

Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions May 2006

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Table A – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices for May 2006

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2005 R'000	January to May 2006 1/ R'000	Difference in value between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 R'000	Percentage change between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006
Residential buildings	13 252 767	15 138 951	+1 886 184	+ 14,2
Dwelling-houses	8 944 353	10 117 251	+1 172 898	+ 13,1
Flats and townhouses	4 077 096	4 856 309	+779 213	+ 19,1
Other residential buildings	231 318	165 391	-65 927	- 28,5
Non-residential buildings	3 877 613	5 346 779	+1 469 166	+ 37,9
Additions and alterations	6 274 981	7 295 237	+1 020 256	+ 16,3
Total	23 405 361	27 780 967	+4 375 606	+ 18,7

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Total value of recorded building plans passed increased

As indicated in Table A, the value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at current prices) during the first five months of 2006 increased by 18,7% (+R4 375,6 million) compared with the first five months of 2005.

The largest percentage increase was reported for non-residential buildings (+37,9% or R1 469,2 million), followed by additions and alterations (+16,3% or R1 020,3 million) and residential buildings (+14,2% or R1 886,2 million). In the category of non-residential buildings large increases were reported for industrial and warehouse space (+65,9% or R1 006,3 million) and office and banking space (+52,7% or R390,0 million) (see Table 9).

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level for May 2006

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2005 R'000	January to May 2006 1/ R'000	Percentage contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to May 2005	Percentage change between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of buildings plans passed between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 2/	Difference in value between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 R'000
Western Cape	6 602 183	6 833 543	28,2	3,5	+ 1,0	+ 231 360
Eastern Cape	1 044 479	1 342 177	4,5	28,5	+ 1,3	+ 297 698
Northern Cape	142 258	182 814	0,6	28,5	+ 0,2	+ 40 556
Free State	918 865	588 623	3,9	-35,9	-1,4	-330 242
KwaZulu-Natal	2 773 648	3 191 498	11,8	15,1	+ 1,8	+ 417 850
North West	882 912	879 396	3,8	-0,4	-0,0	-3 516
Gauteng	9 635 171	12 571 280	41,2	30,5	+ 12,5	+ 2 936 109
Mpumalanga	977 786	1 676 066	4,2	71,4	+ 3,0	+ 698 280
Limpopo	428 059	515 570	1,8	20,4	+ 0,3	+ 87 511
Total	23 405 361	27 780 967	100,0	18,7	+ 18,7	+ 4 375 606

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to May 2005, divided by 100.

Seven provinces reported increases in the value of recorded building plans passed (see Table B). The largest contributor to the increase of 18,7% was Gauteng (+12,5 percentage points or R2 936,1 million), followed by Mpumalanga (+3,0 percentage points or R698,3 million), KwaZulu-Natal (+1,8 percentage points or R417,9 million) and Eastern Cape (+1,3 percentage points or R297,7 million). In Gauteng increases were reported for residential buildings (+39,5% or R2 166,9 million), mainly due to the large increases reported for flats and townhouses (+85,3% or R1 172,6 million). (see Table 16).

Table C – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices for May 2006

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to May 2005 R'000	January to May 2006 1/ R'000	Difference in value between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 R'000	Percentage change between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006
Residential buildings	9 304 618	10 030 724	+726 106	+ 7,8
Non-residential buildings	2 723 826	3 539 313	+815 487	+ 29,9
Additions and alterations	4 407 109	4 829 585	+422 476	+ 9,6
Total	16 435 553	18 399 622	+1 964 069	+ 12,0

1/ May 2006 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	December 2005 to February 2006 R'000	March to May 2006 R'000	Percentage change between December 2005 to February 2006 and March to May 2006
Residential buildings	7 084 108	6 280 680	-11,3
Non-residential buildings	1 937 311	2 341 123	+ 20,8
Additions and alterations	3 189 028	3 190 058	+ 0,0
Total	12 210 447	11 811 861	-3,3

Total value of recorded building plans passed increased

As indicated in Table C, the value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during the first five months of 2006 increased by 12,0% (+R1 964,1 million) compared with the first five months of 2005. The largest percentage increase was reported for non-residential buildings (+29,9% or R815,5 million), followed by additions and alterations (+9,6% or R422,5 million) and residential buildings (+7,8% or R726,1 million).

However, the seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities during the three months ended May 2006 decreased by 3,3% compared with the previous three months. The seasonally adjusted value of residential building plans passed decreased by 11,3%, whereas an increase was reported for non-residential buildings (+20,8%). No change in the seasonally adjusted value of additions and alterations was reflected during the above-mentioned period.

Figure 1 shows both the seasonally adjusted and the trend series for recorded building plans passed at constant 2000 prices between January 2002 and May 2006. The trend series reflects a slight increase in 2002, showing a steep increase as from May 2003 and a downward trend as from October 2005.

Figure 1 – Real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices

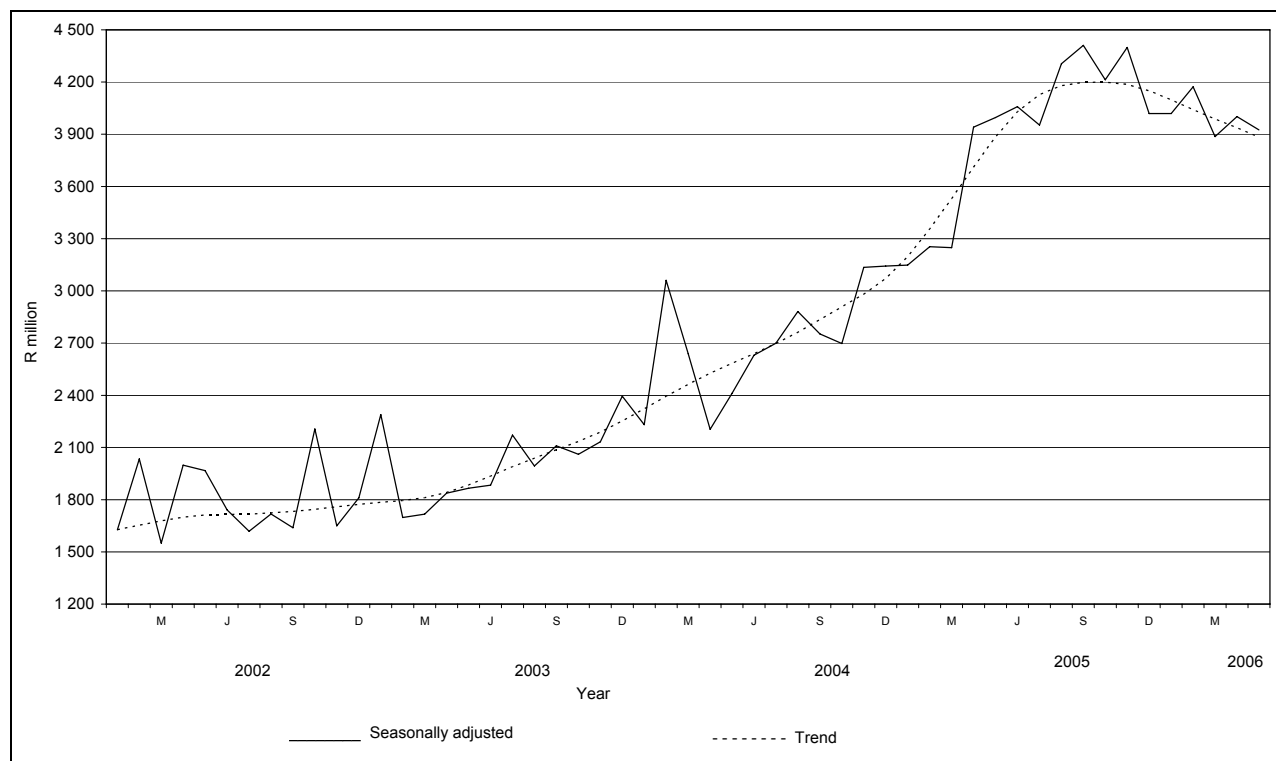


Table D – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices for May 2006

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2005 R'000	January to May 2006 1/ R'000	Difference in value between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 R'000	Percentage change between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006
Residential buildings	6 680 818	8 667 323	+1 986 505	+ 29,7
Dwelling-houses	4 499 451	5 419 989	+920 538	+ 20,5
Flats and townhouses	2 137 265	3 173 847	+1 036 582	+ 48,5
Other residential buildings	44 102	73 487	+29 385	+ 66,6
Non-residential buildings	1 445 750	2 079 758	+634 008	+ 43,9
Additions and alterations	1 791 367	2 549 726	+758 359	+ 42,3
Total	9 917 935	13 296 807	+3 378 872	+ 34,1

1/ May 2006 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed increased

As indicated in Table D, the value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at current prices) during the first five months of 2006 increased by 34,1% (+R3 378,9 million) compared with the first five months of 2005.

