46,0	5 692 155	31,6	

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

^{2/} Preliminary figures.

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

	Vacuated manth	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	l buildings 3/	Additions an	d alterations	То	tal
	Year and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2020	January	2 830 598	8,6	1 153 647	-27,9	1 852 887	-4,9	5 837 132	-5,1
2020	February	3 352 143	18,4	1 475 114	27,9	2 087 263	12,6	6 914 520	18,5
	March	3 612 195	7,8	1 670 862	13,3	2 056 311	-1,5	7 339 368	6,1
	April	681 618	-81,1	591 877	-64,6	383 101	-81,4	1 656 596	-77,4
	May	670 739	-1,6	146 175	-75,3	373 340	-2,5	1 190 254	-28,2
	June	1 386 664	106,7	771 733	428,0	636 478	70,5	2 794 875	134,8
	July	2 150 270	55,1	771 150	-0,1	992 154	55,9	3 913 574	40,0
	August	2 962 456	37,8	712 856	-7,6	1 516 520	52,9	5 191 832	32,7
	September	2 872 227	-3,0	789 566	10,8	1 460 645	-3,7	5 122 438	-1,3
	October	3 466 461	20,7	1 079 113	36,7	1 722 934	18,0	6 268 508	22,4
	November	3 809 758	9,9	1 988 842	84,3	1 750 734	1,6	7 549 334	20,4
	December	3 360 957	-11,8	735 432	-63,0	1 818 318	3,9	5 914 707	-21,7
2021	January	3 745 138	11,4	317 370	-56,8	1 725 128	-5,1	5 787 636	-2,1
2021	February	3 761 250	0,4	2 083 226	556,4	2 016 527	16,9	7 861 003	35,8
	March	3 111 498	-17,3	1 866 504	-10,4	1 915 683	-5,0	6 893 685	-12,3
	April	3 943 403	26,7	1 488 468	-20,3	1 622 642	-15,3	7 054 513	2,3
	May	4 658 358	18,1	901 558	-39,4	1 989 942	22,6	7 549 858	7,0
	June	2 911 940	-37,5	1 376 809	52,7	1 598 193	-19,7	5 886 942	-22,0
	July	2 965 339	1,8	721 760	-47,6	1 488 058	-6,9	5 175 157	-12,1
	Feb – Apr 21	10 816 151		5 438 198		5 554 852		21 809 201	
	May - Jul 21 2/	10 535 637	-2,6	3 000 127	-44,8	5 076 193	-8,6	18 611 957	-14,7

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

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

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

	Vacuation of	Residential	buildings	Non-resident	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/
	January	2 148 619	-33,2	1 477 291	30,8	1 183 302	67,8	4 809 212	-4,8
2020	February	2 778 801	-24,1	2 973 015	-5,8	1 267 666	27,9	7 019 482	-10,1
	March	2 255 666	-58,7	1 899 216	33,7	995 404	-33,2	5 150 286	-38,5
	April	36 187	-99,2	46 153	-97,2	14 131	-98,6	96 471	-98,6
	May	112 461	-97,9	104 955	-96,6	84 515	-91,8	301 931	-96,8
	June	1 116 026	-82,4	520 306	-58,7	415 366	-52,2	2 051 698	-75,7
	July	2 767 364	-42,3	424 883	-77,7	719 931	-40,1	3 912 178	-50,5
	August	2 504 564	-50,4	1 146 262	-46,4	1 087 927	-12,3	4 738 753	-43,8
	September	2 146 712	-37,0	978 096	-22,5	1 128 749	1,8	4 253 557	-26,4
	October	3 513 106	7,5	1 616 791	-13,1	1 142 690	-15,4	6 272 587	-3,2
	November	2 931 244	-38,6	870 742	-63,0	1 160 531	-5,2	4 962 517	-40,5
	December	3 260 890	10,0	1 405 213	-29,2	867 951	-15,5	5 534 054	-7,4
	Total	25 571 640	-51,3	13 462 923	-42,0	10 068 163	-24,1	49 102 726	-44,8
	January	1 555 519	-27,6	592 555	-59,9	557 442	-52,9	2 705 516	-43,7
2021	February	2 292 037	-17,5	1 278 339	-57,0	868 117	-31,5	4 438 493	-36,8
	March	3 241 970	43,7	484 864	-74,5	1 229 078	23,5	4 955 912	-3,8
	April	2 247 786	6 111,6	1 055 478	2 186,9	974 063	6 793,1	4 277 327	4 333,8
	May	2 577 282	2 191,7	1 177 072	1 021,5	838 562	892,2	4 592 916	1 421,2
	June	2 728 620	144,5	1 040 200	99,9	1 037 899	149,9	4 806 719	134,3
	July	2 485 046	-10,2	1 217 436	186,5	1 204 138	67,3	4 906 620	25,4

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

^{2/} Preliminary figures.

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

	Year and month	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	al buildings 3/	Additions and	d alterations	To	tal
	rear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2020	January	2 834 565	-1,5	1 477 291	-25,6	1 523 279	29,3	5 835 135	-3,4
2020	February	3 074 967	8,5	2 973 015	101,2	1 255 467	-17,6	7 303 449	25,2
	March	2 285 189	-25,7	1 899 216	-36,1	814 843	-35,1	4 999 248	-31,5
	April	37 361	-98,4	46 153	-97,6	16 908	-97,9	100 422	-98,0
	May	113 666	204,2	104 955	127,4	88 376	422,7	306 997	205,7
	June	1 097 612	865,6	520 306	395,7	405 103	358,4	2 023 021	559,0
	July	2 842 790	159,0	424 883	-18,3	708 614	74,9	3 976 287	96,6
	August	2 631 090	-7,4	1 146 262	169,8	1 002 691	41,5	4 780 043	20,2
	September	1 923 974	-26,9	978 096	-14,7	1 091 519	8,9	3 993 589	-16,5
	October	3 372 090	75,3	1 616 791	65,3	1 052 284	-3,6	6 041 165	51,3
	November	2 318 099	-31,3	870 742	-46,1	1 050 612	-0,2	4 239 453	-29,8
	December	3 160 723	36,3	1 405 213	61,4	1 005 907	-4,3	5 571 843	31,4
2021	January	2 056 905	-34,9	592 555	-57,8	714 926	-28,9	3 364 386	-39,6
2021	February	2 530 849	23,0	1 278 339	115,7	853 795	19,4	4 662 983	38,6
	March	3 292 345	30,1	484 864	-62,1	1 124 959	31,8	4 902 168	5,1
	April	2 329 425	-29,2	1 055 478	117,7	1 047 215	-6,9	4 432 118	-9,6
	May	2 608 753	12,0	1 177 072	11,5	884 271	-15,6	4 670 096	5,4
	June	2 699 572	3,5	1 040 200	-11,6	1 027 325	16,2	4 767 097	2,1
	July	2 520 815	-6,6	1 217 436	17,0	1 166 472	13,5	4 904 723	2,9
	Feb – Apr 21	8 152 619		2 818 681		3 025 969		13 997 269	
	May - Jul 21 2/	7 829 140	-4,0	3 434 708	21,9	3 078 068	1,7	14 341 916	2,5

