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Results for January to December 2015

Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to December 2014 versus January to December 2015

Estimates at current prices	January to December 2014	January to December 2015	Difference in value between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	% change between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	46 383 136	49 707 006	3 323 870	7,2
-Dwelling-houses	31 984 413	33 861 606	1 877 193	5,9
-Flats and townhouses	13 185 006	14 907 807	1 722 801	13,1
-Other residential buildings	1 213 717	937 593	-276 124	-22,8
Non-residential buildings	24 951 325	23 522 353	-1 428 972	-5,7
Additions and alterations	25 356 851	26 438 645	1 081 794	4,3
Total	96 691 312	99 668 004	2 976 692	3,1

1/ 2014 and 2015 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) increased by 3,1% (R2 976,7 million) in 2015 compared with 2014.

The largest positive contributors were residential buildings (7,2% or R3 323,9 million) and additions and alterations (4,3% or R1 081,8 million). Non-residential buildings fell by 5,7% (-R1 429,0 million) – see Table A.

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to December 2014 versus January to December 2015

Estimates at current prices	January to December 2014	January to December 2015	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to December 2014	% change between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	Difference in value between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015
	1/ R'000	1/ R'000				
Western Cape	23 708 177	25 252 438	24,5	6,5	1,6	1 544 261
Eastern Cape	4 567 436	5 104 765	4,7	11,8	0,6	537 329
Northern Cape	1 078 026	822 245	1,1	-23,7	-0,3	-255 781
Free State	4 005 277	3 524 729	4,1	-12,0	-0,5	-480 548
KwaZulu-Natal	16 371 116	16 706 840	16,9	2,1	0,3	335 724
North West	3 993 274	3 430 819	4,1	-14,1	-0,6	-562 455
Gauteng	36 953 895	38 139 928	38,2	3,2	1,2	1 186 033
Mpumalanga	4 323 209	4 568 220	4,5	5,7	0,3	245 011
Limpopo	1 690 902	2 118 020	1,7	25,3	0,4	427 118
Total	96 691 312	99 668 004	100,0	3,1	3,1	2 976 692

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to Dec. 2014 and Jan. to Dec. 2015 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to Dec. 2014, divided by 100.

Six provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of building plans passed in 2015. The largest positive contributions were recorded for Western Cape (contributing 1,6 percentage points or R1 544,3 million), Gauteng (contributing 1,2 percentage points or R1 186,0 million) and Eastern Cape (contributing 0,6 of a percentage point or R537,3 million) – see Table B.

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices: January to December 2014 versus January to December 2015

Estimates at constant 2010 prices	January to December 2014	January to December 2015	Difference in value between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	% change between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	36 705 552	38 080 470	1 374 918	3,7
Non-residential buildings	19 744 139	18 010 805	-1 733 334	-8,8
Additions and alterations	20 065 349	20 253 820	188 471	0,9
Total	76 515 040	76 345 095	-169 945	-0,2

1/ 2014 and 2015 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2010 prices) decreased by 0,2% (-R169,9 million) year-on-year in 2015. Non-residential buildings fell by 8,8% (-R1 733,3 million) and residential buildings rose by 3,7% (R1 374,9 million) – see Table C.

Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices

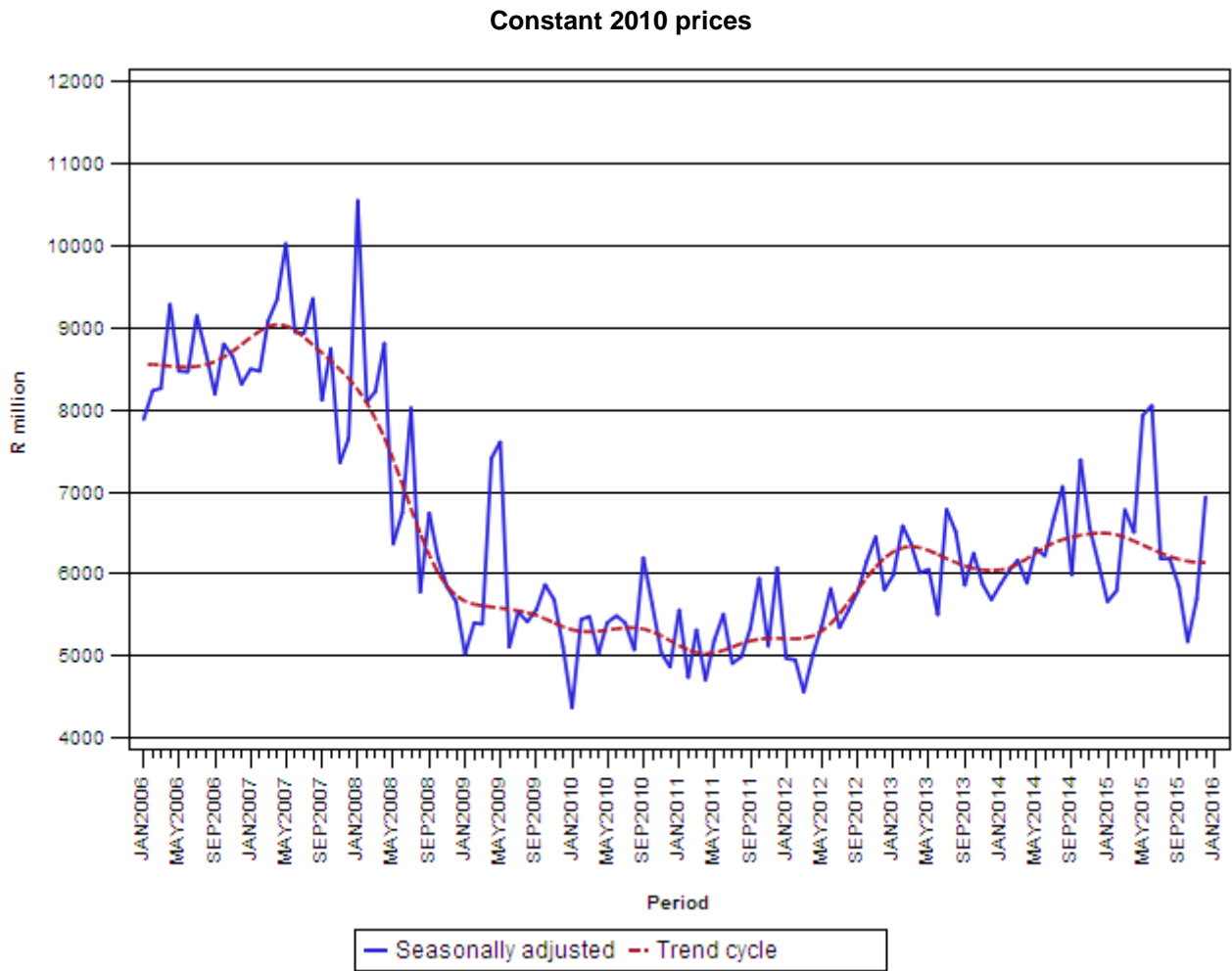
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices	July to September 2015	October to December 2015	% change between July to September 2015 and October to December 2015
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	9 319 692	9 395 951	0,8
Non-residential buildings 1/	4 012 574	3 348 031	-16,6
Additions and alterations	4 889 561	5 063 715	3,6
Total	18 221 826	17 807 697	-2,3

1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased by 2,3% during the fourth quarter of 2015 compared with the third quarter of 2015. Non-residential buildings fell by 16,6% – see Table D.

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



**Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices:
January to December 2014 versus January to December 2015**

Estimates at current prices	January to December 2014	January to December 2015	Difference in value between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	% change between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	27 940 988	32 189 699	4 248 711	15,2
-Dwelling-houses	19 828 675	23 222 430	3 393 755	17,1
-Flats and townhouses	7 592 393	8 474 693	882 300	11,6
-Other residential buildings	519 920	492 576	-27 344	-5,3
Non-residential buildings	15 498 732	14 698 228	-800 504	-5,2
Additions and alterations	9 374 593	9 796 886	422 293	4,5
Total	52 814 313	56 684 813	3 870 500	7,3

1/ 2014 and 2015 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) increased by 7,3% (R3 870,5 million) in 2015 compared with 2014.

Residential buildings rose by 15,2% (R4 248,7 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to December 2014 versus January to December 2015**

Estimates at current prices	January to December 2014	January to December 2015	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to December 2014	% change between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	Difference in value between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015
	1/	1/				
Western Cape	11 507 035	16 022 171	21,8	39,2	8,5	4 515 136
Eastern Cape	2 179 217	2 149 079	4,1	-1,4	-0,1	-30 138
Northern Cape	455 985	456 331	0,9	0,1	0,0	346
Free State	568 905	1 353 023	1,1	137,8	1,5	784 118
KwaZulu-Natal	6 376 246	8 476 031	12,1	32,9	4,0	2 099 785
North West	2 730 612	2 200 860	5,2	-19,4	-1,0	-529 752
Gauteng	25 559 004	23 204 850	48,4	-9,2	-4,5	-2 354 154
Mpumalanga	2 721 871	2 141 363	5,2	-21,3	-1,1	-580 508
Limpopo	715 438	681 105	1,4	-4,8	-0,1	-34 333
Total	52 814 313	56 684 813	100,0	7,3	7,3	3 870 500

1/ 2014 and 2015 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to Dec. 2014 and Jan. to Dec. 2015 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during Jan. to Dec. 2014, divided by 100.

