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## Results for January to March 2015

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

Estimates at current prices	January to March 2014	January to March 2015	Difference in value between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	% change between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>9 971 321</b>	<b>11 414 881</b>	<b>1 443 560</b>	<b>14,5</b>
-Dwelling-houses	7 234 346	7 798 115	563 769	7,8
-Flats and townhouses	2 424 362	3 392 122	967 760	39,9
-Other residential buildings	312 613	224 644	-87 969	-28,1
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>5 673 843</b>	<b>3 897 290</b>	<b>-1 776 553</b>	<b>-31,3</b>
Additions and alterations	5 544 863	6 024 775	479 912	8,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>21 190 027</b>	<b>21 336 946</b>	<b>146 919</b>	<b>0,7</b>

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

### Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

*The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) increased by 0,7% (R146,9 million) during the first quarter of 2015 compared with the first quarter of 2014 (see Table A).*

Increases were reported for residential buildings (14,5% or R1 443,6 million) and additions and alterations (8,7% or R479,9 million). A significant decrease was recorded for non-residential buildings (-31,3% or -R1 776,6 million).

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

Estimates at current prices	January to March 2014	January to March 2015	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to March 2014	% change between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	Difference in value between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>5 070 251</b>	<b>5 855 150</b>	<b>23,9</b>	<b>15,5</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>784 899</b>
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1 024 728</b>	<b>1 062 544</b>	<b>4,8</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>37 816</b>
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>353 561</b>	<b>118 107</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>-66,6</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>-235 454</b>
<b>Free State</b>	<b>781 357</b>	<b>963 983</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>23,4</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>182 626</b>
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>3 611 397</b>	<b>3 518 946</b>	<b>17,0</b>	<b>-2,6</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>-92 451</b>
<b>North West</b>	<b>777 135</b>	<b>846 897</b>	<b>3,7</b>	<b>9,0</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>69 762</b>
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>8 173 020</b>	<b>7 241 998</b>	<b>38,6</b>	<b>-11,4</b>	<b>-4,4</b>	<b>-931 022</b>
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>902 988</b>	<b>1 166 696</b>	<b>4,3</b>	<b>29,2</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>263 708</b>
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>495 590</b>	<b>562 625</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>13,5</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>67 035</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>21 190 027</b>	<b>21 336 946</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>146 919</b>

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

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

Six provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of building plans passed during the first quarter of 2015. The increase in the value of building plans passed was dominated by Western Cape (contributing 3,7 percentage points or R784,9 million). Gauteng (contributing -4,4 percentage points or -R931,0 million) was a significant negative contributor (see Table B).

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

Estimates at constant 2010 prices	January to March 2014	January to March 2015	Difference in value between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	% change between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	8 065 954	8 863 090	797 136	9,9
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	4 581 341	3 023 008	-1 558 333	-34,0
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	4 482 139	4 677 973	195 834	4,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>17 129 434</b>	<b>16 564 071</b>	<b>-565 363</b>	<b>-3,3</b>

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

**Real value of recorded building plans passed**

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2010 prices) decreased by 3,3% (-R565,4 million) year-on-year during the first quarter of 2015. Non-residential buildings fell by 34,0% (-R1 558,3 million) (see Table C).

