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## Key findings for January to April 2024

### Building plans passed at current prices

**Table A – Building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by type of building**

Type of building	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024	% change between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>17 336 427</b>	<b>15 485 952</b>	<b>-1 850 475</b>	<b>-10,7</b>
-Dwelling-houses	10 784 351	9 307 788	-1 476 563	-13,7
-Flats and townhouses	6 338 209	5 809 539	-528 670	-8,3
-Other residential buildings	213 867	368 625	154 758	72,4
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>6 311 182</b>	<b>6 545 856</b>	<b>234 674</b>	<b>3,7</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>8 944 534</b>	<b>8 591 326</b>	<b>-353 208</b>	<b>-3,9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>32 592 143</b>	<b>30 623 134</b>	<b>-1 969 009</b>	<b>-6,0</b>

The value of building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 6,0% (-R1 969,0 million) during January to April 2024 compared with January to April 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-10,7% or -R1 850,5 million) and additions and alterations (-3,9% or -R353,2 million). An increase was reported for non-residential buildings (3,7% or R234,7 million) – see Table A.

**Table B – Building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices by province**

Province	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	Weight Jan – Apr 2023	% change between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	%	R'000		
Western Cape	10 158 575	8 975 435	31,2	-11,6	-3,6	-1 183 140
Eastern Cape	1 687 026	1 698 225	5,2	0,7	0,0	11 199
Northern Cape	350 638	317 658	1,1	-9,4	-0,1	-32 980
Free State	940 829	1 162 704	2,9	23,6	0,7	221 875
KwaZulu-Natal	3 626 279	4 059 227	11,1	11,9	1,3	432 948
North West	908 608	1 680 752	2,8	85,0	2,4	772 144
Gauteng	12 367 767	10 470 707	37,9	-15,3	-5,8	-1 897 060
Mpumalanga	1 818 500	1 436 358	5,6	-21,0	-1,2	-382 142
Limpopo	733 921	822 068	2,3	12,0	0,3	88 147
<b>Total</b>	<b>32 592 143</b>	<b>30 623 134</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-6,0</b>	<b>-6,0</b>	<b>-1 969 009</b>

<sup>1</sup> The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change by its weight, divided by 100, where the weight is the percentage contribution of each province to the cumulative total building plans passed during the previous year.

The largest negative contributions to the total decrease of 6,0% (-R1 969,0 million) were made by Gauteng (contributing -5,8 percentage points or -R1 897,1 million) and Western Cape (contributing -3,6 percentage points or -R1 183,1 million). The largest positive contributions were made by North West (contributing 2,4 percentage points or R772,1 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 1,3 percentage points or R432,9 million) – see Table B.

## Building plans passed at constant 2019 prices

**Table C – Building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Type of building	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024	% change between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	13 373 839	11 399 141	-1 974 698	-14,8
Non-residential buildings	4 862 818	4 809 566	-53 252	-1,1
Additions and alterations	6 907 916	6 322 058	-585 858	-8,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>25 144 573</b>	<b>22 530 765</b>	<b>-2 613 808</b>	<b>-10,4</b>

The real value of building plans passed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 10,4% (-R2 613,8 million) during January to April 2024 compared with January to April 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-14,8% or -R1 974,7 million), additions and alterations (-8,5% or -R585,9 million) and non-residential buildings (-1,1% or -R53,3 million) – see Table C.

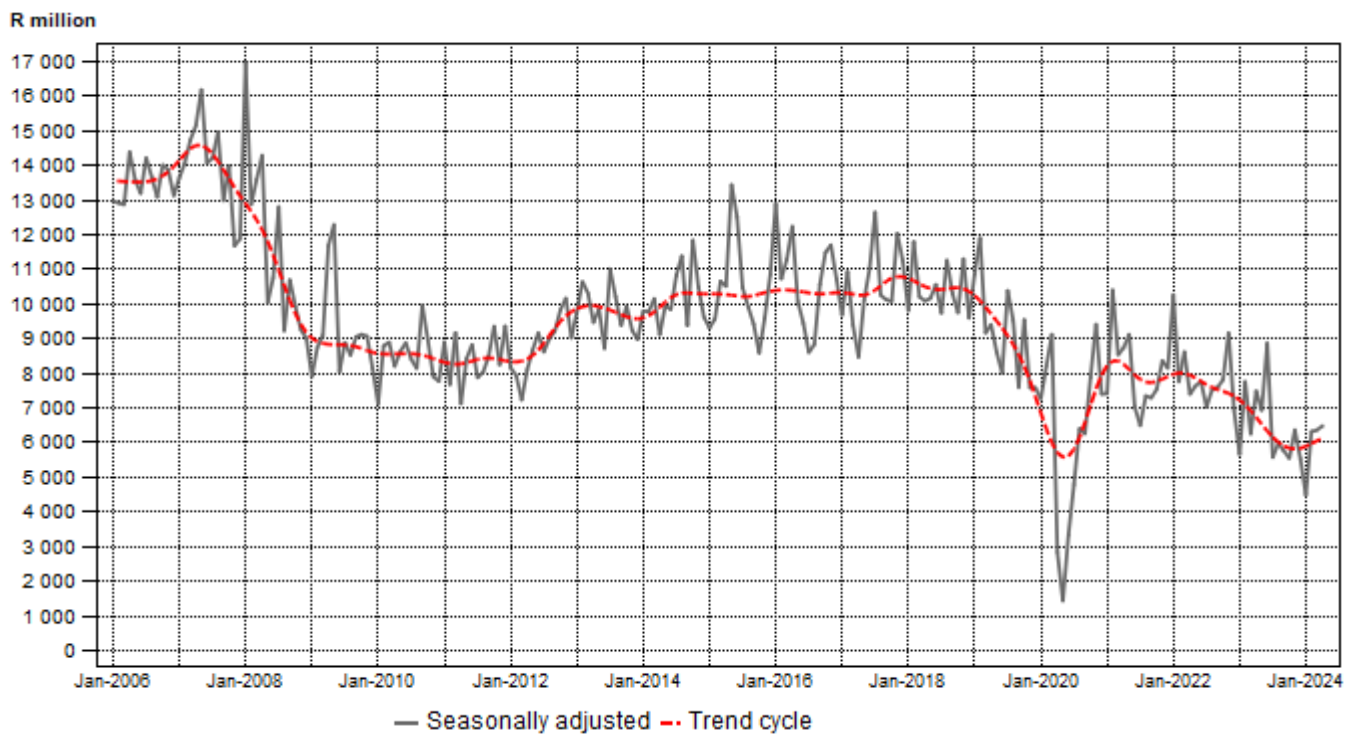
**Table D – Seasonally adjusted building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building**

Type of building	Nov 2023 – Jan 2024	Feb – Apr 2024	% change between Nov 2023 – Jan 2024 and Feb – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 556 052	9 214 831	7,7
Non-residential buildings <sup>1</sup>	2 860 057	4 357 794	52,4
Additions and alterations	4 960 928	5 577 977	12,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 377 037</b>	<b>19 150 602</b>	<b>16,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

The seasonally adjusted real value of building plans passed increased by 16,9% in the three months ended April 2024 compared with the previous three months. Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (52,4%), additions and alterations (12,4%) and residential buildings (7,7%) – see Table D.

Figure 1 – Building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices



## Buildings reported as completed at current prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024	% change between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>9 300 679</b>	<b>8 519 654</b>	<b>-781 025</b>	<b>-8,4</b>
-Dwelling-houses	6 431 393	5 525 001	-906 392	-14,1
-Flats and townhouses	2 798 473	2 867 549	69 076	2,5
-Other residential buildings	70 813	127 104	56 291	79,5
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>5 078 564</b>	<b>3 051 530</b>	<b>-2 027 034</b>	<b>-39,9</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>2 754 403</b>	<b>3 083 444</b>	<b>329 041</b>	<b>11,9</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 133 646</b>	<b>14 654 628</b>	<b>-2 479 018</b>	<b>-14,5</b>

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 14,5% (-R2 479,0 million) during January to April 2024 compared with January to April 2023.

Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-39,9% or -R2 027,0 million) and residential buildings (-8,4% or -R781,0 million). An increase was reported for additions and alterations (11,9% or R329,0 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by province**

Province	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	Weight Jan – Apr 2023	% change between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	%			R'000
Western Cape	4 046 788	4 087 006	23,6	1,0	0,2	40 218
Eastern Cape	947 596	1 101 387	5,5	16,2	0,9	153 791
Northern Cape	151 823	122 936	0,9	-19,0	-0,2	-28 887
Free State	142 834	150 365	0,8	5,3	0,0	7 531
KwaZulu-Natal	2 696 278	2 374 059	15,7	-12,0	-1,9	-322 219
North West	507 680	618 673	3,0	21,9	0,6	110 993
Gauteng	7 637 973	5 540 178	44,6	-27,5	-12,2	-2 097 795
Mpumalanga	399 941	412 377	2,3	3,1	0,1	12 436
Limpopo	602 733	247 647	3,5	-58,9	-2,1	-355 086
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 133 646</b>	<b>14 654 628</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-14,5</b>	<b>-14,5</b>	<b>-2 479 018</b>

<sup>1</sup> The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change by its weight, divided by 100, where the weight is the percentage contribution of each province to the cumulative total buildings reported as completed during the previous year.