Four provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed in 2015. The largest positive contributions were recorded for Western Cape (contributing 8,5 percentage points or R4 515,1 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 4,0 percentage points or R2 099,8 million). A significant negative contribution was recorded for Gauteng (contributing -4,5 percentage points or -R2 354,2 million) – see Table F.

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices: January to December 2014 versus January to December 2015

Estimates at constant 2010 prices	January to December 2014	January to December 2015	Difference in value between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015	% change between January to December 2014 and January to December 2015
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	22 981 000	25 114 015	2 133 015	9,3
Non-residential buildings	13 458 086	11 941 582	-1 516 504	-11,3
Additions and alterations	7 914 921	7 756 225	-158 696	-2,0
Total	44 354 007	44 811 822	457 815	1,0

1/ 2014 and 2015 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2010 prices) increased by 1,0% (R457,8 million) year-on-year in 2015. Residential buildings rose by 9,3% (R2 133,0 million) and non-residential buildings fell by 11,3% (-R1 516,5 million) – see Table G.

Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices

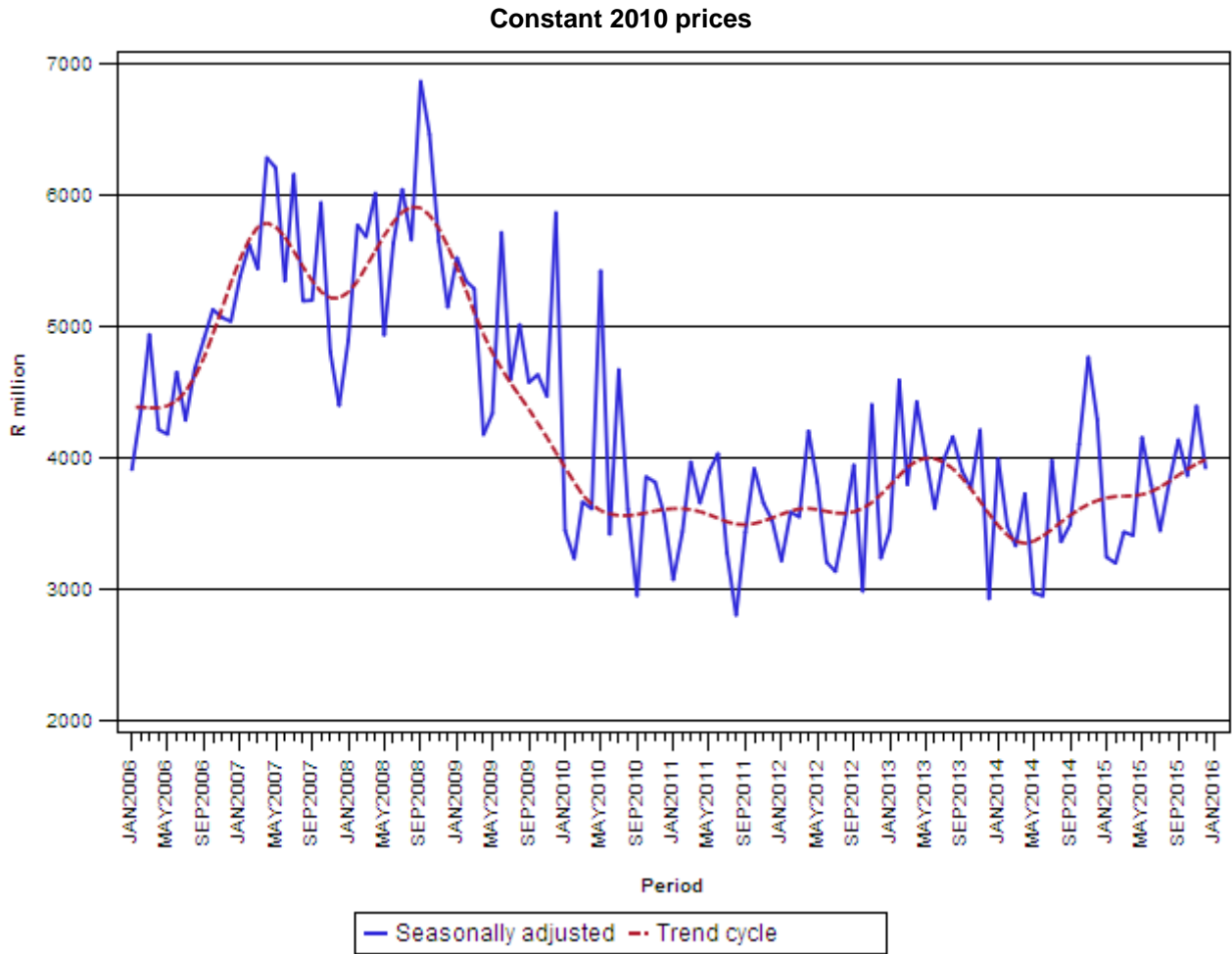
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices	July to September 2015	October to December 2015	% change between July to September 2015 and October to December 2015
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	6 179 987	6 138 623	-0,7
Non-residential buildings 1/	3 363 380	4 075 301	21,2
Additions and alterations	1 862 123	1 977 483	6,2
Total	11 405 491	12 191 408	6,9

1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 6,9% during the fourth quarter of 2015 compared with the third quarter of 2015. Non-residential buildings rose by 21,2% – see Table H.

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



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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	3 235 268	48,9	1 344 728	-43,7	1 535 551	3,0	6 115 547	1,1
	February	3 267 441	-1,3	2 053 955	-5,3	2 056 519	2,3	7 377 915	-1,5
	March	3 468 612	17,4	2 275 160	7,6	1 952 793	15,3	7 696 565	13,8
	April	3 041 339	-2,6	1 726 454	2,1	1 976 731	-10,7	6 744 524	-4,0
	May	4 110 707	15,7	1 970 370	-1,5	1 913 499	-6,1	7 994 576	5,3
	June	3 911 224	20,4	2 034 001	59,6	1 918 240	3,5	7 863 465	23,3
	July	4 028 934	3,7	3 020 132	14,7	2 300 350	-1,6	9 349 416	5,6
	August	4 763 279	34,2	2 188 628	-12,4	2 596 407	20,7	9 548 314	16,5
	September	4 186 488	33,6	1 293 843	-32,0	2 621 773	13,8	8 102 104	10,4
	October	5 263 607	32,0	3 057 974	30,2	2 328 749	4,9	10 650 330	24,5
	November	4 150 427	40,9	2 113 168	3,1	2 278 644	-3,1	8 542 239	16,2
	December	2 955 810	21,2	1 872 912	15,4	1 877 595	14,8	6 706 317	17,7
	Total	46 383 136	21,1	24 951 325	1,1	25 356 851	4,3	96 691 312	10,8
2015	January	3 411 357	5,4	605 147	-55,0	1 669 101	8,7	5 685 605	-7,0
	February	3 825 309	17,1	1 179 924	-42,6	2 328 241	13,2	7 333 474	-0,6
	March	4 171 252	20,3	2 150 503	-5,5	2 254 077	15,4	8 575 832	11,4
	April	4 231 730	39,1	1 939 405	12,3	1 979 962	0,2	8 151 097	20,9
	May	4 217 439	2,6	4 007 877	103,4	2 175 725	13,7	10 401 041	30,1
	June	4 515 235	15,4	3 972 054	95,3	2 213 891	15,4	10 701 180	36,1
	July	4 486 702	11,4	1 898 845	-37,1	2 655 555	15,4	9 041 102	-3,3
	August	4 255 093	-10,7	1 850 190	-15,5	2 292 582	-11,7	8 397 865	-12,0
	September	4 698 539	12,2	1 508 082	16,6	2 249 723	-14,2	8 456 344	4,4
	October	3 904 181	-25,8	1 126 314	-63,2	2 305 843	-1,0	7 336 338	-31,1
	November	4 271 006	2,9	1 277 790	-39,5	2 141 523	-6,0	7 690 319	-10,0
	December	3 719 163	25,8	2 006 222	7,1	2 172 422	15,7	7 897 807	17,8
	Total	49 707 006	7,2	23 522 353	-5,7	26 438 645	4,3	99 668 004	3,1

