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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDING PLANS PASSED AT CURRENT PRICES

Table A – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to September 2007 versus January to September 2008

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2007	January to September 2008	Difference in value between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Percentage change between January to September 2007 and January to	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	September 2008	
Residential buildings	34 021 509	29 945 249	-4 076 260	-12,0	
-Dwelling-houses	22 722 795	18 151 183	-4 571 612	-20,1	
-Flats and townhouses	10 566 675	10 684 827	118 152	1,1	
-Other residential buildings	732 039	1 109 239	377 200	51,5	
Non-residential buildings	12 021 393	13 672 170	1 650 777	13,7	
Additions and alterations	16 206 620	16 641 639	435 019	2,7	
Total	62 249 522	60 259 058	-1 990 464	-3,2	

^{1/} Sep. 2008 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 decreased

The value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to September 2008 decreased by 3,2% (-R1 990,5 million) compared with January to September 2007 (see Table A).

This was due to a decrease of 12,0% (-R4 076,3 million) reported for residential buildings. However, the decrease in residential buildings was partially counteracted by increases reported for non-residential buildings (13,7% or R1 650,8 million) and additions and alterations (2,7% or R435,0 million).

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to September 2007 versus January to September 2008

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2007	January to September 2008 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to September 2007	Percentage change between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of building plans passed between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008 2/	Difference in value between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	13 602 181	13 263 586	21,9	-2,5	-0,5	-338 595
Eastern Cape	3 204 370	2 177 517	5,1	-32,0	-1,6	-1 026 853
Northern Cape	549 054	369 148	0,9	-32,8	-0,3	-179 906
Free State	1 768 778	1 891 331	2,8	6,9	0,2	122 553
KwaZulu-Natal	9 046 840	12 015 273	14,5	32,8	4,8	2 968 433
North West	2 335 043	2 053 916	3,8	-12,0	-0,5	-281 127
Gauteng	27 692 118	24 588 455	44,5	-11,2	-5,0	-3 103 663
Mpumalanga	2 824 846	2 698 131	4,5	-4,5	-0,2	-126 715
Limpopo	1 226 292	1 201 701	2,0	-2,0	0,0	-24 591
Total	62 249 522	60 259 058	100,0	-3,2	-3,2	-1 990 464

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Seven provinces reported decreases in the value of building plans passed. The biggest contributor to the decrease of 3,2% was Gauteng (contributing -5,0 percentage points or -R3 103,7 million), followed by Eastern Cape (-1,6 percentage points or -R1 026,9 million), Western Cape (-0,5 of a percentage point or -R338,6 million) and North West (-0,5 of a percentage point or -R281,1 million). However, KwaZulu-Natal counteracted these decreases to a certain extent, contributing 4,8 percentage points (R2 968,4 million) (see Table B).

^{2/} The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to Sep. 2007 and Jan. to Sep. 2008 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to Sep. 2007, divided by 100.

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SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDING PLANS PASSED AT CONSTANT PRICES

Table C – Selected key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices: January to September 2007 versus January to September 2008

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to September 2007	January to September 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Percentage change between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	19 752 440	15 289 961	-4 462 479	-22,6
Non-residential buildings	6 968 005	6 982 319	14 314	0,2
Additions and alterations	9 396 974	8 471 460	-925 514	-9,8
Total	36 117 419	30 743 740	-5 373 679	-14,9

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Total real value of recorded building plans passed decreased

The real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during January to September 2008 decreased by 14,9% (-R5 373,7 million) compared with January to September 2007. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-22,6% or -R4 462,5 million) and additions and alterations (-9,8% or -R925,5 million). A slight increase of 0,2% (R14,3 million) was reported for non-residential buildings.

Table D - Seasonally adjusted key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices: current quarter versus previous quarter

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	April to June 2008	July to September 2008	Percentage change between April to June 2008 and July to September	
	R'000	R'000	2008	
Residential buildings	4 920 810	4 304 805	-12,5	
Non-residential buildings	2 361 495	1 931 262	-18,2	
Additions and alterations	2 683 903	2 675 232	-0,3	
Total	9 966 208	8 911 299	-10,6	

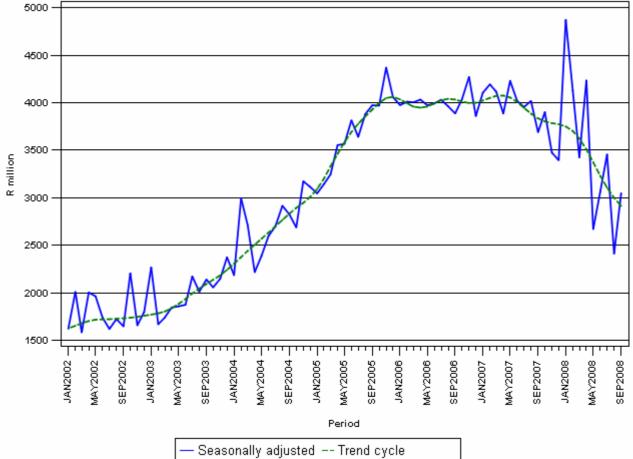
Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities during the third quarter of 2008 decreased by 10,6% compared with the previous quarter. The biggest decrease was reported for non-residential buildings (-18,2%), followed by residential buildings (-12,5%) and additions and alterations (-0,3%) (see Table D).

Figure 1 shows both the seasonally adjusted and the trend series for recorded building plans passed at constant 2000 prices between January 2002 and September 2008. The sharp increases in the seasonally adjusted value for January and April 2008 were mainly due to large projects passed for shopping space and additions and alterations to non-residential buildings. The sharp decreases in the seasonally adjusted value for May and August 2008 can be attributed to decreases in plans passed for all major building categories.

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

Constant 2000 prices



SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDINGS COMPLETED AT CURRENT PRICES

Table E – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices: January to September 2007 versus January to September 2008

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2007	January to September 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Percentage change between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	21 372 241	21 041 279	-330 962	-1,5
-Dwelling-houses	13 014 153	13 032 095	17 942	0,1
-Flats and townhouses	7 780 867	7 533 976	-246 891	-3,2
-Other residential buildings	577 221	475 208	-102 013	-17,7
Non-residential buildings	6 682 489	8 386 217	1 703 728	25,5
Additions and alterations	5 854 887	7 267 518	1 412 631	24,1
Total	33 909 617	36 695 014	2 785 397	8,2

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Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices increased

As indicated in Table E, the value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at current prices) during January to September 2008 increased by 8,2% (R2 785,4 million) compared with January to September 2007.

Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (25,5% or R1 703,7 million) and additions and alterations (24,1% or R1 412,6 million). A decrease of 1,5% (-R331,0 million) was reported for residential buildings during this period.

Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to September 2007 versus January to September 2008

Estimates at current prices	January to September 2007	January to September 2008 1/	Percentage contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to September 2007	Percentage change between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Contribution (percentage points) to the percentage change in the value of buildings completed between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Difference in value between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	8 919 992	9 481 459	26,3	6,3	1,7	561 467
Eastern Cape	1 179 946	1 413 578	3,5	19,8	0,7	233 632
Northern Cape	291 286	245 343	0,9	-15,8	-0,1	-45 943
Free State	910 526	636 452	2,7	-30,1	-0,8	-274 074
KwaZulu-Natal	5 346 922	5 554 325	15,8	3,9	0,6	207 403
North West	1 293 074	1 371 248	3,8	6,0	0,2	78 174
Gauteng	14 449 018	16 328 324	42,6	13,0	5,5	1 879 306
Mpumalanga	1 142 783	1 216 848	3,4	6,5	0,2	74 065
Limpopo	376 070	447 437	1,1	19,0	0,2	71 367
Total	33 909 617	36 695 014	100,0	8,2	8,2	2 785 397

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Seven provinces reported increases in the value of buildings completed. The largest contributor to the increase of 8,2% was Gauteng (5,5 percentage points or R1 879,3 million), followed by Western Cape (1,7 percentage points or R561,5 million) and Eastern Cape (0,7 of a percentage point or R233,6 million) (see Table F).

^{2/} The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to Sep. 2007 and Jan. to Sep. 2008 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during Jan. to Sep. 2007, divided by 100.

SELECTED BUILDING STATISTICS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDING BUILDINGS COMPLETED AT CONSTANT PRICES

Table G – Selected key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2000 prices: January to September 2007 versus January to September 2008

Estimates at constant 2000 prices	January to September 2007	January to September 2008 1/	Difference in value between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008	Percentage change between January to September 2007 and January to September 2008
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	13 285 817	11 894 290	-1 391 527	-10,5
Non-residential buildings	4 517 089	5 082 208	565 119	12,5
Additions and alterations	3 774 939	4 219 234	444 295	11,8
Total	21 577 845	21 195 732	-382 113	-1,8

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Total real value of buildings reported as completed decreased

As indicated in Table G, the real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities (at constant 2000 prices) during January to September 2008 decreased by 1,8% (-R382,1 million) compared with January to September 2007. A decrease in the real value of buildings completed was reported for residential buildings (-10,5% or -R1 391,5 million). However, this decrease was to a certain extent counteracted by increases reported for non-residential buildings (12,5% or R565,1 million) and additions and alterations (11,8% or R444,3 million).

