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Results for January to June 2019

**Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices:
January to June 2018 versus January to June 2019**

Estimates at current prices	January to June 2018	January to June 2019	Difference in value between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	% change between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	29 354 758	27 778 257	-1 576 501	-5,4
-Dwelling-houses	16 019 378	14 178 396	-1 840 982	-11,5
-Flats and townhouses	11 974 586	13 167 943	1 193 357	10,0
-Other residential buildings	1 360 794	431 918	-928 876	-68,3
Non-residential buildings	13 082 709	11 319 983	-1 762 726	-13,5
Additions and alterations	14 299 835	14 176 196	-123 639	-0,9
Total	56 737 302	53 274 436	-3 462 866	-6,1

1/ 2018 and 2019 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 6,1% (-R3 462,9 million) during January to June 2019 compared with January to June 2018.

Decreases were recorded for non-residential buildings (-13,5% or -R1 762,7 million), residential buildings (-5,4% or -R1 576,5 million) and additions and alterations (-0,9% or -R123,6 million) – see Table A.

**Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to June 2018 versus January to June 2019**

Estimates at current prices	January to June 2018	January to June 2019	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to June 2018	% change between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	Difference in value between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000			2/ R'000	R'000
Western Cape	17 210 694	14 839 789	30,3	-13,8	-4,2	-2 370 905
Eastern Cape	3 583 588	3 047 052	6,3	-15,0	-0,9	-536 536
Northern Cape	511 386	793 225	0,9	55,1	0,5	281 839
Free State	2 036 198	1 575 436	3,6	-22,6	-0,8	-460 762
KwaZulu-Natal	9 459 686	9 474 138	16,7	0,2	0,0	14 452
North West	1 517 399	1 157 104	2,7	-23,7	-0,6	-360 295
Gauteng	19 731 334	19 351 948	34,8	-1,9	-0,7	-379 386
Mpumalanga	1 771 772	1 777 754	3,1	0,3	0,0	5 982
Limpopo	915 245	1 257 990	1,6	37,4	0,6	342 745
Total	56 737 302	53 274 436	100,0	-6,1	-6,1	-3 462 866

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to June 2018, divided by 100.

The largest negative contribution to the total decrease of 6,1% (-R3 462,9 million) was made by Western Cape (contributing -4,2 percentage points or -R2 370,9 million) – see Table B.

**Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices:
January to June 2018 versus January to June 2019**

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to June 2018	January to June 2019	Difference in value between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	% change between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	25 422 712	23 017 412	-2 405 300	-9,5
Non-residential buildings	11 338 529	9 367 719	-1 970 810	-17,4
Additions and alterations	12 387 277	11 721 547	-665 730	-5,4
Total	49 148 518	44 106 678	-5 041 840	-10,3

1/ 2018 and 2019 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2015 prices) decreased by 10,3% (-R5 041,8 million) during January to June 2019 compared with January to June 2018. Decreases were recorded for non-residential buildings (-17,4% or -R1 970,8 million), residential buildings (-9,5% or -R2 405,3 million) and additions and alterations (-5,4% or -R665,7 million) – see Table C.

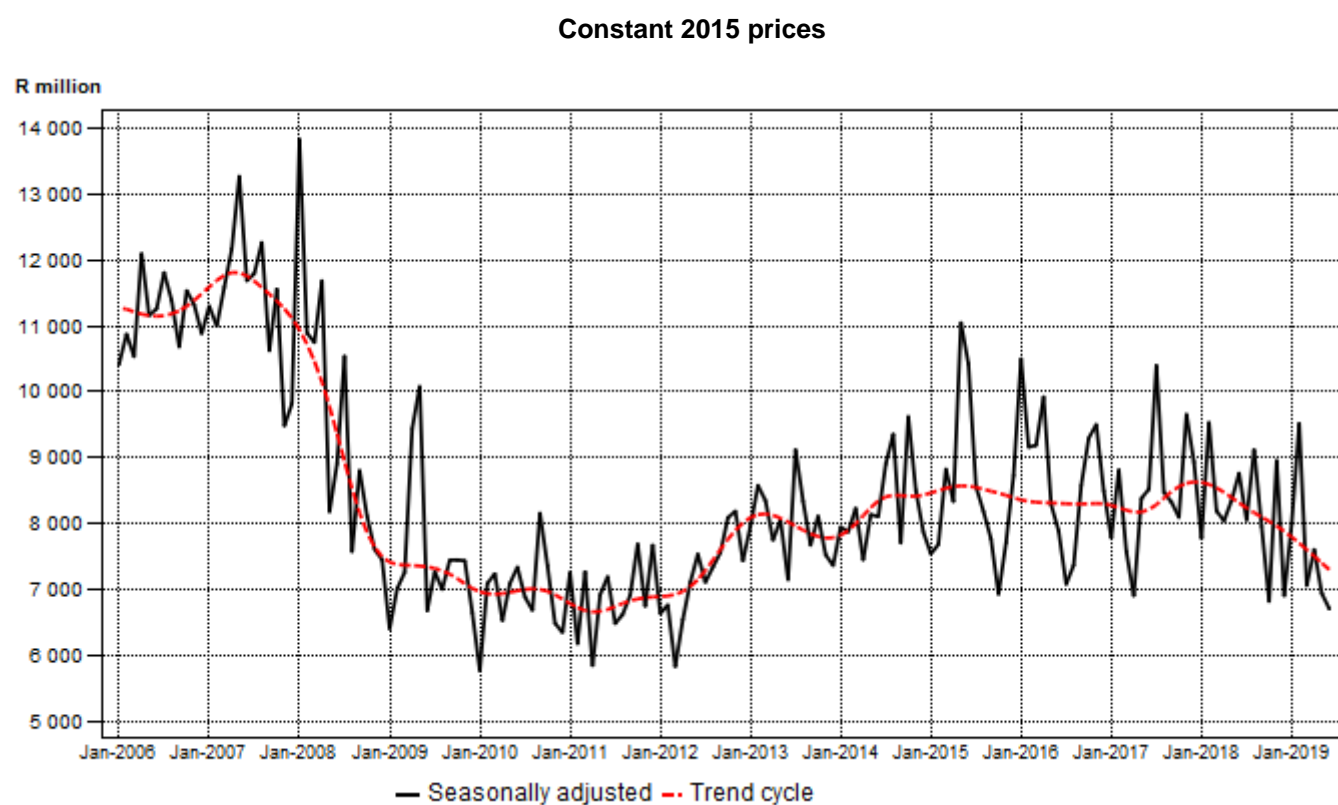
Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to March 2019	April to June 2019	% change between January to March 2019 and April to June 2019
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	13 427 667	10 475 304	-22,0
Non-residential buildings 1/	4 959 133	4 408 586	-11,1
Additions and alterations	6 197 459	6 378 359	2,9
Total	24 584 259	21 262 249	-13,5

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 13,5% in the second quarter of 2019 compared with the previous quarter. Decreases were recorded for residential buildings (-22,0%) and non-residential buildings (-11,1%). Additions and alterations increased by 2,9% – see Table D.

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

**Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices:
January to June 2018 versus January to June 2019**

Estimates at current prices	January to June 2018	January to June 2019	Difference in value between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	% change between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	18 452 907	28 227 765	9 774 858	53,0
-Dwelling-houses	10 248 054	11 099 103	851 049	8,3
-Flats and townhouses	7 942 891	16 760 688	8 817 797	111,0
-Other residential buildings	261 962	367 974	106 012	40,5
Non-residential buildings	7 530 868	11 710 863	4 179 995	55,5
Additions and alterations	5 728 844	6 120 757	391 913	6,8
Total	31 712 619	46 059 385	14 346 766	45,2

1/ 2018 and 2019 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 45,2% (R14 346,8 million) during January to June 2019 compared with January to June 2018.

Increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (55,5% or R4 180,0 million), residential buildings (53,0% or R9 774,9 million) and additions and alterations (6,8% or R391,9 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to June 2018 versus January to June 2019**

Estimates at current prices	January to June 2018	January to June 2019	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to June 2018	% change between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	Difference in value between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000			2/ %	R'000
Western Cape	9 176 525	10 335 024	28,9	12,6	3,7	1 158 499
Eastern Cape	1 007 263	1 535 405	3,2	52,4	1,7	528 142
Northern Cape	214 441	311 479	0,7	45,3	0,3	97 038
Free State	543 010	300 284	1,7	-44,7	-0,8	-242 726
KwaZulu-Natal	4 124 823	6 673 314	13,0	61,8	8,0	2 548 491
North West	1 194 264	1 048 341	3,8	-12,2	-0,5	-145 923
Gauteng	14 124 262	24 062 531	44,5	70,4	31,3	9 938 269
Mpumalanga	848 993	1 371 057	2,7	61,5	1,6	522 064
Limpopo	479 038	421 950	1,5	-11,9	-0,2	-57 088
Total	31 712 619	46 059 385	100,0	45,2	45,2	14 346 766

1/ 2018 and 2019 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to June 2018, divided by 100.

Six provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed during January to June 2019, of which Gauteng (contributing 31,3 percentage points or R9 938,3 million), KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 8,0 percentage points or R2 548,5 million) and Western Cape (contributing 3,7 percentage points or R1 158,5 million) were the largest positive contributors – see Table F.

**Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices:
January to June 2018 versus January to June 2019**

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to June 2018	January to June 2019	Difference in value between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019	% change between January to June 2018 and January to June 2019
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	15 984 014	23 316 639	7 332 625	45,9
Non-residential buildings	6 522 226	9 689 229	3 167 003	48,6
Additions and alterations	4 963 529	5 060 930	97 401	2,0
Total	27 469 769	38 066 798	10 597 029	38,6

1/ 2018 and 2019 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 38,6% (R10 597,0 million) during January to June 2019 compared with January to June 2018. Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (48,6% or R3 167,0 million), residential buildings (45,9% or R7 332,6 million) and additions and alterations (2,0% or R97,4 million) – see Table G.

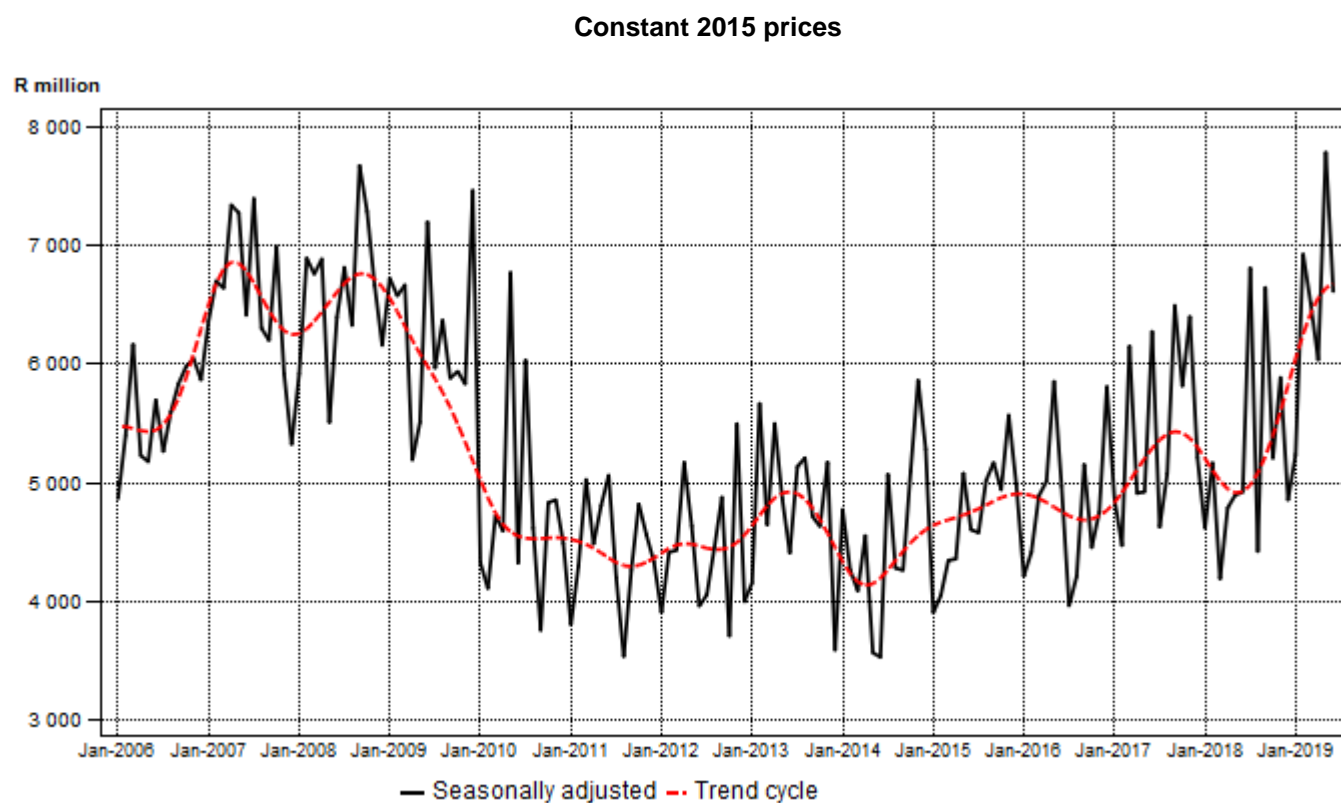
Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to March 2019	April to June 2019	% change between January to March 2019 and April to June 2019
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	11 367 894	12 903 440	13,5
Non-residential buildings 1/	4 765 346	4 923 883	3,3
Additions and alterations	2 538 909	2 607 059	2,7
Total	18 672 149	20 434 382	9,4

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

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 9,4% in the second quarter of 2019 compared with the previous quarter. Increases were recorded for residential buildings (13,5%), non-residential buildings (3,3%) and additions and alterations (2,7%) – see Table H.

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	3 423 823	8,3	1 695 961	-11,5	2 048 834	20,3	7 168 618	5,7
	February	4 728 955	3,7	3 819 701	29,2	2 360 140	9,2	10 908 796	12,7
	March	4 473 589	-5,3	1 689 517	-5,9	2 549 303	11,9	8 712 409	-1,0
	April	5 632 240	38,8	1 769 055	70,1	2 162 953	9,0	9 564 248	35,1
	May	5 663 085	21,8	1 906 493	-21,2	2 476 180	1,4	10 045 758	5,6
	June	5 433 066	6,2	2 201 982	-4,6	2 702 425	2,3	10 337 473	2,7
	July	5 177 874	-16,7	1 928 957	-31,2	2 732 053	4,0	9 838 884	-15,5
	August	6 483 327	41,4	2 650 753	-7,8	2 464 165	-16,7	11 598 245	11,3
	September	4 829 388	-13,0	2 396 777	44,1	2 474 656	-8,5	9 700 821	-2,2
	October	4 179 241	-21,4	1 886 023	-2,3	3 170 956	5,9	9 236 220	-9,8
	November	5 434 664	16,1	3 089 401	-24,6	2 596 278	-6,8	11 120 343	-3,8
	December	4 134 159	-6,7	969 634	-61,8	1 866 810	-5,8	6 970 603	-22,1
	Total	59 593 411	4,5	26 004 254	-8,3	29 604 753	1,2	115 202 418	0,5
2019	January	4 350 672	27,1	1 611 299	-5,0	1 836 501	-10,4	7 798 472	8,8
	February	6 990 891	47,8	2 014 721	-47,3	2 399 945	1,7	11 405 557	4,6
	March	3 721 595	-16,8	2 320 258	37,3	2 309 342	-9,4	8 351 195	-4,1
	April	4 276 398	-24,1	2 091 416	18,2	2 473 785	14,4	8 841 599	-7,6
	May	4 422 359	-21,9	1 653 807	-13,3	2 646 651	6,9	8 722 817	-13,2
	June	4 016 342	-26,1	1 628 482	-26,0	2 509 972	-7,1	8 154 796	-21,1