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	3 862 585	18,5	1 344 728	-17,2	2 009 205	-1,9	7 216 518	4,1
	February	3 417 839	-11,5	2 053 955	52,7	2 035 120	1,3	7 506 914	4,0
	March	3 369 947	-1,4	2 275 160	10,8	2 075 811	2,0	7 720 918	2,9
	April	3 503 227	4,0	1 726 454	-24,1	2 144 063	3,3	7 373 744	-4,5
	May	3 942 723	12,5	1 970 370	14,1	1 995 187	-6,9	7 908 280	7,2
	June	3 816 470	-3,2	2 034 001	3,2	1 982 165	-0,7	7 832 636	-1,0
	July	3 423 290	-10,3	3 020 132	48,5	1 995 546	0,7	8 438 968	7,7
	August	4 308 029	25,8	2 188 628	-27,5	2 511 343	25,8	9 008 000	6,7
	September	4 131 387	-4,1	1 293 843	-40,9	2 218 949	-11,6	7 644 179	-15,1
	October	4 347 003	5,2	3 057 974	136,3	2 038 899	-8,1	9 443 876	23,5
	November	4 185 725	-3,7	2 113 168	-30,9	2 109 412	3,5	8 408 304	-11,0
	December	3 806 145	-9,1	1 872 912	-11,4	2 238 038	6,1	7 917 095	-5,8
2015	January	4 413 367	16,0	605 147	-67,7	2 308 401	3,1	7 326 915	-7,5
	February	3 997 478	-9,4	1 179 924	95,0	2 305 829	-0,1	7 483 231	2,1
	March	4 362 237	9,1	2 150 503	82,3	2 268 141	-1,6	8 780 881	17,3
	April	4 369 535	0,2	1 939 405	-9,8	2 148 780	-5,3	8 457 721	-3,7
	May	3 998 099	-8,5	4 007 877	106,7	2 337 344	8,8	10 343 320	22,3
	June	4 333 758	8,4	3 972 054	-0,9	2 212 535	-5,3	10 518 347	1,7
	July	3 881 823	-10,4	1 898 845	-52,2	2 310 996	4,5	8 091 665	-23,1
	August	4 056 494	4,5	1 850 190	-2,6	2 193 851	-5,1	8 100 535	0,1
	September	4 241 113	4,6	1 508 082	-18,5	1 892 530	-13,7	7 641 724	-5,7
	October	3 500 093	-17,5	1 126 314	-25,3	2 166 705	14,5	6 793 112	-11,1
	November	4 328 582	23,7	1 277 790	13,4	1 886 247	-12,9	7 492 619	10,3
	December	4 606 432	6,4	2 006 222	57,0	2 608 360	38,3	9 221 014	23,1
	Jul. – Sep. 15	12 179 430		5 257 117		6 397 377		23 833 924	
Oct. – Dec. 15 2/	12 435 107	2,1	4 410 326	-16,1	6 661 312	4,1	23 506 745	-1,4	

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

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

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

Table 3 – Value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices by type of building

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	2 651 859	39,9	1 102 236	-47,1	1 258 648	-3,2	5 012 743	-5,1
	February	2 641 424	-8,0	1 660 432	-11,7	1 662 505	-4,7	5 964 361	-8,2
	March	2 772 671	9,8	1 818 673	0,7	1 560 986	7,9	6 152 330	6,4
	April	2 431 126	-8,3	1 380 059	-3,8	1 580 121	-15,9	5 391 306	-9,6
	May	3 278 076	8,3	1 571 268	-7,8	1 525 916	-12,1	6 375 260	-1,4
	June	3 101 684	12,5	1 613 006	49,2	1 521 205	-3,3	6 235 895	15,3
	July	3 169 893	-2,7	2 376 186	7,6	1 809 874	-7,7	7 355 953	-1,0
	August	3 732 977	25,9	1 715 226	-17,8	2 034 802	13,2	7 483 005	9,3
	September	3 278 377	26,0	1 013 190	-35,9	2 053 072	7,3	6 344 639	4,1
	October	4 102 578	24,3	2 383 456	22,6	1 815 081	-1,3	8 301 115	17,2
	November	3 237 463	32,8	1 648 337	-2,8	1 777 413	-8,6	6 663 213	9,6
	December	2 307 424	14,6	1 462 070	9,1	1 465 726	8,5	5 235 220	11,3
	Total	36 705 552	13,6	19 744 139	-5,3	20 065 349	-2,1	76 515 040	3,9
2015	January	2 652 688	0,0	470 565	-57,3	1 297 901	3,1	4 421 154	-11,8
	February	2 979 213	12,8	918 944	-44,7	1 813 272	9,1	5 711 429	-4,2
	March	3 226 026	16,4	1 663 189	-8,5	1 743 292	11,7	6 632 507	7,8
	April	3 250 177	33,7	1 489 558	7,9	1 520 708	-3,8	6 260 443	16,1
	May	3 234 232	-1,3	3 073 525	95,6	1 668 501	9,3	7 976 258	25,1
	June	3 449 377	11,2	3 034 419	88,1	1 691 284	11,2	8 175 080	31,1
	July	3 414 537	7,7	1 445 088	-39,2	2 020 970	11,7	6 880 595	-6,5
	August	3 253 129	-12,9	1 414 518	-17,5	1 752 739	-13,9	6 420 386	-14,2
	September	3 592 155	9,6	1 152 968	13,8	1 719 972	-16,2	6 465 095	1,9
	October	2 964 450	-27,7	855 212	-64,1	1 750 830	-3,5	5 570 492	-32,9
	November	3 240 520	0,1	969 492	-41,2	1 624 828	-8,6	5 834 840	-12,4
	December	2 823 966	22,4	1 523 327	4,2	1 649 523	12,5	5 996 816	14,5
	Total	38 080 470	3,7	18 010 805	-8,8	20 253 820	0,9	76 345 095	-0,2

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 4 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	3 151 045	18,4	1 102 236	-17,8	1 621 444	-3,7	5 874 725	3,3
	February	2 759 777	-12,4	1 660 432	50,6	1 627 846	0,4	6 048 055	3,0
	March	2 708 121	-1,9	1 818 673	9,5	1 642 685	0,9	6 169 479	2,0
	April	2 805 533	3,6	1 380 059	-24,1	1 701 704	3,6	5 887 296	-4,6
	May	3 137 191	11,8	1 571 268	13,9	1 603 302	-5,8	6 311 761	7,2
	June	3 026 165	-3,5	1 613 006	2,7	1 581 264	-1,4	6 220 436	-1,4
	July	2 708 432	-10,5	2 376 186	47,3	1 578 666	-0,2	6 663 284	7,1
	August	3 384 652	25,0	1 715 226	-27,8	1 967 758	24,6	7 067 636	6,1
	September	3 234 563	-4,4	1 013 190	-40,9	1 740 964	-11,5	5 988 717	-15,3
	October	3 393 416	4,9	2 383 456	135,2	1 615 551	-7,2	7 392 423	23,4
	November	3 263 954	-3,8	1 648 337	-30,8	1 653 046	2,3	6 565 337	-11,2
	December	2 936 304	-10,0	1 462 070	-11,3	1 730 013	4,7	6 128 387	-6,7
2015	January	3 413 874	16,3	470 565	-67,8	1 778 053	2,8	5 662 492	-7,6
	February	3 108 386	-8,9	918 944	95,3	1 770 711	-0,4	5 798 041	2,4
	March	3 378 849	8,7	1 663 189	81,0	1 741 680	-1,6	6 783 719	17,0
	April	3 368 721	-0,3	1 489 558	-10,4	1 648 567	-5,3	6 506 846	-4,1
	May	3 070 136	-8,9	3 073 525	106,3	1 790 400	8,6	7 934 060	21,9
	June	3 311 039	7,8	3 034 419	-1,3	1 707 030	-4,7	8 052 488	1,5
	July	2 971 711	-10,2	1 445 088	-52,4	1 768 619	3,6	6 185 418	-23,2
	August	3 099 670	4,3	1 414 518	-2,1	1 672 857	-5,4	6 187 044	0,0
	September	3 248 311	4,8	1 152 968	-18,5	1 448 085	-13,4	5 849 364	-5,5
	October	2 660 249	-18,1	855 212	-25,8	1 659 322	14,6	5 174 783	-11,5
	November	3 277 452	23,2	969 492	13,4	1 449 495	-12,6	5 696 439	10,1
	December	3 458 250	5,5	1 523 327	57,1	1 954 898	34,9	6 936 475	21,8
	Jul. – Sep. 15	9 319 692		4 012 574		4 889 561		18 221 826	
Oct. – Dec. 15 2/	9 395 951	0,8	3 348 031	-16,6	5 063 715	3,6	17 807 697	-2,3	

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

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	1 864 951	14,2	947 942	135,7	772 015	-1,9	3 584 908	27,0
	February	1 901 135	-10,4	1 024 739	-31,8	957 322	-22,4	3 883 196	-20,1
	March	2 225 573	12,2	1 117 237	3,6	793 665	-31,5	4 136 475	-2,0
	April	2 235 694	-2,0	1 279 830	1,7	629 675	-53,9	4 145 199	-15,5
	May	1 858 144	-4,0	667 245	-45,9	766 606	-26,5	3 291 995	-21,8
	June	1 952 010	-2,4	799 842	-28,1	651 885	-21,8	3 403 737	-13,8
	July	2 522 008	6,1	1 653 706	41,6	758 975	-35,0	4 934 689	4,7
	August	2 380 745	0,9	941 925	-38,1	936 852	-6,3	4 259 522	-12,7
	September	2 543 242	3,9	1 068 777	-1,2	799 479	-23,3	4 411 498	-3,5
	October	2 882 645	19,1	1 426 294	38,1	899 738	-12,0	5 208 677	16,4
	November	3 072 324	27,0	2 550 356	29,9	718 978	-18,8	6 341 658	20,4
	December	2 502 517	28,9	2 020 839	169,8	689 403	4,2	5 212 759	55,5
Total	27 940 988	7,8	15 498 732	9,9	9 374 593	-23,2	52 814 313	1,1	
2015	January	1 818 640	-2,5	785 616	-17,1	501 685	-35,0	3 105 941	-13,4
	February	2 087 746	9,8	1 019 816	-0,5	675 990	-29,4	3 783 552	-2,6
	March	2 568 046	15,4	858 760	-23,1	1 025 680	29,2	4 452 486	7,6
	April	2 608 404	16,7	730 600	-42,9	903 209	43,4	4 242 213	2,3
	May	3 119 539	67,9	968 348	45,1	797 255	4,0	4 885 142	48,4
	June	2 599 782	33,2	1 057 013	32,2	983 921	50,9	4 640 716	36,3
	July	2 635 346	4,5	1 095 693	-33,7	852 594	12,3	4 583 633	-7,1
	August	2 830 856	18,9	1 420 995	50,9	814 463	-13,1	5 066 314	18,9
	September	3 003 875	18,1	1 646 976	54,1	844 951	5,7	5 495 802	24,6
	October	2 687 639	-6,8	1 693 843	18,8	761 518	-15,4	5 143 000	-1,3
	November	3 432 706	11,7	1 971 370	-22,7	870 898	21,1	6 274 974	-1,1
	December	2 797 120	11,8	1 449 198	-28,3	764 722	10,9	5 011 040	-3,9
Total	32 189 699	15,2	14 698 228	-5,2	9 796 886	4,5	56 684 813	7,3	