Table H – Seasonally adjusted key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to large municipalities at constant 2000 prices: current quarter versus previous quarter

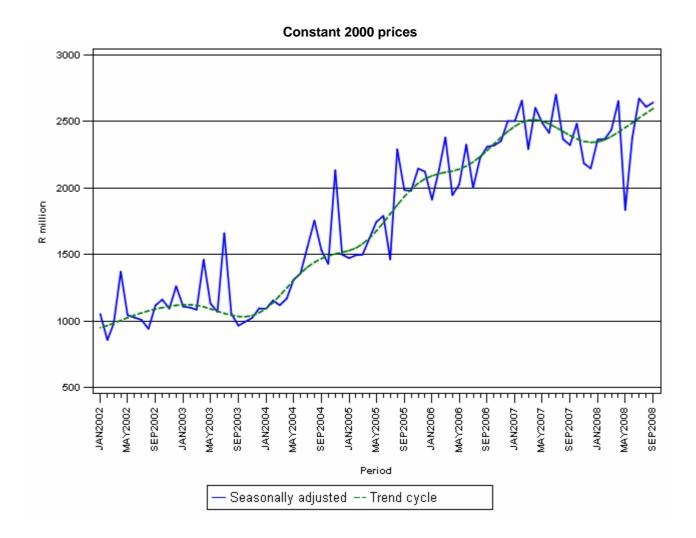
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2000 prices	April to June 2008	July to September 2008	Percentage change between April to June 2008 and July to September	
	R'000	R'000	2008	
Residential buildings	3 901 557	4 154 571	6,5	
Non-residential buildings	1 582 672	2 262 071	42,9	
Additions and alterations	1 380 285	1 517 011	9,9	
Total	6 864 514	7 933 653	15,6	

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities during the third quarter of 2008 increased by 15,6% compared with the previous quarter. The biggest increase was reported for non-residential buildings (42,9%), followed by additions and alterations (9,9%) and residential buildings (6,5%) (see Table H).

Figure 2 shows both the seasonally adjusted and trend series for buildings reported as completed to municipalities at constant 2000 prices between January 2002 and September 2008. The sharp decrease in the seasonally adjusted value for May 2008 can be attributed to a decrease reported for residential buildings.

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

Va	ar and month	Residenti	al buildings	Non-resider	Non-residential buildings		nd alterations	Total	
Year and month		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	2 827 517	10,5	987 578	26,9	1 346 316	23,4	5 161 411	16,6
	February	3 522 549	10,4	1 365 860	44,9	1 623 501	12,4	6 511 910	16,8
	March	3 984 514	32,8	995 325	-19,8	1 576 921	1,2	6 556 760	13,0
	April	3 496 868	26,5	1 184 213	-29,6	1 583 440	14,3	6 264 521	7,4
	May	4 442 501	22,8	1 460 970	16,5	2 222 070	20,4	8 125 541	21,0
	June	4 045 284	5,7	1 427 671	45,2	1 729 470	4,2	7 202 425	11,3
	July	4 165 556	6,3	1 397 269	-3,2	2 230 946	20,9	7 793 771	8,1
	August	3 983 237	-0,9	1 707 558	15,5	2 197 822	30,0	7 888 617	9,7
	September	3 553 483	-5,5	1 494 949	36,5	1 696 134	-3,5	6 744 566	2,0
	October	4 001 808	2,6	1 524 115	-12,6	2 383 645	29,8	7 909 568	5,7
	November	3 508 017	-12,7	1 005 570	-27,2	1 863 343	0,9	6 376 930	-12,0
	December	2 436 011	-9,5	1 123 502	3,9	1 341 123	-6,8	4 900 636	-6,0
	Total	43 967 345	6,5	15 674 580	3,8	21 794 731	12,3	81 436 656	7,5
2008	January	2 768 780	-2,1	1 799 722	82,2	2 091 211	55,3	6 659 713	29,0
	February	4 160 004	18,1	1 078 667	-21,0	1 830 159	12,7	7 068 830	8,6
	March	3 378 017	-15,2	1 333 238	34,0	1 386 097	-12,1	6 097 352	-7,0
	April	3 831 677	9,6	2 550 483	115,4	1 741 807	10,0	8 123 967	29,7
	May	2 793 277	-37,1	1 451 679	-0,6	1 690 213	-23,9	5 935 169	-27,0
	June*	3 272 538	-19,1	1 159 311	-18,8	1 889 503	9,3	6 321 352	-12,2
	July*	4 091 336	-1,8	1 721 776	23,2	2 168 162	-2,8	7 981 274	2,4
	August	2 801 744	-29,7	1 047 665	-38,6	1 688 337	-23,2	5 537 746	-29,8
	September 2/	2 847 876	-19,9	1 529 629	2,3	2 156 150	27,1	6 533 655	-3,1

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

^{*}Revised.

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

	Year and month	Resident	ial buildings	Non-reside	Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
	rear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	
2007	January	3 778 249	9,9	1 294 165	-2,2	1 821 928	7,9	6 894 342	6,9	
	February	3 755 457	-0,6	1 570 818	21,4	1 735 631	-4,7	7 061 906	2,4	
	March	4 170 718	11,1	996 073	-36,6	1 671 195	-3,7	6 837 986	-3,2	
	April	3 934 415	-5,7	967 271	-2,9	1 763 967	5,6	6 665 653	-2,5	
	May	3 909 508	-0,6	1 438 795	48,7	1 988 182	12,7	7 336 485	10,1	
	June	3 745 483	-4,2	1 510 812	5,0	1 724 242	-13,3	6 980 537	-4,9	
	July	3 678 920	-1,8	1 235 432	-18,2	1 977 069	14,7	6 891 421	-1,3	
	August	3 653 417	-0,7	1 370 479	10,9	2 029 142	2,6	7 053 038	2,3	
	September	3 329 310	-8,9	1 568 750	14,5	1 597 871	-21,3	6 495 931	-7,9	
	October	3 618 923	8,7	1 317 763	-16,0	1 988 448	24,4	6 925 134	6,6	
	November	3 287 760	-9,2	1 126 687	-14,5	1 785 132	-10,2	6 199 579	-10,5	
	December	3 110 246	-5,4	1 419 286	26,0	1 572 983	-11,9	6 102 515	-1,6	
2008	January	3 668 627	18,0	2 345 396	65,3	2 823 072	79,5	8 837 095	44,8	
	February	4 434 166	20,9	1 237 575	-47,2	1 966 486	-30,3	7 638 227	-13,6	
	March	3 532 060	-20,3	1 367 521	10,5	1 484 530	-24,5	6 384 111	-16,4	
	April	4 322 494	22,4	2 017 672	47,5	1 935 796	30,4	8 275 962	29,6	
	May	2 451 726	-43,3	1 404 311	-30,4	1 496 021	-22,7	5 352 058	-35,3	
	June	3 017 649	23,1	1 249 871	-11,0	1 894 655	26,6	6 162 175	15,1	
	July	3 617 008	19,9	1 523 648	21,9	1 909 435	0,8	7 050 091	14,4	
	August	2 576 746	-28,8	851 367	-44,1	1 574 295	-17,6	5 002 408	-29,0	
	September	2 687 050	4,3	1 598 211	87,7	2 026 022	28,7	6 311 283	26,2	
	Apr Jun.08	9 791 869		4 671 854		5 326 472		19 790 195		
	Jul Sep.08 2/	8 880 804	-9,3	3 973 226	-15,0	5 509 752	3,4	18 363 782	-7,2	

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

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

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

V	ear and month	Residentia	al buildings	Non-reside	ential buildings	Additions a	nd alterations	To	otal
1,	ear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	1 693 124	-1,4	591 364	13,2	806 177	10,1	3 090 665	4,0
	February	2 106 788	-1,1	816 902	29,8	970 993	0,7	3 894 683	4,6
	March	2 375 977	18,9	593 515	-28,3	940 323	-9,4	3 909 815	1,2
	April	2 049 747	12,4	694 146	-37,5	928 159	1,5	3 672 052	-4,6
	May	2 563 474	8,8	843 029	3,3	1 282 210	6,7	4 688 713	7,2
	June	2 319 544	-5,2	818 619	30,2	991 669	-6,6	4 129 832	-0,2
	July	2 376 244	-3,8	797 073	-12,4	1 272 645	9,4	4 445 962	-2,2
	August	2 254 237	-9,1	966 360	6,0	1 243 816	19,4	4 464 413	0,7
	September	2 013 305	-12,8	846 997	25,9	960 982	-11,0	3 821 284	-5,9
	October	2 252 002	-5,6	857 690	-19,6	1 341 387	19,4	4 451 079	-2,7
	November	1 970 796	-19,0	564 927	-32,5	1 046 822	-6,3	3 582 545	-18,3
	December	1 363 185	-15,9	628 708	-3,4	750 489	-13,4	2 742 382	-12,6
	Total	25 338 423	-3,2	9 019 330	-5,9	12 535 672	1,9	46 893 425	-2,4
2008	January	1 534 800	-9,4	997 629	68,7	1 159 208	43,8	3 691 637	19,4
	February	2 267 032	7,6	587 829	-28,0	997 362	2,7	3 852 223	-1,1
	March	1 797 774	-24,3	709 547	19,5	737 678	-21,6	3 244 999	-17,0
	April	1 972 042	-3,8	1 312 652	89,1	896 452	-3,4	4 181 146	13,9
	May	1 393 851	-45,6	724 391	-14,1	843 420	-34,2	2 961 662	-36,8
	June*	1 619 267	-30,2	573 632	-29,9	934 935	-5,7	3 127 834	-24,3
	July*	1 992 857	-16,1	838 663	5,2	1 056 094	-17,0	3 887 614	-12,6
	August	1 341 189	-40,5	501 515	-48,1	808 203	-35,0	2 650 907	-40,6
	September 2/	1 371 149	-31,9	736 461	-13,1	1 038 108	8,0	3 145 718	-17,7

^{1/} The annual/monthly percentage change is the change in the values of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the relevant year/month compared with the values of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the comparable period of the previous year expressed as a percentage. 2/ Preliminary figures.
*Revised.