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	4 758 814	-11,7	1 695 961	-33,1	2 677 266	5,2	9 132 041	-12,8
	February	4 725 031	-0,7	3 819 701	125,2	2 471 479	-7,7	11 016 211	20,6
	March	4 970 325	5,2	1 689 517	-55,8	2 914 931	17,9	9 574 773	-13,1
	April	4 998 286	0,6	1 769 055	4,7	2 209 093	-24,2	8 976 434	-6,2
	May	5 202 211	4,1	1 906 493	7,8	2 404 252	8,8	9 512 956	6,0
	June	5 175 980	-0,5	2 201 982	15,5	2 618 857	8,9	9 996 819	5,1
	July	5 140 276	-0,7	1 928 957	-12,4	2 405 356	-8,2	9 474 589	-5,2
	August	5 800 413	12,8	2 650 753	37,4	2 214 120	-8,0	10 665 286	12,6
	September	4 667 905	-19,5	2 396 777	-9,6	2 369 528	7,0	9 434 210	-11,5
	October	3 744 060	-19,8	1 886 023	-21,3	2 545 372	7,4	8 175 455	-13,3
	November	5 276 049	40,9	3 089 401	63,8	2 423 716	-4,8	10 789 166	32,0
	December	5 113 649	-3,1	969 634	-68,6	2 393 449	-1,2	8 476 732	-21,4
2019	January	5 730 195	12,1	1 611 299	66,2	2 407 530	0,6	9 749 024	15,0
	February	6 953 082	21,3	2 014 721	25,0	2 519 802	4,7	11 487 605	17,8
	March	3 730 740	-46,3	2 320 258	15,2	2 520 796	0,0	8 571 794	-25,4
	April	4 349 529	16,6	2 091 416	-9,9	2 604 332	3,3	9 045 277	5,5
	May	4 025 941	-7,4	1 653 807	-20,9	2 617 398	0,5	8 297 146	-8,3
	June	3 875 595	-3,7	1 628 482	-1,5	2 524 659	-3,5	8 028 736	-3,2
	Jan. – Mar. 19	16 414 017		5 946 278		7 448 128		29 808 423	
	Apr. – Jun. 19 2/	12 251 065	-25,4	5 373 705	-9,6	7 746 389	4,0	25 371 159	-14,9

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

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

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	2 977 237	3,6	1 474 749	-15,3	1 781 595	15,1	6 233 581	1,1
	February	4 112 135	-0,1	3 321 479	24,4	2 052 296	5,2	9 485 910	8,6
	March	3 886 698	-8,6	1 467 869	-9,2	2 214 859	8,0	7 569 426	-4,4
	April	4 876 398	33,8	1 531 649	63,9	1 872 687	5,1	8 280 734	30,2
	May	4 894 628	18,3	1 647 790	-23,6	2 140 173	-1,6	8 682 591	2,5
	June	4 675 616	2,2	1 894 993	-8,2	2 325 667	-1,5	8 896 276	-1,1
	July	4 402 954	-20,7	1 640 270	-34,5	2 323 174	-0,9	8 366 398	-19,5
	August	5 531 849	35,8	2 261 735	-11,4	2 102 530	-20,0	9 896 114	7,0
	September	4 082 323	-16,6	2 026 016	38,1	2 091 848	-12,3	8 200 187	-6,2
	October	3 503 136	-24,8	1 580 908	-6,5	2 657 968	1,4	7 742 012	-13,7
	November	4 544 033	11,6	2 583 111	-27,6	2 170 801	-10,5	9 297 945	-7,6
	December	3 468 254	-10,0	813 451	-63,1	1 566 116	-9,1	5 847 821	-24,8
	Total	50 955 261	0,5	22 244 020	-11,6	25 299 714	-2,7	98 498 995	-3,3
2019	January	3 668 358	23,2	1 358 599	-7,9	1 548 483	-13,1	6 575 440	5,5
	February	5 845 227	42,1	1 684 549	-49,3	2 006 643	-2,2	9 536 419	0,5
	March	3 073 159	-20,9	1 915 985	30,5	1 906 971	-13,9	6 896 115	-8,9
	April	3 511 000	-28,0	1 717 090	12,1	2 031 022	8,5	7 259 112	-12,3
	May	3 624 884	-25,9	1 355 580	-17,7	2 169 386	1,4	7 149 850	-17,7
	June	3 294 784	-29,5	1 335 916	-29,5	2 059 042	-11,5	6 689 742	-24,8

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	3 995 475	-11,4	1 474 749	-33,1	2 307 604	4,0	7 777 828	-12,9
	February	4 067 856	1,8	3 321 479	125,2	2 144 503	-7,1	9 533 838	22,6
	March	4 247 053	4,4	1 467 869	-55,8	2 477 769	15,5	8 192 691	-14,1
	April	4 571 243	7,6	1 531 649	4,3	1 941 224	-21,7	8 044 116	-1,8
	May	4 624 407	1,2	1 647 790	7,6	2 079 764	7,1	8 351 961	3,8
	June	4 597 621	-0,6	1 894 993	15,0	2 271 746	9,2	8 764 360	4,9
	July	4 367 341	-5,0	1 640 270	-13,4	2 045 867	-9,9	8 053 478	-8,1
	August	4 962 611	13,6	2 261 735	37,9	1 896 958	-7,3	9 121 304	13,3
	September	3 925 827	-20,9	2 026 016	-10,4	2 009 033	5,9	7 960 876	-12,7
	October	3 116 257	-20,6	1 580 908	-22,0	2 126 284	5,8	6 823 449	-14,3
	November	4 350 001	39,6	2 583 111	63,4	2 025 641	-4,7	8 958 753	31,3
	December	4 086 916	-6,0	813 451	-68,5	2 008 077	-0,9	6 908 444	-22,9
2019	January	4 617 733	13,0	1 358 599	67,0	2 026 579	0,9	8 002 911	15,8
	February	5 733 165	24,2	1 684 549	24,0	2 100 688	3,7	9 518 402	18,9
	March	3 076 769	-46,3	1 915 985	13,7	2 070 192	-1,5	7 062 946	-25,8
	April	3 757 392	22,1	1 717 090	-10,4	2 131 310	3,0	7 605 792	7,7
	May	3 443 147	-8,4	1 355 580	-21,1	2 145 884	0,7	6 944 611	-8,7
	June	3 274 765	-4,9	1 335 916	-1,5	2 101 165	-2,1	6 711 846	-3,4
	Jan. – Mar. 19	13 427 667		4 959 133		6 197 459		24 584 259	
	Apr. – Jun. 19 2/	10 475 304	-22,0	4 408 586	-11,1	6 378 359	2,9	21 262 249	-13,5

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

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	2 685 943	13,8	807 034	-39,1	792 693	4,9	4 285 670	-3,4
	February	2 996 399	0,3	1 521 419	91,7	1 053 541	25,5	5 571 359	20,6
	March	2 823 654	-21,4	1 044 722	-57,7	1 068 288	-2,6	4 936 664	-31,0
	April	3 373 893	-9,4	1 205 988	44,3	890 508	29,3	5 470 389	4,3
	May	3 191 090	6,5	1 473 491	1,0	903 658	-3,7	5 568 239	3,2
	June	3 381 928	6,2	1 478 214	-47,4	1 020 156	-8,9	5 880 298	-17,3
	July	4 918 774	76,2	1 484 338	4,6	1 362 088	55,0	7 765 200	52,6
	August	2 862 038	-5,3	1 060 192	-31,1	1 181 840	5,4	5 104 070	-10,2
	September	4 790 862	58,8	2 712 580	-22,5	955 730	-22,6	8 459 172	9,1
	October	3 696 841	10,9	1 566 033	-41,3	1 142 493	37,4	6 405 367	-6,3
	November	5 964 109	62,8	1 078 925	-66,9	1 121 099	-1,8	8 164 133	1,3
	December	3 779 538	-9,1	1 201 138	39,1	825 065	-13,9	5 805 741	-2,9
	Total	44 465 069	14,5	16 634 074	-27,5	12 317 159	6,1	73 416 302	0,1
2019	January	3 215 693	19,7	1 129 725	40,0	704 984	-11,1	5 050 402	17,8
	February	3 662 196	22,2	3 157 234	107,5	991 268	-5,9	7 810 698	40,2
	March	5 459 272	93,3	1 420 463	36,0	1 490 196	39,5	8 369 931	69,5
	April	4 328 058	28,3	1 623 694	34,6	1 026 808	15,3	6 978 560	27,6
	May	5 249 660	64,5	3 123 392	112,0	1 035 312	14,6	9 408 364	69,0
	June	6 312 886	86,7	1 256 355	-15,0	872 189	-14,5	8 441 430	43,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	3 475 344	-14,8	807 034	-6,5	1 040 678	-5,7	5 323 056	-11,9
	February	3 364 613	-3,2	1 521 419	88,5	1 048 867	0,8	5 934 899	11,5
	March	2 769 936	-17,7	1 044 722	-31,3	1 001 724	-4,5	4 816 382	-18,8
	April	3 424 840	23,6	1 205 988	15,4	882 640	-11,9	5 513 468	14,5
	May	3 262 748	-4,7	1 473 491	22,2	920 230	4,3	5 656 469	2,6
	June	3 248 102	-0,4	1 478 214	0,3	977 616	6,2	5 703 932	0,8
	July	5 095 948	56,9	1 484 338	0,4	1 407 413	44,0	7 987 699	40,0
	August	3 009 587	-40,9	1 060 192	-28,6	1 100 146	-21,8	5 169 925	-35,3
	September	4 237 358	40,8	2 712 580	155,9	904 998	-17,7	7 854 936	51,9
	October	3 558 029	-16,0	1 566 033	-42,3	1 072 764	18,5	6 196 826	-21,1
	November	4 966 538	39,6	1 078 925	-31,1	1 029 706	-4,0	7 075 169	14,2
	December	3 692 717	-25,6	1 201 138	11,3	938 647	-8,8	5 832 502	-17,6
2019	January	4 168 134	12,9	1 129 725	-5,9	927 536	-1,2	6 225 395	6,7
	February	4 119 463	-1,2	3 157 234	179,5	998 605	7,7	8 275 302	32,9
	March	5 334 484	29,5	1 420 463	-55,0	1 117 556	11,9	7 872 503	-4,9
	April	4 422 529	-17,1	1 623 694	14,3	1 290 708	15,5	7 336 931	-6,8
	May	5 309 287	20,1	3 123 392	92,4	1 054 386	-18,3	9 487 065	29,3
	June	5 954 492	12,2	1 256 355	-59,8	829 758	-21,3	8 040 605	-15,2
	Jan. – Mar. 19	13 622 081		5 707 422		3 043 697		22 373 200	
	Apr. – Jun. 19 2/	15 686 308	15,2	6 003 441	5,2	3 174 852	4,3	24 864 601	11,1

