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Key findings for January to June 2023

Building plans passed at current prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	31 431 817	26 280 118	-5 151 699	-16,4
-Dwelling-houses	19 818 845	17 797 341	-2 021 504	-10,2
-Flats and townhouses	11 192 303	8 090 649	-3 101 654	-27,7
-Other residential buildings	420 669	392 128	-28 541	-6,8
Non-residential buildings	11 333 427	11 564 066	230 639	2,0
Additions and alterations	15 132 675	15 642 606	509 931	3,4
Total	57 897 919	53 486 790	-4 411 129	-7,6

1/ 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The value of building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 7,6% (-R4 411,1 million) during the first half of 2023 compared with the first half of 2022.

Residential buildings fell by 16,4% (-R5 151,7 million) – see Table A.

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

Province	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	Weight Jan – Jun 2022	% change between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023
	1/	1/	%		2/	R'000
	R'000	R'000				
Western Cape	17 865 939	16 655 998	30,9	-6,8	-2,1	-1 209 941
Eastern Cape	3 585 492	3 430 617	6,2	-4,3	-0,3	-154 875
Northern Cape	823 779	478 438	1,4	-41,9	-0,6	-345 341
Free State	813 303	1 373 514	1,4	68,9	1,0	560 211
KwaZulu-Natal	10 309 625	6 421 475	17,8	-37,7	-6,7	-3 888 150
North West	1 939 158	1 437 238	3,3	-25,9	-0,9	-501 920
Gauteng	18 379 776	19 311 787	31,7	5,1	1,6	932 011
Mpumalanga	2 645 094	3 191 092	4,6	20,6	0,9	545 998
Limpopo	1 535 753	1 186 631	2,7	-22,7	-0,6	-349 122
Total	57 897 919	53 486 790	100,0	-7,6	-7,6	-4 411 129

1/ 2022 and 2023 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 by its weight, divided by 100, where the weight is the percentage contribution of each province to the cumulative total building plans passed during the previous year.

The largest contributions to the total decrease of 7,6% (-R4 411,1 million) were made by KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -6,7 percentage points or -R3 888,2 million) and Western Cape (contributing -2,1 percentage points or -R1 209,9 million) – see Table B.

Building plans passed at constant 2019 prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	25 407 458	20 204 974	-5 202 484	-20,5
Non-residential buildings	9 176 111	8 875 339	-300 772	-3,3
Additions and alterations	12 211 867	12 024 758	-187 109	-1,5
Total	46 795 436	41 105 071	-5 690 365	-12,2

1/ 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The real value of building plans passed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 12,2% (-R5 690,4 million) during the first half of 2023 compared with the first half of 2022. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-20,5% or -R5 202,5 million), non-residential buildings (-3,3% or -R300,8 million) and additions and alterations (-1,5% or -R187,1 million) – see Table C.

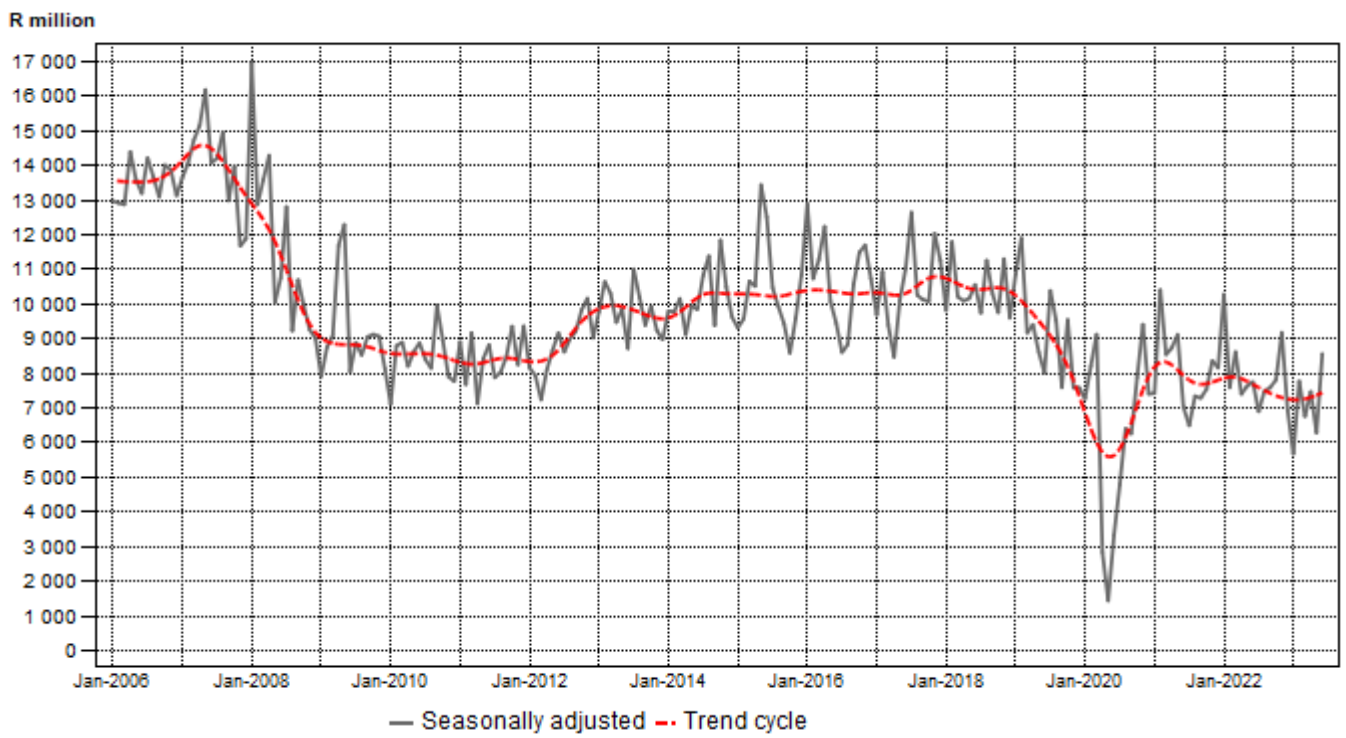
Table D – Seasonally adjusted building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building

Type of building	Jan – Mar 2023	Apr – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Mar 2023 and Apr – Jun 2023
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	10 829 758	10 052 793	-7,2
Non-residential buildings 1/	3 274 880	5 600 459	71,0
Additions and alterations	6 078 156	6 651 902	9,4
Total	20 182 794	22 305 154	10,5

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of building plans passed increased by 10,5% in the second quarter of 2023 compared with the first quarter of 2023. Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (71,0%) and additions and alterations (9,4%). Residential buildings fell by 7,2% – see Table D.

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



Buildings reported as completed at current prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	16 833 994	15 381 928	-1 452 066	-8,6
-Dwelling-houses	10 854 416	10 916 195	61 779	0,6
-Flats and townhouses	5 623 108	4 381 657	-1 241 451	-22,1
-Other residential buildings	356 470	84 076	-272 394	-76,4
Non-residential buildings	8 121 986	6 090 029	-2 031 957	-25,0
Additions and alterations	9 851 371	5 176 056	-4 675 315	-47,5
Total	34 807 351	26 648 013	-8 159 338	-23,4

1/ 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 23,4% (-R8 159,3 million) during the first half of 2023 compared with the first half of 2022.

Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-47,5% or -R4 675,3 million), non-residential buildings (-25,0% or -R2 032,0 million) and residential buildings (-8,6% or -R1 452,1 million) – see Table E.

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

Province	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	Weight Jan – Jun 2022	% change between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000	%		2/	R'000
Western Cape	16 138 588	7 537 241	46,4	-53,3	-24,7	-8 601 347
Eastern Cape	1 427 447	1 531 136	4,1	7,3	0,3	103 689
Northern Cape	453 908	217 534	1,3	-52,1	-0,7	-236 374
Free State	248 002	229 420	0,7	-7,5	-0,1	-18 582
KwaZulu-Natal	5 165 320	3 833 226	14,8	-25,8	-3,8	-1 332 094
North West	949 927	763 268	2,7	-19,6	-0,5	-186 659
Gauteng	9 243 557	11 058 114	26,6	19,6	5,2	1 814 557
Mpumalanga	661 811	687 581	1,9	3,9	0,1	25 770
Limpopo	518 791	790 493	1,5	52,4	0,8	271 702
Total	34 807 351	26 648 013	100,0	-23,4	-23,4	-8 159 338

1/ 2022 and 2023 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 by its weight, divided by 100, where the weight is the percentage contribution of each province to the cumulative total buildings reported as completed during the previous year.

