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Summary of findings: Building statistics

Selected building statistics of the private sector regarding building plans passed at current prices

Table A – Key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to May 2009 versus January to May 2010

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2009 1/	January to May 2010 1/	Difference in value between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010	Percentage change between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010
	R000	R000	R000	
Residential buildings	10 316 389	9 997 662	-318 727	-3,1
-Dwelling-houses	6 959 300	7 642 193	682 893	9,8
-Flats and townhouses	2 872 731	1 923 967	-948 764	-33,0
-Other residential buildings	484 358	431 502	-52 856	-10,9
Non-residential buildings	8 590 544	5 106 299	-3 484 245	-40,6
Additions and alterations	8 699 935	8 263 551	-436 384	-5,0
Total	27 606 868	23 367 512	-4 239 356	-15,4

1/ 2009 and 2010 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to May 2010 was 15,4% lower (-R4 239,4 million) compared with January to May 2009 (see Table A).

The largest decrease was reported for non-residential buildings (-40,6% or -R3 484,2 million), followed by additions and alterations (-5,0% or -R436,4 million) and residential buildings (-3,1% or -R318,7 million).

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to May 2009 versus January to May 2010

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2009 1/	January to May 2010 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to May 2009	Percentage change between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of building plans passed between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010 2/	Difference in value between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010
	R000	R000				R000
Western Cape	4 757 020	4 755 959	17,2	0,0	0,0	-1 061
Eastern Cape	1 148 912	1 247 551	4,2	8,6	0,4	98 639
Northern Cape	152 983	164 204	0,6	7,3	0,0	11 221
Free State	859 728	730 691	3,1	-15,0	-0,5	-129 037
KwaZulu-Natal	4 517 430	4 529 141	16,4	0,3	0,0	11 711
North West	1 113 376	830 871	4,0	-25,4	-1,0	-282 505
Gauteng	13 562 160	9 440 721	49,1	-30,4	-14,9	-4 121 439
Mpumalanga	995 882	971 170	3,6	-2,5	-0,1	-24 712
Limpopo	499 377	697 204	1,8	39,6	0,7	197 827
Total	27 606 868	23 367 512	100,0	-15,4	-15,4	-4 239 356

1/ 2009 and 2010 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to May 2009 and Jan. to May 2010 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to May 2009, divided by 100.

Five provinces reported decreases in the value of building plans passed during January to May 2010. The decrease in the value of building plans passed was dominated by Gauteng (contributing -14,9 percentage points or -R4 121,4 million). Large decreases were also reported by North West (-1,0 percentage point or -R282,5 million) and Free State (-0,5 of a percentage point or -R129,0 million) (see Table B).

Selected building statistics of the private sector regarding building plans passed at constant prices

Table C – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices: January to May 2009 versus January to May 2010

Estimates at constant 2005 prices	January to May 2009 1/	January to May 2010 1/	Difference in value between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010	Percentage change between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010
	R000	R000	R000	
Residential buildings	7 462 601	6 955 192	-507 409	-6,8
Non-residential buildings	6 213 325	3 552 627	-2 660 698	-42,8
Additions and alterations	6 284 840	5 750 051	-534 789	-8,5
Total	19 960 766	16 257 870	-3 702 896	-18,6

1/ 2009 and 2010 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at constant 2005 prices) during January to May 2010 decreased by 18,6% (-R3 702,9 million) compared with January to May 2009. The biggest decrease was reported for non-residential buildings (-42,8% or -R2 660,7 million), followed by additions and alterations (-8,5% or -R534,8 million) and residential buildings (-6,8% or -R507,4 million) (see Table C).

Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices

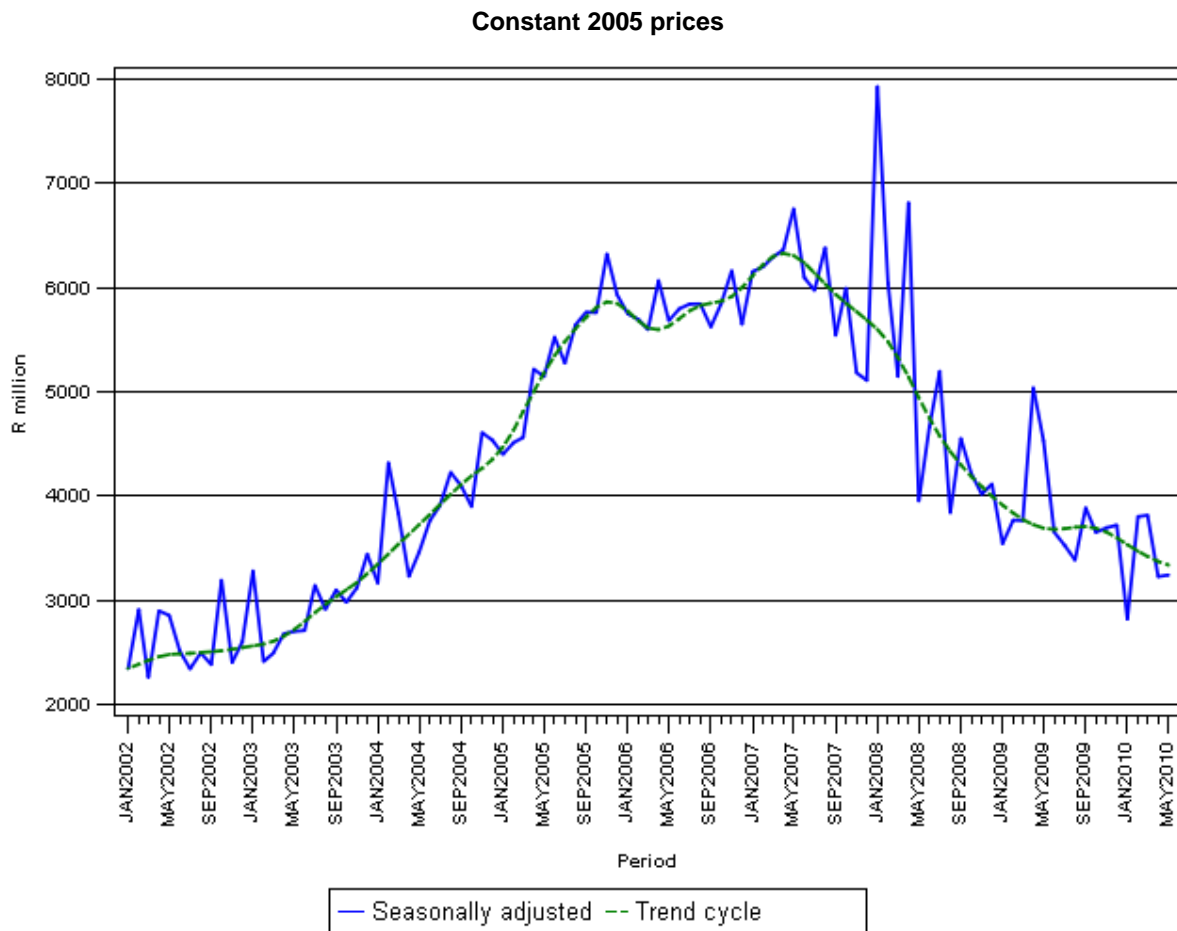
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2005 prices	December 2009 to February 2010	March to May 2010	Percentage change between December 2009 to February 2010 and March to May 2010
	R000	R000	
Residential buildings	4 310 177	4 343 625	0,8
Non-residential buildings	2 292 752	2 182 676	-4,8
Additions and alterations	3 738 353	3 757 668	0,5
Total	10 341 282	10 283 969	-0,6

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities during the three months ended May 2010 decreased by 0,6% compared with the three months ended February 2010. The decrease was due to plans passed for non-residential buildings (-4,8%). However, increases reported for residential buildings (0,8%) and additions and alterations (0,5%) counteracted the decrease to a certain extent (see Table D).

Figure 1 shows both the seasonally adjusted and the trend series for recorded building plans passed at constant 2005 prices between January 2002 and May 2010.

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



Selected building statistics of the private sector regarding buildings completed at current prices

Table E – Key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices: January to May 2009 versus January to May 2010

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2009 1/	January to May 2010 1/	Difference in value between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010	Percentage change between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010
	R000	R000	R000	
Residential buildings	10 615 986	8 145 256	-2 470 730	-23,3
-Dwelling-houses	6 433 488	5 199 101	-1 234 387	-19,2
-Flats and townhouses	3 914 068	2 230 703	-1 683 365	-43,0
-Other residential buildings	268 430	715 452	447 022	166,5
Non-residential buildings	5 027 626	4 596 416	-431 210	-8,6
Additions and alterations	5 312 723	4 302 032	-1 010 691	-19,0
Total	20 956 335	17 043 704	-3 912 631	-18,7

1/ 2009 and 2010 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

As indicated in Table E, the value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to May 2010 decreased by 18,7% (-R3 912,6 million) compared with January to May 2009.