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

	Year and month	Resident	al buildings	Non-reside	ntial buildings	Additions a	and alterations	Total	
	rear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	2 246 126	9,4	771 737	-2,3	1 086 564	7,1	4 104 427	6,4
	February	2 224 190	-1,0	939 557	21,7	1 028 762	-5,3	4 192 509	2,1
	March	2 538 439	14,1	588 903	-37,3	986 327	-4,1	4 113 669	-1,9
	April	2 287 084	-9,9	565 516	-4,0	1 032 906	4,7	3 885 506	-5,5
	May	2 248 460	-1,7	834 060	47,5	1 146 686	11,0	4 229 206	8,8
	June	2 153 070	-4,2	870 536	4,4	994 252	-13,3	4 017 858	-5,0
	July	2 105 270	-2,2	710 716	-18,4	1 137 021	14,4	3 953 007	-1,6
	August	2 082 576	-1,1	777 706	9,4	1 156 966	1,8	4 017 248	1,6
	September	1 887 954	-9,3	892 969	14,8	907 074	-21,6	3 687 997	-8,2
	October	2 037 679	7,9	741 615	-16,9	1 120 352	23,5	3 899 646	5,7
	November	1 842 057	-9,6	630 239	-15,0	1 001 462	-10,6	3 473 758	-10,9
	December	1 726 971	-6,2	787 495	25,0	879 310	-12,2	3 393 776	-2,3
2008	January	2 018 132	16,9	1 294 490	64,4	1 558 373	77,2	4 870 995	43,5
	February	2 390 920	18,5	674 480	-47,9	1 060 864	-31,9	4 126 264	-15,3
	March	1 921 842	-19,6	719 804	6,7	781 418	-26,3	3 423 064	-17,0
	April	2 204 349	14,7	1 035 286	43,8	994 779	27,3	4 234 414	23,7
	May	1 219 095	-44,7	704 336	-32,0	745 857	-25,0	2 669 288	-37,0
	June	1 497 366	22,8	621 873	-11,7	943 267	26,5	3 062 506	14,7
	July	1 767 380	18,0	749 068	20,5	938 229	-0,5	3 454 677	12,8
	August	1 242 790	-29,7	408 656	-45,4	759 629	-19,0	2 411 075	-30,2
	September	1 294 635	4,2	773 538	89,3	977 374	28,7	3 045 547	26,3
	Apr Jun.08	4 920 810		2 361 495		2 683 903		9 966 208	
	Jul Sep.08 2/	4 304 805	-12,5	1 931 262	-18,2	2 675 232	-0,3	8 911 299	-10,6

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

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

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

,	rear and month	Residenti	al buildings	Non-reside	ential buildings	Additions	and alterations	To	otal
	rear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	1 643 461	30,6	483 947	52,8	637 592	56,7	2 765 000	39,5
	February	2 220 763	25,3	884 589	116,4	564 618	2,1	3 669 970	34,2
	March	2 106 924	-0,3	778 599	18,7	668 881	13,5	3 554 404	5,8
	April	2 349 465	34,4	628 306	134,1	555 935	23,4	3 533 706	43,2
	May	2 684 077	34,9	713 817	40,0	587 834	2,1	3 985 728	29,6
	June	2 576 642	11,6	580 714	19,5	659 194	16,2	3 816 550	13,5
	July	2 781 646	22,6	1 108 133	232,1	720 746	29,9	4 610 525	46,1
	August	2 668 958	12,2	560 927	13,9	782 187	40,3	4 012 072	17,0
	September	2 340 305	-7,9	943 457	133,0	677 900	1,8	3 961 662	9,7
	October	2 524 579	6,5	1 216 247	58,3	844 411	30,8	4 585 237	21,1
	November	2 705 875	2,2	698 089	7,2	897 925	5,2	4 301 889	3,6
	December	2 516 899	-5,9	624 843	15,3	440 298	-19,3	3 582 040	-4,8
	Total	29 119 594	11,7	9 221 668	57,9	8 037 521	15,4	46 378 783	19,3
2008	January	1 605 749	-2,3	673 686	39,2	606 740	-4,8	2 886 175	4,4
	February	2 123 278	-4,4	619 227	-30,0	903 748	60,1	3 646 253	-0,6
	March	2 470 344	17,2	944 060	21,3	783 511	17,1	4 197 915	18,1
	April	2 473 221	5,3	791 484	26,0	731 536	31,6	3 996 241	13,1
	May	1 779 918	-33,7	670 917	-6,0	729 371	24,1	3 180 206	-20,2
	June*	2 497 511	-3,1	843 132	45,2	778 111	18,0	4 118 754	7,9
	July*	2 505 895	-9,9	1 557 587	40,6	938 735	30,2	5 002 217	8,5
	August	2 640 690	-1,1	1 152 276	105,4	910 570	16,4	4 703 536	17,2
	September 2/	2 944 673	25,8	1 133 848	20,2	885 196	30,6	4 963 717	25,3

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

^{*} Revised.

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

	Year and month	Resident	ial buildings	Non-reside	ntial buildings	Additions a	and alterations	To	otal
	rear and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	2 427 495	-2,2	579 521	-9,9	724 434	14,7	3 731 450	-0,6
	February	2 544 179	4,8	946 085	63,3	587 109	-19,0	4 077 373	9,3
	March	2 234 099	-12,2	662 706	-30,0	659 651	12,4	3 556 456	-12,8
	April	2 564 621	14,8	839 366	26,7	645 416	-2,2	4 049 403	13,9
	May	2 631 829	2,6	699 944	-16,6	593 306	-8,1	3 925 079	-3,1
	June	2 542 252	-3,4	617 154	-11,8	671 822	13,2	3 831 228	-2,4
	July	2 611 352	2,7	1 004 931	62,8	692 136	3,0	4 308 419	12,5
	August	2 476 674	-5,2	608 886	-39,4	759 680	9,8	3 845 240	-10,8
	September	2 151 297	-13,1	919 085	50,9	663 557	-12,7	3 733 939	-2,9
	October	2 441 041	13,5	848 570	-7,7	758 850	14,4	4 048 461	8,4
	November	2 231 537	-8,6	671 895	-20,8	719 259	-5,2	3 622 691	-10,5
	December	2 318 021	3,9	761 701	13,4	507 983	-29,4	3 587 705	-1,0
2008	January	2 393 198	3,2	825 798	8,4	693 146	36,5	3 912 142	9,0
	February	2 427 569	1,4	657 629	-20,4	944 924	36,3	4 030 122	3,0
	March	2 613 728	7,7	785 322	19,4	765 003	-19,0	4 164 053	3,3
	April	2 692 438	3,0	1 038 462	32,2	843 265	10,2	4 574 165	9,8
	May	1 760 482	-34,6	676 674	-34,8	746 714	-11,4	3 183 870	-30,4
	June	2 448 633	39,1	897 855	32,7	796 006	6,6	4 142 494	30,1
	July	2 370 772	-3,2	1 390 196	54,8	905 169	13,7	4 666 137	12,6
	August	2 454 393	3,5	1 256 520	-9,6	886 838	-2,0	4 597 751	-1,5
	September	2 691 144	9,6	1 148 341	-8,6	864 931	-2,5	4 704 416	2,3
	Apr Jun.08	6 901 553		2 612 991		2 385 985		11 900 529	
	Jul Sep.08 2/	7 516 309	8,9	3 795 057	45,2	2 656 938	11,4	13 968 304	17,4