Four provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during January to April 2024, namely Gauteng (contributing -12,2 percentage points or -R2 097,8 million), Limpopo (contributing -2,1 percentage points or -R355,1 million), KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -1,9 percentage points or -R322,2 million) and Northern Cape (contributing -0,2 of a percentage point or -R28,9 million) – see Table F.

## Buildings reported as completed at constant 2019 prices

**Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Type of building	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024	% change between Jan – Apr 2023 and Jan – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	7 173 979	6 270 969	-903 010	-12,6
Non-residential buildings	3 922 742	2 242 717	-1 680 025	-42,8
Additions and alterations	2 126 703	2 270 577	143 874	6,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 223 424</b>	<b>10 784 263</b>	<b>-2 439 161</b>	<b>-18,4</b>

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 18,4% (-R2 439,2 million) during January to April 2024 compared with January to April 2023. Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-42,8% or -R1 680,0 million) and residential buildings (-12,6% or -R903,0 million). An increase was reported for additions and alterations (6,8% or R143,9 million) – see Table G.

**Table H – Seasonally adjusted buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building**

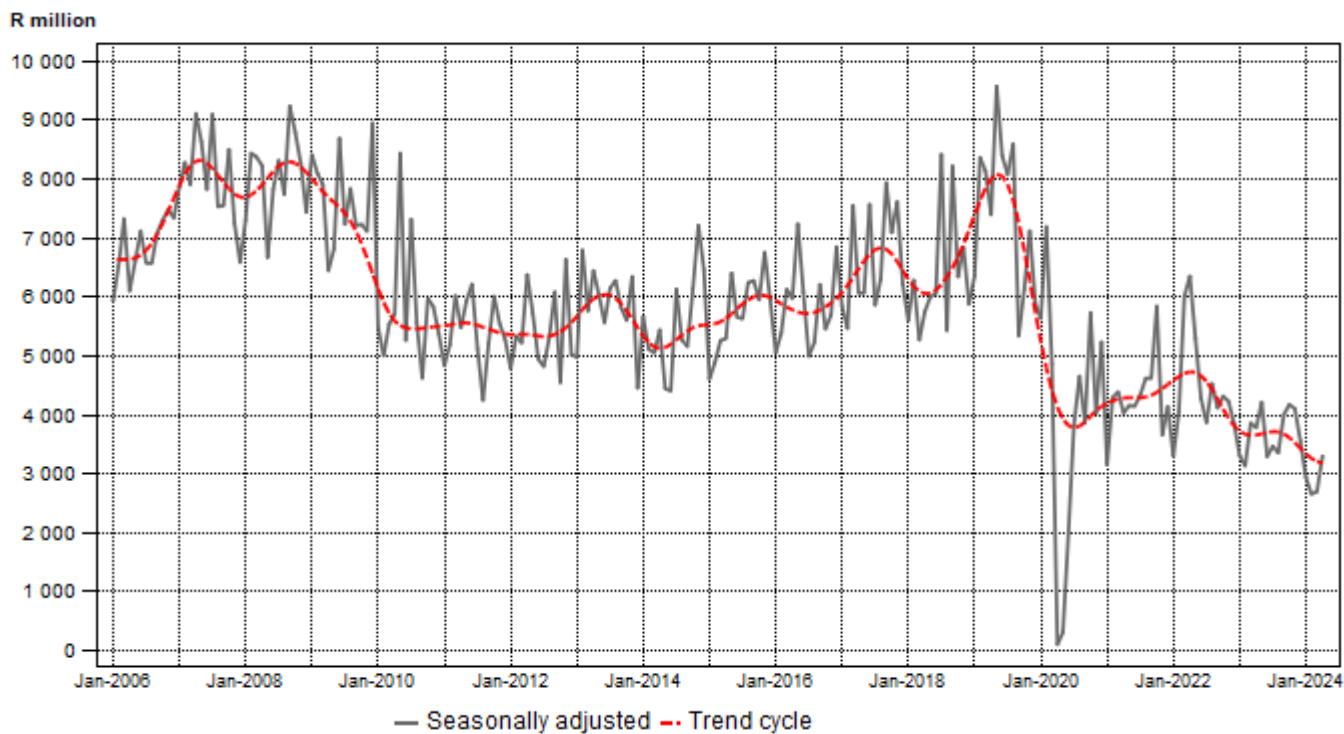
Type of building	Nov 2023 – Jan 2024	Feb – Apr 2024	% change between Nov 2023 – Jan 2024 and Feb – Apr 2024
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	6 287 715	5 216 143	-17,0
Non-residential buildings <sup>1</sup>	2 247 355	1 695 471	-24,6
Additions and alterations	2 063 041	1 738 264	-15,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 598 111</b>	<b>8 649 878</b>	<b>-18,4</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 18,4% in the three months ended April 2024 compared with the previous three months. Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-24,6%), residential buildings (-17,0%) and additions and alterations (-15,7%) – see Table H.



Figure 2 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices



  
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## Tables

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2023</b>	January	2 761 377	-51,8	721 791	-49,0	1 882 313	4,7	5 365 481	-40,0
	February	5 305 695	16,1	1 856 777	-17,7	2 639 147	8,0	9 801 619	5,8
	March	4 655 553	-8,9	1 696 971	-50,1	2 152 231	-17,1	8 504 755	-23,4
	April	4 613 802	-4,9	2 035 643	78,2	2 270 843	-8,4	8 920 288	5,3
	May	4 438 281	-11,0	2 059 644	22,5	2 959 940	-4,5	9 457 865	-3,2
	June	4 723 371	-23,7	4 622 149	179,7	2 768 581	1,9	12 114 101	14,7
	July	4 298 223	-20,8	1 055 623	-7,1	2 453 173	-19,2	7 807 019	-18,7
	August	3 929 094	-19,4	2 135 385	17,1	2 549 565	-29,7	8 614 044	-16,6
	September	4 478 991	-12,2	1 024 407	-45,6	2 384 182	-24,2	7 887 580	-22,1
	October	4 019 390	-31,3	1 101 434	-26,2	2 990 523	-3,1	8 111 347	-22,2
	November	4 466 586	-27,7	1 664 278	-40,2	2 781 043	-9,7	8 911 907	-26,0
	December	2 671 199	-21,5	1 563 744	-13,6	1 814 476	-12,8	6 049 419	-17,1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>50 361 562</b>	<b>-19,1</b>	<b>21 537 846</b>	<b>-4,2</b>	<b>29 646 017</b>	<b>-10,7</b>	<b>101 545 425</b>	<b>-13,9</b>
<b>2024</b>	January	2 641 211	-4,4	609 440	-15,6	1 392 946	-26,0	4 643 597	-13,5
	February	5 018 796	-5,4	1 638 340	-11,8	2 354 732	-10,8	9 011 868	-8,1
	March	3 566 278	-23,4	1 706 490	0,6	2 564 598	19,2	7 837 366	-7,8
	April	4 259 667	-7,7	2 591 586	27,3	2 279 050	0,4	9 130 303	2,4

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2023	January	3 922 136	-12,4	721 791	-60,1	2 612 973	2,8	7 256 900	-17,8
	February	5 450 357	39,0	1 856 777	157,2	2 699 061	3,3	10 006 195	37,9
	March	4 368 203	-19,9	1 696 971	-8,6	2 106 298	-22,0	8 171 472	-18,3
	April	5 043 677	15,5	2 035 643	20,0	2 666 260	26,6	9 745 580	19,3
	May	4 195 289	-16,8	2 059 644	1,2	2 819 079	5,7	9 074 012	-6,9
	June	4 325 932	3,1	4 622 149	124,4	2 651 260	-6,0	11 599 341	27,8
	July	4 049 588	-6,4	1 055 623	-77,2	2 224 866	-16,1	7 330 077	-36,8
	August	3 402 722	-16,0	2 135 385	102,3	2 315 467	4,1	7 853 574	7,1
	September	4 431 435	30,2	1 024 407	-52,0	2 169 938	-6,3	7 625 780	-2,9
	October	3 616 675	-18,4	1 101 434	7,5	2 648 503	22,1	7 366 612	-3,4
	November	4 363 837	20,7	1 664 278	51,1	2 517 898	-4,9	8 546 013	16,0
	December	3 619 024	-17,1	1 563 744	-6,0	2 325 395	-7,6	7 508 163	-12,1
2024	January	3 656 203	1,0	609 440	-61,0	1 837 759	-21,0	6 103 402	-18,7
	February	4 509 925	23,3	1 638 340	168,8	2 392 845	30,2	8 541 110	39,9
	March	4 021 943	-10,8	1 706 490	4,2	2 949 771	23,3	8 678 204	1,6
	April	3 995 417	-0,7	2 591 586	51,9	2 250 107	-23,7	8 837 110	1,8
	<b>Nov 23 – Jan 24</b>	<b>11 639 064</b>		<b>3 837 462</b>		<b>6 681 052</b>		<b>22 157 578</b>	
	<b>Feb – Apr 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>12 527 285</b>	<b>7,6</b>	<b>5 936 416</b>	<b>54,7</b>	<b>7 592 723</b>	<b>13,6</b>	<b>26 056 424</b>	<b>17,6</b>