The biggest percentage decrease was reported for residential buildings (-23,3% or -R2 470,7 million), followed by additions and alterations (-19,0% or -R1 010,7 million) and non-residential buildings (-8,6% or -R431,2 million).

Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to May 2009 versus January to May 2010

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2009 1/	January to May 2010 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to May 2009	Percentage change between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of buildings completed between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010 2/	Difference in value between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010
	R000	R000				R000
Western Cape	5 402 612	4 318 511	25,8	-20,1	-5,2	-1 084 101
Eastern Cape	748 329	957 361	3,6	27,9	1,0	209 032
Northern Cape	128 633	198 887	0,6	54,6	0,3	70 254
Free State	740 176	388 311	3,5	-47,5	-1,7	-351 865
KwaZulu-Natal	3 922 277	3 551 256	18,7	-9,5	-1,8	-371 021
North West	611 708	574 643	2,9	-6,1	-0,2	-37 065
Gauteng	8 397 768	6 046 486	40,1	-28,0	-11,2	-2 351 282
Mpumalanga	729 379	846 341	3,5	16,0	0,6	116 962
Limpopo	275 453	161 908	1,3	-41,2	-0,5	-113 545
Total	20 956 335	17 043 704	100,0	-18,7	-18,7	-3 912 631

1/ 2009 and 2010 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to May 2009 and Jan. to May 2010 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during Jan. to May 2009, divided by 100.

Six provinces reported decreases in the value of buildings completed during January to May 2010. The provinces mainly responsible for the decrease of 18,7% were Gauteng (contributing -11,2 percentage points or -R2 351,3 million) and Western Cape (contributing -5,2 percentage points or -R1 084,1 million) (see Table F).

Selected building statistics of the private sector regarding buildings completed at constant prices

Table G – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices: January to May 2009 versus January to May 2010

Estimates at constant 2005 prices	January to May 2009 1/	January to May 2010 1/	Difference in value between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010	Percentage change between January to May 2009 and January to May 2010
	R000	R000	R000	
Residential buildings	7 722 301	5 830 495	-1 891 806	-24,5
Non-residential buildings	4 111 905	3 223 009	-888 896	-21,6
Additions and alterations	4 081 183	3 110 740	-970 443	-23,8
Total	15 915 389	12 164 244	-3 751 145	-23,6

1/ 2009 and 2010 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of buildings reported as completed

As indicated in Table G, the real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at constant 2005 prices) during January to May 2010 decreased by 23,6% (-R3 751,1 million) compared with January to May 2009. The largest percentage decrease in the real value of buildings reported as completed was reported for residential buildings (-24,5% or -R1 891,8 million), followed by additions and alterations (-23,8% or -R970,4 million) and non-residential buildings (-21,6% or -R888,9 million).

Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices

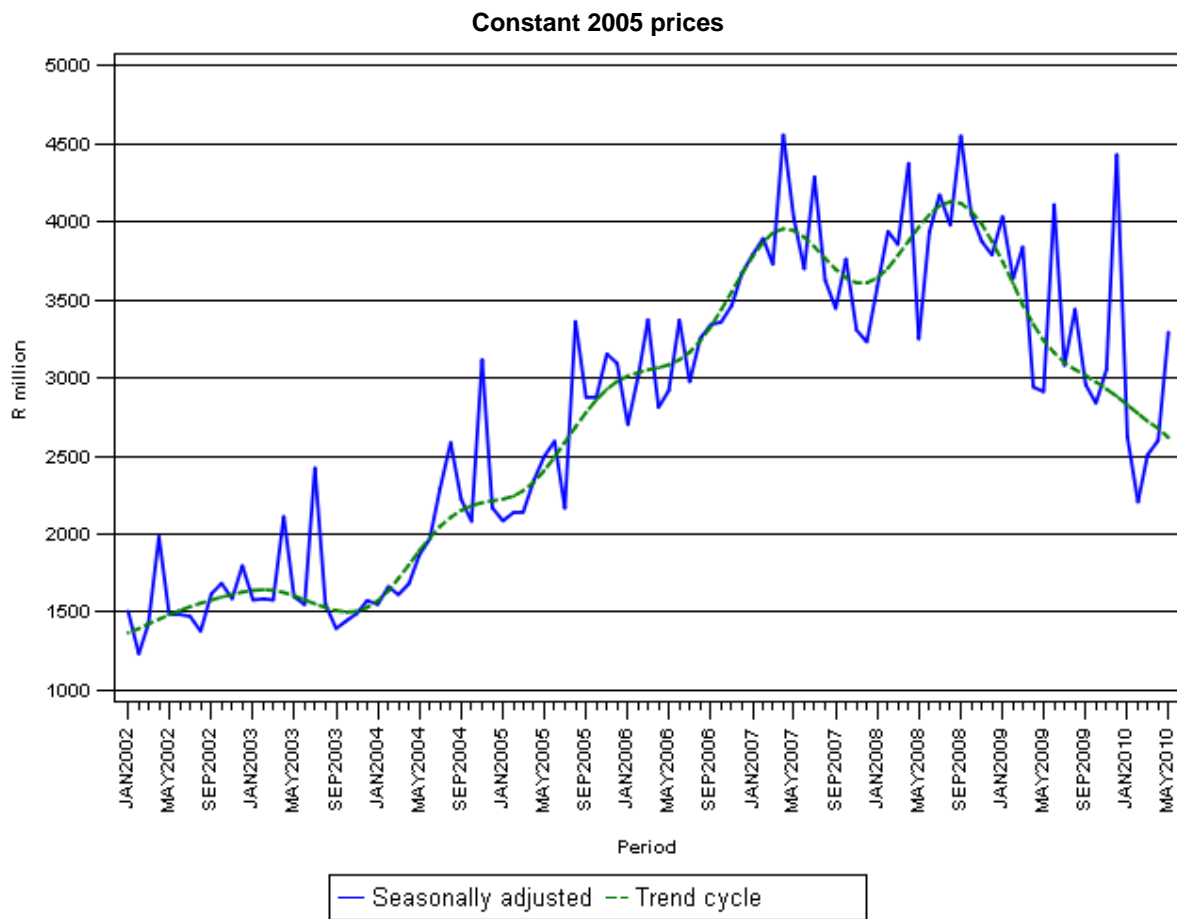
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2005 prices	December 2009 to February 2010	March to May 2010	Percentage change between December 2009 to February 2010 and March to May 2010
	R000	R000	
Residential buildings	4 019 639	4 076 303	1,4
Non-residential buildings	3 355 400	2 221 195	-33,8
Additions and alterations	1 881 342	2 099 166	11,6
Total	9 256 381	8 396 664	-9,3

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities during the three months ended May 2010 decreased by 9,3% compared with the three months ended February 2010. This was due to a decrease reported for non-residential buildings (-33,8%). However, increases were reported for additions and alterations (11,6%) and residential buildings (1,4%) (see Table H).

Figure 2 shows both the seasonally adjusted and trend series for buildings reported as completed to municipalities at constant 2005 prices between January 2002 and May 2010.