Five provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during the first half of 2023, of which Western Cape (contributing -24,7 percentage points or -R8 601,3 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -3,8 percentage points or -R1 332,1 million) were the largest negative contributors. Gauteng (contributing 5,2 percentage points or R1 814,6 million) was the largest positive contributor – see Table F.

Buildings reported as completed at constant 2019 prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Jun 2022 and Jan – Jun 2023
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	13 584 052	11 818 626	-1 765 426	-13,0
Non-residential buildings	6 558 710	4 694 935	-1 863 775	-28,4
Additions and alterations	7 942 746	3 977 457	-3 965 289	-49,9
Total	28 085 508	20 491 018	-7 594 490	-27,0

1/ 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 27,0% (-R7 594,5 million) during the first half of 2023 compared with the first half of 2022. Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-49,9% or -R3 965,3 million), non-residential buildings (-28,4% or -R1 863,8 million) and residential buildings (-13,0% or -R1 765,4 million) – see Table G.

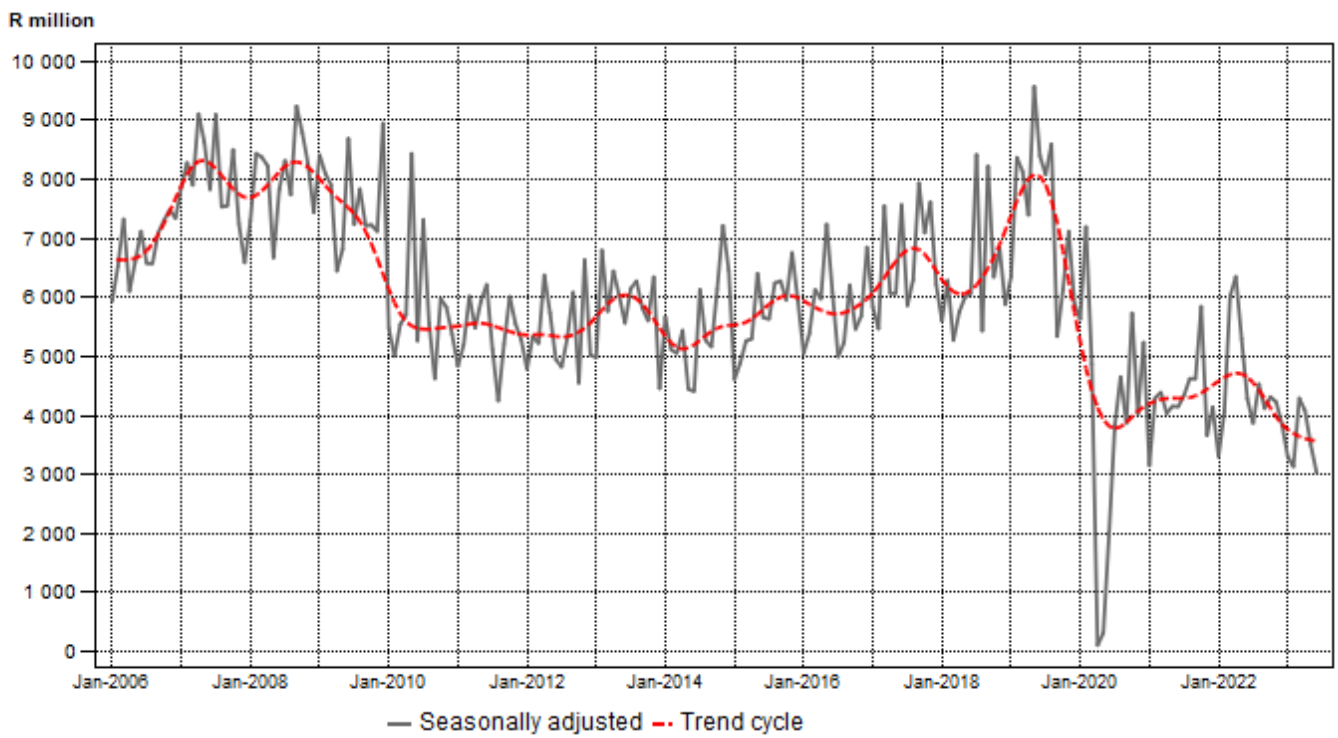
Table H – Seasonally adjusted buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building

Type of building	Jan – Mar 2023	Apr – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Mar 2023 and Apr – Jun 2023
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	6 071 841	6 526 721	7,5
Non-residential buildings 1/	2 881 224	1 813 711	-37,1
Additions and alterations	1 772 428	2 277 516	28,5
Total	10 725 493	10 617 948	-1,0

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 1,0% in the second quarter of 2023 compared with the first quarter of 2023. Non-residential buildings fell by 37,1%. Increases were reported for additions and alterations (28,5%) and residential buildings (7,5%) – see Table H.

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



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Tables

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

Year and month 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/
2022	January	5 723 791	57,3	1 415 467	242,3	1 797 644	18,0	8 936 902	60,3
	February	4 568 639	-11,9	2 039 580	-38,3	2 444 275	-7,3	9 052 494	-18,7
	March	5 109 535	11,2	3 402 406	36,1	2 595 055	1,6	11 106 996	15,1
	April	4 849 203	-3,0	1 142 322	-48,9	2 478 941	16,1	8 470 466	-9,6
	May	4 986 476	-20,7	1 681 108	35,3	3 099 515	17,9	9 767 099	-3,9
	June	6 194 173	42,5	1 652 544	-14,6	2 717 245	13,2	10 563 962	21,7
	July	5 426 435	14,8	984 134	-8,0	3 035 046	21,8	9 445 615	14,0
	August	4 840 254	-14,0	1 823 251	97,1	3 626 575	41,3	10 290 080	12,8
	September	5 099 248	-2,5	1 883 600	51,9	3 143 796	16,1	10 126 644	10,3
	October	5 852 739	14,8	1 492 387	23,4	3 087 319	-3,7	10 432 445	9,7
	November	6 181 432	5,2	2 784 773	99,7	3 083 042	4,1	12 049 247	17,8
	December	3 404 524	-27,4	1 809 580	31,1	2 080 533	-0,6	7 294 637	-10,6
	Total	62 236 449	3,2	22 111 152	17,3	33 188 986	11,0	117 536 587	7,8
2023	January	2 761 377	-51,8	721 791	-49,0	1 882 313	4,7	5 365 481	-40,0
	February	5 305 695	16,1	1 856 777	-9,0	2 639 147	8,0	9 801 619	8,3
	March	4 911 689	-3,9	1 660 355	-51,2	2 603 354	0,3	9 175 398	-17,4
	April	4 711 505	-2,8	1 602 628	40,3	2 527 268	1,9	8 841 401	4,4
	May	4 099 074	-17,8	1 497 010	-11,0	3 001 934	-3,1	8 598 018	-12,0
	June	4 490 778	-27,5	4 225 505	155,7	2 988 590	10,0	11 704 873	10,8

