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## Results for January to May 2021

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

| Estimates at current prices      | Jan – May<br>2020<br>1/ | Jan – May<br>2021<br>1/ | Difference in value<br>between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021 | % change between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|
|                                  | R'000                   | R'000                   | R'000   |   |
| <b>Residential buildings</b>     | <b>13 308 538</b>       | <b>24 013 436</b>       | <b>10 704 898</b>   | <b>80,4</b>   |
| -Dwelling-houses                 | 7 406 968               | 13 866 782              | 6 459 814   | 87,2  |
| -Flats and townhouses            | 5 768 297               | 9 893 257               | 4 124 960   | 71,5  |
| -Other residential buildings     | 133 273                 | 253 397                 | 120 124   | 90,1  |
| <b>Non-residential buildings</b> | <b>6 250 230</b>        | <b>8 929 750</b>        | <b>2 679 520</b>  | <b>42,9</b>   |
| <b>Additions and alterations</b> | <b>7 554 543</b>        | <b>11 213 287</b>       | <b>3 658 744</b>  | <b>48,4</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>27 113 311</b>       | <b>44 156 473</b>       | <b>17 043 162</b>   | <b>62,9</b>   |

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

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

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) increased by 62,9% (R17 043,2 million) during January to May 2021 compared with January to May 2020.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (80,4% or R10 704,9 million), additions and alterations (48,4% or R3 658,7 million) and non-residential buildings (42,9% or R2 679,5 million) – see Table A.

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

| Estimates at current prices | Jan – May<br>2020<br>1/ | Jan – May<br>2021<br>1/ | % contribution<br>to the total<br>value of<br>building plans<br>passed<br>during<br>Jan – May<br>2020 | % change<br>between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021 | Contribution<br>(% points) to<br>the % change<br>in the value of<br>building plans<br>passed<br>between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021<br>2/ | Difference in<br>value<br>between<br>Jan – May<br>2020<br>and<br>Jan – May<br>2021 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                             | R'000                   | R'000                   |   |  |  | R'000  |
| Western Cape                | 8 631 115               | 10 997 989              | 31,8  | 27,4   | 8,7  | 2 366 874  |
| Eastern Cape                | 1 283 069               | 3 143 850               | 4,7   | 145,0  | 6,9  | 1 860 781  |
| Northern Cape               | 362 646                 | 386 950                 | 1,3   | 6,7  | 0,1  | 24 304   |
| Free State                  | 885 591                 | 1 070 724               | 3,3   | 20,9   | 0,7  | 185 133  |
| KwaZulu-Natal               | 4 976 690               | 8 853 886               | 18,4  | 77,9   | 14,3   | 3 877 196  |
| North West                  | 745 093                 | 2 211 801               | 2,7   | 196,8  | 5,4  | 1 466 708  |
| Gauteng                     | 8 825 198               | 15 149 935              | 32,5  | 71,7   | 23,3   | 6 324 737  |
| Mpumalanga                  | 927 773                 | 1 485 464               | 3,4   | 60,1   | 2,1  | 557 691  |
| Limpopo                     | 476 136                 | 855 874                 | 1,8   | 79,8   | 1,4  | 379 738  |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>27 113 311</b>       | <b>44 156 473</b>       | <b>100,0</b>  | <b>62,9</b>  | <b>62,9</b>  | <b>17 043 162</b>  |

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

The largest contributions to the total increase of 62,9% (R17 043,2 million) were made by Gauteng (contributing 23,3 percentage points or R6 324,7 million), KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 14,3 percentage points or R3 877,2 million), Western Cape (contributing 8,7 percentage points or R2 366,9 million), Eastern Cape (contributing 6,9 percentage points or R1 860,8 million) and North West (contributing 5,4 percentage points or R1 466,7 million) – see Table B.

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

| Estimates at constant 2015 prices | Jan – May 2020<br>1/ | Jan – May 2021<br>1/ | Difference in value between<br>Jan – May 2020 and<br>Jan – May 2021 | % change between<br>Jan – May 2020 and<br>Jan – May 2021 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---|--|
|                                   | R'000                | R'000                | R'000   |  |
| Residential buildings             | 10 714 855           | 17 871 054           | 7 156 199   | 66,8   |
| Non-residential buildings         | 5 033 423            | 6 651 633            | 1 618 210   | 32,1   |
| Additions and alterations         | 6 081 558            | 8 354 401            | 2 272 843   | 37,4   |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>21 829 836</b>    | <b>32 877 088</b>    | <b>11 047 252</b>   | <b>50,6</b>  |

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### Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2015 prices) increased by 50,6% (R11 047,3 million) during January to May 2021 compared with January to May 2020. Increases were recorded for residential buildings (66,8% or R7 156,2 million), additions and alterations (37,4% or R2 272,8 million) and non-residential buildings (32,1% or R1 618,2 million) – see Table C.

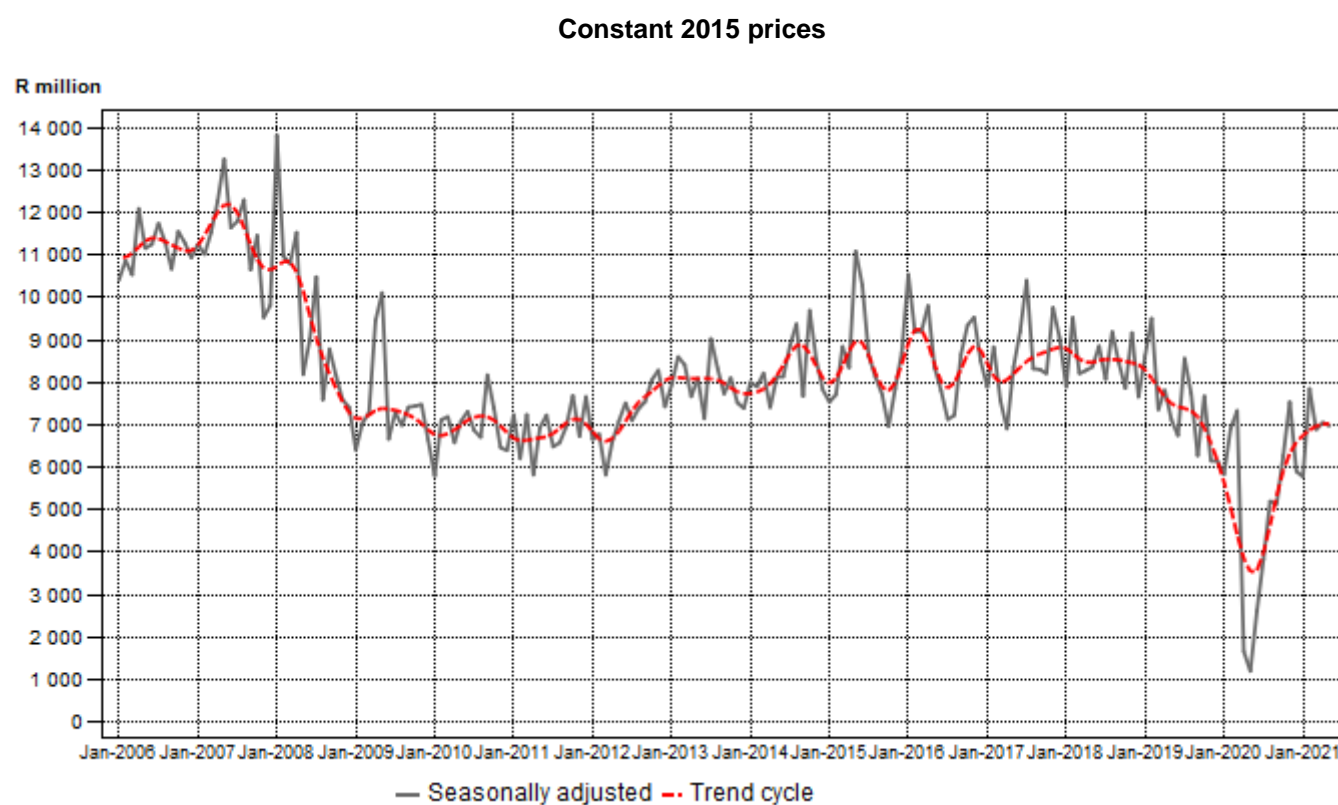
**Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices**

| Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices | Dec 2020 – Feb 2021 | Mar – May 2021    | % change between<br>Dec 2020 – Feb 2021 and<br>Mar – May 2021 |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|---|
|   | R'000               | R'000             |   |
| Residential buildings                                 | 10 833 494          | 11 336 080        | 4,6   |
| Non-residential buildings 1/                          | 3 136 028           | 4 251 037         | 35,6  |
| Additions and alterations                             | 5 559 689           | 5 327 998         | -4,2  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>19 529 211</b>   | <b>20 915 115</b> | <b>7,1</b>  |

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

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed increased by 7,1% in the three months ended May 2021 compared with the previous three months. Increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (35,6%) and residential buildings (4,6%). A decrease was recorded for additions and alterations (-4,2%) – see Table D.

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

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

| Estimates at current prices      | Jan – May<br>2020<br>1/ | Jan – May<br>2021<br>1/ | Difference in value<br>between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021 | % change between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|
|                                  | R'000                   | R'000                   | R'000   |   |
| <b>Residential buildings</b>     | <b>7 331 734</b>        | <b>11 871 477</b>       | <b>4 539 743</b>  | <b>61,9</b>   |
| -Dwelling-houses                 | 4 563 288               | 6 588 007               | 2 024 719   | 44,4  |
| -Flats and townhouses            | 2 718 268               | 5 130 443               | 2 412 175   | 88,7  |
| -Other residential buildings     | 50 178                  | 153 027                 | 102 849   | 205,0   |
| <b>Non-residential buildings</b> | <b>6 500 630</b>        | <b>4 401 022</b>        | <b>-2 099 608</b>   | <b>-32,3</b>  |
| <b>Additions and alterations</b> | <b>3 545 018</b>        | <b>4 457 280</b>        | <b>912 262</b>  | <b>25,7</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>17 377 382</b>       | <b>20 729 779</b>       | <b>3 352 397</b>  | <b>19,3</b>   |

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

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) increased by 19,3% (R3 352,4 million) during January to May 2021 compared with January to May 2020.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (61,9% or R4 539,7 million) and additions and alterations (25,7% or R912,3 million). A decrease was recorded for non-residential buildings (-32,3% or -R2 099,6 million) – see Table E.

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

| Estimates at current prices | Jan – May<br>2020<br>1/ | Jan – May<br>2021<br>1/ | % contribution<br>to the total<br>value of<br>buildings<br>completed<br>during<br>Jan – May<br>2020 | % change<br>between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021 | Contribution<br>(% points) to<br>the % change<br>in the value of<br>buildings<br>completed<br>between<br>Jan – May 2020<br>and<br>Jan – May 2021<br>2/ | Difference in<br>value<br>between<br>Jan – May<br>2020<br>and<br>Jan – May<br>2021 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                             | R'000                   | R'000                   |   |  |  | R'000  |
| Western Cape                | 4 625 878               | 6 971 125               | 26,6  | 50,7   | 13,5   | 2 345 247  |
| Eastern Cape                | 1 144 351               | 1 154 151               | 6,6   | 0,9  | 0,1  | 9 800  |
| Northern Cape               | 140 722                 | 257 042                 | 0,8   | 82,7   | 0,7  | 116 320  |
| Free State                  | 518 925                 | 298 618                 | 3,0   | -42,5  | -1,3   | -220 307   |
| KwaZulu-Natal               | 3 103 469               | 2 606 719               | 17,9  | -16,0  | -2,9   | -496 750   |
| North West                  | 278 591                 | 1 108 133               | 1,6   | 297,8  | 4,8  | 829 542  |
| Gauteng                     | 6 953 902               | 7 714 701               | 40,0  | 10,9   | 4,4  | 760 799  |
| Mpumalanga                  | 437 186                 | 382 347                 | 2,5   | -12,5  | -0,3   | -54 839  |
| Limpopo                     | 174 358                 | 236 943                 | 1,0   | 35,9   | 0,4  | 62 585   |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>17 377 382</b>       | <b>20 729 779</b>       | <b>100,0</b>  | <b>19,3</b>  | <b>19,3</b>  | <b>3 352 397</b>   |

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

Six provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed during January to May 2021, of which Western Cape (contributing 13,5 percentage points or R2 345,2 million), North West (contributing 4,8 percentage points or R829,5 million) and Gauteng (contributing 4,4 percentage points or R760,8 million) were the largest positive contributors – see Table F.