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



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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009 2/	January	1 609 151	-44,4	1 117 501	-54,5	987 357	-54,9	3 714 009	-50,7
	February	2 317 069	-45,7	1 284 430	-3,0	1 477 260	-21,5	5 078 759	-32,0
	March	2 021 808	-42,2	1 687 732	-0,1	1 481 031	3,0	5 190 571	-21,6
	April	1 816 631	-54,9	1 200 406	-53,7	3 350 501	87,0	6 367 538	-24,3
	May	2 551 730	-13,4	3 300 475	111,3	1 403 786	-20,2	7 255 991	15,8
	June	2 218 109	-35,0	1 239 619	4,2	1 506 001	-23,1	4 963 729	-24,4
	July	1 811 385	-57,6	2 168 208	18,3	1 677 735	-24,7	5 657 328	-32,1
	August	1 905 823	-34,6	1 345 368	21,5	1 731 047	-2,5	4 982 238	-14,0
	September	2 273 026	-23,5	1 490 311	-14,5	2 074 840	-5,2	5 838 177	-15,4
	October	2 428 677	-17,8	1 659 466	-2,7	1 848 821	-19,5	5 936 964	-14,7
	November	2 210 712	-11,3	1 064 565	-29,5	2 018 578	14,8	5 293 855	-8,1
	December	1 701 744	-12,4	981 829	-24,1	1 528 053	15,0	4 211 626	-7,8
	Total	24 865 865	-35,6	18 539 910	-7,3	21 085 010	-6,7	64 490 785	-20,6
2010 2/	January	1 469 369	-8,7	518 603	-53,6	1 083 127	9,7	3 071 099	-17,3
	February	2 066 783	-10,8	1 249 770	-2,7	2 012 819	36,3	5 329 372	4,9
	March	1 993 817	-1,4	1 536 415	-9,0	1 860 733	25,6	5 390 965	3,9
	April	1 993 062	9,7	748 440	-37,7	1 505 910	-55,1	4 247 412	-33,3
	May	2 474 631	-3,0	1 053 071	-68,1	1 800 962	28,3	5 328 664	-26,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009	January	2 190 426	-11,5	1 455 268	-11,1	1 273 771	-23,3	4 919 465	-14,8
	February	2 304 119	5,2	1 430 840	-1,7	1 513 732	18,8	5 248 691	6,7
	March	2 075 590	-9,9	1 575 457	10,1	1 635 225	8,0	5 286 272	0,7
	April	1 979 229	-4,6	1 293 289	-17,9	3 719 097	127,4	6 991 615	32,3
	May	2 159 336	9,1	2 814 110	117,6	1 332 723	-64,2	6 306 169	-9,8
	June	2 044 121	-5,3	1 449 690	-48,5	1 526 251	14,5	5 020 062	-20,4
	July	1 622 551	-20,6	1 792 763	23,7	1 464 945	-4,0	4 880 259	-2,8
	August	1 855 313	14,3	1 207 999	-32,6	1 629 794	11,3	4 693 106	-3,8
	September	2 180 250	17,5	1 425 294	18,0	1 815 630	11,4	5 421 174	15,5
	October	2 182 886	0,1	1 395 556	-2,1	1 535 823	-15,4	5 114 265	-5,7
	November	2 190 338	0,3	1 109 392	-20,5	1 921 318	25,1	5 221 048	2,1
	December	2 165 657	-1,1	1 227 548	10,7	1 929 428	0,4	5 322 633	1,9
2010	January	2 005 269	-7,4	674 423	-45,1	1 388 904	-28,0	4 068 596	-23,6
	February	2 042 019	1,8	1 403 716	108,1	2 048 341	47,5	5 494 076	35,0
	March	2 046 361	0,2	1 435 999	2,3	2 065 619	0,8	5 547 979	1,0
	April	2 161 830	5,6	816 018	-43,2	1 663 492	-19,5	4 641 340	-16,3
	May	2 083 189	-3,6	897 517	10,0	1 737 897	4,5	4 718 603	1,7
	Dec. 09 - Feb. 10	6 212 945		3 305 687		5 366 673		14 885 305	
	Mar. - May 10 2/	6 291 380	1,3	3 149 534	-4,7	5 467 008	1,9	14 907 922	0,2

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

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

Table 3 – Value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009 2/	January	1 173 706	-49,4	815 099	-58,6	720 173	-59,0	2 708 978	-55,2
	February	1 679 036	-50,1	930 746	-10,9	1 070 478	-27,8	3 680 260	-37,5
	March	1 455 585	-46,0	1 215 070	-6,6	1 066 257	-3,8	3 736 912	-26,8
	April	1 307 870	-56,4	864 223	-55,2	2 412 168	80,9	4 584 261	-26,8
	May	1 846 404	-13,2	2 388 187	111,8	1 015 764	-20,0	5 250 355	16,0
	June	1 603 839	-34,4	896 326	5,3	1 088 938	-22,3	3 589 103	-23,6
	July	1 295 697	-56,9	1 550 936	20,0	1 200 097	-23,5	4 046 730	-31,1
	August	1 356 458	-32,9	957 557	24,6	1 232 062	-0,0	3 546 077	-11,8
	September	1 615 512	-22,0	1 059 212	-12,8	1 474 655	-3,3	4 149 379	-13,7
	October	1 727 366	-16,4	1 180 275	-1,0	1 314 951	-18,2	4 222 592	-13,2
	November	1 571 224	-11,0	756 620	-29,3	1 434 668	15,2	3 762 512	-7,8
	December	1 202 646	-14,1	693 872	-25,5	1 079 896	12,9	2 976 414	-9,5
	Total	17 835 343	-36,9	13 308 123	-9,4	15 110 107	-8,3	46 253 573	-22,2
2010 2/	January	1 031 136	-12,1	363 932	-55,4	760 089	5,5	2 155 157	-20,4
	February	1 443 284	-14,0	872 744	-6,2	1 405 600	31,3	3 721 628	1,1
	March	1 386 521	-4,7	1 068 439	-12,1	1 293 973	21,4	3 748 933	0,3
	April	1 384 071	5,8	519 750	-39,9	1 045 771	-56,6	2 949 592	-35,7
	May	1 710 180	-7,4	727 762	-69,5	1 244 618	22,5	3 682 560	-29,9

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 4 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009	January	1 572 729	-11,0	1 046 587	-10,3	923 630	-21,8	3 542 946	-13,9
	February	1 650 798	5,0	1 025 333	-2,0	1 091 974	18,2	3 768 105	6,4
	March	1 481 716	-10,2	1 125 310	9,8	1 158 426	6,1	3 765 452	-0,1
	April	1 417 650	-4,3	948 616	-15,7	2 673 025	130,7	5 039 291	33,8
	May	1 560 631	10,1	2 011 068	112,0	956 707	-64,2	4 528 406	-10,1
	June	1 486 993	-4,7	1 054 636	-47,6	1 111 719	16,2	3 653 348	-19,3
	July	1 171 306	-21,2	1 297 538	23,0	1 060 303	-4,6	3 529 147	-3,4
	August	1 343 942	14,7	862 784	-33,5	1 178 556	11,2	3 385 282	-4,1
	September	1 564 627	16,4	1 022 720	18,5	1 299 238	10,2	3 886 585	14,8
	October	1 558 910	-0,4	996 493	-2,6	1 096 274	-15,6	3 651 677	-6,0
	November	1 550 143	-0,6	786 777	-21,0	1 358 637	23,9	3 695 557	1,2
	December	1 517 642	-2,1	857 994	9,1	1 344 890	-1,0	3 720 526	0,7
2010	January	1 383 079	-8,9	465 970	-45,7	968 735	-28,0	2 817 784	-24,3
	February	1 409 456	1,9	968 788	107,9	1 424 728	47,1	3 802 972	35,0
	March	1 411 186	0,1	991 253	2,3	1 412 902	-0,8	3 815 341	0,3
	April	1 494 339	5,9	578 363	-41,7	1 154 181	-18,3	3 226 883	-15,4
	May	1 438 100	-3,8	613 060	6,0	1 190 585	3,2	3 241 745	0,5
	Dec. 09 - Feb. 10	4 310 177		2 292 752		3 738 353		10 341 282	
	Mar. - May 10 2/	4 343 625	0,8	2 182 676	-4,8	3 757 668	0,5	10 283 969	-0,6

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

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009 2/	January	2 059 355	23,1	686 831	0,6	965 584	55,8	3 711 770	24,8
	February	2 428 688	8,6	1 109 410	-14,5	1 118 428	20,0	4 656 526	4,3
	March	2 365 946	-9,5	1 144 599	-3,0	1 638 687	94,8	5 149 232	11,1
	April	1 886 347	-29,1	1 032 641	-13,8	633 900	-18,6	3 552 888	-23,4
	May	1 875 650	-0,8	1 054 145	-13,9	956 124	22,2	3 885 919	-0,3
	June	1 972 681	-28,5	2 225 495	107,1	979 500	17,2	5 177 676	10,9
	July	1 972 751	-25,3	1 174 013	-27,1	1 308 722	30,0	4 455 486	-15,3
	August	2 011 415	-28,9	1 677 158	42,1	1 066 215	9,5	4 754 788	-4,6
	September	2 213 091	-29,8	1 154 415	-35,7	1 018 101	-0,4	4 385 607	-26,6
	October	2 358 804	-26,2	1 081 670	-33,8	1 056 196	13,9	4 496 670	-21,9
	November	2 508 889	-8,6	1 250 418	-18,6	1 062 506	-17,4	4 821 813	-13,4
	December	2 369 212	-16,3	2 363 827	125,3	820 791	8,6	5 553 830	19,8
	Total	26 022 829	-16,7	15 954 622	3,2	12 624 754	17,3	54 602 205	-5,0
2010 2/	January	1 213 481	-41,1	746 824	8,7	608 158	-37,0	2 568 463	-30,8
	February	1 537 302	-36,7	607 241	-45,3	876 348	-21,6	3 020 891	-35,1
	March	1 581 847	-33,1	1 153 006	0,7	850 420	-48,1	3 585 273	-30,4
	April	1 503 700	-20,3	885 197	-14,3	962 794	51,9	3 351 691	-5,7
	May	2 308 926	23,1	1 204 148	14,2	1 004 312	5,0	4 517 386	16,3

