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Key findings for January to June 2024

Building plans passed at current prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024	% change between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	26 498 079	22 930 184	-3 567 895	-13,5
-Dwelling-houses	17 470 723	14 254 724	-3 215 999	-18,4
-Flats and townhouses	8 635 228	7 898 622	-736 606	-8,5
-Other residential buildings	392 128	776 838	384 710	98,1
Non-residential buildings	12 992 975	11 117 748	-1 875 227	-14,4
Additions and alterations	14 673 055	12 864 891	-1 808 164	-12,3
Total	54 164 109	46 912 823	-7 251 286	-13,4

The value of building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 13,4% (-R7 251,3 million) during the first half of 2024 compared with the first half of 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R3 567,9 million), non-residential buildings (-R1 875,2 million) and additions and alterations (-R1 808,2 million) – see Table A.

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

Province	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	Weight Jan – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024 ¹	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	%			R'000
Western Cape	17 327 113	13 999 716	32,0	-19,2	-6,1	-3 327 397
Eastern Cape	3 430 617	2 712 135	6,3	-20,9	-1,3	-718 482
Northern Cape	478 438	592 393	0,9	23,8	0,2	113 955
Free State	1 373 514	1 241 249	2,5	-9,6	-0,2	-132 265
KwaZulu-Natal	6 421 475	6 799 439	11,9	5,9	0,7	377 964
North West	1 437 238	2 198 880	2,7	53,0	1,4	761 642
Gauteng	19 319 761	15 533 086	35,7	-19,6	-7,0	-3 786 675
Mpumalanga	3 191 092	2 670 937	5,9	-16,3	-1,0	-520 155
Limpopo	1 184 861	1 164 988	2,2	-1,7	0,0	-19 873
Total	54 164 109	46 912 823	100,0	-13,4	-13,4	-7 251 286

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

The largest negative contributions to the total decrease of 13,4% (-R7 251,3 million) were made by Gauteng (contributing -7,0 percentage points or -R3 786,7 million) and Western Cape (contributing -6,1 percentage points or -R3 327,4 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 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024	% change between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	20 370 395	16 813 794	-3 556 601	-17,5
Non-residential buildings	9 967 619	8 136 543	-1 831 076	-18,4
Additions and alterations	11 282 341	9 432 012	-1 850 329	-16,4
Total	41 620 355	34 382 349	-7 238 006	-17,4

The real value of building plans passed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 17,4% (-R7 238,0 million) during the first half of 2024 compared with the first half of 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R3 556,6 million), additions and alterations (-R1 850,3 million) and non-residential buildings (-R1 831,1 million) – see Table C.

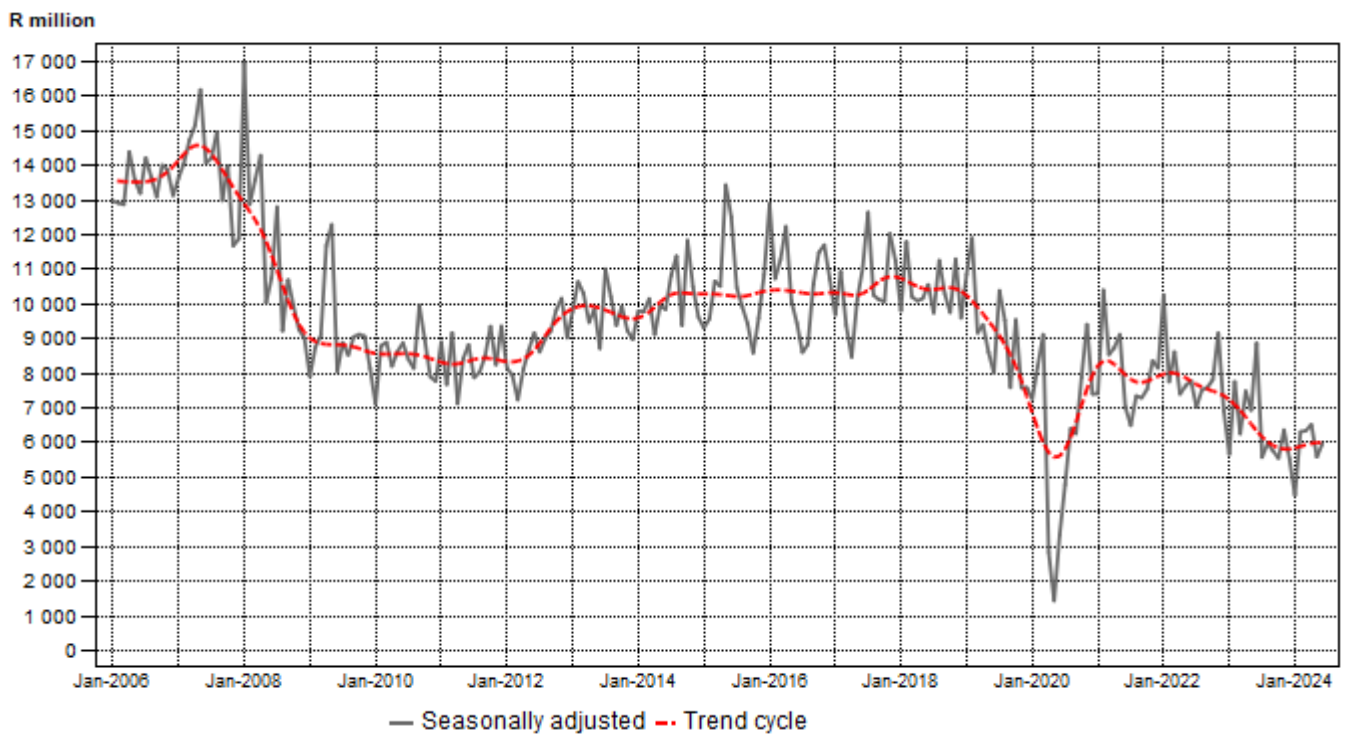
Table D – Seasonally adjusted building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building

Type of building	Jan – Mar 2024	Apr – Jun 2024	% change between Jan – Mar 2024 and Apr – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 905 275	8 090 800	-9,1
Non-residential buildings ¹	2 905 747	5 230 796	80,0
Additions and alterations	5 317 433	4 740 570	-10,8
Total	17 128 455	18 062 166	5,5

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of building plans passed increased by 5,5% in the second quarter of 2024 compared with the first quarter of 2024. An increase was reported for non-residential buildings (80,0%). Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-10,8%) and residential buildings (-9,1%) – 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 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024	% change between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	16 099 320	13 122 302	-2 977 018	-18,5
-Dwelling-houses	10 543 105	9 009 898	-1 533 207	-14,5
-Flats and townhouses	5 468 867	3 955 497	-1 513 370	-27,7
-Other residential buildings	87 348	156 907	69 559	79,6
Non-residential buildings	6 481 954	4 677 999	-1 803 955	-27,8
Additions and alterations	4 388 062	4 534 478	146 416	3,3
Total	26 969 336	22 334 779	-4 634 557	-17,2

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 17,2% (-R4 634,6 million) during the first half of 2024 compared with the first half of 2023.

Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R2 977,0 million) and non-residential buildings (-R1 804,0 million) – see Table E.

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

Province	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	Weight Jan – Jun 2023	% change between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024 ¹	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	%			R'000
Western Cape	7 950 552	6 458 144	29,5	-18,8	-5,5	-1 492 408
Eastern Cape	1 531 136	1 545 856	5,7	1,0	0,1	14 720
Northern Cape	217 534	194 930	0,8	-10,4	-0,1	-22 604
Free State	271 571	177 970	1,0	-34,5	-0,3	-93 601
KwaZulu-Natal	3 829 456	3 360 765	14,2	-12,2	-1,7	-468 691
North West	763 268	913 695	2,8	19,7	0,6	150 427
Gauteng	10 927 023	8 698 666	40,5	-20,4	-8,3	-2 228 357
Mpumalanga	687 581	574 944	2,5	-16,4	-0,4	-112 637
Limpopo	791 215	409 809	2,9	-48,2	-1,4	-381 406
Total	26 969 336	22 334 779	100,0	-17,2	-17,2	-4 634 557

¹ 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.