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2022	January	8 528 323	42,5	1 415 467	2,5	2 553 865	2,0	12 497 655	26,7
	February	4 670 988	-45,2	2 039 580	44,1	2 495 823	-2,3	9 206 391	-26,3
	March	4 683 963	0,3	3 402 406	66,8	2 544 612	2,0	10 630 981	15,5
	April	5 237 739	11,8	1 142 322	-66,4	2 752 251	8,2	9 132 312	-14,1
	May	4 839 075	-7,6	1 681 108	47,2	3 106 515	12,9	9 626 698	5,4
	June	5 576 054	15,2	1 652 544	-1,7	2 594 094	-16,5	9 822 692	2,0
	July	5 051 809	-9,4	984 134	-40,4	2 791 986	7,6	8 827 929	-10,1
	August	4 322 563	-14,4	1 823 251	85,3	3 250 641	16,4	9 396 455	6,4
	September	4 833 283	11,8	1 883 600	3,3	2 796 101	-14,0	9 512 984	1,2
	October	5 522 867	14,3	1 492 387	-20,8	2 811 979	0,6	9 827 233	3,3
	November	6 047 479	9,5	2 784 773	86,6	2 790 813	-0,8	11 623 065	18,3
	December	4 490 728	-25,7	1 809 580	-35,0	2 542 317	-8,9	8 842 625	-23,9
2023	January	3 933 659	-12,4	721 791	-60,1	2 611 897	2,7	7 267 347	-17,8
	February	5 443 734	38,4	1 856 777	157,2	2 696 613	3,2	9 997 124	37,6
	March	4 611 652	-15,3	1 660 355	-10,6	2 545 750	-5,6	8 817 757	-11,8
	April	5 145 686	11,6	1 602 628	-3,5	2 965 524	16,5	9 713 838	10,2
	May	3 871 036	-24,8	1 497 010	-6,6	2 858 727	-3,6	8 226 773	-15,3
	June	4 106 451	6,1	4 225 505	182,3	2 861 166	0,1	11 193 122	36,1
	Jan – Mar 23	13 989 045		4 238 923		7 854 260		26 082 228	
	Apr – Jun 23 2/	13 123 173	-6,2	7 325 143	72,8	8 685 417	10,6	29 133 733	11,7

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

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

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

Table 3 – Value and percentage change of building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 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/
2022	January	4 738 238	39,0	1 171 744	202,4	1 488 116	4,2	7 398 098	41,6
	February	3 754 017	-21,4	1 675 908	-45,0	2 008 443	-17,4	7 438 368	-27,5
	March	4 157 474	-0,6	2 768 434	21,6	2 111 517	-9,2	9 037 425	2,9
	April	3 907 496	-12,9	920 485	-54,1	1 997 535	4,3	6 825 516	-18,8
	May	3 957 521	-28,9	1 334 213	21,4	2 459 933	5,7	7 751 667	-13,8
	June	4 892 712	29,7	1 305 327	-22,3	2 146 323	3,0	8 344 362	10,7
	July	4 256 027	4,5	771 870	-16,3	2 380 428	10,8	7 408 325	3,7
	August	3 817 235	-21,0	1 437 895	81,0	2 860 075	29,8	8 115 205	3,7
	September	4 040 609	-9,1	1 492 552	41,7	2 491 122	8,2	8 024 283	2,9
	October	4 659 824	8,0	1 188 206	16,2	2 458 057	-9,3	8 306 087	3,2
	November	4 905 898	-0,4	2 210 137	88,9	2 446 859	-1,5	9 562 894	11,4
	December	2 697 721	-31,1	1 433 899	24,4	1 648 600	-5,7	5 780 220	-15,2
	Total	49 784 772	-5,5	17 710 670	6,6	26 497 008	1,5	93 992 450	-1,5
2023	January	2 167 486	-54,3	566 555	-51,6	1 477 483	-0,7	4 211 524	-43,1
	February	4 103 399	9,3	1 436 022	-14,3	2 041 104	1,6	7 580 525	1,9
	March	3 763 746	-9,5	1 272 303	-54,0	1 994 907	-5,5	7 030 956	-22,2
	April	3 610 349	-7,6	1 228 067	33,4	1 936 604	-3,1	6 775 020	-0,7
	May	3 126 677	-21,0	1 141 884	-14,4	2 289 805	-6,9	6 558 366	-15,4
	June	3 433 317	-29,8	3 230 508	147,5	2 284 855	6,5	8 948 680	7,2

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2022	January	7 009 769	42,5	1 171 744	1,7	2 102 423	1,0	10 283 936	26,1
	February	3 861 346	-44,9	1 675 908	43,0	2 046 204	-2,7	7 583 458	-26,3
	March	3 790 541	-1,8	2 768 434	65,2	2 064 591	0,9	8 623 566	13,7
	April	4 247 074	12,0	920 485	-66,8	2 223 940	7,7	7 391 499	-14,3
	May	3 826 133	-9,9	1 334 213	44,9	2 469 196	11,0	7 629 542	3,2
	June	4 397 042	14,9	1 305 327	-2,2	2 049 657	-17,0	7 752 026	1,6
	July	3 924 309	-10,8	771 870	-40,9	2 196 858	7,2	6 893 037	-11,1
	August	3 475 673	-11,4	1 437 895	86,3	2 573 860	17,2	7 487 428	8,6
	September	3 871 800	11,4	1 492 552	3,8	2 219 052	-13,8	7 583 404	1,3
	October	4 388 327	13,3	1 188 206	-20,4	2 235 318	0,7	7 811 851	3,0
	November	4 753 777	8,3	2 210 137	86,0	2 209 108	-1,2	9 173 022	17,4
	December	3 494 130	-26,5	1 433 899	-35,1	2 005 090	-9,2	6 933 119	-24,4
2023	January	3 056 429	-12,5	566 555	-60,5	2 042 731	1,9	5 665 715	-18,3
	February	4 253 835	39,2	1 436 022	153,5	2 083 891	2,0	7 773 748	37,2
	March	3 519 494	-17,3	1 272 303	-11,4	1 951 534	-6,4	6 743 331	-13,3
	April	3 968 817	12,8	1 228 067	-3,5	2 273 003	16,5	7 469 887	10,8
	May	2 949 334	-25,7	1 141 884	-7,0	2 186 530	-3,8	6 277 748	-16,0
	June	3 134 642	6,3	3 230 508	182,9	2 192 369	0,3	8 557 519	36,3
	Jan – Mar 23	10 829 758		3 274 880		6 078 156		20 182 794	
	Apr – Jun 23 2/	10 052 793	-7,2	5 600 459	71,0	6 651 902	9,4	22 305 154	10,5

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

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

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

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

Year and month ^{2/}		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}
2022	January	1 915 442	23,1	458 707	-22,6	764 676	37,2	3 138 825	16,0
	February	2 310 014	0,8	1 271 255	-0,6	1 147 349	32,2	4 728 618	6,5
	March	3 197 697	-1,4	2 627 335	441,9	1 891 604	53,9	7 716 636	55,7
	April	3 351 268	49,1	1 172 464	11,1	2 620 953	169,1	7 144 685	67,0
	May	3 078 346	19,4	1 137 002	-3,4	2 412 256	187,7	6 627 604	44,3
	June	2 981 227	9,3	1 455 223	39,9	1 014 533	-2,3	5 450 983	13,4
	July	2 793 180	11,6	1 167 421	-6,8	1 007 968	-25,6	4 968 569	-2,8
	August	3 221 336	28,5	1 248 420	5,1	1 340 292	-25,1	5 810 048	6,0
	September	3 404 025	12,5	1 100 905	-5,9	1 026 348	-33,7	5 531 278	-3,7
	October	3 563 665	-3,3	1 069 676	-47,9	963 822	-29,7	5 597 163	-21,3
	November	4 199 248	31,2	955 555	18,4	1 061 310	-7,3	6 216 113	20,7
	December	3 174 089	-3,7	1 087 669	23,4	627 720	-18,5	4 889 478	-1,1
	Total	37 189 537	13,2	14 751 632	13,6	15 878 831	17,8	67 820 000	14,3
2023	January	1 599 678	-16,5	1 451 781	216,5	535 533	-30,0	3 586 992	14,3
	February	2 412 794	4,4	569 750	-55,2	847 764	-26,1	3 830 308	-19,0
	March	3 053 742	-4,5	1 697 852	-35,4	994 388	-47,4	5 745 982	-25,5
	April	2 583 416	-22,9	1 362 107	16,2	954 432	-63,6	4 899 955	-31,4
	May	2 973 988	-3,4	630 544	-44,5	939 742	-61,0	4 544 274	-31,4
	June	2 758 310	-7,5	377 995	-74,0	904 197	-10,9	4 040 502	-25,9