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

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

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

Vo	ar and month	Residentia	al buildings	Non-reside	ential buildings	Additions	and alterations	To	otal
10	ar and month	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	1 061 053	21,2	332 381	43,0	427 914	48,2	1 821 348	30,4
	February	1 412 524	15,0	604 227	102,6	376 915	-3,8	2 393 666	24,8
	March	1 331 570	-8,7	530 381	11,1	445 624	7,5	2 307 575	-1,8
	April	1 485 694	23,7	427 128	119,9	366 954	16,7	2 279 776	33,4
	May	1 670 485	22,7	483 616	31,8	382 704	-4,6	2 536 805	19,2
	June	1 598 013	1,2	392 640	12,4	421 749	7,0	2 412 402	3,9
	July	1 702 483	11,0	743 713	214,1	454 443	19,3	2 900 639	34,8
	August	1 611 227	0,5	374 451	7,3	482 236	26,6	2 467 914	5,8
	September	1 412 768	-17,3	628 552	120,6	416 400	-8,2	2 457 720	0,5
	October	1 501 860	-5,1	802 803	49,8	516 459	17,7	2 821 122	10,3
	November	1 589 691	-9,2	454 485	0,1	543 538	-6,0	2 587 714	-7,0
	December	1 467 797	-16,2	399 772	6,2	265 080	-28,2	2 132 649	-14,6
	Total	17 845 165	1,2	6 174 149	48,6	5 100 016	6,1	29 119 330	9,5
2008	January	932 103	-12,2	424 770	27,8	363 317	-15,1	1 720 190	-5,6
	February	1 225 307	-13,3	381 768	-36,8	540 519	43,4	2 147 594	-10,3
	March	1 428 638	7,3	579 889	9,3	467 210	4,8	2 475 737	7,3
	April	1 414 520	-4,8	484 088	13,3	428 802	16,9	2 327 410	2,1
	May	1 007 693	-39,7	406 124	-16,0	420 872	10,0	1 834 689	-27,7
	June*	1 413 141	-11,6	507 605	29,3	446 165	5,8	2 366 911	-1,9
	July*	1 402 833	-17,6	932 687	25,4	535 502	17,8	2 871 022	-1,0
	August	1 461 355	-9,3	689 160	84,0	515 320	6,9	2 665 835	8,0
	September 2/	1 608 700	13,9	676 117	7,6	501 527	20,4	2 786 344	13,4

^{1/} The annual/monthly percentage change is the change in the values of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant year/month compared with the values of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the comparable period of the previous year expressed as a percentage. 2/ Preliminary figures. *Revised.

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

	Year and month	Residentia	al buildings	Non-reside	ntial buildings	Additions	and alterations	7	otal
	rear and month	R'000	%change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2007	January	1 618 630	-0,8	399 450	-10,7	485 288	14,3	2 503 368	-0,0
	February	1 616 237	-0,1	650 262	62,8	390 903	-19,4	2 657 402	6,2
	March	1 403 832	-13,1	452 151	-30,5	436 259	11,6	2 292 242	-13,7
	April	1 608 784	14,6	570 101	26,1	424 984	-2,6	2 603 869	13,6
	May	1 632 594	1,5	472 889	-17,1	386 091	-9,2	2 491 574	-4,3
	June	1 567 773	-4,0	416 348	-12,0	430 233	11,4	2 414 354	-3,1
	July	1 591 336	1,5	673 623	61,8	438 007	1,8	2 702 966	12,0
	August	1 489 351	-6,4	405 522	-39,8	472 370	7,8	2 367 243	-12,4
	September	1 303 022	-12,5	609 471	50,3	409 137	-13,4	2 321 630	-1,9
	October	1 459 240	12,0	560 080	-8,1	464 876	13,6	2 484 196	7,0
	November	1 312 238	-10,1	437 559	-21,9	435 732	-6,3	2 185 529	-12,0
	December	1 354 330	3,2	488 438	11,6	304 184	-30,2	2 146 952	-1,8
2008	January	1 428 274	5,5	522 742	7,0	414 249	36,2	2 365 265	10,2
	February	1 397 045	-2,2	408 148	-21,9	563 285	36,0	2 368 478	0,1
	March	1 501 547	7,5	483 369	18,4	452 519	-19,7	2 437 435	2,9
	April	1 527 466	1,7	634 725	31,3	492 894	8,9	2 655 085	8,9
	May	994 753	-34,9	408 711	-35,6	430 577	-12,6	1 834 041	-30,9
	June	1 379 338	38,7	539 236	31,9	456 814	6,1	2 375 388	29,5
	July	1 324 170	-4,0	831 360	54,2	518 385	13,5	2 673 915	12,6
	August	1 355 655	2,4	749 337	-9,9	506 480	-2,3	2 611 472	-2,3
	September	1 474 746	8,8	681 374	-9,1	492 146	-2,8	2 648 266	1,4
	Apr Jun.08	3 901 557		1 582 672		1 380 285		6 864 514	
	Jul Sep.08 2/	4 154 571	6,5	2 262 071	42,9	1 517 011	9,9	7 933 653	15,6

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 830	2 488	5 294	28 474	24 162	-15,1
		square metres	85 566	107 193	212 411	1 254 216	1 074 267	-14,3
		R'000	180 838	250 238	443 577	2 391 550	2 192 356	-8,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	2 447	1 610	1 603	24 762	17 131	-30,8
		square metres	629 687	440 768	398 285	6 204 060	4 386 386	-29,3
		R'000	2 144 045	1 588 521	1 493 068	20 331 245	15 958 827	-21,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	3 129	1 884	1 985	26 068	23 861	-8,5
		square metres	304 711	198 704	212 986	3 060 167	2 679 195	-12,4
		R'000	1 145 617	861 172	871 441	10 566 675	10 684 827	1,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	26 950	23 848	9 099	184 123	246 985	34,1
		R'000	82 983	101 813	39 790	732 039	1 109 239	51,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	3 553 483	2 801 744	2 847 876	34 021 509	29 945 249	-12,0
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	53 931	52 241	70 804	693 738	706 583	1,9
		R'000	220 119	225 550	332 248	2 842 267	3 307 301	16,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	104 024	78 166	69 370	874 264	1 044 275	19,4
		R'000	394 878	344 803	295 579	3 264 366	4 484 466	37,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	265 945	115 979	272 597	1 766 253	1 716 210	-2,8
		R'000	780 233	377 062	792 533	4 950 532	5 053 578	2,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	37 087	28 939	29 752	289 248	219 408	-24,1
		R'000	99 719	100 250	109 269	964 228	826 825	-14,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 494 949	1 047 665	1 529 629	12 021 393	13 672 170	13,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	416 333	337 090	348 273	3 900 297	3 096 432	-20,6
		R'000	1 335 981	1 171 310	1 233 665	11 998 068	10 690 394	-10,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	94 034	125 718	229 836	1 061 413	1 403 699	32,2
		R'000	360 153	517 027	922 485	4 208 552	5 951 245	41,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	1 696 134	1 688 337	2 156 150	16 206 620	16 641 639	2,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	6 744 566	5 537 746	6 533 655	62 249 522	60 259 058	-3,2