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

| Estimates at constant 2015 prices | Jan – May 2020    | Jan – May 2021    | Difference in value between Jan – May 2020 and Jan – May 2021 | % change between Jan – May 2020 and Jan – May 2021 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|--|
|                                   | 1/                | 1/                |   |  |
|                                   | R'000             | R'000             | R'000   |  |
| Residential buildings             | 5 896 287         | 8 838 849         | 2 942 562   | 49,9   |
| Non-residential buildings         | 5 225 917         | 3 277 097         | -1 948 820  | -37,3  |
| Additions and alterations         | 2 851 303         | 3 319 242         | 467 939   | 16,4   |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>13 973 507</b> | <b>15 435 188</b> | <b>1 461 681</b>  | <b>10,5</b>  |

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### Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2015 prices) increased by 10,5% (R1 461,7 million) during January to May 2021 compared with January to May 2020. Residential buildings rose by 49,9% (R2 942,6 million) and additions and alterations rose by 16,4% (R467,9 million). Non-residential buildings fell by 37,3% (-R1 948,8 million) – see Table G.

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

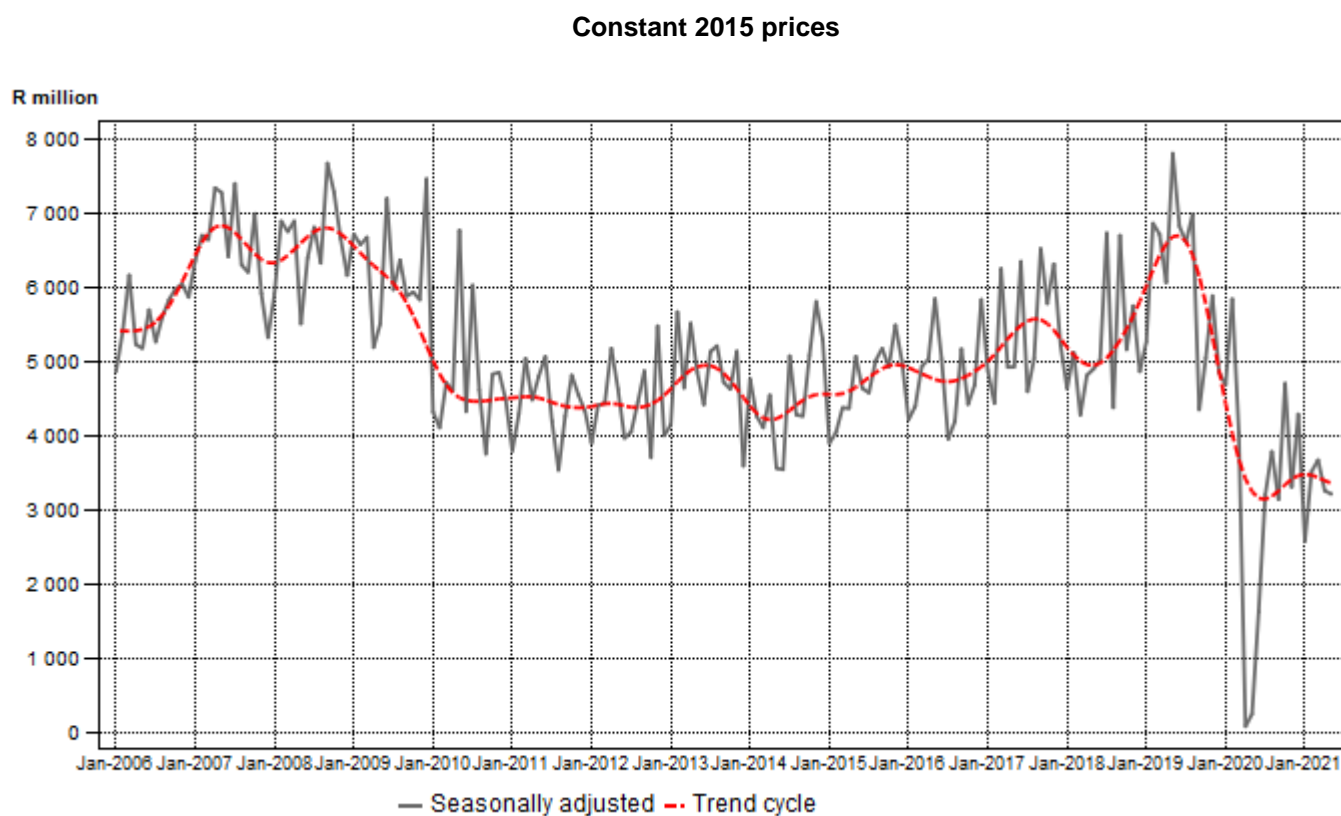
| Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices | Dec 2020 – Feb 2021 | Mar – May 2021    | % change between Dec 2020 – Feb 2021 and Mar – May 2021 |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|---|
|   | R'000               | R'000             |   |
| Residential buildings                                 | 5 903 071           | 6 042 777         | 2,4   |
| Non-residential buildings 1/                          | 2 509 093           | 1 856 473         | -26,0   |
| Additions and alterations                             | 1 967 792           | 2 249 459         | 14,3  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>10 379 956</b>   | <b>10 148 709</b> | <b>-2,2</b>   |

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

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 2,2% in the three months ended May 2021 compared with the previous three months. A decrease was recorded for non-residential buildings (-26,0%). Increases were reported for additions and alterations (14,3%) and residential buildings (2,4%) – see Table H.



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

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

| Year and month 2/ |              | Residential buildings |              | Non-residential buildings |              | Additions and alterations |              | Total             |              |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                   |              | R'000                 | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000             | % change 1/  |
| 2020              | January      | 2 682 473             | -43,8        | 1 427 548                 | -11,4        | 1 686 359                 | -8,2         | 5 796 380         | -29,5        |
|                   | February     | 4 312 361             | -38,3        | 1 840 942                 | -11,0        | 2 501 881                 | 4,2          | 8 655 184         | -24,5        |
|                   | March        | 4 696 032             | 13,2         | 2 071 869                 | -14,2        | 2 487 758                 | 7,5          | 9 255 659         | 4,3          |
|                   | April        | 807 896               | -81,1        | 729 784                   | -66,7        | 442 419                   | -82,9        | 1 980 099         | -78,1        |
|                   | May          | 809 776               | -82,2        | 180 087                   | -89,4        | 436 126                   | -83,5        | 1 425 989         | -84,0        |
|                   | June         | 1 534 178             | -62,4        | 955 406                   | -42,0        | 853 147                   | -66,3        | 3 342 731         | -59,6        |
|                   | July         | 2 853 632             | -53,7        | 964 709                   | -50,4        | 1 466 582                 | -55,3        | 5 284 923         | -53,6        |
|                   | August       | 3 987 254             | -20,8        | 898 911                   | -67,3        | 1 941 160                 | -20,9        | 6 827 325         | -33,3        |
|                   | September    | 3 891 983             | 9,6          | 1 005 117                 | -40,2        | 2 146 483                 | -20,6        | 7 043 583         | -11,2        |
|                   | October      | 5 099 397             | -5,5         | 1 385 581                 | -47,8        | 2 505 796                 | -9,9         | 8 990 774         | -17,0        |
|                   | November     | 4 690 598             | 20,9         | 2 557 651                 | 156,4        | 2 338 480                 | -15,0        | 9 586 729         | 25,7         |
|                   | December     | 3 720 492             | 42,8         | 949 443                   | -52,0        | 1 978 329                 | 0,8          | 6 648 264         | 1,5          |
|                   | <b>Total</b> | <b>39 086 072</b>     | <b>-29,5</b> | <b>14 967 048</b>         | <b>-36,7</b> | <b>20 784 520</b>         | <b>-31,3</b> | <b>74 837 640</b> | <b>-31,6</b> |
| 2021              | January      | 3 471 114             | 29,4         | 413 216                   | -71,1        | 1 522 409                 | -9,7         | 5 406 739         | -6,7         |
|                   | February     | 5 184 991             | 20,2         | 2 758 191                 | 49,8         | 2 636 828                 | 5,4          | 10 580 010        | 22,2         |
|                   | March        | 4 552 882             | -3,0         | 2 499 249                 | 20,6         | 2 554 253                 | 2,7          | 9 606 384         | 3,8          |
|                   | April        | 5 000 286             | 518,9        | 2 024 317                 | 177,4        | 2 135 961                 | 382,8        | 9 160 564         | 362,6        |
|                   | May          | 5 804 163             | 616,8        | 1 234 777                 | 585,7        | 2 363 836                 | 442,0        | 9 402 776         | 559,4        |

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

| Year and month |                        | Residential buildings |             | Non-residential buildings 3/ |             | Additions and alterations |             | Total             |             |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                |                        | R'000                 | % change 1/ | R'000                        | % change 1/ | R'000                     | % change 1/ | R'000             | % change 1/ |
| <b>2020</b>    | January                | 3 537 311             | 10,2        | 1 427 548                    | -27,9       | 2 308 656                 | -4,3        | 7 273 515         | -4,3        |
|                | February               | 4 194 288             | 18,6        | 1 840 942                    | 29,0        | 2 625 677                 | 13,7        | 8 660 907         | 19,1        |
|                | March                  | 4 494 579             | 7,2         | 2 071 869                    | 12,5        | 2 531 359                 | -3,6        | 9 097 807         | 5,0         |
|                | April                  | 840 683               | -81,3       | 729 784                      | -64,8       | 477 936                   | -81,1       | 2 048 403         | -77,5       |
|                | May                    | 825 194               | -1,8        | 180 087                      | -75,3       | 460 117                   | -3,7        | 1 465 398         | -28,5       |
|                | June                   | 1 491 168             | 80,7        | 955 406                      | 430,5       | 779 425                   | 69,4        | 3 225 999         | 120,1       |
|                | July                   | 2 572 428             | 72,5        | 964 709                      | 1,0         | 1 242 602                 | 59,4        | 4 779 739         | 48,2        |
|                | August                 | 3 746 826             | 45,7        | 898 911                      | -6,8        | 1 946 547                 | 56,7        | 6 592 284         | 37,9        |
|                | September              | 3 624 572             | -3,3        | 1 005 117                    | 11,8        | 1 857 678                 | -4,6        | 6 487 367         | -1,6        |
|                | October                | 4 445 127             | 22,6        | 1 385 581                    | 37,9        | 2 206 625                 | 18,8        | 8 037 333         | 23,9        |
|                | November               | 4 900 316             | 10,2        | 2 557 651                    | 84,6        | 2 205 079                 | -0,1        | 9 663 046         | 20,2        |
|                | December               | 4 292 351             | -12,4       | 949 443                      | -62,9       | 2 341 386                 | 6,2         | 7 583 180         | -21,5       |
| <b>2021</b>    | January                | 4 904 127             | 14,3        | 413 216                      | -56,5       | 2 266 006                 | -3,2        | 7 583 349         | 0,0         |
|                | February               | 4 992 057             | 1,8         | 2 758 191                    | 567,5       | 2 683 579                 | 18,4        | 10 433 827        | 37,6        |
|                | March                  | 4 179 362             | -16,3       | 2 499 249                    | -9,4        | 2 458 575                 | -8,4        | 9 137 186         | -12,4       |
|                | April                  | 5 360 764             | 28,3        | 2 024 317                    | -19,0       | 2 322 493                 | -5,5        | 9 707 574         | 6,2         |
|                | May                    | 5 919 902             | 10,4        | 1 234 777                    | -39,0       | 2 471 656                 | 6,4         | 9 626 335         | -0,8        |
|                | <b>Dec 20 – Feb 21</b> | <b>14 188 535</b>     |             | <b>4 120 850</b>             |             | <b>7 290 971</b>          |             | <b>25 600 356</b> |             |
|                | <b>Mar – May 21 2/</b> | <b>15 460 028</b>     | <b>9,0</b>  | <b>5 758 343</b>             | <b>39,7</b> | <b>7 252 724</b>          | <b>-0,5</b> | <b>28 471 095</b> | <b>11,2</b> |