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

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

<sup>3</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

**Table 3 – Value and percentage change of building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2023	January	2 167 486	-54,3	566 555	-51,6	1 477 483	-0,7	4 211 524	-43,1
	February	4 103 399	9,3	1 436 022	-22,5	2 041 104	1,6	7 580 525	-0,5
	March	3 567 474	-14,2	1 300 361	-53,0	1 649 219	-21,9	6 517 054	-27,9
	April	3 535 480	-9,5	1 559 880	69,5	1 740 110	-12,9	6 835 470	0,1
	May	3 385 416	-14,5	1 571 048	17,8	2 257 773	-8,2	7 214 237	-6,9
	June	3 611 140	-26,2	3 533 753	170,7	2 116 652	-1,4	9 261 545	11,0
	July	3 266 127	-23,3	802 145	-10,0	1 864 113	-21,7	5 932 385	-21,2
	August	2 974 333	-22,6	1 616 491	12,4	1 930 026	-32,5	6 520 850	-19,9
	September	3 370 196	-16,6	770 810	-48,4	1 793 967	-28,0	5 934 973	-26,0
	October	3 017 560	-35,2	826 902	-30,4	2 245 137	-8,7	6 089 599	-26,7
	November	3 340 752	-31,9	1 244 785	-43,7	2 080 062	-14,9	6 665 599	-30,3
	December	1 987 499	-26,3	1 163 500	-18,9	1 350 057	-18,1	4 501 056	-22,1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>38 326 862</b>	<b>-23,1</b>	<b>16 392 252</b>	<b>-9,0</b>	<b>22 545 703</b>	<b>-14,9</b>	<b>77 264 817</b>	<b>-18,1</b>
2024	January	1 957 903	-9,7	451 772	-20,3	1 032 577	-30,1	3 442 252	-18,3
	February	3 709 384	-9,6	1 210 894	-15,7	1 740 378	-14,7	6 660 656	-12,1
	March	2 620 337	-26,5	1 253 850	-3,6	1 884 348	14,3	5 758 535	-11,6
	April	3 111 517	-12,0	1 893 050	21,4	1 664 755	-4,3	6 669 322	-2,4

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

**Table 4 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2023	January	3 045 008	-12,6	566 555	-60,5	2 042 913	1,9	5 654 476	-18,3
	February	4 240 962	39,3	1 436 022	153,5	2 084 824	2,1	7 761 808	37,3
	March	3 330 445	-21,5	1 300 361	-9,4	1 614 066	-22,6	6 244 872	-19,5
	April	3 887 129	16,7	1 559 880	20,0	2 043 444	26,6	7 490 453	19,9
	May	3 198 000	-17,7	1 571 048	0,7	2 156 054	5,5	6 925 102	-7,5
	June	3 306 338	3,4	3 533 753	124,9	2 031 188	-5,8	8 871 279	28,1
	July	3 074 886	-7,0	802 145	-77,3	1 694 157	-16,6	5 571 188	-37,2
	August	2 608 565	-15,2	1 616 491	101,5	1 754 974	3,6	5 980 030	7,3
	September	3 355 809	28,6	770 810	-52,3	1 633 392	-6,9	5 760 011	-3,7
	October	2 726 847	-18,7	826 902	7,3	1 988 007	21,7	5 541 756	-3,8
	November	3 240 275	18,8	1 244 785	50,5	1 880 893	-5,4	6 365 953	14,9
	December	2 644 433	-18,4	1 163 500	-6,5	1 722 319	-8,4	5 530 252	-13,1
2024	January	2 671 344	1,0	451 772	-61,2	1 357 716	-21,2	4 480 832	-19,0
	February	3 336 072	24,9	1 210 894	168,0	1 767 175	30,2	6 314 141	40,9
	March	2 940 908	-11,8	1 253 850	3,5	2 162 159	22,4	6 356 917	0,7
	April	2 937 851	-0,1	1 893 050	51,0	1 648 643	-23,8	6 479 544	1,9
	<b>Nov 23 – Jan 24</b>	<b>8 556 052</b>		<b>2 860 057</b>		<b>4 960 928</b>		<b>16 377 037</b>	
	<b>Feb – Apr 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9 214 831</b>	<b>7,7</b>	<b>4 357 794</b>	<b>52,4</b>	<b>5 577 977</b>	<b>12,4</b>	<b>19 150 602</b>	<b>16,9</b>

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

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

<sup>3</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2023</b>	January	1 601 076	-16,4	1 451 781	216,5	536 096	-29,9	3 588 953	14,3
	February	2 414 223	4,5	569 750	-55,2	851 184	-25,8	3 835 157	-18,9
	March	2 752 569	-13,9	1 709 220	-34,9	674 075	-64,4	5 135 864	-33,4
	April	2 532 811	-24,4	1 347 813	15,0	693 048	-73,6	4 573 672	-36,0
	May	3 965 807	28,8	649 310	-42,9	853 995	-64,6	5 469 112	-17,5
	June	2 832 834	-5,0	754 080	-48,2	779 664	-23,2	4 366 578	-19,9
	July	2 658 357	-4,8	1 236 636	5,9	710 048	-29,6	4 605 041	-7,3
	August	3 057 825	-5,1	668 846	-46,4	754 093	-43,6	4 480 764	-22,8
	September	3 577 785	5,1	1 243 356	12,9	777 404	-24,3	5 598 545	1,2
	October	3 150 698	-11,6	1 537 808	43,8	1 095 896	13,7	5 784 402	3,3
	November	3 543 845	-15,6	1 678 880	75,7	1 014 084	-4,4	6 236 809	0,3
	December	3 283 587	3,4	597 276	-45,1	846 051	34,8	4 726 914	-3,3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>35 371 417</b>	<b>-4,9</b>	<b>13 444 756</b>	<b>-8,9</b>	<b>9 585 638</b>	<b>-39,6</b>	<b>58 401 811</b>	<b>-13,9</b>
<b>2024</b>	January	1 834 865	14,6	738 235	-49,1	662 252	23,5	3 235 352	-9,9
	February	2 115 969	-12,4	464 909	-18,4	841 142	-1,2	3 422 020	-10,8
	March	2 224 713	-19,2	392 388	-77,0	886 380	31,5	3 503 481	-31,8
	April	2 344 107	-7,5	1 455 998	8,0	693 670	0,1	4 493 775	-1,7

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2023	January	2 141 642	-29,3	1 451 781	33,5	638 601	-14,1	4 232 024	-13,0
	February	2 672 311	24,8	569 750	-60,8	815 160	27,6	4 057 221	-4,1
	March	2 752 610	3,0	1 709 220	200,0	578 492	-29,0	5 040 322	24,2
	April	2 742 790	-0,4	1 347 813	-21,1	837 409	44,8	4 928 012	-2,2
	May	3 998 743	45,8	649 310	-51,8	869 811	3,9	5 517 864	12,0
	June	2 807 848	-29,8	754 080	16,1	737 237	-15,2	4 299 165	-22,1
	July	2 609 286	-7,1	1 236 636	64,0	708 461	-3,9	4 554 383	5,9
	August	3 082 850	18,1	668 846	-45,9	681 172	-3,9	4 432 868	-2,7
	September	3 302 076	7,1	1 243 356	85,9	763 824	12,1	5 309 256	19,8
	October	2 991 513	-9,4	1 537 808	23,7	1 029 529	34,8	5 558 850	4,7
	November	2 888 925	-3,4	1 678 880	9,2	923 165	-10,3	5 490 970	-1,2
	December	3 123 758	8,1	597 276	-64,4	1 058 480	14,7	4 779 514	-13,0
2024	January	2 449 288	-21,6	738 235	23,6	798 743	-24,5	3 986 266	-16,6
	February	2 349 692	-4,1	464 909	-37,0	782 438	-2,0	3 597 039	-9,8
	March	2 386 790	1,6	392 388	-15,6	906 836	15,9	3 686 014	2,5
	April	2 364 893	-0,9	1 455 998	271,1	675 059	-25,6	4 495 950	22,0
	<b>Nov 23 – Jan 24</b>	<b>8 461 971</b>		<b>3 014 391</b>		<b>2 780 388</b>		<b>14 256 750</b>	
	<b>Feb – Apr 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>7 101 375</b>	<b>-16,1</b>	<b>2 313 295</b>	<b>-23,3</b>	<b>2 364 333</b>	<b>-15,0</b>	<b>11 779 003</b>	<b>-17,4</b>