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

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	2 335 603	8,9	701 769	-41,7	689 298	0,4	3 726 670	-7,6
	February	2 605 564	-3,4	1 322 973	84,7	916 123	20,9	4 844 660	16,2
	March	2 453 218	-24,1	907 665	-59,2	928 139	-6,0	4 289 022	-33,4
	April	2 921 119	-12,7	1 044 145	39,0	771 003	24,6	4 736 267	0,5
	May	2 758 073	3,3	1 273 545	-2,0	781 035	-6,5	4 812 653	0,2
	June	2 910 437	2,3	1 272 129	-49,3	877 931	-12,2	5 060 497	-20,4
	July	4 182 631	67,8	1 262 192	-0,4	1 158 238	47,7	6 603 061	45,3
	August	2 442 012	-9,0	904 601	-33,8	1 008 396	1,3	4 355 009	-13,7
	September	4 049 757	52,2	2 292 967	-25,7	807 887	-25,8	7 150 611	4,6
	October	3 098 777	6,2	1 312 685	-43,8	957 664	31,5	5 369 126	-10,3
	November	4 986 713	56,4	902 111	-68,2	937 374	-5,7	6 826 198	-2,7
	December	3 170 753	-12,3	1 007 666	34,2	692 169	-16,9	4 870 588	-6,4
	Total	37 914 657	9,9	14 204 448	-30,2	10 525 257	2,1	62 644 362	-3,8
2019	January	2 711 377	16,1	952 551	35,7	594 422	-13,8	4 258 350	14,3
	February	3 062 037	17,5	2 639 828	99,5	828 819	-9,5	6 530 684	34,8
	March	4 508 069	83,8	1 172 967	29,2	1 230 550	32,6	6 911 586	61,1
	April	3 553 414	21,6	1 333 082	27,7	843 028	9,3	5 729 524	21,0
	May	4 303 000	56,0	2 560 157	101,0	848 616	8,7	7 711 773	60,2
	June	5 178 742	77,9	1 030 644	-19,0	715 495	-18,5	6 924 881	36,8

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2018	January	3 012 853	-14,0	701 769	-6,5	901 247	-5,7	4 615 869	-11,4
	February	2 930 499	-2,7	1 322 973	88,5	912 755	1,3	5 166 227	11,9
	March	2 412 306	-17,7	907 665	-31,4	868 856	-4,8	4 188 827	-18,9
	April	2 975 636	23,4	1 044 145	15,0	766 314	-11,8	4 786 095	14,3
	May	2 823 409	-5,1	1 273 545	22,0	796 511	3,9	4 893 465	2,2
	June	2 804 330	-0,7	1 272 129	-0,1	843 721	5,9	4 920 180	0,5
	July	4 347 906	55,0	1 262 192	-0,8	1 198 590	42,1	6 808 688	38,4
	August	2 577 313	-40,7	904 601	-28,3	938 535	-21,7	4 420 449	-35,1
	September	3 584 774	39,1	2 292 967	153,5	764 985	-18,5	6 642 726	50,3
	October	2 994 777	-16,5	1 312 685	-42,8	897 585	17,3	5 205 047	-21,6
	November	4 121 491	37,6	902 111	-31,3	861 223	-4,1	5 884 825	13,1
	December	3 060 674	-25,7	1 007 666	11,7	785 310	-8,8	4 853 650	-17,5
2019	January	3 503 256	14,5	952 551	-5,5	778 876	-0,8	5 234 683	7,9
	February	3 450 751	-1,5	2 639 828	177,1	835 293	7,2	6 925 872	32,3
	March	4 413 887	27,9	1 172 967	-55,6	924 740	10,7	6 511 594	-6,0
	April	3 643 146	-17,5	1 333 082	13,7	1 058 937	14,5	6 035 165	-7,3
	May	4 358 693	19,6	2 560 157	92,0	865 672	-18,3	7 784 522	29,0
	June	4 901 601	12,5	1 030 644	-59,7	682 450	-21,2	6 614 695	-15,0
	Jan. – Mar. 19	11 367 894		4 765 346		2 538 909		18 672 149	
	Apr. – Jun. 19 2/	12 903 440	13,5	4 923 883	3,3	2 607 059	2,7	20 434 382	9,4