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

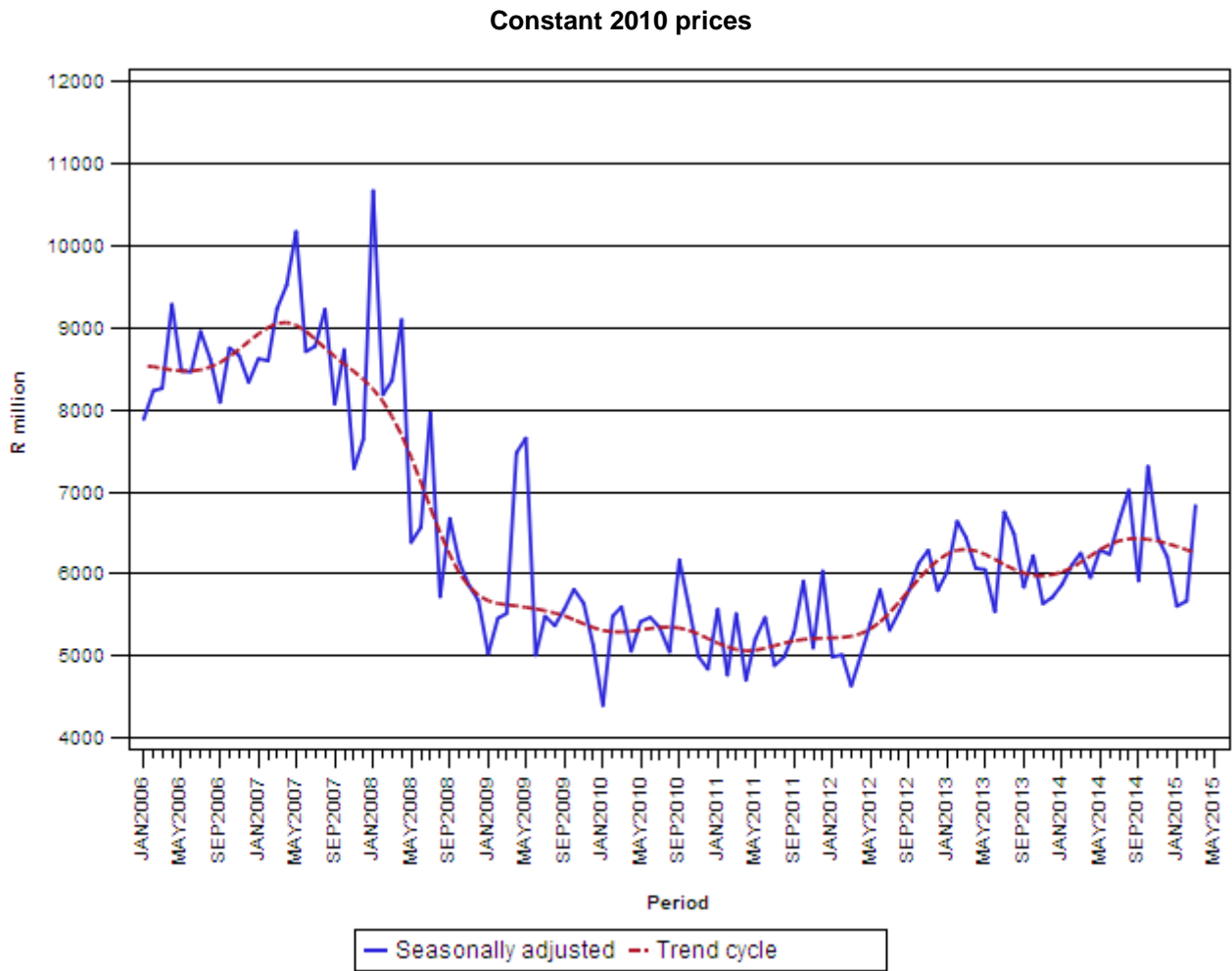
Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices	October to December 2014	January to March 2015	% change between October to December 2014 and January to March 2015
	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	9 526 102	9 924 020	4,2
<b>Non-residential buildings 1/</b>	5 493 863	3 023 008	-45,0
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	4 947 473	5 165 026	4,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>19 967 438</b>	<b>18 112 055</b>	<b>-9,3</b>

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

**Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed**

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased by 9,3% during the first quarter of 2015 compared with the fourth quarter of 2014. A decrease was reported for non-residential buildings (-45,0%) while increases were reported for additions and alterations (4,4%) and residential buildings (4,2%) (see Table D).