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

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

<sup>3</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

**Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2023</b>	January	1 256 732	-20,7	1 139 546	200,1	420 797	-33,5	2 817 075	8,4
	February	1 867 148	-1,6	440 642	-57,8	658 302	-30,2	2 966 092	-23,7
	March	2 109 248	-18,9	1 309 747	-38,7	516 533	-66,4	3 935 528	-37,3
	April	1 940 851	-28,1	1 032 807	9,3	531 071	-74,9	3 504 729	-39,1
	May	3 025 024	23,8	495 278	-45,1	651 407	-66,0	4 171 709	-20,7
	June	2 165 775	-8,0	576 514	-49,8	596 073	-25,6	3 338 362	-22,5
	July	2 020 028	-7,8	939 693	2,6	539 550	-31,8	3 499 271	-10,2
	August	2 314 780	-8,9	506 318	-48,6	570 850	-45,8	3 391 948	-25,9
	September	2 692 088	-0,2	935 558	7,2	584 954	-28,1	4 212 600	-3,9
	October	2 365 389	-16,6	1 154 511	35,6	822 745	7,2	4 342 645	-2,6
	November	2 650 595	-20,5	1 255 707	65,6	758 477	-10,0	4 664 779	-5,4
	December	2 443 145	-2,9	444 402	-48,4	629 502	26,6	3 517 049	-9,2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>26 850 803</b>	<b>-9,6</b>	<b>10 230 723</b>	<b>-13,3</b>	<b>7 280 261</b>	<b>-42,7</b>	<b>44 361 787</b>	<b>-18,2</b>
<b>2024</b>	January	1 360 167	8,2	547 246	-52,0	490 921	16,7	2 398 334	-14,9
	February	1 563 909	-16,2	343 613	-22,0	621 687	-5,6	2 529 209	-14,7
	March	1 634 616	-22,5	288 309	-78,0	651 271	26,1	2 574 196	-34,6
	April	1 712 277	-11,8	1 063 549	3,0	506 698	-4,6	3 282 524	-6,3

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



**Table 8 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2023	January	1 673 755	-30,1	1 139 546	32,2	494 111	-16,7	3 307 412	-14,1
	February	2 063 480	23,3	440 642	-61,3	628 574	27,2	3 132 696	-5,3
	March	2 106 828	2,1	1 309 747	197,2	441 916	-29,7	3 858 491	23,2
	April	2 102 887	-0,2	1 032 807	-21,1	647 682	46,6	3 783 376	-1,9
	May	3 054 612	45,3	495 278	-52,0	663 033	2,4	4 212 923	11,4
	June	2 147 290	-29,7	576 514	16,4	565 259	-14,7	3 289 063	-21,9
	July	1 987 414	-7,4	939 693	63,0	539 821	-4,5	3 466 928	5,4
	August	2 334 194	17,4	506 318	-46,1	514 706	-4,7	3 355 218	-3,2
	September	2 489 735	6,7	935 558	84,8	577 401	12,2	4 002 694	19,3
	October	2 245 861	-9,8	1 154 511	23,4	772 346	33,8	4 172 718	4,2
	November	2 162 343	-3,7	1 255 707	8,8	686 388	-11,1	4 104 438	-1,6
	December	2 317 355	7,2	444 402	-64,6	793 019	15,5	3 554 776	-13,4
2024	January	1 808 017	-22,0	547 246	23,1	583 634	-26,4	2 938 897	-17,3
	February	1 734 440	-4,1	343 613	-37,2	576 044	-1,3	2 654 097	-9,7
	March	1 748 571	0,8	288 309	-16,1	659 460	14,5	2 696 340	1,6
	April	1 733 132	-0,9	1 063 549	268,9	502 760	-23,8	3 299 441	22,4
	<b>Nov 23 – Jan 24</b>	<b>6 287 715</b>		<b>2 247 355</b>		<b>2 063 041</b>		<b>10 598 111</b>	
	<b>Feb – Apr 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>5 216 143</b>	<b>-17,0</b>	<b>1 695 471</b>	<b>-24,6</b>	<b>1 738 264</b>	<b>-15,7</b>	<b>8 649 878</b>	<b>-18,4</b>