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

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

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

Table 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	l alterations	Tot	al
	Year and month 2/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
	January	1 729 967	-36,2	1 189 445	24,8	952 739	60,1	3 872 151	-9,1
2020	February	2 226 603	-27,3	2 382 224	-9,8	1 015 758	22,5	5 624 585	-13,9
	March	1 819 085	-59,7	1 531 626	30,5	802 745	-34,8	4 153 456	-40,0
	April	29 349	-99,2	37 431	-97,2	11 461	-98,6	78 241	-98,6
	May	91 283	-97,9	85 191	-96,7	68 600	-91,9	245 074	-96,8
	June	901 475	-82,6	420 279	-59,3	335 514	-52,9	1 657 268	-76,1
	July	2 212 122	-43,6	339 635	-78,2	575 484	-41,5	3 127 241	-51,6
	August	1 986 173	-51,7	909 010	-47,8	862 749	-14,7	3 757 932	-45,3
	September	1 686 341	-38,8	768 339	-24,8	886 684	-1,1	3 341 364	-28,5
	October	2 736 064	3,6	1 259 183	-16,3	889 945	-18,5	4 885 192	-6,7
	November	2 279 350	-41,1	677 093	-64,5	902 435	-9,1	3 858 878	-43,0
	December	2 525 864	5,5	1 088 469	-32,1	672 309	-19,0	4 286 642	-11,2
	Total	20 223 676	-53,0	10 687 925	-43,8	7 976 423	-26,6	38 888 024	-46,7
	January	1 194 715	-30,9	455 111	-61,7	428 143	-55,1	2 077 969	-46,3
2021	February	1 731 146	-22,3	965 513	-59,5	655 677	-35,4	3 352 336	-40,4
	March	2 421 187	33,1	362 109	-76,4	917 907	14,3	3 701 203	-10,9
	April	1 652 784	5 531,5	776 087	1 973,4	716 223	6 149,2	3 145 094	3 919,8
	May	1 870 306	1 948,9	854 189	902,7	608 536	787,1	3 333 031	1 260,0
	June	1 942 078	115,4	740 356	76,2	738 718	120,2	3 421 152	106,4
	July	1 757 458	-20,6	860 987	153,5	851 583	48,0	3 470 028	11,0

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

^{2/} Preliminary figures.

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

	Year and month	Residential	buildings	Non-residentia	ll buildings 3/	Additions and	l alterations	Total		
	rear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	
2020	January	2 272 119	-1,3	1 189 445	-25,8	1 221 146	28,8	4 682 710	-3,5	
2020	February	2 459 048	8,2	2 382 224	100,3	1 004 500	-17,7	5 845 772	24,8	
	March	1 850 756	-24,7	1 531 626	-35,7	657 479	-34,5	4 039 861	-30,9	
	April	30 323	-98,4	37 431	-97,6	13 721	-97,9	81 475	-98,0	
	May	92 384	204,7	85 191	127,6	71 877	423,8	249 452	206,2	
	June	890 125	863,5	420 279	393,3	327 544	355,7	1 637 948	556,6	
	July	2 273 153	155,4	339 635	-19,2	567 274	73,2	3 180 062	94,1	
	August	2 084 010	-8,3	909 010	167,6	795 422	40,2	3 788 442	19,1	
	September	1 512 564	-27,4	768 339	-15,5	859 031	8,0	3 139 934	-17,1	
	October	2 629 465	73,8	1 259 183	63,9	819 875	-4,6	4 708 523	50,0	
	November	1 810 111	-31,2	677 093	-46,2	817 138	-0,3	3 304 342	-29,8	
	December	2 423 025	33,9	1 088 469	60,8	777 099	-4,9	4 288 593	29,8	
2021	January	1 572 300	-35,1	455 111	-58,2	546 641	-29,7	2 574 052	-40,0	
2021	February	1 906 205	21,2	965 513	112,1	643 238	17,7	3 514 956	36,6	
	March	2 469 952	29,6	362 109	-62,5	839 198	30,5	3 671 259	4,4	
	April	1 713 568	-30,6	776 087	114,3	771 361	-8,1	3 261 016	-11,2	
	May	1 894 742	10,6	854 189	10,1	642 929	-16,7	3 391 860	4,0	
	June	1 929 183	1,8	740 356	-13,3	731 756	13,8	3 401 295	0,3	
	July	1 783 094	-7,6	860 987	16,3	826 407	12,9	3 470 488	2,0	
	Feb – Apr 21	6 089 725		2 103 709		2 253 797		10 447 231		
	May - Jul 21 2/	5 607 019	-7,9	2 455 532	16,7	2 201 092	-2,3	10 263 643	-1,8	