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

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

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	984	1 088	914	9 840	5 121	-48,0	
		square metres	52 866	52 242	44 949	460 293	256 088	-44,4	
		R'000	324 199	295 130	265 762	2 466 058	1 466 083	-40,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 346	1 166	1 120	7 255	6 332	-12,7	
		square metres	337 752	327 089	307 521	1 893 997	1 734 806	-8,4	
		R'000	2 410 369	2 369 654	2 276 701	13 553 320	12 712 313	-6,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	2 940	1 818	1 461	14 111	13 717	-2,8	
		square metres	327 673	202 660	173 729	1 543 545	1 568 024	1,6	
		R'000	2 612 407	1 726 870	1 468 558	11 974 586	13 167 943	10,0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	11 800	5 854	943	133 477	58 844	-55,9	
		R'000	86 091	30 705	5 321	1 360 794	431 918	-68,3	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	5 433 066	4 422 359	4 016 342	29 354 758	27 778 257	-5,4
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	42 127	26 775	19 403	357 026	226 514	-36,6
R'000			325 372	223 423	137 685	3 344 829	1 988 610	-40,5	
Shopping space		square metres	44 044	52 685	37 990	343 869	265 629	-22,8	
		R'000	333 091	343 868	324 661	2 752 054	1 988 055	-27,8	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	220 077	141 786	148 130	891 658	809 132	-9,3	
		R'000	1 283 883	928 390	969 416	5 338 254	5 097 613	-4,5	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	37 178	21 498	30 582	225 633	313 225	38,8	
		R'000	259 636	158 126	196 720	1 647 572	2 245 705	36,3	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	2 201 982	1 653 807	1 628 482	13 082 709	11 319 983	-13,5	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	288 714	264 586	239 433	1 402 416	1 352 699	-3,5	
		R'000	2 067 586	1 943 962	1 758 903	10 099 165	10 122 764	0,2	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	72 027	63 039	71 749	470 004	357 809	-23,9	
		R'000	634 839	702 689	751 069	4 200 670	4 053 432	-3,5	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	2 702 425	2 646 651	2 509 972	14 299 835	14 176 196	-0,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	10 337 473	8 722 817	8 154 796	56 737 302	53 274 436	-6,1	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	273	451	305	3 767	1 937	-48,6
		square metres	12 418	18 727	13 173	165 446	84 207	-49,1
		R'000	80 435	99 656	78 782	970 830	477 416	-50,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	445	409	312	2 555	2 090	-18,2
		square metres	109 246	97 713	84 936	619 212	523 659	-15,4
		R'000	735 459	621 337	557 286	4 192 525	3 440 754	-17,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 187	795	486	6 434	3 636	-43,5
		square metres	116 230	99 106	50 824	628 744	395 485	-37,1
		R'000	916 373	768 963	400 019	4 693 589	3 099 500	-34,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 819	564	318	23 470	27 414	16,8
		R'000	13 029	4 230	2 172	181 605	194 435	7,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 745 296	1 494 186	1 038 259	10 038 549	7 212 105	-28,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	10 848	875	621	49 420	36 066	-27,0
		R'000	63 298	7 726	4 968	378 717	273 799	-27,7
	Shopping space	square metres	7 564	14 012	420	82 137	76 627	-6,7
		R'000	57 490	112 114	3 680	659 269	617 071	-6,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	24 445	48 343	30 397	202 934	182 653	-10,0
		R'000	173 475	340 534	211 340	1 373 638	1 265 994	-7,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	7 833	13 326	17 055	87 543	180 044	105,7
		R'000	51 905	106 731	111 880	627 477	1 289 590	105,5
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	346 168	567 105	331 868	3 039 101	3 446 454	13,4
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	77 351	81 100	72 653	411 658	388 506	-5,6
		R'000	525 041	517 813	468 349	2 785 602	2 550 797	-8,4
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	21 904	27 525	28 811	131 626	150 978	14,7
		R'000	201 001	327 654	268 809	1 347 442	1 630 433	21,0
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	726 042	845 467	737 158	4 133 044	4 181 230	1,2
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	2 817 506	2 906 758	2 107 285	17 210 694	14 839 789	-13,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	84	36	21	970	131	-86,5
		square metres	5 173	2 220	1 281	44 473	7 913	-82,2
		R'000	32 608	13 381	8 736	276 784	47 990	-82,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	159	99	103	669	483	-27,8
		square metres	29 873	26 902	26 155	140 764	117 287	-16,7
		R'000	189 466	173 216	168 317	893 826	770 189	-13,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	54	10	70	1 063	224	-78,9
		square metres	5 113	1 860	13 598	66 645	31 988	-52,0
		R'000	32 645	12 315	89 719	414 703	207 690	-49,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 574	273	-82,7
		R'000	0	0	0	8 413	1 958	-76,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	254 719	198 912	266 772	1 593 726	1 027 827	-35,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	4 419	4 250	75	24 658	7 838	-68,2
		R'000	30 055	28 070	331	154 158	50 910	-67,0
	Shopping space	square metres	1 190	3 976	1 972	4 426	20 427	361,5
		R'000	7 302	20 762	13 482	25 876	114 490	342,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	9 765	13 112	10 583	74 633	116 760	56,4
		R'000	51 899	86 815	69 679	413 182	753 825	82,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	788	1 444	121	14 763	5 170	-65,0
		R'000	4 403	9 561	674	78 653	30 597	-61,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	93 659	145 208	84 166	671 869	949 822	41,4
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	41 119	25 091	22 391	151 091	118 540	-21,5
		R'000	249 233	156 134	139 192	925 429	759 354	-17,9
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	9 324	4 906	10 570	69 425	45 915	-33,9
		R'000	65 456	34 841	72 942	392 564	310 049	-21,0
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	314 689	190 975	212 134	1 317 993	1 069 403	-18,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	663 067	535 095	563 072	3 583 588	3 047 052	-15,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	7	8	10	25,0	
		square metres	0	0	414	423	576	36,2	
		R'000	0	0	3 277	3 401	4 497	32,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	12	12	16	82	86	4,9	
		square metres	2 520	3 551	3 339	14 936	19 857	32,9	
		R'000	16 702	25 654	23 566	100 099	139 089	39,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	11	0	0	28	0	..	
		square metres	1 031	0	0	2 317	0	..	
		R'000	7 392	0	0	16 388	0	..	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 117	0	0	1 705	0	..	
		R'000	7 819	0	0	11 935	0	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	31 913	25 654	26 843	131 823	143 586	8,9
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	229	0	8 087	928	-88,5
R'000			0	1 718	0	65 028	6 961	-89,3	
Shopping space		square metres	2 073	0	0	3 656	380	-89,6	
		R'000	16 669	0	0	29 398	3 055	-89,6	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	1 099	1 752	1 722	7 396	5 627	-23,9	
		R'000	8 638	12 489	11 371	48 388	35 790	-26,0	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	0	0	2 199	50 370	2 190,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	17 682	404 216	2 186,0	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	25 307	14 207	11 371	160 496	450 022	180,4	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 832	2 527	3 385	20 395	19 175	-6,0	
		R'000	34 416	17 104	24 920	147 315	141 098	-4,2	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	503	0	99	8 876	7 215	-18,7	
		R'000	3 856	295	1 263	71 752	58 519	-18,4	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	38 272	17 399	26 183	219 067	199 617	-8,9
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	95 492	57 260	64 397	511 386	793 225	55,1	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	16	42	16	103	125	21,4	
		square metres	944	2 436	886	5 715	7 434	30,1	
		R'000	6 362	18 558	6 491	35 498	54 556	53,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	53	73	62	338	355	5,0	
		square metres	10 185	14 107	15 287	74 043	75 187	1,5	
		R'000	59 914	92 707	106 722	461 515	496 692	7,6	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	67	20	0	287	193	-32,8	
		square metres	10 746	1 234	0	21 537	19 015	-11,7	
		R'000	78 091	9 531	0	152 602	141 825	-7,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 019	5 067	220	11 050	6 876	-37,8	
		R'000	22 359	25 162	1 093	73 653	35 312	-52,1	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	166 726	145 958	114 306	723 268	728 385	0,7
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	3 551	1 854	3 990	115,2	
		R'000	0	0	22 173	13 497	24 353	80,4	