The largest percentage increase in the value of buildings completed was reported for non-residential buildings (+43,9% or R634,0 million), followed by additions and alterations (+42,3% or R758,4 million) and residential buildings (+29,7% or R1 986,5 million).

Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level for May 2006

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2005 R'000	January to May 2006 1/ R'000	Percentage contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to May 2005	Percentage change between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of buildings completed between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 2/ 2/	Difference in value between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 R'000
Western Cape	2 635 130	3 968 001	26,6	+ 50,6	+ 13,5	+ 1 332 871
Eastern Cape	438 325	532 443	4,4	+ 21,5	+ 1,0	+ 94 118
Northern Cape	90 013	68 744	0,9	-23,6	-0,2	-21 269
Free State	243 909	290 693	2,5	+ 19,2	+ 0,5	+ 46 784
KwaZulu-Natal	1 516 754	1 501 677	15,3	-1,0	-0,2	-15 077
North West	412 275	592 086	4,1	+ 43,6	+ 1,8	+ 179 811
Gauteng	4 271 918	5 702 044	43,1	+ 33,5	+ 14,4	+ 1 430 126
Mpumalanga	189 838	408 667	1,9	+ 115,3	+ 2,2	+ 218 829
Limpopo	119 773	232 452	1,2	+ 94,1	+ 1,1	+ 112 679
Total	9 917 935	13 296 807	100,0	+ 34,1	+ 34,1	+ 3 378 872

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to May 2005, divided by 100.

Seven provinces reported increases in the value of buildings completed. The largest contributors to the increase of 34,1% were Gauteng (+14,4 percentage points or R1 430,1 million) and Western Cape (+13,5 percentage points or R1 332,9 million) (see Table E).

Table F – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices for May 2006

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to May 2005 R'000	January to May 2006 1/ R'000	Difference in value between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006 R'000	Percentage change between January to May 2005 and January to May 2006
Residential buildings	4 904 809	5 974 564	+1 069 755	+ 21,8
Non-residential buildings	1 117 166	1 510 852	+393 686	+ 35,2
Additions and alterations	1 348 254	1 792 499	+444 245	+ 32,9
Total	7 370 229	9 277 915	+1 907 686	+ 25,9

1/ May 2006 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	December 2005 to February 2006 R'000	March to May 2006 R'000	Percentage change between December 2005 to February 2006 and March to May 2006
Residential buildings	4 343 577	4 184 848	- 3,7
Non-residential buildings	862 581	977 351	+ 13,3
Additions and alterations	1 125 700	1 187 686	+ 5,5
Total	6 331 858	6 349 885	+ 0,3

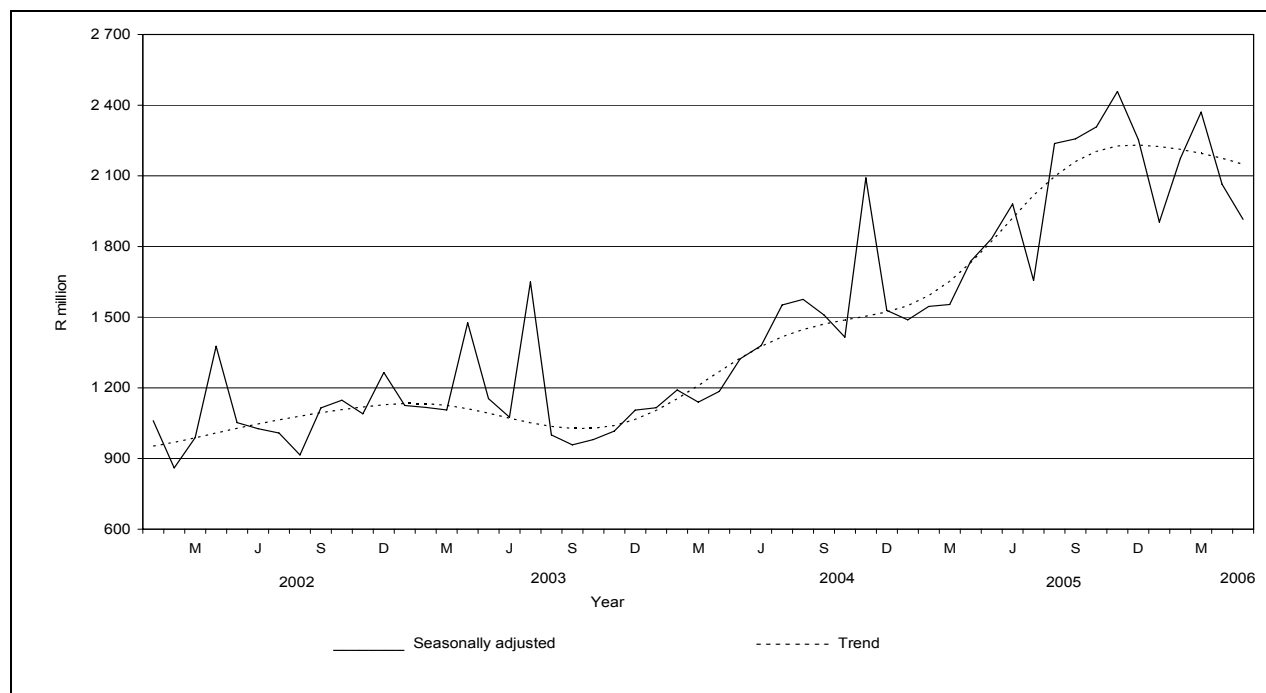
Total value of buildings reported as completed increased

As indicated in Table F, the value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during the first five months of 2006, increased by 25,9% (+R1 907,7 million) compared with the first five months of 2005. The largest percentage increase in the value of buildings completed was reported for non-residential buildings (+35,2% or R393,7 million), followed by additions and alterations (+32,9% or R444,2 million) and residential buildings (+21,8% or R1 069,8 million).

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities during the three months ended May 2006 increased by 0,3% compared with the previous three months. Increases in the seasonally adjusted real value of non-residential buildings (+13,3%) and additions and alterations (+5,5%) were counteracted by the decrease reported for residential buildings completed (-3,7%) during the above-mentioned period (see Table F).

Figure 2 shows both the seasonally adjusted and trend series for buildings reported as completed to municipalities at constant 2000 prices between January 2002 and May 2006. The trend series reflects a slight increase in 2002, slowing again until September 2003. A steep increase is evident from November 2003 to end of 2005, followed by a downward trend as from January 2006.

Figure 2 - Real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices



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Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses

The figures obtained from local government institutions do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the provincial governments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 and table 30 (page 38).

Response rate

The response rate for May 2006 was 96,5%.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	1 744 449	+36,2	533 930	+63,4	905 667	+72,0	3 184 046	+49,2
	February	2 412 994	-1,6	616 327	+53,7	1 090 557	+34,3	4 119 878	+12,4
	March	2 420 632	+22,5	1 008 017	+37,9	1 296 962	+46,1	4 725 611	+31,4
	April	2 877 399	+81,2	898 281	+117,1	1 408 346	+108,6	5 184 026	+93,6
	May	3 797 293	+68,8	821 058	+109,9	1 573 449	+74,1	6 191 800	+74,7
	June	3 315 886	+48,8	1 011 218	+105,0	1 676 895	+78,2	6 003 999	+63,9
	July	3 718 323	+46,6	1 163 653	+112,9	1 645 027	+54,5	6 527 003	+57,4
	August	3 969 775	+57,1	1 420 525	+105,3	1 760 409	+47,1	7 150 709	+62,0
	September	4 321 147	+75,2	917 404	+61,6	1 781 838	+68,7	7 020 389	+71,6
	October	3 977 650	+55,9	1 050 851	+65,2	1 930 883	+90,4	6 959 384	+65,6
	November	3 905 643	+33,1	1 338 538	+136,0	1 593 893	+35,0	6 838 074	+46,0
	December	2 803 658	+50,4	644 370	-3,8	1 372 621	+39,1	4 820 649	+36,9
	Total	39 264 849	+47,3	11 424 172	+77,5	18 036 547	+60,4	68 725 568	+55,0
2006	January*	2 474 346	+41,8	743 879	+39,3	1 029 459	+13,7	4 247 684	+33,4
	February*	3 245 630	+34,5	918 179	+49,0	1 425 005	+30,7	5 588 814	+35,7
	March*	3 194 515	+32,0	1 154 730	+14,6	1 576 407	+21,5	5 925 652	+25,4
	April	2 823 108	-1,9	1 305 098	+45,3	1 476 517	+4,8	5 604 723	+8,1
	May 2/	3 401 352	-10,4	1 224 893	+49,2	1 787 849	+13,6	6 414 094	+3,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