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

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

<sup>3</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	465	779	420	2 666	1 925	-27,8
		square metres	25 290	36 584	20 718	130 036	96 609	-25,7
		R'000	196 559	320 209	145 885	885 932	764 362	-13,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	914	784	1 070	3 861	3 640	-5,7
		square metres	280 534	224 804	282 053	1 183 080	1 008 080	-14,8
		R'000	2 388 505	1 924 044	2 343 361	9 898 419	8 543 426	-13,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	2 152	1 230	1 634	6 668	5 693	-14,6
		square metres	195 921	130 550	148 189	649 206	575 177	-11,4
		R'000	1 877 491	1 296 399	1 478 549	6 338 209	5 809 539	-8,3
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	17 445	3 685	37 393	26 185	48 040	83,5
		R'000	151 247	25 626	291 872	213 867	368 625	72,4
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 613 802</b>	<b>3 566 278</b>	<b>4 259 667</b>	<b>17 336 427</b>	<b>15 485 952</b>	<b>-10,7</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	15 791	7 758	5 602	69 779	23 980	-65,6
		R'000	140 093	66 964	63 756	662 050	215 678	-67,4
	Shopping space	square metres	10 026	73 633	90 720	95 480	219 684	130,1
		R'000	101 873	657 426	898 544	703 459	1 963 778	179,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	203 809	91 174	193 517	536 668	458 441	-14,6
		R'000	1 351 381	658 714	1 482 921	3 599 665	3 449 909	-4,2
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	50 665	39 972	18 021	152 625	116 747	-23,5
		R'000	442 296	323 386	146 365	1 346 008	916 491	-31,9
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 035 643</b>	<b>1 706 490</b>	<b>2 591 586</b>	<b>6 311 182</b>	<b>6 545 856</b>	<b>3,7</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	197 692	194 938	189 271	799 328	702 543	-12,1
		R'000	1 672 630	1 701 432	1 546 856	6 773 917	5 999 891	-11,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	56 270	87 942	70 897	213 926	244 842	14,5
		R'000	598 213	863 166	732 194	2 170 617	2 591 435	19,4
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 270 843</b>	<b>2 564 598</b>	<b>2 279 050</b>	<b>8 944 534</b>	<b>8 591 326</b>	<b>-3,9</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>8 920 288</b>	<b>7 837 366</b>	<b>9 130 303</b>	<b>32 592 143</b>	<b>30 623 134</b>	<b>-6,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	144	88	111	863	463	-46,3	
		square metres	6 738	3 972	5 035	37 856	21 224	-43,9	
		R'000	43 242	25 632	33 860	243 781	137 719	-43,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	350	296	395	1 556	1 346	-13,5	
		square metres	98 017	83 270	100 723	467 576	358 627	-23,3	
		R'000	764 172	635 012	771 129	3 539 863	2 790 835	-21,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 011	452	739	1 949	2 191	12,4	
		square metres	84 449	49 324	67 841	212 470	231 378	8,9	
		R'000	684 663	487 072	626 736	1 792 486	2 296 521	28,1	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	551	2 324	6 495	4 509	9 268	105,5	
		R'000	3 318	13 735	65 228	30 320	82 372	171,7	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 495 395</b>	<b>1 161 451</b>	<b>1 496 953</b>	<b>5 606 450</b>	<b>5 307 447</b>	<b>-5,3</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	105	2 673	526	20 719	4 431	-78,6	
		R'000	967	23 827	4 843	171 059	39 252	-77,1	
	Shopping space	square metres	1 222	3 899	1 064	15 310	14 346	-6,3	
		R'000	7 546	33 783	8 820	135 052	118 998	-11,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	67 651	22 052	22 049	127 056	86 145	-32,2	
		R'000	483 056	168 070	164 853	873 925	626 305	-28,3	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	30 723	8 356	13 193	52 496	34 432	-34,4	
		R'000	272 144	62 123	96 475	423 422	255 614	-39,6	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>763 713</b>	<b>287 803</b>	<b>274 991</b>	<b>1 603 458</b>	<b>1 040 169</b>	<b>-35,1</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	71 035	53 687	72 327	302 212	227 482	-24,7	
		R'000	508 664	392 819	515 707	2 305 212	1 661 384	-27,9	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	12 432	23 951	17 949	57 629	81 357	41,2	
		R'000	136 728	249 978	212 041	643 455	966 435	50,2	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>645 392</b>	<b>642 797</b>	<b>727 748</b>	<b>2 948 667</b>	<b>2 627 819</b>	<b>-10,9</b>	
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 904 500</b>	<b>2 092 051</b>	<b>2 499 692</b>	<b>10 158 575</b>	<b>8 975 435</b>	<b>-11,6</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	79	15	21	247	44	-82,2
		square metres	4 599	877	1 092	11 777	2 437	-79,3
		R'000	34 795	6 828	8 905	73 190	19 341	-73,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	84	59	65	328	235	-28,4
		square metres	19 375	14 976	16 042	76 060	57 693	-24,1
		R'000	162 209	125 707	133 403	630 866	480 639	-23,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	33	7	7	63	49	-22,2
		square metres	2 694	1 903	860	7 419	8 272	11,5
		R'000	20 362	15 694	6 624	59 329	67 702	14,1
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>217 366</b>	<b>148 229</b>	<b>148 932</b>	<b>763 385</b>	<b>567 682</b>	<b>-25,6</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	504	206	2 923	2 986	2,2
		R'000	0	4 156	1 273	24 106	19 509	-19,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	1 025	939	218	1 964	800,9
		R'000	0	7 922	6 482	1 798	14 404	701,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 441	6 403	3 210	18 096	31 994	76,8
		R'000	46 640	51 706	25 635	142 759	261 413	83,1
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 231	945	0	5 674	3 641	-35,8
		R'000	10 152	7 151	0	46 785	29 378	-37,2
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>56 792</b>	<b>70 935</b>	<b>33 390</b>	<b>215 448</b>	<b>324 704</b>	<b>50,7</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	12 253	16 787	10 712	62 557	58 618	-6,3
		R'000	99 501	136 216	86 370	503 713	471 479	-6,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	7 879	19 698	16 564	24 514	39 972	63,1
		R'000	67 905	163 159	138 007	204 480	334 360	63,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>167 406</b>	<b>299 375</b>	<b>224 377</b>	<b>708 193</b>	<b>805 839</b>	<b>13,8</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>441 564</b>	<b>518 539</b>	<b>406 699</b>	<b>1 687 026</b>	<b>1 698 225</b>	<b>0,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	18	188	2	32	197	515,6	
		square metres	1 062	7 545	150	1 716	8 033	368,1	
		R'000	9 997	71 021	1 412	16 154	75 610	368,1	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	20	15	16	74	56	-24,3	
		square metres	4 466	2 781	3 443	14 633	11 319	-22,6	
		R'000	39 634	23 943	30 168	129 134	97 961	-24,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	1 609	0	409	2 005	409	-79,6	
		R'000	15 146	0	3 850	18 874	3 850	-79,6	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>64 777</b>	<b>94 964</b>	<b>35 430</b>	<b>164 162</b>	<b>177 421</b>	<b>8,1</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	947	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	5 914	..	
	Shopping space	square metres	484	0	0	1 213	2 428	100,2	
		R'000	4 556	0	0	11 418	22 855	100,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	3 745	649	3 745	477,0	
		R'000	0	0	35 252	6 109	35 252	477,1	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	64	0	0	64	0	-100,0	
		R'000	602	0	0	602	0	-100,0	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>5 158</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35 252</b>	<b>18 129</b>	<b>64 021</b>	<b>253,1</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 145	2 144	1 192	17 869	8 398	-53,0	
		R'000	56 606	18 934	9 984	163 416	74 065	-54,7	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	162	78	107	254	185	-27,2	
		R'000	1 635	794	1 087	4 931	2 151	-56,4	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>58 241</b>	<b>19 728</b>	<b>11 071</b>	<b>168 347</b>	<b>76 216</b>	<b>-54,7</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>128 176</b>	<b>114 692</b>	<b>81 753</b>	<b>350 638</b>	<b>317 658</b>	<b>-9,4</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	5	9	121	22	144	554,5	
		square metres	299	656	4 851	1 280	6 252	388,4	
		R'000	1 859	6 311	21 915	11 039	34 885	216,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	61	35	43	145	147	1,4	
		square metres	17 485	8 460	12 242	39 275	37 971	-3,3	
		R'000	154 127	75 228	105 975	329 680	328 672	-0,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	27	42	0	69	42	-39,1	
		square metres	1 698	7 091	0	9 421	7 091	-24,7	
		R'000	16 336	68 223	0	88 732	68 223	-23,1	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	921	0	653	1 092	67,2	
		R'000	0	8 723	0	5 386	9 781	81,6	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>172 322</b>	<b>158 485</b>	<b>127 890</b>	<b>434 837</b>	<b>441 561</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 134	500	1 339	167,8	
		R'000	0	0	8 971	3 093	10 605	242,9	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	29 705	3 524	29 499	44 439	50,6	
		R'000	0	238 029	22 568	182 795	330 835	81,0	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	408	5 870	8 552	45,7	
		R'000	0	0	3 363	53 452	68 299	27,8	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	3 408	522	1 177	11 043	838,2	
		R'000	0	28 400	3 229	8 515	76 836	802,4	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>266 429</b>	<b>38 131</b>	<b>247 855</b>	<b>486 575</b>	<b>96,3</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	15 019	6 471	5 808	25 082	24 175	-3,6	
		R'000	137 878	55 450	46 890	214 013	198 813	-7,1	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	2 988	1 710	86	4 321	3 798	-12,1	
		R'000	28 891	17 587	1 113	44 124	35 755	-19,0	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>166 769</b>	<b>73 037</b>	<b>48 003</b>	<b>258 137</b>	<b>234 568</b>	<b>-9,1</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>339 091</b>	<b>497 951</b>	<b>214 024</b>	<b>940 829</b>	<b>1 162 704</b>	<b>23,6</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	10	16	13	35	74	111,4
		square metres	591	708	696	1 802	3 565	97,8
		R'000	4 534	5 243	6 653	14 362	28 877	101,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	69	69	101	297	321	8,1
		square metres	21 956	24 901	29 642	101 497	101 067	-0,4
		R'000	218 916	273 138	289 029	995 121	1 042 145	4,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	220	325	258	338	776	129,6
		square metres	26 291	32 470	31 781	44 914	102 804	128,9
		R'000	271 069	317 756	302 551	465 729	992 596	113,1
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	1 311	456	3 213	604,6
		R'000	0	0	14 421	2 736	27 111	890,9
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>494 519</b>	<b>596 137</b>	<b>612 654</b>	<b>1 477 948</b>	<b>2 090 729</b>	<b>41,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	4 581	0	785	7 833	897,8
		R'000	0	38 981	0	5 526	72 208	1 206,7
	Shopping space	square metres	994	7 782	4 196	3 315	12 140	266,2
		R'000	7 952	58 003	45 788	24 736	105 573	326,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	68 903	10 846	9 582	112 832	29 661	-73,7
		R'000	412 491	78 540	71 321	707 184	214 045	-69,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	3 251	4 914	288	4 057	6 917	70,5
		R'000	23 523	54 156	2 814	33 598	72 062	114,5
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>443 966</b>	<b>229 680</b>	<b>119 923</b>	<b>771 044</b>	<b>463 888</b>	<b>-39,8</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	17 739	30 538	23 735	69 997	95 823	36,9
		R'000	177 188	351 275	250 485	724 339	1 032 969	42,6
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	18 894	20 033	6 433	55 588	36 379	-34,6
		R'000	233 572	221 846	90 457	652 948	471 641	-27,8
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>410 760</b>	<b>573 121</b>	<b>340 942</b>	<b>1 377 287</b>	<b>1 504 610</b>	<b>9,2</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 349 245</b>	<b>1 398 938</b>	<b>1 073 519</b>	<b>3 626 279</b>	<b>4 059 227</b>	<b>11,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<sup>2</sup> Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	1	4	34	23	-32,4
		square metres	210	42	173	1 716	1 152	-32,9
		R'000	1 384	302	1 164	11 673	8 314	-28,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	48	56	52	209	196	-6,2
		square metres	16 691	14 589	13 772	63 181	53 654	-15,1
		R'000	116 583	112 683	99 793	447 507	397 205	-11,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	10	28	13	56	70	25,0
		square metres	939	2 181	620	3 728	5 072	36,1
		R'000	5 560	16 158	4 464	22 300	36 034	61,6
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	430	440	27 232	3 213	27 982	770,9
		R'000	2 834	3 168	196 070	22 990	201 155	775,0
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>126 361</b>	<b>132 311</b>	<b>301 491</b>	<b>504 470</b>	<b>642 708</b>	<b>27,4</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	6 842	0	0	14 380	102	-99,3
		R'000	39 684	0	0	84 097	630	-99,3
	Shopping space	square metres	127	25 860	31 963	13 504	62 967	366,3
		R'000	837	278 507	230 133	88 152	548 221	521,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 733	1 925	13 274	4 582	15 678	242,2
		R'000	15 851	13 860	105 963	26 125	122 721	369,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	746	9 000	0	1 797	10 224	468,9
		R'000	4 621	76 050	0	11 145	83 621	650,3
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>60 993</b>	<b>368 417</b>	<b>336 096</b>	<b>209 519</b>	<b>755 193</b>	<b>260,4</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 084	10 391	6 077	22 475	28 397
R'000			34 307	73 973	41 179	146 936	199 642	35,9
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	81	3 768	2 128	2 367	6 794	187,0
		R'000	2 021	36 082	22 011	47 683	83 209	74,5
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>36 328</b>	<b>110 055</b>	<b>63 190</b>	<b>194 619</b>	<b>282 851</b>	<b>45,3</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>223 682</b>	<b>610 783</b>	<b>700 777</b>	<b>908 608</b>	<b>1 680 752</b>	<b>85,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<sup>2</sup> Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.