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



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

Estimates at current prices	January to March 2014	January to March 2015	Difference in value between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	% change between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>5 991 659</b>	<b>6 384 638</b>	<b>392 979</b>	<b>6,6</b>
-Dwelling-houses	4 142 429	4 924 346	781 917	18,9
-Flats and townhouses	1 719 715	1 424 347	-295 368	-17,2
-Other residential buildings	129 515	35 945	-93 570	-72,2
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>3 089 918</b>	<b>2 664 192</b>	<b>-425 726</b>	<b>-13,8</b>
Additions and alterations	2 523 002	2 192 975	-330 027	-13,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 604 579</b>	<b>11 241 805</b>	<b>-362 774</b>	<b>-3,1</b>

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

**Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices**

*As indicated in Table E, the value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 3,1% (-R362,8 million) during the first quarter of 2015 compared with the first quarter of 2014.*

Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-13,8% or -R425,7 million) and additions and alterations (-13,1% or -R330,0 million). An increase was recorded for residential buildings (6,6% or R393,0 million).

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

Estimates at current prices	January to March 2014	January to March 2015	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to March 2014	% change between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	Difference in value between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000				R'000
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>2 981 802</b>	<b>2 745 196</b>	<b>25,7</b>	<b>-7,9</b>	<b>-2,0</b>	<b>-236 606</b>
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>457 413</b>	<b>517 241</b>	<b>3,9</b>	<b>13,1</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>59 828</b>
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>130 134</b>	<b>52 418</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>-59,7</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>-77 716</b>
<b>Free State</b>	<b>149 791</b>	<b>246 025</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>64,2</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>96 234</b>
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>1 372 815</b>	<b>1 597 047</b>	<b>11,8</b>	<b>16,3</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>224 232</b>
<b>North West</b>	<b>580 001</b>	<b>522 878</b>	<b>5,0</b>	<b>-9,8</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>-57 123</b>
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>5 213 703</b>	<b>4 941 634</b>	<b>44,9</b>	<b>-5,2</b>	<b>-2,3</b>	<b>-272 069</b>
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>569 512</b>	<b>502 374</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>-11,8</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>-67 138</b>
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>149 408</b>	<b>116 992</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>-21,7</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>-32 416</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 604 579</b>	<b>11 241 805</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-3,1</b>	<b>-3,1</b>	<b>-362 774</b>

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

Six provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during the first quarter of 2015. The year-on-year decrease was dominated by Gauteng (contributing -2,3 percentage points or -R272,1 million) and Western Cape (contributing -2,0 percentage points or -R236,6 million). KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 1,9 percentage points or R224,2 million) was a significant positive contributor (see Table F).

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

Estimates at constant 2010 prices	January to March 2014	January to March 2015	Difference in value between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015	% change between January to March 2014 and January to March 2015
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	5 053 584	5 041 142	-12 442	-0,2
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	2 756 191	2 224 307	-531 884	-19,3
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	2 182 295	1 769 267	-413 028	-18,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 992 070</b>	<b>9 034 716</b>	<b>-957 354</b>	<b>-9,6</b>

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

**Real value of buildings reported as completed**

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2010 prices) decreased by 9,6% (-R957,4 million) year-on-year during the first quarter of 2015. Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-19,3% or -R531,9 million), additions and alterations (-18,9% or -R413,0 million) and residential buildings (-0,2% or -R12,4 million) (see Table G).

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

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices	October to December 2014	January to March 2015	% change between October to December 2014 and January to March 2015
	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	6 023 334	5 709 721	-5,2
<b>Non-residential buildings 1/</b>	5 097 169	2 224 307	-56,4
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	2 000 848	1 794 313	-10,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 121 351</b>	<b>9 728 341</b>	<b>-25,9</b>