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 corresponding 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/
2022	January	2 570 983	-19,3	458 707	-48,0	980 214	9,1	4 009 904	-19,3
	February	2 568 920	-0,1	1 271 255	177,1	1 102 122	12,4	4 942 297	23,3
	March	3 168 961	23,4	2 627 335	106,7	1 617 639	46,8	7 413 935	50,0
	April	3 643 668	15,0	1 172 464	-55,4	3 023 910	86,9	7 840 042	5,7
	May	3 098 781	-15,0	1 137 002	-3,0	2 436 996	-19,4	6 672 779	-14,9
	June	2 946 324	-4,9	1 455 223	28,0	1 016 951	-58,3	5 418 498	-18,8
	July	2 763 355	-6,2	1 167 421	-19,8	988 612	-2,8	4 919 388	-9,2
	August	3 258 142	17,9	1 248 420	6,9	1 240 053	25,4	5 746 615	16,8
	September	3 141 413	-3,6	1 100 905	-11,8	940 038	-24,2	5 182 356	-9,8
	October	3 382 680	7,7	1 069 676	-2,8	965 086	2,7	5 417 442	4,5
	November	3 395 150	0,4	955 555	-10,7	970 400	0,6	5 321 105	-1,8
	December	3 029 385	-10,8	1 087 669	13,8	742 896	-23,4	4 859 950	-8,7
2023	January	2 139 456	-29,4	1 451 781	33,5	638 143	-14,1	4 229 380	-13,0
	February	2 671 119	24,9	569 750	-60,8	811 897	27,2	4 052 766	-4,2
	March	3 055 425	14,4	1 697 852	198,0	853 301	5,1	5 606 578	38,3
	April	2 799 043	-8,4	1 362 107	-19,8	1 153 637	35,2	5 314 787	-5,2
	May	2 998 281	7,1	630 544	-53,7	957 559	-17,0	4 586 384	-13,7
	June	2 733 146	-8,8	377 995	-40,1	855 256	-10,7	3 966 397	-13,5
	Jan – Mar 23	7 866 000		3 719 383		2 303 341		13 888 724	
	Apr – Jun 23 2/	8 530 470	8,4	2 370 646	-36,3	2 966 452	28,8	13 867 568	-0,2

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 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 previous three months expressed as a percentage.

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

Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 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/
2022	January	1 585 631	8,7	379 724	-31,6	633 010	21,2	2 598 365	2,4
	February	1 898 122	-10,1	1 044 581	-11,3	942 768	17,8	3 885 471	-5,0
	March	2 601 869	-11,9	2 137 783	384,1	1 539 141	37,5	6 278 793	39,1
	April	2 700 458	34,0	944 774	-0,2	2 111 969	141,8	5 757 201	50,1
	May	2 443 132	7,1	902 383	-13,4	1 914 489	158,0	5 260 004	29,4
	June	2 354 840	-0,6	1 149 465	27,3	801 369	-11,1	4 305 674	3,2
	July	2 190 729	1,5	915 624	-15,2	790 563	-32,3	3 896 916	-11,5
	August	2 540 486	18,1	984 558	-3,5	1 057 013	-31,2	4 582 057	-2,6
	September	2 697 326	4,9	872 349	-12,3	813 271	-38,1	4 382 946	-10,2
	October	2 837 313	-9,0	851 653	-51,0	767 374	-33,8	4 456 340	-25,9
	November	3 332 737	24,2	758 377	12,1	842 310	-12,3	4 933 424	14,2
	December	2 515 126	-8,5	861 861	17,1	497 401	-22,6	3 874 388	-6,2
	Total	29 697 769	3,8	11 803 132	4,4	12 710 678	8,3	54 211 579	4,9
2023	January	1 255 634	-20,8	1 139 546	200,1	420 356	-33,6	2 815 536	8,4
	February	1 866 043	-1,7	440 642	-57,8	655 657	-30,5	2 962 342	-23,8
	March	2 340 032	-10,1	1 301 036	-39,1	761 983	-50,5	4 403 051	-29,9
	April	1 979 629	-26,7	1 043 760	10,5	731 366	-65,4	3 754 755	-34,8
	May	2 268 488	-7,1	480 964	-46,7	716 813	-62,6	3 466 265	-34,1
	June	2 108 800	-10,4	288 987	-74,9	691 282	-13,7	3 089 069	-28,3

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 corresponding 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 2019 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/
2022	January	2 117 416	-20,1	379 724	-48,4	800 966	6,1	3 298 106	-20,4
	February	2 105 813	-0,5	1 044 581	175,1	904 556	12,9	4 054 950	22,9
	March	2 574 395	22,3	2 137 783	104,7	1 303 176	44,1	6 015 354	48,3
	April	2 935 612	14,0	944 774	-55,8	2 472 418	89,7	6 352 804	5,6
	May	2 461 948	-16,1	902 383	-4,5	1 931 745	-21,9	5 296 076	-16,6
	June	2 330 762	-5,3	1 149 465	27,4	800 201	-58,6	4 280 428	-19,2
	July	2 171 202	-6,8	915 624	-20,3	779 005	-2,6	3 865 831	-9,7
	August	2 568 896	18,3	984 558	7,5	979 471	25,7	4 532 925	17,3
	September	2 494 389	-2,9	872 349	-11,4	748 719	-23,6	4 115 457	-9,2
	October	2 693 297	8,0	851 653	-2,4	768 799	2,7	4 313 749	4,8
	November	2 701 776	0,3	758 377	-11,0	764 833	-0,5	4 224 986	-2,1
	December	2 392 856	-11,4	861 861	13,6	592 584	-22,5	3 847 301	-8,9
2023	January	1 671 866	-30,1	1 139 546	32,2	493 847	-16,7	3 305 259	-14,1
	February	2 062 115	23,3	440 642	-61,3	626 764	26,9	3 129 521	-5,3
	March	2 337 860	13,4	1 301 036	195,3	651 817	4,0	4 290 713	37,1
	April	2 145 168	-8,2	1 043 760	-19,8	891 833	36,8	4 080 761	-4,9
	May	2 290 684	6,8	480 964	-53,9	729 872	-18,2	3 501 520	-14,2
	June	2 090 869	-8,7	288 987	-39,9	655 811	-10,1	3 035 667	-13,3
	Jan – Mar 23	6 071 841		2 881 224		1 772 428		10 725 493	
	Apr – Jun 23 2/	6 526 721	7,5	1 813 711	-37,1	2 277 516	28,5	10 617 948	-1,0

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 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 previous three months expressed as a percentage.