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
			04. 2020	5 a				, o onango .,
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	1 417	1 413	581	6 937	4 936	-28,8
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	66 893	68 073	28 699	320 216	247 955	-22,6
		R'000	268 579	346 420	193 783	1 353 655	1 571 650	16,1
		Number	888	1 295	1 258	4 610	8 640	87,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	232 569	379 771	344 981	1 222 403	2 431 946	98,9
Residential buildings		R'000	1 768 602	2 845 560	2 759 796	9 119 032	18 686 952	104,9
Residential Ballatings		Number	1 111	1 252	2 339	8 555	15 183	77,5
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	110 329	128 738	184 022	883 135	1 423 920	61,2
		R'000	923 825	1 104 686	1 548 711	7 421 330	12 786 059	72,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 622	5 646	14 028	23 089	51 688	123,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	17 447	48 806	106 347	170 375	408 550	139,8
	Total residential buildings	R'000	2 978 453	4 345 472	4 608 637	18 064 392	33 453 211	85,2
	Office and banking space	square metres	45 457	27 496	10 388	171 615	201 080	17,2
		R'000	386 094	241 501	77 516	1 395 679	1 827 870	31,0
	Shopping space	square metres	24 634	52 919	21 190	293 596	320 626	9,2
	Shopping space	R'000	170 983	389 411	197 103	2 343 176	2 427 639	3,6
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	42 401	180 096	75 392	466 928	989 822	112,0
	industrial and warehouse space	R'000	301 906	1 191 073	490 784	3 049 154	6 218 912	104,0
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	14 682	16 840	31 568	181 512	204 686	12,8
	Other Horr-residential buildings 3/	R'000	105 726	112 432	255 166	1 387 618	1 417 885	2,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	964 709	1 934 417	1 020 569	8 175 627	11 892 306	45,5
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	149 664	242 387	252 167	917 280	1 629 959	77,7
	Dwelling-Houses	R'000	1 149 635	1 867 356	1 983 889	6 909 378	12 716 871	84,1
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	26 270	58 649	39 883	269 101	360 364	33,9
	Outer buildings 4/	R'000	316 947	535 811	435 612	2 964 894	3 583 412	20,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	1 466 582	2 403 167	2 419 501	9 874 272	16 300 283	65,1
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	5 409 744	8 683 056	8 048 707	36 114 291	61 645 800	70,7

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	186	155	352	975	1 042	6,9
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	7 930	7 264	15 961	47 208	49 618	5,1
		R'000	45 380	41 001	95 959	287 110	300 099	4,5
		Number	286	497	396	1 614	2 713	68,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	79 313	130 882	102 403	411 536	704 569	71,2
Residential buildings		R'000	554 576	882 658	706 262	2 775 213	4 893 759	76,3
Nesidential buildings		Number	692	548	1 439	3 056	5 106	67,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	60 051	54 151	101 562	296 646	484 289	63,3
		R'000	475 537	390 777	802 144	2 324 431	3 722 903	60,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 218	253	8 813	12 398	28 288	128,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	14 417	1 215	76 130	91 947	230 203	150,4
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 089 910	1 315 651	1 680 495	5 478 701	9 146 964	67,0
	Office and banking space	square metres	38 630	13 976	8 802	86 714	42 770	-50,7
		R'000	314 912	90 329	64 094	722 456	304 385	-57,9
	Shopping space	square metres	17 936	12 642	3 083	88 479	45 748	-48,3
	Griopping Space	R'000	129 319	108 989	20 282	713 731	371 626	-47,9
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	12 299	28 848	20 354	117 095	161 212	37,7
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	96 505	199 469	139 851	845 620	1 080 802	27,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	6 803	6 439	26 648	99 167	94 791	-4,4
	Cirie Herricoldenial Ballalings of	R'000	51 881	37 342	216 980	757 653	661 509	-12,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	592 617	436 129	441 207	3 039 460	2 418 322	-20,4
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	60 312	74 367	104 211	350 288	505 969	44,4
	2.109 1100000	R'000	414 682	477 436	720 650	2 334 193	3 484 590	49,3
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	12 798	14 178	17 573	140 777	127 025	-9,8
		R'000	168 711	152 669	207 093	1 596 129	1 379 443	-13,6
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	583 393	630 105	927 743	3 930 322	4 864 033	23,8
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	2 265 920	2 381 885	3 049 445	12 448 483	16 429 319	32,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	33	946	33	77	1 132	1 370,1
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 160	42 749	1 688	5 009	53 082	959,7
		R'000	13 849	166 063	10 363	32 768	231 051	605,1
		Number	87	145	126	346	807	133,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	21 103	32 565	26 955	79 939	212 168	165,4
Residential buildings		R'000	157 637	241 785	205 636	560 103	1 541 784	175,3
Residential Ballanigs		Number	69	42	30	115	458	298,3
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	6 622	3 400	3 388	11 168	36 178	223,9
		R'000	45 735	24 582	26 016	76 310	251 679	229,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	395	190	570	200,0
	Circi residentiai buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	2 275	1 424	3 224	126,4
	Total residential buildings	R'000	217 221	432 430	244 290	670 605	2 027 738	202,4
	Office and banking space	square metres	1 100	0	0	8 516	4 017	-52,8
		R'000	7 953	0	0	53 364	25 003	-53,1
	Shopping space	square metres	1 657	6 827	156	33 434	59 192	77,0
	Shopping space	R'000	8 986	47 319	1 298	231 403	423 411	83,0
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	7 723	40 873	11 749	45 489	113 364	149,2
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	50 921	290 675	84 884	286 886	804 070	180,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	263	0	176	3 017	10 589	251,0
	Other Horr-residential buildings 3/	R'000	1 426	0	1 014	18 660	74 461	299,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	69 286	337 994	87 196	590 313	1 326 945	124,8
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	14 243	23 301	19 913	74 193	166 538	124,5
	Dwciiiig-iiouses	R'000	104 783	168 648	149 144	506 545	1 185 443	134,0
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	5 520	9 794	4 087	19 200	40 040	108,5
	Outer buildings 4/	R'000	43 852	75 528	32 636	152 110	312 240	105,3
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	148 635	244 176	181 780	658 655	1 497 683	127,4
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	435 142	1 014 600	513 266	1 919 573	4 852 366	152,8