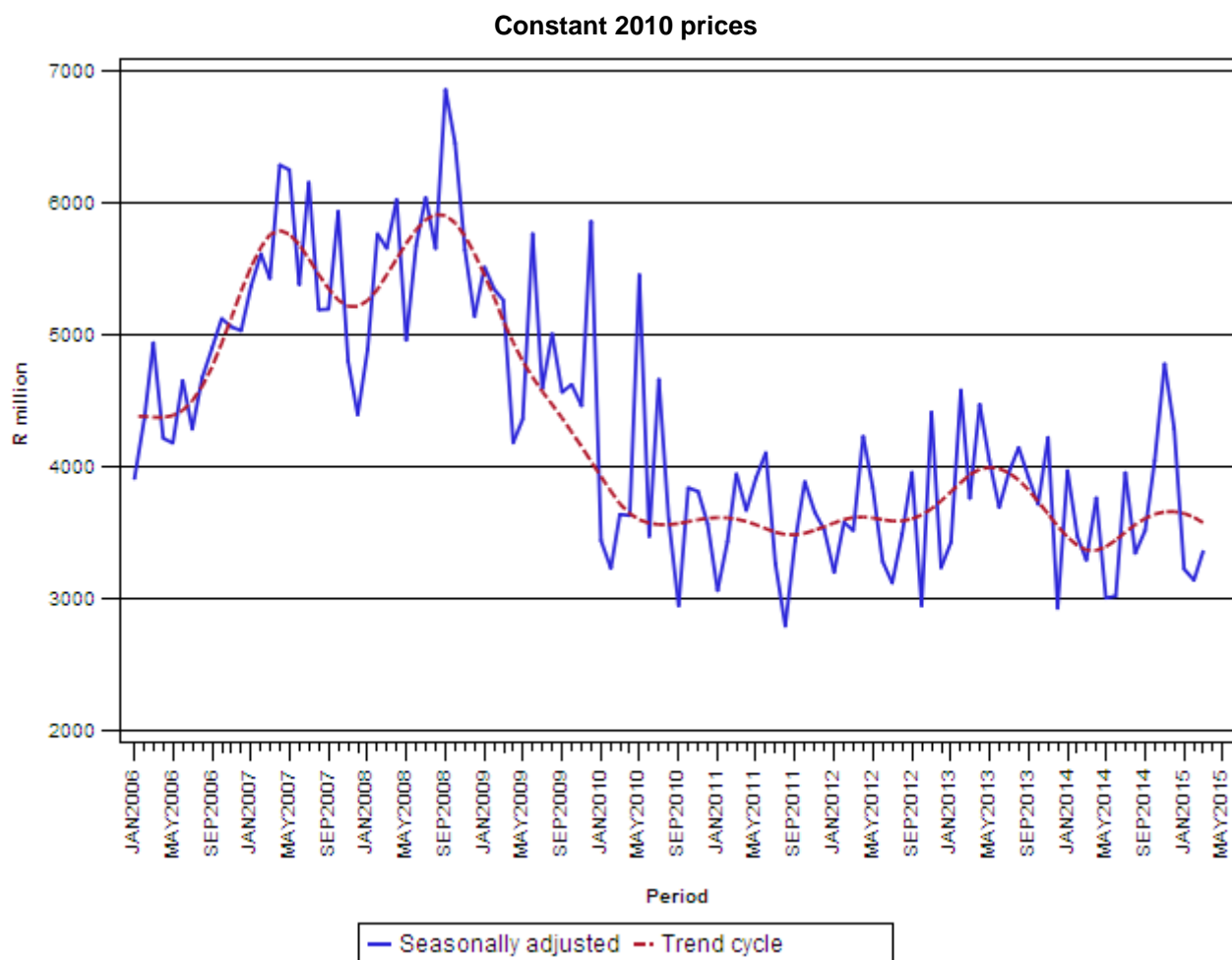
1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

**Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed**

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 25,9% during the first quarter of 2015 compared with the fourth quarter of 2014. Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-56,4%), additions and alterations (-10,3%) and residential buildings (-5,2%) (see Table H).