* Revised.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	2 458 209	+3,5	734 833	-8,3	1 251 197	+2,1	4 444 239	+1,0
	February	2 575 325	+4,8	752 876	+2,5	1 266 646	+1,2	4 594 847	+3,4
	March	2 530 214	-1,8	805 870	+7,0	1 297 843	+2,5	4 633 927	+0,9
	April	3 167 981	+25,2	923 563	+14,6	1 543 859	+19,0	5 635 403	+21,6
	May	3 430 933	+8,3	843 614	-8,7	1 430 230	-7,4	5 704 777	+1,2
	June	3 295 070	-4,0	932 005	+10,5	1 609 045	+12,5	5 836 120	+2,3
	July	3 265 673	-0,9	1 010 978	+8,5	1 456 143	-9,5	5 732 794	-1,8
	August	3 591 124	+10,0	1 149 471	+13,7	1 537 357	+5,6	6 277 952	+9,5
	September	3 856 547	+7,4	923 348	-19,7	1 690 738	+10,0	6 470 633	+3,1
	October	3 560 444	-7,7	998 299	+8,1	1 646 533	-2,6	6 205 276	-4,1
	November	3 499 498	-1,7	1 495 857	+49,8	1 524 028	-7,4	6 519 383	+5,1
	December	3 560 021	+1,7	753 652	-49,6	1 672 541	+9,7	5 986 214	-8,2
2006	January	3 537 266	-0,6	1 020 336	+35,4	1 444 144	-13,7	6 001 746	+0,3
	February	3 484 615	-1,5	1 121 885	+10,0	1 648 251	+14,1	6 254 751	+4,2
	March	3 349 095	-3,9	932 658	-16,9	1 573 526	-4,5	5 855 279	-6,4
	April	3 098 016	-7,5	1 332 246	+42,8	1 622 186	+3,1	6 052 448	+3,4
	May	3 067 357	-1,0	1 295 292	-2,8	1 639 063	+1,0	6 001 712	-0,8
	Dec.05-Feb.06	10 581 902		2 895 873		4 764 936		18 242 711	
	Mar.-May 06 2/	9 514 468	-10,1	3 560 196	+22,9	4 834 775	+1,5	17 909 439	-1,8

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

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	1 238 076	+25,9	378 943	+50,9	642 773	+58,9	2 259 792	+37,9
	February	1 708 919	-8,1	436 492	+43,6	772 349	+25,5	2 917 760	+5,0
	March	1 703 471	+14,4	709 372	+28,9	912 711	+36,5	3 325 554	+22,8
	April	2 007 955	+69,2	626 853	+102,7	982 796	+94,7	3 617 604	+80,8
	May	2 646 197	+58,4	572 166	+97,0	1 096 480	+63,4	4 314 843	+63,9
	June	2 302 699	+40,3	702 235	+93,3	1 164 510	+68,1	4 169 444	+54,6
	July	2 553 793	+37,3	799 212	+99,3	1 129 826	+44,6	4 482 831	+47,3
	August	2 711 595	+47,1	970 304	+92,2	1 202 465	+37,8	4 884 364	+51,7
	September	2 943 561	+64,0	624 935	+51,3	1 213 786	+57,9	4 782 282	+60,7
	October	2 704 045	+46,5	714 379	+55,2	1 312 633	+78,9	4 731 057	+55,6
	November	2 646 100	+25,4	906 869	+122,2	1 079 873	+27,1	4 632 842	+37,5
	December	1 895 644	+41,4	435 680	-9,5	928 074	+30,8	3 259 398	+28,8
	Total	27 062 055	+37,9	7 877 440	+66,3	12 438 276	+50,4	47 377 771	+45,2
2006	January*	1 660 635	+34,1	499 248	+31,7	690 912	+7,5	2 850 795	+26,2
	February*	2 166 642	+26,8	612 937	+40,4	951 272	+23,2	3 730 851	+27,9
	March*	2 128 258	+24,9	769 307	+8,4	1 050 238	+15,1	3 947 803	+18,7
	April	1 862 208	-7,3	860 883	+37,3	973 956	-0,9	3 697 047	+2,2
	May 2/	2 212 981	-16,4	796 938	+39,3	1 163 207	+6,1	4 173 126	-3,3

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

* Revised.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	1 741 534	+2,7	520 156	-9,2	886 077	+1,4	3 147 767	+0,2
	February	1 823 526	+4,7	533 306	+2,5	896 942	+1,2	3 253 774	+3,4
	March	1 777 183	-2,5	559 369	+4,9	911 732	+1,6	3 248 284	-0,2
	April	2 215 244	+24,6	646 096	+15,5	1 079 563	+18,4	3 940 903	+21,3
	May	2 403 489	+8,5	590 659	-8,6	1 001 720	-7,2	3 995 868	+1,4
	June	2 290 399	-4,7	649 423	+9,9	1 118 518	+11,7	4 058 340	+1,6
	July	2 249 732	-1,8	698 436	+7,5	1 004 244	-10,2	3 952 412	-2,6
	August	2 461 628	+9,4	789 790	+13,1	1 053 273	+4,9	4 304 691	+8,9
	September	2 628 803	+6,8	630 424	-20,2	1 151 752	+9,3	4 410 979	+2,5
	October	2 417 115	-8,1	678 919	+7,7	1 116 905	-3,0	4 212 939	-4,5
	November	2 358 473	-2,4	1 011 022	+48,9	1 028 775	-7,9	4 398 270	+4,4
	December	2 390 570	+1,4	506 151	-49,9	1 122 495	+9,1	4 019 216	-8,6
2006	January	2 369 215	-0,9	682 385	+34,8	966 944	-13,9	4 018 544	-0,0
	February	2 324 323	-1,9	748 775	+9,7	1 099 589	+13,7	4 172 687	+3,8
	March	2 226 723	-4,2	613 194	-18,1	1 046 204	-4,9	3 886 121	-6,9
	April	2 047 792	-8,0	881 048	+43,7	1 072 217	+2,5	4 001 057	+3,0
	May	2 006 165	-2,0	846 881	-3,9	1 071 637	-0,1	3 924 683	-1,9
	Dec.05-Feb.06	7 084 108		1 937 311		3 189 028		12 210 447	
	Mar.-May 06 2/	6 280 680	-11,3	2 341 123	+20,8	3 190 058	+0,0	11 811 861	-3,3

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

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	860 576	+39,9	277 811	+37,1	317 446	+19,6	1 455 833	+34,4
	February	1 232 105	+61,0	201 630	-13,1	324 468	+4,5	1 758 203	+34,5
	March	1 361 145	+47,7	323 892	+50,5	319 764	+13,0	2 004 801	+41,2
	April	1 430 720	+52,9	230 168	+42,4	341 581	+52,9	2 002 469	+51,6
	May	1 796 272	+45,2	412 249	+28,1	488 108	+54,3	2 696 629	+43,8
	June	1 689 024	+43,4	395 879	+83,1	532 134	+64,9	2 617 037	+52,4
	July	1 796 294	+24,8	278 448	-18,2	388 913	+6,6	2 463 655	+14,9
	August	2 434 492	+79,6	642 276	+17,9	438 078	+11,9	3 514 846	+53,4
	September	2 465 622	+100,2	398 357	-26,0	486 129	+42,3	3 350 108	+58,7
	October	2 461 380	+90,2	530 888	+39,9	556 708	+47,2	3 548 976	+73,0
	November	3 064 213	+17,3	635 265	+122,5	509 694	+18,8	4 209 172	+26,5
	December	2 323 504	+78,9	252 193	-24,6	520 528	+77,2	3 096 225	+60,7
	Total	22 915 347	+53,9	4 579 056	+21,4	5 223 551	+33,2	32 717 954	+44,9
2006	January	1 231 609	+43,1	314 128	+13,1	397 047	+25,1	1 942 784	+33,4
	February*	1 702 746	+38,2	401 158	+99,0	541 390	+66,9	2 645 294	+50,5
	March*	2 058 253	+51,2	599 555	+85,1	579 987	+81,4	3 237 795	+61,5
	April	1 753 527	+22,6	270 317	+17,4	466 231	+36,5	2 490 075	+24,4
	May 2/	1 921 188	+7,0	494 600	+20,0	565 071	+15,8	2 980 859	+10,5

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

* Revised.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	1 253 204	-4,1	356 865	-5,4	363 676	+7,8	1 973 745	-2,4
	February	1 473 509	+17,6	256 365	-28,2	324 556	-10,8	2 054 430	+4,1
	March	1 435 607	-2,6	301 934	+17,8	333 709	+2,8	2 071 250	+0,8
	April	1 605 116	+11,8	317 745	+5,2	404 648	+21,3	2 327 509	+12,4
	May	1 691 766	+5,4	319 260	+0,5	441 886	+9,2	2 452 912	+5,4
	June	1 778 265	+5,1	451 252	+41,3	497 128	+12,5	2 726 645	+11,2
	July	1 634 624	-8,1	290 052	-35,7	362 931	-27,0	2 287 607	-16,1
	August	2 171 673	+32,9	511 251	+76,3	419 953	+15,7	3 102 877	+35,6
	September	2 322 385	+6,9	350 997	-31,3	484 062	+15,3	3 157 444	+1,8
	October	2 228 887	-4,0	497 711	+41,8	500 561	+3,4	3 227 159	+2,2
	November	2 438 249	+9,4	542 724	+9,0	485 893	-2,9	3 466 866	+7,4
	December	2 307 838	-5,3	285 585	-47,4	585 066	+20,4	3 178 489	-8,3
2006	January	1 846 575	-20,0	392 607	+37,5	455 713	-22,1	2 694 895	-15,2
	February	2 033 504	+10,1	498 245	+26,9	542 756	+19,1	3 074 505	+14,1
	March	2 194 052	+7,9	555 287	+11,4	611 898	+12,7	3 361 237	+9,3
	April	1 982 396	-9,6	401 714	-27,7	558 203	-8,8	2 942 313	-12,5
	May	1 808 723	-8,8	398 708	-0,7	520 279	-6,8	2 727 710	-7,3
	Dec.05-Feb.06	6 187 917		1 176 437		1 583 535		8 947 889	
	Mar.-May 06 2/	5 985 171	-3,3	1 355 709	+15,2	1 690 380	+6,7	9 031 260	+0,9