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

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 365	652	616	6 370	3 969	-37,7
		square metres	70 153	30 066	31 272	325 581	193 492	-40,6
		R'000	490 977	238 132	251 691	2 242 107	1 394 314	-37,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 464	1 202	1 236	7 946	6 527	-17,9
		square metres	415 732	343 376	387 001	2 233 905	1 965 975	-12,0
		R'000	3 234 771	2 867 419	3 239 820	17 576 738	16 403 027	-6,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	3 895	916	1 109	13 921	8 429	-39,5
		square metres	275 297	100 929	106 132	1 250 725	844 329	-32,5
		R'000	2 420 194	890 599	923 930	11 192 303	8 090 649	-27,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	7 678	10 657	9 950	54 414	46 792	-14,0
		R'000	48 231	102 924	75 337	420 669	392 128	-6,8
Total residential buildings	R'000	6 194 173	4 099 074	4 490 778	31 431 817	26 280 118	-16,4	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	15 700	27 848	69 448	65 052	162 498	149,8
		R'000	136 500	299 034	851 919	543 715	1 776 387	226,7
	Shopping space	square metres	34 404	28 600	185 442	282 281	309 271	9,6
		R'000	243 878	215 576	1 947 435	2 686 551	2 864 663	6,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	137 068	108 476	165 081	980 448	750 786	-23,4
		R'000	883 751	713 959	1 234 824	6 225 719	5 117 240	-17,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	50 683	36 924	23 336	243 411	212 885	-12,5
		R'000	388 415	268 441	191 327	1 877 442	1 805 776	-3,8
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 652 544	1 497 010	4 225 505	11 333 427	11 564 066	2,0	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	257 774	260 134	266 088	1 452 812	1 381 919	-4,9
		R'000	2 026 732	2 159 770	2 228 315	11 546 886	11 610 371	0,5
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	57 083	79 721	75 456	325 554	388 272	19,3
		R'000	690 513	842 164	760 275	3 585 789	4 032 235	12,5
Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 717 245	3 001 934	2 988 590	15 132 675	15 642 606	3,4	
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	10 563 962	8 598 018	11 704 873	57 897 919	53 486 790	-7,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	579	203	117	2 829	1 218	-56,9
		square metres	26 174	9 385	5 581	127 731	54 940	-57,0
		R'000	171 613	73 988	40 066	799 096	376 394	-52,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	582	529	542	3 179	2 855	-10,2
		square metres	155 075	145 884	156 012	845 355	821 990	-2,8
		R'000	1 088 879	1 108 989	1 187 944	5 961 775	6 234 165	4,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	503	148	278	4 411	2 111	-52,1
		square metres	54 249	27 651	41 485	424 645	269 668	-36,5
		R'000	428 775	240 247	354 542	3 423 236	2 325 186	-32,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	3 924	1 273	11 306	9 706	-14,2
		R'000	0	30 615	7 523	111 265	68 458	-38,5
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 689 267	1 453 839	1 590 075	10 295 372	9 004 203	-12,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	5 908	3 532	3 774	31 533	23 448	-25,6
		R'000	46 472	27 557	28 783	237 990	190 783	-19,8
	Shopping space	square metres	15 814	5 614	9 119	38 142	29 792	-21,9
		R'000	94 653	39 048	55 013	276 334	227 306	-17,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 439	6 542	4 262	149 714	78 421	-47,6
		R'000	23 016	38 797	30 642	981 313	512 156	-47,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	7 617	7 336	7 891	115 320	67 723	-41,3
		R'000	53 450	55 201	46 926	880 656	525 549	-40,3
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	217 591	160 603	161 364	2 376 293	1 455 794	-38,7	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	97 067	104 846	113 123	532 310	576 550	8,3
		R'000	667 442	790 920	861 774	3 701 407	4 406 275	19,0
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	17 865	50 508	32 400	120 720	159 706	32,3
		R'000	291 817	531 669	355 423	1 492 867	1 789 726	19,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	959 259	1 322 589	1 217 197	5 194 274	6 196 001	19,3
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	2 866 117	2 937 031	2 968 636	17 865 939	16 655 998	-6,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	163	21	162	460	430	-6,5
		square metres	7 279	1 128	7 314	22 166	20 219	-8,8
		R'000	35 985	8 635	59 381	137 910	141 206	2,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	131	82	95	604	505	-16,4
		square metres	31 663	22 520	34 674	138 774	133 254	-4,0
		R'000	246 212	184 159	287 450	1 073 168	1 102 475	2,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	39	3	4	416	70	-83,2
		square metres	5 620	488	602	53 599	8 509	-84,1
		R'000	44 006	3 804	4 965	412 334	68 098	-83,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	508	21 281	508	-97,6
		R'000	0	0	4 189	158 362	4 189	-97,4
	Total residential buildings	R'000	326 203	196 598	355 985	1 781 774	1 315 968	-26,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	335	0	1 434	531	4 357	720,5
		R'000	2 486	0	11 432	3 941	35 538	801,8
	Shopping space	square metres	3 323	0	0	16 780	218	-98,7
		R'000	25 445	0	0	121 775	1 798	-98,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	16 895	2 232	71 734	32 848	92 062	180,3
		R'000	125 848	17 573	589 793	241 762	750 125	210,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	10 993	1 746	1 032	20 152	8 452	-58,1
		R'000	81 735	10 799	8 511	148 263	66 095	-55,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	235 514	28 372	609 736	515 741	853 556	65,5
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	31 086	20 374	27 211	132 250	110 142
R'000			233 988	162 678	217 871	991 425	884 262	-10,8
Other buildings 4/		square metres	7 401	10 468	10 337	37 698	45 319	20,2
		R'000	62 472	85 284	87 067	296 552	376 831	27,1
Total additions and alterations		R'000	296 460	247 962	304 938	1 287 977	1 261 093	-2,1
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	858 177	472 932	1 270 659	3 585 492	3 430 617	-4,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	1	1	14	34	142,9
		square metres	0	19	25	864	1 760	103,7
		R'000	0	179	235	7 428	16 568	123,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	18	12	17	90	103	14,4
		square metres	3 433	2 795	2 925	19 552	20 353	4,1
		R'000	27 546	24 075	25 324	156 120	178 533	14,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	10	4	10	150,0
		square metres	0	0	982	2 642	982	-62,8
		R'000	0	0	9 244	22 295	9 244	-58,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	1 105	379	2 811	3 489	24,1
		R'000	0	10 401	3 567	24 636	32 842	33,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	27 546	34 655	38 370	210 479	237 187	12,7
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 915	847	0	3 672	847
R'000			16 783	7 973	0	31 689	7 973	-74,8
Shopping space		square metres	0	0	1 336	516	2 549	394,0
		R'000	0	0	12 576	4 523	23 994	430,5
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	11 921	0	0	26 262	649	-97,5
		R'000	104 098	0	0	220 542	6 109	-97,2
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	1 035	0	0	11 274	64	-99,4
		R'000	9 071	0	0	98 805	602	-99,4
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	129 952	7 973	12 576	355 559	38 678	-89,1
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 280	2 253	1 482	29 242	21 604
	R'000		43 644	19 948	12 711	239 431	196 075	-18,1
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 035	0	22	1 294	276	-78,7
		R'000	12 960	1 040	527	18 310	6 498	-64,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	56 604	20 988	13 238	257 741	202 573	-21,4
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	214 102	63 616	64 184	823 779	478 438	-41,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3	11	13	94	46	-51,1
		square metres	162	588	847	5 212	2 715	-47,9
		R'000	1 284	5 566	8 099	44 926	24 704	-45,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	18	41	28	227	214	-5,7
		square metres	4 962	9 763	5 783	47 561	54 821	15,3
		R'000	35 890	76 157	43 133	356 331	448 970	26,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	3	0	10	30	79	163,3
		square metres	533	0	893	2 884	10 314	257,6
		R'000	3 887	0	7 119	23 664	95 851	305,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 197	0	6 201	2 097	6 854	226,8
		R'000	8 884	0	49 434	14 067	54 820	289,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	49 945	81 723	107 785	438 988	624 345	42,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 526	530	2 026	282,3
		R'000	0	0	14 682	3 052	17 775	482,4
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	2 924	29 499	908,9
		R'000	0	0	0	21 493	182 795	750,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 052	1 284	3 871	18 704	11 025	-41,1
		R'000	13 966	7 941	28 161	128 000	89 554	-30,0
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	1 177	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	8 515	..
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	13 966	7 941	42 843	152 545	298 639	95,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 147	12 492	6 909	26 891	44 483
R'000			14 772	105 062	55 878	199 410	374 953	88,0
Other buildings 4/		square metres	15	962	2 579	2 441	7 862	222,1
		R'000	586	8 962	22 491	22 360	75 577	238,0
Total additions and alterations		R'000	15 358	114 024	78 369	221 770	450 530	103,2
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	79 269	203 688	228 997	813 303	1 373 514	68,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	20	10	13	287	58	-79,8
		square metres	1 159	601	630	17 858	3 033	-83,0
		R'000	9 281	4 790	5 002	171 791	24 154	-85,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	106	86	74	676	457	-32,4
		square metres	37 750	29 348	27 225	220 668	158 070	-28,4
		R'000	384 420	307 749	281 670	2 244 478	1 584 540	-29,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	419	102	102	3 289	542	-83,5
		square metres	47 122	13 305	10 300	331 482	68 519	-79,3
		R'000	485 766	128 249	101 428	3 432 307	695 406	-79,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	394	5 628	146	6 492	6 230	-4,0
		R'000	3 152	61 908	1 174	48 705	65 818	35,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	882 619	502 696	389 274	5 897 281	2 369 918	-59,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 525	3 145	3 367	14 231	7 297	-48,7
		R'000	38 425	27 011	37 037	145 628	69 574	-52,2
	Shopping space	square metres	5 134	18 462	58 046	57 867	79 823	37,9
		R'000	44 151	148 665	634 193	562 850	807 594	43,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	29 008	41 942	11 099	186 735	165 873	-11,2
		R'000	176 791	273 202	64 663	1 132 190	1 045 049	-7,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	9 640	2 969	0	16 867	7 026	-58,3
		R'000	73 256	23 543	0	136 427	57 141	-58,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	332 623	472 421	735 893	1 977 095	1 979 358	0,1
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	25 982	22 739	26 261	158 648	118 997
R'000			273 067	210 638	267 513	1 661 868	1 202 490	-27,6
Other buildings 4/		square metres	9 677	5 956	9 885	62 562	71 429	14,2
		R'000	121 280	85 609	131 152	773 381	869 709	12,5
Total additions and alterations		R'000	394 347	296 247	398 665	2 435 249	2 072 199	-14,9
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 609 589	1 271 364	1 523 832	10 309 625	6 421 475	-37,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	7	1	234	42	-82,1
		square metres	289	396	62	9 847	2 174	-77,9
		R'000	1 791	2 742	446	46 033	14 861	-67,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	108	53	59	485	321	-33,8