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009	January	3 016 095	19,3	1 043 005	-22,7	1 135 707	21,5	5 194 807	7,9
	February	2 662 970	-11,7	970 168	-7,0	1 119 174	-1,5	4 752 312	-8,5
	March	2 410 891	-9,5	1 017 485	4,9	1 625 664	45,3	5 054 040	6,3
	April	2 121 506	-12,0	1 123 187	10,4	677 318	-58,3	3 922 011	-22,4
	May	1 921 869	-9,4	1 005 612	-10,5	1 003 559	48,2	3 931 040	0,2
	June	1 944 117	1,2	2 469 393	145,6	1 020 049	1,6	5 433 559	38,2
	July	1 927 844	-0,8	1 087 154	-56,0	1 168 815	14,6	4 183 813	-23,0
	August	1 920 898	-0,4	1 720 406	58,2	1 011 910	-13,4	4 653 214	11,2
	September	2 061 123	7,3	1 041 708	-39,4	991 199	-2,0	4 094 030	-12,0
	October	2 110 252	2,4	861 160	-17,3	986 237	-0,5	3 957 649	-3,3
	November	2 164 982	2,6	1 232 890	43,2	867 805	-12,0	4 265 677	7,8
	December	2 114 797	-2,3	2 996 625	143,1	1 029 782	18,7	6 141 204	44,0
2010	January	1 771 325	-16,2	1 155 213	-61,4	718 630	-30,2	3 645 168	-40,6
	February	1 678 482	-5,2	527 898	-54,3	875 560	21,8	3 081 940	-15,5
	March	1 614 115	-3,8	1 058 871	100,6	851 507	-2,7	3 524 493	14,4
	April	1 692 978	4,9	946 311	-10,6	1 014 837	19,2	3 654 126	3,7
	May	2 370 667	40,0	1 166 231	23,2	1 057 780	4,2	4 594 678	25,7
	Dec. 09 - Feb. 10	5 564 604		4 679 736		2 623 972		12 868 312	
	Mar. - May 10 2/	5 677 760	2,0	3 171 413	-32,2	2 924 124	11,4	11 773 297	-8,5

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

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

Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009 2/	January	1 536 209	9,3	567 160	-8,9	774 326	44,2	2 877 695	12,2
	February	1 775 869	-4,9	908 608	-21,5	882 041	9,3	3 566 518	-6,9
	March	1 719 037	-21,3	938 196	-10,6	1 262 471	73,9	3 919 704	-1,0
	April	1 354 223	-38,5	840 913	-20,7	472 003	-28,5	2 667 139	-32,0
	May	1 336 963	-13,7	857 028	-20,1	690 342	5,6	2 884 333	-11,9
	June	1 417 620	-37,3	1 802 020	92,6	701 145	1,1	3 920 785	0,8
	July	1 426 304	-33,4	941 470	-32,5	922 285	10,9	3 290 059	-24,7
	August	1 441 168	-36,4	1 322 680	29,4	739 913	-7,2	3 503 761	-14,2
	September	1 574 779	-36,9	889 380	-42,6	709 478	-15,3	3 173 637	-35,0
	October	1 679 393	-32,4	805 413	-41,9	738 599	-2,2	3 223 405	-30,3
	November	1 802 124	-12,4	902 829	-29,6	752 483	-28,0	3 457 436	-21,2
	December	1 710 154	-19,7	1 692 074	94,4	590 922	-3,5	3 993 150	10,5
	Total	18 773 843	-25,0	12 467 771	-7,0	9 236 008	3,1	40 477 622	-14,6
2010 2/	January	872 448	-43,2	526 303	-7,2	443 587	-42,7	1 842 338	-36,0
	February	1 098 968	-38,1	421 402	-53,6	635 035	-28,0	2 155 405	-39,6
	March	1 130 168	-34,3	803 489	-14,4	612 253	-51,5	2 545 910	-35,0
	April	1 074 545	-20,7	619 019	-26,4	693 156	46,9	2 386 720	-10,5
	May	1 654 366	23,7	852 796	-0,5	726 709	5,3	3 233 871	12,1

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 8 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2005 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/	R000	% change 1/
2009	January	2 257 230	18,4	870 269	-22,8	904 613	20,2	4 032 112	6,5
	February	1 963 787	-13,0	804 008	-7,6	869 002	-3,9	3 636 797	-9,8
	March	1 760 651	-10,3	839 998	4,5	1 236 688	42,3	3 837 337	5,5
	April	1 527 717	-13,2	912 924	8,7	500 451	-59,5	2 941 092	-23,4
	May	1 373 209	-10,1	810 931	-11,2	727 850	45,4	2 911 990	-1,0
	June	1 388 773	1,1	1 984 173	144,7	735 667	1,1	4 108 613	41,1
	July	1 385 939	-0,2	861 062	-56,6	832 673	13,2	3 079 674	-25,0
	August	1 373 505	-0,9	1 351 833	57,0	713 722	-14,3	3 439 060	11,7
	September	1 463 599	6,6	796 241	-41,1	696 434	-2,4	2 956 274	-14,0
	October	1 505 665	2,9	640 311	-19,6	691 806	-0,7	2 837 782	-4,0
	November	1 541 863	2,4	899 750	40,5	612 299	-11,5	3 053 912	7,6
	December	1 531 120	-0,7	2 161 019	140,2	736 819	20,3	4 428 958	45,0
2010	January	1 277 972	-16,5	823 401	-61,9	520 853	-29,3	2 622 226	-40,8
	February	1 210 547	-5,3	370 980	-54,9	623 670	19,7	2 205 197	-15,9
	March	1 159 025	-4,3	742 952	100,3	604 730	-3,0	2 506 707	13,7
	April	1 214 385	4,8	660 415	-11,1	724 736	19,8	2 599 536	3,7
	May	1 702 893	40,2	817 828	23,8	769 700	6,2	3 290 421	26,6
	Dec. 09 - Feb. 10	4 019 639		3 355 400		1 881 342		9 256 381	
	Mar. - May 10 2/	4 076 303	1,4	2 221 195	-33,8	2 099 166	11,6	8 396 664	-9,3

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 741	1 674	3 341	10 562	8 710	-17,5
		square metres	77 364	73 757	142 628	461 120	380 897	-17,4
		R000	164 258	162 649	245 006	843 013	800 193	-5,1
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	1 199	1 125	1 391	5 757	5 812	1,0
		square metres	343 429	290 007	342 370	1 519 586	1 485 587	-2,2
		R000	1 455 315	1 334 781	1 565 262	6 116 287	6 842 000	11,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 658	711	1 410	6 964	4 266	-38,7
		square metres	179 274	74 405	113 641	676 689	383 624	-43,3
		R000	740 667	377 330	633 514	2 872 731	1 923 967	-33,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	29 593	19 912	4 829	95 868	75 537	-21,2
		R000	191 490	118 302	30 849	484 358	431 502	-10,9
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	2 551 730	1 993 062	2 474 631	10 316 389	9 997 662	-3,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	103 532	32 738	63 843	395 452	246 534	-37,7
		R000	583 387	221 622	362 579	2 134 513	1 464 169	-31,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	332 313	36 106	51 939	631 172	278 731	-55,8
		R000	1 669 148	171 013	240 000	2 985 077	1 505 841	-49,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	280 143	77 642	97 339	895 820	443 084	-50,5
		R000	936 573	286 646	342 571	2 815 108	1 642 460	-41,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	26 794	16 944	20 758	148 904	121 997	-18,1
		R000	111 367	69 159	107 921	655 846	493 829	-24,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	3 300 475	748 440	1 053 071	8 590 544	5 106 299	-40,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	261 916	252 829	293 619	1 262 836	1 351 912	7,1
		R000	981 625	1 123 623	1 314 320	4 723 111	5 977 698	26,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	92 737	78 131	99 147	893 837	445 165	-50,2
		R000	422 161	382 287	486 642	3 976 824	2 285 853	-42,5
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	1 403 786	1 505 910	1 800 962	8 699 935	8 263 551	-5,0
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R000	7 255 991	4 247 412	5 328 664	27 606 868	23 367 512	-15,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	619	915	614	2 101	2 048	-2,5
		square metres	26 156	38 027	25 184	88 703	87 446	-1,4
		R000	42 707	55 466	39 119	146 488	151 848	3,7
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	205	232	235	999	1 190	19,1
		square metres	56 775	59 698	69 352	277 963	321 425	15,6
		R000	235 294	265 264	309 034	1 145 177	1 395 938	21,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	208	113	116	1 311	855	-34,8
		square metres	20 345	15 649	17 196	121 177	88 194	-27,2
		R000	74 069	72 283	68 509	483 969	367 655	-24,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	10 622	240	169	27 447	16 880	-38,5
		R000	80 608	1 680	592	162 539	86 098	-47,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	432 678	394 693	417 254	1 938 173	2 001 539	3,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	6 363	460	5 024	55 841	18 256	-67,3
		R000	30 429	2 047	19 457	244 050	79 410	-67,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	3 876	29 260	20 031	38 187	67 462	76,7
		R000	16 159	141 162	90 143	163 550	309 775	89,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	24 151	5 548	12 647	101 158	54 741	-45,9
		R000	98 193	23 021	52 599	374 681	200 073	-46,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 498	6 100	2 079	20 851	40 839	95,9
		R000	11 010	23 236	6 333	80 483	112 249	39,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	155 791	189 466	168 532	862 764	701 507	-18,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	78 824	78 054	74 471	359 601	371 414
R000			299 209	288 032	280 629	1 315 557	1 399 422	6,4
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	25 026	33 935	25 169	113 791	119 090	4,7
		R000	137 626	163 413	145 765	640 526	653 491	2,0
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	436 835	451 445	426 394	1 956 083	2 052 913	5,0
4. Recorded plans passed		1. Total at current prices	R000	1 025 304	1 035 604	1 012 180	4 757 020	4 755 959