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

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	638 887	+33,8	214 526	+27,7	243 814	+16,7	1 097 227	+28,4
	February	911 434	+53,9	155 579	-18,2	245 995	+1,2	1 313 008	+28,0
	March	1 002 201	+40,5	250 110	+42,5	240 786	+9,2	1 493 097	+34,6
	April	1 045 988	+44,5	177 873	+36,4	255 292	+47,4	1 479 153	+43,9
	May	1 306 299	+36,4	319 078	+23,6	362 367	+47,9	1 987 744	+36,0
	June	1 224 756	+34,4	306 408	+77,3	391 851	+57,1	1 923 015	+44,2
	July	1 291 460	+16,5	213 862	-20,2	285 336	+1,3	1 790 658	+8,0
	August	1 744 944	+68,7	486 942	+14,3	319 532	+5,8	2 551 418	+44,7
	September	1 758 676	+88,3	299 968	-28,5	353 806	+34,1	2 412 450	+49,2
	October	1 740 076	+78,3	396 777	+34,9	402 828	+37,9	2 539 681	+62,6
	November	2 167 630	+8,9	471 615	+113,2	366 686	+10,4	3 005 931	+18,2
	December	1 636 289	+68,4	185 709	-28,1	374 211	+64,6	2 196 209	+50,7
	Total	16 468 640	+44,6	3 478 447	+16,6	3 842 504	+26,4	23 789 591	+36,6
2006	January	856 996	+34,1	230 468	+7,4	281 793	+15,6	1 369 257	+24,8
	February*	1 178 828	+29,3	292 602	+88,1	383 421	+55,9	1 854 851	+41,3
	March*	1 420 103	+41,7	436 357	+74,5	408 154	+69,5	2 264 614	+51,7
	April	1 204 409	+15,1	195 598	+10,0	325 353	+27,4	1 725 360	+16,6
	May 2/	1 314 228	+0,6	355 827	+11,5	393 778	+8,7	2 063 833	+3,8

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

* Revised.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2005	January	933 989	-4,6	276 122	-5,2	278 719	+7,5	1 488 830	-2,6
	February	1 101 215	+17,9	198 071	-28,3	246 784	-11,5	1 546 070	+3,8
	March	1 069 351	-2,9	232 684	+17,5	251 772	+2,0	1 553 807	+0,5
	April	1 188 793	+11,2	244 509	+5,1	303 918	+20,7	1 737 220	+11,8
	May	1 258 822	+5,9	245 282	+0,3	329 714	+8,5	1 833 818	+5,6
	June	1 270 391	+0,9	346 603	+41,3	363 209	+10,2	1 980 203	+8,0
	July	1 165 447	-8,3	222 908	-35,7	267 136	-26,5	1 655 491	-16,4
	August	1 540 692	+32,2	389 328	+74,7	307 646	+15,2	2 237 666	+35,2
	September	1 639 847	+6,4	265 113	-31,9	352 172	+14,5	2 257 132	+0,9
	October	1 572 641	-4,1	373 779	+41,0	361 541	+2,7	2 307 961	+2,3
	November	1 705 148	+8,4	404 615	+8,2	348 451	-3,6	2 458 214	+6,5
	December	1 626 023	-4,6	210 270	-48,0	417 572	+19,8	2 253 865	-8,3
2006	January	1 292 752	-20,5	288 548	+37,2	322 637	-22,7	1 903 937	-15,5
	February	1 424 802	+10,2	363 763	+26,1	385 491	+19,5	2 174 056	+14,2
	March	1 535 869	+7,8	403 186	+10,8	431 679	+12,0	2 370 734	+9,0
	April	1 382 844	-10,0	289 444	-28,2	391 626	-9,3	2 063 914	-12,9
	May	1 266 135	-8,4	284 721	-1,6	364 381	-7,0	1 915 237	-7,2
	Dec.05-Feb.06	4 343 577		862 581		1 125 700		6 331 858	
	Mar.-May 06 2/	4 184 848	-3,7	977 351	+13,3	1 187 686	+5,5	6 349 885	+0,3