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



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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	3 235 268	48,9	1 344 728	-43,7	1 535 551	3,0	6 115 547	1,1
	February	3 267 441	-1,3	2 053 955	-5,3	2 056 519	2,3	7 377 915	-1,5
	March	3 468 612	17,4	2 275 160	7,6	1 952 793	15,3	7 696 565	13,8
	April	3 041 339	-2,6	1 726 454	2,1	1 976 731	-10,7	6 744 524	-4,0
	May	4 133 303	16,3	1 970 370	-1,5	1 913 499	-6,1	8 017 172	5,6
	June	3 911 224	20,4	2 034 001	59,6	1 918 240	3,5	7 863 465	23,3
	July	4 028 934	3,7	3 020 132	18,2	2 300 350	-4,7	9 349 416	5,6
	August	4 684 967	32,0	2 188 628	-12,4	2 596 407	20,7	9 470 002	15,5
	September	4 186 488	33,6	1 212 471	-36,3	2 621 773	13,8	8 020 732	9,3
	October	5 263 607	32,0	3 057 974	31,4	2 328 749	4,9	10 650 330	24,8
	November	4 150 427	40,9	2 113 168	11,0	2 278 644	-3,1	8 542 239	18,6
	December	2 955 810	21,2	1 872 912	15,4	1 877 595	14,8	6 706 317	17,7
	<b>Total</b>	<b>46 327 420</b>	<b>20,9</b>	<b>24 869 953</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>25 356 851</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>96 554 224</b>	<b>10,8</b>
2015	January	3 405 747	5,3	594 353	-55,8	1 662 169	8,2	5 662 269	-7,4
	February	3 788 564	15,9	1 173 216	-42,9	2 110 888	2,6	7 072 668	-4,1
	March	4 220 570	21,7	2 129 721	-6,4	2 251 718	15,3	8 602 009	11,8

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	3 835 845	15,5	1 344 728	-17,2	1 993 806	-3,1	7 174 379	2,5
	February	3 448 236	-10,1	2 053 955	52,7	2 076 369	4,1	7 578 560	5,6
	March	3 402 912	-1,3	2 275 160	10,8	2 056 440	-1,0	7 734 513	2,1
	April	3 574 221	5,0	1 726 454	-24,1	2 131 649	3,7	7 432 324	-3,9
	May	3 907 001	9,3	1 970 370	14,1	2 037 758	-4,4	7 915 129	6,5
	June	3 892 275	-0,4	2 034 001	3,2	1 971 068	-3,3	7 897 345	-0,2
	July	3 388 124	-13,0	3 020 132	48,5	2 024 851	2,7	8 433 107	6,8
	August	4 235 757	25,0	2 188 628	-27,5	2 505 290	23,7	8 929 675	5,9
	September	4 149 053	-2,0	1 212 471	-44,6	2 194 945	-12,4	7 556 470	-15,4
	October	4 282 779	3,2	3 057 974	152,2	2 028 565	-7,6	9 369 318	24,0
	November	4 080 275	-4,7	2 113 168	-30,9	2 090 495	3,1	8 283 938	-11,6
	December	3 898 121	-4,5	1 872 912	-11,4	2 224 364	6,4	7 995 397	-3,5
2015	January	4 359 996	11,8	594 353	-68,3	2 305 602	3,7	7 259 951	-9,2
	February	3 992 997	-8,4	1 173 216	97,4	2 137 993	-7,3	7 304 206	0,6
	March	4 452 887	11,5	2 129 721	81,5	2 254 926	5,5	8 837 534	21,0
	Oct. – Dec. 14	12 261 175		7 044 054		6 343 424		25 648 653	
	Jan. – Mar. 15 2/	12 805 880	4,4	3 897 290	-44,7	6 698 521	5,6	23 401 691	-8,8