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	66	21	1 081	2 189	2 250	2,8
		square metres	3 054	1 118	43 636	89 548	91 667	2,4
		R000	6 921	3 457	54 745	123 316	148 696	20,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	79	52	117	422	371	-12,1
		square metres	20 080	11 324	22 528	92 588	78 034	-15,7
		R000	70 599	40 295	76 068	322 056	285 861	-11,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	41	21	17	207	165	-20,3
		square metres	3 986	1 800	1 490	18 001	13 961	-22,4
		R000	11 944	5 749	5 525	56 639	46 593	-17,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	408	465	0	866	7 201	731,5
		R000	1 081	1 860	0	2 028	41 283	1 935,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	90 545	51 361	136 338	504 039	522 433	3,6
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	2 135	590	3 328	9 169	9 748
R000			6 581	2 950	11 914	28 184	34 851	23,7
2. Shopping space		square metres	543	0	0	7 255	998	-86,2
		R000	1 610	0	0	20 809	3 101	-85,1
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	9 257	6 541	1 954	42 107	29 256	-30,5
		R000	20 604	22 894	7 750	93 986	94 341	0,4
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	1 390	418	1 245	10 722	10 056	-6,2
		R000	4 418	1 435	3 723	31 643	32 098	1,4
5. Total non-residential buildings		R000	33 213	27 279	23 387	174 622	164 391	-5,9
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	33 428	22 446	30 466	117 769	125 743
	R000		102 313	79 386	107 539	356 591	437 860	22,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	10 046	4 578	9 925	36 827	35 811	-2,8
		R000	34 664	16 174	35 331	113 660	122 867	8,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	136 977	95 560	142 870	470 251	560 727	19,2
	4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R000	260 735	174 200	302 595	1 148 912	1 247 551

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	2	0	3	4	6	50,0
		square metres	118	0	198	205	389	89,8
		R000	234	0	788	522	1 490	185,4
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	13	6	8	59	50	-15,3
		square metres	4 189	1 399	1 523	13 944	10 102	-27,6
		R000	13 754	5 957	6 495	49 904	40 176	-19,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	12	5	0	25	15	-40,0
		square metres	393	640	0	1 467	2 368	61,4
		R000	1 179	2 805	0	5 047	10 399	106,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	573	328	573	74,7
		R000	0	0	2 177	1 246	2 177	74,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	15 167	8 762	9 460	56 719	54 242	-4,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	642	849	388	642	1 237	92,7
		R000	1 926	3 226	1 023	1 926	4 249	120,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	853	0	936	5 355	472,1
		R000	0	2 986	0	4 212	20 917	396,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 148	1 030	0	7 986	2 176	-72,8
		R000	3 311	3 914	0	23 880	8 269	-65,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	2 300	0	..
		R000	0	0	0	7 850	0	..
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	5 237	10 126	1 023	37 868	33 435	-11,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 419	3 215	3 113	15 039	17 263	14,8
		R000	7 547	13 079	12 658	48 703	64 175	31,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	280	22	1 835	2 428	2 171	-10,6
		R000	1 646	510	10 262	9 693	12 352	27,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	9 193	13 589	22 920	58 396	76 527	31,0
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R000	29 597	32 477	33 403	152 983	164 204	7,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	139	9	10	861	67	-92,2
		square metres	5 585	524	617	35 349	3 814	-89,2
		R000	7 404	1 572	1 887	48 620	10 538	-78,3
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	52	74	69	349	371	6,3
		square metres	12 328	15 704	18 998	77 949	83 666	7,3
		R000	39 562	51 220	62 779	252 581	276 047	9,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	91	35	86	519	182	-64,9
		square metres	6 131	4 142	6 294	51 880	17 339	-66,6
		R000	24 359	16 540	24 682	204 210	69 306	-66,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	71 325	69 332	89 348	505 411	355 891	-29,6
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	1 394	8 774	896	15 484
R000			0	6 273	38 834	4 032	69 030	1 612,1
2. Shopping space		square metres	2 584	0	437	22 259	1 716	-92,3
		R000	9 811	0	2 608	96 044	8 045	-91,6
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	1 984	2 875	12 336	10 173	-17,5
		R000	0	7 988	7 223	28 374	26 910	-5,2
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	1 882	0	2 142	5 063	3 530	-30,3
		R000	7 516	0	6 775	17 768	11 651	-34,4
5. Total non-residential buildings		R000	17 327	14 261	55 440	146 218	115 636	-20,9
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	8 787	9 478	13 534	52 794	59 212
	R000		26 134	29 124	41 485	159 417	184 926	16,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	642	919	10 429	10 346	16 308	57,6
		R000	4 106	4 141	39 928	48 682	74 238	52,5
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	30 240	33 265	81 413	208 099	259 164	24,5
	4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R000	118 892	116 858	226 201	859 728	730 691

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	85	38	56	271	244	-10,0
		square metres	4 519	2 195	3 147	14 949	13 075	-12,5
		R000	19 089	12 393	15 109	58 697	66 939	14,0
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	136	156	167	650	724	11,4
		square metres	37 186	35 549	36 741	170 653	179 144	5,0
		R000	230 929	231 037	228 187	900 157	1 173 272	30,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	164	140	75	839	373	-55,5
		square metres	24 508	17 623	10 490	129 077	51 737	-59,9
		R000	114 456	125 044	62 161	642 549	315 598	-50,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	5 842	0	0	7 975	14 034	76,0
		R000	28 000	0	0	36 165	94 960	162,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	392 474	368 474	305 457	1 637 568	1 650 769	0,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	35 145	0	6 701	101 649	55 564	-45,3
		R000	175 725	0	44 619	485 547	394 106	-18,8
	2. Shopping space	square metres	48 983	429	9 430	77 300	37 065	-52,1
		R000	186 661	3 062	50 904	301 114	218 563	-27,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	23 291	25 121	9 531	198 034	110 725	-44,1
		R000	76 827	104 653	39 634	653 841	446 412	-31,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 686	3 808	2 703	42 369	12 506	-70,5
		R000	16 956	17 495	16 685	207 711	67 663	-67,4
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	456 169	125 210	151 842	1 648 213	1 126 744	-31,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	30 098	42 571	39 768	165 450	181 640
R000			142 169	270 280	259 342	752 463	1 161 614	54,4
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	24 982	24 377	12 231	109 824	103 017	-6,2
		R000	122 617	130 969	80 393	479 186	590 014	23,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	264 786	401 249	339 735	1 231 649	1 751 628	42,2
4. Recorded plans passed		1. Total at current prices	R000	1 113 429	894 933	797 034	4 517 430	4 529 141

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	82	45	82	2 041	433	-78,8
		square metres	4 321	2 787	5 084	96 739	23 683	-75,5
		R000	15 101	5 649	11 226	167 914	49 627	-70,4
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	79	106	159	540	510	-5,6
		square metres	14 782	24 082	30 057	103 737	105 099	1,3
		R000	50 812	83 790	104 866	353 802	351 992	-0,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	26	39	149	213	256	20,2
		square metres	1 996	4 539	12 476	18 170	24 473	34,7
		R000	7 583	14 594	43 551	70 005	83 109	18,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	3 465	656	-81,1
		R000	0	0	0	11 066	1 951	-82,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	73 496	104 033	159 643	602 787	486 679	-19,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	3 818	8 325	17 007	104,3
		R000	0	0	13 362	33 171	58 591	76,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	7 414	0	4 332	58 441	4 612	-92,1
		R000	31 372	0	16 704	220 094	17 600	-92,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 684	5 458	4 592	4 317	12 847	197,6
		R000	5 314	13 890	16 072	10 817	37 812	249,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	4 837	411	0	9 785	4 665	-52,3
		R000	9 873	1 201	0	28 772	15 595	-45,8
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	46 559	15 091	46 138	292 854	129 598	-55,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 740	12 541	10 874	60 672	61 361
R000			34 415	39 350	32 860	183 374	188 168	2,6
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	730	664	1 784	10 268	7 398	-28,0
		R000	4 679	5 546	5 941	34 361	26 426	-23,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	39 094	44 896	38 801	217 735	214 594	-1,4
4. Recorded plans passed		1. Total at current prices	R000	159 149	164 020	244 582	1 113 376	830 871