Seven provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during the first half of 2024, of which Gauteng (contributing -8,3 percentage points or -R2 228,4 million), Western Cape (contributing -5,5 percentage points or -R1 492,4 million), KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -1,7 percentage points or -R468,7 million) and Limpopo (contributing -1,4 percentage points or -R381,4 million) were the largest negative contributors – 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 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024	% change between Jan – Jun 2023 and Jan – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	12 364 778	9 618 588	-2 746 190	-22,2
Non-residential buildings	4 994 534	3 425 182	-1 569 352	-31,4
Additions and alterations	3 374 183	3 327 874	-46 309	-1,4
Total	20 733 495	16 371 644	-4 361 851	-21,0

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 21,0% (-R4 361,9 million) during the first half of 2024 compared with the first half of 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R2 746,2 million), non-residential buildings (-R1 569,4 million) and additions and alterations (-R46,3 million) – see Table G.

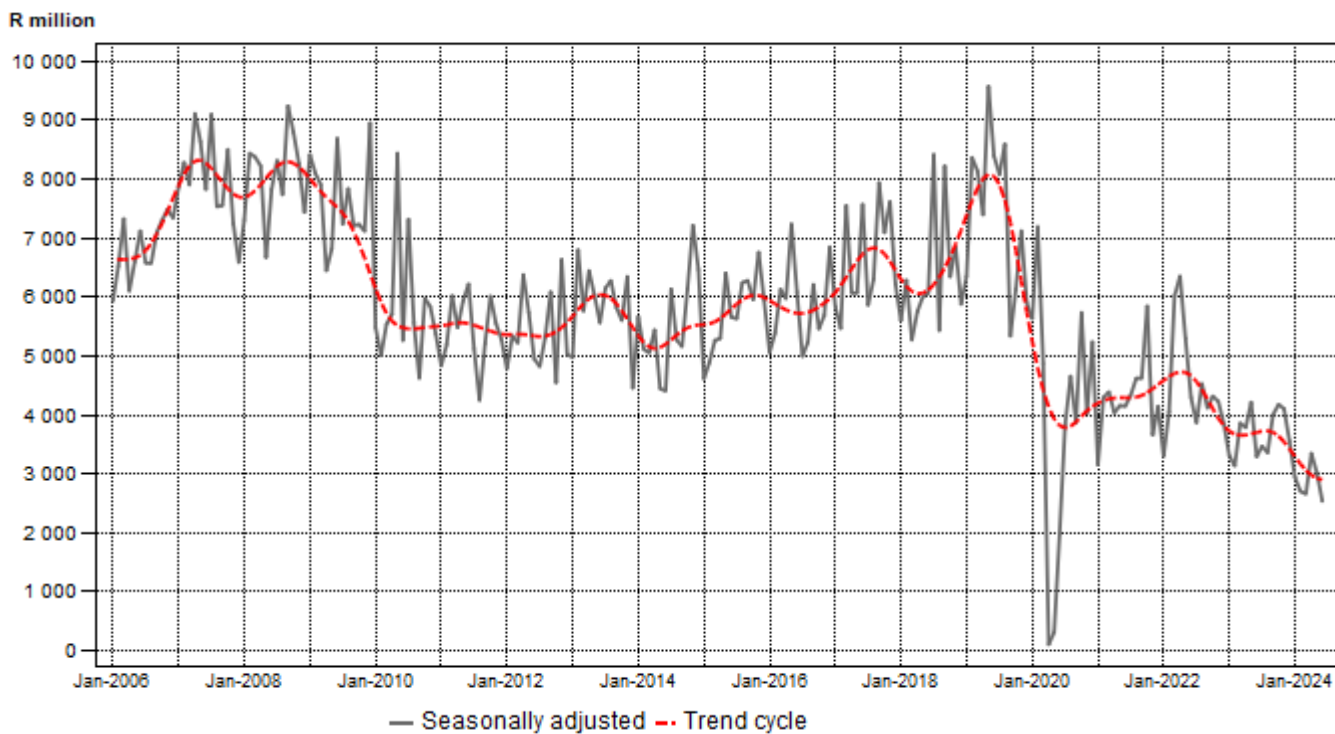
Table H – Seasonally adjusted buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building

Type of building	Jan – Mar 2024	Apr – Jun 2024	% change between Jan – Mar 2024 and Apr – Jun 2024
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	5 217 332	5 148 853	-1,3
Non-residential buildings ¹	1 179 168	2 246 014	90,5
Additions and alterations	1 901 001	1 505 071	-20,8
Total	8 297 501	8 899 938	7,3

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 7,3% in the second quarter of 2024 compared with the first quarter of 2024. Non-residential buildings rose by 90,5%. Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-20,8%) and residential buildings (-1,3%) – see Table H.

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




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Tables

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹
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	-17,7	2 639 147	8,0	9 801 619	5,8
	March	4 655 553	-8,9	1 696 971	-50,1	2 152 231	-17,1	8 504 755	-23,4
	April	4 613 802	-4,9	2 035 643	78,2	2 270 843	-8,4	8 920 288	5,3
	May	4 438 281	-11,0	2 059 644	22,5	2 959 940	-4,5	9 457 865	-3,2
	June	4 723 371	-24,2	4 622 149	179,7	2 768 581	2,1	12 114 101	14,3
	July	4 298 223	-20,8	1 055 623	-7,1	2 453 173	-19,2	7 807 019	-18,7
	August	3 929 094	-19,4	2 135 385	17,1	2 549 565	-29,7	8 614 044	-16,6
	September	4 478 991	-12,2	1 024 407	-45,6	2 384 182	-24,2	7 887 580	-22,1
	October	4 019 390	-31,3	1 101 434	-26,2	2 990 523	-3,1	8 111 347	-22,2
	November	4 466 586	-27,7	1 664 278	-40,2	2 781 043	-9,7	8 911 907	-26,0
	December	2 671 199	-21,5	1 563 744	-13,6	1 814 476	-12,8	6 049 419	-17,1
		Total	50 361 562	-19,2	21 537 846	-4,2	29 646 017	-10,7	101 545 425
2024	January	2 641 211	-4,4	609 440	-15,6	1 392 946	-26,0	4 643 597	-13,5
	February	4 987 654	-6,0	1 655 142	-10,9	2 359 384	-10,6	9 002 180	-8,2
	March	3 540 798	-23,9	1 674 931	-1,3	2 596 885	20,7	7 812 614	-8,1
	April	4 241 995	-8,1	2 658 595	30,6	2 282 122	0,5	9 182 712	2,9
	May	4 033 138	-9,1	2 040 668	-0,9	1 939 535	-34,5	8 013 341	-15,3
	June	3 485 388	-26,2	2 478 972	-46,4	2 294 019	-17,1	8 258 379	-31,8

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.

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
2023	January	3 919 685	-12,4	721 791	-60,1	2 612 649	2,8	7 254 125	-17,8
	February	5 449 308	39,0	1 856 777	157,2	2 698 971	3,3	10 005 056	37,9
	March	4 369 719	-19,8	1 696 971	-8,6	2 106 436	-22,0	8 173 126	-18,3
	April	5 048 732	15,5	2 035 643	20,0	2 666 990	26,6	9 751 365	19,3
	May	4 197 236	-16,9	2 059 644	1,2	2 819 837	5,7	9 076 717	-6,9
	June	4 326 304	3,1	4 622 149	124,4	2 651 239	-6,0	11 599 692	27,8
	July	4 052 391	-6,3	1 055 623	-77,2	2 224 776	-16,1	7 332 790	-36,8
	August	3 404 028	-16,0	2 135 385	102,3	2 315 226	4,1	7 854 639	7,1
	September	4 430 896	30,2	1 024 407	-52,0	2 169 782	-6,3	7 625 085	-2,9
	October	3 614 468	-18,4	1 101 434	7,5	2 648 339	22,1	7 364 241	-3,4
	November	4 359 739	20,6	1 664 278	51,1	2 517 577	-4,9	8 541 594	16,0
	December	3 615 671	-17,1	1 563 744	-6,0	2 325 030	-7,6	7 504 445	-12,1
2024	January	3 653 795	1,1	609 440	-61,0	1 837 386	-21,0	6 100 621	-18,7
	February	4 481 214	22,6	1 655 142	171,6	2 397 383	30,5	8 533 739	39,9
	March	3 995 056	-10,8	1 674 931	1,2	2 987 182	24,6	8 657 169	1,4
	April	3 983 820	-0,3	2 658 595	58,7	2 254 095	-24,5	8 896 510	2,8
	May	3 749 715	-5,9	2 040 668	-23,2	1 875 611	-16,8	7 665 994	-13,8
	June	3 328 947	-11,2	2 478 972	21,5	2 367 115	26,2	8 175 034	6,6
	Jan – Mar 24	12 130 065		3 939 513		7 221 951		23 291 529	
	Apr – Jun 24 ²	11 062 482	-8,8	7 178 235	82,2	6 496 821	-10,0	24 737 538	6,2