1/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the previous month expressed as a percentage.  
 2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of recorded building plans passed by municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.  
 3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	2 651 859	39,9	1 102 236	-47,1	1 258 648	-3,2	5 012 743	-5,1
	February	2 641 424	-8,0	1 660 432	-11,7	1 662 505	-4,7	5 964 361	-8,2
	March	2 772 671	9,8	1 818 673	0,7	1 560 986	7,9	6 152 330	6,4
	April	2 431 126	-8,3	1 380 059	-3,8	1 580 121	-15,9	5 391 306	-9,6
	May	3 296 095	8,9	1 571 268	-7,8	1 525 916	-12,1	6 393 279	-1,1
	June	3 101 684	12,5	1 613 006	49,2	1 521 205	-3,3	6 235 895	15,3
	July	3 169 893	-2,7	2 376 186	10,8	1 809 874	-10,6	7 355 953	-1,0
	August	3 671 604	23,9	1 715 226	-17,8	2 034 802	13,2	7 421 632	8,4
	September	3 278 377	26,0	949 468	-39,9	2 053 072	7,3	6 280 917	3,0
	October	4 102 578	24,3	2 383 456	23,7	1 815 081	-1,3	8 301 115	17,5
	November	3 237 463	32,8	1 648 337	4,7	1 777 413	-8,6	6 663 213	11,9
	December	2 307 424	14,6	1 462 070	9,1	1 465 726	8,5	5 235 220	11,3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>36 662 198</b>	<b>13,5</b>	<b>19 680 417</b>	<b>-4,7</b>	<b>20 065 349</b>	<b>-2,4</b>	<b>76 407 964</b>	<b>4,0</b>
2015	January	2 648 326	-0,1	462 172	-58,1	1 292 511	2,7	4 403 009	-12,2
	February	2 950 595	11,7	913 720	-45,0	1 643 994	-1,1	5 508 309	-7,6
	March	3 264 169	17,7	1 647 116	-9,4	1 741 468	11,6	6 652 753	8,1

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	3 165 863	17,5	1 102 236	-17,8	1 605 959	-4,6	5 874 059	2,7
	February	2 788 715	-11,9	1 660 432	50,6	1 662 779	3,5	6 111 926	4,0
	March	2 792 828	0,1	1 818 673	9,5	1 642 805	-1,2	6 254 306	2,3
	April	2 889 118	3,4	1 380 059	-24,1	1 687 826	2,7	5 957 003	-4,8
	May	3 078 887	6,6	1 571 268	13,9	1 641 911	-2,7	6 292 066	5,6
	June	3 056 401	-0,7	1 613 006	2,7	1 570 987	-4,3	6 240 394	-0,8
	July	2 667 579	-12,7	2 376 186	47,3	1 600 430	1,9	6 644 195	6,5
	August	3 350 743	25,6	1 715 226	-27,8	1 957 585	22,3	7 023 554	5,7
	September	3 240 102	-3,3	949 468	-44,6	1 726 795	-11,8	5 916 365	-15,8
	October	3 327 781	2,7	2 383 456	151,0	1 601 557	-7,3	7 312 794	23,6
	November	3 161 708	-5,0	1 648 337	-30,8	1 632 959	2,0	6 443 004	-11,9
	December	3 036 613	-4,0	1 462 070	-11,3	1 712 957	4,9	6 211 640	-3,6
2015	January	3 374 476	11,1	462 172	-68,4	1 772 779	3,5	5 609 427	-9,7
	February	3 107 582	-7,9	913 720	97,7	1 649 926	-6,9	5 671 228	1,1
	March	3 441 962	10,8	1 647 116	80,3	1 742 321	5,6	6 831 400	20,5
	Oct. – Dec. 14	9 526 102		5 493 863		4 947 473		19 967 438	
	Jan. – Mar. 15 2/	9 924 020	4,2	3 023 008	-45,0	5 165 026	4,4	18 112 055	-9,3