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	2 643 764	46,7	947 942	26,6	1 044 883	28,9	4 636 589	37,9
	February	2 102 283	-20,5	1 024 739	8,1	904 011	-13,5	4 031 032	-13,1
	March	2 109 688	0,4	1 117 237	9,0	584 692	-35,3	3 811 617	-5,4
	April	2 513 188	19,1	1 279 830	14,6	725 301	24,0	4 518 319	18,5
	May	2 020 724	-19,6	667 245	-47,9	814 109	12,2	3 502 078	-22,5
	June	2 055 403	1,7	799 842	19,9	638 712	-21,5	3 493 957	-0,2
	July	2 361 507	14,9	1 653 706	106,8	693 862	8,6	4 709 074	34,8
	August	2 239 975	-5,1	941 925	-43,0	859 122	23,8	4 041 022	-14,2
	September	2 374 689	6,0	1 068 777	13,5	786 701	-8,4	4 230 167	4,7
	October	2 670 979	12,5	1 426 294	33,5	896 230	13,9	4 993 503	18,0
	November	2 508 009	-6,1	2 550 356	78,8	696 375	-22,3	5 754 740	15,2
	December	2 343 982	-6,5	2 020 839	-20,8	842 272	21,0	5 207 093	-9,5
2015	January	2 552 350	8,9	785 616	-61,1	681 704	-19,1	4 019 670	-22,8
	February	2 312 378	-9,4	1 019 816	29,8	638 022	-6,4	3 970 216	-1,2
	March	2 564 594	10,9	858 760	-15,8	928 568	45,5	4 351 921	9,6
	April	2 760 868	7,7	730 600	-14,9	835 946	-10,0	4 327 414	-0,6
	May	3 406 805	23,4	968 348	32,5	843 536	0,9	5 218 688	20,6
	June	2 757 123	-19,1	1 057 013	9,2	963 172	14,2	4 777 308	-8,5
	July	2 459 660	-10,8	1 095 693	3,7	789 916	-18,0	4 345 269	-9,0
	August	2 661 165	8,2	1 420 995	29,7	746 666	-5,5	4 828 826	11,1
	September	2 792 618	4,9	1 646 976	15,9	826 333	10,7	5 265 927	9,1
	October	2 488 461	-10,9	1 693 843	2,8	753 131	-8,9	4 935 435	-6,3
	November	2 801 001	12,6	1 971 370	16,4	856 155	13,7	5 628 526	14,0
	December	2 652 102	-5,3	1 449 198	-26,5	936 231	9,4	5 037 531	-10,5
	Jul. – Sep. 15	7 913 443		4 163 664		2 362 915		14 440 022	
	Oct. – Dec. 15 2/	7 941 564	0,4	5 114 411	22,8	2 545 517	7,7	15 601 492	8,0

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

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices by type of building

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	1 577 690	7,2	846 377	122,9	673 661	-7,2	3 097 728	20,2
	February	1 604 474	-16,0	914 946	-35,4	830 288	-26,3	3 349 708	-24,8
	March	1 871 420	5,2	994 868	-1,7	678 346	-35,6	3 544 634	-7,8
	April	1 870 720	-8,1	1 136 616	-3,5	534 529	-56,7	3 541 865	-20,4
	May	1 550 914	-9,8	589 960	-48,6	652 986	-30,6	2 793 860	-26,6
	June	1 622 819	-8,3	704 707	-31,8	552 913	-26,2	2 880 439	-18,9
	July	2 083 259	-0,3	1 443 024	33,9	636 724	-38,9	4 163 007	-1,1
	August	1 937 886	-6,2	816 934	-41,2	782 667	-12,3	3 537 487	-18,6
	September	2 055 674	-3,4	913 485	-7,0	664 019	-28,4	3 633 178	-10,0
	October	2 318 466	11,6	1 210 776	29,5	744 816	-18,0	4 274 058	9,0
	November	2 477 900	18,9	2 172 365	22,7	594 688	-24,0	5 244 953	13,1
	December	2 009 778	20,7	1 714 028	154,7	569 284	-2,3	4 293 090	47,0
	Total	22 981 000	0,8	13 458 086	3,6	7 914 921	-27,8	44 354 007	-5,1
2015	January	1 442 828	-8,5	659 074	-22,1	411 217	-39,0	2 513 119	-18,9
	February	1 646 859	2,6	851 977	-6,9	546 475	-34,2	3 045 311	-9,1
	March	2 021 858	8,0	713 256	-28,3	819 888	20,9	3 555 002	0,3
	April	2 046 444	9,4	604 801	-46,8	721 990	35,1	3 373 235	-4,8
	May	2 451 254	58,1	800 950	35,8	635 770	-2,6	3 887 974	39,2
	June	2 038 001	25,6	872 843	23,9	780 270	41,1	3 691 114	28,1
	July	2 054 194	-1,4	898 109	-37,8	670 806	5,4	3 623 109	-13,0
	August	2 209 477	14,0	1 148 743	40,6	638 294	-18,4	3 996 514	13,0
	September	2 331 718	13,4	1 316 528	44,1	661 669	-0,4	4 309 915	18,6
	October	2 072 391	-10,6	1 353 991	11,8	593 545	-20,3	4 019 927	-5,9
	November	2 646 530	6,8	1 572 065	-27,6	679 328	14,2	4 897 923	-6,6
	December	2 152 461	7,1	1 149 245	-33,0	596 973	4,9	3 898 679	-9,2
	Total	25 114 015	9,3	11 941 582	-11,3	7 756 225	-2,0	44 811 822	1,0

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 8 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices by type of building

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	2 244 016	44,8	846 377	25,8	904 972	27,8	3 995 365	36,3
	February	1 785 386	-20,4	914 946	8,1	782 400	-13,5	3 482 732	-12,8
	March	1 841 830	3,2	994 868	8,7	495 852	-36,6	3 332 551	-4,3
	April	1 974 873	7,2	1 136 616	14,2	619 174	24,9	3 730 664	11,9
	May	1 690 324	-14,4	589 960	-48,1	695 089	12,3	2 975 374	-20,2
	June	1 704 464	0,8	704 707	19,4	543 427	-21,8	2 952 598	-0,8
	July	1 955 467	14,7	1 443 024	104,8	584 657	7,6	3 983 148	34,9
	August	1 825 675	-6,6	816 934	-43,4	721 971	23,5	3 364 580	-15,5
	September	1 927 845	5,6	913 485	11,8	656 389	-9,1	3 497 719	4,0
	October	2 154 058	11,7	1 210 776	32,5	742 769	13,2	4 107 603	17,4
	November	2 024 330	-6,0	2 172 365	79,4	573 390	-22,8	4 770 085	16,1
	December	1 890 621	-6,6	1 714 028	-21,1	689 749	20,3	4 294 398	-10,0
2015	January	2 033 369	7,6	659 074	-61,5	554 933	-19,5	3 247 377	-24,4
	February	1 834 806	-9,8	851 977	29,3	515 147	-7,2	3 201 930	-1,4
	March	1 989 037	8,4	713 256	-16,3	736 473	43,0	3 438 766	7,4
	April	2 135 684	7,4	604 801	-15,2	672 007	-8,8	3 412 493	-0,8
	May	2 683 616	25,7	800 950	32,4	673 970	0,3	4 158 536	21,9
	June	2 157 807	-19,6	872 843	9,0	766 523	13,7	3 797 174	-8,7
	July	1 924 737	-10,8	898 109	2,9	624 390	-18,5	3 447 236	-9,2
	August	2 080 408	8,1	1 148 743	27,9	588 163	-5,8	3 817 315	10,7
	September	2 174 842	4,5	1 316 528	14,6	649 570	10,4	4 140 940	8,5
	October	1 924 409	-11,5	1 353 991	2,8	587 691	-9,5	3 866 091	-6,6
	November	2 161 072	12,3	1 572 065	16,1	664 754	13,1	4 397 891	13,8
	December	2 053 142	-5,0	1 149 245	-26,9	725 038	9,1	3 927 426	-10,7
	Jul. – Sep. 15	6 179 987		3 363 380		1 862 123		11 405 491	
Oct. – Dec. 15 2/	6 138 623	-0,7	4 075 301	21,2	1 977 483	6,2	12 191 408	6,9	