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit			•		,	
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	135	615	629	2 842	5 406	90,2
		square metres	7 236	25 819	27 689	131 276	239 574	82,5
		R'000	17 120	57 136	81 797	283 300	455 411	60,8
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	481	298	319	5 426	3 618	-33,3
		square metres	120 902	86 281	81 516	1 329 583	948 216	-28,7
		R'000	420 177	326 027	310 873	4 500 266	3 564 582	-20,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	347	231	260	4 679	4 756	1,6
		square metres	33 701	23 788	37 195	468 199	513 109	9,6
		R'000	106 292	86 409	144 220	1 615 578	1 895 828	17,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	5 427	13 317	433	56 849	76 477	34,5
		R'000	18 078	58 453	1 624	230 882	468 919	103,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	561 667	528 025	538 514	6 630 026	6 384 740	-3,7
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	5 989	2 856	29 721	212 432	118 383	-44,3
		R'000	19 426	11 670	124 240	690 237	474 682	-31,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	18 319	2 409	9 998	107 598	86 742	-19,4
		R'000	64 498	7 322	41 358	375 507	329 579	-12,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	40 687	20 912	33 565	408 635	395 696	-3,2
		R'000	122 200	75 910	127 166	1 173 971	1 332 667	13,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 167	6 806	7 546	59 081	84 477	43,0
		R'000	10 877	26 859	30 725	173 374	330 119	90,4
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	217 001	121 761	323 489	2 413 089	2 467 047	2,2
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	121 040	91 262	88 304	1 101 673	826 262	-25,0
		R'000	375 293	300 798	296 496	3 253 274	2 741 361	-15,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	23 141	33 040	131 754	294 365	391 762	33,1
		R'000	113 437	142 306	535 860	1 305 792	1 670 438	27,9
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	488 730	443 104	832 356	4 559 066	4 411 799	-3,2
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 267 398	1 092 890	1 694 359	13 602 181	13 263 586	-2,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	233	27	62	1 248	1 329	6,5
		square metres	9 793	1 523	2 977	55 220	56 287	1,9
		R'000	8 848	3 841	6 583	81 055	81 795	0,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	122	97	102	1 622	833	-48,6
		square metres	29 978	22 695	21 990	375 081	214 941	-42,7
		R'000	101 957	65 163	70 796	1 086 009	689 167	-36,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	178	75	87	1 200	349	-70,9
		square metres	12 747	5 023	12 709	123 917	28 827	-76,7
		R'000	36 225	12 534	37 096	329 310	79 229	-75,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	23 167	20 967	-9,5
		R'000	0	0	0	60 504	40 262	-33,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	147 030	81 538	114 475	1 556 878	890 453	-42,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	809	0	0	14 065	16 474	17,1
		R'000	2 066	0	0	38 693	47 188	22,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	449	504	109 332	126 011	15,3
		R'000	0	900	1 496	278 683	419 791	50,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	13 983	0	4 223	108 842	34 871	-68,0
		R'000	31 315	0	9 450	240 361	76 542	-68,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	7 346	527	79	28 331	7 234	-74,5
		R'000	16 426	673	228	70 683	18 662	-73,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	49 807	1 573	11 174	628 420	562 183	-10,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	31 402	22 840	27 333	309 237	186 587	-39,7
		R'000	84 303	68 220	77 749	811 691	489 123	-39,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	8 755	8 635	15 223	82 062	73 944	-9,9
		R'000	23 094	31 565	49 534	207 381	235 758	13,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	107 397	99 785	127 283	1 019 072	724 881	-28,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	304 234	182 896	252 932	3 204 370	2 177 517	-32,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	1	2	42	17	-59,5
		square metres	0	72	137	2 177	896	-58,8
		R'000	0	261	466	6 929	2 570	-62,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	29	16	20	332	172	-48,2
		square metres	6 160	3 025	2 678	59 144	33 085	-44,1
		R'000	18 597	10 130	8 993	169 312	106 515	-37,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	5	98	0	111	216	94,6
		square metres	643	7 992	0	14 596	16 402	12,4
		R'000	1 800	21 905	0	42 805	44 876	4,8
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	153	0	255	270	4 374	1 520,0
		R'000	450	0	893	860	15 003	1 644,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	20 847	32 296	10 352	219 906	168 964	-23,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	337	0	0	8 011	4 561	-43,1
		R'000	950	0	0	23 472	13 113	-44,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 140	0	0	34 414	5 186	-84,9
		R'000	2 883	0	0	106 616	15 896	-85,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	295	0	0	6 826	4 563	-33,2
		R'000	649	0	0	15 887	12 367	-22,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	269	0	0	2 776	1 692	-39,0
		R'000	753	0	0	7 790	4 286	-45,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	5 235	0	0	153 765	45 662	-70,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 621	4 115	3 798	42 433	40 271	-5,1
		R'000	5 160	13 075	12 201	113 677	121 153	6,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	824	1 724	4 173	22 304	10 096	-54,7
		R'000	2 350	5 328	14 316	61 706	33 369	-45,9
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	7 510	18 403	26 517	175 383	154 522	-11,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	33 592	50 699	36 869	549 054	369 148	-32,8

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	97	59	63	1 804	869	-51,8
		square metres	4 374	2 660	2 782	78 328	37 753	-51,8
		R'000	6 778	4 409	4 255	79 397	57 337	-27,8
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	100	89	94	1 004	923	-8,1
		square metres	23 338	20 444	22 120	226 777	217 147	-4,2
		R'000	65 032	66 680	74 716	575 153	682 207	18,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	100	162	56	1 235	709	-42,6
		square metres	7 662	15 483	4 756	128 917	64 960	-49,6
		R'000	20 641	60 915	15 723	343 458	230 060	-33,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	800	0	0	16 533	1 248	-92,5
		R'000	3 216	0	0	58 359	4 835	-91,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	95 667	132 004	94 694	1 056 367	974 439	-7,8
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	7 232	8 478	17,2
		R'000	0	0	0	24 946	28 676	15,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	17 655	807	26 188	48 402	47 633	-1,6
		R'000	62 001	4 500	116 689	188 421	207 949	10,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	697	5 697	0	30 760	63 128	105,2
		R'000	1 335	11 394	0	55 394	135 613	144,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 212	164	1 038	4 438	9 971	124,7
		R'000	4 287	738	2 521	11 604	27 664	138,4
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	67 623	16 632	119 210	280 365	399 902	42,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	14 063	12 962	16 464	141 776	132 769	-6,4
		R'000	38 170	38 418	47 960	350 355	367 189	4,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 736	4 164	13 594	23 754	35 521	49,5
		R'000	9 788	10 847	59 707	81 691	149 801	83,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	47 958	49 265	107 667	432 046	516 990	19,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	211 248	197 901	321 571	1 768 778	1 891 331	6,9

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	70	160	63	822	1 174	42,8
		square metres	4 373	8 394	3 464	46 995	58 296	24,0
		R'000	12 786	24 952	13 601	152 404	169 119	11,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	208	202	192	1 970	1 820	-7,6
		square metres	50 390	51 421	50 959	471 328	491 332	4,2
		R'000	187 316	233 116	265 376	1 803 273	2 252 285	24,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	315	272	146	4 758	4 235	-11,0
		square metres	34 672	50 668	28 472	546 086	641 044	17,4
		R'000	135 304	235 540	133 231	2 171 791	3 048 376	40,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 775	0	5 676	23 253	29 736	27,9
		R'000	13 875	0	30 568	103 574	137 020	32,3
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	349 281	493 608	442 776	4 231 042	5 606 800	32,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	17 692	2 545	15 393	115 332	172 489	49,6
		R'000	57 022	6 976	67 176	510 373	806 499	58,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	6 373	23 706	10 680	135 543	180 986	33,5
		R'000	20 394	120 321	37 345	574 101	866 368	50,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	30 455	23 767	85 208	303 449	400 157	31,9
		R'000	76 794	97 849	247 563	825 517	1 189 961	44,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 781	10 898	7 679	67 416	44 402	-34,1
		R'000	14 830	40 986	26 949	292 447	183 649	-37,2
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	169 040	266 132	379 033	2 202 438	3 046 477	38,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	39 789	48 368	65 502	480 098	516 588	7,6
		R'000	133 877	213 374	282 717	1 688 068	2 198 389	30,2
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	14 410	15 061	25 471	245 864	229 708	-6,6
		R'000	44 578	70 875	121 644	925 292	1 163 607	25,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	178 455	284 249	404 361	2 613 360	3 361 996	28,6
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	696 776	1 043 989	1 226 170	9 046 840	12 015 273	32,8

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	39	549	70	2 384	1 131	-52,6
		square metres	2 365	24 284	4 115	99 069	57 025	-42,4
		R'000	4 074	43 847	13 449	122 654	124 772	1,7
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	183	116	146	1 885	1 516	-19,6
		square metres	36 181	25 114	36 473	410 037	314 523	-23,3
		R'000	92 604	66 872	108 407	1 083 090	860 539	-20,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	122	96	135	1 371	902	-34,2
		square metres	12 763	7 366	16 345	166 359	110 678	-33,5
		R'000	33 837	25 289	52 302	415 579	333 533	-19,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 020	0	221	8 635	13 844	60,3
		R'000	7 550	0	619	23 153	47 166	103,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	138 065	136 008	174 777	1 644 476	1 366 010	-16,9
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	1 880	7 385	0	16 903	23 089	36,6
		R'000	4 651	51 100	0	46 193	96 023	107,9
	2. Shopping space	square metres	9 306	1 936	255	67 358	45 393	-32,6
		R'000	18 841	5 979	1 020	189 311	115 446	-39,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 812	0	0	46 566	16 755	-64,0
		R'000	12 056	0	0	94 880	31 809	-66,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 706	1 213	814	15 111	6 034	-60,1
		R'000	8 410	4 890	1 548	39 440	18 299	-53,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	43 958	61 969	2 568	369 824	261 577	-29,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 231	21 496	18 690	119 384	128 062	7,3
		R'000	34 195	58 664	53 160	273 462	324 800	18,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	744	3 862	4 696	14 435	25 742	78,3
		R'000	2 034	10 646	18 996	47 281	101 529	114,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	36 229	69 310	72 156	320 743	426 329	32,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	218 252	267 287	249 501	2 335 043	2 053 916	-12,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit		-				
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 038	1 011	4 287	17 637	13 004	-26,3
		square metres	46 047	40 922	165 028	757 154	562 161	-25,8
		R'000	113 884	106 570	310 677	1 533 715	1 192 924	-22,2
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 058	589	575	9 800	6 218	-36,6
		square metres	300 462	186 519	146 297	2 702 894	1 712 720	-36,6
		R'000	1 057 926	680 015	540 373	9 339 371	6 386 622	-31,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 597	847	1 221	10 689	10 747	0,5
		square metres	173 063	78 867	103 523	1 404 321	1 121 963	-20,1
		R'000	728 414	395 145	459 136	5 088 229	4 468 376	-12,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	14 280	5 409	0	42 943	79 662	85,5
		R'000	38 576	26 611	0	223 842	339 850	51,8
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 938 800	1 208 341	1 310 186	16 185 157	12 387 772	-23,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	24 952	26 935	24 328	269 443	299 969	11,3
		R'000	128 529	124 482	135 606	1 373 531	1 624 663	18,3
	2. Shopping space	square metres	42 787	45 596	18 265	317 762	440 202	38,5
		R'000	201 926	197 111	86 526	1 411 629	2 094 001	48,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	165 568	50 085	139 345	732 500	690 152	-5,8
		R'000	515 997	147 189	378 164	2 160 893	1 972 137	-8,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 586	6 791	1 130	88 002	34 461	-60,8
		R'000	11 139	19 321	5 156	312 667	145 013	-53,6
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	857 591	488 103	605 452	5 258 720	5 835 814	11,0
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	165 507	115 460	111 255	1 427 699	1 060 046	-25,8
		R'000	584 066	422 911	413 358	4 800 565	3 893 544	-18,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	39 962	58 140	29 897	335 013	597 907	78,5
		R'000	152 884	239 877	107 622	1 447 676	2 471 325	70,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	736 950	662 788	520 980	6 248 241	6 364 869	1,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	3 533 341	2 359 232	2 436 618	27 692 118	24 588 455	-11,2