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	0	7	5	7	30	328,6
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	0	434	289	368	1 798	388,6
		R'000	0	3 803	2 608	3 140	15 728	400,9
		Number	27	24	20	93	117	25,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	7 040	5 231	5 312	22 773	27 720	21,7
Residential buildings		R'000	59 137	44 374	45 907	185 144	231 603	25,1
residential buildings		Number	0	113	0	94	145	54,3
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	0	6 997	0	9 046	9 143	1,1
		R'000	0	60 366	0	79 109	78 915	-0,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	5 005	0	-100,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	41 041	0	-100,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	59 137	108 543	48 515	308 434	326 246	5,8
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 437	1 835	27,7
	Office and banking space	R'000	0	0	0	10 506	15 781	50,2
	Shopping space	square metres	244	0	0	1 609	276	-82,8
	Shopping space	R'000	1 862	0	0	9 709	2 374	-75,5
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 000	2 793	541	8 152	11 743	44,1
	industrial and wateriouse space	R'000	17 200	24 477	4 741	69 297	99 575	43,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	35	0	7 676	401	-94,8
	Other horr residential buildings 5/	R'000	0	306	0	67 145	3 513	-94,8
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	19 062	24 783	4 741	156 657	121 243	-22,6
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 097	2 474	2 637	15 264	18 450	20,9
	Dwoming floudes	R'000	34 266	21 630	22 844	126 543	154 108	21,8
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	0	783	1 388	77,3
	Other Buildings 4/	R'000	750	5 164	490	8 270	22 063	166,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	35 016	26 794	23 334	134 813	176 171	30,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	113 215	160 120	76 590	599 904	623 660	4,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Catamany of building	Time of building	Manageminary						
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	34	6	27	94	110	17,0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 005	342	1 575	5 484	6 726	22,6
		R'000	16 689	2 792	13 478	43 342	54 891	26,6
		Number	41	45	101	224	432	92,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	6 310	8 773	18 771	43 187	84 595	95,9
Residential buildings		R'000	46 733	63 300	155 983	315 884	632 152	100,1
Trociacinal Sananige		Number	8	1	16	174	66	-62,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	496	107	1 680	18 848	9 444	-49,9
		R'000	4 184	774	14 894	146 703	80 027	-45,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	321	170	241	2 602	979,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	2 171	1 305	1 946	16 932	770,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	67 606	69 037	185 660	507 875	784 002	54,4
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 047	5 655	1 047	-81,5
	Office and banking space	R'000	0	0	9 379	45 647	9 379	-79,5
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	308	887	7 099	700,3
	Shopping space	R'000	0	0	2 286	6 378	44 741	601,5
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	16 518	5 918	-64,2
	industrial and warehouse space	R'000	0	0	0	93 893	39 241	-58,2
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	2 467	23 813	865,3
	Other Horr-residential buildings 3/	R'000	0	0	0	19 029	142 253	647,6
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	0	11 665	164 947	235 614	42,8
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 144	5 840	13 681	49 487	65 185	31,7
	Dwelling-Houses	R'000	32 126	39 363	110 361	364 199	472 029	29,6
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	160	1 155	657	7 360	8 757	19,0
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	2 972	6 963	5 527	81 046	67 174	-17,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	35 098	46 326	115 888	445 245	539 203	21,1
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	102 704	115 363	313 213	1 118 067	1 558 819	39,4

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	33	22	7	113	129	14,2
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	1 982	1 140	350	6 720	7 311	8,8
		R'000	15 901	10 603	2 940	57 819	61 755	6,8
		Number	72	104	96	395	686	73,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	24 029	37 165	34 247	127 389	215 475	69,1
Residential buildings		R'000	227 705	354 675	355 026	1 229 206	2 131 135	73,4
rresidential buildings		Number	70	145	176	1 306	3 225	146,9
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	11 900	17 995	16 500	144 776	294 174	103,2
		R'000	110 013	171 771	167 329	1 580 534	3 124 179	97,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	404	4 846	2 229	535	12 813	2 295,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	3 030	43 964	11 145	4 078	103 249	2 431,9
	Total residential buildings	R'000	356 649	581 013	536 440	2 871 637	5 420 318	88,8
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	5 120	539	5 332	9 497	78,1
	Omoc and banking space	R'000	0	53 809	4 043	51 483	86 401	67,8
	Shopping space	square metres	0	9 040	5 483	105 170	37 526	-64,3
	Chopping space	R'000	0	92 331	39 898	872 250	367 219	-57,9
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	11 279	64 218	9 055	71 590	402 107	461,7
	mademar and waremedee space	R'000	80 952	411 239	60 340	496 077	2 476 195	399,2
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 599	2 642	522	18 346	19 355	5,5
	Other Heri residential ballatings of	R'000	28 854	22 105	5 742	178 500	155 096	-13,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	109 806	579 484	110 023	1 598 310	3 084 911	93,0
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 713	37 470	26 890	92 012	205 631	123,5
	2 Walling Houses	R'000	139 029	389 309	281 266	985 839	2 103 540	113,4
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 989	11 472	8 182	40 546	88 545	118,4
	Caron Sundings 4/	R'000	38 335	141 107	103 173	562 456	966 932	71,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	177 364	530 416	384 439	1 548 295	3 070 472	98,3
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	643 819	1 690 913	1 030 902	6 018 242	11 575 701	92,3

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	524	5	5	1 572	74	-95,3
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	21 248	321	277	63 903	3 923	-93,9
		R'000	55 023	2 052	1 680	164 475	23 641	-85,6
		Number	81	95	99	281	675	140,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	18 931	28 949	25 539	64 417	170 533	164,7
Residential buildings		R'000	127 770	187 736	174 063	403 632	1 103 760	173,5
Residential buildings		Number	65	55	0	158	610	286,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	5 698	5 618	0	16 610	53 528	222,3
		R'000	39 662	37 323	0	109 790	340 057	209,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	3 156	0	-100,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	20 381	0	-85,6 140,2 164,7 173,5 286,1 222,3 209,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	222 455	227 111	175 743	698 278	1 467 458	110,2
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	486	0	2 407	1 331	-44,7
	Office and banking space	R'000	0	3 514	0	13 898	7 993	-42,5
	Shopping space	square metres	0	22 009	0	21 951	106 855	386,8
	Chopping space	R'000	0	126 829	0	144 886	624 730	331,2
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 496	0	0	12 773	5 430	-57,5
	industrial and warehouse space	R'000	8 113	0	0	70 920	30 671	-56,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	105	549	3 242	2 685	16 826	526,7
	Other Heri residential ballatings of	R'000	759	2 977	24 139	15 694	103 564	559,9
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	8 872	133 320	24 139	245 398	766 958	212,5
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	8 937	11 913	11 875	38 729	85 467	120,7
	2 Walling Houses	R'000	58 297	75 159	75 949	238 863	532 630	123,0
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 041	4 972	1 701	2 242	22 047	883,4
	Caron Sundings 4/	R'000	35 000	34 673	10 976	48 161	201 825	319,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	93 297	109 832	86 925	287 024	734 455	155,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	324 624	470 263	286 807	1 230 700	2 968 871	141,2