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	715	609	1 391	2 897	3 323	14,7
		square metres	31 347	26 843	59 136	124 089	142 325	14,7
		R000	64 075	75 045	99 551	263 892	304 506	15,4
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	470	370	486	1 967	1 881	-4,4
		square metres	157 551	110 189	128 571	598 127	540 109	-9,7
		R000	665 765	534 166	633 351	2 451 558	2 667 680	8,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	901	197	904	3 410	1 968	-42,3
		square metres	104 550	18 561	59 685	297 588	148 692	-50,0
		R000	432 541	96 199	405 677	1 248 824	887 411	-28,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	10 830	19 207	4 087	46 742	33 486	-28,4
		R000	74 008	114 762	28 080	242 224	195 091	-19,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	1 236 389	820 172	1 166 659	4 206 498	4 054 688	-3,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	58 317	26 900	31 995	206 793	113 312	-45,2
		R000	365 524	196 858	221 923	1 290 577	762 823	-40,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	268 695	5 564	10 005	416 385	131 993	-68,3
		R000	1 422 772	23 803	51 648	2 143 833	795 663	-62,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	210 890	21 134	57 587	498 898	192 162	-61,5
		R000	704 253	69 175	189 801	1 528 399	712 619	-53,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	9 136	4 373	11 626	43 797	39 106	-10,7
		R000	46 824	19 130	71 274	229 719	212 116	-7,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	2 539 373	308 966	534 646	5 192 528	2 483 221	-52,2
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	76 381	69 403	101 837	392 388	436 435	11,2
		R000	299 458	347 210	513 741	1 560 529	2 177 620	39,5
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	24 953	11 345	23 741	596 656	140 456	-76,5
		R000	97 217	52 677	112 907	2 602 605	725 192	-72,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	396 675	399 887	626 648	4 163 134	2 902 812	-30,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R000	4 172 437	1 529 025	2 327 953	13 562 160	9 440 721	-30,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	17	21	88	135	274	103,0
		square metres	1 194	1 228	4 576	7 461	14 369	92,6
		R000	4 774	4 927	18 381	18 637	50 065	168,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	114	80	96	527	487	-7,6
		square metres	27 323	19 757	21 003	128 171	110 649	-13,7
		R000	98 389	75 657	88 469	434 049	422 409	-2,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	214	56	46	379	165	-56,5
		square metres	17 099	3 707	4 465	32 264	12 655	-60,8
		R000	73 897	13 309	17 229	135 013	47 987	-64,5
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	925	0	0	3 075	341	-88,9
		R000	4 412	0	0	10 550	950	-91,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	181 472	93 893	124 079	598 249	521 411	-12,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	930	353	3 815	9 840	11 057	12,4
		R000	3 202	1 500	11 447	39 227	41 592	6,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	218	0	0	4 878	4 681	-4,0
		R000	763	0	0	17 584	34 248	94,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 472	10 366	3 923	13 113	25 173	92,0
		R000	11 514	39 362	13 186	37 879	93 405	146,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 191	1 124	963	8 254	9 617	16,5
		R000	8 413	3 912	3 131	31 816	35 805	12,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	23 892	44 774	27 764	126 506	205 050	62,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 337	6 153	14 118	69 959	63 999	-8,5
		R000	45 005	22 537	44 445	241 778	226 858	-6,2
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	5 644	1 050	595	8 170	4 909	-39,9
		R000	18 185	3 919	2 385	29 349	17 851	-39,2
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	63 190	26 456	46 830	271 127	244 709	-9,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R000	268 554	165 123	198 673	995 882	971 170	-2,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	16	16	16	63	65	3,2
		square metres	1 070	1 035	1 050	4 077	4 129	1,3
		R000	3 953	4 140	4 200	14 927	16 484	10,4
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	51	49	54	244	228	-6,6
		square metres	13 215	12 305	13 597	56 454	57 359	1,6
		R000	50 211	47 395	56 013	207 003	228 625	10,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1	105	17	61	287	370,5
		square metres	266	7 744	1 545	7 065	24 205	242,6
		R000	639	30 807	6 180	26 475	95 909	262,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	966	0	0	5 970	2 366	-60,4
		R000	3 381	0	0	18 540	8 992	-51,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	58 184	82 342	66 393	266 945	350 010	31,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 192	0	2 297	4 869	112,0
		R000	0	8 768	0	7 799	19 517	150,3
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	7 704	5 531	24 849	349,3
		R000	0	0	27 993	17 837	97 929	449,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	5 250	460	4 230	17 871	5 831	-67,4
		R000	16 557	1 749	16 306	63 251	22 619	-64,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 174	710	0	5 763	1 678	-70,9
		R000	6 357	2 750	0	20 084	6 652	-66,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	22 914	13 267	44 299	108 971	146 717	34,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 902	8 968	5 438	29 164	34 845
R000			25 375	34 625	21 621	104 699	137 055	30,9
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	434	1 241	13 438	5 527	16 005	189,6
		R000	1 421	4 938	53 730	18 762	63 422	238,0
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	26 796	39 563	75 351	123 461	200 477	62,4
4. Recorded plans passed		1. Total at current prices	R000	107 894	135 172	186 043	499 377	697 204

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 379	1 189	1 577	9 901	6 993	-29,4
		square metres	62 687	50 933	70 287	428 529	305 781	-28,6
		R000	141 837	105 401	156 174	841 098	643 324	-23,5
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	1 192	733	1 006	5 967	4 220	-29,3
		square metres	304 919	190 069	250 794	1 522 247	1 066 381	-29,9
		R000	1 110 963	817 345	1 115 342	5 592 390	4 555 777	-18,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 340	1 067	857	8 868	4 079	-54,0
		square metres	141 737	118 471	106 327	951 726	485 847	-49,0
		R000	618 326	520 302	475 293	3 914 068	2 230 703	-43,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 508	8 733	84 367	61 656	112 937	83,2
		R000	4 524	60 652	562 117	268 430	715 452	166,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	1 875 650	1 503 700	2 308 926	10 615 986	8 145 256	-23,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	77 684	36 952	53 175	321 930	179 873	-44,1
		R000	405 101	214 753	329 482	1 533 354	1 026 344	-33,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	88 884	49 782	112 398	317 606	273 728	-13,8
		R000	382 788	334 431	743 794	1 365 816	1 668 692	22,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	77 606	63 856	32 428	612 357	455 717	-25,6
		R000	227 085	230 897	111 768	1 896 419	1 613 739	-14,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	10 974	33 465	5 648	75 828	79 522	4,9
		R000	39 171	105 116	19 104	232 037	287 641	24,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	1 054 145	885 197	1 204 148	5 027 626	4 596 416	-8,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	198 061	153 971	177 573	1 025 367	762 387	-25,6
		R000	692 103	651 860	703 976	3 515 867	3 015 547	-14,2
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	64 306	66 632	56 275	446 988	252 371	-43,5
		R000	264 021	310 934	300 336	1 796 856	1 286 485	-28,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	956 124	962 794	1 004 312	5 312 723	4 302 032	-19,0
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	3 885 919	3 351 691	4 517 386	20 956 335	17 043 704	-18,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	317	336	464	2 529	2 210	-12,6
		square metres	13 701	14 489	20 355	109 153	95 384	-12,6
		R000	19 565	28 143	33 468	184 982	172 641	-6,7
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	252	168	211	1 457	920	-36,9
		square metres	68 008	45 381	54 337	390 541	244 017	-37,5
		R000	239 211	181 254	208 593	1 356 897	936 006	-31,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	159	575	178	2 461	1 585	-35,6
		square metres	22 949	48 786	26 182	257 772	162 014	-37,1
		R000	77 239	197 788	95 759	939 776	665 473	-29,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 508	0	47 917	6 166	48 249	682,5
		R000	4 524	0	320 000	22 101	321 800	1 356,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	340 539	407 185	657 820	2 503 756	2 095 920	-16,3
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	7 591	11 751	2 987	80 529	23 837	-70,4
		R000	26 776	48 734	15 814	331 014	98 018	-70,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	28 963	25 066	43 997	75 859	83 324	9,8
		R000	87 927	98 563	191 245	251 320	336 334	33,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	40 521	12 932	14 725	165 654	102 864	-37,9
		R000	119 912	50 592	55 383	529 734	409 637	-22,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	7 074	24 795	2 034	22 887	36 151	58,0
		R000	26 369	64 180	5 787	74 310	97 802	31,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	260 984	262 069	268 229	1 186 378	941 791	-20,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	79 534	48 916	66 897	423 284	268 172	-36,6
		R000	238 294	154 747	224 426	1 228 313	888 392	-27,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	23 082	20 527	13 833	117 804	80 474	-31,7
		R000	110 383	94 569	72 557	484 165	392 408	-19,0
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	348 677	249 316	296 983	1 712 478	1 280 800	-25,2
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	950 200	918 570	1 223 032	5 402 612	4 318 511	-20,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	176	298	396	926	1 621	75,1
		square metres	7 398	11 862	16 230	37 965	66 531	75,2
		R000	13 281	20 093	28 729	60 011	110 811	84,7
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	49	71	81	354	381	7,6
		square metres	9 867	16 180	15 867	82 351	74 147	-10,0
		R000	30 185	48 365	47 811	250 721	216 726	-13,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	186	22	112	251	253	0,8
		square metres	16 923	3 379	8 164	26 794	25 105	-6,3
		R000	42 190	9 207	25 031	69 633	73 448	5,5
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	2 122	0	147	5 328	3 524,5
		R000	0	5 531	0	397	14 187	3 473,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	85 656	83 196	101 571	380 762	415 172	9,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	4 078	0	0	10 555	2 441	-76,9
		R000	11 960	0	0	29 270	7 195	-75,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	4 477	662	15 760	20 485	30,0
		R000	0	14 231	1 655	51 989	59 469	14,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 376	26 196	7 191	20 428	77 427	279,0
		R000	4 098	88 672	16 723	48 769	195 499	300,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	637	0	36	12 935	999	-92,3
		R000	1 672	0	80	30 342	1 979	-93,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	17 730	102 903	18 458	160 370	264 142	64,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 491	13 066	23 233	65 200	84 493
R000			33 726	34 509	55 584	153 928	212 596	38,1
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	2 729	4 253	9 260	20 181	21 599	7,0
		R000	6 965	12 620	30 380	53 269	65 451	22,9
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	40 691	47 129	85 964	207 197	278 047	34,2
4. Recorded buildings completed		1. Total at current prices	R000	144 077	233 228	205 993	748 329	957 361