	Shopping space	square metres	140	6 893	238	18 023	14 413	-20,0	
		R'000	1 037	43 249	1 182	123 630	82 914	-32,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	12 512	0	2 515	48 446	6 005	-87,6	
		R'000	92 664	0	16 096	321 224	39 425	-87,7	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 466	2 938	0	6 245	24 093	285,8	
		R'000	15 131	14 590	0	38 935	177 719	356,5	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	108 832	57 839	39 451	497 286	324 411	-34,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 770	9 356	9 304	66 047	50 089	-24,2
R'000			62 744	58 972	62 756	426 452	324 176	-24,0	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	4 596	2 707	2 961	47 073	12 857	-72,7	
		R'000	31 389	20 188	40 232	389 192	198 464	-49,0	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	94 133	79 160	102 988	815 644	522 640	-35,9	
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	369 691	282 957	256 745	2 036 198	1 575 436	-22,6	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	18	22	11	100	99	-1,0
		square metres	1 176	1 194	644	6 140	5 408	-11,9
		R'000	10 226	8 721	5 363	47 747	43 201	-9,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	82	121	95	525	604	15,0
		square metres	26 094	37 838	29 554	162 831	186 642	14,6
		R'000	243 905	377 403	292 216	1 584 828	1 802 305	13,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	215	320	382	1 066	1 983	86,0
		square metres	20 395	34 779	39 753	122 043	220 175	80,4
		R'000	191 660	324 058	401 915	1 167 128	2 170 460	86,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 916	0	0	75 278	9 179	-87,8
		R'000	20 501	0	0	963 249	104 731	-89,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	466 292	710 182	699 494	3 762 952	4 120 697	9,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	4 955	13 124	0	102 428	36 768	-64,1
		R'000	45 467	139 098	0	1 072 728	366 662	-65,8
	Shopping space	square metres	4 571	1 617	1 390	44 379	25 214	-43,2
		R'000	50 281	12 546	12 590	466 506	228 673	-51,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	37 801	34 543	78 288	197 140	291 690	48,0
		R'000	239 706	207 958	508 526	1 204 485	1 798 918	49,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	4 217	2 794	2 649	26 468	13 849	-47,7
		R'000	29 599	21 868	18 508	218 065	115 182	-47,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	365 053	381 470	539 624	2 961 784	2 509 435	-15,3
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	33 191	37 911	27 973	165 520	193 754	17,1
		R'000	310 690	391 689	280 594	1 628 081	1 940 407	19,2
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	17 451	12 954	8 966	97 279	65 283	-32,9
		R'000	185 276	181 619	112 554	1 106 869	903 599	-18,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	495 966	573 308	393 148	2 734 950	2 844 006	4,0
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 327 311	1 664 960	1 632 266	9 459 686	9 474 138	0,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	11	7	0	717	41	-94,3
		square metres	776	381	0	30 038	2 169	-92,8
		R'000	4 788	2 125	0	95 300	11 332	-88,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	76	69	39	362	290	-19,9
		square metres	19 726	19 297	9 086	92 297	74 093	-19,7
		R'000	109 346	111 116	52 466	507 325	431 448	-15,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	74	68	99	718	390	-45,7
		square metres	7 144	3 985	6 031	62 734	27 068	-56,9
		R'000	42 521	21 619	35 831	326 311	164 269	-49,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	463	0	0	6 777	0	..
		R'000	2 315	0	0	36 643	0	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	158 970	134 860	88 297	965 579	607 049	-37,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	2 996	2 510	-16,2
		R'000	0	0	0	15 272	13 019	-14,8
	Shopping space	square metres	0	1 134	5 212	13 899	15 214	9,5
		R'000	0	6 281	31 546	77 588	96 846	24,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 510	0	0	15 297	388	-97,5
		R'000	15 028	0	0	81 553	1 927	-97,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	996	7 662	2 777	10 035	261,4
		R'000	0	5 376	47 329	13 339	59 514	346,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	15 028	11 657	78 875	187 752	171 306	-8,8
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 046	8 861	10 485	61 609	49 990	-18,9
		R'000	54 590	48 464	60 535	326 727	280 861	-14,0
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 188	3 630	1 844	5 430	8 784	61,8
		R'000	8 575	26 986	12 569	37 341	97 888	162,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	63 165	75 450	73 104	364 068	378 749	4,0
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	237 163	221 967	240 276	1 517 399	1 157 104	-23,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	544	519	527	3 912	2 574	-34,2
		square metres	30 206	26 689	27 108	193 281	136 464	-29,4
		R'000	177 866	149 684	155 722	959 997	765 048	-20,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	418	288	393	1 995	1 818	-8,9
		square metres	107 444	95 921	111 314	583 502	563 560	-3,4
		R'000	859 096	774 435	919 909	4 636 244	4 605 287	-0,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 309	567	404	4 333	6 585	52,0
		square metres	165 090	59 158	62 506	622 827	835 718	34,2
		R'000	1 333 985	576 688	535 912	5 114 368	7 174 795	40,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 466	0	0	5 822	4 717	-19,0
		R'000	20 068	0	0	42 394	26 239	-38,1
	Total residential buildings		R'000	2 391 015	1 500 807	1 611 543	10 753 003	12 571 369
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	20 935	971	0	157 978	99 775	-36,8
		R'000	181 934	6 393	0	1 586 975	1 012 262	-36,2
	Shopping space	square metres	28 506	3 065	26 718	140 469	65 951	-53,0
		R'000	200 312	28 671	251 307	1 179 032	567 846	-51,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	129 263	37 703	18 759	295 192	177 397	-39,9
		R'000	685 323	247 446	117 807	1 616 011	1 043 563	-35,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	21 874	0	830	77 077	13 172	-82,9
		R'000	158 598	0	6 888	610 702	85 027	-86,1
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 226 167	282 510	376 002	4 992 720	2 708 698
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	97 479	80 949	80 642	429 139	437 614	2,0
		R'000	748 864	649 367	650 569	3 331 765	3 592 127	7,8
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	14 333	10 536	15 925	89 934	57 775	-35,8
		R'000	108 306	74 853	123 672	653 846	479 754	-26,6
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	857 170	724 220	774 241	3 985 611	4 071 881
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	4 474 352	2 507 537	2 761 786	19 731 334	19 351 948	-1,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	31	11	23	122	155	27,0
		square metres	1 695	595	1 200	6 755	8 829	30,7
		R'000	9 385	3 005	6 050	35 857	45 085	25,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	55	59	53	467	369	-21,0
		square metres	17 754	18 934	13 214	125 307	92 855	-25,9
		R'000	117 000	123 222	77 299	752 551	584 192	-22,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	5	20	20	78	77	-1,3
		square metres	820	1 312	1 017	5 776	3 813	-34,0
		R'000	3 904	6 660	5 162	31 288	19 271	-38,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	405	7 492	3 112	-58,5
		R'000	0	0	2 056	41 588	15 797	-62,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	130 289	132 887	90 567	861 284	664 345	-22,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	970	0	15 156	7 475	29 693	297,2
		R'000	4 618	0	110 213	47 664	191 160	301,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	2 043	2 040	17 566	11 734	-33,2
		R'000	0	10 209	10 874	85 691	62 427	-27,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 682	3 350	1 616	32 640	14 801	-54,7
		R'000	17 150	16 691	11 116	188 367	82 391	-56,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	1 912	5 997	14 385	139,9
		R'000	0	0	9 493	30 855	72 242	134,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	21 768	26 900	141 696	352 577	408 220	15,8
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 036	14 168	8 079	74 121	63 094	-14,9
		R'000	62 371	77 969	46 338	409 763	357 196	-12,8
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 728	781	1 718	12 755	5 915	-53,6
		R'000	26 980	36 253	112 040	148 148	347 993	134,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	89 351	114 222	158 378	557 911	705 189	26,4
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	241 408	274 009	390 641	1 771 772	1 777 754	0,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	7	0	4	141	49	-65,2
		square metres	478	0	243	8 022	3 088	-61,5
		R'000	2 529	0	1 341	40 644	16 958	-58,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	46	36	47	262	237	-9,5
		square metres	14 910	12 826	14 636	81 105	81 666	0,7
		R'000	79 481	70 564	78 920	424 407	442 357	4,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	18	18	0	104	629	504,8