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	545	254	146	3 917	2 267	-42,1
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	27 725	14 695	8 217	181 111	116 551	-35,6
		R'000	102 123	113 353	64 641	705 669	833 791	18,2
		Number	192	255	285	1 190	2 140	79,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	47 689	93 972	94 477	332 846	704 003	111,5
Residential buildings		R'000	408 659	826 946	865 470	2 750 442	6 206 561	125,7
residential buildings		Number	207	348	551	3 319	5 246	58,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	25 562	40 470	45 990	368 472	497 472	35,0
		R'000	248 694	419 093	448 715	3 003 682	4 944 711	64,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 564	4 021	157,1
	Other residential ballatings 27	R'000	0	0	0	9 558	33 189	-42,1 -35,6 18,2 79,8 111,5 125,7 58,1 35,0 64,6 157,1 247,2 85,8 604,8 520,7 158,6 143,0 74,6 68,5 -20,8 -15,8 124,1 93,7 102,0 14,7 24,8 89,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	759 476	1 359 392	1 378 826	6 469 351	12 018 252	85,8
	Office and banking space	square metres	5 727	6 867	0	19 689	138 762	604,8
	emos and barming space	R'000	63 229	86 854	0	220 293	1 367 270	520,7
	Shopping space	square metres	0	501	10 766	21 432	55 429	158,6
	Chiopping opace	R'000	0	3 639	121 731	222 295	540 158	143,0
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	361	35 066	30 389	151 369	264 265	74,6
	mademar and waremedee opace	R'000	1 841	213 420	178 090	902 802	1 521 565	68,5
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 250	7 175	980	42 911	33 974	-20,8
	Cutof from residential ballatings of	R'000	17 615	49 702	7 291	295 737	249 103	-15,8
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	82 685	353 615	307 112	1 641 127	3 678 096	124,1
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	34 698	64 892	56 942	241 387	467 672	93,7
	2 Walling Houses	R'000	305 847	558 550	523 539	2 020 671	4 081 627	102,0
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 415	13 979	7 193	51 281	58 811	14,7
	Caron Sundings 47	R'000	14 404	93 990	65 413	398 373	496 979	24,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	320 251	652 540	588 952	2 419 044	4 578 606	89,3
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 162 412	2 365 547	2 274 890	10 529 522	20 274 954	92,6

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan - Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	42	5	3	137	79	-42,3
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 697	266	139	7 809	4 328	-44,6
		R'000	12 599	1 559	800	43 861	22 627	-48,4
		Number	63	69	94	312	745	138,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	16 068	18 912	22 797	90 730	195 496	115,5
Residential buildings		R'000	111 513	106 560	158 862	608 582	1 247 602	105,0
Residential buildings		Number	0	0	81	13	132	915,4
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	0	0	9 357	2 017	15 438	665,4
		R'000	0	0	55 075	11 047	94 845	195 496 115,5 247 602 105,0 132 915,4 15 438 665,4 94 845 758,6 0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
	Other residential ballatings 27	R'000	0	0	0	0	0	0 0 4 105,7 8 -99,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	124 112	108 119	214 737	663 490	1 365 074	105,7
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	378	0	41 242	378	-99,1
	Cinico and Samming opace	R'000	0	2 964	0	274 440	2 964	-98,9
	Shopping space	square metres	4 797	1 900	1 394	19 850	7 966	-59,9
	Chopping space	R'000	30 816	10 304	11 608	137 777	49 939	-63,8
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 233	929	900	30 384	11 337	-62,7
	mademar and warehease space	R'000	40 289	7 281	7 495	205 222	78 561	-61,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	662	0	0	1 576	4 387	178,4
		R'000	5 191	0	0	11 063	25 072	126,6
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	76 296	20 549	19 103	628 502	156 536	-75,1
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	7 255	15 850	12 420	41 449	83 182	100,7
	2gg	R'000	46 913	99 537	77 471	245 938	510 740	107,7
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 064	727	327	3 442	2 732	-20,6
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	9 718	7 290	4 280	84 935	37 013	-56,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	56 631	106 827	81 751	330 873	547 753	65,5
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	257 039	235 495	315 591	1 622 865	2 069 363	27,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	20	13	3	45	73	62,2
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	1 146	862	203	2 604	4 618	77,3
		R'000	7 015	5 194	1 314	15 471	28 067	81,4
		Number	39	61	41	155	325	109,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	12 086	23 322	14 480	49 586	117 387	136,7
Residential buildings		R'000	74 872	137 526	92 587	290 826	698 596	140,2
ivesidential buildings		Number	0	0	46	320	195	-39,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	0	0	5 545	15 552	24 254	56,0
		R'000	0	0	34 538	89 724	148 743	65,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	226	2 421	0	3 394	
	Other residential ballatings 27	R'000	0	1 456	15 492	0	21 753	95 -39,1 154 56,0 143 65,8 194 153 159 126,5 143 131,6 194 142,0 135 -31,8 141 -27,5
	Total residential buildings	R'000	81 887	144 176	143 931	396 021	897 159	126,5
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	669	0	623	1 443	131,6
	Cinico and Samming opace	R'000	0	4 031	0	3 592	8 694	142,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	784	535	-31,8
	Chopping space	R'000	0	0	0	4 747	3 441	-27,5
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 010	7 369	2 404	13 558	14 446	6,5
	mademar and warehease space	R'000	6 085	44 512	15 383	78 437	88 232	12,5
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	3 667	550	-85,0
	Carlot Horr rootaoritian bandings c,	R'000	0	0	0	24 137	3 314	-86,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	6 085	48 543	15 383	110 913	103 681	-6,5
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 265	6 280	3 598	14 471	31 865	120,2
	2gg	R'000	13 692	37 724	22 665	86 587	192 164	121,9
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	283	2 372	163	3 470	11 019	217,6
	-	R'000	3 205	18 427	6 024	33 414	99 743	198,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	16 897	56 151	28 689	120 001	291 907	143,3
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	104 869	248 870	188 003	626 935	1 292 747	106,2