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 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹
2023	January	2 167 486	-54,3	566 555	-51,6	1 477 483	-0,7	4 211 524	-43,1
	February	4 103 399	9,3	1 436 022	-22,5	2 041 104	1,6	7 580 525	-0,5
	March	3 567 474	-14,2	1 300 361	-53,0	1 649 219	-21,9	6 517 054	-27,9
	April	3 535 480	-9,5	1 559 880	69,5	1 740 110	-12,9	6 835 470	0,1
	May	3 385 416	-14,5	1 571 048	17,8	2 257 773	-8,2	7 214 237	-6,9
	June	3 611 140	-26,7	3 533 753	170,7	2 116 652	-1,2	9 261 545	10,6
	July	3 266 127	-23,3	802 145	-10,0	1 864 113	-21,7	5 932 385	-21,2
	August	2 974 333	-22,6	1 616 491	12,4	1 930 026	-32,5	6 520 850	-19,9
	September	3 370 196	-16,6	770 810	-48,4	1 793 967	-28,0	5 934 973	-26,0
	October	3 017 560	-35,2	826 902	-30,4	2 245 137	-8,7	6 089 599	-26,7
	November	3 340 752	-31,9	1 244 785	-43,7	2 080 062	-14,9	6 665 599	-30,3
	December	1 987 499	-26,3	1 163 500	-18,9	1 350 057	-18,1	4 501 056	-22,1
	Total	38 326 862	-23,1	16 392 252	-9,0	22 545 703	-14,9	77 264 817	-18,1
2024	January	1 957 903	-9,7	451 772	-20,3	1 032 577	-30,1	3 442 252	-18,3
	February	3 686 367	-10,2	1 223 313	-14,8	1 743 817	-14,6	6 653 497	-12,2
	March	2 601 615	-27,1	1 230 662	-5,4	1 908 071	15,7	5 740 348	-11,9
	April	3 098 608	-12,4	1 941 998	24,5	1 666 999	-4,2	6 707 605	-1,9
	May	2 928 931	-13,5	1 481 967	-5,7	1 408 522	-37,6	5 819 420	-19,3
	June	2 540 370	-29,7	1 806 831	-48,9	1 672 026	-21,0	6 019 227	-35,0

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.

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
2023	January	3 044 536	-12,6	566 555	-60,5	2 042 791	1,9	5 653 882	-18,3
	February	4 240 600	39,3	1 436 022	153,5	2 084 788	2,1	7 761 410	37,3
	March	3 330 425	-21,5	1 300 361	-9,4	1 614 013	-22,6	6 244 799	-19,5
	April	3 887 662	16,7	1 559 880	20,0	2 043 409	26,6	7 490 951	20,0
	May	3 199 158	-17,7	1 571 048	0,7	2 156 366	5,5	6 926 572	-7,5
	June	3 307 421	3,4	3 533 753	124,9	2 031 420	-5,8	8 872 594	28,1
	July	3 074 670	-7,0	802 145	-77,3	1 694 159	-16,6	5 570 974	-37,2
	August	2 608 348	-15,2	1 616 491	101,5	1 754 867	3,6	5 979 706	7,3
	September	3 355 394	28,6	770 810	-52,3	1 633 347	-6,9	5 759 551	-3,7
	October	2 726 502	-18,7	826 902	7,3	1 987 988	21,7	5 541 392	-3,8
	November	3 239 679	18,8	1 244 785	50,5	1 880 819	-5,4	6 365 283	14,9
	December	2 643 946	-18,4	1 163 500	-6,5	1 722 262	-8,4	5 529 708	-13,1
2024	January	2 670 666	1,0	451 772	-61,2	1 357 597	-21,2	4 480 035	-19,0
	February	3 314 825	24,1	1 223 313	170,8	1 770 590	30,4	6 308 728	40,8
	March	2 919 784	-11,9	1 230 662	0,6	2 189 246	23,6	6 339 692	0,5
	April	2 926 211	0,2	1 941 998	57,8	1 650 782	-24,6	6 518 991	2,8
	May	2 734 253	-6,6	1 481 967	-23,7	1 365 658	-17,3	5 581 878	-14,4
	June	2 430 336	-11,1	1 806 831	21,9	1 724 130	26,2	5 961 297	6,8
	Jan – Mar 24	8 905 275		2 905 747		5 317 433		17 128 455	
	Apr – Jun 24 ²	8 090 800	-9,1	5 230 796	80,0	4 740 570	-10,8	18 062 166	5,5

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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 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹
2023	January	1 601 076	-16,4	1 451 781	216,5	536 096	-29,9	3 588 953	14,3
	February	2 414 223	4,5	569 750	-55,2	851 184	-25,8	3 835 157	-18,9
	March	2 752 569	-13,9	1 709 220	-34,9	674 075	-64,4	5 135 864	-33,4
	April	2 532 811	-24,4	1 347 813	15,0	693 048	-73,6	4 573 672	-36,0
	May	3 965 807	28,8	649 310	-42,9	853 995	-64,6	5 469 112	-17,5
	June	2 832 834	-5,3	754 080	-48,5	779 664	-23,4	4 366 578	-20,2
	July	2 658 357	-4,8	1 236 636	5,9	710 048	-29,6	4 605 041	-7,3
	August	3 057 825	-5,1	668 846	-46,4	754 093	-43,6	4 480 764	-22,8
	September	3 577 785	5,1	1 243 356	12,9	777 404	-24,3	5 598 545	1,2
	October	3 150 698	-11,6	1 537 808	43,8	1 095 896	13,7	5 784 402	3,3
	November	3 543 845	-15,6	1 678 880	75,7	1 014 084	-4,4	6 236 809	0,3
	December	3 283 587	3,4	597 276	-45,1	846 051	34,8	4 726 914	-3,3
	Total	35 371 417	-4,9	13 444 756	-8,9	9 585 638	-39,6	58 401 811	-13,9
2024	January	1 834 865	14,6	738 235	-49,1	662 252	23,5	3 235 352	-9,9
	February	2 097 005	-13,1	464 909	-18,4	932 878	9,6	3 494 792	-8,9
	March	2 149 921	-21,9	392 388	-77,0	911 912	35,3	3 454 221	-32,7
	April	2 362 554	-6,7	1 461 297	8,4	730 773	5,4	4 554 624	-0,4
	May	2 446 961	-38,3	1 139 630	75,5	550 554	-35,5	4 137 145	-24,4
	June	2 230 996	-21,2	481 540	-36,1	746 109	-4,3	3 458 645	-20,8