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1	1	1	130	7	-94,6
		square metres	65	56	51	4 940	331	-93,3
		R000	135	213	200	6 422	1 383	-78,5
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	4	11	8	37	46	24,3
		square metres	1 526	1 761	1 977	8 009	8 725	8,9
		R000	5 017	7 539	7 816	27 332	35 866	31,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	8	19	9	-52,6
		square metres	0	0	438	2 525	539	-78,7
		R000	0	0	1 664	9 372	2 068	-77,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	546	176	-67,8
		R000	0	0	0	1 905	704	-63,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	5 152	7 752	9 680	45 031	40 021	-11,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	3 083	206	-93,3
		R000	0	0	0	9 249	783	-91,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	2 844	4 750	67,0
		R000	0	0	0	10 829	18 043	66,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	848	0	792	1 866	13 314	613,5
		R000	2 617	0	3 141	6 304	52 052	725,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	475	4 240	792,6
		R000	0	0	0	1 283	15 874	1 137,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	2 617	0	3 141	27 665	86 752	213,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 397	2 745	3 157	12 784	13 616	6,5
		R000	7 548	11 319	12 953	39 147	56 844	45,2
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	108	1 400	710	4 952	2 529	-48,9
		R000	324	6 114	2 698	16 790	15 270	-9,1
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	7 872	17 433	15 651	55 937	72 114	28,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	15 641	25 185	28 472	128 633	198 887	54,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	9	11	16	366	58	-84,2
		square metres	540	668	1 031	16 025	3 588	-77,6
		R000	847	1 406	2 262	28 912	8 598	-70,3
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	99	33	59	428	198	-53,7
		square metres	34 069	8 163	10 491	105 089	46 372	-55,9
		R000	87 996	25 887	33 298	264 866	148 950	-43,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	27	168	288	241	-16,3
		square metres	0	3 390	11 428	36 599	18 981	-48,1
		R000	0	9 769	34 733	102 273	55 998	-45,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	7 684	3 165	-58,8
		R000	0	0	0	34 745	7 647	-78,0
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	88 843	37 062	70 293	430 796	221 193	-48,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	2 100	2 710	2 795	3,1
		R000	0	0	9 450	8 130	12 578	54,7
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	21 242	301	-98,6
		R000	0	0	0	86 997	602	-99,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 044	0	0	13 825	4 065	-70,6
		R000	1 536	0	0	38 692	8 217	-78,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	686	720	216	7 140	1 243	-82,6
		R000	1 447	1 800	541	16 164	3 016	-81,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	2 983	1 800	9 991	149 983	24 413	-83,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 521	5 438	9 395	49 019	34 211
R000			21 527	15 264	23 930	110 166	88 027	-20,1
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	2 620	2 009	5 168	17 155	14 936	-12,9
		R000	6 823	6 671	19 472	49 231	54 678	11,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	28 350	21 935	43 402	159 397	142 705	-10,5
4. Recorded buildings completed		1. Total at current prices	R000	120 176	60 797	123 686	740 176	388 311

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	223	119	121	982	495	-49,6
		square metres	8 474	4 182	4 721	35 974	19 218	-46,6
		R000	24 626	12 127	18 787	101 870	67 927	-33,3
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	127	66	100	538	452	-16,0
		square metres	33 951	18 942	25 063	133 669	122 594	-8,3
		R000	160 003	115 114	157 170	634 086	734 438	15,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	322	76	90	1 453	471	-67,6
		square metres	42 011	20 892	23 194	187 775	101 743	-45,8
		R000	243 504	109 530	141 804	973 985	604 271	-38,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	5 511	10 208	0	17 719	..
		R000	0	49 398	77 395	0	137 193	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	428 133	286 169	395 156	1 709 941	1 543 829	-9,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	30 678	3 445	34 743	80 438	65 634	-18,4
		R000	134 180	14 528	255 694	352 441	416 621	18,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	22 496	0	42 175	59 478	57 472	-3,4
		R000	109 583	0	303 308	275 939	402 720	45,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	15 141	6 937	4 108	193 701	46 430	-76,0
		R000	43 674	27 830	16 717	645 774	180 923	-72,0
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 414	2 070	1 113	16 920	5 936	-64,9
		R000	7 070	12 948	3 967	64 269	30 922	-51,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	294 507	55 306	579 686	1 338 423	1 031 186	-23,0
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	28 911	20 261	21 144	135 171	83 112	-38,5
		R000	141 000	139 786	147 859	658 061	568 264	-13,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	13 775	18 042	15 999	55 610	72 318	30,0
		R000	62 760	107 170	118 257	215 852	407 977	89,0
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	203 760	246 956	266 116	873 913	976 241	11,7
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	926 400	588 431	1 240 958	3 922 277	3 551 256	-9,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	157	50	48	385	404	4,9
		square metres	9 300	3 074	2 759	22 821	22 796	-0,1
		R000	32 351	5 626	5 518	79 329	46 970	-40,8
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	49	126	98	412	436	5,8
		square metres	10 452	29 534	17 294	88 445	95 967	8,5
		R000	31 432	95 524	63 279	292 196	313 304	7,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	16	47	34	336	169	-49,7
		square metres	1 864	5 338	2 678	31 640	16 432	-48,1
		R000	8 308	15 281	8 955	107 630	50 484	-53,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	5 023	0	5 023	..
		R000	0	0	30 000	0	30 000	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	72 091	116 431	107 752	479 155	440 758	-8,0
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	456	1 248	1 098
R000			0	0	1 596	2 848	4 485	57,5
2. Shopping space		square metres	6 361	0	2 776	13 828	6 719	-51,4
		R000	25 100	0	11 104	52 224	21 727	-58,4
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	0	773	8 179	1 761	-78,5
		R000	0	0	2 124	22 200	4 100	-81,5
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	3 627	0	893	6 834	665,3
		R000	0	13 526	0	3 572	25 828	623,1
5. Total non-residential buildings		R000	25 100	13 526	14 824	80 844	56 140	-30,6
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 332	4 371	4 421	18 325	26 480
	R000		4 262	10 912	10 728	47 256	67 389	42,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	398	580	2 240	1 207	3 357	178,1
		R000	1 157	1 411	7 142	4 453	10 356	132,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	5 419	12 323	17 870	51 709	77 745	50,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	102 610	142 280	140 446	611 708	574 643	-6,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	460	329	465	3 174	1 966	-38,1
		square metres	20 987	14 288	21 335	136 120	85 799	-37,0
		R000	44 089	31 635	55 480	274 911	196 839	-28,4
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	447	227	364	2 118	1 438	-32,1
		square metres	121 786	64 853	105 642	602 520	403 592	-33,0
		R000	475 386	325 059	523 472	2 405 697	1 922 934	-20,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	609	262	249	3 679	1 176	-68,0
		square metres	52 281	29 877	32 805	372 434	144 225	-61,3
		R000	225 971	151 123	161 361	1 583 852	711 869	-55,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	1 100	21 219	45 613	33 277	-27,0
		R000	0	5 723	134 722	205 261	203 921	-0,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	745 446	513 540	875 035	4 469 721	3 035 563	-32,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	35 337	21 756	5 614	117 890	71 434	-39,4
		R000	232 185	151 491	23 547	707 544	443 965	-37,3
	2. Shopping space	square metres	29 613	0	1 276	123 819	58 271	-52,9
		R000	155 943	0	8 325	620 066	377 383	-39,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	18 676	17 791	4 401	183 427	194 417	6,0
		R000	55 248	63 803	16 580	514 247	713 115	38,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	662	2 253	417	12 022	22 287	85,4
		R000	1 611	12 662	2 794	35 081	106 285	203,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	444 987	227 956	51 246	1 876 938	1 640 748	-12,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	54 652	54 112	42 837	264 872	221 384
R000			220 636	269 316	208 097	1 081 795	1 036 515	-4,2
2. Other buildings 4/		square metres	21 594	19 526	7 945	229 019	55 729	-75,7
		R000	75 609	81 248	46 470	969 314	333 660	-65,6
3. Total additions and alterations		R000	296 245	350 564	254 567	2 051 109	1 370 175	-33,2
4. Recorded buildings completed		1. Total at current prices	R000	1 486 678	1 092 060	1 180 848	8 397 768	6 046 486