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

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

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

| Year and month 2/ |              | Residential buildings |              | Non-residential buildings |              | Additions and alterations |              | Total             |              |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                   |              | R'000                 | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000             | % change 1/  |
| 2020              | January      | 2 159 801             | -46,4        | 1 149 395                 | -15,5        | 1 357 777                 | -12,4        | 4 666 973         | -32,7        |
|                   | February     | 3 455 417             | -40,9        | 1 475 114                 | -14,8        | 2 004 712                 | -0,2         | 6 935 243         | -27,7        |
|                   | March        | 3 787 123             | 10,5         | 1 670 862                 | -16,3        | 2 006 256                 | 4,9          | 7 464 241         | 1,7          |
|                   | April        | 655 228               | -81,4        | 591 877                   | -67,2        | 358 815                   | -83,1        | 1 605 920         | -78,4        |
|                   | May          | 657 286               | -82,4        | 146 175                   | -89,5        | 353 998                   | -83,7        | 1 157 459         | -84,1        |
|                   | June         | 1 239 239             | -63,0        | 771 733                   | -43,0        | 689 133                   | -66,9        | 2 700 105         | -60,2        |
|                   | July         | 2 281 081             | -54,8        | 771 150                   | -51,5        | 1 172 328                 | -56,3        | 4 224 559         | -54,7        |
|                   | August       | 3 161 978             | -22,9        | 712 856                   | -68,2        | 1 539 381                 | -23,0        | 5 414 215         | -35,1        |
|                   | September    | 3 057 332             | 6,4          | 789 566                   | -41,9        | 1 686 161                 | -22,9        | 5 533 059         | -13,8        |
|                   | October      | 3 971 493             | -9,0         | 1 079 113                 | -49,8        | 1 951 555                 | -13,2        | 7 002 161         | -20,1        |
|                   | November     | 3 647 432             | 16,0         | 1 988 842                 | 146,0        | 1 818 414                 | -18,4        | 7 454 688         | 20,6         |
|                   | December     | 2 881 868             | 36,9         | 735 432                   | -54,0        | 1 532 400                 | -3,3         | 5 149 700         | -2,6         |
|                   | <b>Total</b> | <b>30 955 278</b>     | <b>-32,0</b> | <b>11 882 115</b>         | <b>-38,7</b> | <b>16 470 930</b>         | <b>-33,5</b> | <b>59 308 323</b> | <b>-33,9</b> |
| 2021              | January      | 2 665 986             | 23,4         | 317 370                   | -72,4        | 1 169 285                 | -13,9        | 4 152 641         | -11,0        |
|                   | February     | 3 916 156             | 13,3         | 2 083 226                 | 41,2         | 1 991 562                 | -0,7         | 7 990 944         | 15,2         |
|                   | March        | 3 400 211             | -10,2        | 1 866 504                 | 11,7         | 1 907 583                 | -4,9         | 7 174 298         | -3,9         |
|                   | April        | 3 676 681             | 461,1        | 1 488 468                 | 151,5        | 1 570 560                 | 337,7        | 6 735 709         | 319,4        |
|                   | May          | 4 212 020             | 540,8        | 896 065                   | 513,0        | 1 715 411                 | 384,6        | 6 823 496         | 489,5        |

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

| Year and month |                        | Residential buildings |             | Non-residential buildings 3/ |             | Additions and alterations |             | Total             |             |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                |                        | R'000                 | % change 1/ | R'000                        | % change 1/ | R'000                     | % change 1/ | R'000             | % change 1/ |
| <b>2020</b>    | January                | 2 824 349             | 8,7         | 1 149 395                    | -28,1       | 1 853 810                 | -4,8        | 5 827 554         | -5,2        |
|                | February               | 3 348 186             | 18,5        | 1 475 114                    | 28,3        | 2 085 551                 | 12,5        | 6 908 851         | 18,6        |
|                | March                  | 3 605 219             | 7,7         | 1 670 862                    | 13,3        | 2 055 872                 | -1,4        | 7 331 953         | 6,1         |
|                | April                  | 681 606               | -81,1       | 591 877                      | -64,6       | 383 013                   | -81,4       | 1 656 496         | -77,4       |
|                | May                    | 670 491               | -1,6        | 146 175                      | -75,3       | 373 265                   | -2,5        | 1 189 931         | -28,2       |
|                | June                   | 1 202 179             | 79,3        | 771 733                      | 428,0       | 635 700                   | 70,3        | 2 609 612         | 119,3       |
|                | July                   | 2 068 029             | 72,0        | 771 150                      | -0,1        | 993 047                   | 56,2        | 3 832 226         | 46,9        |
|                | August                 | 2 968 219             | 43,5        | 712 856                      | -7,6        | 1 517 130                 | 52,8        | 5 198 205         | 35,6        |
|                | September              | 2 875 724             | -3,1        | 789 566                      | 10,8        | 1 461 116                 | -3,7        | 5 126 406         | -1,4        |
|                | October                | 3 463 794             | 20,4        | 1 079 113                    | 36,7        | 1 723 804                 | 18,0        | 6 266 711         | 22,2        |
|                | November               | 3 800 900             | 9,7         | 1 988 842                    | 84,3        | 1 750 792                 | 1,6         | 7 540 534         | 20,3        |
|                | December               | 3 345 835             | -12,0       | 735 432                      | -63,0       | 1 818 578                 | 3,9         | 5 899 845         | -21,8       |
| <b>2021</b>    | January                | 3 733 386             | 11,6        | 317 370                      | -56,8       | 1 726 181                 | -5,1        | 5 776 937         | -2,1        |
|                | February               | 3 754 273             | 0,6         | 2 083 226                    | 556,4       | 2 014 930                 | 16,7        | 7 852 429         | 35,9        |
|                | March                  | 3 103 408             | -17,3       | 1 866 504                    | -10,4       | 1 915 593                 | -4,9        | 6 885 505         | -12,3       |
|                | April                  | 3 940 601             | 27,0        | 1 488 468                    | -20,3       | 1 622 655                 | -15,3       | 7 051 724         | 2,4         |
|                | May                    | 4 292 071             | 8,9         | 896 065                      | -39,8       | 1 789 750                 | 10,3        | 6 977 886         | -1,0        |
|                | <b>Dec 20 – Feb 21</b> | <b>10 833 494</b>     |             | <b>3 136 028</b>             |             | <b>5 559 689</b>          |             | <b>19 529 211</b> |             |
|                | <b>Mar – May 21 2/</b> | <b>11 336 080</b>     | <b>4,6</b>  | <b>4 251 037</b>             | <b>35,6</b> | <b>5 327 998</b>          | <b>-4,2</b> | <b>20 915 115</b> | <b>7,1</b>  |

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

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

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

| Year and month 2/ |              | Residential buildings |              | Non-residential buildings |              | Additions and alterations |              | Total             |              |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                   |              | R'000                 | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000             | % change 1/  |
| 2020              | January      | 2 148 619             | -33,2        | 1 477 291                 | 30,8         | 1 183 302                 | 67,8         | 4 809 212         | -4,8         |
|                   | February     | 2 778 801             | -24,1        | 2 973 015                 | -5,8         | 1 267 666                 | 27,9         | 7 019 482         | -10,1        |
|                   | March        | 2 255 666             | -58,7        | 1 899 216                 | 33,7         | 995 404                   | -33,2        | 5 150 286         | -38,5        |
|                   | April        | 36 187                | -99,2        | 46 153                    | -97,2        | 14 131                    | -98,6        | 96 471            | -98,6        |
|                   | May          | 112 461               | -97,9        | 104 955                   | -96,6        | 84 515                    | -91,8        | 301 931           | -96,8        |
|                   | June         | 1 116 026             | -82,4        | 520 306                   | -58,7        | 415 366                   | -52,2        | 2 051 698         | -75,7        |
|                   | July         | 2 767 364             | -42,3        | 424 883                   | -77,7        | 719 931                   | -40,1        | 3 912 178         | -50,5        |
|                   | August       | 2 504 564             | -50,4        | 1 146 262                 | -46,4        | 1 087 927                 | -12,3        | 4 738 753         | -43,8        |
|                   | September    | 2 146 712             | -37,0        | 978 096                   | -22,5        | 1 128 749                 | 1,8          | 4 253 557         | -26,4        |
|                   | October      | 3 513 106             | 7,5          | 1 616 791                 | -13,1        | 1 142 690                 | -15,4        | 6 272 587         | -3,2         |
|                   | November     | 2 931 244             | -38,6        | 870 742                   | -63,0        | 1 160 531                 | -5,2         | 4 962 517         | -40,5        |
|                   | December     | 3 260 890             | 10,0         | 1 405 213                 | -29,2        | 867 951                   | -15,5        | 5 534 054         | -7,4         |
|                   | <b>Total</b> | <b>25 571 640</b>     | <b>-51,3</b> | <b>13 462 923</b>         | <b>-42,0</b> | <b>10 068 163</b>         | <b>-24,1</b> | <b>49 102 726</b> | <b>-44,8</b> |
| 2021              | January      | 1 555 519             | -27,6        | 592 555                   | -59,9        | 557 442                   | -52,9        | 2 705 516         | -43,7        |
|                   | February     | 2 292 037             | -17,5        | 1 278 339                 | -57,0        | 868 117                   | -31,5        | 4 438 493         | -36,8        |
|                   | March        | 3 241 970             | 43,7         | 484 864                   | -74,5        | 1 229 078                 | 23,5         | 4 955 912         | -3,8         |
|                   | April        | 2 247 786             | 6 111,6      | 1 055 478                 | 2 186,9      | 974 063                   | 6 793,1      | 4 277 327         | 4 333,8      |
|                   | May          | 2 534 165             | 2 153,4      | 989 786                   | 843,1        | 828 580                   | 880,4        | 4 352 531         | 1 341,6      |