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

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings ³		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹
2023	January	2 141 849	-29,3	1 451 781	33,5	638 559	-14,2	4 232 189	-13,0
	February	2 672 794	24,8	569 750	-60,8	815 239	27,7	4 057 783	-4,1
	March	2 753 414	3,0	1 709 220	200,0	578 638	-29,0	5 041 272	24,2
	April	2 744 226	-0,3	1 347 813	-21,1	837 682	44,8	4 929 721	-2,2
	May	3 997 215	45,7	649 310	-51,8	869 518	3,8	5 516 043	11,9
	June	2 806 194	-29,8	754 080	16,1	736 940	-15,2	4 297 214	-22,1
	July	2 609 175	-7,0	1 236 636	64,0	708 455	-3,9	4 554 266	6,0
	August	3 082 396	18,1	668 846	-45,9	681 162	-3,9	4 432 404	-2,7
	September	3 301 940	7,1	1 243 356	85,9	763 806	12,1	5 309 102	19,8
	October	2 991 205	-9,4	1 537 808	23,7	1 029 503	34,8	5 558 516	4,7
	November	2 888 985	-3,4	1 678 880	9,2	923 118	-10,3	5 490 983	-1,2
	December	3 124 085	8,1	597 276	-64,4	1 058 692	14,7	4 780 053	-12,9
2024	January	2 449 703	-21,6	738 235	23,6	798 729	-24,6	3 986 667	-16,6
	February	2 329 375	-4,9	464 909	-37,0	867 933	8,7	3 662 217	-8,1
	March	2 307 751	-0,9	392 388	-15,6	933 315	7,5	3 633 454	-0,8
	April	2 385 538	3,4	1 461 297	272,4	711 536	-23,8	4 558 371	25,5
	May	2 461 757	3,2	1 139 630	-22,0	548 080	-23,0	4 149 467	-9,0
	June	2 207 431	-10,3	481 540	-57,7	793 232	44,7	3 482 203	-16,1
	Jan – Mar 24	7 086 829		1 595 532		2 599 977		11 282 338	
	Apr – Jun 24 ²	7 054 726	-0,5	3 082 467	93,2	2 052 848	-21,0	12 190 041	8,0

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 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹	R'000	% change ¹
2023	January	1 256 732	-20,7	1 139 546	200,1	420 797	-33,5	2 817 075	8,4
	February	1 867 148	-1,6	440 642	-57,8	658 302	-30,2	2 966 092	-23,7
	March	2 109 248	-18,9	1 309 747	-38,7	516 533	-66,4	3 935 528	-37,3
	April	1 940 851	-28,1	1 032 807	9,3	531 071	-74,9	3 504 729	-39,1
	May	3 025 024	23,8	495 278	-45,1	651 407	-66,0	4 171 709	-20,7
	June	2 165 775	-8,3	576 514	-50,2	596 073	-25,9	3 338 362	-22,8
	July	2 020 028	-7,8	939 693	2,6	539 550	-31,8	3 499 271	-10,2
	August	2 314 780	-8,9	506 318	-48,6	570 850	-45,8	3 391 948	-25,9
	September	2 692 088	-0,2	935 558	7,2	584 954	-28,1	4 212 600	-3,9
	October	2 365 389	-16,6	1 154 511	35,6	822 745	7,2	4 342 645	-2,6
	November	2 650 595	-20,5	1 255 707	65,6	758 477	-10,0	4 664 779	-5,4
	December	2 443 145	-2,9	444 402	-48,4	629 502	26,6	3 517 049	-9,2
	Total	26 850 803	-9,6	10 230 723	-13,4	7 280 261	-42,7	44 361 787	-18,2
2024	January	1 360 167	8,2	547 246	-52,0	490 921	16,7	2 398 334	-14,9
	February	1 549 893	-17,0	343 613	-22,0	689 489	4,7	2 582 995	-12,9
	March	1 579 663	-25,1	288 309	-78,0	670 031	29,7	2 538 003	-35,5
	April	1 725 752	-11,1	1 067 419	3,4	533 801	0,5	3 326 972	-5,1
	May	1 777 023	-41,3	827 618	67,1	399 821	-38,6	3 004 462	-28,0
	June	1 626 090	-24,9	350 977	-39,1	543 811	-8,8	2 520 878	-24,5

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.

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
2023	January	1 673 817	-30,1	1 139 546	32,2	494 033	-16,8	3 307 396	-14,1
	February	2 063 603	23,3	440 642	-61,3	628 580	27,2	3 132 825	-5,3
	March	2 107 011	2,1	1 309 747	197,2	441 966	-29,7	3 858 724	23,2
	April	2 103 334	-0,2	1 032 807	-21,1	647 757	46,6	3 783 898	-1,9
	May	3 054 085	45,2	495 278	-52,0	662 903	2,3	4 212 266	11,3
	June	2 146 678	-29,7	576 514	16,4	565 157	-14,7	3 288 349	-21,9
	July	1 987 372	-7,4	939 693	63,0	539 829	-4,5	3 466 894	5,4
	August	2 333 957	17,4	506 318	-46,1	514 719	-4,7	3 354 994	-3,2
	September	2 489 781	6,7	935 558	84,8	577 413	12,2	4 002 752	19,3
	October	2 245 781	-9,8	1 154 511	23,4	772 371	33,8	4 172 663	4,2
	November	2 162 489	-3,7	1 255 707	8,8	686 384	-11,1	4 104 580	-1,6
	December	2 317 563	7,2	444 402	-64,6	793 206	15,6	3 555 171	-13,4
2024	January	1 808 144	-22,0	547 246	23,1	583 556	-26,4	2 938 946	-17,3
	February	1 719 095	-4,9	343 613	-37,2	638 893	9,5	2 701 601	-8,1
	March	1 690 093	-1,7	288 309	-16,1	678 552	6,2	2 656 954	-1,7
	April	1 747 367	3,4	1 067 419	270,2	529 734	-21,9	3 344 520	25,9
	May	1 791 321	2,5	827 618	-22,5	399 181	-24,6	3 018 120	-9,8
	June	1 610 165	-10,1	350 977	-57,6	576 156	44,3	2 537 298	-15,9
	Jan – Mar 24	5 217 332		1 179 168		1 901 001		8 297 501	
	Apr – Jun 24 ²	5 148 853	-1,3	2 246 014	90,5	1 505 071	-20,8	8 899 938	7,3

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 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

			Jun 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	787	328	400	4 303	2 633	-38,8
		square metres	39 770	17 461	19 475	208 898	133 006	-36,3
		R'000	300 738	130 058	131 953	1 479 944	1 026 678	-30,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 207	963	927	6 266	5 465	-12,8
		square metres	380 485	288 754	274 407	1 912 890	1 564 184	-18,2
		R'000	3 184 920	2 391 812	2 370 975	15 990 779	13 228 046	-17,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 301	1 191	884	9 177	7 773	-15,3
		square metres	133 389	114 346	95 297	915 792	785 292	-14,2
		R'000	1 162 376	1 133 331	952 184	8 635 228	7 898 622	-8,5
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	9 950	30 869	3 848	46 792	82 757	76,9
		R'000	75 337	377 937	30 276	392 128	776 838	98,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	4 723 371	4 033 138	3 485 388	26 498 079	22 930 184	-13,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	69 448	13 459	21 364	178 149	60 066	-66,3
		R'000	851 919	126 615	194 859	1 921 487	553 424	-71,2
	Shopping space	square metres	186 140	113 062	106 855	321 119	410 549	27,8
		R'000	1 953 543	1 114 251	1 201 050	2 967 906	4 045 913	36,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	217 962	57 284	98 921	911 713	651 490	-28,5
		R'000	1 622 482	417 793	749 984	6 284 937	4 886 832	-22,2
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	23 746	41 322	37 482	214 425	195 551	-8,8
		R'000	194 205	382 009	333 079	1 818 645	1 631 579	-10,3
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	4 622 149	2 040 668	2 478 972	12 992 975	11 117 748	-14,4	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	249 376	178 808	185 987	1 299 938	1 068 158	-17,8
		R'000	2 112 978	1 492 749	1 612 453	10 985 056	9 111 464	-17,1
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	71 056	41 657	64 275	360 642	353 752	-1,9
		R'000	655 603	446 786	681 566	3 687 999	3 753 427	1,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 768 581	1 939 535	2 294 019	14 673 055	12 864 891	-12,3
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	12 114 101	8 013 341	8 258 379	54 164 109	46 912 823	-13,4