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	737	728	784	3 592	4 001	11,4
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	36 664	37 371	41 934	181 363	212 340	17,1
		R'000	215 928	242 086	274 780	1 063 503	1 355 479	27,5
		Number	629	595	749	2 875	4 296	49,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	149 048	158 245	185 961	724 445	1 096 303	51,3
Residential buildings		R'000	1 129 558	1 285 976	1 445 455	5 531 353	8 552 391	54,6
Residential buildings		Number	1 552	1 673	491	4 088	8 492	107,7
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	166 170	144 107	63 046	517 436	813 019	57,1
		R'000	1 376 294	1 200 558	506 933	4 427 193	6 809 485	53,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	4 408	0	23 740	18 282	40 809	123,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	45 584	0	257 878	193 075	410 905	17,1 27,5 49,4 51,3 54,6 107,7 57,1 53,8
	Total residential buildings	R'000	2 767 364	2 728 620	2 485 046	11 215 124	17 128 260	52,7
	Office and banking space	square metres	9 483	7 880	28 425	270 345	105 644	-60,9
	Office and banking space	R'000	87 200	78 984	228 437	2 589 718	892 128	-65,6
	Shopping space	square metres	3 435	25 122	24 858	107 821	245 119	127,3
	Chopping space	R'000	27 087	207 203	185 884	938 174	1 977 047	110,7
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	47 890	118 253	79 617	543 257	490 205	-9,8
	madstrar and warehouse space	R'000	293 212	695 461	536 057	3 401 552	3 104 447	-8,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 447	9 402	28 688	72 804	108 351	48,8
	Curior from residential ballarings of	R'000	17 384	58 552	267 058	516 375	872 322	68,9
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	424 883	1 040 200	1 217 436	7 445 819	6 845 944	-8,1
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	51 799	65 270	96 772	354 636	505 167	42,4
	Dwelling floudes	R'000	397 899	507 111	712 432	2 612 630	3 852 231	47,4
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	30 556	40 241	47 311	196 222	240 404	22,5
		R'000	322 032	530 788	491 706	2 067 685	2 857 068	38,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	719 931	1 037 899	1 204 138	4 680 315	6 709 299	43,4
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	3 912 178	4 806 719	4 906 620	23 341 258	30 683 503	31,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
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Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	233	303	400	915	1 500	63,9
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	10 416	14 027	18 100	42 025	67 946	61,7
		R'000	60 663	78 447	94 891	239 823	377 912	57,6
		Number	269	215	319	1 060	1 538	45,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	52 462	53 792	72 158	250 454	366 127	46,2
Residential buildings		R'000	366 411	378 683	487 367	1 721 991	2 515 568	46,1
Trocius III III III		Number	915	703	306	1 799	4 148	130,6
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	70 453	63 774	39 798	183 693	353 272	92,3
		R'000	579 168	502 053	308 411	1 486 507	2 748 077	84,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 065	0	0	1 565	14 395	912 57,6 538 45,1 127 46,2 568 46,1 148 130,6 272 92,3 077 84,9 395 819,8 534 965,0 091 66,8 020 216,0 124 232,8 990 53,4 595 50,6 753 77,9 482 78,6 772 5,7 419 6,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	8 811	0	0	12 444	132 534	965,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 015 053	959 183	890 669	3 460 765	5 774 091	66,8
	Office and banking space	square metres	3 098	1 525	28 278	19 309	61 020	216,0
	Office and banking space	R'000	22 734	13 344	227 346	145 476	484 124	232,8
	Shopping space	square metres	2 421	618	20 775	30 630	35 14 395 819,8 14 132 534 965,0 35 5 774 091 66,8 39 61 020 216,0 76 484 124 232,8 30 46 990 53,4 26 377 595 50,6	
	Опоррину зрасс	R'000	16 955	5 395	162 095	250 726	377 595	50,6
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 828	7 509	43 919	68 432	121 753	77,9
	muusmai anu warenouse space	R'000	46 246	53 110	306 607	467 176	834 482	78,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 181	6 912	7 977	31 019	32 772	5,7
	Other Hon-residential buildings 3/	R'000	9 374	46 104	61 149	212 239	226 419	6,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	95 309	117 953	757 197	1 075 617	1 922 620	78,7
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	25 615	34 909	65 065	165 005	257 194	55,9
	Dwoming-nouses	R'000	174 935	238 056	431 592	1 085 721	1 737 231	60,0
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	16 604	27 559	39 745	127 566	122 587	-3,9
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	209 435	420 878	403 161	1 400 654	1 755 872	25,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	384 370	658 934	834 753	2 486 375	3 493 103	40,5
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 494 732	1 736 070	2 482 619	7 022 757	11 189 814	59,3

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	46	8	9	85	78	-8,2
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	2 738	459	531	4 948	4 384	-11,4
		R'000	18 251	3 208	4 002	31 918	28 469	-10,8
		Number	47	19	42	183	217	18,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	7 660	4 117	6 022	37 634	56 804	50,9
Residential buildings		R'000	55 706	29 253	47 199	265 081	408 388	54,1
Residential buildings		Number	47	30	30	73	194	165,8
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	4 842	1 061	3 011	7 463	15 967	113,9
		R'000	33 879	7 671	22 104	51 592	114 914	56 804 50,9 408 388 54,1 194 165,8 15 967 113,9 114 914 122,7 0 0551 771 58,3 5 000 792,9 36 150 975,9 3 605 23 466 84 706 3,1
	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	107 836	40 132	73 305	348 591	551 771	58,3
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	560	5 000	792,9
	Office and banking space	R'000	0	0	0	3 360	36 150	975,9
	Shopping space	square metres	0	223	1 657	0	3 605	
	Chopping space	R'000	0	1 559	9 543	0	23 466	
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	19 459	2 721	82 129	84 706	3,1
	mudstrai and warehouse space	R'000	0	136 165	15 670	547 435	595 207	8,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	66	0	1 527	1 852	2 878	55,4
	Curor non residential ballange of	R'000	461	0	11 726	9 607	21 168	120,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	461	137 724	36 939	560 402	675 991	20,6
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 568	3 882	2 313	48 950	52 153	6,5
	2 Houng Houses	R'000	47 656	26 974	17 354	338 060	368 878	9,1
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	9 694	525	240	22 434	4 179	-81,4
	Other buildings 4/	R'000	68 646	9 957	3 618	161 908	46 972	-71,0
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	116 302	36 931	20 972	499 968	415 850	-16,8
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	224 599	214 787	131 216	1 408 961	1 643 612	16,7