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

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

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/	
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2 294	2 039	3 292	11 552	15 319	+32,6	
		square metres	108 104	107 371	146 936	520 720	698 320	+34,1	
		R'000	189 841	261 925	243 536	751 370	1 273 939	+69,5	
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	3 394	2 554	3 267	13 486	13 742	+1,9	
		square metres	798 177	554 898	739 602	3 167 091	3 133 300	-1,1	
		R'000	2 175 694	1 546 134	2 073 045	8 192 983	8 843 312	+7,9	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	3 430	2 229	3 084	10 181	12 497	+22,7	
		square metres	488 193	322 694	352 956	1 508 454	1 624 250	+7,7	
		R'000	1 367 828	1 008 522	1 034 661	4 077 096	4 856 309	+19,1	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	17 063	3 103	18 007	70 667	60 009	-15,1	
		R'000	63 930	6 527	50 110	231 318	165 391	-28,5	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	3 797 293	2 823 108	3 401 352	13 252 767	15 138 951	+14,2	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	18 053	52 142	70 526	259 545	362 337	+39,6	
		R'000	37 448	177 438	180 181	740 004	1 129 971	+52,7	
	2. Shopping space	square metres	107 733	77 986	63 639	430 452	340 835	-20,8	
		R'000	273 622	525 752	201 429	1 305 219	1 336 660	+2,4	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	156 128	240 258	250 700	649 515	975 058	+50,1	
		R'000	403 513	560 096	749 807	1 527 743	2 533 998	+65,9	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	41 907	15 835	31 303	128 265	130 998	+2,1	
		R'000	106 475	41 812	93 476	304 647	346 150	+13,6	
		5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	821 058	1 305 098	1 224 893	3 877 613	5 346 779	+37,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	497 276	432 426	520 496	1 981 613	2 174 761	+9,7
			R'000	1 266 849	1 151 701	1 298 312	4 795 992	5 678 509	+18,4
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	102 948	99 406	163 232	504 141	527 246	+4,6	
		R'000	306 600	324 816	489 537	1 478 989	1 616 728	+9,3	
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	1 573 449	1 476 517	1 787 849	6 274 981	7 295 237	+16,3	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	6 191 800	5 604 723	6 414 094	23 405 361	27 780 967	+18,7	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	388	634	866	1 970	2 954	+49,9
		square metres	18 634	25 938	38 832	94 646	128 771	+36,1
		R'000	26 796	39 903	64 745	131 945	205 814	+56,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	776	439	654	3 403	2 928	-14,0
		square metres	186 985	110 561	142 610	809 974	659 911	-18,5
		R'000	565 196	327 164	435 024	2 269 574	1 971 660	-13,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 326	748	668	3 267	2 279	-30,2
		square metres	179 400	98 610	67 462	423 909	263 497	-37,8
		R'000	473 775	321 124	199 465	1 143 911	818 601	-28,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	5 314	0	3 294	23 616	5 080	-78,5
		R'000	12 897	0	9 543	75 386	13 105	-82,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 078 664	688 191	708 777	3 620 816	3 009 180	-16,9
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	1 178	840	37 854	37 758	121 637	+222,1
		R'000	2 397	2 943	78 276	115 652	355 378	+207,3
	2. Shopping space	square metres	4 256	8 130	1 043	93 351	37 650	-59,7
		R'000	14 735	24 682	2 562	253 356	149 475	-41,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	56 136	131 137	58 820	233 604	354 191	+51,6
		R'000	162 031	269 779	178 034	569 650	920 348	+61,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	9 133	2 817	19 880	28 979	40 623	+40,2
		R'000	23 948	7 980	66 179	63 574	125 541	+97,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	203 111	305 384	325 051	1 002 232	1 550 742	+54,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	139 799	125 184	151 351	578 638	614 399	+6,2
		R'000	370 923	332 840	406 589	1 470 397	1 647 154	+12,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	39 589	46 035	63 099	143 380	199 938	+39,4
		R'000	127 128	144 916	181 958	508 738	626 467	+23,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	498 051	477 756	588 547	1 979 135	2 273 621	+14,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 779 826	1 471 331	1 622 375	6 602 183	6 833 543	+3,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/	
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	154	57	350	1 016	722	-28,9	
		square metres	7 793	3 083	15 065	44 571	32 983	-26,0	
		R'000	7 697	4 845	13 781	35 507	39 304	+10,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	240	201	329	857	1 039	+21,2	
		square metres	47 820	43 845	72 280	188 016	224 515	+19,4	
		R'000	113 800	94 952	170 539	448 244	525 808	+17,3	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	45	163	172	216	609	+181,9	
		square metres	13 223	15 899	19 736	36 662	74 569	+103,4	
		R'000	32 979	32 904	44 654	81 916	162 893	+98,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	158	2 379	611	4 515	3 901	-13,6	
		R'000	317	5 042	1 340	9 441	8 343	-11,6	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	154 793	137 743	230 314	575 108	736 348	+28,0	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	957	2 033	+112,4	
		R'000	0	0	0	2 369	4 920	+107,7	
	2. Shopping space	square metres	4 507	1 176	765	9 496	14 009	+47,5	
		R'000	8 503	2 505	1 630	14 604	32 069	+119,6	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	8 007	7 022	13 893	16 915	31 236	+84,7	
		R'000	10 516	14 354	27 134	24 913	61 757	+147,9	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	94	4 077	794	1 665	9 058	+444,0	
		R'000	191	9 507	1 675	3 394	20 467	+503,0	
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	19 210	26 366	30 439	45 280	119 213	+163,3	
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	39 713	38 583	42 133	153 541	175 287	+14,2
			R'000	84 105	80 456	89 740	311 576	399 360	+28,2
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	3 000	6 407	7 957	51 931	30 274	-41,7	
		R'000	5 552	12 923	38 813	112 515	87 256	-22,4	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	89 657	93 379	128 553	424 091	486 616	+14,7	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	263 660	257 488	389 306	1 044 479	1 342 177	+28,5	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	2	231	221	-4,3
		square metres	0	0	89	8 570	10 390	+21,2
		R'000	0	0	134	7 554	12 040	+59,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	36	36	29	127	146	+15,0
		square metres	6 908	7 384	6 191	23 518	29 021	+23,4
		R'000	12 631	12 696	11 790	42 172	53 616	+27,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	7	4	4	80	88	+10,0
		square metres	1 232	639	570	10 860	10 873	+0,1
		R'000	2 218	1 150	1 140	19 709	20 932	+6,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	128	0	557	182	672	+269,2
2. Non-residential buildings		R'000	800	0	1 000	956	1 253	+31,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	15 649	13 846	14 064	70 391	87 841	+24,8
	1. Office and banking space	square metres	82	0	0	82	5 692	+6 841,5
		R'000	164	0	0	164	14 000	+8 436,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	997	128	6 396	1 891	-70,4
		R'000	0	2 000	360	9 487	3 834	-59,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	350	256	1 738	6 106	+251,3
		R'000	0	850	512	3 316	18 762	+465,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	16	733	1 047	1 087	+3,8
		R'000	0	32	1 190	2 618	1 815	-30,7
3. Additions and alterations	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	164	2 882	2 062	15 585	38 411	+146,5
	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 350	5 645	3 656	20 904	24 586	+17,6
		R'000	10 597	11 562	6 993	41 144	47 480	+15,4
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	238	488	0	5 979	3 564	-40,4
		R'000	566	1 531	407	15 138	9 082	-40,0
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	11 163	13 093	7 400	56 282	56 562	+0,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	26 976	29 821	23 526	142 258	182 814	+28,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	267	46	184	2 430	1 746	-28,1
		square metres	11 314	2 158	7 704	101 044	72 164	-28,6
		R'000	9 252	2 475	6 294	68 620	61 206	-10,8
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	130	80	160	561	438	-21,9
		square metres	24 393	15 757	27 559	97 496	78 957	-19,0
		R'000	46 566	31 576	66 595	179 026	169 178	-5,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	118	67	186	450	460	+2,2
		square metres	13 664	7 570	18 463	50 804	52 359	+3,1
		R'000	28 124	16 592	46 414	101 554	123 661	+21,8
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 574	8 167	2 376	-70,9
		R'000	0	0	4 092	35 614	7 092	-80,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	83 942	50 643	123 395	384 814	361 137	-6,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	742	0	625	2 050	9 689	+372,6
		R'000	2 226	0	2 250	6 046	28 742	+375,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	4 723	2 852	450	59 601	5 739	-90,4
		R'000	13 259	7 809	990	351 035	13 854	-96,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 315	1 798	5 441	8 099	15 048	+85,8
		R'000	2 304	2 443	13 630	11 557	27 314	+136,3
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 478	800	1 950	8 899	5 229	-41,2
		R'000	1 970	800	6 320	26 877	11 187	-58,4
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	19 759	11 052	23 190	395 515	81 097	-79,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	17 705	10 210	17 728	73 614	63 801	-13,3
		R'000	28 734	17 418	35 762	114 160	114 901	+0,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	5 418	3 374	3 787	12 203	15 126	+24,0
		R'000	11 002	8 879	6 594	24 376	31 488	+29,2
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	39 736	26 297	42 356	138 536	146 389	+5,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	143 437	87 992	188 941	918 865	588 623	-35,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	459	79	110	1 482	394	-73,4
		square metres	15 994	4 201	6 069	55 712	21 044	-62,2
		R'000	12 970	8 520	12 040	57 648	41 823	-27,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	215	214	280	956	1 189	+24,4
		square metres	48 733	48 596	63 053	223 838	256 963	+14,8
		R'000	119 872	132 039	157 139	536 415	654 776	+22,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	333	179	430	1 913	1 507	-21,2
		square metres	55 722	37 070	47 160	380 549	257 468	-32,3
		R'000	150 433	137 066	128 988	1 057 130	799 839	-24,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 001	0	565	2 094	10 677	+409,9
		R'000	4 084	0	1 695	4 250	20 253	+376,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	287 359	277 625	299 862	1 655 443	1 516 691	-8,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	9 521	7 405	11 624	24 845	38 323	+54,2
		R'000	14 185	26 735	33 151	52 753	106 165	+101,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	2 774	4 292	3 994	54 583	28 706	-47,4
		R'000	6 860	8 292	11 778	152 774	68 360	-55,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	20 417	25 554	41 209	81 964	206 450	+151,9
		R'000	34 123	63 070	111 377	132 568	438 771	+231,0
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	10 392	1 350	2 299	17 862	25 759	+44,2
		R'000	20 985	3 620	5 206	36 514	59 991	+64,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	76 153	101 717	161 512	374 609	673 287	+79,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	54 736	51 101	65 388	225 924	279 768	+23,8
		R'000	119 848	127 077	158 677	469 140	664 989	+41,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	11 385	14 761	42 647	90 123	105 558	+17,1
		R'000	37 058	60 745	130 063	274 456	336 531	+22,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	156 906	187 822	288 740	743 596	1 001 520	+34,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	520 418	567 164	750 114	2 773 648	3 191 498	+15,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	42	52	78	174	332	+90,8
		square metres	2 502	3 003	4 602	10 506	19 884	+89,3
		R'000	4 153	3 588	5 499	18 259	26 105	+43,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	211	186	246	925	916	-1,0