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

| Year and month |                        | Residential buildings |             | Non-residential buildings 3/ |              | Additions and alterations |             | Total             |             |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                |                        | R'000                 | % change 1/ | R'000                        | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/ | R'000             | % change 1/ |
| <b>2020</b>    | January                | 2 835 141             | -1,6        | 1 477 291                    | -25,6        | 1 523 767                 | 29,4        | 5 836 199         | -3,4        |
|                | February               | 3 074 128             | 8,4         | 2 973 015                    | 101,2        | 1 256 089                 | -17,6       | 7 303 232         | 25,1        |
|                | March                  | 2 286 556             | -25,6       | 1 899 216                    | -36,1        | 815 382                   | -35,1       | 5 001 154         | -31,5       |
|                | April                  | 37 307                | -98,4       | 46 153                       | -97,6        | 16 929                    | -97,9       | 100 389           | -98,0       |
|                | May                    | 113 419               | 204,0       | 104 955                      | 127,4        | 88 512                    | 422,8       | 306 886           | 205,7       |
|                | June                   | 1 089 298             | 860,4       | 520 306                      | 395,7        | 401 544                   | 353,7       | 2 011 148         | 555,3       |
|                | July                   | 2 869 473             | 163,4       | 424 883                      | -18,3        | 712 060                   | 77,3        | 4 006 416         | 99,2        |
|                | August                 | 2 631 009             | -8,3        | 1 146 262                    | 169,8        | 1 002 842                 | 40,8        | 4 780 113         | 19,3        |
|                | September              | 1 924 223             | -26,9       | 978 096                      | -14,7        | 1 091 381                 | 8,8         | 3 993 700         | -16,5       |
|                | October                | 3 373 314             | 75,3        | 1 616 791                    | 65,3         | 1 052 344                 | -3,6        | 6 042 449         | 51,3        |
|                | November               | 2 319 989             | -31,2       | 870 742                      | -46,1        | 1 050 483                 | -0,2        | 4 241 214         | -29,8       |
|                | December               | 3 162 432             | 36,3        | 1 405 213                    | 61,4         | 1 006 031                 | -4,2        | 5 573 676         | 31,4        |
| <b>2021</b>    | January                | 2 057 415             | -34,9       | 592 555                      | -57,8        | 715 200                   | -28,9       | 3 365 170         | -39,6       |
|                | February               | 2 530 037             | 23,0        | 1 278 339                    | 115,7        | 854 288                   | 19,4        | 4 662 664         | 38,6        |
|                | March                  | 3 294 540             | 30,2        | 484 864                      | -62,1        | 1 125 816                 | 31,8        | 4 905 220         | 5,2         |
|                | April                  | 2 325 501             | -29,4       | 1 055 478                    | 117,7        | 1 048 725                 | -6,8        | 4 429 704         | -9,7        |
|                | May                    | 2 558 559             | 10,0        | 989 786                      | -6,2         | 875 349                   | -16,5       | 4 423 694         | -0,1        |
|                | <b>Dec 20 – Feb 21</b> | <b>7 749 884</b>      |             | <b>3 276 107</b>             |              | <b>2 575 519</b>          |             | <b>13 601 510</b> |             |
|                | <b>Mar – May 21 2/</b> | <b>8 178 600</b>      | <b>5,5</b>  | <b>2 530 128</b>             | <b>-22,8</b> | <b>3 049 890</b>          | <b>18,4</b> | <b>13 758 618</b> | <b>1,2</b>  |

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

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

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

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

| Year and month 2/ |              | Residential buildings |              | Non-residential buildings |              | Additions and alterations |              | Total             |              |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                   |              | R'000                 | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/  | R'000             | % change 1/  |
| 2020              | January      | 1 729 967             | -36,2        | 1 189 445                 | 24,8         | 952 739                   | 60,1         | 3 872 151         | -9,1         |
|                   | February     | 2 226 603             | -27,3        | 2 382 224                 | -9,8         | 1 015 758                 | 22,5         | 5 624 585         | -13,9        |
|                   | March        | 1 819 085             | -59,7        | 1 531 626                 | 30,5         | 802 745                   | -34,8        | 4 153 456         | -40,0        |
|                   | April        | 29 349                | -99,2        | 37 431                    | -97,2        | 11 461                    | -98,6        | 78 241            | -98,6        |
|                   | May          | 91 283                | -97,9        | 85 191                    | -96,7        | 68 600                    | -91,9        | 245 074           | -96,8        |
|                   | June         | 901 475               | -82,6        | 420 279                   | -59,3        | 335 514                   | -52,9        | 1 657 268         | -76,1        |
|                   | July         | 2 212 122             | -43,6        | 339 635                   | -78,2        | 575 484                   | -41,5        | 3 127 241         | -51,6        |
|                   | August       | 1 986 173             | -51,7        | 909 010                   | -47,8        | 862 749                   | -14,7        | 3 757 932         | -45,3        |
|                   | September    | 1 686 341             | -38,8        | 768 339                   | -24,8        | 886 684                   | -1,1         | 3 341 364         | -28,5        |
|                   | October      | 2 736 064             | 3,6          | 1 259 183                 | -16,3        | 889 945                   | -18,5        | 4 885 192         | -6,7         |
|                   | November     | 2 279 350             | -41,1        | 677 093                   | -64,5        | 902 435                   | -9,1         | 3 858 878         | -43,0        |
|                   | December     | 2 525 864             | 5,5          | 1 088 469                 | -32,1        | 672 309                   | -19,0        | 4 286 642         | -11,2        |
|                   | <b>Total</b> | <b>20 223 676</b>     | <b>-53,0</b> | <b>10 687 925</b>         | <b>-43,8</b> | <b>7 976 423</b>          | <b>-26,6</b> | <b>38 888 024</b> | <b>-46,7</b> |
| 2021              | January      | 1 194 715             | -30,9        | 455 111                   | -61,7        | 428 143                   | -55,1        | 2 077 969         | -46,3        |
|                   | February     | 1 731 146             | -22,3        | 965 513                   | -59,5        | 655 677                   | -35,4        | 3 352 336         | -40,4        |
|                   | March        | 2 421 187             | 33,1         | 362 109                   | -76,4        | 917 907                   | 14,3         | 3 701 203         | -10,9        |
|                   | April        | 1 652 784             | 5 531,5      | 776 087                   | 1 973,4      | 716 223                   | 6 149,2      | 3 145 094         | 3 919,8      |
|                   | May          | 1 839 017             | 1 914,6      | 718 277                   | 743,1        | 601 292                   | 776,5        | 3 158 586         | 1 188,8      |

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

2/ Preliminary figures.



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

| Year and month |                        | Residential buildings |             | Non-residential buildings 3/ |              | Additions and alterations |             | Total             |             |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                |                        | R'000                 | % change 1/ | R'000                        | % change 1/  | R'000                     | % change 1/ | R'000             | % change 1/ |
| <b>2020</b>    | January                | 2 272 513             | -1,3        | 1 189 445                    | -25,8        | 1 221 628                 | 28,8        | 4 683 586         | -3,5        |
|                | February               | 2 458 526             | 8,2         | 2 382 224                    | 100,3        | 1 005 110                 | -17,7       | 5 845 860         | 24,8        |
|                | March                  | 1 852 307             | -24,7       | 1 531 626                    | -35,7        | 658 029                   | -34,5       | 4 041 962         | -30,9       |
|                | April                  | 30 289                | -98,4       | 37 431                       | -97,6        | 13 742                    | -97,9       | 81 462            | -98,0       |
|                | May                    | 92 224                | 204,5       | 85 191                       | 127,6        | 72 014                    | 424,0       | 249 429           | 206,2       |
|                | June                   | 883 482               | 858,0       | 420 279                      | 393,3        | 324 583                   | 350,7       | 1 628 344         | 552,8       |
|                | July                   | 2 292 642             | 159,5       | 339 635                      | -19,2        | 569 713                   | 75,5        | 3 201 990         | 96,6        |
|                | August                 | 2 083 954             | -9,1        | 909 010                      | 167,6        | 795 521                   | 39,6        | 3 788 485         | 18,3        |
|                | September              | 1 512 724             | -27,4       | 768 339                      | -15,5        | 858 894                   | 8,0         | 3 139 957         | -17,1       |
|                | October                | 2 630 266             | 73,9        | 1 259 183                    | 63,9         | 819 790                   | -4,6        | 4 709 239         | 50,0        |
|                | November               | 1 810 852             | -31,2       | 677 093                      | -46,2        | 817 045                   | -0,3        | 3 304 990         | -29,8       |
|                | December               | 2 424 732             | 33,9        | 1 088 469                    | 60,8         | 777 217                   | -4,9        | 4 290 418         | 29,8        |
| <b>2021</b>    | January                | 1 572 629             | -35,1       | 455 111                      | -58,2        | 546 891                   | -29,6       | 2 574 631         | -40,0       |
|                | February               | 1 905 710             | 21,2        | 965 513                      | 112,1        | 643 684                   | 17,7        | 3 514 907         | 36,5        |
|                | March                  | 2 472 262             | 29,7        | 362 109                      | -62,5        | 840 003                   | 30,5        | 3 674 374         | 4,5         |
|                | April                  | 1 711 277             | -30,8       | 776 087                      | 114,3        | 772 737                   | -8,0        | 3 260 101         | -11,3       |
|                | May                    | 1 859 238             | 8,6         | 718 277                      | -7,4         | 636 719                   | -17,6       | 3 214 234         | -1,4        |
|                | <b>Dec 20 – Feb 21</b> | <b>5 903 071</b>      |             | <b>2 509 093</b>             |              | <b>1 967 792</b>          |             | <b>10 379 956</b> |             |
|                | <b>Mar – May 21 2/</b> | <b>6 042 777</b>      | <b>2,4</b>  | <b>1 856 473</b>             | <b>-26,0</b> | <b>2 249 459</b>          | <b>14,3</b> | <b>10 148 709</b> | <b>-2,2</b> |