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

^{3/} Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.
4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
	,	Number	1	5	1	1	9	800.0
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	41	319	53	41	548	1 236,6
		R'000	353	2 796	464	353	4 773	1 252,1
		Number	11	6	6	49	58	18,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	2 212	1 794	2 167	10 987	14 045	27,8
Residential buildings		R'000	19 023	15 723	18 992	89 996	119 887	33,2
Residential buildings		Number	1	0	0	4	11	175,0
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	89	0	0	471	1 035	119,7
		R'000	668	0	0	3 801	8 901	134,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 117	0	0 9 789	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	9 789	0	9 789	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	20 044	18 519	29 245	94 150	143 350	52,3
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	274	
	Cinice and banking space	R'000	0	0	0	0	2 356	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	1 190	0	4 775	1 190	-75,1
	Chopping space	R'000	0	10 429	0	39 155	10 429	-73,4
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	1 802	1 086	-39,7
	madelial and wateriouse space	R'000	0	0	0	13 306	9 340	-29,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	504	195	-61,3
		R'000	0	0	0	4 133	1 677	-59,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	10 429	0	56 594	23 802	-57,9
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 022	1 732	1 338	10 522	13 423	27,6
		R'000	8 789	15 179	11 726	89 149	115 832	29,9
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	0	0	6 746	
		R'000	137	150	220	742	59 526	7 922,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	8 926	15 329	11 946	89 891	175 358	95,1
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	28 970	44 277	41 191	240 635	342 510	42,3

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	0	28	3	70	171	144,3
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	0	1 641	154	4 284	10 385	142,4
		R'000	0	13 718	1 143	34 394	86 379	151,1
		Number	3	8	8	79	156	97,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	644	1 801	1 646	18 428	26 887	45,9
Residential buildings		R'000	3 826	12 387	11 919	136 676	201 232	47,2
Residential buildings		Number	0	0	0	36	35	-2,8
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	0	0	0	10 313	4 012	-61,1
		R'000	0	0	0	83 246	33 393	-59,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	605	4 012 -61,1 33 393 -59,9 605 4 942 325 946 28,2 147 -97,8 1 091 -98,0 538 -81,9
	Office residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	0	4 942	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	3 826	26 105	13 062	254 316	325 946	28,2
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	147	6 713	147	-97,8
	Office and banking space	R'000	0	0	1 091	54 187	1 091	-98,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	2 970	538	-81,9
	Chopping space	R'000	0	0	0	23 974	3 640	-84,8
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	355	4 035	14 549	5 102	-64,9
	madstrar and warehouse space	R'000	0	2 481	29 948	116 179	37 466	-67,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	471	
	Other field residential ballatings 5/	R'000	0	0	0	0	2 653	
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	2 481	31 039	194 340	44 850	-76,9
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	281	283	176	5 815	5 678	-2,4
	Dwelling flouses	R'000	1 668	1 802	1 112	36 546	35 711	-2,3
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	0	3 440	628	-81,7
	R'	R'000	0	100	0	39 217	5 295	-86,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	1 668	1 902	1 112	75 763	41 006	-45,9
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	5 494	30 488	45 213	524 419	411 802	-21,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	7	8	4	49	45	-8,2
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	444	487	248	3 101	2 718	-12,4
		R'000	3 890	5 796	2 635	29 763	25 095	-15,7
		Number	32	54	32	257	302	17,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	10 289	21 186	9 701	70 994	102 635	44,6
Residential buildings		R'000	110 486	225 817	104 651	735 899	1 050 210	42,7
Residential buildings		Number	72	97	24	619	371	-40,1
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	9 336	11 985	4 111	86 076	49 423	-42,6
		R'000	98 717	112 371	36 497	903 813	444 493	-50,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 343	0	22 623	13 463	24 068	78,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	36 773	0	248 089	148 937	259 649	74,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	249 866	343 984	391 872	1 818 412	1 779 447	-2,1
	Office and banking space	square metres	281	5 103	0	5 859	19 983	241,1
	Office and banking space	R'000	3 091	56 133	0	45 309	212 528	369,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	20 309	217	2 764	73 017	2 541,7
	Chopping space	R'000	0	167 547	1 519	21 482	656 298	2 955,1
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	28 348	14 364	24 192	286 944	61 158	-78,7
	madstrar and warehouse space	R'000	170 088	86 488	151 703	1 725 015	385 483	-77,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	157	2 490	0	520	2 979	472,9
	Other field residential ballatings 5/	R'000	1 790	12 448	0	5 821	16 035	175,5
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	174 969	322 616	153 222	1 797 627	1 270 344	-29,3
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 684	8 511	8 838	38 347	57 325	49,5
	2.109 1100000	R'000	55 063	96 180	103 404	412 402	645 172	56,4
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	369	2 467	4 324	7 656	34 793	354,5
	R	R'000	3 614	26 136	53 134	89 082	402 304	351,6
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	58 677	122 316	156 538	501 484	1 047 476	108,9
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	483 512	788 916	701 632	4 117 523	4 097 267	-0,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

^{3/} Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.
4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	0/ change 4/
			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
		Number	0	23	13	39	128	228,2
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	0	1 359	764	2 455	7 707	213,9
		R'000	0	7 853	4 453	13 209	44 120	234,0
		Number	40	32	72	192	341	77,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	10 309	8 717	14 474	38 087	76 013	99,6
Residential buildings		R'000	68 613	56 149	101 245	243 445	488 092	100,5
residential buildings		Number	51	27	0	149	171	14,8
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	5 458	2 710	0	16 197	19 928	23,0
		R'000	38 895	17 053	0	105 772	130 687	23,6
	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	107 508	81 055	105 698	362 426	662 899	82,9
	Office and banking space	square metres	0	521	0	4 154	7 339	76,7
	emos and banking space	R'000	0	3 010	0	23 982	42 368	76,7
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	2 657	64 709	2 335,4
	Chiopping opaco	R'000	0	0	0	14 330	390 181	2 622,8
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 020	0	0	5 151	2 792	-45,8
	mademar and warehouse space	R'000	14 605	0	0	30 852	18 732	-39,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	520	1 533	520	-66,1
		R'000	0	0	3 993	8 433	3 993	-52,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	14 605	3 010	3 993	77 597	455 274	486,7
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	789	186	1 422	7 952	11 544	45,2
	2 House grant and a second	R'000	5 091	1 032	10 172	49 642	66 984	34,9
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	738	0	393	14 079	3 482,4
	<u> </u>	R'000	0	4 597	0	14 529	132 533	812,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	5 091	5 629	10 172	64 171	199 517	210,9
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	127 204	89 694	119 863	504 194	1 317 690	161,3