		square metres	26 794	14 795	18 591	132 560	96 567	-27,2
		R'000	172 712	97 298	120 198	899 088	665 003	-26,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	44	53	31	97	140	44,3
		square metres	3 765	8 310	3 238	6 800	15 276	124,6
		R'000	21 837	45 854	20 539	39 727	88 693	123,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	2 879	3 213	11,6
		R'000	0	0	0	18 708	22 990	22,9
	Total residential buildings	R'000	196 340	145 894	141 183	1 003 556	791 547	-21,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	98	1 220	686	1 757	16 286	826,9
		R'000	564	7 546	4 940	10 177	96 583	849,0
	Shopping space	square metres	1 393	3 241	72	11 405	16 817	47,5
		R'000	8 852	19 308	518	74 285	107 978	45,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	8 867	2 323	3 113	45 003	10 018	-77,7
		R'000	51 429	13 473	21 422	266 067	61 020	-77,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	3 482	8 728	5 279	-39,5
		R'000	0	0	25 070	55 457	36 215	-34,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	60 845	40 327	51 950	405 986	301 796	-25,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 837	8 722	8 749	55 153	39 946
R'000			77 794	58 261	58 345	355 616	263 542	-25,9
Other buildings 4/		square metres	9 957	1 305	594	19 388	4 266	-78,0
		R'000	80 507	21 015	11 655	174 000	80 353	-53,8
Total additions and alterations		R'000	158 301	79 276	70 000	529 616	343 895	-35,1
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	415 486	265 497	263 133	1 939 158	1 437 238	-25,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	569	393	299	2 236	2 003	-10,4
		square metres	33 379	17 625	16 169	128 701	100 330	-22,0
		R'000	258 435	140 071	133 925	942 609	734 053	-22,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	361	299	304	1 842	1 478	-19,8
		square metres	108 158	82 946	100 374	569 935	467 455	-18,0
		R'000	955 886	809 715	990 269	5 148 329	4 605 968	-10,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 294	592	646	3 927	5 193	32,2
		square metres	103 891	49 385	45 657	353 917	434 599	22,8
		R'000	1 052 249	462 385	405 646	3 363 343	4 557 593	35,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	42	1 973	4 597,6
		R'000	0	0	0	285	14 371	4 942,5
	Total residential buildings	R'000	2 266 570	1 412 171	1 529 840	9 454 566	9 911 985	4,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 919	16 391	58 661	9 304	104 643	1 024,7
		R'000	31 770	211 795	755 045	88 763	1 335 440	1 404,5
	Shopping space	square metres	779	461	62 801	107 067	72 831	-32,0
		R'000	4 486	3 358	761 659	1 324 019	873 821	-34,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	61 020	47 029	50 706	442 513	314 073	-29,0
		R'000	364 274	317 442	373 242	2 733 331	2 118 759	-22,5
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	19 903	515	6 967	57 367	80 416	40,2
		R'000	162 293	3 809	77 952	477 167	777 244	62,9
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	562 823	536 404	1 967 898	4 623 280	5 105 264	10,4
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	67 339	66 909	66 075	401 804	371 226
R'000			608 717	662 403	643 819	3 655 766	3 599 122	-1,5
Other buildings 4/		square metres	9 849	8 175	14 325	66 344	85 098	28,3
		R'000	99 596	82 417	109 068	646 164	695 416	7,6
Total additions and alterations		R'000	708 313	744 820	752 887	4 301 930	4 294 538	-0,2
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	3 537 706	2 693 395	4 250 625	18 379 776	19 311 787	5,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	17	2	6	177	123	-30,5
		square metres	1 181	95	362	10 541	7 365	-30,1
		R'000	9 231	576	2 599	75 320	55 981	-25,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	87	72	87	584	416	-28,8
		square metres	25 100	25 252	31 234	172 469	150 598	-12,7
		R'000	167 714	187 863	233 659	1 164 902	1 139 876	-2,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	1	0	24	49	104,2
		square metres	0	207	0	2 710	2 921	7,8
		R'000	0	1 309	0	15 607	18 327	17,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	2 372	0	1 443	3 535	14 551	311,6
		R'000	13 666	0	9 450	20 363	126 674	522,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	190 611	189 748	245 708	1 276 192	1 340 858	5,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	2 713	0	1 722	3 594	108,7
		R'000	0	17 152	0	11 299	22 721	101,1
	Shopping space	square metres	7 961	822	54 068	35 320	64 408	82,4
		R'000	66 291	5 197	483 476	228 125	547 988	140,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 685	3 323	11 430	52 665	61 149	16,1
		R'000	23 171	23 467	72 189	356 409	425 182	19,3
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 495	5 830	3 964	12 089	24 220	100,3
		R'000	8 610	45 044	32 868	69 926	204 370	192,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	98 072	90 860	588 533	665 759	1 200 261	80,3
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 773	17 023	11 609	92 303	78 233
R'000			86 685	117 558	78 311	589 217	542 730	-7,9
Other buildings 4/		square metres	1 190	2 131	5 212	12 135	12 900	6,3
		R'000	16 280	22 683	39 191	113 926	107 243	-5,9
Total additions and alterations		R'000	102 965	140 241	117 502	703 143	649 973	-7,6
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	391 648	420 849	951 743	2 645 094	3 191 092	20,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	8	4	4	39	15	-61,5
		square metres	530	229	282	2 661	956	-64,1
		R'000	3 357	1 585	1 938	16 994	6 393	-62,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	53	28	30	259	178	-31,3
		square metres	22 797	10 073	10 183	87 031	62 867	-27,8
		R'000	155 512	71 414	70 173	572 547	443 497	-22,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 593	17	28	1 723	235	-86,4
		square metres	60 117	1 583	2 975	72 046	33 541	-53,4
		R'000	383 674	8 751	20 447	459 790	232 251	-49,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 715	0	0	3 971	268	-93,3
		R'000	22 529	0	0	24 278	1 966	-91,9
	Total residential buildings	R'000	565 072	81 750	92 558	1 073 609	684 107	-36,3
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 772	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	11 176	0	-100,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	12 260	13 334	8,8
		R'000	0	0	0	73 147	91 389	24,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	181	3 801	8 866	26 004	17 516	-32,6
		R'000	1 158	22 064	54 712	166 105	109 286	-34,2
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	18 528	0	1 614	18 528	1 048,0
		R'000	0	130 045	0	10 741	130 045	1 110,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 158	152 109	54 712	261 169	330 720	26,6
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 263	4 776	4 669	24 211	20 738
R'000			20 623	32 302	32 093	152 746	140 922	-7,7
Other buildings 4/		square metres	94	216	102	2 972	1 416	-52,4
		R'000	5 015	3 485	3 701	48 229	30 882	-36,0
Total additions and alterations		R'000	25 638	35 787	35 794	200 975	171 804	-14,5
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	591 868	269 646	183 064	1 535 753	1 186 631	-22,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	470	732	644	4 770	3 540	-25,8	
		square metres	26 403	36 790	32 817	239 440	182 799	-23,7	
		R'000	181 600	281 359	243 223	1 592 403	1 313 733	-17,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	803	913	824	4 731	4 411	-6,8	
		square metres	195 827	212 486	211 502	1 183 831	1 110 744	-6,2	
		R'000	1 553 500	1 821 060	1 830 357	9 262 013	9 602 462	3,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 434	738	488	6 842	4 079	-40,4	
		square metres	135 560	89 229	79 005	639 612	477 583	-25,3	
		R'000	1 246 127	858 159	684 129	5 623 108	4 381 657	-22,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	2 119	75	39 551	10 765	-72,8	
		R'000	0	13 410	601	356 470	84 076	-76,4	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	2 981 227	2 973 988	2 758 310	16 833 994	15 381 928	-8,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	16 741	6 070	2 643	96 928	106 115	9,5	
		R'000	167 379	78 206	30 512	859 326	1 305 961	52,0	
	Shopping space	square metres	29 452	5 015	2 106	162 015	207 810	28,3	
		R'000	284 332	42 178	18 043	1 464 085	2 227 966	52,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	143 594	66 831	45 156	672 834	304 461	-54,7	
		R'000	954 064	453 017	321 339	4 220 578	2 078 190	-50,8	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	6 843	7 824	946	204 950	54 433	-73,4	
		R'000	49 448	57 143	8 101	1 577 997	477 912	-69,7	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 455 223	630 544	377 995	8 121 986	6 090 029	-25,0
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	80 018	63 007	78 614	902 459	358 125	-60,3
R'000			610 961	506 446	641 366	6 462 859	2 905 876	-55,0	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	34 972	39 825	27 072	327 668	226 246	-31,0	
		R'000	403 572	433 296	262 831	3 388 512	2 270 180	-33,0	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 014 533	939 742	904 197	9 851 371	5 176 056	-47,5	
Buildings completed		Total at current prices	R'000	5 450 983	4 544 274	4 040 502	34 807 351	26 648 013	-23,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	92	171	270	2 090	1 038	-50,3	
		square metres	4 479	8 017	12 453	89 004	48 057	-46,0	
		R'000	26 517	51 302	86 996	501 427	314 840	-37,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	334	339	323	1 940	1 619	-16,5	
		square metres	72 276	74 497	74 358	495 630	384 553	-22,4	
		R'000	493 906	515 691	529 404	3 395 698	2 712 733	-20,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	688	147	184	3 744	1 239	-66,9	
		square metres	56 802	25 971	36 539	322 646	170 647	-47,1	
		R'000	445 951	212 812	289 936	2 540 369	1 357 535	-46,6	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	75	8 604	4 835	-43,8	
		R'000	0	0	601	55 729	30 625	-45,0	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	966 374	779 805	906 937	6 493 223	4 415 733	-32,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	7 055	0	0	45 481	5 684	-87,5	
		R'000	61 731	0	0	352 196	33 592	-90,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	5 827	118	256	69 184	21 336	-69,2	
		R'000	46 568	811	2 357	555 178	157 441	-71,6	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	38 091	6 651	5 993	129 508	36 400	-71,9	
		R'000	258 814	47 000	39 590	879 123	271 593	-69,1	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 869	5 857	131	97 026	30 784	-68,3	
		R'000	11 697	36 225	738	699 148	215 715	-69,1	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	378 810	84 036	42 685	2 485 645	678 341	-72,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	48 109	32 409	33 303	679 835	169 480	-75,1
R'000			320 270	217 404	226 000	4 540 981	1 149 177	-74,7	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	27 824	24 118	15 860	245 853	135 611	-44,8	
		R'000	294 538	251 412	158 778	2 618 739	1 293 990	-50,6	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	614 808	468 816	384 778	7 159 720	2 443 167	-65,9	
Buildings completed		Total at current prices	R'000	1 959 992	1 332 657	1 334 400	16 138 588	7 537 241	-53,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	33	15	86	155	280	80,6
		square metres	1 917	875	3 753	9 333	13 413	43,7
		R'000	13 561	6 993	30 440	66 541	91 155	37,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	41	61	67	286	345	20,6
		square metres	8 905	16 368	16 661	61 429	88 664	44,3
		R'000	67 540	130 237	138 776	470 605	740 006	57,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	13	196	5	169	220	30,2
		square metres	2 525	13 287	854	12 208	16 625	36,2