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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	170	448	144	1 311	925	-29,4	
		square metres	9 668	22 039	8 480	66 536	50 405	-24,2	
		R'000	85 168	199 361	70 415	460 057	433 503	-5,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	198	188	246	875	957	9,4	
		square metres	71 196	52 277	67 632	284 135	263 652	-7,2	
		R'000	696 753	502 708	634 322	2 805 984	2 517 452	-10,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	802	306	562	3 955	2 325	-41,2	
		square metres	74 440	31 418	42 028	339 557	200 827	-40,9	
		R'000	841 264	345 848	503 312	3 689 562	2 205 803	-40,2	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	1 747	0	0	1 973	2 935	48,8	
		R'000	12 725	0	0	14 371	24 046	67,3	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 635 910</b>	<b>1 047 917</b>	<b>1 208 049</b>	<b>6 969 974</b>	<b>5 180 804</b>	<b>-25,7</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	8 363	0	3 736	29 591	4 164	-85,9	
		R'000	96 401	0	48 669	368 600	53 383	-85,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	6 160	1 164	47 449	9 569	56 955	495,2	
		R'000	74 413	14 135	574 656	108 804	659 650	506,3	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	51 329	24 017	123 670	216 338	227 779	5,3	
		R'000	349 527	182 059	959 892	1 428 075	1 763 433	23,5	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 669	8 559	3 075	72 934	35 632	-51,1	
		R'000	15 198	65 764	35 360	695 483	298 005	-57,2	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>535 539</b>	<b>261 958</b>	<b>1 618 577</b>	<b>2 600 962</b>	<b>2 774 471</b>	<b>6,7</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	54 975	56 511	49 419	238 242	200 406	-15,9	
		R'000	550 164	546 306	465 910	2 292 900	1 958 164	-14,6	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	12 169	13 914	20 168	62 598	59 327	-5,2	
		R'000	114 955	138 421	204 731	503 931	557 268	10,6	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>665 119</b>	<b>684 727</b>	<b>670 641</b>	<b>2 796 831</b>	<b>2 515 432</b>	<b>-10,1</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 836 568</b>	<b>1 994 602</b>	<b>3 497 267</b>	<b>12 367 767</b>	<b>10 470 707</b>	<b>-15,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	32	11	2	115	44	-61,7
		square metres	1 938	576	135	6 908	2 851	-58,7
		R'000	14 405	4 349	826	52 806	21 626	-59,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	63	27	121	257	241	-6,2
		square metres	23 084	7 835	26 083	94 112	72 963	-22,5
		R'000	177 146	60 957	194 074	718 354	528 064	-26,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	38	26	48	134	179,2
		square metres	0	2 133	2 114	2 714	9 359	244,8
		R'000	0	18 131	14 798	17 018	66 540	291,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	13 108	0	1 946	13 108	3 141	-76,0
		R'000	117 224	0	12 303	117 224	20 310	-82,7
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>308 775</b>	<b>83 437</b>	<b>222 001</b>	<b>905 402</b>	<b>636 540</b>	<b>-29,7</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	481	0	0	881	1 438	63,2
		R'000	3 041	0	0	5 569	9 091	63,2
	Shopping space	square metres	1 039	3 968	1 098	9 518	14 705	54,5
		R'000	6 569	25 774	6 928	59 315	92 607	56,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 390	25 009	13 232	46 396	44 849	-3,3
		R'000	27 754	158 262	86 765	329 526	289 317	-12,2
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	12 981	0	943	14 426	943	-93,5
		R'000	116 056	0	8 487	126 458	8 487	-93,3
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>153 420</b>	<b>184 036</b>	<b>102 180</b>	<b>520 868</b>	<b>399 502</b>	<b>-23,3</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 715	16 414	16 238	49 601	48 391	-2,4
		R'000	96 510	112 243	104 741	346 861	328 234	-5,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	1 025	1 136	4 805	5 557	8 296	49,3
		R'000	6 932	9 216	41 485	45 369	72 082	58,9
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>103 442</b>	<b>121 459</b>	<b>146 226</b>	<b>392 230</b>	<b>400 316</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>565 637</b>	<b>388 932</b>	<b>470 407</b>	<b>1 818 500</b>	<b>1 436 358</b>	<b>-21,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3	3	2	7	11	57,1
		square metres	185	169	106	445	690	55,1
		R'000	1 175	1 162	735	2 870	4 487	56,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	21	39	31	120	141	17,5
		square metres	8 264	15 715	12 474	42 611	51 134	20,0
		R'000	58 965	114 668	85 468	301 910	360 453	19,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	49	32	29	190	106	-44,2
		square metres	5 410	4 030	2 945	28 983	10 374	-64,2
		R'000	38 237	27 517	20 064	203 053	76 120	-62,5
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	268	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	1 966	0	-100,0
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>98 377</b>	<b>143 347</b>	<b>106 267</b>	<b>509 799</b>	<b>441 060</b>	<b>-13,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	740	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	5 086	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	230	487	13 334	9 740	-27,0
		R'000	0	1 273	3 169	91 389	70 635	-22,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 362	922	4 347	4 849	10 038	107,0
		R'000	16 062	6 217	29 877	32 510	69 124	112,6
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	4 790	0	0	13 915	..
		R'000	0	29 742	0	0	92 488	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>16 062</b>	<b>37 232</b>	<b>33 046</b>	<b>123 899</b>	<b>237 333</b>	<b>91,6</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 727	1 995	3 763	11 293	10 853	-3,9
		R'000	11 812	14 216	25 590	76 527	75 141	-1,8
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	640	3 654	2 657	1 098	8 734	695,4
		R'000	5 574	26 083	21 262	23 696	68 534	189,2
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>17 386</b>	<b>40 299</b>	<b>46 852</b>	<b>100 223</b>	<b>143 675</b>	<b>43,4</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>131 825</b>	<b>220 878</b>	<b>186 165</b>	<b>733 921</b>	<b>822 068</b>	<b>12,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	683	617	331	2 130	1 553	-27,1	
		square metres	34 786	30 576	17 167	111 654	80 014	-28,3	
		R'000	233 393	230 426	119 158	776 299	585 334	-24,6	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	532	529	642	2 469	2 176	-11,9	
		square metres	161 588	141 413	172 243	645 338	570 371	-11,6	
		R'000	1 408 867	1 230 840	1 505 772	5 655 094	4 939 667	-12,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 038	1 313	838	3 115	3 723	19,5	
		square metres	99 694	85 762	77 780	307 696	311 714	1,3	
		R'000	882 697	762 593	685 902	2 798 473	2 867 549	2,5	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	1 078	138	2 669	8 692	15 442	77,7	
		R'000	7 854	854	33 275	70 813	127 104	79,5	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 532 811</b>	<b>2 224 713</b>	<b>2 344 107</b>	<b>9 300 679</b>	<b>8 519 654</b>	<b>-8,4</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	823	2 852	6 943	98 964	26 353	-73,4	
		R'000	5 843	26 983	52 706	1 208 611	232 277	-80,8	
	Shopping space	square metres	46 786	2 745	35 184	200 689	77 674	-61,3	
		R'000	581 601	20 348	364 643	2 167 745	814 072	-62,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	91 165	36 737	136 962	190 197	244 016	28,3	
		R'000	632 066	291 748	1 002 337	1 289 540	1 854 753	43,8	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	10 786	6 149	4 852	45 663	18 547	-59,4	
		R'000	128 303	53 309	36 312	412 668	150 428	-63,5	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 347 813</b>	<b>392 388</b>	<b>1 455 998</b>	<b>5 078 564</b>	<b>3 051 530</b>	<b>-39,9</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	41 819	58 990	62 610	169 448	234 623	38,5	
		R'000	375 590	496 509	538 383	1 455 447	1 990 098	36,7	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	32 997	42 014	14 638	131 042	106 136	-19,0	
		R'000	317 458	389 871	155 287	1 298 956	1 093 346	-15,8	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>693 048</b>	<b>886 380</b>	<b>693 670</b>	<b>2 754 403</b>	<b>3 083 444</b>	<b>11,9</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 573 672</b>	<b>3 503 481</b>	<b>4 493 775</b>	<b>17 133 646</b>	<b>14 654 628</b>	<b>-14,5</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	161	227	118	559	557	-0,4	
		square metres	7 487	10 303	5 431	25 789	25 795	0,0	
		R'000	50 242	65 789	34 296	162 082	170 558	5,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	187	210	237	739	798	8,0	
		square metres	53 699	56 758	61 696	192 561	204 838	6,4	
		R'000	367 282	427 556	446 188	1 361 055	1 499 605	10,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	337	245	489	1 170	1 236	5,6	
		square metres	27 473	23 743	39 082	120 418	124 319	3,2	
		R'000	190 721	200 988	305 940	941 777	1 051 321	11,6	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	235	0	236	4 760	10 473	120,0	
		R'000	2 100	0	1 770	30 024	73 938	146,3	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>610 345</b>	<b>694 333</b>	<b>788 194</b>	<b>2 494 938</b>	<b>2 795 422</b>	<b>12,0</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	845	7 246	8 465	16,8	
		R'000	0	0	7 780	44 960	79 656	77,2	
	Shopping space	square metres	350	0	2 154	20 962	2 154	-89,7	
		R'000	3 080	0	13 835	154 273	13 835	-91,0	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	13 789	8 177	5 417	21 479	38 970	81,4	
		R'000	114 615	63 136	36 336	170 709	293 818	72,1	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	179	3 037	2 312	24 796	10 499	-57,7	
		R'000	1 044	19 114	14 681	178 752	69 840	-60,9	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>118 739</b>	<b>82 250</b>	<b>72 632</b>	<b>548 694</b>	<b>457 149</b>	<b>-16,7</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 381	20 547	21 675	55 305	71 228	28,8
R'000			73 064	143 076	181 144	394 453	529 396	34,2	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	9 479	13 046	4 718	67 326	29 502	-56,2	
		R'000	93 262	120 578	52 664	608 703	305 039	-49,9	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>166 326</b>	<b>263 654</b>	<b>233 808</b>	<b>1 003 156</b>	<b>834 435</b>	<b>-16,8</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>895 410</b>	<b>1 040 237</b>	<b>1 094 634</b>	<b>4 046 788</b>	<b>4 087 006</b>	<b>1,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	74	25	11	179	89	-50,3
		square metres	3 304	1 324	506	8 785	4 929	-43,9
		R'000	17 851	10 520	4 091	53 722	39 416	-26,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	41	33	30	217	123	-43,3
		square metres	14 972	6 057	8 368	55 635	26 835	-51,8
		R'000	125 363	50 069	67 967	470 993	217 504	-53,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	5	15	0	19	332	1 647,4
		square metres	937	2 494	0	2 484	19 915	701,7
		R'000	7 727	20 370	0	20 485	159 873	680,4
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>150 941</b>	<b>80 959</b>	<b>72 058</b>	<b>545 200</b>	<b>416 793</b>	<b>-23,6</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 291	0	1 291	..
		R'000	0	0	10 647	0	10 647	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	682	2 979	682	-77,1
		R'000	0	0	5 624	25 145	5 624	-77,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 465	0	1 080	8 949	3 038	-66,1
		R'000	51 680	0	8 907	67 044	23 274	-65,3
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	158	131	1 759	158	1 890	1 096,2
		R'000	1 260	808	14 023	1 260	14 831	1 077,1
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>52 940</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>39 201</b>	<b>93 449</b>	<b>54 376</b>	<b>-41,8</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 006	13 317	5 921	19 498	50 330	158,1
		R'000	40 833	109 479	48 622	160 640	411 489	156,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	15 846	8 961	332	17 723	24 951	40,8
		R'000	129 219	74 831	4 314	148 307	218 729	47,5
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>170 052</b>	<b>184 310</b>	<b>52 936</b>	<b>308 947</b>	<b>630 218</b>	<b>104,0</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>373 933</b>	<b>266 077</b>	<b>164 195</b>	<b>947 596</b>	<b>1 101 387</b>	<b>16,2</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	2	0	2	3	50,0
		square metres	0	109	0	153	167	9,2
		R'000	0	1 026	0	1 140	1 572	37,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	6	5	3	19	15	-21,1
		square metres	1 570	880	471	5 305	3 031	-42,9
		R'000	14 778	8 283	4 434	49 935	28 531	-42,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	0	0	..
		square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	1 164	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	10 957	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>14 778</b>	<b>9 309</b>	<b>4 434</b>	<b>51 075</b>	<b>41 060</b>	<b>-19,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 387	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	13 056	0	-100,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	473	0	2 339	473	2 958	525,4
		R'000	4 452	0	22 017	4 452	27 844	525,4
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 452</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22 017</b>	<b>17 508</b>	<b>27 844</b>	<b>59,0</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 166	1 102	1 331	7 966	4 608	-42,2
		R'000	20 389	10 373	12 529	74 985	43 375	-42,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	51	0	245	605	1 078	78,2
		R'000	2 020	390	2 336	8 255	10 657	29,1
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>22 409</b>	<b>10 763</b>	<b>14 865</b>	<b>83 240</b>	<b>54 032</b>	<b>-35,1</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>41 639</b>	<b>20 072</b>	<b>41 316</b>	<b>151 823</b>	<b>122 936</b>	<b>-19,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<sup>2</sup> Other residential buildings include institutions for the disabled, boarding houses, hostels and tourism accommodation e.g. hotels, motels, guest-houses, holiday chalets, bed-and-breakfast accommodation and casinos.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2	2	0	38	2	-94,7	
		square metres	150	91	0	2 165	91	-95,8	
		R'000	1 443	876	0	19 936	876	-95,6	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	6	14	6	46	38	-17,4	
		square metres	1 210	2 623	1 690	9 655	8 192	-15,2	
		R'000	9 155	23 696	13 028	71 738	65 482	-8,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	3	0	-100,0	
		square metres	0	0	0	292	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	2 408	0	-100,0	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	138	0	121	991	719,0	
		R'000	0	854	0	748	7 654	923,3	
<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>10 598</b>	<b>25 426</b>	<b>13 028</b>	<b>94 830</b>	<b>74 012</b>	<b>-22,0</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	275	277	0	275	277	0,7	
		R'000	1 701	2 665	0	1 701	2 665	56,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	145	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	897	..	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	62	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	511	0	-100,0	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 701</b>	<b>2 665</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2 212</b>	<b>3 562</b>	<b>61,0</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	848	1 969	1 714	4 910	9 318	89,8
R'000			7 304	18 135	12 297	36 996	66 356	79,4	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	0	276	0	886	276	-68,8	
		R'000	0	3 020	0	8 796	6 435	-26,8	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>7 304</b>	<b>21 155</b>	<b>12 297</b>	<b>45 792</b>	<b>72 791</b>	<b>59,0</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>19 603</b>	<b>49 246</b>	<b>25 325</b>	<b>142 834</b>	<b>150 365</b>	<b>5,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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