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	182	44	100	912	1 102	20,8
		square metres	9 068	2 100	5 017	41 476	53 885	29,9
		R'000	11 116	4 420	8 594	68 287	82 888	21,4
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	190	134	89	1 960	1 393	-28,9
		square metres	45 341	31 177	21 597	465 956	311 121	-33,2
		R'000	155 092	91 819	65 299	1 337 074	945 477	-29,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	271	20	55	1 295	1 143	-11,7
		square metres	17 634	3 217	6 360	125 874	101 388	-19,5
		R'000	51 487	8 132	15 950	357 669	368 828	3,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	3 569	1 274	4 086	6 351	55,4
		R'000	0	10 449	3 186	11 509	18 144	57,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	217 695	114 820	93 029	1 774 539	1 415 337	-20,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	2 272	10 047	810	18 952	47 799	152,2
		R'000	7 475	25 139	3 570	56 729	178 266	214,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	2 750	1 589	134	23 577	83 212	252,9
		R'000	9 777	5 267	600	72 743	366 838	404,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	7 448	11 583	9 824	101 896	88 199	-13,4
		R'000	19 887	34 882	29 325	317 181	246 271	-22,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	2 180	460	4 990	8 726	74,9
		R'000	0	6 063	1 150	13 613	26 157	92,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	37 139	71 351	34 645	460 266	817 532	77,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	20 437	12 337	11 064	185 525	139 730	-24,7
		R'000	58 335	35 319	30 845	482 670	386 051	-20,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 643	596	3 652	33 496	22 122	-34,0
		R'000	10 332	4 048	10 783	107 371	79 211	-26,2
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	68 667	39 367	41 628	590 041	465 262	-21,1
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	323 501	225 538	169 302	2 824 846	2 698 131	-4,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit					,	
1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	36	22	18	783	130	-83,4
		square metres	2 310	1 419	1 202	42 521	8 390	-80,3
		R'000	6 232	4 802	4 155	63 809	25 540	-60,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	76	69	66	763	638	-16,4
		square metres	16 935	14 092	14 655	163 260	143 301	-12,2
		R'000	45 344	48 699	48 235	437 697	471 433	7,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	194	83	25	730	804	10,1
		square metres	11 826	6 300	3 626	81 898	80 824	-1,3
		R'000	31 617	15 303	13 783	202 256	215 721	6,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	495	1 553	1 240	8 387	14 326	70,8
		R'000	1 238	6 300	2 900	19 356	38 040	96,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	84 431	75 104	69 073	723 118	750 734	3,8
2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 473	552	31 368	15 341	-51,1
		R'000	0	6 183	1 656	78 093	38 191	-51,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	5 694	1 674	3 346	30 278	28 910	-4,5
		R'000	14 558	3 403	10 545	67 355	68 598	1,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	3 935	432	26 779	22 689	-15,3
		R'000	0	9 838	865	66 448	56 211	-15,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	15 020	360	11 006	19 103	22 411	17,3
		R'000	32 997	720	40 992	42 610	72 976	71,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	47 555	20 144	54 058	254 506	235 976	-7,3
3. Flats and townhouses	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 243	8 250	5 863	92 472	66 117	-28,5
		R'000	22 582	20 531	19 179	224 306	168 784	-24,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	819	496	1 376	10 120	16 897	67,0
		R'000	1 656	1 535	4 023	24 362	46 207	89,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	24 238	22 066	23 202	248 668	214 991	-13,5
4. Other residential buildings 2/	Total at current prices	R'000	156 224	117 314	146 333	1 226 292	1 201 701	-2,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 755	2 234	2 727	21 308	17 373	-18,5
		square metres	79 187	99 121	115 130	908 555	779 864	-14,2
		R'000	154 265	200 069	215 516	1 582 094	1 599 133	1,1
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 660	1 807	1 776	16 368	15 193	-7,2
		square metres	387 610	403 524	451 953	3 696 025	3 472 046	-6,1
		R'000	1 225 634	1 377 921	1 520 351	11 432 059	11 432 962	0,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	2 390	2 335	3 091	20 521	19 165	-6,6
		square metres	275 800	263 533	306 820	2 332 280	2 018 128	-13,5
		R'000	945 551	953 017	1 201 987	7 780 867	7 533 976	-3,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	6 594	29 511	2 532	133 462	116 240	-12,9
		R'000	14 855	109 683	6 819	577 221	475 208	-17,7
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	2 340 305	2 640 690	2 944 673	21 372 241	21 041 279	-1,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	89 792	103 874	99 623	524 247	757 561	44,5
		R'000	351 279	423 689	407 738	1 881 930	2 953 771	57,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	71 067	93 797	74 203	425 310	654 010	53,8
		R'000	298 141	411 520	269 209	1 494 337	2 548 458	70,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	91 347	80 099	135 370	1 032 715	891 200	-13,7
		R'000	247 842	249 183	422 797	2 885 755	2 548 056	-11,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	13 785	15 189	11 502	136 741	96 406	-29,5
		R'000	46 195	67 884	34 104	420 467	335 932	-20,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	943 457	1 152 276	1 133 848	6 682 489	8 386 217	25,5
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	155 562	208 985	198 660	1 536 765	1 631 434	6,2
		R'000	460 895	615 227	615 163	4 358 893	4 910 434	12,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	63 044	90 772	62 557	437 154	611 669	39,9
		R'000	217 005	295 343	270 033	1 495 994	2 357 084	57,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	677 900	910 570	885 196	5 854 887	7 267 518	24,1
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	3 961 662	4 703 536	4 963 717	33 909 617	36 695 014	8,2

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*} Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	594	686	290	6 328	2 800	-55,8
		square metres	23 023	29 361	13 417	247 427	124 762	-49,6
		R'000	34 944	52 641	28 977	380 297	235 694	-38,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	435	565	529	4 139	3 972	-4,0
		square metres	98 584	121 289	140 790	912 193	921 464	1,0
		R'000	304 249	390 276	448 430	2 767 853	2 970 774	7,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	842	664	526	5 383	4 174	-22,5
		square metres	105 421	68 652	48 286	571 380	396 074	-30,7
		R'000	341 422	204 768	171 434	1 806 835	1 325 679	-26,6
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	126	5 064	1 440	21 219	31 359	47,8
		R'000	550	19 299	3 800	79 204	129 163	63,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	681 165	666 984	652 641	5 034 189	4 661 310	-7,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	34 631	35 044	13 381	203 469	170 212	-16,3
		R'000	112 986	115 674	48 306	596 328	592 227	-0,7
	2. Shopping space	square metres	4 910	9 464	22 179	44 369	140 448	216,5
		R'000	15 855	24 079	63 042	142 385	505 771	255,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	29 490	31 223	21 152	348 744	290 808	-16,6
		R'000	87 488	118 321	63 770	984 783	896 853	-8,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 696	3 207	4 443	59 105	24 604	-58,4
		R'000	10 803	5 417	8 637	168 491	60 904	-63,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	227 132	263 491	183 755	1 891 987	2 055 755	8,7
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	58 388	107 264	91 191	551 079	634 308	15,1
		R'000	154 305	281 520	243 865	1 456 316	1 734 002	19,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	27 141	54 701	25 419	164 938	257 621	56,2
		R'000	89 012	167 634	132 698	537 500	1 030 392	91,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	243 317	449 154	376 563	1 993 816	2 764 394	38,6
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 151 614	1 379 629	1 212 959	8 919 992	9 481 459	6,3

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

		-	Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building								
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	160	93	271	1 386	986	-28,9
		square metres	6 904	4 114	12 510	57 816	43 800	-24,2
		R'000	10 126	5 703	11 639	84 932	61 755	-27,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	80	80	124	899	885	-1,6
		square metres	19 158	17 258	28 264	160 029	179 931	12,4
		R'000	48 662	52 591	69 610	406 612	487 386	19,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	80	88	317	1 001	750	-25,1
		square metres	6 854	12 403	25 878	103 584	75 970	-26,7
		R'000	16 989	32 447	70 172	267 124	205 469	-23,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	361	0	611	2 878	3 222	12,0
		R'000	867	0	1 335	7 251	6 482	-10,6
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	76 644	90 741	152 756	765 919	761 092	-0,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	142	3 999	3 439	1 779	18 041	914,1
		R'000	344	10 112	8 959	4 578	50 500	1 003,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	1 564	3 400	1 370	17 890	75 389	321,4
		R'000	3 356	11 900	3 952	43 097	219 072	408,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	499	111	4 283	23 455	34 194	45,8
		R'000	1 098	230	8 493	55 520	66 785	20,3
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	168	520	3 578	3 441	10 356	201,0
		R'000	454	1 134	9 304	7 554	24 768	227,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	5 252	23 376	30 708	110 749	361 125	226,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 674	13 177	6 728	109 996	90 666	-17,6
		R'000	22 433	33 785	15 626	226 187	205 961	-8,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	5 830	2 576	737	33 720	39 699	17,7
		R'000	14 944	6 743	1 820	77 091	85 400	10,8
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	37 377	40 528	17 446	303 278	291 361	-3,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	119 273	154 645	200 910	1 179 946	1 413 578	19,8