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020         | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020    | Jan – May 2021    | % change 1/ |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |                  |                  |                  |                   |                   |             |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 150              | 1 254            | 415              | 5 298             | 2 951             | -44,3       |
|                              |  | square metres  | 7 811            | 57 513           | 22 399           | 240 977           | 151 446           | -37,2       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 51 732           | 412 368          | 150 866          | 1 004 209         | 1 032 184         | 2,8         |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 201              | 1 242            | 1 246            | 3 166             | 6 011             | 89,9        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 49 562           | 345 529          | 350 069          | 849 521           | 1 679 803         | 97,7        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 336 288          | 2 655 105        | 2 652 493        | 6 402 759         | 12 834 598        | 100,5       |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 533              | 2 089            | 3 129            | 6 605             | 11 441            | 73,2        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 53 227           | 213 444          | 291 683          | 690 112           | 1 086 027         | 57,4        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 417 178          | 1 769 841        | 2 980 905        | 5 768 297         | 9 893 257         | 71,5        |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 613              | 20 086           | 2 450            | 17 983            | 32 014            | 78,0        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 4 578            | 162 972          | 19 899           | 133 273           | 253 397           | 90,1        |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>809 776</b>   | <b>5 000 286</b> | <b>5 804 163</b> | <b>13 308 538</b> | <b>24 013 436</b> | <b>80,4</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 837              | 8 550            | 7 641            | 94 339            | 162 052           | 71,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 6 696            | 81 994           | 57 162           | 753 792           | 1 500 858         | 99,1        |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 4 850            | 148 201          | 11 987           | 244 732           | 245 553           | 0,3         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 44 583           | 1 082 477        | 85 719           | 1 982 132         | 1 834 388         | -7,5        |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 3 387            | 103 258          | 128 134          | 377 523           | 735 626           | 94,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 21 549           | 655 008          | 790 447          | 2 408 401         | 4 544 217         | 88,7        |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 15 343           | 30 444           | 42 510           | 144 587           | 156 278           | 8,1         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 107 259          | 204 838          | 301 449          | 1 105 905         | 1 050 287         | -5,0        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>180 087</b>   | <b>2 024 317</b> | <b>1 234 777</b> | <b>6 250 230</b>  | <b>8 929 750</b>  | <b>42,9</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 38 387           | 206 966          | 233 146          | 677 374           | 1 103 537         | 62,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 277 821          | 1 595 000        | 1 841 277        | 5 144 321         | 8 628 545         | 67,7        |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 11 007           | 43 796           | 53 426           | 229 291           | 259 051           | 13,0        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 158 305          | 540 961          | 522 559          | 2 410 222         | 2 584 742         | 7,2         |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>436 126</b>   | <b>2 135 961</b> | <b>2 363 836</b> | <b>7 554 543</b>  | <b>11 213 287</b> | <b>48,4</b> |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>1 425 989</b> | <b>9 160 564</b> | <b>9 402 776</b> | <b>27 113 311</b> | <b>44 156 473</b> | <b>62,9</b> |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020         | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021    | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |                  |                  |                  |                  |                   |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 130              | 77               | 109              | 733              | 535               | -27,0        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 6 744            | 3 653            | 4 953            | 36 225           | 26 393            | -27,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 43 951           | 23 283           | 29 942           | 221 215          | 163 139           | -26,3        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 137              | 356              | 367              | 1 080            | 1 820             | 68,5         |
|                              |  | square metres  | 29 628           | 97 531           | 89 689           | 266 440          | 471 284           | 76,9         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 187 307          | 674 583          | 615 966          | 1 778 498        | 3 304 839         | 85,8         |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 479              | 629              | 621              | 2 159            | 3 119             | 44,5         |
|                              |  | square metres  | 42 119           | 70 959           | 69 160           | 210 928          | 328 576           | 55,8         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 329 002          | 540 125          | 522 779          | 1 656 618        | 2 529 982         | 52,7         |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 613              | 14 455           | 107              | 8 433            | 19 222            | 127,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 4 578            | 118 865          | 878              | 62 866           | 152 858           | 143,1        |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>564 838</b>   | <b>1 356 856</b> | <b>1 169 565</b> | <b>3 719 197</b> | <b>6 150 818</b>  | <b>65,4</b>  |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0                | 1 545            | 4 108            | 41 719           | 19 992            | -52,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0                | 13 533           | 23 634           | 344 721          | 149 962           | -56,5        |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 3 720            | 8 828            | 1 302            | 53 024           | 30 023            | -43,4        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 38 796           | 75 848           | 9 334            | 431 094          | 242 355           | -43,8        |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 2 138            | 25 497           | 30 316           | 83 134           | 112 010           | 34,7         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 15 092           | 155 054          | 208 915          | 578 196          | 741 482           | 28,2         |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 15 343           | 15 638           | 30 228           | 88 339           | 61 704            | -30,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 107 259          | 91 724           | 208 489          | 665 795          | 407 187           | -38,8        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>161 147</b>   | <b>336 159</b>   | <b>450 372</b>   | <b>2 019 806</b> | <b>1 540 986</b>  | <b>-23,7</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 29 424           | 58 615           | 67 329           | 243 669          | 327 391           | 34,4         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 213 870          | 389 673          | 465 843          | 1 611 176        | 2 286 504         | 41,9         |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 9 476            | 22 878           | 24 394           | 118 038          | 95 274            | -19,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 141 231          | 321 617          | 238 028          | 1 280 936        | 1 019 681         | -20,4        |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>355 101</b>   | <b>711 290</b>   | <b>703 871</b>   | <b>2 892 112</b> | <b>3 306 185</b>  | <b>14,3</b>  |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>1 081 086</b> | <b>2 404 305</b> | <b>2 323 808</b> | <b>8 631 115</b> | <b>10 997 989</b> | <b>27,4</b>  |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020      | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |               |                |                |                  |                  |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 1             | 61             | 24             | 41               | 156              | 280,5        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 47            | 3 523          | 1 376          | 2 662            | 8 807            | 230,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 325           | 23 751         | 7 012          | 17 659           | 55 540           | 214,5        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 5             | 113            | 118            | 212              | 530              | 150,0        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 922           | 23 751         | 36 499         | 47 523           | 151 122          | 218,0        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 6 213         | 172 949        | 264 265        | 323 691          | 1 083 699        | 234,8        |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0             | 44             | 45             | 39               | 386              | 889,7        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0             | 4 246          | 4 513          | 3 707            | 29 390           | 692,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 29 915         | 28 031         | 24 770           | 201 081          | 711,8        |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 175            | 190              | 175              | -7,9         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 949            | 1 424            | 949              | -33,4        |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>6 538</b>  | <b>226 615</b> | <b>300 257</b> | <b>367 544</b>   | <b>1 341 269</b> | <b>264,9</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 0              | 5 206            | 2 873            | -44,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 0              | 33 943           | 17 008           | -49,9        |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0             | 49 828         | 0              | 31 777           | 51 245           | 61,3         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 360 373        | 0              | 222 417          | 368 057          | 65,5         |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0             | 26 641         | 13 580         | 30 115           | 60 742           | 101,7        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 189 213        | 98 183         | 183 027          | 428 511          | 134,1        |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0             | 449            | 227            | 2 094            | 10 413           | 397,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 2 435          | 1 641          | 12 667           | 73 447           | 479,8        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b>      | <b>552 021</b> | <b>99 824</b>  | <b>452 054</b>   | <b>887 023</b>   | <b>96,2</b>  |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 739           | 19 381         | 18 891         | 53 820           | 102 548          | 90,5         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 5 113         | 136 416        | 134 563        | 359 188          | 722 447          | 101,1        |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0             | 2 651          | 197            | 13 246           | 24 479           | 84,8         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 19 858         | 6 137          | 104 283          | 193 111          | 85,2         |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>5 113</b>  | <b>156 274</b> | <b>140 700</b> | <b>463 471</b>   | <b>915 558</b>   | <b>97,5</b>  |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>11 651</b> | <b>934 910</b> | <b>540 781</b> | <b>1 283 069</b> | <b>3 143 850</b> | <b>145,0</b> |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020      | Apr 2021      | May 2021      | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021 | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |               |               |               |                |                |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 3             | 5             | 7             | 6              | 18             | 200,0        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 196           | 275           | 407           | 320            | 1 075          | 235,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 1 659         | 2 401         | 3 514         | 2 719          | 9 317          | 242,7        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 6             | 15            | 7             | 59             | 73             | 23,7         |
|                              |  | square metres  | 918           | 3 715         | 1 687         | 14 104         | 17 177         | 21,8         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 4 703         | 31 257        | 13 749        | 112 260        | 141 322        | 25,9         |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0             | 12            | 0             | 94             | 32             | -66,0        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0             | 869           | 0             | 9 046          | 2 146          | -76,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 7 566         | 0             | 79 109         | 18 549         | -76,6        |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 5 005          | 0              | -100,0       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 41 041         | 0              | -100,0       |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>6 362</b>  | <b>41 224</b> | <b>17 263</b> | <b>235 129</b> | <b>169 188</b> | <b>-28,0</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 1 437          | 1 835          | 27,7         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 10 506         | 15 781         | 50,2         |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 1 130         | 0             | 0             | 1 365          | 276            | -79,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 5 787         | 0             | 0             | 7 847          | 2 374          | -69,7        |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 627           | 3 262          | 8 409          | 157,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 5 392         | 27 333         | 70 357         | 157,4        |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0              | 366            | ..           |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0              | 3 207          | ..           |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>5 787</b>  | <b>0</b>      | <b>5 392</b>  | <b>45 686</b>  | <b>91 719</b>  | <b>100,8</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 1 385         | 3 803         | 2 524         | 9 075          | 13 339         | 47,0         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 11 068        | 32 444        | 19 382        | 74 525         | 109 634        | 47,1         |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 62            | 374           | 118           | 770            | 1 388          | 80,3         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 543           | 5 009         | 2 690         | 7 306          | 16 409         | 124,6        |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>11 611</b> | <b>37 453</b> | <b>22 072</b> | <b>81 831</b>  | <b>126 043</b> | <b>54,0</b>  |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>23 760</b> | <b>78 677</b> | <b>44 727</b> | <b>362 646</b> | <b>386 950</b> | <b>6,7</b>   |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020      | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/ |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |               |                |                |                |                  |             |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 2             | 27             | 24             | 51             | 75               | 47,1        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 97            | 1 696          | 1 414          | 2 844          | 4 554            | 60,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 783           | 13 819         | 11 177         | 21 527         | 36 468           | 69,4        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 12            | 45             | 52             | 154            | 257              | 66,9        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 2 981         | 8 886          | 11 136         | 32 596         | 52 579           | 61,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 21 468        | 69 974         | 75 926         | 239 615        | 375 150          | 56,6        |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 14            | 0              | 13             | 119            | 56               | -52,9       |
|                              |  | square metres  | 2 016         | 0              | 1 408          | 14 742         | 8 758            | -40,6       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 16 273        | 0              | 11 874         | 118 856        | 73 643           | -38,0       |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0             | 113            | 911            | 119            | 2 111            | 1 673,9     |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 953            | 4 940          | 961            | 13 456           | 1 300,2     |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>38 524</b> | <b>84 746</b>  | <b>103 917</b> | <b>380 959</b> | <b>498 717</b>   | <b>30,9</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 0              | 5 655          | 0                | -100,0      |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 0              | 45 647         | 0                | -100,0      |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 5 304          | 887            | 6 791            | 665,6       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 31 511         | 6 378          | 42 455           | 565,6       |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0             | 1 370          | 1 976          | 14 995         | 5 918            | -60,5       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 9 575          | 11 305         | 83 135         | 39 241           | -52,8       |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0             | 2 227          | 0              | 0              | 23 813           | ..          |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 18 313         | 0              | 0              | 142 253          | ..          |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b>      | <b>27 888</b>  | <b>42 816</b>  | <b>135 160</b> | <b>223 949</b>   | <b>65,7</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 2 023         | 6 100          | 8 536          | 40 675         | 41 297           | 1,5         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 16 145        | 46 051         | 57 280         | 297 672        | 285 467          | -4,1        |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 959           | 1 854          | 885            | 6 801          | 7 830            | 15,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 11 879        | 17 049         | 9 524          | 71 800         | 62 591           | -12,8       |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>28 024</b> | <b>63 100</b>  | <b>66 804</b>  | <b>369 472</b> | <b>348 058</b>   | <b>-5,8</b> |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>66 548</b> | <b>175 734</b> | <b>213 537</b> | <b>885 591</b> | <b>1 070 724</b> | <b>20,9</b> |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020       | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/ |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |                |                  |                  |                  |                  |             |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 3              | 19               | 23               | 68               | 100              | 47,1        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 143            | 1 074            | 1 406            | 4 067            | 5 821            | 43,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 993            | 8 659            | 10 899           | 36 656           | 48 212           | 31,5        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 16             | 122              | 94               | 292              | 486              | 66,4        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 9 056          | 33 355           | 25 304           | 94 621           | 144 063          | 52,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 72 537         | 359 325          | 223 865          | 931 066          | 1 421 434        | 52,7        |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 30             | 164              | 1 022            | 931              | 2 904            | 211,9       |
|                              |  | square metres  | 7 638          | 20 355           | 102 630          | 111 867          | 259 679          | 132,1       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 61 104         | 226 600          | 1 171 591        | 1 222 922        | 2 785 079        | 127,7       |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0              | 750              | 1 257            | 0                | 5 738            | ..          |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0              | 5 160            | 13 132           | 0                | 48 140           | ..          |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>134 634</b> | <b>599 744</b>   | <b>1 419 487</b> | <b>2 190 644</b> | <b>4 302 865</b> | <b>96,4</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 837            | 129              | 784              | 5 332            | 3 838            | -28,0       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 6 696          | 1 419            | 8 624            | 51 483           | 28 549           | -44,5       |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0              | 1 424            | 2 016            | 105 170          | 23 003           | -78,1       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0              | 14 090           | 20 376           | 872 250          | 234 990          | -73,1       |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0              | 2 718            | 29 998           | 57 935           | 328 834          | 467,6       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0              | 16 800           | 181 765          | 400 869          | 2 004 616        | 400,1       |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0              | 5 977            | 3 067            | 14 747           | 16 191           | 9,8         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0              | 53 552           | 33 737           | 149 646          | 127 249          | -15,0       |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>6 696</b>   | <b>85 861</b>    | <b>244 502</b>   | <b>1 474 248</b> | <b>2 395 404</b> | <b>62,5</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 1 266          | 24 289           | 22 823           | 73 929           | 141 271          | 91,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 8 945          | 254 166          | 232 542          | 805 186          | 1 432 965        | 78,0        |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 510            | 5 081            | 12 640           | 34 928           | 68 891           | 97,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 3 570          | 85 775           | 128 388          | 506 612          | 722 652          | 42,6        |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>12 515</b>  | <b>339 941</b>   | <b>360 930</b>   | <b>1 311 798</b> | <b>2 155 617</b> | <b>64,3</b> |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>153 845</b> | <b>1 025 546</b> | <b>2 024 919</b> | <b>4 976 690</b> | <b>8 853 886</b> | <b>77,9</b> |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |                |                |                |                  |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 12             | 29             | 1 045          | 64               | -93,9        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0        | 648            | 1 271          | 42 481         | 3 325            | -92,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 3 958          | 7 615          | 108 747        | 19 909           | -81,7        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 77             | 99             | 150            | 481              | 220,7        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0        | 23 770         | 25 459         | 33 517         | 116 045          | 246,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 148 918        | 166 868        | 199 246        | 741 961          | 272,4        |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 102            | 155            | 93             | 555              | 496,8        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0        | 13 162         | 14 903         | 10 912         | 47 910           | 339,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 84 320         | 106 652        | 70 128         | 302 734          | 331,7        |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 3 156          | 0                | -100,0       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 20 381         | 0                | -100,0       |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>237 196</b> | <b>281 135</b> | <b>398 502</b> | <b>1 064 604</b> | <b>167,2</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 370            | 2 407          | 845              | -64,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 1 784          | 13 898         | 4 479            | -67,8        |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 56 675         | 266            | 19 598         | 84 846           | 332,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 334 759        | 1 795          | 131 245        | 497 901          | 279,4        |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 5 009          | 0              | 5 940          | 5 430            | -8,6         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 28 388         | 0              | 36 122         | 30 671           | -15,1        |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 1 636          | 2 880          | 2 580          | 13 035           | 405,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 9 544          | 15 793         | 14 935         | 76 448           | 411,9        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>372 691</b> | <b>19 372</b>  | <b>196 200</b> | <b>609 499</b>   | <b>210,7</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 12 798         | 13 171         | 23 348         | 61 679           | 164,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 78 547         | 81 422         | 140 859        | 381 522          | 170,9        |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 4 898          | 2 061          | 916            | 15 374           | 1 578,4      |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 28 498         | 15 489         | 9 532          | 156 176          | 1 538,4      |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>107 045</b> | <b>96 911</b>  | <b>150 391</b> | <b>537 698</b>   | <b>257,5</b> |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>716 932</b> | <b>397 418</b> | <b>745 093</b> | <b>2 211 801</b> | <b>196,8</b> |