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.² 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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	294	143	98	1 558	704	-54,8	
		square metres	14 431	6 848	4 900	70 698	32 972	-53,4	
		R'000	92 020	44 078	33 013	464 931	214 810	-53,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	519	358	351	2 600	2 055	-21,0	
		square metres	149 658	91 345	90 269	769 067	540 241	-29,8	
		R'000	1 134 050	704 243	694 763	5 822 923	4 189 841	-28,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	466	430	437	2 855	3 058	7,1	
		square metres	67 998	41 692	50 845	340 387	323 915	-4,8	
		R'000	586 852	379 288	484 726	2 863 629	3 160 535	10,4	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	1 273	1 768	3 848	9 706	14 884	53,3	
		R'000	7 523	12 838	30 276	68 458	125 486	83,3	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 820 445	1 140 447	1 242 778	9 219 941	7 690 672	-16,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 774	684	2 309	39 099	7 424	-81,0	
		R'000	28 783	6 078	19 627	335 883	64 957	-80,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	9 817	1 931	73 175	41 640	89 452	114,8	
		R'000	61 121	17 267	825 932	330 549	962 197	191,1	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	56 406	21 940	15 864	238 611	123 949	-48,1	
		R'000	413 759	166 789	119 477	1 675 312	912 571	-45,5	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	8 301	9 440	13 389	69 263	57 261	-17,3	
		R'000	49 804	74 200	104 102	538 418	433 916	-19,4	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	553 467	264 334	1 069 138	2 880 162	2 373 641	-17,6	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	97 771	59 362	61 503	495 929	348 347	-29,8	
		R'000	747 672	435 574	462 573	3 782 195	2 559 531	-32,3	
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	27 908	20 477	10 467	131 984	112 301	-14,9	
		R'000	250 076	227 507	181 930	1 444 815	1 375 872	-4,8	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	997 748	663 081	644 503	5 227 010	3 935 403	-24,7
Building plans passed		Total at current prices	R'000	3 371 660	2 067 862	2 956 419	17 327 113	13 999 716	-19,2

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.² 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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	162	11	105	430	160	-62,8
		square metres	7 314	581	3 751	20 219	6 769	-66,5
		R'000	59 381	4 465	24 854	141 206	48 660	-65,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	95	55	51	505	341	-32,5
		square metres	34 674	16 355	13 727	133 254	87 775	-34,1
		R'000	287 450	135 816	113 373	1 102 475	729 828	-33,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	4	79	20	70	148	111,4
		square metres	602	7 993	3 990	8 509	20 255	138,0
		R'000	4 965	66 635	29 183	68 098	163 520	140,1
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	508	0	0	508	0	-100,0
		R'000	4 189	0	0	4 189	0	-100,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	355 985	206 916	167 410	1 315 968	942 008	-28,4
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 434	5 266	0	4 357	8 252	89,4
		R'000	11 432	32 570	0	35 538	52 079	46,5
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	2 410	218	4 374	1 906,4
		R'000	0	0	19 875	1 798	34 279	1 806,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	71 734	5 620	13 172	92 062	50 786	-44,8
		R'000	589 793	45 397	107 530	750 125	414 340	-44,8
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	1 032	4 527	496	8 452	8 664	2,5
		R'000	8 511	30 719	4 431	66 095	64 528	-2,4
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	609 736	108 686	131 836	853 556	565 226	-33,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	27 211	19 752	17 316	110 142	95 686
R'000			217 871	160 211	139 441	884 262	771 131	-12,8
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	10 337	2 839	7 506	45 319	50 317	11,0
		R'000	87 067	23 860	75 550	376 831	433 770	15,1
Total additions and alterations		R'000	304 938	184 071	214 991	1 261 093	1 204 901	-4,5
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 270 659	499 673	514 237	3 430 617	2 712 135	-20,9

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1	3	1	34	201	491,2
		square metres	25	120	32	1 760	8 185	365,1
		R'000	235	1 130	301	16 568	77 041	365,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	17	16	9	103	81	-21,4
		square metres	2 925	2 543	1 977	20 353	15 839	-22,2
		R'000	25 324	21 709	16 385	178 533	136 055	-23,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	10	4	0	10	4	-60,0
		square metres	982	224	0	982	224	-77,2
		R'000	9 244	2 109	0	9 244	2 109	-77,2
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	379	0	0	3 489	409	-88,3
		R'000	3 567	0	0	32 842	3 850	-88,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	38 370	24 948	16 686	237 187	219 055	-7,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	847	947	11,8
		R'000	0	0	0	7 973	5 914	-25,8
	Shopping space	square metres	1 336	0	910	2 549	3 338	31,0
		R'000	12 576	0	8 556	23 994	31 411	30,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	16 594	649	20 339	3 033,9
		R'000	0	0	156 199	6 109	191 451	3 033,9
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	0	64	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	602	0	-100,0
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	12 576	0	164 755	38 678	228 776	491,5	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 482	2 517	2 511	21 604	13 426	-37,9
		R'000	12 711	22 440	22 385	196 075	118 890	-39,4
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	22	66	2 367	276	2 618	848,6
		R'000	527	1 131	22 390	6 498	25 672	295,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	13 238	23 571	44 775	202 573	144 562	-28,6
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	64 184	48 519	226 216	478 438	592 393	23,8

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	13	13	3	46	160	247,8	
		square metres	847	594	164	2 715	7 010	158,2	
		R'000	8 099	5 660	1 507	24 704	42 052	70,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	28	32	24	214	203	-5,1	
		square metres	5 783	7 832	6 242	54 821	52 045	-5,1	
		R'000	43 133	65 649	55 177	448 970	449 498	0,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	10	46	0	79	88	11,4	
		square metres	893	3 139	0	10 314	10 230	-0,8	
		R'000	7 119	30 200	0	95 851	98 423	2,7	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	6 201	0	0	6 854	1 092	-84,1	
		R'000	49 434	0	0	54 820	9 781	-82,2	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	107 785	101 509	56 684	624 345	599 754	-3,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 526	0	195	2 026	1 534	-24,3	
		R'000	14 682	0	1 206	17 775	11 811	-33,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	347	0	29 499	15 734	-46,7	
		R'000	0	2 146	0	182 795	99 815	-45,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 871	1 268	0	11 025	9 820	-10,9	
		R'000	28 161	7 843	0	89 554	76 142	-15,0	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	35	1 177	11 078	841,2	
		R'000	0	0	279	8 515	77 115	805,6	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	42 843	9 989	1 485	298 639	264 883	-11,3
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 909	6 170	4 591	44 483	34 936	-21,5
R'000			55 878	51 924	40 920	374 953	291 657	-22,2	
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	2 579	564	6 572	7 862	10 934	39,1	
		R'000	22 491	7 263	41 937	75 577	84 955	12,4	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	78 369	59 187	82 857	450 530	376 612	-16,4	
Building plans passed		Total at current prices	R'000	228 997	170 685	141 026	1 373 514	1 241 249	-9,6

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	13	9	6	58	89	53,4
		square metres	630	479	260	3 033	4 304	41,9
		R'000	5 002	4 472	2 020	24 154	35 369	46,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	74	73	44	457	438	-4,2
		square metres	27 225	27 604	17 451	158 070	146 122	-7,6
		R'000	281 670	272 282	202 762	1 584 540	1 517 189	-4,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	102	341	112	542	1 229	126,8
		square metres	10 300	30 044	14 639	68 519	147 487	115,2
		R'000	101 428	310 663	169 184	695 406	1 472 443	111,7
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	146	27 624	0	6 230	30 837	395,0
		R'000	1 174	350 663	0	65 818	377 774	474,0
Total residential buildings	R'000	389 274	938 080	373 966	2 369 918	3 402 775	43,6	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 367	0	674	7 297	8 507	16,6
		R'000	37 037	0	7 414	69 574	79 622	14,4
	Shopping space	square metres	58 046	36 027	550	79 823	48 717	-39,0
		R'000	634 193	396 287	3 872	807 594	505 732	-37,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	11 099	8 776	6 587	165 873	45 024	-72,9
		R'000	64 663	58 143	46 361	1 045 049	318 549	-69,5
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	14 952	10 080	7 026	31 949	354,7
		R'000	0	179 736	97 617	57 141	349 415	511,5
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	735 893	634 166	155 264	1 979 358	1 253 318	-36,7	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	26 261	20 110	21 653	118 997	137 586	15,6
		R'000	267 513	203 042	238 288	1 202 490	1 474 299	22,6
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	9 885	4 825	10 839	71 429	52 043	-27,1
		R'000	131 152	62 775	134 631	869 709	669 047	-23,1
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	398 665	265 817	372 919	2 072 199	2 143 346	3,4
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 523 832	1 838 063	902 149	6 421 475	6 799 439	5,9