		square metres	1 104	1 226	0	10 922	34 762	218,3
		R'000	5 836	7 036	0	58 209	190 133	226,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	223	0	309	7 273	2 253,7
		R'000	0	1 313	0	1 314	53 446	3 967,4
	Total residential buildings	R'000	87 846	78 913	80 261	524 574	702 894	34,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	7 326	0	2 130	8 946	320,0
		R'000	0	40 418	0	10 790	49 484	358,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	19 945	0	19 314	35 669	84,7
		R'000	0	110 036	0	105 064	214 733	104,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	2 983	4 250	17 980	13 811	-23,2
		R'000	0	16 457	23 481	91 406	75 780	-17,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	353	2 564	2 107	-17,8
		R'000	0	0	1 948	11 864	11 618	-2,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	166 911	25 429	219 124	351 615	60,5
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 890	4 623	4 521	22 836	31 937	39,9
		R'000	19 637	26 450	25 650	118 031	176 748	49,7
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	855	7 606	3 087	-59,4
		R'000	4 000	0	6 988	53 516	26 733	-50,0
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	23 637	26 450	32 638	171 547	203 481	18,6
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	111 483	272 274	138 328	915 245	1 257 990	37,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	976	622	859	4 752	4 690	-1,3	
		square metres	50 606	34 213	45 925	239 096	238 879	-0,1	
		R'000	298 841	201 197	268 338	1 358 434	1 356 144	-0,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	839	885	724	4 710	4 994	6,0	
		square metres	226 548	241 787	192 665	1 222 176	1 296 796	6,1	
		R'000	1 628 278	1 778 457	1 445 523	8 889 620	9 742 959	9,6	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 039	2 766	3 101	7 134	14 892	108,7	
		square metres	190 352	390 542	579 343	1 016 894	2 041 112	100,7	
		R'000	1 450 348	3 270 006	4 576 501	7 942 891	16 760 688	111,0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	648	0	3 687	36 917	45 585	23,5	
		R'000	4 461	0	22 524	261 962	367 974	40,5	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	3 381 928	5 249 660	6 312 886	18 452 907	28 227 765	53,0
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	94 420	136 521	24 292	302 935	286 323	-5,5
R'000			880 074	1 419 148	258 296	2 808 303	2 865 287	2,0	
Shopping space		square metres	4 413	73 492	26 839	155 041	354 110	128,4	
		R'000	39 253	697 226	210 013	1 302 827	3 306 997	153,8	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	82 316	116 982	113 899	486 031	587 345	20,8	
		R'000	478 954	765 322	646 230	2 827 154	3 630 722	28,4	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	9 822	27 709	18 201	81 303	266 504	227,8	
		R'000	79 933	241 696	141 816	592 584	1 907 857	222,0	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 478 214	3 123 392	1 256 355	7 530 868	11 710 863	55,5	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	92 967	92 435	70 182	540 118	480 637	-11,0	
		R'000	671 835	670 818	519 035	3 870 687	3 579 885	-7,5	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	40 728	38 346	31 112	202 696	241 913	19,3	
		R'000	348 321	364 494	353 154	1 858 157	2 540 872	36,7	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 020 156	1 035 312	872 189	5 728 844	6 120 757	6,8
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	5 880 298	9 408 364	8 441 430	31 712 619	46 059 385	45,2	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	317	121	282	1 786	1 155	-35,3
		square metres	14 358	6 037	12 560	82 693	53 177	-35,7
		R'000	83 660	38 184	76 845	477 764	319 281	-33,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	265	278	242	1 574	1 449	-7,9
		square metres	67 357	67 786	57 635	370 875	347 114	-6,4
		R'000	458 630	465 796	399 727	2 490 196	2 392 915	-3,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	381	982	220	2 750	2 888	5,0
		square metres	76 384	99 318	32 512	295 976	350 966	18,6
		R'000	573 077	796 439	236 653	2 269 367	2 790 746	23,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	225	0	0	22 611	15 412	-31,8
		R'000	1 500	0	0	172 670	122 627	-29,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 116 867	1 300 419	713 225	5 409 997	5 625 569	4,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 087	11 841	0	34 459	22 490	-34,7
		R'000	8 058	86 238	0	253 412	166 254	-34,4
	Shopping space	square metres	0	6 525	3 919	43 993	25 469	-42,1
		R'000	0	53 054	34 291	344 511	212 649	-38,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	10 912	53 135	32 477	121 496	213 669	75,9
		R'000	74 076	365 201	225 390	800 923	1 474 558	84,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	5 091	21 268	13 359	42 081	110 786	163,3
		R'000	35 695	202 874	110 102	292 702	845 738	188,9
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	117 829	707 367	369 783	1 691 548	2 699 199	59,6
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	30 872	34 530	23 085	197 238	158 663	-19,6
		R'000	185 756	230 708	155 706	1 227 484	1 050 736	-14,4
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	14 249	16 425	13 843	88 273	93 775	6,2
		R'000	119 269	158 186	145 719	847 496	959 520	13,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	305 025	388 894	301 425	2 074 980	2 010 256	-3,1
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 539 721	2 396 680	1 384 433	9 176 525	10 335 024	12,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	25	13	9	133	158	18,8	
		square metres	1 325	868	377	7 348	7 645	4,0	
		R'000	7 394	5 941	2 281	39 892	38 359	-3,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	55	62	47	247	320	29,6	
		square metres	10 906	12 947	7 524	52 570	63 368	20,5	
		R'000	69 460	84 452	47 566	348 092	406 295	16,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	15	10	55	54	127	135,2	
		square metres	2 471	1 511	4 279	7 536	13 968	85,4	
		R'000	15 358	9 956	26 235	47 777	89 013	86,3	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	237	0	729	..	
		R'000	0	0	1 700	0	5 013	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	92 212	100 349	77 782	435 761	538 680	23,6
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	732	1 056	7 764	635,2
R'000			0	0	4 847	6 804	50 791	646,5	
Shopping space		square metres	0	147	0	413	6 615	1 501,7	
		R'000	0	1 054	0	1 746	43 305	2 380,2	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	1 049	7 342	295	36 880	29 724	-19,4	
		R'000	5 349	47 857	1 956	223 940	188 887	-15,7	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	822	357	273	25 901	9 387,5	
		R'000	0	5 798	2 364	1 448	166 368	11 389,5	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	5 349	54 709	9 167	233 938	449 351	92,1	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	8 784	11 247	12 409	39 365	60 951	54,8
	R'000		53 935	67 338	74 378	244 343	376 397	54,0	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 231	1 718	2 453	12 124	24 685	103,6	
		R'000	26 591	16 850	16 985	93 221	170 977	83,4	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	80 526	84 188	91 363	337 564	547 374	62,2
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	178 087	239 246	178 312	1 007 263	1 535 405	52,4	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2	0	0	9	39	333,3
		square metres	146	0	0	605	2 398	296,4
		R'000	1 095	0	0	4 720	19 237	307,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	8	7	9	22	57	159,1
		square metres	1 236	1 427	2 895	4 222	15 780	273,8
		R'000	8 861	10 703	21 713	30 713	119 779	290,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	5	2	1	13	1 200,0
		square metres	0	350	179	146	1 259	762,3
		R'000	0	2 625	1 343	1 174	9 772	732,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	475	0	475	..
		R'000	0	0	3 563	0	3 563	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	9 956	13 328	26 619	36 607	152 351	316,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	299	372	0	299	372	24,4
		R'000	2 093	2 790	0	2 093	2 790	33,3
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	363	521	363	-30,3
		R'000	0	0	1 628	3 647	1 628	-55,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	213	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 598	..
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	2 093	2 790	1 628	5 740	6 016	4,8
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 557	1 626	1 556	15 597	13 156	-15,7
		R'000	18 538	12 195	11 670	115 309	100 369	-13,0
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 328	1 395	774	6 411	5 985	-6,6
		R'000	16 436	10 523	6 035	56 785	52 743	-7,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	34 974	22 718	17 705	172 094	153 112	-11,0
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	47 023	38 836	45 952	214 441	311 479	45,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