		square metres	39 777	39 647	50 016	180 406	183 947	+2,0
		R'000	95 737	107 525	123 917	421 100	459 921	+9,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	164	61	31	591	380	-35,7
		square metres	18 081	7 161	4 679	64 190	43 907	-31,6
		R'000	44 196	19 300	12 029	158 570	116 597	-26,5
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	4 000	0	6 272	4 400	6 272	+42,5
2. Non-residential buildings		R'000	30 000	0	15 694	30 800	15 694	-49,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	174 086	130 413	157 139	628 729	618 317	-1,7
	1. Office and banking space	square metres	720	3 875	135	6 015	8 301	+38,0
		R'000	1 656	9 081	203	11 684	18 712	+60,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	1 078	9 322	5 269	14 119	+168,0
		R'000	0	2 349	26 072	9 841	35 999	+265,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	9 924	6 238	1 734	28 178	16 532	-41,3
		R'000	23 482	10 174	2 618	51 173	40 120	-21,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	799	3 978	322	9 366	6 948	-25,8
		R'000	1 755	11 529	748	20 684	20 375	-1,5
3. Additions and alterations	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	26 893	33 133	29 641	93 382	115 206	+23,4
	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 790	11 862	14 168	60 273	55 906	-7,2
		R'000	25 888	22 473	28 315	122 258	110 939	-9,3
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	4 447	2 315	2 311	14 609	11 785	-19,3
		R'000	11 097	7 987	5 775	38 543	34 934	-9,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	36 985	30 460	34 090	160 801	145 873	-9,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	237 964	194 006	220 870	882 912	879 396	-0,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	886	1 087	1 627	3 431	8 530	+148,6
		square metres	46 023	63 785	69 810	165 222	387 584	+134,6
		R'000	116 143	189 896	128 741	375 064	825 060	+120,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 410	1 122	1 252	5 195	5 694	+9,6
		square metres	371 801	231 449	301 658	1 361 932	1 385 518	+1,7
		R'000	1 050 184	692 444	904 134	3 686 719	4 201 237	+14,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 204	679	1 339	3 093	6 156	+99,0
		square metres	180 710	123 721	171 992	476 053	815 021	+71,2
		R'000	559 086	399 340	537 987	1 374 399	2 547 023	+85,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	554	629	4 842	18 290	22 713	+24,2
		R'000	1 108	1 200	16 014	44 967	74 754	+66,2
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 726 521	1 282 880	1 586 876	5 481 149	7 648 074	+39,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	3 213	37 587	12 236	167 385	159 351	-4,8
		R'000	10 330	132 664	38 058	487 558	548 531	+12,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	84 179	6 612	43 508	148 026	163 335	+10,3
		R'000	212 256	21 383	144 327	397 626	510 375	+28,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	53 800	65 478	122 138	241 140	311 845	+29,3
		R'000	157 930	193 755	400 745	648 560	948 676	+46,3
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	18 810	2 573	3 829	47 439	34 449	-27,4
		R'000	55 005	7 883	8 912	123 287	86 935	-29,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	435 521	355 685	592 042	1 657 031	2 094 517	+26,4
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	196 899	165 042	176 440	750 458	806 436	+7,5
		R'000	567 916	504 550	508 477	2 049 340	2 407 803	+17,5
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	31 378	20 868	39 016	160 083	133 186	-16,8
		R'000	98 665	76 228	115 297	447 651	420 886	-6,0
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	666 581	580 778	623 774	2 496 991	2 828 689	+13,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	2 828 623	2 219 343	2 802 692	9 635 171	12 571 280	+30,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	81	53	39	502	249	-50,4
		square metres	4 821	3 213	2 656	25 577	15 075	-41,1
		R'000	10 761	7 993	6 957	36 885	37 308	+1,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	299	175	199	1 101	875	-20,5
		square metres	56 802	37 506	51 243	216 660	204 197	-5,8
		R'000	137 918	102 052	147 037	470 841	544 650	+15,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	82	221	225	338	779	+130,5
		square metres	10 393	20 485	21 065	41 152	82 844	+101,3
		R'000	23 757	51 424	59 960	68 939	207 455	+200,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	4 908	95	292	9 403	7 371	-21,6
		R'000	14 724	285	732	29 904	20 397	-31,8
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	187 160	161 754	214 686	606 569	809 810	+33,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	163	1 149	8 052	3 066	13 069	+326,3
		R'000	408	2 800	28 243	7 243	43 452	+499,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	6 628	52 095	1 508	42 028	68 898	+63,9
		R'000	16 556	455 562	5 278	88 943	508 344	+471,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 653	1 241	4 599	28 658	24 533	-14,4
		R'000	8 178	2 192	10 015	65 294	57 734	-11,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	953	224	1 320	12 424	7 497	-39,7
		R'000	2 131	461	2 964	26 618	18 957	-28,8
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	27 273	461 015	46 500	188 098	628 487	+234,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	17 397	16 596	20 951	77 030	91 600	+18,9
		R'000	35 148	36 310	46 774	142 612	199 979	+40,2
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	6 245	3 135	1 348	17 432	13 037	-25,2
		R'000	13 507	8 020	4 071	40 507	37 790	-6,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	48 655	44 330	50 845	183 119	237 769	+29,8
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	263 088	667 099	312 031	977 786	1 676 066	+71,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	17	31	36	316	171	-45,9
		square metres	1 023	1 990	2 109	14 872	10 425	-29,9
		R'000	2 069	4 705	5 345	19 888	25 279	+27,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	77	101	118	361	517	+43,2
		square metres	14 958	20 153	24 992	65 251	110 271	+69,0
		R'000	33 790	45 686	56 870	138 892	262 466	+89,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	151	107	29	233	239	+2,6
		square metres	15 768	11 539	1 829	24 275	23 712	-2,3
		R'000	53 260	29 622	4 024	70 968	59 308	-16,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	947	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	4 500	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	89 119	80 013	66 239	229 748	351 553	+53,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	2 434	1 286	0	17 387	4 242	-75,6
		R'000	6 082	3 215	0	56 535	10 071	-82,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	666	754	2 921	11 702	6 488	-44,6
		R'000	1 453	1 170	8 432	27 553	14 350	-47,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 876	1 440	2 610	9 219	9 117	-1,1
		R'000	4 949	3 479	5 742	20 712	20 516	-0,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	248	0	176	584	348	-40,4
		R'000	490	0	282	1 081	882	-18,4
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	12 974	7 864	14 456	105 881	45 819	-56,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 887	8 203	28 681	41 231	62 978	+52,7
		R'000	23 690	19 015	16 985	75 365	85 904	+14,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 248	2 023	3 067	8 401	14 778	+75,9
		R'000	2 025	3 587	6 559	17 065	32 294	+89,2
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	25 715	22 602	23 544	92 430	118 198	+27,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	127 808	110 479	104 239	428 059	515 570	+20,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 766	1 268	1 636	10 300	8 256	-19,8
		square metres	73 786	58 595	73 508	393 499	358 100	-9,0
		R'000	112 301	117 476	121 629	462 183	635 869	+37,6
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	2 041	1 576	1 847	8 163	7 965	-2,4
		square metres	447 461	348 733	421 684	1 756 157	1 799 140	+2,4
		R'000	1 073 637	951 242	1 148 066	4 037 268	4 784 120	+18,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	2 021	1 629	1 587	6 977	8 369	+20,0
		square metres	233 674	208 539	218 059	901 537	1 088 992	+20,8
		R'000	590 709	631 154	641 489	2 137 265	3 173 847	+48,5
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	7 095	12 210	3 544	18 314	20 116	+9,8
		R'000	19 625	53 655	10 004	44 102	73 487	+66,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 796 272	1 753 527	1 921 188	6 680 818	8 667 323	+29,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	42 003	11 409	44 213	160 802	116 306	-27,7
		R'000	107 812	23 400	124 481	395 289	308 511	-22,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	27 666	39 387	49 125	111 702	307 279	+175,1
		R'000	61 276	115 766	158 120	251 662	941 033	+273,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	102 594	41 172	66 290	302 469	279 480	-7,6
		R'000	234 220	118 491	167 191	590 210	699 901	+18,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 842	4 155	18 035	101 323	56 349	-44,4
		R'000	8 941	12 660	44 808	208 589	130 313	-37,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	412 249	270 317	494 600	1 445 750	2 079 758	+43,9
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	160 983	149 638	178 257	655 903	808 453	+23,3
		R'000	344 420	365 519	424 572	1 306 863	1 924 202	+47,2
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	56 137	32 204	47 831	203 874	229 550	+12,6
		R'000	143 688	100 712	140 499	484 504	625 524	+29,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	488 108	466 231	565 071	1 791 367	2 549 726	+42,3
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	2 696 629	2 490 075	2 980 859	9 917 935	13 296 807	+34,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	308	250	378	2 742	1 690	-38,4
		square metres	13 666	10 252	15 219	89 583	67 809	-24,3
		R'000	19 030	18 930	24 066	87 208	107 318	+23,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	733	415	567	2 704	2 276	-15,8
		square metres	159 363	96 155	132 758	579 754	526 035	-9,3
		R'000	357 092	263 087	361 375	1 232 787	1 402 328	+13,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	646	798	376	1 856	2 588	+39,4
		square metres	52 365	103 901	42 639	197 943	324 691	+64,0
		R'000	111 148	327 318	110 668	403 871	941 631	+133,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 215	4 526	1 828	10 826	9 453	-12,7
		R'000	5 604	18 910	5 729	26 679	31 494	+18,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	492 874	628 245	501 838	1 750 545	2 482 771	+41,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	7 966	4 003	8 660	26 609	27 795	+4,5
		R'000	22 131	9 711	15 679	56 299	69 208	+22,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	12 953	4 662	1 888	19 176	38 711	+101,9
		R'000	32 779	9 324	3 848	47 987	92 652	+93,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	19 279	32 052	25 720	70 463	134 361	+90,7
		R'000	37 080	92 923	73 046	125 848	353 879	+181,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 703	610	7 507	31 576	19 255	-39,0
		R'000	4 289	1 916	18 426	42 084	43 730	+3,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	96 279	113 874	110 999	272 218	559 469	+105,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	63 930	50 584	72 170	236 381	299 519	+26,7
		R'000	129 075	125 825	180 188	437 844	725 462	+65,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	32 163	10 990	18 590	76 844	68 496	-10,9
		R'000	72 600	29 196	57 910	174 523	200 299	+14,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	201 675	155 021	238 098	612 367	925 761	+51,2
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	790 828	897 140	850 935	2 635 130	3 968 001	+50,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	160	42	108	655	633	-3,4
		square metres	6 608	1 904	5 087	27 408	27 617	+0,8
		R'000	6 383	2 559	4 982	29 531	31 914	+8,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	123	102	61	568	456	-19,7
		square metres	21 291	16 970	9 285	105 933	85 233	-19,5
		R'000	44 688	35 985	20 970	224 434	182 964	-18,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	132	121	112	223	361	+61,9
		square metres	13 086	7 676	10 893	22 243	33 051	+48,6
		R'000	26 781	15 935	22 949	41 470	69 110	+66,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	472	0	0	787	120	-84,8