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	29	38	40	110	181	64,5
		square metres	1 741	1 902	2 430	6 336	9 218	45,5
		R000	5 196	4 510	5 483	19 429	25 966	33,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	146	28	66	537	294	-45,3
		square metres	21 480	4 331	12 902	91 479	53 329	-41,7
		R000	66 408	14 966	43 706	286 462	171 051	-40,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	30	16	18	294	110	-62,6
		square metres	2 121	1 208	1 438	27 267	8 417	-69,1
		R000	8 740	4 832	5 986	94 789	33 902	-64,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	196	0	..
		R000	0	0	0	491	0	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	80 344	24 308	55 175	401 171	230 919	-42,4
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	3 910	10 702	4 939
R000			0	0	9 921	36 714	12 794	-65,2
2. Shopping space		square metres	1 451	20 239	21 512	4 776	42 138	782,3
		R000	4 235	221 637	228 157	16 452	451 342	2 643,4
3. Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	0	438	23 119	14 996	-35,1
		R000	0	0	1 100	82 499	48 512	-41,2
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	501	0	1 832	804	1 832	127,9
		R000	1 002	0	5 935	1 760	5 935	237,2
5. Total non-residential buildings		R000	5 237	221 637	245 113	137 425	518 583	277,4
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 931	4 905	6 304	53 712	29 416
	R000		20 588	15 539	19 601	187 001	91 610	-51,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	1 120	1 060	1 120	5,7
		R000	0	19	3 360	3 782	5 229	38,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	20 588	15 558	22 961	190 783	96 839	-49,2
	4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	106 169	261 503	323 249	729 379	846 341

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

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

			May 2009	Apr. 2010	May 2010	Jan. - May 2009	Jan. - May 2010	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	7	7	26	1 299	51	-96,1
		square metres	481	412	1 375	59 195	2 916	-95,1
		R000	1 747	1 648	6 247	85 232	12 189	-85,7
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	19	3	19	86	55	-36,0
		square metres	3 780	924	7 221	20 144	17 638	-12,4
		R000	15 325	3 637	30 197	74 133	76 502	3,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	18	42	0	87	65	-25,3
		square metres	3 588	5 601	0	8 920	8 391	-5,9
		R000	12 374	22 772	0	32 758	33 190	1,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 304	0	..
		R000	0	0	0	3 530	0	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R000	29 446	28 057	36 444	195 653	121 881	-37,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	3 365	14 775	7 489	-49,3
		R000	0	0	13 460	56 144	29 905	-46,7
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	268	..
		R000	0	0	0	0	1 072	..
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	2 158	443	-79,5
		R000	0	0	0	8 200	1 684	-79,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	1 752	0	..
		R000	0	0	0	5 256	0	..
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R000	0	0	13 460	69 600	32 661	-53,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 292	157	185	3 000	1 503	-49,9
		R000	4 522	468	798	10 200	5 910	-42,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	295	0	0	309	..
		R000	0	1 112	0	0	1 456	..
	3. Total additions and alterations	R000	4 522	1 580	798	10 200	7 366	-27,8
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R000	33 968	29 637	50 702	275 453	161 908	-41,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2009 and 2010.

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

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

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

Table 29 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed and in the process of completion: 1 April 2006 to 31 March 2007

Province	Number 1/	R000 2/ 3/
Eastern Cape	16 526	637 700
Free State	19 662	528 400
Gauteng	77 044	1 748 300
KwaZulu-Natal	38 290	1 074 500
Limpopo	23 609	646 700
Mpumalanga	10 651	329 900
North West	46 972	696 500
Northern Cape	3 880	104 800
Western Cape	34 585	768 200
South Africa	271 219	6 535 000

Source: Housing Subsidy System and Provincial Housing Departments co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing

1/ All top structures completed and sites serviced in respect of the reporting period.

2/ Expenditure by the Provincial Housing Departments in respect of subsidies for the financial year 2006/07.

3/ Subsidies not yet fully paid out in all cases.

Table 30 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed and in the process of completion: 1 April 2007 to 31 March 2008

Province	Number 1/	R000 2/ 3/
Eastern Cape	12 684	397 248
Free State	12 482	473 160
Gauteng	90 886	2 612 566
KwaZulu-Natal	34 471	1 311 040
Limpopo	18 970	635 351
Mpumalanga	16 569	652 190
North West	19 945	785 510
Northern Cape	8 686	231 021
Western Cape	34 157	1 121 708
South Africa	248 850	8 219 794

Source: Housing Subsidy System and Provincial Housing Departments co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing

1/ All top structures completed and sites serviced in respect of the reporting period.

2/ Expenditure by the Provincial Housing Departments in respect of subsidies for the financial year 2007/08.

3/ Subsidies not yet fully paid out in all cases.

Explanatory notes

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| Introduction | 1 | Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and therefore do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the Housing Subsidy System and Provincial Housing Departments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in Tables 29 and 30 (page 37). |
| | 2 | In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available. |
| Purpose of the survey | 3 | The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector. |
| Scope of the survey | 4 | This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings. |
| Classification | 5 | Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02</i> . The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)</i> with suitable adaptations for local conditions. |
| Response rate | 6 | The preliminary response rate for the survey on building statistics for May 2010 was 94,7%. Improved response rate for April 2010 was 95,6%. |
| Statistical unit | 7 | The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities. |
| Survey methodology and design | 8 | Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 88 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.

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 Tables 29 and 30 (page 37). |
| Constant prices | 9 | The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2005. 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 2005=100. |

- 10 The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 9). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2008 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2008 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2008. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.
- Seasonal adjustment** 11 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 12 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour.
- Trend cycle** 13 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures** 14 Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 15 Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision for 2009 where applicable.
- Related publications** 16 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually.
 - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually.
 - *Bulletin of Statistics* issued quarterly.
 - *South African Statistics* issued annually.
 - *Building Statistics (Report no. 50-11-01)* issued annually.
- Rounding-off of figures** 17 Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
- Pre-release policy** 18 Stats SA's pre-release policy may be inspected at its website, www.statssa.gov.za

Symbols and abbreviations

19	..	no meaningful percentage change between two specified periods available since either one or both of the totals are nil
	0	nil or figure too small to publish
	*	revised
	Stats SA	Statistics South Africa
	SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
	ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
	JBCC	Joint Building Contracts Committee

2010 World Cup note

20	Information relating to the 2010 Soccer World Cup new stadia and renovations, as well as other public sector infrastructure spending e.g. Eskom expansions and the Gautrain project, will not be included in the private sector building data series, as these are partially public sector funded.
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Glossary

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

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

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