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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	14	5	25	37	48,0
		square metres	366	879	279	1 511	2 165	43,3
		R'000	3 204	9 384	3 049	11 536	21 614	87,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	42	36	58	219	173	-21,0
		square metres	20 079	10 749	20 028	78 118	52 981	-32,2
		R'000	222 302	130 403	231 921	853 734	590 068	-30,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	102	59	11	432	206	-52,3
		square metres	16 136	7 397	2 587	55 506	22 891	-58,8
		R'000	149 741	63 682	21 411	592 074	199 438	-66,3
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	1 151	381	-66,9
		R'000	0	0	0	13 697	3 050	-77,7
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>375 247</b>	<b>203 469</b>	<b>256 381</b>	<b>1 471 041</b>	<b>814 170</b>	<b>-44,7</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 732	9 956	1 732	-82,6
		R'000	0	0	15 260	108 428	15 260	-85,9
	Shopping space	square metres	1 095	306	31 449	45 837	65 604	43,1
		R'000	9 672	2 586	338 527	496 950	710 690	43,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 643	629	24 093	11 629	36 262	211,8
		R'000	10 152	3 147	154 400	69 421	241 092	247,3
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	2 559	497	4 568	3 056	-33,1
		R'000	0	28 149	5 851	54 032	34 000	-37,1
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>19 824</b>	<b>33 882</b>	<b>514 038</b>	<b>728 831</b>	<b>1 001 042</b>	<b>37,3</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	7 417	8 085	8 164	24 814	29 604
R'000			84 747	92 651	89 522	280 872	338 330	20,5
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	3 715	7 909	869	19 408	15 102	-22,2
		R'000	43 020	79 633	24 506	215 534	220 517	2,3
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>127 767</b>	<b>172 284</b>	<b>114 028</b>	<b>496 406</b>	<b>558 847</b>	<b>12,6</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>522 838</b>	<b>409 635</b>	<b>884 447</b>	<b>2 696 278</b>	<b>2 374 059</b>	<b>-12,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	21	38	30	81	96	18,5
		square metres	1 233	2 120	1 716	4 871	5 479	12,5
		R'000	7 177	15 811	11 540	28 090	38 990	38,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	47	28	25	210	135	-35,7
		square metres	8 621	7 189	7 656	44 896	32 412	-27,8
		R'000	61 936	54 305	59 067	316 138	239 628	-24,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	4	2	15	61	25	-59,0
		square metres	935	175	2 609	5 795	3 116	-46,2
		R'000	5 423	1 260	18 785	34 908	22 098	-36,7
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	576	0	0	576	0	-100,0
		R'000	3 796	0	0	3 796	0	-100,0
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>78 332</b>	<b>71 376</b>	<b>89 392</b>	<b>382 932</b>	<b>300 716</b>	<b>-21,5</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	455	2 243	0	2 698	..
		R'000	0	3 754	13 873	0	17 627	..
	Shopping space	square metres	1 132	2 259	359	1 177	3 288	179,4
		R'000	8 279	16 766	2 724	8 557	24 497	186,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	1 782	5 349	5 215	8 752	67,8
		R'000	0	14 446	36 693	42 140	61 165	45,1
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	284	0	284	..
		R'000	0	0	1 757	0	1 757	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>8 279</b>	<b>34 966</b>	<b>55 047</b>	<b>50 697</b>	<b>105 046</b>	<b>107,2</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	325	1 504	7 956	4 542	16 819	270,3
		R'000	2 527	9 885	50 272	28 518	107 266	276,1
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	546	7 007	942	1 523	9 434	519,4
		R'000	9 737	73 496	16 079	45 533	105 645	132,0
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>12 264</b>	<b>83 381</b>	<b>66 351</b>	<b>74 051</b>	<b>212 911</b>	<b>187,5</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>98 875</b>	<b>189 723</b>	<b>210 790</b>	<b>507 680</b>	<b>618 673</b>	<b>21,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	401	307	163	1 185	747	-37,0
		square metres	21 312	15 610	9 028	64 678	39 987	-38,2
		R'000	147 579	126 058	64 738	473 178	302 404	-36,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	174	180	237	843	738	-12,5
		square metres	53 357	51 716	58 778	218 052	203 607	-6,6
		R'000	546 902	498 083	586 466	2 225 124	2 022 974	-9,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	509	975	300	1 156	1 866	61,4
		square metres	44 281	50 042	31 369	102 682	134 723	31,2
		R'000	460 757	464 212	321 635	1 065 260	1 386 009	30,1
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	2 433	1 817	2 433	33,9
		R'000	0	0	31 505	20 590	31 505	53,0
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 155 238</b>	<b>1 088 353</b>	<b>1 004 344</b>	<b>3 784 152</b>	<b>3 742 892</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	548	1 068	832	80 100	2 142	-97,3
		R'000	4 142	13 913	5 146	1 040 466	21 942	-97,9
	Shopping space	square metres	44 209	0	540	117 535	5 371	-95,4
		R'000	560 570	0	3 933	1 398 976	56 153	-96,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	40 782	18 562	95 476	95 808	131 090	36,8
		R'000	252 789	146 529	718 706	618 926	1 035 067	67,2
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	10 449	422	0	16 141	2 818	-82,5
		R'000	125 999	5 238	0	178 624	30 000	-83,2
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>943 500</b>	<b>165 680</b>	<b>727 785</b>	<b>3 236 992</b>	<b>1 143 162</b>	<b>-64,7</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 280	11 643	11 979	42 073	46 062
R'000			131 386	107 372	115 936	409 585	446 769	9,1
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	3 202	4 815	6 767	20 428	24 233	18,6
		R'000	37 658	36 423	47 047	207 244	207 355	0,1
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>169 044</b>	<b>143 795</b>	<b>162 983</b>	<b>616 829</b>	<b>654 124</b>	<b>6,0</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 267 782</b>	<b>1 397 828</b>	<b>1 895 112</b>	<b>7 637 973</b>	<b>5 540 178</b>	<b>-27,5</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	16	0	0	48	8	-83,3
		square metres	821	0	0	2 837	533	-81,2
		R'000	5 190	0	0	20 739	3 883	-81,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	11	4	24	104	88	-15,4
		square metres	2 891	1 043	6 147	19 459	18 409	-5,4
		R'000	25 857	7 709	45 035	157 828	136 117	-13,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	17	23	0	40	..
		square metres	0	1 911	2 133	0	4 044	..
		R'000	0	12 081	18 131	0	30 212	..
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>31 047</b>	<b>19 790</b>	<b>63 166</b>	<b>178 567</b>	<b>170 212</b>	<b>-4,7</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	1 052	0	0	9 748	..
		R'000	0	6 651	0	0	84 480	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	7 587	2 158	17 542	14 790	-15,7
		R'000	0	64 490	18 061	110 901	118 515	6,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71 141</b>	<b>18 061</b>	<b>110 901</b>	<b>202 995</b>	<b>83,0</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 311	220	3 145	8 938	4 411	-50,6
		R'000	14 762	1 394	23 078	60 076	31 628	-47,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	158	0	765	3 143	765	-75,7
		R'000	1 042	0	7 341	50 397	7 542	-85,0
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>15 804</b>	<b>1 394</b>	<b>30 419</b>	<b>110 473</b>	<b>39 170</b>	<b>-64,5</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>46 851</b>	<b>92 325</b>	<b>111 646</b>	<b>399 941</b>	<b>412 377</b>	<b>3,1</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