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

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

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	2	0	114	8	-93,0
		square metres	391	93	0	6 648	481	-92,8
		R'000	2 896	655	0	37 142	3 222	-91,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	19	23	5	87	99	13,8
		square metres	3 410	5 384	1 417	18 079	21 795	20,6
		R'000	19 864	35 696	7 264	112 409	130 304	15,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	2	0	240	2	-99,2
		square metres	0	509	0	28 112	509	-98,2
		R'000	0	3 370	0	207 857	3 370	-98,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	402	601	49,5
		R'000	0	0	0	2 144	3 647	70,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	22 760	39 721	7 264	359 552	140 543	-60,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	5 768	1 390	-75,9
		R'000	0	0	0	42 185	6 903	-83,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	2 145	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	12 664	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	535	5 943	1 010,8
		R'000	0	0	0	3 396	29 513	769,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	326	478	46,6
		R'000	0	0	0	2 000	3 692	84,6
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	0	0	60 245	40 108	-33,4
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 038	5 092	2 280	11 444	17 451	52,5
		R'000	6 788	30 276	11 323	62 953	98 817	57,0
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	267	983	0	7 208	2 554	-64,6
		R'000	5 538	7 752	1 536	60 260	20 816	-65,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	12 326	38 028	12 859	123 213	119 633	-2,9
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	35 086	77 749	20 123	543 010	300 284	-44,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	42	8	8	124	74	-40,3
		square metres	2 494	524	456	7 399	4 353	-41,2
		R'000	27 333	4 636	3 306	79 788	37 668	-52,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	81	74	45	437	363	-16,9
		square metres	26 278	23 288	16 334	115 985	119 261	2,8
		R'000	214 475	251 360	177 989	1 148 782	1 294 128	12,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	68	187	346	260	1 117	329,6
		square metres	10 086	43 575	40 587	46 608	157 012	236,9
		R'000	83 384	502 920	456 866	435 459	1 752 677	302,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	423	0	0	1 281	0	..
		R'000	2 961	0	0	13 172	0	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	328 153	758 916	638 161	1 677 201	3 084 473	83,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	11 351	0	23 066	40 330	82 738	105,2
		R'000	122 391	0	249 236	437 651	902 372	106,2
	Shopping space	square metres	0	11 491	2 030	33 615	44 017	30,9
		R'000	0	131 004	18 567	336 395	483 131	43,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	17 120	20 041	8 061	76 617	102 433	33,7
		R'000	99 831	119 188	48 666	456 120	619 416	35,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	690	1 150	139	8 232	24 410	196,5
		R'000	6 762	10 552	1 362	74 134	156 547	111,2
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	228 984	260 744	317 831	1 304 300	2 161 466	65,7
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	14 105	11 507	8 157	89 916	62 090	-30,9
		R'000	149 200	124 745	96 843	911 866	717 429	-21,3
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	4 291	5 677	6 013	24 065	59 812	148,5
		R'000	40 279	63 950	74 015	231 456	709 946	206,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	189 479	188 695	170 858	1 143 322	1 427 375	24,8
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	746 616	1 208 355	1 126 850	4 124 823	6 673 314	61,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	63	3	5	217	28	-87,1
		square metres	3 704	180	307	12 955	1 799	-86,1
		R'000	18 520	894	1 524	66 096	10 423	-84,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	60	58	50	411	509	23,8
		square metres	11 205	13 586	15 203	82 543	83 315	0,9
		R'000	60 105	78 773	88 871	463 742	461 862	-0,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	26	51	22	451	336	-25,5
		square metres	3 254	3 641	2 701	50 583	26 617	-47,4
		R'000	17 258	20 157	14 250	281 217	153 344	-45,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	163	0	2 709	..
		R'000	0	0	809	0	16 467	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	95 883	99 824	105 454	811 055	642 096	-20,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	309	0	1 429	4 900	242,9
		R'000	0	1 534	0	8 421	24 401	189,8
	Shopping space	square metres	0	125	10 134	1 337	12 465	832,3
		R'000	0	621	62 471	7 257	75 660	942,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	258	5 186	2 344	6 412	12 952	102,0
		R'000	1 290	25 916	11 720	30 332	64 561	112,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	1 264	142	5 459	10 049	84,1
		R'000	0	6 277	705	30 629	54 149	76,8
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 290	34 348	74 896	76 639	218 771	185,5
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 376	3 033	1 906	43 579	24 093	-44,7
		R'000	7 320	15 155	10 685	263 494	145 882	-44,6
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	2 695	975	6 975	7 072	1,4
		R'000	0	13 676	7 216	43 076	41 592	-3,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	7 320	28 831	17 901	306 570	187 474	-38,8
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	104 493	163 003	198 251	1 194 264	1 048 341	-12,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	459	423	494	2 124	2 946	38,7	
		square metres	24 543	23 388	28 517	107 275	151 984	41,7	
		R'000	141 762	135 279	166 608	580 346	840 105	44,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	266	285	271	1 444	1 683	16,6	
		square metres	84 455	81 221	77 441	453 014	501 193	10,6	
		R'000	679 447	659 068	614 640	3 607 101	4 100 337	13,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	534	1 483	2 325	3 290	10 170	209,1	
		square metres	95 768	236 121	479 709	579 924	1 460 009	151,8	
		R'000	748 184	1 905 762	3 743 365	4 655 267	11 797 918	153,4	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	2 632	1 260	25 141	1 895,3	
		R'000	0	0	15 392	8 807	213 606	2 325,4	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 569 393	2 700 109	4 540 005	8 851 521	16 951 966	91,5
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	78 223	122 495	494	212 602	163 538	-23,1
R'000			729 229	1 320 433	4 213	2 020 885	1 694 060	-16,2	
Shopping space		square metres	3 568	51 699	7 619	53 947	236 848	339,0	
		R'000	35 230	492 156	77 295	501 294	2 305 004	359,8	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	49 688	26 862	70 359	225 029	212 881	-5,4	
		R'000	278 347	184 228	356 870	1 210 097	1 204 057	-0,5	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	4 041	1 141	4 204	24 129	89 604	271,4	
		R'000	37 476	5 945	27 283	188 144	654 756	248,0	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 080 282	2 002 762	465 661	3 920 420	5 857 877	49,4	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	29 391	22 714	17 584	121 384	116 972	-3,6
	R'000		221 809	175 478	141 925	924 438	928 793	0,5	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	16 318	8 127	6 551	53 261	42 009	-21,1	
		R'000	131 335	61 004	44 380	427 883	323 895	-24,3	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	353 144	236 482	186 305	1 352 321	1 252 688	-7,4
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	3 002 819	4 939 353	5 191 971	14 124 262	24 062 531	70,4	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	46	42	61	175	233	33,1
		square metres	2 661	2 510	3 708	9 863	14 037	42,3
		R'000	10 976	12 326	17 774	49 887	71 370	43,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	64	66	23	340	327	-3,8
		square metres	15 707	28 085	5 765	84 741	98 159	15,8
		R'000	87 190	147 925	41 679	483 157	581 964	20,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	22	106	49	151	208,2
		square metres	0	3 508	15 509	2 769	21 569	678,9
		R'000	0	17 421	76 987	17 100	113 556	564,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	2 307	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	15 648	0	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	98 166	177 672	136 440	565 792	766 890	35,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	260	0	256	1 199	368,4
		R'000	0	1 290	0	1 219	7 057	478,9
	Shopping space	square metres	845	0	1 337	8 414	23 391	178,0
		R'000	4 023	0	6 787	40 059	157 309	292,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 274	2 987	0	8 675	5 925	-31,7
		R'000	14 476	15 048	0	46 292	31 221	-32,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	2 064	0	214	3 213	1 401,4
		R'000	0	10 250	0	1 020	15 956	1 464,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	18 499	26 588	6 787	88 590	211 543	138,8
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 754	2 604	2 543	18 919	24 736	30,7
		R'000	27 999	14 471	13 267	107 026	147 897	38,2
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	20	438	503	3 414	4 677	37,0
		R'000	8 769	27 154	54 768	87 585	244 727	179,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	36 768	41 625	68 035	194 611	392 624	101,7
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	153 433	245 885	211 262	848 993	1 371 057	61,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

			Jun. 2018	May 2019	Jun. 2019	Jan. - Jun. 2018	Jan. - Jun. 2019	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	16	10	0	70	49	-30,0
		square metres	984	613	0	4 310	3 005	-30,3
		R'000	5 205	3 282	0	22 799	16 479	-27,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	21	32	32	148	187	26,4
		square metres	5 994	8 063	8 451	40 147	46 811	16,6
		R'000	30 246	44 684	46 074	205 428	255 375	24,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	15	24	25	39	88	125,6
		square metres	2 389	2 009	3 867	5 240	9 203	75,6
		R'000	13 087	11 356	20 802	27 673	50 292	81,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	180	9 056	518	-94,3
		R'000	0	0	1 060	49 521	3 051	-93,8
	Total residential buildings	R'000	48 538	59 322	67 936	305 421	325 197	6,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 460	1 244	0	6 736	1 932	-71,3
		R'000	18 303	6 863	0	35 633	10 659	-70,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	3 505	1 800	11 177	5 305	-52,5
		R'000	0	19 337	10 602	58 901	29 939	-49,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 015	1 429	0	9 866	3 455	-65,0
		R'000	5 585	7 884	0	52 407	16 881	-67,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	589	1 850	214,1
		R'000	0	0	0	2 507	9 053	261,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	23 888	34 084	10 602	149 448	66 532	-55,5
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	90	82	662	2 676	2 525	-5,6
		R'000	490	452	3 238	13 774	13 565	-1,5
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	24	888	0	965	1 344	39,3
		R'000	104	5 399	2 500	10 395	16 656	60,2
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	594	5 851	5 738	24 169	30 221	25,0
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	73 020	99 257	84 276	479 038	421 950	-11,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2018 and 2019.

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

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

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

Explanatory notes

Introduction	1	Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.
	2	In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.
Purpose of the survey	3	The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.
Scope of the survey	4	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings.
Classification	5	Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> , (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
Collection rate	6	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for June 2019 was 94,5%. The improved collection rate for May 2019 was 96,4%.
Statistical unit	7	The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
Survey methodology and design	8	Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.
Constant prices	9	The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2015. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: <i>Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2016=100) are converted to the base year 2015=100.

Seasonal adjustment	10	Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
	11	Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment May 2017
Trend cycle	12	The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
Revised figures	13	Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
	14	Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> issued annually; • P9101.2: <i>Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region</i> issued annually; and • <i>Building Statistics</i> (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
Rounding-off of figures	16	Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
Symbols and abbreviations	17	.. No meaningful percentage change between two specified periods available since either one or both of the totals are nil.
	0	Nil or figure too small to publish.
	*	Revised.
	Stats SA	Statistics South Africa.
	SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.
	ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.

Glossary

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

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

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