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

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

3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 519	1 976	1 178	20 717	22 789	10,0	
		Square metres	71 020	97 427	57 311	1 000 827	1 088 524	8,8	
		R'000	319 647	363 554	262 446	3 665 079	3 948 982	7,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	1 158	1 521	1 122	17 121	16 980	-0,8	
		Square metres	309 536	393 533	321 013	4 593 003	4 619 148	0,6	
		R'000	1 964 717	2 659 681	2 173 291	28 319 334	29 912 624	5,6	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	635	1 179	1 788	18 971	19 898	4,9	
		Square metres	77 620	155 770	140 409	1 873 555	1 992 217	6,3	
		R'000	590 800	1 236 199	1 246 292	13 185 006	14 907 807	13,1	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	10 913	1 519	4 714	199 151	130 311	-34,6	
		R'000	80 646	11 572	37 134	1 213 717	937 593	-22,8	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	2 955 810	4 271 006	3 719 163	46 383 136	49 707 006	7,2
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	99 565	16 521	77 736	1 002 586	707 866	-29,4
R'000			823 770	133 164	677 757	7 986 942	5 729 111	-28,3	
2. Shopping space		Square metres	24 509	64 122	73 188	840 053	1 087 824	29,5	
		R'000	148 130	406 365	564 389	5 649 038	8 011 430	41,8	
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	101 575	106 444	105 819	1 737 490	1 417 837	-18,4	
		R'000	536 695	562 004	581 162	8 539 023	7 441 563	-12,9	
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	45 587	32 575	29 254	456 429	405 906	-11,1	
		R'000	364 317	176 257	182 914	2 776 322	2 340 249	-15,7	
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 872 912	1 277 790	2 006 222	24 951 325	23 522 353	-5,7	
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	232 050	251 889	232 127	3 199 308	3 136 968	-1,9
	R'000		1 364 513	1 597 209	1 531 984	18 274 354	19 156 630	4,8	
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	67 530	60 763	75 417	1 008 445	915 048	-9,3	
		R'000	513 082	544 314	640 438	7 082 497	7 282 015	2,8	
	3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 877 595	2 141 523	2 172 422	25 356 851	26 438 645	4,3
4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	6 706 317	7 690 319	7 897 807	96 691 312	99 668 004	3,1	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

		Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/		
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	608	496	319	5 919	5 650	-4,5	
		Square metres	26 007	22 240	14 409	263 321	248 464	-5,6	
		R'000	137 157	128 430	85 489	1 101 161	1 349 610	22,6	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	313	350	262	3 910	4 291	9,7	
		Square metres	80 114	80 313	72 742	937 876	1 082 127	15,4	
		R'000	496 194	511 579	460 855	5 705 805	6 813 894	19,4	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	128	505	432	3 417	5 588	63,5	
		Square metres	15 968	57 877	36 502	368 024	520 257	41,4	
		R'000	120 220	453 996	278 469	2 727 362	3 851 705	41,2	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	1 421	1 065	2 443	33 788	65 844	94,9	
		R'000	7 816	7 114	18 883	212 570	520 567	144,9	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	761 387	1 101 119	843 696	9 746 898	12 535 776	28,6	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	40 513	1 754	36 212	362 661	176 998	-51,2	
		R'000	251 935	11 717	302 447	2 685 043	1 365 170	-49,2	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	4 093	35 010	7 068	161 317	129 589	-19,7	
		R'000	25 940	257 701	55 134	1 119 095	1 024 951	-8,4	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	36 767	27 736	23 718	377 345	325 366	-13,8	
		R'000	221 026	188 334	148 817	2 194 249	2 072 137	-5,6	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	30 938	6 924	7 953	190 793	138 942	-27,2	
		R'000	266 261	43 380	54 743	1 221 500	857 134	-29,8	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	765 162	501 132	561 141	7 219 887	5 319 392	-26,3
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	80 592	65 901	63 635	860 715	892 513	3,7
R'000			433 775	404 519	384 021	4 622 330	5 106 341	10,5	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	15 230	14 287	18 659	255 805	222 063	-13,2	
		R'000	183 583	180 115	183 731	2 119 062	2 290 929	8,1	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	617 358	584 634	567 752	6 741 392	7 397 270	9,7	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	2 143 907	2 186 885	1 972 589	23 708 177	25 252 438	6,5	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	78	85	100	1 163	1 717	47,6	
		Square metres	3 751	5 503	4 036	53 640	77 088	43,7	
		R'000	9 295	32 134	23 993	161 960	241 924	49,4	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	57	98	59	988	1 002	1,4	
		Square metres	12 641	19 695	15 508	223 945	238 130	6,3	
		R'000	67 184	112 938	87 645	1 137 269	1 345 684	18,3	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	10	23	2	245	308	25,7	
		Square metres	1 501	4 129	546	25 011	37 550	50,1	
		R'000	7 024	19 845	3 375	129 686	205 066	58,1	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	9 243	2 415	-73,9	
		R'000	0	0	0	47 516	14 203	-70,1	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	83 503	164 917	115 013	1 476 431	1 806 877	22,4
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	1 187	10 806	6 955	-35,6
R'000			0	0	6 703	46 823	37 648	-19,6	
2. Shopping space		Square metres	2 626	2 470	97	58 217	96 989	66,6	
		R'000	11 817	10 749	437	315 360	602 863	91,2	
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	3 159	5 175	19 394	123 698	94 770	-23,4	
		R'000	14 216	18 753	96 678	578 997	471 175	-18,6	
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	0	2 302	5 629	13 853	37 853	173,2	
		R'000	0	7 771	25 119	57 382	176 816	208,1	
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	26 033	37 273	128 937	998 562	1 288 502	29,0	
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	19 754	26 636	19 002	323 143	317 762	-1,7
	R'000		105 521	125 858	99 815	1 560 046	1 617 902	3,7	
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	6 980	4 357	6 168	119 347	80 837	-32,3	
		R'000	32 346	24 423	23 760	532 397	391 484	-26,5	
	3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	137 867	150 281	123 575	2 092 443	2 009 386	-4,0
	4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	247 403	352 471	367 525	4 567 436	5 104 765	11,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	3	0	0	25	25	0,0
		Square metres	122	0	0	1 128	1 370	21,5
		R'000	671	0	0	4 867	8 226	69,0
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	16	24	16	349	186	-46,7
		Square metres	4 531	3 942	3 190	63 611	37 488	-41,1
		R'000	22 170	24 976	20 915	304 503	212 999	-30,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	214	4	-98,1
		Square metres	0	0	0	16 698	648	-96,1
		R'000	0	0	0	71 889	4 536	-93,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	29 528	6 252	-78,8
		R'000	0	0	0	132 686	48 550	-63,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	22 841	24 976	20 915	513 945	274 311	-46,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	894	0	0	2 650	102	-96,2
		R'000	4 917	0	0	13 817	612	-95,6
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	448	15 547	948	14 663	16 723	14,0
		R'000	2 016	70 599	4 746	66 911	76 531	14,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	681	5 120	18 844	7 794	-58,6
		R'000	0	4 086	30 720	87 791	45 768	-47,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	7 736	0	1 836	9 814	434,5
		R'000	0	35 484	0	8 109	46 304	471,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	6 933	110 169	35 466	176 628	169 215	-4,2
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	2 895	3 481	3 548	61 196	53 600
R'000			14 895	22 312	23 316	292 147	314 925	7,8
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	490	1 165	69	18 883	7 791	-58,7
		R'000	4 215	16 644	3 225	95 306	63 794	-33,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	19 110	38 956	26 541	387 453	378 719	-2,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	48 884	174 101	82 922	1 078 026	822 245	-23,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	119	366	159	890	2 078	133,5	
		Square metres	6 347	20 900	8 928	49 151	114 517	133,0	
		R'000	14 895	52 517	17 839	132 401	292 177	120,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	70	73	38	897	847	-5,6	
		Square metres	13 652	15 494	7 704	181 517	170 694	-6,0	
		R'000	69 305	82 617	40 331	881 433	892 032	1,2	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	33	18	29	931	437	-53,1	
		Square metres	4 194	2 673	4 890	103 057	46 342	-55,0	
		R'000	25 149	12 691	34 230	580 681	287 262	-50,5	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	388	37 583	24 294	-35,4	
		R'000	0	0	2 034	191 422	137 676	-28,1	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	109 349	147 825	94 434	1 785 937	1 609 147	-9,9	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	315	318	0	13 258	8 005	-39,6	
		R'000	1 890	1 431	0	84 174	53 820	-36,1	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	46	615	3 004	92 732	91 276	-1,6	
		R'000	230	3 272	12 976	553 666	543 161	-1,9	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	2 026	3 521	2 757	80 273	56 911	-29,1	
		R'000	9 117	16 775	12 407	362 533	281 901	-22,2	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	271	0	32 894	10 007	-69,6	
		R'000	0	1 557	0	191 939	54 439	-71,6	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	11 237	23 035	25 383	1 192 312	933 321	-21,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	15 405	13 355	10 163	157 756	151 267	-4,1
R'000			72 290	69 254	52 611	708 381	745 881	5,3	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	5 064	2 890	653	52 828	32 391	-38,7	
		R'000	30 850	17 525	4 791	318 647	236 380	-25,8	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	103 140	86 779	57 402	1 027 028	982 261	-4,4	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	223 726	257 639	177 219	4 005 277	3 524 729	-12,0	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

		Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	36	23	28	1 733	295	-83,0
		Square metres	2 002	1 413	1 558	75 323	17 149	-77,2
		R'000	12 162	8 634	13 125	269 122	127 602	-52,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	108	151	130	1 484	1 615	8,8
		Square metres	30 154	46 172	40 169	437 023	497 478	13,8
		R'000	250 733	411 784	364 464	3 419 893	4 288 001	25,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	191	257	124	3 099	2 346	-24,3
		Square metres	34 509	29 545	25 465	384 490	323 819	-15,8
		R'000	288 867	296 743	246 819	2 881 459	2 772 866	-3,8
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	7 776	0	1 249	38 035	8 905	-76,6
		R'000	65 108	0	13 364	289 274	85 774	-70,3
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	616 870	717 161	637 772	6 859 748	7 274 243	6,0	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	2 845	845	14 622	222 723	126 387	-43,3
		R'000	26 459	4 647	145 257	1 906 652	933 959	-51,0
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	4 433	3 101	10 291	71 477	135 856	90,1
		R'000	35 697	17 299	65 278	541 676	1 069 912	97,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	36 179	21 647	21 144	385 565	359 660	-6,7
		R'000	192 565	117 132	114 462	1 857 626	1 871 227	0,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	2 378	7 293	9 950	66 814	72 803	9,0
		R'000	18 599	52 051	69 650	419 306	489 668	16,8
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	273 320	191 129	394 647	4 725 260	4 364 766	-7,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	28 782	30 420	33 866	369 092	358 105
R'000			223 077	265 041	301 205	2 765 068	2 949 206	6,7
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	26 893	15 558	20 007	253 333	243 666	-3,8
		R'000	180 299	114 806	233 639	2 021 040	2 118 625	4,8
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	403 376	379 847	534 844	4 786 108	5 067 831	5,9
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 293 566	1 288 137	1 567 263	16 371 116	16 706 840	2,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	7	0	3	92	1 078	1 071,7
		Square metres	474	0	196	6 030	56 218	832,3
		R'000	2 166	0	952	26 746	179 955	572,8
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	44	50	55	917	995	8,5
		Square metres	12 126	14 435	13 334	232 911	240 451	3,2
		R'000	61 051	70 073	65 646	1 141 205	1 187 410	4,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	15	10	56	1 482	1 174	-20,8
		Square metres	1 109	839	8 598	125 085	108 434	-13,3
		R'000	4 871	4 302	40 562	584 776	574 783	-1,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	8 110	1 431	-82,4
		R'000	0	0	0	42 911	7 349	-82,9
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	68 088	74 375	107 160	1 795 638	1 949 497	8,6	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	0	5 565	8 640	55,3
		R'000	0	0	0	28 780	46 526	61,7
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	944	4 177	939	145 414	44 210	-69,6
		R'000	3 777	25 062	4 226	1 048 777	240 794	-77,0
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	1 000	5 408	356	31 657	32 046	1,2
		R'000	4 000	23 587	1 424	130 191	147 332	13,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	0	0	29 074	36 653	26,1
		R'000	0	0	0	145 829	188 514	29,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	7 777	48 649	5 650	1 353 577	623 166	-54,0
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	10 817	11 067	7 872	159 485	142 908
R'000			51 860	53 506	37 909	719 849	678 568	-5,7
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	268	2 099	2 953	24 099	26 286	9,1
		R'000	1 824	23 886	15 133	124 210	179 588	44,6
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	53 684	77 392	53 042	844 059	858 156	1,7
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	129 549	200 416	165 852	3 993 274	3 430 819	-14,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	538	782	356	9 108	10 302	13,1	
		Square metres	26 598	35 601	17 591	460 210	488 261	6,1	
		R'000	121 835	94 927	80 993	1 612 433	1 385 794	-14,1	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	365	618	397	6 406	5 722	-10,7	
		Square metres	118 016	174 185	128 507	1 977 586	1 767 262	-10,6	
		R'000	813 882	1 259 700	928 965	13 258 160	12 376 437	-6,7	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	224	267	1 114	8 429	9 057	7,5	
		Square metres	18 576	44 041	61 681	758 723	852 049	12,3	
		R'000	136 711	356 881	627 603	5 796 771	6 706 805	15,7	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	454	0	23 831	6 285	-73,6	
		R'000	0	4 458	0	210 288	49 008	-76,7	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	1 072 428	1 715 966	1 637 561	20 877 652	20 518 044	-1,7	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	53 171	9 424	23 771	371 231	351 077	-5,4	
		R'000	530 221	96 141	213 630	3 154 032	3 124 419	-0,9	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	4 249	1 803	3 280	228 787	462 630	102,2	
		R'000	35 628	15 387	28 907	1 637 652	3 757 237	129,4	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	19 165	25 633	21 094	570 365	422 354	-26,0	
		R'000	78 963	114 704	121 034	2 633 737	1 982 596	-24,7	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	11 793	216	3 930	80 199	61 610	-23,2	
		R'000	77 309	1 588	24 581	547 891	347 797	-36,5	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	722 121	227 820	388 152	7 973 312	9 212 049	15,5
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	59 893	85 946	78 416	1 000 511	987 721	-1,3
R'000			401 598	583 236	559 553	6 442 447	6 678 560	3,7	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	12 361	16 281	21 925	254 031	255 320	0,5	
		R'000	73 564	141 400	146 889	1 660 484	1 731 275	4,3	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	475 162	724 636	706 442	8 102 931	8 409 835	3,8	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	2 269 711	2 668 422	2 732 155	36 953 895	38 139 928	3,2	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	115	216	203	1 452	1 366	-5,9	
		Square metres	4 803	11 228	9 934	72 548	69 722	-3,9	
		R'000	17 345	44 189	36 945	260 191	283 141	8,8	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	158	101	129	1 621	1 686	4,0	
		Square metres	30 717	24 285	29 381	382 029	406 153	6,3	
		R'000	149 688	112 372	152 650	1 750 020	1 952 417	11,6	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	34	83	24	713	420	-41,1	
		Square metres	1 763	14 623	1 999	45 474	36 281	-20,2	
		R'000	7 958	81 526	11 594	209 446	180 309	-13,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	1 330	0	634	9 971	8 633	-13,4	
		R'000	5 985	0	2 853	48 822	46 439	-4,9	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	180 976	238 087	204 042	2 268 479	2 462 306	8,5	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 271	4 180	1 422	9 631	21 933	127,7	
		R'000	5 846	19 228	7 110	49 450	130 174	163,2	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	2 373	1 399	22 708	46 095	79 128	71,7	
		R'000	9 880	6 296	218 714	240 770	491 417	104,1	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	3 279	12 709	6 326	120 961	90 240	-25,4	
		R'000	16 808	61 694	28 547	568 879	442 783	-22,2	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	6 613	1 792	35 566	17 660	-50,3	
		R'000	0	29 789	8 821	160 485	83 210	-48,2	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	32 534	117 007	263 192	1 019 584	1 147 584	12,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	10 045	10 308	10 639	202 347	176 526	-12,8
R'000			44 474	49 589	48 962	877 579	794 736	-9,4	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	12	1 266	3 793	23 529	29 107	23,7	
		R'000	1 109	11 876	20 530	157 567	163 594	3,8	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	45 583	61 465	69 492	1 035 146	958 330	-7,4	
4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	259 093	416 559	536 726	4 323 209	4 568 220	5,7	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	15	8	10	335	278	-17,0	
		Square metres	916	542	659	19 476	15 735	-19,2	
		R'000	4 121	2 723	3 110	96 198	80 553	-16,3	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	27	56	36	549	636	15,8	
		Square metres	7 585	15 012	10 478	156 505	179 365	14,6	
		R'000	34 510	73 642	51 820	721 046	843 750	17,0	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	16	7	441	564	27,9	
		Square metres	0	2 043	728	46 993	66 837	42,2	
		R'000	0	10 215	3 640	202 936	324 475	59,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	386	0	0	9 062	6 252	-31,0	
		R'000	1 737	0	0	38 228	28 027	-26,7	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	40 368	86 580	58 570	1 058 408	1 276 805	20,6	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	556	0	522	4 061	7 769	91,3	
		R'000	2 502	0	2 610	18 171	36 783	102,4	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	5 297	0	24 853	21 351	31 423	47,2	
		R'000	23 145	0	173 971	125 131	204 564	63,5	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	3 934	5 910	28 782	28 696	-0,3	
		R'000	0	16 939	27 073	125 020	126 644	1,3	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	478	1 220	0	5 400	20 564	280,8	
		R'000	2 148	4 637	0	23 881	96 367	303,5	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	27 795	21 576	203 654	292 203	464 358	58,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	3 867	4 775	4 986	65 063	56 566	-13,1
R'000			17 023	23 894	24 592	286 507	270 511	-5,6	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	232	2 860	1 190	6 590	17 587	166,9	
		R'000	5 292	13 639	8 740	53 784	106 346	97,7	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	22 315	37 533	33 332	340 291	376 857	10,7	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	90 478	145 689	295 556	1 690 902	2 118 020	25,3	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 298	1 935	1 339	15 444	16 022	3,7	
		Square metres	63 844	90 689	67 103	764 268	791 987	3,6	
		R'000	212 615	372 774	239 255	2 767 020	3 064 303	10,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	978	1 194	977	10 750	12 163	13,1	
		Square metres	243 188	302 097	245 011	2 776 600	3 158 391	13,8	
		R'000	1 519 388	1 989 501	1 622 235	17 061 655	20 158 127	18,1	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 241	1 452	927	11 849	11 486	-3,1	
		Square metres	116 176	144 202	119 763	1 166 426	1 174 581	0,7	
		R'000	766 914	1 022 017	923 266	7 592 393	8 474 693	11,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	800	4 947	1 926	88 528	73 155	-17,4	
		R'000	3 600	48 414	12 364	519 920	492 576	-5,3	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	2 502 517	3 432 706	2 797 120	27 940 988	32 189 699	15,2	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	54 677	99 525	70 283	609 266	604 604	-0,8	
		R'000	470 277	803 170	644 147	4 694 235	4 697 010	0,1	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	23 271	123 534	48 470	572 864	545 840	-4,7	
		R'000	155 204	767 235	350 979	3 980 841	3 709 605	-6,8	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	223 017	61 112	84 315	1 124 811	994 020	-11,6	
		R'000	1 238 205	320 380	445 971	5 524 123	5 124 538	-7,2	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	27 111	13 079	1 426	213 235	183 576	-13,9	
		R'000	157 153	80 585	8 101	1 299 533	1 167 075	-10,2	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	2 020 839	1 971 370	1 449 198	15 498 732	14 698 228	-5,2
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	83 324	94 295	78 054	1 120 747	1 160 198	3,5
R'000			470 267	556 970	484 850	6 130 061	6 449 351	5,2	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	31 777	42 029	36 821	496 990	431 189	-13,2	
		R'000	219 136	313 928	279 872	3 244 532	3 347 535	3,2	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	689 403	870 898	764 722	9 374 593	9 796 886	4,5	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	5 212 759	6 274 974	5 011 040	52 814 313	56 684 813	7,3	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	219	531	373	5 171	5 201	0,6	
		Square metres	10 433	23 142	17 525	227 365	239 134	5,2	
		R'000	43 540	120 086	69 854	692 234	1 027 794	48,5	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	293	338	340	2 335	3 389	45,1	
		Square metres	69 743	81 735	84 917	575 178	812 348	41,2	
		R'000	409 025	518 573	532 639	3 289 624	4 937 328	50,1	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	449	151	467	2 411	3 085	28,0	
		Square metres	40 490	26 895	43 906	248 812	321 505	29,2	
		R'000	266 609	192 148	303 082	1 622 854	2 302 818	41,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	319	1 093	35 179	15 261	-56,6	
		R'000	0	2 046	8 198	245 599	96 391	-60,8	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	719 174	832 853	913 773	5 850 311	8 364 331	43,0	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	17 750	41 407	8 680	131 674	202 912	54,1	
		R'000	137 517	264 425	69 266	867 102	1 342 802	54,9	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	2 626	16 651	18 484	25 102	118 193	370,9	
		R'000	18 659	137 707	146 418	153 483	874 472	469,8	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	104 204	9 026	22 045	207 652	240 136	15,6	
		R'000	649 544	51 700	155 125	1 209 972	1 463 633	21,0	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	16 163	5 930	917	60 664	78 424	29,3	
		R'000	101 843	42 439	5 749	341 315	485 623	42,3	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	907 563	496 271	376 558	2 571 872	4 166 530	62,0
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	34 677	35 646	35 684	391 759	471 558	20,4
R'000			176 226	179 780	187 163	1 830 502	2 285 390	24,9	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	10 270	7 948	15 440	191 458	126 296	-34,0	
		R'000	81 310	95 060	121 141	1 254 350	1 205 920	-3,9	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	257 536	274 840	308 304	3 084 852	3 491 310	13,2	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 884 273	1 603 964	1 598 635	11 507 035	16 022 171	39,2	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	133	72	38	671	854	27,3
		Square metres	5 907	4 111	2 005	32 187	40 447	25,7
		R'000	14 815	22 700	10 976	89 573	130 422	45,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	65	47	40	637	595	-6,6
		Square metres	11 047	8 616	9 094	122 217	119 235	-2,4
		R'000	59 540	45 777	49 749	579 330	593 552	2,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	103	4	12	594	147	-75,3
		Square metres	5 509	1 294	1 431	49 539	16 058	-67,6
		R'000	26 430	6 547	7 999	231 478	83 642	-63,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	3 174	8 838	178,4
		R'000	0	0	0	20 632	43 639	111,5
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	100 785	75 024	68 724	921 013	851 255	-7,6	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	2 625	0	12 058	3 484	-71,1
		R'000	0	15 448	0	48 820	19 948	-59,1
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	933	42 440	5 234	41 473	61 100	47,3
		R'000	4 562	179 561	26 569	187 766	267 514	42,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	634	9 711	7 257	97 390	109 628	12,6
		R'000	2 536	33 419	40 319	396 699	517 231	30,4
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	232	0	12	8 638	4 355	-49,6
		R'000	1 123	0	66	33 421	21 366	-36,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	8 221	228 428	66 954	666 706	826 059	23,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	5 425	3 794	2 977	94 578	76 428
R'000			23 336	16 559	15 228	383 539	326 837	-14,8
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	1 189	9 149	3 551	51 625	30 290	-41,3
		R'000	5 065	29 091	17 955	207 959	144 928	-30,3
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	28 401	45 650	33 183	591 498	471 765	-20,2
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	137 407	349 102	168 861	2 179 217	2 149 079	-1,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	0	0	0	75	38	-49,3
		Square metres	0	0	0	3 908	2 111	-46,0
		R'000	0	0	0	21 114	11 761	-44,3
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	0	6	2	97	179	84,5
		Square metres	0	1 365	644	20 656	27 703	34,1
		R'000	0	8 945	3 578	98 426	157 900	60,4
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	12	22	54	145,5
		Square metres	0	0	861	2 944	3 801	29,1
		R'000	0	0	3 875	12 689	20 045	58,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	640	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	3 520	0	..
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	0	8 945	7 453	135 749	189 706	39,7	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	3 250	0	88	18 129	2 557	-85,9
		R'000	18 850	0	528	69 439	14 683	-78,9
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	513	105	366	2 911	1 149	-60,5
		R'000	2 155	473	1 647	13 393	6 222	-53,5
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	0	0	10 275	3 198	-68,9
		R'000	0	0	0	52 612	16 363	-68,9
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	1 505	0	242	1 505	521,9
		R'000	0	6 773	0	1 089	6 773	521,9
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	21 005	7 246	2 175	136 533	44 041	-67,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	922	1 885	1 930	25 416	26 375
R'000			4 610	11 800	11 919	122 198	152 169	24,5
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	0	165	507	12 254	11 405	-6,9
		R'000	0	5 161	3 097	61 505	70 415	14,5
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	4 610	16 961	15 016	183 703	222 584	21,2
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	25 615	33 152	24 644	455 985	456 331	0,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

		Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	221	225	217	935	2 016	115,6
		Square metres	11 955	12 787	12 313	49 908	111 621	123,7
		R'000	21 273	33 140	22 705	106 107	261 653	146,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	9	49	11	182	288	58,2
		Square metres	1 349	8 590	2 297	37 556	51 060	36,0
		R'000	6 119	39 590	10 917	178 080	242 992	36,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	12	53	168	266	58,3
		Square metres	0	1 061	7 916	18 431	34 690	88,2
		R'000	0	5 305	44 762	91 480	176 495	92,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	7 274	24 876	242,0
		R'000	0	0	0	32 916	143 813	336,9
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	27 392	78 035	78 384	408 583	824 953	101,9
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	2 222	895	4 627
R'000			0	0	17 776	4 923	32 158	553,2
2. Shopping space		Square metres	202	7 832	434	1 884	21 331	1 032,2
		R'000	909	62 656	2 471	7 611	139 521	1 733,1
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	0	561	0	0	5 621	..
		R'000	0	2 525	0	0	24 419	..
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	190	1 909	0	1 442	6 362	341,2
		R'000	665	8 591	0	5 651	35 206	523,0
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 574	73 772	20 247	18 185	231 304	1 171,9
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	1 600	2 652	1 819	22 359	32 331
	R'000		6 343	11 935	9 261	98 141	148 809	51,6
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	0	10 024	1 476	3 514	19 585	457,3
		R'000	790	61 509	14 345	43 996	147 957	236,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	7 133	73 444	23 606	142 137	296 766	108,8
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	36 099	225 251	122 237	568 905	1 353 023	137,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	8	15	15	184	238	29,3	
		Square metres	450	877	796	10 464	14 005	33,8	
		R'000	2 051	7 924	5 906	66 573	124 493	87,0	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	43	74	73	759	812	7,0	
		Square metres	13 979	22 541	24 476	226 392	220 437	-2,6	
		R'000	115 763	175 874	201 187	1 740 315	1 757 706	1,0	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	11	52	168	1 174	999	-14,9	
		Square metres	2 453	6 414	40 520	139 322	177 977	27,7	
		R'000	16 927	46 832	389 739	1 019 767	1 500 620	47,2	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	2 424	0	0	6 407	..	
		R'000	0	24 725	0	0	57 326	..	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	134 741	255 355	596 832	2 826 655	3 440 145	21,7	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	4 146	48 497	56 894	100 681	77,0	
		R'000	0	39 603	479 169	485 927	968 650	99,3	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	648	328	0	21 136	96 539	356,8	
		R'000	6 026	1 804	0	166 127	843 306	407,6	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	85 802	8 246	7 325	163 378	209 407	28,2	
		R'000	428 985	56 143	39 555	828 351	1 121 826	35,4	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	10 297	996	0	53 443	15 030	-71,9	
		R'000	51 485	8 765	0	337 384	108 008	-68,0	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	486 496	106 315	518 724	1 817 789	3 041 790	67,3
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	8 768	12 978	8 997	144 453	147 678	2,2
R'000			82 205	115 686	92 693	1 225 857	1 317 873	7,5	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	9 063	6 036	8 924	60 397	86 522	43,3	
		R'000	64 338	39 649	70 300	505 945	676 223	33,7	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	146 543	155 335	162 993	1 731 802	1 994 096	15,1	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	767 780	517 005	1 278 549	6 376 246	8 476 031	32,9	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	40	1	4	281	71	-74,7	
		Square metres	2 435	60	241	16 352	4 535	-72,3	
		R'000	9 836	240	935	63 171	18 653	-70,5	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	45	64	32	974	785	-19,4	
		Square metres	11 703	18 698	6 486	167 778	170 308	1,5	
		R'000	60 269	91 823	32 701	773 929	800 963	3,5	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	152	374	60	945	1 130	19,6	
		Square metres	8 333	21 470	4 672	69 858	81 505	16,7	
		R'000	45 014	116 978	26 109	346 656	400 604	15,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	833	1 920	2 060	7,3	
		R'000	0	0	4 166	8 333	9 074	8,9	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	115 119	209 041	63 911	1 192 089	1 229 294	3,1	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	642	1 200	8 510	12 826	50,7	
		R'000	0	3 852	6 000	41 507	67 785	63,3	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	19 486	0	158 207	56 338	-64,4	
		R'000	0	116 586	0	1 139 660	298 321	-73,8	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	8 544	0	20 194	25 245	25,0	
		R'000	0	38 448	0	74 852	108 650	45,2	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	1 380	0	4 759	6 484	36,2	
		R'000	0	5 520	0	23 563	30 712	30,3	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	0	164 406	6 000	1 279 582	505 468	-60,5
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	4 537	1 758	18	30 675	86 462	181,9
R'000			18 328	8 162	101	131 703	356 445	170,6	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	5 509	1 406	768	25 698	18 682	-27,3	
		R'000	28 543	22 888	4 608	127 238	109 653	-13,8	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	46 871	31 050	4 709	258 941	466 098	80,0	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	161 990	404 497	74 620	2 730 612	2 200 860	-19,4	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	552	884	557	6 424	6 321	-1,6
		Square metres	27 175	40 967	28 156	335 835	315 399	-6,1
		R'000	104 041	157 692	109 072	1 394 677	1 234 269	-11,5
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	389	536	391	4 639	4 920	6,1
		Square metres	110 250	143 673	95 423	1 379 070	1 482 103	7,5
		R'000	754 851	1 031 892	682 141	9 303 355	10 399 432	11,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	481	768	137	5 129	5 199	1,4
		Square metres	52 406	81 258	18 500	529 253	493 137	-6,8
		R'000	380 501	626 275	137 952	3 694 991	3 772 588	2,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	2 204	0	11 192	13 619	21,7
		R'000	0	21 643	0	72 600	132 842	83,0
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 239 393	1 837 502	929 165	14 465 623	15 539 131	7,4	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	29 692	50 705	8 836	367 908	259 500	-29,5
		R'000	295 047	479 842	67 608	3 115 964	2 168 207	-30,4
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	17 483	36 692	23 952	288 024	150 466	-47,8
		R'000	118 996	268 448	173 874	2 022 706	1 111 293	-45,1
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	32 377	21 494	47 410	563 886	358 320	-36,5
		R'000	157 140	121 817	209 582	2 681 292	1 681 568	-37,3
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	229	397	0	70 414	52 233	-25,8
		R'000	2 037	3 712	0	496 145	383 311	-22,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	573 220	873 819	451 064	8 316 107	5 344 379	-35,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	17 293	27 389	20 234	297 924	207 521
R'000			116 298	177 703	142 503	1 854 501	1 384 591	-25,3
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	3 148	7 113	5 430	130 479	130 404	-0,1
		R'000	26 392	56 284	32 064	922 773	936 749	1,5
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	142 690	233 987	174 567	2 777 274	2 321 340	-16,4
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 955 303	2 945 308	1 554 796	25 559 004	23 204 850	-9,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	118	191	129	1 523	1 082	-29,0
		Square metres	5 048	7 891	5 667	78 450	53 354	-32,0
		R'000	15 074	26 722	17 890	289 635	199 858	-31,0
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	112	56	69	873	961	10,1
		Square metres	19 875	10 958	16 456	182 734	214 239	17,2
		R'000	86 654	48 067	84 481	805 828	972 963	20,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	10	39	1	1 060	341	-67,8
		Square metres	630	3 320	75	70 374	19 474	-72,3
		R'000	2 835	15 162	338	404 010	87 992	-78,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	800	0	0	19 195	1 959	-89,8
		R'000	3 600	0	0	91 689	8 816	-90,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	108 163	89 951	102 709	1 591 162	1 269 629	-20,2
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	2 750	0	0	8 113	12 625	55,6
		R'000	14 025	0	0	39 127	55 918	42,9
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	0	0	22 310	36 736	64,7
		R'000	0	0	0	235 545	151 657	-35,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	2 644	0	52 984	32 430	-38,8
		R'000	0	11 898	0	240 178	147 194	-38,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	25	497	13 555	2 558	-81,1
		R'000	0	100	2 286	60 692	13 176	-78,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	14 025	11 998	2 286	575 542	367 945	-36,1
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	8 981	7 969	5 913	105 892	107 770
R'000			37 878	34 225	23 630	450 856	458 768	1,8
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	2 598	88	725	20 621	6 362	-69,1
		R'000	12 698	3 786	16 362	104 311	45 021	-56,8
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	50 576	38 011	39 992	555 167	503 789	-9,3
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	172 764	139 960	144 987	2 721 871	2 141 363	-21,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