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1	3	10	42	36	-14,3
		square metres	62	152	623	2 174	1 927	-11,4
		R'000	446	992	4 213	14 861	13 519	-9,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	59	53	49	321	298	-7,2
		square metres	18 591	16 668	13 037	96 567	83 359	-13,7
		R'000	120 198	121 595	93 222	665 003	612 022	-8,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	31	10	17	140	97	-30,7
		square metres	3 238	762	1 379	15 276	7 213	-52,8
		R'000	20 539	6 439	11 653	88 693	54 126	-39,0
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	3 213	27 982	770,9
		R'000	0	0	0	22 990	201 155	775,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	141 183	129 026	109 088	791 547	880 822	11,3
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	686	0	0	16 286	102	-99,4
		R'000	4 940	0	0	96 583	630	-99,3
	Shopping space	square metres	72	15 551	2 434	16 817	80 952	381,4
		R'000	518	99 604	17 769	107 978	665 594	516,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 113	925	2 100	10 018	18 703	86,7
		R'000	21 422	6 660	15 120	61 020	144 501	136,8
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	3 482	1 844	0	5 279	12 068	128,6
		R'000	25 070	13 277	0	36 215	96 898	167,6
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	51 950	119 541	32 889	301 796	907 623	200,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	8 749	4 843	7 854	39 946	41 094
R'000			58 345	34 058	56 367	263 542	290 067	10,1
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	594	120	322	4 266	7 236	69,6
		R'000	11 655	8 926	28 233	80 353	120 368	49,8
Total additions and alterations		R'000	70 000	42 984	84 600	343 895	410 435	19,3
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	263 133	291 551	226 577	1 437 238	2 198 880	53,0

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	293	126	174	1 997	1 205	-39,7
		square metres	15 817	7 482	9 586	99 978	66 934	-33,1
		R'000	131 018	61 348	64 788	731 146	559 944	-23,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	299	251	252	1 473	1 395	-5,3
		square metres	100 576	78 751	84 548	467 657	419 894	-10,2
		R'000	991 932	757 903	844 363	4 607 631	4 041 551	-12,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	650	281	248	5 197	2 859	-45,0
		square metres	46 401	30 492	19 040	435 343	250 831	-42,4
		R'000	411 782	337 997	219 869	4 563 729	2 767 237	-39,4
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	811	0	1 973	3 746	89,9
		R'000	0	10 057	0	14 371	34 103	137,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 534 732	1 167 305	1 129 020	9 916 877	7 402 835	-25,4
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	58 661	7 231	6 614	104 643	19 272	-81,6
		R'000	755 045	85 980	86 161	1 335 440	241 796	-81,9
	Shopping space	square metres	62 801	41 966	25 416	72 831	124 337	70,7
		R'000	761 659	471 571	308 626	873 821	1 439 847	64,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	51 443	6 559	10 040	314 810	281 222	-10,7
		R'000	377 783	47 344	69 240	2 123 300	2 149 163	1,2
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	6 967	9 198	12 588	80 416	57 418	-28,6
		R'000	77 952	75 661	120 511	777 244	494 177	-36,4
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 972 439	680 556	584 538	5 109 805	4 324 983	-15,4	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	64 685	48 225	56 759	369 836	306 210	-17,2
		R'000	642 360	466 399	554 986	3 597 663	2 985 920	-17,0
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	14 325	10 636	19 548	85 098	92 489	8,7
		R'000	109 068	85 360	143 080	695 416	819 348	17,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	751 428	551 759	698 066	4 293 079	3 805 268	-11,4
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	4 258 599	2 399 620	2 411 624	19 319 761	15 533 086	-19,6

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	16	2	123	62	-49,6
		square metres	362	955	99	7 365	3 905	-47,0
		R'000	2 599	6 195	845	55 981	28 666	-48,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	87	96	112	416	449	7,9
		square metres	31 234	35 571	33 555	150 598	142 089	-5,7
		R'000	233 659	227 716	255 228	1 139 876	1 011 008	-11,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	47	49	181	269,4
		square metres	0	0	4 417	2 921	13 776	371,6
		R'000	0	0	30 626	18 327	97 166	430,2
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	1 443	666	0	14 551	3 807	-73,8
		R'000	9 450	4 379	0	126 674	24 689	-80,5
	Total residential buildings	R'000	245 708	238 290	286 699	1 340 858	1 161 529	-13,4
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	2 511	3 594	3 949	9,9
		R'000	0	0	18 175	22 721	27 266	20,0
	Shopping space	square metres	54 068	16 054	1 618	64 408	32 377	-49,7
		R'000	483 476	119 225	14 069	547 988	225 901	-58,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	11 430	7 678	34 564	61 149	87 091	42,4
		R'000	72 189	54 565	236 057	425 182	579 939	36,4
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	3 964	1 361	302	24 220	2 606	-89,2
		R'000	32 868	8 416	1 909	204 370	18 812	-90,8
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	588 533	182 206	270 210	1 200 261	851 918	-29,0	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 609	15 728	11 691	78 233	75 810	-3,1
		R'000	78 311	104 237	82 501	542 730	514 972	-5,1
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	5 212	1 311	6 475	12 900	16 082	24,7
		R'000	39 191	21 108	49 328	107 243	142 518	32,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	117 502	125 345	131 829	649 973	657 490	1,2
Building plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	951 743	545 841	688 738	3 191 092	2 670 937	-16,3

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	4	1	15	16	6,7	
		square metres	282	250	60	956	1 000	4,6	
		R'000	1 938	1 718	412	6 393	6 617	3,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	29	29	35	177	205	15,8	
		square metres	9 819	12 085	13 601	62 503	76 820	22,9	
		R'000	67 504	84 899	95 702	440 828	541 054	22,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	28	0	3	235	109	-53,6	
		square metres	2 975	0	987	33 541	11 361	-66,1	
		R'000	20 447	0	6 943	232 251	83 063	-64,2	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	268	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	1 966	0	-100,0	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	89 889	86 617	103 057	681 438	630 734	-7,4
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	278	9 061	0	10 079	..	
		R'000	0	1 987	62 276	0	69 349	..	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	1 186	342	13 334	11 268	-15,5	
		R'000	0	8 151	2 351	91 389	81 137	-11,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	8 866	4 518	0	17 516	14 556	-16,9	
		R'000	54 712	31 052	0	109 286	100 176	-8,3	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	592	18 528	14 507	-21,7	
		R'000	0	0	4 230	130 045	96 718	-25,6	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	54 712	41 190	68 857	330 720	347 380	5,0	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 699	2 101	2 109	20 768	15 063	-27,5	
		R'000	32 317	14 864	14 992	141 146	104 997	-25,6	
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	194	819	179	1 508	9 732	545,4	
		R'000	4 376	8 856	4 487	31 557	81 877	159,5	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	36 693	23 720	19 479	172 703	186 874	8,2
Building plans passed		Total at current prices	R'000	181 294	151 527	191 393	1 184 861	1 164 988	-1,7