		R'000	909	0	0	1 362	264	-80,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	78 761	54 479	48 901	296 797	284 252	-4,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	3 183	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	6 870	..
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	672	4 683	1 990	11 737	+489,8
		R'000	0	1 307	11 206	4 099	27 052	+560,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	4 684	7 823	20 604	+163,4
		R'000	0	0	9 797	13 379	39 052	+191,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	927	0	401	1 496	3 286	+119,7
		R'000	1 877	0	792	3 186	7 443	+133,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 877	1 307	21 795	20 664	80 417	+289,2
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 705	8 922	7 232	53 230	52 805	-0,8
		R'000	25 579	16 632	14 138	92 937	100 825	+8,5
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	4 943	598	2 792	14 323	36 452	+154,5
		R'000	11 182	2 007	4 560	27 927	66 949	+139,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	36 761	18 639	18 698	120 864	167 774	+38,8
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	117 399	74 425	89 394	438 325	532 443	+21,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3	15	1	7	16	+128,6
		square metres	151	667	65	354	732	+106,8
		R'000	232	1 075	130	539	1 205	+123,6
	2. Dwelling-houses ≥ 80 square metres	Number	25	29	15	124	80	-35,5
		square metres	4 512	4 737	2 125	23 721	12 732	-46,3
		R'000	8 640	8 903	4 360	43 190	24 570	-43,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	11	13	0	61	39	-36,1
		square metres	1 980	1 577	0	9 791	5 240	-46,5
		R'000	3 564	2 970	0	17 860	9 807	-45,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	155	0	155	..
		R'000	0	0	372	0	372	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	12 436	12 948	4 862	61 589	35 954	-41,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	1 620	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	3 240	..
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	322	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	415	0	-100,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	459	599	1 917	+220,0
		R'000	0	0	1 000	1 318	3 916	+197,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	187	100	-46,5
		R'000	0	0	0	225	200	-11,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	0	1 000	1 958	7 356	+275,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 390	2 552	1 952	10 955	7 562	-31,0
		R'000	2 694	4 629	3 930	21 354	15 534	-27,3
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	2 037	0	2 144	5 658	+163,9
		R'000	0	1 019	493	5 112	9 900	+93,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 694	5 648	4 423	26 466	25 434	-3,9
	1. Total at current prices	R'000	15 130	18 596	10 285	90 013	68 744	-23,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	81	35	2	1 134	205	-81,9
		square metres	3 448	1 555	136	47 146	9 509	-79,8
		R'000	2 781	1 549	245	31 899	10 812	-66,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	32	36	31	204	154	-24,5
		square metres	7 534	8 640	5 654	34 038	30 517	-10,3
		R'000	15 062	17 832	10 450	61 918	58 674	-5,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	32	14	6	415	252	-39,3
		square metres	4 032	2 313	756	39 750	28 953	-27,2
		R'000	8 233	4 946	1 521	65 935	57 810	-12,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	7 684	0	1 240	8 310	+570,2
		R'000	0	34 745	0	1 828	35 872	+1 862,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	26 076	59 072	12 216	161 580	163 168	+1,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	447	0	0	4 152	992	-76,1
		R'000	894	0	0	9 756	2 454	-74,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 890	4 875	2 478	4 554	16 170	+255,1
		R'000	3 795	14 227	6 250	6 533	45 696	+599,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 318	166	717	7 715	2 269	-70,6
		R'000	1 520	170	2 001	11 060	3 779	-65,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	81	698	0	811	3 064	+277,8
		R'000	121	1 698	0	761	6 077	+698,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	6 330	16 095	8 251	28 110	58 006	+106,4
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	7 986	5 747	5 877	25 371	+9,5
			R'000	12 165	9 898	9 435	36 731	+21,4
		2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 702	952	2 540	12 282	-33,0
			R'000	4 231	4 492	8 640	17 488	+42,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	16 396	14 390	18 075	54 219	69 519	+28,2
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	48 802	89 557	38 542	243 909	290 693	+19,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/	
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	177	146	63	1 784	543	-69,6	
		square metres	7 197	5 010	3 542	62 976	23 663	-62,4	
		R'000	9 834	8 846	7 644	67 533	43 787	-35,2	
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	152	88	119	826	577	-30,1	
		square metres	28 998	22 677	25 949	171 305	122 442	-28,5	
		R'000	69 841	58 631	68 535	418 726	309 958	-26,0	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	134	167	227	775	1 013	+30,7	
		square metres	21 394	27 181	37 345	100 535	173 515	+72,6	
		R'000	58 384	94 129	119 912	251 738	532 631	+111,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	216	36	-83,3	
		R'000	0	0	0	389	79	-79,7	
		5. Total residential buildings	R'000	138 059	161 606	196 091	738 386	886 455	+20,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	17 601	6 835	8 861	30 099	25 741	-14,5	
		R'000	34 300	12 439	22 496	65 899	54 246	-17,7	
	2. Shopping space	square metres	7 319	5 774	2 751	19 898	17 271	-13,2	
		R'000	19 140	8 661	10 354	50 949	40 110	-21,3	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	16 106	2 937	15 332	95 513	38 176	-60,0	
		R'000	24 640	8 593	30 242	136 810	86 947	-36,4	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	714	209	7 230	55 924	18 463	-67,0	
		R'000	1 785	523	17 540	137 659	39 487	-71,3	
		5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	79 865	30 216	80 632	391 317	220 790	-43,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	22 321	16 463	19 953	133 148	105 387	-20,8
			R'000	50 968	36 707	44 183	268 247	239 692	-10,6
		2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	7 064	9 117	10 841	42 997	50 032	+16,4
R'000			31 107	40 328	29 553	118 804	154 740	+30,2	
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	82 075	77 035	73 736	387 051	394 432	+1,9	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	299 999	268 857	350 459	1 516 754	1 501 677	-1,0	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	473	80	67	1 127	254	-77,5
		square metres	15 006	3 845	3 509	37 305	13 853	-62,9
		R'000	10 135	3 728	3 371	28 168	15 428	-45,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	130	143	131	469	580	+23,7
		square metres	21 220	25 116	26 157	82 296	107 602	+30,7
		R'000	51 285	64 098	64 737	181 741	259 243	+42,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	53	18	21	311	297	-4,5
		square metres	7 458	1 827	15 099	36 895	33 360	-9,6
		R'000	25 661	3 768	50 998	94 692	90 645	-4,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	4 149	0	0	4 149	0	-100,0
		R'000	12 387	0	0	12 387	0	-100,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	99 468	71 594	119 106	316 988	365 316	+15,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	571	0	2 593	593	-77,1
		R'000	0	1 250	0	11 339	1 305	-88,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 899	0	1 211	6 821	31 387	+360,2
		R'000	2 436	0	4 230	13 190	124 596	+844,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	5 017	0	689	6 102	2 862	-53,1
		R'000	9 066	0	1 103	11 226	7 103	-36,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	170	0	614	404	2 019	+399,8
		R'000	425	0	1 363	947	4 453	+370,2
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	11 927	1 250	6 696	36 702	137 457	+274,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 312	4 684	3 574	18 801	21 677	+15,3
		R'000	7 144	8 696	7 945	33 241	40 429	+21,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	936	4 494	5 021	10 831	20 723	+91,3
		R'000	3 397	11 285	13 691	25 344	48 884	+92,9
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	10 541	19 981	21 636	58 585	89 313	+52,5
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	121 936	92 825	147 438	412 275	592 086	+43,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	493	664	908	2 326	4 432	+90,5
		square metres	24 376	33 078	39 959	101 792	193 216	+89,8
		R'000	58 769	75 800	72 200	184 770	386 988	+109,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	751	662	764	2 816	3 210	+14,0
		square metres	184 473	155 496	189 684	674 339	798 267	+18,4
		R'000	485 070	454 726	549 699	1 705 283	2 265 491	+32,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	988	482	817	3 198	3 504	+9,6
		square metres	129 529	62 593	108 925	476 685	457 999	-3,9
		R'000	351 136	178 304	329 435	1 228 743	1 397 565	+13,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	259	0	1 561	259	1 561	+502,7
		R'000	725	0	3 903	725	3 903	+438,3
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	895 700	708 830	955 237	3 119 521	4 053 947	+30,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	15 423	0	24 500	95 502	45 368	-52,5
		R'000	49 072	0	80 306	249 096	143 637	-42,3
	2. Shopping space	square metres	250	13 104	20 712	42 647	154 459	+262,2
		R'000	544	50 247	65 206	104 355	499 664	+378,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	59 949	5 936	17 027	110 414	62 325	-43,6
		R'000	160 240	16 756	48 102	284 225	173 145	-39,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	2 638	978	8 131	8 268	+1,7
		R'000	0	8 523	3 033	17 323	24 104	+39,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	209 856	75 526	196 647	654 999	840 550	+28,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	43 671	56 710	52 795	161 636	262 394	+62,3
		R'000	110 524	155 821	143 772	389 514	704 500	+80,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	6 978	3 795	5 391	42 049	34 218	-18,6
		R'000	19 093	11 573	18 194	107 884	103 047	-4,5
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	129 617	167 394	161 966	497 398	807 547	+62,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 235 173	951 750	1 313 850	4 271 918	5 702 044	+33,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/	
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	50	12	88	432	389	-10,0	
		square metres	2 074	694	4 840	21 048	15 850	-24,7	
		R'000	2 698	1 890	6 058	20 861	24 615	+18,0	
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	62	63	114	310	444	+43,2	
		square metres	12 361	11 542	19 695	55 382	78 545	+41,8	
		R'000	23 874	27 968	43 359	107 060	181 285	+69,3	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	21	16	18	69	211	+205,8	
		square metres	3 190	1 471	1 066	8 027	18 279	+127,7	
		R'000	4 650	3 784	2 666	13 857	40 346	+191,2	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	837	481	-42,5	
		R'000	0	0	0	732	1 503	+105,3	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	31 222	33 642	52 083	142 510	247 749	+73,8
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	566	0	2 192	1 641	8 589	+423,4
R'000			1 415	0	6 000	2 488	22 248	+794,2	
2. Shopping space		square metres	3 355	0	3 018	14 112	13 899	-1,5	
		R'000	2 582	0	35 000	18 318	55 700	+204,1	
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	288	0	1 662	2 334	15 253	+553,5	
		R'000	400	0	1 900	3 322	27 083	+715,3	
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	0	0	2 004	589	-70,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	4 874	1 165	-76,1	
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	4 397	0	42 900	29 002	106 196	+266,2	
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 542	2 862	13 755	8 941	26 688	+198,5
			R'000	2 614	5 146	18 587	13 169	43 426	+229,8
		2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	351	221	2 656	1 238	3 743	+202,3
			R'000	2 078	812	7 458	5 157	11 296	+119,0
	3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	4 692	5 958	26 045	18 326	54 722	+198,6
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	40 311	39 600	121 028	189 838	408 667	+115,3	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