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

			Dec. 2014	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. - Dec. 2014	Jan. - Dec. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	7	16	6	180	201	11,7
		Square metres	441	854	400	9 799	11 381	16,1
		R'000	1 985	4 270	1 917	43 936	55 400	26,1
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	22	24	19	254	234	-7,9
		Square metres	5 242	5 921	5 218	65 019	60 958	-6,2
		R'000	27 167	28 960	24 842	292 768	295 291	0,9
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	35	52	17	346	265	-23,4
		Square metres	6 355	2 490	1 882	37 893	26 434	-30,2
		R'000	28 598	12 770	9 410	168 468	129 889	-22,9
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	9 954	135	-98,6
		R'000	0	0	0	44 631	675	-98,5
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	57 750	46 000	36 169	549 803	481 255	-12,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 235	0	760	5 085	5 392	6,0
		R'000	4 838	0	3 800	21 426	26 859	25,4
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	866	0	0	11 817	3 988	-66,3
		R'000	3 897	0	0	54 550	17 299	-68,3
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	886	278	9 052	10 035	10,9
		R'000	0	4 430	1 390	40 167	43 654	8,7
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	937	0	78	16 625	21 214,1
		R'000	0	4 685	0	273	82 900	30 266,3
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	8 735	9 115	5 190	116 416	170 712	46,6
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	1 121	224	482	7 691	4 075
R'000			5 043	1 120	2 352	32 764	18 469	-43,6
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	0	100	0	944	1 643	74,0
		R'000	0	500	0	16 455	10 669	-35,2
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	5 043	1 620	2 352	49 219	29 138	-40,8
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	71 528	56 735	43 711	715 438	681 105	-4,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2014 and 2015.

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

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

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

Explanatory notes

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| Introduction | 1 | Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements. |
| | 2 | In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available. |
| Purpose of the survey | 3 | The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector. |
| Scope of the survey | 4 | This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings. |
| Classification | 5 | Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02</i> . The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)</i> with suitable adaptations for local conditions. |
| Collection rate | 6 | The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for December 2015 was 94,5%. The improved collection rate for November 2015 was 94,5%. |
| Statistical unit | 7 | The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities. |
| Survey methodology and design | 8 | Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone. |
| Constant prices | 9 | The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2010. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: <i>Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2010=100. |

- 10** The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 9). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2010 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2010 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2010. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.
- Seasonal adjustment**
- 11** Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 12** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. 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 January 2015.pdf](#)
- Trend cycle**
- 13** 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**
- 14** Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 15** Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.
- Related publications**
- 16** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually.
 - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually.
 - *Bulletin of Statistics* issued quarterly.
 - *South African Statistics* issued annually.
 - *Building Statistics* (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
- Rounding-off of figures**
- 17** Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

Symbols and abbreviations

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

Glossary

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

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

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