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit		•				
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	59	1	3	159	152	-4,4
		square metres	2 163	58	210	6 251	7 258	16,1
		R'000	2 298	197	596	9 725	8 652	-11,0
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	20	14	10	175	121	-30,9
		square metres	3 278	2 329	2 416	32 630	23 246	-28,8
		R'000	9 571	7 602	7 741	84 870	70 460	-17,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	12	5	5	166	103	-38,0
		square metres	1 104	694	714	22 262	13 470	-39,5
		R'000	3 091	1 943	2 499	57 043	37 525	-34,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 339	0	481	3 513	2 314	-34,1
		R'000	7 346	0	1 684	7 955	7 458	-6,2
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	22 306	9 742	12 520	159 593	124 095	-22,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	1 242	0	6 191	2 054	-66,8
		R'000	0	4 223	0	15 338	7 023	-54,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	7 008	3 063	-56,3
		R'000	0	0	0	16 341	8 859	-45,8
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	898	4 730	3 286	-30,5
		R'000	0	0	3 053	12 160	9 558	-21,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	498	2 209	343,6
		R'000	0	0	0	1 195	6 184	417,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	4 223	3 053	45 034	31 624	-29,8
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 060	2 728	2 517	25 382	25 618	0,9
		R'000	6 075	8 432	7 913	67 632	74 317	9,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	39	36	27	4 666	4 838	3,7
		R'000	464	1 193	76	19 027	15 307	-19,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	6 539	9 625	7 989	86 659	89 624	3,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	28 845	23 590	23 562	291 286	245 343	-15,8

^{1/} The percentage change between January 2007 and January 2008.

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

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

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	80	7	25	1 536	241	-84,3
		square metres	3 599	443	1 317	68 124	13 082	-80,8
		R'000	4 466	756	2 624	73 903	22 255	-69,9
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	66	50	36	723	513	-29,0
		square metres	11 736	11 663	8 842	131 065	101 488	-22,6
		R'000	25 856	31 837	24 583	279 558	267 568	-4,3
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	342	21	61	766	322	-58,0
		square metres	23 327	2 156	6 740	73 355	35 400	-51,7
		R'000	49 838	6 737	20 841	180 601	89 786	-50,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 363	0	0	7 830	13 354	70,5
		R'000	5 199	0	0	85 155	32 264	-62,1
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	85 359	39 330	48 048	619 217	411 873	-33,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	7 425	6 252	-15,8
		R'000	0	0	0	23 358	21 848	-6,5
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	391	0	9 354	391	-95,8
		R'000	0	1 300	0	33 305	1 300	-96,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	609	0	0	11 653	8 579	-26,4
		R'000	1 500	0	0	18 575	18 744	0,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	841	0	0	3 901	2 060	-47,2
		R'000	2 943	0	0	10 951	5 456	-50,2
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	4 443	1 300	0	86 189	47 348	-45,1
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	8 245	6 129	10 734	60 275	60 355	0,1
		R'000	15 499	14 384	27 502	119 409	140 611	17,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 062	532	993	18 569	9 091	-51,0
		R'000	8 428	2 231	3 483	85 711	36 620	-57,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	23 927	16 615	30 985	205 120	177 231	-13,6
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	113 729	57 245	79 033	910 526	636 452	-30,1

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	95	355	329	1 111	2 349	111,4
		square metres	5 199	12 482	12 148	49 503	86 129	74,0
		R'000	20 775	32 921	29 907	138 762	214 422	54,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	131	103	152	1 241	1 142	-8,0
		square metres	33 725	25 002	36 202	280 464	260 248	-7,2
		R'000	140 513	102 429	146 652	1 090 322	1 110 486	1,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	152	298	179	2 032	1 874	-7,8
		square metres	29 899	48 418	31 519	374 669	314 877	-16,0
		R'000	99 637	210 572	148 180	1 390 684	1 260 992	-9,3
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	20 824	439	-97,9
		R'000	0	0	0	122 445	3 147	-97,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	260 925	345 922	324 739	2 742 213	2 589 047	-5,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	2 855	14 369	15 123	25 435	93 560	267,8
		R'000	9 040	53 395	75 609	74 297	436 400	487,4
	2. Shopping space	square metres	14 337	33 889	7 572	104 766	76 816	-26,7
		R'000	51 607	181 951	23 372	376 228	375 652	-0,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	22 973	12 278	24 203	296 342	204 038	-31,1
		R'000	70 083	28 383	75 573	818 394	577 649	-29,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	4 160	644	494	22 715	12 646	-44,3
		R'000	20 705	3 053	2 494	81 920	53 675	-34,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	151 435	266 782	177 048	1 350 839	1 443 376	6,9
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	29 419	20 387	26 433	241 992	212 172	-12,3
		R'000	128 172	92 636	125 209	923 166	967 271	4,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	8 363	16 463	12 816	84 766	153 227	80,8
		R'000	39 165	51 403	48 047	330 704	554 631	67,7
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	167 337	144 039	173 256	1 253 870	1 521 902	21,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	579 697	756 743	675 043	5 346 922	5 554 325	3,9

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	180	94	31	2 020	947	-53,1
		square metres	7 925	5 411	1 760	79 521	40 254	-49,4
		R'000	10 489	16 685	5 866	76 286	84 334	10,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	122	136	84	1 174	1 125	-4,2
		square metres	23 809	24 191	18 445	251 347	235 133	-6,5
		R'000	70 761	69 634	53 405	721 220	617 573	-14,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	119	277	258	976	1 523	56,0
		square metres	12 835	16 136	27 609	81 939	129 592	58,2
		R'000	68 882	47 750	94 611	258 820	408 052	57,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	451	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 075	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	150 132	134 069	153 882	1 056 326	1 111 034	5,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	6 106	3 233	19 612	506,6
		R'000	0	0	21 143	7 178	57 327	698,6
	2. Shopping space	square metres	677	0	0	35 002	41 571	18,8
		R'000	896	0	0	103 355	101 116	-2,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	431	0	0	9 889	11 469	16,0
		R'000	431	0	0	19 399	17 680	-8,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 356	0	0	6 078	4 689	-22,9
		R'000	2 560	0	0	13 354	12 492	-6,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	3 887	0	21 143	143 286	188 615	31,6
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 691	2 852	1 615	33 792	28 107	-16,8
		R'000	8 652	6 610	4 586	68 341	56 638	-17,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	323	538	706	10 484	4 473	-57,3
		R'000	455	1 506	2 060	25 121	14 961	-40,4
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	9 107	8 116	6 646	93 462	71 599	-23,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	163 126	142 185	181 671	1 293 074	1 371 248	6,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	548	959	1 580	8 329	8 428	1,2
		square metres	27 792	45 135	64 210	372 780	392 861	5,4
		R'000	64 470	87 018	123 326	753 502	876 132	16,3
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	565	700	675	6 295	5 967	-5,2
		square metres	146 819	173 265	184 144	1 618 426	1 449 573	-10,4
		R'000	494 821	630 472	669 738	5 275 912	5 037 261	-4,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	818	947	1 609	9 465	9 817	3,7
		square metres	91 096	109 573	150 756	1 018 944	992 326	-2,6
		R'000	351 750	432 136	651 725	3 589 741	4 017 143	11,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	24 447	0	76 103	56 376	-25,9
		R'000	0	90 384	0	272 158	270 726	-0,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	911 041	1 240 010	1 444 789	9 891 313	10 201 262	3,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	51 674	49 220	56 265	253 450	434 064	71,3
		R'000	227 831	240 285	238 358	1 080 519	1 750 979	62,0
	2. Shopping space	square metres	48 834	45 541	43 082	182 480	305 591	67,5
		R'000	224 913	187 190	178 843	711 969	1 303 143	83,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	30 383	36 487	70 656	306 840	298 763	-2,6
		R'000	76 142	102 249	220 132	913 141	843 522	-7,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 564	10 695	2 987	36 280	36 265	-0,0
		R'000	8 730	57 972	13 669	128 772	163 740	27,2
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	537 616	587 696	651 002	2 834 401	4 061 384	43,3
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	31 343	47 491	50 626	449 815	483 228	7,4
		R'000	93 675	156 367	167 018	1 345 406	1 494 230	11,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	14 846	15 135	18 324	107 187	126 729	18,2
		R'000	51 521	61 991	70 408	377 898	571 448	51,2
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	145 196	218 358	237 426	1 723 304	2 065 678	19,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 593 853	2 046 064	2 333 217	14 449 018	16 328 324	13,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007*	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	18	34	187	196	1 320	573,5
		square metres	1 248	1 787	8 739	11 659	61 945	431,3
		R'000	3 422	3 158	10 347	25 245	64 241	154,5
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	211	111	131	1 307	1 110	-15,1
		square metres	43 479	20 955	24 728	230 483	229 494	-0,4
		R'000	107 018	64 918	67 619	578 477	634 241	9,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	25	23	95	569	334	-41,3
		square metres	5 264	3 666	10 193	68 769	35 690	-48,1
		R'000	13 942	10 538	27 150	183 528	108 797	-40,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	405	0	0	1 095	6 042	451,8
		R'000	893	0	0	3 053	16 500	440,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	125 275	78 614	105 116	790 303	823 779	4,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	2 818	21 247	8 239	-61,2
		R'000	0	0	7 890	74 954	23 198	-69,1
	2. Shopping space	square metres	745	1 112	0	19 479	7 286	-62,6
		R'000	1 514	5 100	0	55 467	26 128	-52,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 962	0	9 856	24 557	33 791	37,6
		R'000	11 100	0	35 347	49 789	95 641	92,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	123	0	3 550	842	-76,3
		R'000	0	308	0	5 828	1 963	-66,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	12 614	5 408	43 237	186 038	146 930	-21,0
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 452	8 491	8 210	53 726	84 168	56,7
		R'000	28 498	20 168	22 074	126 598	205 081	62,0
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	3 440	791	3 142	11 318	13 113	15,9
		R'000	13 016	2 642	9 741	39 844	41 058	3,0
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	41 514	22 810	31 815	166 442	246 139	47,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	179 403	106 832	180 168	1 142 783	1 216 848	6,5