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

			Apr 2023	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	Jan – Apr 2023	Jan – Apr 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2	2	4	13	14	7,7
		square metres	113	140	207	865	868	0,3
		R'000	707	962	1 444	5 876	6 021	2,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	18	19	22	72	68	-5,6
		square metres	5 189	4 398	7 409	21 657	20 066	-7,3
		R'000	35 292	30 736	51 666	148 549	139 758	-5,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	81	0	0	274	18	-93,4
		square metres	9 932	0	0	20 519	2 706	-86,8
		R'000	68 328	0	0	141 561	18 598	-86,9
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	267	0	0	267	0	-100,0
		R'000	1 958	0	0	1 958	0	-100,0
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>106 285</b>	<b>31 698</b>	<b>53 110</b>	<b>297 944</b>	<b>164 377</b>	<b>-44,8</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	180	0	12 199	430	-96,5
		R'000	0	996	0	83 844	2 376	-97,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	28 013	0	1 050	29 040	8 156	-71,9
		R'000	198 378	0	7 217	205 436	53 978	-73,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>198 378</b>	<b>996</b>	<b>7 217</b>	<b>289 280</b>	<b>56 354</b>	<b>-80,5</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	85	603	725	1 402	2 243	60,0
		R'000	578	4 144	4 983	9 322	15 489	66,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	795	..
		R'000	1 500	1 500	1 000	6 187	11 427	84,7
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 078</b>	<b>5 644</b>	<b>5 983</b>	<b>15 509</b>	<b>26 916</b>	<b>73,6</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>306 741</b>	<b>38 338</b>	<b>66 310</b>	<b>602 733</b>	<b>247 647</b>	<b>-58,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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

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

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

## Explanatory notes

<b>Introduction</b>	<b>1</b>	Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.
<b>Purpose of the survey</b>	<b>2</b>	The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.
<b>Scope of the survey</b>	<b>3</b>	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• passing of building plans; and</li> <li>• final inspection of completed buildings.</li> </ul>
<b>Classification</b>	<b>4</b>	Building activities are classified in division five according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
<b>Collection rate</b>	<b>5</b>	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for April 2024 was 89,1%. The collection rate for March 2024 was 88,2%.
<b>Statistical unit</b>	<b>6</b>	The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
<b>Survey methodology and design</b>	<b>7</b>	Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85% of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by email, fax and telephone.
<b>Constant prices</b>	<b>8</b>	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 2019. 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 P0151.1: <i>Construction Materials Price Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2023=100) are converted to the base year 2019=100.

- Seasonal adjustment** 9 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau.
- 10 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at: [Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment February 2022.](#)

**Trend cycle** 11 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.

**Revised figures** 12 Revised figures are mainly due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. The reasons for routine revisions are outlined in the following schedule. Any unscheduled revisions will be promptly indicated in relevant tables to maintain transparency and accuracy. It is important to note that seasonally adjusted figures are revised monthly.

Statistical release	Reason for revision	Period subject to revision
Apr-24	Additional information from respondents	Apr-22 - Mar-24
May-24	Additional information from respondents	May-22 - Apr-24
Jun-24	Additional information from respondents	Jun-22 - May-24
Jul-24	Additional information from respondents	Jul-22 - Jun-24
Aug-24	Additional information from respondents	Aug-22 - Jul-24
Sep-24	Additional information from respondents	Sep-22 - Aug-24
Oct-24	Additional information from respondents	Oct-22 - Sep-24
Nov-24	Additional information from respondents	Nov-22 - Oct-24
Dec-24	Additional information from respondents	Dec-22 - Nov-24
Jan-25	Additional information from respondents	Jan-23 - Dec-24
Feb-25	Additional information from respondents	Feb-23 - Jan-25
Mar-25	Additional information from respondents	Mar-23 - Feb-25
New base year in 2027/28 – periodic, approximately four to five-year intervals		

- Related publications** 13 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; and
  - *Building Statistics* (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.

**Rounding-off of figures** 14 Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

- Symbols and abbreviations** 15
- .. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage
  - 0 Nil or figure too small to publish
  - \* Revised figures
  - Stats SA Statistics South Africa
  - SIC Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities
  - ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities

## Glossary

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



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