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

Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit	May 2005*	Apr. 2006	May 2006	Jan. - May 2005	Jan. - May 2006	% Change 1/
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	21	24	21	93	94	+1,1
		square metres	1 260	1 590	1 151	5 887	5 851	-0,6
		R'000	2 439	3 099	2 933	11 674	13 802	+18,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	33	38	45	142	188	+32,4
		square metres	7 709	7 400	10 377	29 389	37 767	+28,5
		R'000	18 085	20 012	24 581	62 129	99 607	+60,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	4	0	10	69	104	+50,7
		square metres	640	0	1 336	9 668	13 904	+43,8
		R'000	1 152	0	3 340	19 099	34 302	+79,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	21 676	23 111	30 854	92 902	147 711	+59,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	206	2 425	+1 077,2
		R'000	0	0	0	412	5 303	+1 187,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	10 300	12 384	2 182	23 645	+983,6
		R'000	0	32 000	22 026	5 816	55 563	+855,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	637	81	0	1 506	1 713	+13,7
		R'000	1 274	49	0	3 022	4 997	+65,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	247	0	1 305	790	1 305	+65,2
		R'000	444	0	3 654	1 530	3 654	+138,8
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 718	32 049	25 680	10 780	69 517	+544,9
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 126	1 114	949	7 440	4 649	-37,5
		R'000	3 657	2 165	2 394	13 826	9 755	-29,4
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	0	1 166	2 005	+72,0
		R'000	0	0	0	2 265	5 469	+141,5
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	3 657	2 165	2 394	16 091	15 224	-5,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	27 051	57 325	58 928	119 773	232 452	+94,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2005 and 2006.

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

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

4/ Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations.

* Revised.

Table 29 - Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed or under construction by province

Province	Year	Number 1/	Square metres 2/	Value R'000 2/
Western Cape	2002	19 534	531 116	168 852
	2003	16 926	507 780	247 187
	2004	12 751	382 530	211 424
Eastern Cape	2002	46 700	1 575 675	473 806
	2003	35 005	1 050 150	511 213
	2004	34 923	1 047 690	579 058
Northern Cape	2002	5 189	164 906	68 078
	2003	4 354	130 620	63 586
	2004	3 645	109 350	60 438
Free State	2002	8 617	348 492	154 121
	2003	14 848	445 440	216 840
	2004	16 522	495 660	273 951
KwaZulu-Natal	2002	21 958	831 349	234 041
	2003	31 372	941 160	458 157
	2004	35 968	1 079 040	596 385
North West	2002	21 309	630 115	210 439
	2003	13 809	414 270	201 667
	2004	10 149	304 470	168 281
Gauteng	2002	29 939	991 571	321 943
	2003	42 862	1 285 860	625 957
	2004	33 260	997 800	551 484
Mpumalanga	2002	19 883	660 505	253 931
	2003	21 336	640 080	246 079
	2004	18 808	564 240	311 855
Limpopo	2002	15 382	605 877	183 769
	2003	15 596	467 880	227 764
	2004	16 338	490 140	270 900
South Africa	2002	188 511	6 339 606	2 068 980
	2003	196 108	5 883 240	2 798 450
	2004	182 364	5 470 920	3 023 777

Source: Provincial Governments co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing

1/ As soon as building commences, dwelling-houses are recorded as completed or under construction.

2/ Estimates by the National Department of Housing.

Table 30 - Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed by province

Completions during financial year: 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006			
Province	Number	Square metres 1/	Value R'000 1/
Western Cape	2 040	61 200	52 877
Eastern Cape	16 874	506 220	437 374
Northern Cape	5 293	158 790	137 195
Free State	17 635	529 050	457 099
KwaZulu-Natal	21 601	648 030	559 898
North West	14 445	433 350	374 414
Gauteng	23 409	702 270	606 761
Mpumalanga	14 389	431 670	372 963
Limpopo	21 973	659 190	569 540
South Africa	137 659	4 129 770	3 568 121

Source: Provincial Governments co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing

1/ Estimates by the National Department of Housing.

Explanatory notes

Introduction	<p>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. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the provincial governments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 and table 30 (page 38).</p> <p>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.</p>
Purpose of the survey	<p>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.</p>
Scope of the survey	<p>4 This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings.
Classification	<p>5 Building activities is classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02</i>. The <i>SIC</i> is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)</i> with suitable adaptations for local conditions.</p>
Statistical unit	<p>6 The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.</p>
Survey methodology and design	<p>7 Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 90 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.</p> <p>According to the municipalities, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the provincial governments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 and table 30 (page 38).</p>
Constant prices	<p>8 The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2000. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: <i>JBCC Contract Price Adjustment Provisions Work Group Indices</i>. In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2000=100.</p> <p>9 The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 8). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2006 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2006 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2006. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.</p>

Seasonal adjustment	10	Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
	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.
Trend cycle	12	The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
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	14	Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3 is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision for 2005 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. • <i>Bulletin of Statistics</i> issued quarterly. • <i>South African Statistics</i> issued annually. • <i>Report 50-11-01</i> issued annually.
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	0	nil or figure too small to publish
	*	revised
	Stats SA	Statistics South Africa
	SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
	ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
	JBCC	Joint Building Contracts Committee
	CD	Compact Disc
	US	United States
	SARB	South African Reserve Bank
	DTI	Department of Trade and Industry

Glossary

Additions and alterations	They include extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.
Blocks of flats	High-density housing consisting of a number of self-contained dwelling-units, each with at least one living-room together with a kitchen and bathroom, conjoined to similar units in one building.
Dwelling-house	A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwelling-unit, granny flat, on the same premises as an existing residence. Out-buildings and garages are included.
Local government institutions	Include – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District municipalities; • Metropolitan municipalities; and • Local municipalities.
Municipality	A generic term describing the “unit” of government in the local spheres responsible for local government in a geographically demarcated area and including district, metropolitan and local municipalities. It is an institution consisting of a municipal council (elected political representatives) and municipal administration (appointed officials).
District municipality	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	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	Municipality that shares municipal executive and legislative authority in its area with a district municipality within whose area it falls, that is described in section 155(1) of the constitution as a category B municipality.
Non-residential buildings	Comprise factories, commercial, financial and other office buildings, as well as other buildings not used for residential purposes, such as churches, halls, clubs, schools and hospitals.
Other residential buildings	Institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, old people’s homes, hostels, hotels, motels, 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	Comprise dwelling-houses, flats, townhouses and other residential buildings.
Townhouses	Multiple, medium-density dwelling-units and include cluster housing, group housing, simplexes, duplexes, triplexes and other similar dwelling-units which are usually grouped together, with one level of each unit on ground level. This excludes blocks of flats.

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