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

^{*}Revised.

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

			Sep. 2007	Aug. 2008	Sep. 2008	Jan Sep. 2007	Jan Sep. 2008	% Change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit		•				
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	21	5	11	243	150	-38,3
		square metres	1 334	330	819	15 474	9 773	-36,8
		R'000	3 275	990	2 234	39 442	31 648	-19,8
	2. Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	30	48	35	415	358	-13,7
		square metres	7 022	7 572	8 122	79 388	71 469	-10,0
		R'000	24 183	28 162	32 573	227 235	237 213	4,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	12	41	163	268	64,4
		square metres	0	1 835	5 125	17 378	24 729	42,3
		R'000	0	6 126	15 375	46 491	80 533	73,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	2 683	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	8 393	
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	27 458	35 278	50 182	313 168	357 787	14,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	square metres	490	0	2 491	2 018	5 527	173,9
		R'000	1 078	0	7 473	5 380	14 269	165,2
	2. Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	4 962	3 455	-30,4
		R'000	0	0	0	12 190	7 417	-39,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	4 322	6 505	6 272	-3,6
		R'000	0	0	16 429	13 994	21 624	54,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	1 173	2 735	133,2
		R'000	0	0	0	2 402	6 750	181,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 078	0	23 902	33 966	50 060	47,4
3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 290	466	606	10 708	12 812	19,6
		R'000	3 586	1 325	1 370	25 838	32 323	25,1
	2. Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	393	1 506	2 878	91,1
		R'000	0	0	1 700	3 098	7 267	134,6
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	3 586	1 325	3 070	28 936	39 590	36,8
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	32 122	36 603	77 154	376 070	447 437	19,0

^{1/} The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2007 and 2008.

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

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

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

Table 29 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed and in process of completion 1/

Province	Year	Number	Square metres 2/	Value R'000 2/
	2002	19 534	531 116	168 852
Western Cape	2003	16 926	507 780	247 187
•	2004	12 751	382 530	211 424
	2002	46 700	1 575 675	473 806
Eastern Cape	2003	35 005	1 050 150	511 213
	2004	34 923	1 047 690	579 058
	2002	5 189	164 906	68 078
Northern Cape	2003	4 354	130 620	63 586
	2004	3 645	109 350	60 438
	2002	8 617	348 492	154 121
Free State	2003	14 848	445 440	216 840
	2004	16 522	495 660	273 951
	2002	21 958	831 349	234 041
KwaZulu-Natal	2003	31 372	941 160	458 157
	2004	35 968	1 079 040	596 385
	2002	21 309	630 115	210 439
North West	2003	13 809	414 270	201 667
	2004	10 149	304 470	168 281
	2002	29 939	991 571	321 943
Gauteng	2003	42 862	1 285 860	625 957
	2004	33 260	997 800	551 484
	2002	19 883	660 505	253 931
Mpumalanga	2003	21 336	640 080	246 079
	2004	18 808	564 240	311 855
	2002	15 382	605 877	183 769
Limpopo	2003	15 596	467 880	227 764
	2004	16 338	490 140	270 900
	2002	188 511	6 339 606	2 068 980
South Africa	2003	196 108	5 883 240	2 798 450
	2004	182 364	5 470 920	3 023 776

Table 30 – Subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses completed: 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006

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

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

Province	Number	Square metres 2/	R'000 2/
Western Cape	34 585	1 037 550	768 200
Eastern Cape	16 526	495 780	637 700
Northern Cape	3 880	116 400	104 800
Free State	19 662	589 860	528 400
KwaZulu-Natal	38 290	1 148 700	1 074 500
North West	46 972	1 409 160	696 500
Gauteng	77 044	2 311 320	1 748 300
Mpumalanga	10 651	319 530	329 900
Limpopo	23 609	708 270	646 700
South Africa	271 219	8 136 570	6 535 000

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

^{1/} Includes all top structures completed and sites serviced in respect of the reporting period.

^{2/} Estimates by the National Department of Housing.

Explanatory notes

Introduction

- Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and therefore do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the Housing Subsidy System and Provincial Housing Departments and coordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 to table 31 (page 37).
- 2 In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.

Purpose of the survey 3

The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.

Scope of the survey

- This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding -
 - · passing of building plans; and
 - final inspection of completed buildings.

Classification

Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.

Response rate

The preliminary response rate for the survey on building statistics for September 2008 was 91,5 %. Improved response rate for August 2008 was 98,3%.

Statistical unit

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

Survey methodology and design

Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 90 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.

According to the municipalities, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses, supplied by the provincial governments and co-ordinated by the National Department of Housing, are shown in table 29 to table 31 (page 37).

Constant prices

The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2000. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: *JBCC Contract Price Adjustment Provisions Work Group Indices*. In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2000=100.

The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 9). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2008 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2008 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2008. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.

Seasonal adjustment

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

Trend cycle

13 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.

Revised figures

- 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 month are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3 is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision for 2007 where applicable.

Related publications

- 16 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
 - P5041.3: Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions issued annually.
 - P9101.2: Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region issued annually.
 - Bulletin of Statistics issued quarterly.
 - South African Statistics issued annually.
 - Report 50-11-01 issued annually.

Rounding-off of figures

17 The figures in the tables have, where necessary, been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

Pre-release policy

18 Stats SA's pre-release policy may be inspected at its website, www.statssa.gov.za

Symbols and abbreviations

19 .. no meaningful percentage change between two specified periods

available since either one or both of the totals are nil

0 nil or figure too small to publish

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Stats SA Statistics South Africa

SIC Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic

Activities

JBCC Joint Building Contracts Committee

CD Compact Disc US United States

SARB South African Reserve Bank
DTI Department of Trade and Industry

2010 World Cup note

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

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Glossary

Additions and alterations

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

Blocks of flats

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

Dwelling-house

A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwelling-unit, e.g. granny flat, on the same premises as an existing residence. Out-buildings and garages are included.

Local government institutions

Include -

- District municipalities;
- Metropolitan municipalities; and
- Local municipalities.

Municipality

A generic term describing the "unit" of government in the local spheres responsible for local government in a geographically demarcated area and including district, metropolitan and local municipalities. It is an institution consisting of a municipal council (elected political representatives) and municipal administration (appointed officials).

District municipality

A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category C municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).

Metropolitan municipality

A municipality that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality, and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category A municipality (refer to Local Government: Municipal Structure Act, 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998)).

Local municipality

A municipality that shares municipal executive and legislative authority in its area with a district municipality within whose area it falls, which is described in section 155(1) of the constitution as a category B municipality.

Non-residential buildings

Factories and commercial, financial and other office buildings, as well as other buildings not used for residential purposes, such as churches, halls, clubs, schools and hospitals.

Other residential buildings

Institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, old people's homes, hostels, hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation, entertainment centres and casinos.

Percentage change

When using monthly actual values, the percentage change is the change in actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the same month in the previous year expressed as a percentage.

When using annual actual values, the percentage change is the change in the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant year compared with the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the previous year expressed as a percentage.

When using seasonally adjusted values, the percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the previous month expressed as a percentage.

Reference period One calendar month.

Residential buildings Dwelling-houses, flats, townhouses and other residential buildings.

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

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

excludes blocks of flats.

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