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	611	510	308	3 528	2 335	-33,8	
		square metres	31 213	26 975	16 074	182 533	121 078	-33,7	
		R'000	231 728	169 552	104 992	1 308 272	850 961	-35,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	778	691	791	4 113	3 609	-12,3	
		square metres	208 908	192 172	185 941	1 059 670	944 646	-10,9	
		R'000	1 809 427	1 651 618	1 610 278	9 234 833	8 158 937	-11,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	626	547	430	5 504	4 679	-15,0	
		square metres	91 159	62 462	53 285	617 873	425 135	-31,2	
		R'000	788 554	606 163	505 551	5 468 867	3 955 497	-27,7	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	414	3 015	1 556	11 225	20 013	78,3	
		R'000	3 125	19 628	10 175	87 348	156 907	79,6	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	2 832 834	2 446 961	2 230 996	16 099 320	13 122 302	-18,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	2 643	11 751	13 597	107 677	51 701	-52,0	
		R'000	30 512	138 184	118 487	1 317 329	488 948	-62,9	
	Shopping space	square metres	8 458	47 054	10 536	214 162	135 789	-36,6	
		R'000	73 623	449 637	119 582	2 283 546	1 388 590	-39,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	90 213	68 436	25 701	349 872	338 153	-3,3	
		R'000	627 481	440 355	173 345	2 388 804	2 468 453	3,3	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	2 929	16 942	9 560	56 416	45 049	-20,1	
		R'000	22 464	111 454	70 126	492 275	332 008	-32,6	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	754 080	1 139 630	481 540	6 481 954	4 677 999	-27,8	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	68 508	50 459	56 702	294 674	344 720	17,0	
		R'000	574 921	415 346	488 817	2 508 282	2 926 209	16,7	
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	19 673	12 029	20 930	187 900	149 947	-20,2	
		R'000	204 743	135 208	257 292	1 879 780	1 608 269	-14,4	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	779 664	550 554	746 109	4 388 062	4 534 478	3,3
Buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	4 366 578	4 137 145	3 458 645	26 969 336	22 334 779	-17,2

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	245	101	121	1 030	779	-24,4	
		square metres	11 246	4 451	5 450	47 928	35 696	-25,5	
		R'000	78 775	26 376	30 906	311 045	227 840	-26,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	272	253	275	1 301	1 326	1,9	
		square metres	70 760	67 648	64 537	330 485	337 023	2,0	
		R'000	501 846	508 043	493 851	2 326 168	2 501 499	7,5	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	322	296	152	2 664	1 684	-36,8	
		square metres	48 693	35 909	26 881	324 871	187 109	-42,4	
		R'000	394 361	299 091	231 896	2 572 631	1 582 308	-38,5	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	414	3 015	1 556	5 174	15 044	190,8	
		R'000	3 125	19 628	10 175	33 149	103 741	213,0	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	978 107	853 138	766 828	5 242 993	4 415 388	-15,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	1 288	0	7 246	9 753	34,6	
		R'000	0	8 852	0	44 960	88 508	96,9	
	Shopping space	square metres	6 608	8 920	0	27 688	11 074	-60,0	
		R'000	57 937	59 782	0	213 021	73 617	-65,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	51 050	5 829	9 520	81 811	54 319	-33,6	
		R'000	349 502	41 036	72 100	585 977	406 954	-30,6	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	2 114	15 847	6 988	32 767	33 334	1,7	
		R'000	15 101	102 678	43 852	230 078	216 370	-6,0	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	422 540	212 348	115 952	1 074 036	785 449	-26,9
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	22 677	14 897	15 467	102 482	101 592	-0,9
R'000			156 628	103 466	107 953	729 933	740 815	1,5	
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	8 461	3 997	12 347	97 265	45 846	-52,9	
		R'000	100 690	46 123	165 330	903 590	516 492	-42,8	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	257 318	149 589	273 283	1 633 523	1 257 307	-23,0	
Buildings completed		Total at current prices	R'000	1 657 965	1 215 075	1 156 063	7 950 552	6 458 144	-18,8

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.² 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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	86	12	13	280	114	-59,3
		square metres	3 753	760	782	13 413	6 471	-51,8
		R'000	30 440	6 097	6 094	91 155	51 607	-43,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	67	47	62	345	232	-32,8
		square metres	16 661	14 231	15 768	88 664	56 834	-35,9
		R'000	138 776	117 956	131 513	740 006	466 973	-36,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	5	29	5	220	366	66,4
		square metres	854	1 776	591	16 625	22 282	34,0
		R'000	7 043	13 452	5 152	137 106	178 477	30,2
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
Total residential buildings	R'000	176 259	137 505	142 759	968 267	697 057	-28,0	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	263	0	0	1 554	..
		R'000	0	2 169	0	0	12 816	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	193	0	3 727	875	-76,5
		R'000	0	1 724	0	30 422	7 348	-75,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 276	0	0	16 149	3 038	-81,2
		R'000	18 770	0	0	126 422	23 274	-81,6
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	173	31	733	331	2 654	701,8
		R'000	1 427	256	6 045	2 687	21 132	686,5
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	20 197	4 149	6 045	159 531	64 570	-59,5	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 470	3 568	9 568	29 593	63 466	114,5
		R'000	52 802	29 715	78 060	243 886	519 264	112,9
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	948	877	4 766	18 973	30 594	61,3
		R'000	8 411	7 507	38 729	159 452	264 965	66,2
Total additions and alterations	R'000	61 213	37 222	116 789	403 338	784 229	94,4	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	257 669	178 876	265 593	1 531 136	1 545 856	1,0

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	0	2	3	50,0
		square metres	0	0	0	153	167	9,2
		R'000	0	0	0	1 140	1 572	37,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	3	5	7	25	27	8,0
		square metres	684	803	914	6 544	4 748	-27,4
		R'000	6 438	7 559	8 603	61 597	44 693	-27,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	0	0	..
		square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	0	1 164	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	10 957	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	6 438	7 559	8 603	62 737	57 222	-8,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	846	228	1 387	1 074	-22,6
		R'000	0	7 963	2 146	13 056	10 109	-22,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	627	0	473	3 585	657,9
		R'000	0	5 902	0	4 452	33 746	658,0
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	193	0	0	193	..
		R'000	0	1 817	0	0	1 817	..
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	15 682	2 146	17 508	45 672	160,9
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	787	1 453	895	10 840	6 956
R'000			7 408	13 677	8 425	102 038	65 477	-35,8
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	2 784	1 641	0	3 389	2 719	-19,8
		R'000	26 596	15 567	335	35 251	26 559	-24,7
Total additions and alterations		R'000	34 004	29 244	8 760	137 289	92 036	-33,0
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	40 442	52 485	19 509	217 534	194 930	-10,4

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	22	0	1	62	3	-95,2	
		square metres	1 323	0	73	3 588	164	-95,4	
		R'000	12 729	0	702	33 627	1 578	-95,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	13	2	7	84	47	-44,0	
		square metres	2 401	320	1 546	15 707	10 058	-36,0	
		R'000	17 473	2 551	12 327	119 586	80 360	-32,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	11	0	-100,0	
		square metres	0	0	0	1 567	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	12 923	0	-100,0	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	121	991	719,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	748	7 654	923,3	
Total residential buildings		R'000	30 202	2 551	13 029	166 884	89 592	-46,3	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	275	277	0,7	
		R'000	0	0	0	1 701	2 665	56,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	304	872	0	304	1 017	234,5	
		R'000	2 423	8 390	0	2 423	9 287	283,3	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	846	0	0	908	0	-100,0	
		R'000	6 977	0	0	7 488	0	-100,0	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	9 400	8 390	0	11 612	11 952	2,9
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 712	384	171	10 977	9 873	-10,1
R'000			20 668	2 401	1 084	82 580	69 841	-15,4	
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	0	0	0	1 092	276	-74,7	
		R'000	0	150	0	10 495	6 585	-37,3	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	20 668	2 551	1 084	93 075	76 426	-17,9	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	60 270	13 492	14 113	271 571	177 970	-34,5

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	7	7	18	42	62	47,6
		square metres	442	440	979	2 554	3 584	40,3
		R'000	4 349	4 163	9 893	22 682	35 670	57,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	54	54	69	348	296	-14,9
		square metres	22 254	16 531	19 885	122 912	89 397	-27,3
		R'000	253 091	180 797	186 459	1 359 508	957 324	-29,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	104	77	101	608	384	-36,8
		square metres	13 424	11 892	11 819	79 108	46 602	-41,1
		R'000	136 845	149 870	124 835	827 115	474 143	-42,7
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	1 151	381	-66,9
		R'000	0	0	0	13 697	3 050	-77,7
Total residential buildings	R'000	394 285	334 830	321 187	2 223 002	1 470 187	-33,9	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	9 956	1 732	-82,6
		R'000	0	0	0	108 428	15 260	-85,9
	Shopping space	square metres	612	0	1 666	47 499	67 270	41,6
		R'000	6 108	0	18 326	510 408	729 016	42,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 149	3 333	8 860	21 609	48 455	124,2
		R'000	7 487	23 684	53 160	129 894	317 936	144,8
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	323	579	1 839	6 649	5 474	-17,7
		R'000	3 553	3 474	20 229	76 923	57 703	-25,0
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	17 148	27 158	91 715	825 653	1 119 915	35,6
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 278	6 111	7 321	40 123	43 036
R'000			98 516	69 879	81 345	450 171	489 554	8,7
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	2 131	2 916	889	29 658	18 907	-36,2
		R'000	22 618	35 286	25 306	330 630	281 109	-15,0
Total additions and alterations		R'000	121 134	105 165	106 651	780 801	770 663	-1,3
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	532 567	467 153	519 553	3 829 456	3 360 765	-12,2