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

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

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

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



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

|                              |  |                | May 2020      | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021    | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |               |                  |                  |                  |                   |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 10            | 1 035            | 160              | 3 261            | 1 867             | -42,7        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 516           | 45 616           | 9 287            | 147 253          | 93 639            | -36,4        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 3 668         | 330 727          | 67 129           | 563 607          | 655 797           | 16,4         |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 13            | 297              | 348              | 913              | 1 567             | 71,6         |
|                              |  | square metres  | 3 219         | 100 622          | 109 671          | 269 560          | 497 110           | 84,4         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 23 190        | 865 806          | 971 213          | 2 243 964        | 4 331 792         | 93,0         |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 10            | 1 082            | 1 232            | 2 837            | 4 189             | 47,7         |
|                              |  | square metres  | 1 454         | 95 713           | 92 925           | 311 341          | 384 778           | 23,6         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 10 799        | 832 272          | 1 101 734        | 2 495 123        | 3 828 214         | 53,4         |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0             | 4 021            | 0                | 1 080            | 4 021             | 272,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 33 189           | 0                | 6 600            | 33 189            | 402,9        |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>37 657</b> | <b>2 061 994</b> | <b>2 140 076</b> | <b>5 309 294</b> | <b>8 848 992</b>  | <b>66,7</b>  |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0             | 6 876            | 2 379            | 13 144           | 131 895           | 903,5        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 67 042           | 23 120           | 151 404          | 1 280 416         | 745,7        |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0             | 31 446           | 2 396            | 21 432           | 44 162            | 106,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 297 407          | 18 891           | 222 295          | 414 788           | 86,6         |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 1 249         | 37 928           | 47 969           | 150 168          | 198 810           | 32,4         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 6 457         | 226 601          | 262 079          | 895 679          | 1 130 055         | 26,2         |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0             | 3 360            | 4 852            | 32 633           | 25 819            | -20,9        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 21 439           | 34 978           | 235 174          | 192 110           | -18,3        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>6 457</b>  | <b>612 489</b>   | <b>339 068</b>   | <b>1 504 552</b> | <b>3 017 369</b>  | <b>100,5</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 2 573         | 62 706           | 84 756           | 193 839          | 341 567           | 76,2         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 16 939        | 542 073          | 758 240          | 1 630 611        | 2 958 047         | 81,4         |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0             | 3 697            | 11 756           | 49 530           | 37 011            | -25,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 200           | 41 844           | 101 762          | 380 741          | 325 527           | -14,5        |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>17 139</b> | <b>583 917</b>   | <b>860 002</b>   | <b>2 011 352</b> | <b>3 283 574</b>  | <b>63,3</b>  |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>61 253</b> | <b>3 258 400</b> | <b>3 339 146</b> | <b>8 825 198</b> | <b>15 149 935</b> | <b>71,7</b>  |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020      | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |               |                |                |                |                  |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 1             | 14             | 20             | 68             | 79               | 16,2         |
|                              |  | square metres  | 68            | 790            | 1 035          | 3 667          | 4 279            | 16,7         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 353           | 4 323          | 6 047          | 23 623         | 22 243           | -5,8         |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 12            | 171            | 113            | 206            | 574              | 178,6        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 2 838         | 36 132         | 33 781         | 59 830         | 150 838          | 152,1        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 20 870        | 223 474        | 220 624        | 395 302        | 965 918          | 144,3        |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0             | 0              | 0              | 13             | 51               | 292,3        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 0              | 2 017          | 6 081            | 201,5        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 0              | 11 047         | 39 770           | 260,0        |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                | ..           |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                | ..           |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>21 223</b> | <b>227 797</b> | <b>226 671</b> | <b>429 972</b> | <b>1 027 931</b> | <b>139,1</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 0              | 18 816         | 0                | -100,0       |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 0              | 98 598         | 0                | -100,0       |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 703            | 10 695         | 4 672            | -56,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 0              | 3 812          | 83 859         | 28 027           | -66,6        |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0             | 4 095          | 3 143          | 19 426         | 10 800           | -44,4        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 29 377         | 19 645         | 131 688        | 70 947           | -46,1        |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0             | 607            | 1 256          | 914            | 4 387            | 380,0        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0             | 4 517          | 6 811          | 5 872          | 25 072           | 327,0        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b>      | <b>33 894</b>  | <b>30 268</b>  | <b>320 017</b> | <b>124 046</b>   | <b>-61,2</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 977           | 15 051         | 10 115         | 27 087         | 52 458           | 93,7         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 5 741         | 90 038         | 62 073         | 153 791        | 320 184          | 108,2        |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0             | 0              | 0              | 2 371          | 320              | -86,5        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 882           | 2 232          | 2 165          | 23 993         | 13 303           | -44,6        |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>6 623</b>  | <b>92 270</b>  | <b>64 238</b>  | <b>177 784</b> | <b>333 487</b>   | <b>87,6</b>  |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>27 846</b> | <b>353 961</b> | <b>321 177</b> | <b>927 773</b> | <b>1 485 464</b> | <b>60,1</b>  |

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

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

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

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

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

|                              |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021 | % change 1/  |
|------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building         | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |                |                |                |                |              |
| Residential buildings        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 4              | 19             | 25             | 57             | 128,0        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0        | 238            | 1 250          | 1 458          | 3 553          | 143,7        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 1 447          | 7 531          | 8 456          | 21 559         | 155,0        |
|                              | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 46             | 48             | 100            | 223            | 123,0        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0        | 17 767         | 16 843         | 31 330         | 79 585         | 154,0        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 108 819        | 100 017        | 179 117        | 468 483        | 161,6        |
|                              | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 56             | 41             | 320            | 149            | -53,4        |
|                              |  | square metres  | 0        | 8 140          | 6 144          | 15 552         | 18 709         | 20,3         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 49 043         | 38 244         | 89 724         | 114 205        | 27,3         |
|                              | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 747            | 0              | 0              | 747            | ..           |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 4 805          | 0              | 0              | 4 805          | ..           |
|                              | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>164 114</b> | <b>145 792</b> | <b>277 297</b> | <b>609 052</b> | <b>119,6</b> |
| Non-residential buildings    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 623            | 774            | 24,2         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 3 592          | 4 663          | 29,8         |
|                              | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 784            | 535            | -31,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 4 747          | 3 441          | -27,5        |
|                              | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 525            | 12 548         | 4 673          | -62,8        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 3 163          | 72 352         | 28 337         | -60,8        |
|                              | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 550            | 0              | 3 280          | 550            | -83,2        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 3 314          | 0              | 21 816         | 3 314          | -84,8        |
|                              | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>3 314</b>   | <b>3 163</b>   | <b>102 507</b> | <b>39 755</b>  | <b>-61,2</b> |
| Additions and alterations    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 4 223          | 5 001          | 11 932         | 21 987         | 84,3         |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 25 592         | 29 932         | 71 313         | 131 775        | 84,8         |
|                              | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 2 363          | 1 375          | 2 691          | 8 484          | 215,3        |
|                              |  | R'000          | 0        | 19 079         | 18 376         | 25 019         | 75 292         | 200,9        |
|                              | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>44 671</b>  | <b>48 308</b>  | <b>96 332</b>  | <b>207 067</b> | <b>115,0</b> |
| <b>Recorded plans passed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>212 099</b> | <b>197 263</b> | <b>476 136</b> | <b>855 874</b> | <b>79,8</b>  |

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

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020       | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020    | Jan – May 2021    | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |                |                  |                  |                   |                   |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 136            | 506              | 577              | 2 469             | 2 462             | -0,3         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 7 223          | 26 320           | 31 742           | 124 864           | 131 130           | 5,0          |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 47 879         | 167 439          | 202 761          | 732 522           | 820 990           | 12,1         |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 16             | 630              | 654              | 1 912             | 2 890             | 51,2         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 4 107          | 154 216          | 165 276          | 498 722           | 746 550           | 49,7         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 30 537         | 1 197 070        | 1 280 750        | 3 830 766         | 5 767 017         | 50,5         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 34             | 898              | 1 378            | 2 286             | 6 339             | 177,3        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 4 294          | 97 696           | 119 610          | 314 094           | 609 392           | 94,0         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 34 045         | 833 686          | 1 036 596        | 2 718 268         | 5 130 443         | 88,7         |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0              | 4 007            | 1 840            | 5 002             | 17 069            | 241,2        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 49 591           | 14 058           | 50 178            | 153 027           | 205,0        |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>112 461</b> | <b>2 247 786</b> | <b>2 534 165</b> | <b>7 331 734</b>  | <b>11 871 477</b> | <b>61,9</b>  |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0              | 1 843            | 14 958           | 259 522           | 69 339            | -73,3        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 17 367           | 111 076          | 2 491 537         | 584 707           | -76,5        |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0              | 69 112           | 36 622           | 73 163            | 190 780           | 160,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 424 577          | 378 719          | 661 138           | 1 559 798         | 135,9        |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 13 828         | 88 267           | 66 291           | 464 308           | 269 279           | -42,0        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 71 491         | 535 321          | 448 916          | 2 914 459         | 1 709 805         | -41,3        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 4 767          | 10 846           | 8 329            | 59 360            | 70 261            | 18,4         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 33 464         | 78 213           | 51 075           | 433 496           | 546 712           | 26,1         |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>104 955</b> | <b>1 055 478</b> | <b>989 786</b>   | <b>6 500 630</b>  | <b>4 401 022</b>  | <b>-32,3</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 2 430          | 64 375           | 66 129           | 277 133           | 343 818           | 24,1         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 15 868         | 501 928          | 508 499          | 2 028 419         | 2 640 226         | 30,2         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 9 260          | 37 825           | 33 704           | 138 250           | 152 321           | 10,2         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 68 647         | 472 135          | 320 081          | 1 516 599         | 1 817 054         | 19,8         |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>84 515</b>  | <b>974 063</b>   | <b>828 580</b>   | <b>3 545 018</b>  | <b>4 457 280</b>  | <b>25,7</b>  |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>301 931</b> | <b>4 277 327</b> | <b>4 352 531</b> | <b>17 377 382</b> | <b>20 729 779</b> | <b>19,3</b>  |