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
3 , 3	,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,,	Number	398	344	338	2 279	1 935	-15,1
	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	square metres	20 272	18 589	21 170	116 275	110 885	-4,6
		R'000	118 297	127 552	162 726	669 946	742 950	10,9
		Number	169	207	222	816	1 358	66,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	square metres	45 318	52 989	64 518	234 519	361 844	54,3
Residential buildings		R'000	373 306	476 106	564 435	1 937 844	3 139 990	62,0
Residential buildings		Number	442	751	120	1 354	3 479	156,9
	Flats and townhouses	square metres	74 317	59 165	14 501	207 979	361 494	73,8
		R'000	614 875	528 327	129 804	1 763 333	3 280 693	86,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	3 254	254 484 -85,1 694 3 091 -90,2 817 7 166 724 62,8	
	Other residential buildings 2/	R'000	0	0	0	31 694	3 091	-90,2
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 106 478	1 131 985	856 965	4 402 817	7 166 724	62,8
	Office and banking space	square metres	6 104	345	0	232 646	7 715	-96,7
	Chiec and banking space	R'000	61 375	4 171	0	2 311 442	82 604	-96,4
	Shopping space	square metres	1 014	294	535	43 346	44 650	3,0
	Chopping space	R'000	10 132	2 765	4 108	428 364	449 904	5,0
Non-residential buildings	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 536	76 566	4 750	59 654	207 807	248,4
	maddinar and warehouse space	R'000	35 314	417 217	32 129	334 356	1 188 061	255,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	18 664	19 879	66 704	235,6
		R'000	0	0	190 190	157 782	588 628	273,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	106 821	424 153	226 427	3 231 944	2 309 197	-28,6
	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 840	14 434	16 075	60 625	98 435	62,4
	2 Housing Houses	R'000	92 241	119 098	127 204	504 549	824 138	63,3
Additions and alterations	Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 691	7 272	2 987	31 933	54 093	69,4
		R'000	36 428	56 729	30 710	316 765	403 393	27,3
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	128 669	175 827	157 914	821 314	1 227 531	49,5
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 341 968	1 731 965	1 241 306	8 456 075	10 703 452	26,6

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

^{3/} Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.
4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
			001 2020	0011 202 1	001 202 I		0411 - 041 202 1	70 Change 17
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	37	9	10	125	80	-36,0
		square metres	1 917	490	532	6 539	4 379	-33,0
		R'000	9 437	2 716	2 022	34 107	25 226	-26,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	29	24	24	135	180	33,3
		square metres	8 054	5 625	6 417	32 014	47 293	47,7
		R'000	59 484	42 575	52 576	216 776	358 722	65,5
Residential buildings	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	6	4	26	10	-61,5
		square metres	0	262	554	3 306	816	-75,3
		R'000	0	2 054	3 264	17 521	5 318	-69,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	68 921	47 345	57 862	268 404	389 266	45,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	863	3 197	270,5
		R'000	0	0	0	4 573	25 068	448,2
	Shopping space	square metres	0	2 488	0	19 715	7 840	-60,2
		R'000	0	19 508	0	154 585	51 456	-66,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 679	0	0	16 809	4 608	-72,6
		R'000	17 148	0	0	120 082	28 264	-76,5
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 043	0	0	9 586	0	-100,0
		R'000	5 759	0	0	72 745	0	-100,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	22 907	19 508	0	351 985	104 788	-70,2
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 391	989	951	14 567	5 886	-59,6
		R'000	8 954	6 816	6 505	80 369	37 953	-52,8
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	198	0	15	1 459	1 581	8,4
		R'000	2 272	120	363	30 644	32 823	7,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	11 226	6 936	6 868	111 013	70 776	-36,2
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	103 054	73 789	64 730	731 402	564 830	-22,8

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

^{3/} Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.
4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Jul 2020	Jun 2021	Jul 2021	Jan – Jul 2020	Jan – Jul 2021	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	15	0	6	29	55	89,7
		square metres	836	0	382	1 695	3 388	99,9
		R'000	5 037	0	2 444	9 990	20 555	105,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	29	30	24	104	146	40,4
		square metres	12 100	8 224	8 858	31 328	44 655	42,5
		R'000	72 703	49 283	57 071	183 645	270 302	47,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	24	59	7	28	73	160,7
		square metres	1 675	5 150	1 071	1 938	7 072	264,9
		R'000	10 092	31 029	6 853	11 608	43 009	270,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	140	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	900	
	Total residential buildings	R'000	87 832	80 312	66 368	205 243	334 766	63,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	386	0	241	969	302,1
		R'000	0	2 326	0	1 389	5 839	320,4
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	1 674	964	2 580	167,6
		R'000	0	0	8 619	5 558	14 078	153,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 479	0	0	7 787	1 193	-84,7
		R'000	9 811	0	0	47 151	7 412	-84,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	7 911	1 832	-76,8
		R'000	0	0	0	45 615	11 749	-74,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	9 811	2 326	8 619	99 713	39 078	-60,8
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	609	344	594	2 853	3 529	23,7
		R'000	3 502	1 974	3 363	16 192	20 332	25,6
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	1 680	0	1 341	1 718	28,1
		R'000	1 500	12 121	500	14 144	18 350	29,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	5 002	14 095	3 863	30 336	38 682	27,5
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	102 645	96 733	78 850	335 292	412 526	23,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2020 and 2021.

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

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

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

Explanatory notes

Introduction

- 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

- 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

The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for July 2021 was 83,8%. The improved collection rate for June 2021 was 88,3%.

Statistical unit

7 The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.

Survey methodology and design

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

Constant prices

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 December 2016=100) are converted to the base year 2015=100.

Seasonal adjustment

- 10 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 11 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment May 2017

Note: Owing to the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown, additive outlier adjustments were performed. The methodology will be reviewed as more data points are added to the time series.

Trend cycle

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.
- Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.

Related publications

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

Rounding-off of figures

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

Symbols and abbreviations

- .. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage.
 - Nil or figure too small to publish.
 - * Revised.

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Stats SA Statistics South Africa.

SIC Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.

ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic

Activities.

Glossary

Additions and alterations

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

Blocks of flats

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

Dwelling-house

A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwellingunit, 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.

Residential buildings Buildings that are used primarily as residences. Includes dwelling-houses, flats,

townhouses and other residential buildings.

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

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

blocks of flats.

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