		R'000	19 389	109 578	7 043	92 410	137 106	48,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	5 297	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	40 676	0	-100,0
Total residential buildings	R'000	100 490	246 808	176 259	670 232	968 267	44,5	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	3 921	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	30 109	0	-100,0
	Shopping space	square metres	168	748	0	168	3 727	2 118,5
		R'000	1 290	5 277	0	1 290	30 422	2 258,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	4 924	2 276	9 479	16 149	70,4
		R'000	0	40 608	18 770	72 790	126 422	73,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 770	0	173	29 742	331	-98,9
		R'000	21 271	0	1 427	221 283	2 687	-98,8
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	22 561	45 885	20 197	325 472	159 531	-51,0	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 085	3 625	6 470	45 958	29 593	-35,6
		R'000	39 984	30 444	52 802	352 329	243 886	-30,8
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	496	302	948	9 813	18 973	93,3
		R'000	4 857	2 734	8 411	79 414	159 452	100,8
Total additions and alterations	R'000	44 841	33 178	61 213	431 743	403 338	-6,6	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	167 892	325 871	257 669	1 427 447	1 531 136	7,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	0	8	2	-75,0	
		square metres	0	0	0	502	153	-69,5	
		R'000	0	0	0	4 067	1 140	-72,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	7	3	3	44	25	-43,2	
		square metres	2 079	555	684	10 244	6 544	-36,1	
		R'000	16 846	5 224	6 438	83 007	61 597	-25,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	8	0	0	20	0	-100,0	
		square metres	490	0	0	1 571	0	-100,0	
		R'000	3 970	0	0	12 730	0	-100,0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	20 816	5 224	6 438	99 804	62 737	-37,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	461	1 387	200,9	
		R'000	0	0	0	3 735	13 056	249,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	18 949	0	0	20 169	473	-97,7	
		R'000	153 544	0	0	163 430	4 452	-97,3	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	202	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	1 637	0	-100,0	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	153 544	0	0	168 802	17 508	-89,6
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 715	2 087	787	20 434	10 840	-47,0
R'000			30 103	19 645	7 408	165 577	102 038	-38,4	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	0	2 784	2 151	3 389	57,6	
		R'000	150	400	26 596	19 725	35 251	78,7	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	30 253	20 045	34 004	185 302	137 289	-25,9	
Buildings completed		Total at current prices	R'000	204 613	25 269	40 442	453 908	217 534	-52,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	2	22	44	58	31,8
		square metres	0	100	1 323	2 231	3 328	49,2
		R'000	0	962	12 729	17 789	32 019	80,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	7	23	9	81	65	-19,8
		square metres	2 878	3 380	1 643	13 608	12 959	-4,8
		R'000	20 363	28 699	12 785	96 438	102 590	6,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	8	0	2	11	450,0
		square metres	0	1 275	0	355	1 567	341,4
		R'000	0	10 515	0	2 044	12 923	532,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 487	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	8 563	0	-100,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	20 363	40 176	25 514	124 834	147 532	18,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	275	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 701	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	304	0	304	..
		R'000	0	0	2 423	0	2 423	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	846	2 786	908	-67,4
		R'000	0	0	6 977	21 319	7 488	-64,9
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	353	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	2 129	0	-100,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	0	9 400	23 448	11 612	-50,5
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	451	1 735	2 053	11 745	7 291
R'000			3 400	14 896	16 592	70 499	59 781	-15,2
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	206	0	3 794	1 092	-71,2
		R'000	250	1 699	0	29 221	10 495	-64,1
Total additions and alterations	R'000	3 650	16 595	16 592	99 720	70 276	-29,5	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	24 013	56 771	51 506	248 002	229 420	-7,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	10	10	7	50	42	-16,0	
		square metres	577	601	442	2 876	2 554	-11,2	
		R'000	5 465	6 797	4 349	27 777	22 682	-18,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	57	75	54	331	348	5,1	
		square metres	19 377	22 540	22 254	122 586	122 912	0,3	
		R'000	211 521	252 683	253 091	1 264 316	1 359 508	7,5	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	336	72	104	1 232	608	-50,6	
		square metres	34 657	10 178	13 424	107 203	79 108	-26,2	
		R'000	372 027	98 196	136 845	1 170 060	827 115	-29,3	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	20 423	1 151	-94,4	
		R'000	0	0	0	224 653	13 697	-93,9	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	589 013	357 676	394 285	2 686 806	2 223 002	-17,3
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	6 997	0	0	7 484	9 956	33,0	
		R'000	76 967	0	0	82 324	108 428	31,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	6 940	1 050	612	43 331	47 499	9,6	
		R'000	76 340	7 350	6 108	470 648	510 408	8,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	72 197	8 831	1 149	156 598	21 609	-86,2	
		R'000	429 213	52 986	11 257	961 413	133 664	-86,1	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	1 758	323	13 467	6 649	-50,6	
		R'000	0	19 338	3 553	135 056	76 923	-43,0	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	582 520	79 674	20 918	1 649 441	829 423	-49,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 147	6 031	9 278	44 317	40 123	-9,5
R'000			103 708	70 783	98 516	501 601	450 171	-10,3	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	2 936	8 119	2 131	24 157	29 658	22,8	
		R'000	68 933	92 478	22 618	327 472	330 630	1,0	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	172 641	163 261	121 134	829 073	780 801	-5,8	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	1 344 174	600 611	536 337	5 165 320	3 833 226	-25,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	22	23	36	134	140	4,5
		square metres	1 320	1 285	2 388	7 897	8 544	8,2
		R'000	7 656	6 578	14 024	46 235	48 692	5,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	85	80	32	402	322	-19,9
		square metres	17 255	15 142	6 174	80 131	66 212	-17,4
		R'000	119 129	111 413	39 113	534 743	466 664	-12,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	13	4	28	51	93	82,4
		square metres	1 909	384	3 904	6 032	10 083	67,2
		R'000	11 019	2 227	25 918	37 851	63 053	66,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	1 856	0	1 051	2 432	131,4
		R'000	0	11 479	0	7 077	15 275	115,8
	Total residential buildings	R'000	137 804	131 697	79 055	625 906	593 684	-5,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	15	0	0	1 055	0	-100,0
		R'000	86	0	0	6 118	0	-100,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	1 182	0	11 013	2 359	-78,6
		R'000	0	6 856	0	77 161	15 413	-80,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	690	0	0	10 519	5 215	-50,4
		R'000	4 945	0	0	74 651	42 140	-43,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 614	0	0	13 374	0	-100,0
		R'000	11 567	0	0	79 910	0	-100,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	16 598	6 856	0	237 840	57 553	-75,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 083	1 944	1 323	9 114	7 809
R'000			6 685	12 240	8 392	55 129	49 150	-10,8
Other buildings 4/		square metres	250	987	0	2 948	2 510	-14,9
		R'000	1 825	11 588	5 760	31 052	62 881	102,5
Total additions and alterations	R'000	8 510	23 828	14 152	86 181	112 031	30,0	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	162 912	162 381	93 207	949 927	763 268	-19,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	293	488	195	2 147	1 868	-13,0
		square metres	16 948	24 461	10 652	119 218	99 791	-16,3
		R'000	121 230	199 446	82 199	871 603	754 823	-13,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	189	266	268	1 194	1 377	15,3
		square metres	55 668	64 040	71 166	301 113	353 258	17,3
		R'000	504 660	656 590	714 133	2 745 394	3 595 847	31,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	368	303	161	1 559	1 620	3,9
		square metres	37 517	37 413	23 673	182 799	177 702	-2,8
		R'000	383 149	419 876	220 188	1 724 075	1 833 210	6,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	2 474	1 817	-26,6
		R'000	0	0	0	18 303	20 590	12,5
Total residential buildings	R'000	1 009 039	1 275 912	1 016 520	5 359 375	6 204 470	15,8	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	2 674	6 070	2 061	37 071	88 231	138,0
		R'000	28 595	78 206	26 554	376 274	1 145 226	204,4
	Shopping space	square metres	16 070	1 917	0	35 146	119 452	239,9
		R'000	157 832	21 884	0	341 248	1 420 860	316,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 417	44 471	22 186	317 804	162 465	-48,9
		R'000	13 869	297 179	158 887	1 859 470	1 074 992	-42,2
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	209	319	40 201	16 669	-58,5
		R'000	0	1 580	2 383	354 522	182 587	-48,5
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	200 296	398 849	187 824	2 931 514	3 823 665	30,4
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 337	13 690	23 351	81 877	79 114
R'000			99 275	129 776	217 500	716 243	756 861	5,7
Other buildings 4/		square metres	3 466	2 150	5 110	34 160	27 688	-18,9
		R'000	29 699	28 349	37 525	236 425	273 118	15,5
Total additions and alterations	R'000	128 974	158 125	255 025	952 668	1 029 979	8,1	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 338 309	1 832 886	1 459 369	9 243 557	11 058 114	19,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	14	20	24	94	92	-2,1
		square metres	747	1 251	1 536	5 282	5 624	6,5
		R'000	4 516	7 906	10 630	37 147	39 275	5,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	48	45	41	307	190	-38,1
		square metres	9 578	11 218	9 923	53 148	40 600	-23,6
		R'000	69 167	87 822	76 835	377 135	322 485	-14,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	4	0	-100,0
		square metres	0	0	0	509	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	2 966	0	-100,0
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
Total residential buildings	R'000	73 683	95 728	87 465	417 248	361 760	-13,3	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	73	1 455	73	-95,0
		R'000	0	0	460	8 570	460	-94,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	660	0	660	..
		R'000	0	0	5 460	0	5 460	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	11 250	1 954	2 672	12 419	22 168	78,5
		R'000	93 679	15 244	16 894	101 652	143 039	40,7
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	590	0	0	8 599	0	-100,0
		R'000	4 913	0	0	71 604	0	-100,0
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	98 592	15 244	22 814	181 826	148 959	-18,1	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	331	1 184	1 968	5 859	12 090	106,3
		R'000	2 661	9 154	13 599	39 762	82 829	108,3
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	3 943	0	1 806	7 086	292,4
		R'000	2 320	43 636	0	22 975	94 033	309,3
Total additions and alterations	R'000	4 981	52 790	13 599	62 737	176 862	181,9	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	177 256	163 762	123 878	661 811	687 581	3,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