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

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020       | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/ |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |                |                  |                  |                  |                  |             |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 59             | 226              | 108              | 637              | 797              | 25,1        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 2 677          | 10 428           | 5 278            | 29 084           | 35 819           | 23,2        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 13 755         | 60 809           | 32 449           | 161 910          | 204 574          | 26,4        |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 10             | 238              | 242              | 640              | 1 004            | 56,9        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 2 516          | 55 918           | 58 619           | 162 511          | 240 177          | 47,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 18 822         | 378 728          | 407 263          | 1 105 592        | 1 649 518        | 49,2        |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 34             | 313              | 423              | 690              | 3 139            | 354,9       |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 4 294          | 33 742           | 39 710           | 88 077           | 249 700          | 183,5       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 34 045         | 266 900          | 304 964          | 701 520          | 1 937 613        | 176,2       |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0              | 3 523            | 1 700            | 500              | 14 395           | 2 779,0     |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 46 500           | 13 158           | 3 633            | 132 534          | 3 548,1     |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>66 622</b>  | <b>752 937</b>   | <b>757 834</b>   | <b>1 972 655</b> | <b>3 924 239</b> | <b>98,9</b> |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0              | 0                | 3 520            | 15 336           | 31 217           | 103,6       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 0                | 21 944           | 115 016          | 243 434          | 111,7       |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0              | 0                | 1 198            | 18 617           | 25 597           | 37,5        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 0                | 6 616            | 154 378          | 210 105          | 36,1        |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0              | 3 885            | 37 810           | 56 926           | 70 325           | 23,5        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 26 010           | 249 842          | 387 646          | 474 765          | 22,5        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 4 767          | 7 024            | 0                | 23 872           | 17 883           | -25,1       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 33 464         | 52 354           | 0                | 166 919          | 119 166          | -28,6       |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>33 464</b>  | <b>78 364</b>    | <b>278 402</b>   | <b>823 959</b>   | <b>1 047 470</b> | <b>27,1</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 1 919          | 32 762           | 27 882           | 128 110          | 157 220          | 22,7        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 12 212         | 219 880          | 184 498          | 832 986          | 1 067 583        | 28,2        |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 9 066          | 13 313           | 11 273           | 87 477           | 55 283           | -36,8       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 67 610         | 217 868          | 140 779          | 996 278          | 931 833          | -6,5        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>79 822</b>  | <b>437 748</b>   | <b>325 277</b>   | <b>1 829 264</b> | <b>1 999 416</b> | <b>9,3</b>  |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>179 908</b> | <b>1 269 049</b> | <b>1 361 513</b> | <b>4 625 878</b> | <b>6 971 125</b> | <b>50,7</b> |

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

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |                |                |                  |                  |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 27             | 13             | 39               | 66               | 69,2         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 1 369          | 796            | 2 210            | 3 669            | 66,0         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 9 011          | 5 085          | 13 667           | 23 182           | 69,6         |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 13             | 48             | 123              | 154              | 25,2         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 1 965          | 11 527         | 27 245           | 48 268           | 77,2         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 14 182         | 84 350         | 190 259          | 343 134          | 80,4         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 45             | 15             | 21               | 133              | 533,3        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 4 200          | 1 434          | 2 288            | 11 824           | 416,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 30 366         | 10 368         | 15 409           | 84 643           | 449,3        |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 0                | 0                | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 0                | 0                | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>53 559</b>  | <b>99 803</b>  | <b>219 335</b>   | <b>450 959</b>   | <b>105,6</b> |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 560              | 5 000            | 792,9        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 3 360            | 36 150           | 975,9        |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 0                | 1 725            | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 0                | 12 364           | ..           |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 18 007         | 10 973         | 82 129           | 41 587           | -49,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 125 851        | 79 335         | 547 435          | 291 983          | -46,7        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 1 786            | 1 351            | -24,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 9 146            | 9 442            | 3,2          |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>125 851</b> | <b>79 335</b>  | <b>559 941</b>   | <b>349 939</b>   | <b>-37,5</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 1 899          | 6 962          | 39 950           | 45 705           | 14,4         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 13 454         | 50 208         | 273 739          | 322 778          | 17,9         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 382            | 644            | 12 740           | 3 139            | -75,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 3 347          | 5 495          | 91 336           | 30 475           | -66,6        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>16 801</b>  | <b>55 703</b>  | <b>365 075</b>   | <b>353 253</b>   | <b>-3,2</b>  |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>196 211</b> | <b>234 841</b> | <b>1 144 351</b> | <b>1 154 151</b> | <b>0,9</b>   |

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

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021      | May 2021      | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021 | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |               |               |                |                |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 2             | 1             | 0              | 3              | ..           |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 114           | 62            | 0              | 176            | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 980           | 533           | 0              | 1 513          | ..           |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 20            | 7             | 32             | 46             | 43,8         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 3 348         | 1 639         | 7 232          | 10 084         | 39,4         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 28 793        | 14 095        | 58 320         | 85 172         | 46,0         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 0             | 4             | 3              | 11             | 266,7        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 553           | 382            | 1 035          | 170,9        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 4 756         | 3 133          | 8 901          | 184,1        |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>29 773</b> | <b>19 384</b> | <b>61 453</b>  | <b>95 586</b>  | <b>55,5</b>  |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 274           | 0             | 0              | 274            | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 2 356         | 0             | 0              | 2 356          | ..           |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | ..           |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 1 086         | 1 802          | 1 086          | -39,7        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 9 340         | 13 306         | 9 340          | -29,8        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 0             | 504            | 195            | -61,3        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 0             | 4 133          | 1 677          | -59,4        |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>2 356</b>  | <b>9 340</b>  | <b>17 439</b>  | <b>13 373</b>  | <b>-23,3</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 1 469         | 1 467         | 7 203          | 10 353         | 43,7         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 12 633        | 12 616        | 61 525         | 88 927         | 44,5         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 899           | 5 847         | 0              | 6 746          | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 7 842         | 50 444        | 305            | 59 156         | 19 295,4     |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>20 475</b> | <b>63 060</b> | <b>61 830</b>  | <b>148 083</b> | <b>139,5</b> |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>52 604</b> | <b>91 784</b> | <b>140 722</b> | <b>257 042</b> | <b>82,7</b>  |

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

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020      | Apr 2021      | May 2021      | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021 | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |               |               |               |                |                |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 22            | 15            | 15            | 70             | 100            | 42,9         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 1 379         | 811           | 923           | 4 284          | 6 011          | 40,3         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 11 131        | 6 450         | 7 415         | 34 394         | 49 761         | 44,7         |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 1             | 6             | 12            | 76             | 122            | 60,5         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 337           | 1 968         | 2 782         | 17 784         | 21 686         | 21,9         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 2 720         | 13 689        | 20 262        | 132 850        | 162 128        | 22,0         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0             | 33            | 0             | 36             | 35             | -2,8         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0             | 3 640         | 0             | 10 313         | 4 012          | -61,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0             | 30 703        | 0             | 83 246         | 33 393         | -59,9        |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0              | 605            | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0              | 4 942          | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>13 851</b> | <b>50 842</b> | <b>27 677</b> | <b>250 490</b> | <b>250 224</b> | <b>-0,1</b>  |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 6 713          | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 54 187         | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 2 970          | 538            | -81,9        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0             | 0             | 0             | 23 974         | 3 640          | -84,8        |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0             | 458           | 0             | 14 549         | 712            | -95,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0             | 3 201         | 0             | 116 179        | 5 037          | -95,7        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0             | 63            | 0             | 0              | 471            | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0             | 440           | 0             | 0              | 2 653          | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b>      | <b>3 641</b>  | <b>0</b>      | <b>194 340</b> | <b>11 330</b>  | <b>-94,2</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 7             | 945           | 813           | 5 534          | 5 109          | -7,7         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 57            | 5 220         | 5 608         | 34 878         | 31 869         | -8,6         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0             | 212           | 114           | 3 440          | 628            | -81,7        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 35            | 2 394         | 618           | 39 217         | 5 195          | -86,8        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>92</b>     | <b>7 614</b>  | <b>6 226</b>  | <b>74 095</b>  | <b>37 064</b>  | <b>-50,0</b> |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>13 943</b> | <b>62 097</b> | <b>33 903</b> | <b>518 925</b> | <b>298 618</b> | <b>-42,5</b> |

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

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

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

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



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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |                |                |                  |                  |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 6              | 6              | 40               | 33               | -17,5        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 340            | 351            | 2 544            | 1 983            | -22,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 3 779          | 2 419          | 25 019           | 16 664           | -33,4        |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 53             | 30             | 180              | 216              | 20,0         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 15 486         | 12 410         | 51 066           | 71 748           | 40,5         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 162 289        | 125 836        | 521 801          | 719 742          | 37,9         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 100            | 47             | 496              | 250              | -49,6        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 9 934          | 6 147          | 65 064           | 33 327           | -48,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 98 596         | 56 559         | 680 588          | 295 625          | -56,6        |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 1 248            | 1 445            | 15,8         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 14 851           | 11 560           | -22,2        |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>264 664</b> | <b>184 814</b> | <b>1 242 259</b> | <b>1 043 591</b> | <b>-16,0</b> |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 184            | 0              | 5 578            | 14 880           | 166,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 1 288          | 0              | 42 218           | 156 395          | 270,4        |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 18 105         | 30 315         | 2 764            | 52 491           | 1 799,1      |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 127 114        | 325 606        | 21 482           | 487 232          | 2 168,1      |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 3 417          | 11 875         | 232 215          | 22 602           | -90,3        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 20 502         | 77 211         | 1 394 330        | 147 292          | -89,4        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 164            | 325            | 267              | 489              | 83,1         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 1 312          | 2 275          | 2 937            | 3 587            | 22,1         |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>150 216</b> | <b>405 092</b> | <b>1 460 967</b> | <b>794 506</b>   | <b>-45,6</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 9 225          | 10 331         | 31 530           | 39 976           | 26,8         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 104 986        | 111 251        | 331 958          | 445 588          | 34,2         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 16 388         | 2 390          | 5 909            | 28 002           | 373,9        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 195 960        | 24 652         | 68 285           | 323 034          | 373,1        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>300 946</b> | <b>135 903</b> | <b>400 243</b>   | <b>768 622</b>   | <b>92,0</b>  |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>715 826</b> | <b>725 809</b> | <b>3 103 469</b> | <b>2 606 719</b> | <b>-16,0</b> |