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	36	3	5	140	104	-25,7
		square metres	2 388	198	260	8 544	5 937	-30,5
		R'000	14 024	1 224	1 747	48 692	41 961	-13,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	32	55	62	322	252	-21,7
		square metres	6 174	11 324	9 761	66 212	53 497	-19,2
		R'000	39 113	77 418	67 528	466 664	384 574	-17,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	28	29	27	93	81	-12,9
		square metres	3 904	2 184	2 463	10 083	7 763	-23,0
		R'000	25 918	13 508	17 734	63 053	53 340	-15,4
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	2 432	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	15 275	0	-100,0
	Total residential buildings	R'000	79 055	92 150	87 009	593 684	479 875	-19,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	2 698	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	17 627	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	608	795	2 359	4 691	98,9
		R'000	0	4 378	5 170	15 413	34 045	120,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	1 626	0	5 215	10 378	99,0
		R'000	0	11 707	0	42 140	72 872	72,9
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	0	0	284	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 757	..
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	16 085	5 170	57 553	126 301	119,5
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 323	6 637	4 631	7 809	28 087
R'000			8 392	41 985	28 675	49 150	177 926	262,0
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	0	1 116	478	2 510	11 028	339,4
		R'000	5 760	14 136	9 812	62 881	129 593	106,1
Total additions and alterations		R'000	14 152	56 121	38 487	112 031	307 519	174,5
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	93 207	164 356	130 666	763 268	913 695	19,7

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	187	384	143	1 860	1 238	-33,4	
		square metres	10 255	20 931	8 085	99 394	67 018	-32,6	
		R'000	78 925	130 525	52 864	751 549	476 876	-36,5	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	270	224	277	1 379	1 190	-13,7	
		square metres	71 314	66 613	64 393	353 406	330 775	-6,4	
		R'000	715 351	653 366	643 511	3 597 065	3 277 225	-8,9	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	161	116	145	1 620	2 106	30,0	
		square metres	23 673	10 701	11 531	163 768	154 629	-5,6	
		R'000	220 188	130 242	125 934	1 705 324	1 618 419	-5,1	
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	1 817	2 433	33,9	
		R'000	0	0	0	20 590	31 505	53,0	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 014 464	914 133	822 309	6 074 528	5 404 025	-11,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	2 061	9 354	3 776	88 231	15 272	-82,7	
		R'000	26 554	119 200	49 190	1 145 226	190 332	-83,4	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	36 461	8 075	119 452	50 432	-57,8	
		R'000	0	375 363	96 086	1 420 860	532 901	-62,5	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	22 186	55 239	6 663	162 465	192 992	18,8	
		R'000	158 887	345 552	43 920	1 074 992	1 424 539	32,5	
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	319	292	0	16 669	3 110	-81,3	
		R'000	2 383	3 229	0	182 587	33 229	-81,8	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	187 824	843 344	189 196	3 823 665	2 181 001	-43,0
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	23 212	12 284	15 165	78 975	76 447	-3,2
R'000			216 351	117 954	158 931	755 712	755 602	0,0	
Other buildings ⁴		square metres	5 110	865	2 413	27 688	38 363	38,6	
		R'000	37 525	10 764	17 496	273 118	358 038	31,1	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	253 876	128 718	176 427	1 028 830	1 113 640	8,2	
Buildings completed		Total at current prices	R'000	1 456 164	1 886 195	1 187 932	10 927 023	8 698 666	-20,4

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	24	0	3	92	11	-88,0
		square metres	1 536	0	183	5 624	716	-87,3
		R'000	10 630	0	972	39 275	4 855	-87,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	41	31	12	190	131	-31,1
		square metres	9 923	8 654	4 004	40 600	31 067	-23,5
		R'000	76 835	61 035	30 771	322 485	227 923	-29,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	0	40	..
		square metres	0	0	0	0	4 044	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	30 212	..
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
Total residential buildings	R'000	87 465	61 035	31 743	361 760	262 990	-27,3	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	73	0	0	73	9 748	13 253,4
		R'000	460	0	0	460	84 480	18 265,2
	Shopping space	square metres	660	0	0	660	0	-100,0
		R'000	5 460	0	0	5 460	0	-100,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 672	1 782	658	22 168	17 230	-22,3
		R'000	16 894	12 474	4 165	143 039	135 154	-5,5
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	22 814	12 474	4 165	148 959	219 634	47,4	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 968	4 530	2 238	12 090	11 179	-7,5
		R'000	13 599	32 411	15 780	82 829	79 819	-3,6
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	0	617	37	7 086	1 419	-80,0
		R'000	0	4 675	284	94 033	12 501	-86,7
Total additions and alterations	R'000	13 599	37 086	16 064	176 862	92 320	-47,8	
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	123 878	110 595	51 972	687 581	574 944	-16,4

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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 2023	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jan – Jun 2023	Jan – Jun 2024	% change ¹
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	3	4	20	21	5,0
		square metres	270	195	262	1 335	1 325	-0,7
		R'000	1 856	1 167	1 814	9 107	9 002	-1,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	26	20	20	119	108	-9,2
		square metres	8 737	6 048	5 133	35 140	31 247	-11,1
		R'000	60 504	42 893	35 715	241 754	218 366	-9,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	6	0	0	288	18	-93,8
		square metres	611	0	0	21 851	2 706	-87,6
		R'000	4 199	0	0	150 715	18 598	-87,7
	Other residential buildings ²	square metres	0	0	0	530	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	3 889	0	-100,0
	Total residential buildings		R'000	66 559	44 060	37 529	405 465	245 966
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	509	0	9 593	509	9 593	1 784,7
		R'000	3 498	0	67 151	3 498	67 151	1 819,7
	Shopping space	square metres	274	0	0	12 473	430	-96,6
		R'000	1 695	0	0	85 539	2 376	-97,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	10 034	0	0	39 074	8 156	-79,1
		R'000	68 964	0	0	274 400	53 978	-80,3
	Other non-residential buildings ³	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	74 157	0	67 151	363 437	123 505	-66,0
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	81	595	1 246	1 785	4 084	128,8
		R'000	557	3 858	8 564	11 983	27 911	132,9
	Other buildings ⁴	square metres	239	0	0	239	795	232,6
		R'000	3 143	1 000	0	10 330	12 427	20,3
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	3 700	4 858	8 564	22 313	40 338
Buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	144 416	48 918	113 244	791 215	409 809	-48,2

¹ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

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.
Purpose of the survey	2	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	3	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	4	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	5	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for June 2024 was 85,5%. The revised collection rate for May 2024 was 87,3%.
Statistical unit	6	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	7	Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85% of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by email, fax and telephone.
Constant prices	8	The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2019. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151.1: <i>Construction Materials Price Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2023=100) are converted to the base year 2019=100.

- Seasonal adjustment** 9 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau.
- 10 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at: [Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment February 2022](#).
- Trend cycle** 11 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures** 12 Revised figures are mainly due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. The reasons for routine revisions are outlined in the following schedule. Any unscheduled revisions will be promptly indicated in relevant tables to maintain transparency and accuracy. It is important to note that seasonally adjusted figures are revised monthly.

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

- Related publications** 13 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually;
 - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually; and
 - *Building Statistics* (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
- Rounding-off of figures** 14 Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
- Symbols and abbreviations** 15 .. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage
 0 Nil or figure too small to publish
 * Revised figures
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 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 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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