			Jun 2022	May 2023	Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2022	Jan – Jun 2023	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	3	4	48	20	-58,3	
		square metres	415	200	270	3 097	1 335	-56,9	
		R'000	2 655	1 375	1 856	19 817	9 107	-54,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	35	21	27	146	120	-17,8	
		square metres	7 811	4 746	8 639	45 942	35 042	-23,7	
		R'000	50 368	32 701	59 782	294 677	241 032	-18,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	8	8	6	61	288	372,1	
		square metres	1 660	721	611	6 289	21 851	247,4	
		R'000	10 622	4 955	4 199	40 603	150 715	271,2	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	263	0	215	530	146,5	
		R'000	0	1 931	0	1 469	3 889	164,7	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	63 645	40 962	65 837	356 566	404 743	13,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	509	0	509	..	
		R'000	0	0	3 498	0	3 498	..	
	Shopping space	square metres	447	0	274	3 173	12 473	293,1	
		R'000	2 302	0	1 695	18 560	85 539	360,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	10 034	13 552	39 074	188,3	
		R'000	0	0	68 964	86 730	274 400	216,4	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	1 986	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	12 708	0	-100,0	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	2 302	0	74 157	117 998	363 437	208,0	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	760	302	81	3 320	1 785	-46,2	
		R'000	4 875	2 104	557	20 738	11 983	-42,2	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	0	0	239	2 986	239	-92,0	
		R'000	1 000	1 000	3 143	23 489	10 330	-56,0	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	5 875	3 104	3 700	44 227	22 313	-49,5	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	71 822	44 066	143 694	518 791	790 493	52,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

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

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 five according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
Collection rate	6	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for June 2023 was 85,6%. The collection rate for May 2023 was 88,3%.
Statistical unit	7	The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
Survey methodology and design	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 email, 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 2019. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151.1: <i>Construction Materials Price Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2021=100) are converted to the base year 2019=100.

Seasonal adjustment	10	Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau.
	11	Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment February 2022 .
Trend cycle	12	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	13	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.
	14	Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.
Related publications	15	Users may also wish to refer to the following publications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> issued annually; • P9101.2: <i>Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region</i> issued annually; and • <i>Building Statistics</i> (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
Rounding-off of figures	16	Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
Symbols and abbreviations	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> .. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage 0 Nil or figure too small to publish * Revised Stats SA Statistics South Africa SIC Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities

Glossary

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	<p>Include:</p> <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 same month in the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using annual actual values, the percentage change is the change in the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant year compared with the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using seasonally adjusted values, the percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the previous month expressed as a percentage.</p>

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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