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

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021       | May 2021       | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |                |                |                |                  |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 25             | 27             | 25             | 92               | 268,0        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 1 461          | 1 646          | 1 577          | 5 584            | 254,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 8 442          | 9 447          | 8 733          | 31 814           | 264,3        |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 28             | 44             | 118            | 237              | 100,8        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 6 441          | 11 345         | 18 957         | 52 822           | 178,6        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 40 267         | 74 083         | 116 195        | 330 698          | 184,6        |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 22             | 82             | 98             | 144              | 46,9         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 3 650          | 6 564          | 10 739         | 17 218           | 60,3         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 26 390         | 41 475         | 66 877         | 113 634          | 69,9         |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0                | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>75 099</b>  | <b>125 005</b> | <b>191 805</b> | <b>476 146</b>   | <b>148,2</b> |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 6 355          | 3 689          | 6 818            | 84,8         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 36 719         | 20 727         | 39 358           | 89,9         |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 50 390         | 0              | 2 505          | 64 709           | 2 483,2      |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 291 153        | 0              | 13 278         | 390 181          | 2 838,6      |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 260            | 2 272          | 3 131          | 2 792            | -10,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 1 880          | 14 972         | 16 247         | 18 732           | 15,3         |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 0              | 0              | 1 533          | 0                | -100,0       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0              | 0              | 8 433          | 0                | -100,0       |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>293 033</b> | <b>51 691</b>  | <b>58 685</b>  | <b>448 271</b>   | <b>663,9</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 474            | 1 516          | 2 654          | 9 936            | 274,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 2 638          | 8 713          | 15 988         | 55 780           | 248,9        |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 1 704          | 11 045         | 51             | 13 341           | 26 058,8     |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 9 274          | 68 392         | 12 113         | 127 936          | 956,2        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>11 912</b>  | <b>77 105</b>  | <b>28 101</b>  | <b>183 716</b>   | <b>553,8</b> |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>380 044</b> | <b>253 801</b> | <b>278 591</b> | <b>1 108 133</b> | <b>297,8</b> |

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

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020       | Apr 2021         | May 2021         | Jan – May 2020   | Jan – May 2021   | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |                |                  |                  |                  |                  |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 51             | 177              | 393              | 1 578            | 1 253            | -20,6        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 3 002          | 10 098           | 21 915           | 80 827           | 71 126           | -12,0        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 22 118         | 67 280           | 141 013          | 465 495          | 452 672          | -2,8         |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 4              | 217              | 217              | 599              | 885              | 47,7         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 978            | 53 095           | 51 213           | 181 821          | 238 300          | 31,1         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 7 531          | 451 063          | 446 717          | 1 512 233        | 2 045 588        | 35,3         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0              | 378              | 807              | 912              | 2 620            | 187,3        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0              | 41 679           | 65 202           | 133 662          | 291 425          | 118,0        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 375 604          | 618 474          | 1 148 458        | 2 651 507        | 130,9        |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0              | 484              | 0                | 3 254            | 484              | -85,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 3 091            | 0                | 31 694           | 3 091            | -90,2        |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>29 649</b>  | <b>897 038</b>   | <b>1 206 204</b> | <b>3 157 880</b> | <b>5 152 858</b> | <b>63,2</b>  |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0              | 1 200            | 5 083            | 226 542          | 7 370            | -96,7        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 12 272           | 52 413           | 2 250 067        | 78 433           | -96,5        |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0              | 617              | 4 116            | 41 993           | 43 821           | 4,4          |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 6 310            | 38 711           | 416 201          | 443 031          | 6,4          |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 13 828         | 60 783           | 2 275            | 53 118           | 126 491          | 138,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 71 491         | 349 473          | 18 216           | 299 042          | 738 715          | 147,0        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0              | 1 843            | 8 004            | 19 879           | 48 040           | 141,7        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0              | 12 838           | 48 800           | 157 782          | 398 438          | 152,5        |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>71 491</b>  | <b>380 893</b>   | <b>158 140</b>   | <b>3 123 092</b> | <b>1 658 617</b> | <b>-46,9</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 329            | 15 764           | 16 217           | 48 207           | 69 105           | 43,4         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 2 361          | 132 505          | 129 878          | 401 211          | 588 755          | 46,7         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 194            | 4 927            | 2 308            | 26 643           | 43 578           | 63,6         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 1 002          | 31 262           | 24 365           | 271 719          | 314 471          | 15,7         |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>3 363</b>   | <b>163 767</b>   | <b>154 243</b>   | <b>672 930</b>   | <b>903 226</b>   | <b>34,2</b>  |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>104 503</b> | <b>1 441 698</b> | <b>1 518 587</b> | <b>6 953 902</b> | <b>7 714 701</b> | <b>10,9</b>  |

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

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

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020     | Apr 2021      | May 2021      | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021 | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |              |               |               |                |                |              |
| <b>Residential buildings</b>        | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 4            | 13            | 10            | 67             | 69             | 3,0          |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 165          | 774           | 509           | 3 544          | 3 756          | 6,0          |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 875          | 5 115         | 2 821         | 18 726         | 22 699         | 21,2         |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 1            | 33            | 37            | 84             | 134            | 59,5         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 276          | 8 166         | 9 879         | 16 884         | 35 892         | 112,6        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 1 464        | 61 212        | 73 194        | 105 805        | 267 089        | 152,4        |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0            | 0             | 0             | 26             | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0            | 0             | 0             | 3 306          | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 0             | 0             | 17 521         | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0            | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 0             | 0             | 0              | 0              | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>2 339</b> | <b>66 327</b> | <b>76 015</b> | <b>142 052</b> | <b>289 788</b> | <b>104,0</b> |
| <b>Non-residential buildings</b>    | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0            | 185           | 0             | 863            | 3 197          | 270,5        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 1 451         | 0             | 4 573          | 25 068         | 448,2        |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0            | 0             | 993           | 3 350          | 993            | -70,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 0             | 7 786         | 26 267         | 7 786          | -70,4        |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0            | 1 307         | 0             | 14 130         | 2 491          | -82,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 7 245         | 0             | 102 934        | 16 529         | -83,9        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0            | 0             | 0             | 8 543          | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 0             | 0             | 66 986         | 0              | -100,0       |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b>     | <b>8 696</b>  | <b>7 786</b>  | <b>200 760</b> | <b>49 383</b>  | <b>-75,4</b> |
| <b>Additions and alterations</b>    | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 175          | 937           | 536           | 12 136         | 3 823          | -68,5        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 1 238        | 5 288         | 3 459         | 66 002         | 23 951         | -63,7        |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0            | 0             | 83            | 1 261          | 1 566          | 24,2         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0            | 4 188         | 2 336         | 28 372         | 19 225         | -32,2        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>1 238</b> | <b>9 476</b>  | <b>5 795</b>  | <b>94 374</b>  | <b>43 176</b>  | <b>-54,3</b> |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>3 577</b> | <b>84 499</b> | <b>89 596</b> | <b>437 186</b> | <b>382 347</b> | <b>-12,5</b> |

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

|                                     |  |                | May 2020 | Apr 2021      | May 2021      | Jan – May 2020 | Jan – May 2021 | % change 1/  |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building                | Type of building                       | Measuring unit |          |               |               |                |                |              |
| Residential buildings               | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres     | Number         | 0        | 15            | 4             | 13             | 49             | 276,9        |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 925           | 262           | 794            | 3 006          | 278,6        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 5 573         | 1 579         | 4 578          | 18 111         | 295,6        |
|                                     | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres    | Number         | 0        | 22            | 17            | 60             | 92             | 53,3         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 7 829         | 5 862         | 15 222         | 27 573         | 81,1         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 46 847        | 34 950        | 87 711         | 163 948        | 86,9         |
|                                     | Flats and townhouses                   | Number         | 0        | 7             | 0             | 4              | 7              | 75,0         |
|                                     |  | square metres  | 0        | 851           | 0             | 263            | 851            | 223,6        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 5 127         | 0             | 1 516          | 5 127          | 238,2        |
|                                     | Other residential buildings 2/         | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 140           | 0              | 140            | ..           |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 900           | 0              | 900            | ..           |
|                                     | <b>Total residential buildings</b>     | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>57 547</b> | <b>37 429</b> | <b>93 805</b>  | <b>188 086</b> | <b>100,5</b> |
| Non-residential buildings           | Office and banking space               | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 0             | 241            | 583            | 141,9        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 0             | 1 389          | 3 513          | 152,9        |
|                                     | Shopping space                         | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 0             | 964            | 906            | -6,0         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 0             | 5 558          | 5 459          | -1,8         |
|                                     | Industrial and warehouse space         | square metres  | 0        | 150           | 0             | 6 308          | 1 193          | -81,1        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 1 159         | 0             | 37 340         | 7 412          | -80,1        |
|                                     | Other non-residential buildings 3/     | square metres  | 0        | 1 752         | 0             | 2 976          | 1 832          | -38,4        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 11 269        | 0             | 17 160         | 11 749         | -31,5        |
|                                     | <b>Total non-residential buildings</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>12 428</b> | <b>0</b>      | <b>61 447</b>  | <b>28 133</b>  | <b>-54,2</b> |
| Additions and alterations           | Dwelling-houses                        | square metres  | 0        | 900           | 405           | 1 809          | 2 591          | 43,2         |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 5 324         | 2 268         | 10 132         | 14 995         | 48,0         |
|                                     | Other buildings 4/                     | square metres  | 0        | 0             | 0             | 729            | 38             | -94,8        |
|                                     |  | R'000          | 0        | 0             | 3 000         | 8 974          | 5 729          | -36,2        |
|                                     | <b>Total additions and alterations</b> | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>5 324</b>  | <b>5 268</b>  | <b>19 106</b>  | <b>20 724</b>  | <b>8,5</b>   |
| <b>Recorded buildings completed</b> | <b>Total at current prices</b>         | <b>R'000</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>75 299</b> | <b>42 697</b> | <b>174 358</b> | <b>236 943</b> | <b>35,9</b>  |

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

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

## Explanatory notes

|                                      |   |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Introduction</b>                  | 1 | Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.   |
|                                      | 2 | In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.  |
| <b>Purpose of the survey</b>         | 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.  |
| <b>Scope of the survey</b>           | 4 | This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• passing of building plans; and</li> <li>• final inspection of completed buildings.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Classification</b>                | 5 | Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> , (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.   |
| <b>Collection rate</b>               | 6 | The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for May 2021 was 82,9%. The improved collection rate for April 2021 was 91,0%.  |
| <b>Statistical unit</b>              | 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.  |
| <b>Survey methodology and design</b> | 8 | Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.   |
| <b>Constant prices</b>               | 9 | The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2015. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: <i>Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2016=100) are converted to the base year 2015=100. |

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| <b>Seasonal adjustment</b>       | <b>10</b> | Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.   |
|                                  | <b>11</b> | <p>Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at <a href="#">Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment May 2017</a></p> <p><b>Note:</b> Owing to the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown, additive outlier adjustments were performed. The methodology will be reviewed as more data points are added to the time series.</p> |
| <b>Trend cycle</b>               | <b>12</b> | The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.   |
| <b>Revised figures</b>           | <b>13</b> | 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.  |
|                                  | <b>14</b> | Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.   |
| <b>Related publications</b>      | <b>15</b> | <p>Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> issued annually;</li> <li>• P9101.2: <i>Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region</i> issued annually; and</li> <li>• <i>Building Statistics</i> (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Rounding-off of figures</b>   | <b>16</b> | Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.  |
| <b>Symbols and abbreviations</b> | <b>17</b> | .. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage.  |
|                                  | 0         | Nil or figure too small to publish.   |
|                                  | *         | Revised.  |
|                                  | Stats SA  | Statistics South Africa.  |
|                                  | SIC       | Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.  |
|                                  | ISIC      | International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.  |

## Glossary

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| <b>Additions and alterations</b>     | Extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.  |
| <b>Blocks of flats</b>               | 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.  |
| <b>Dwelling-house</b>                | 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.   |
| <b>Local government institutions</b> | <p>Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District municipalities;</li> <li>• Metropolitan municipalities; and</li> <li>• Local municipalities.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Municipality</b>                  | 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).  |
| <b>District municipality</b>         | 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)).  |
| <b>Metropolitan municipality</b>     | 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)).  |
| <b>Local municipality</b>            | 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.  |
| <b>Non-residential buildings</b>     | 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.  |
| <b>Other residential buildings</b>   | Institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, old people’s homes, hostels, hotels, motels, guesthouses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation, entertainment centres and casinos.  |
| <b>Percentage change</b>             | <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> |



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| <b>Reference period</b>      | One calendar month.  |
| <b>Residential buildings</b> | Buildings that are used primarily as residences. Includes dwelling-houses, flats, townhouses and other residential buildings.  |
| <b>Townhouses</b>            | 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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