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

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

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	1 864 951	14,2	947 942	135,7	772 015	-1,9	3 584 908	27,0
	February	1 901 135	-10,4	1 024 739	-31,8	957 322	-22,4	3 883 196	-20,1
	March	2 225 573	12,2	1 117 237	3,6	793 665	-31,5	4 136 475	-2,0
	April	2 235 694	-2,0	1 279 830	1,7	629 675	-53,9	4 145 199	-15,5
	May	1 858 144	-4,0	667 245	-45,9	766 606	-26,5	3 291 995	-21,8
	June	1 952 010	-2,4	799 842	-28,1	651 885	-21,8	3 403 737	-13,8
	July	2 522 008	6,1	1 653 772	41,6	758 975	-35,0	4 934 755	4,7
	August	2 380 745	0,9	941 925	-38,1	936 852	-6,3	4 259 522	-12,7
	September	2 543 242	3,9	1 068 777	-1,2	799 479	-23,3	4 411 498	-3,5
	October	2 882 645	19,1	1 426 294	38,1	899 738	-12,0	5 208 677	16,4
	November	3 072 324	27,0	2 550 356	29,9	718 978	-18,8	6 341 658	20,4
	December	2 502 517	28,9	2 020 839	169,8	689 403	4,2	5 212 759	55,5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>27 940 988</b>	<b>7,8</b>	<b>15 498 798</b>	<b>9,9</b>	<b>9 374 593</b>	<b>-23,2</b>	<b>52 814 379</b>	<b>1,1</b>
2015	January	1 818 640	-2,5	785 616	-17,1	501 685	-35,0	3 105 941	-13,4
	February	2 031 811	6,9	1 019 816	-0,5	674 239	-29,6	3 725 866	-4,1
	March	2 534 187	13,9	858 760	-23,1	1 017 051	28,1	4 409 998	6,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	2 623 320	47,4	947 942	26,6	1 034 062	24,2	4 605 324	37,0
	February	2 097 467	-20,0	1 024 739	8,1	898 540	-13,1	4 020 746	-12,7
	March	2 094 646	-0,1	1 117 237	9,0	588 791	-34,5	3 800 673	-5,5
	April	2 546 768	21,6	1 279 830	14,6	725 514	23,2	4 552 112	19,8
	May	2 061 124	-19,1	667 245	-47,9	807 396	11,3	3 535 765	-22,3
	June	2 075 062	0,7	799 842	19,9	699 721	-13,3	3 574 625	1,1
	July	2 350 581	13,3	1 653 772	106,8	678 620	-3,0	4 682 974	31,0
	August	2 238 990	-4,7	941 925	-43,0	833 912	22,9	4 014 827	-14,3
	September	2 398 612	7,1	1 068 777	13,5	784 334	-5,9	4 251 723	5,9
	October	2 615 562	9,0	1 426 294	33,5	866 984	10,5	4 908 840	15,5
	November	2 522 194	-3,6	2 550 356	78,8	692 468	-20,1	5 765 018	17,4
	December	2 315 591	-8,2	2 020 839	-20,8	870 141	25,7	5 206 571	-9,7
2015	January	2 530 234	9,3	785 616	-61,1	673 720	-22,6	3 989 571	-23,4
	February	2 244 177	-11,3	1 019 816	29,8	631 925	-6,2	3 895 918	-2,3
	March	2 505 284	11,6	858 760	-15,8	921 207	45,8	4 285 250	10,0
	Oct. – Dec. 14	7 453 347		5 997 489		2 429 593		15 880 429	
	Jan. – Mar. 15 2/	7 279 695	-2,3	2 664 192	-55,6	2 226 852	-8,3	12 170 739	-23,4

1/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous month expressed as a percentage.  
 2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.  
 3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	1 577 690	7,2	846 377	122,9	673 661	-7,2	3 097 728	20,2
	February	1 604 474	-16,0	914 946	-35,4	830 288	-26,3	3 349 708	-24,8
	March	1 871 420	5,2	994 868	-1,7	678 346	-35,6	3 544 634	-7,8
	April	1 870 720	-8,1	1 136 616	-3,5	534 529	-56,7	3 541 865	-20,4
	May	1 550 914	-9,8	589 960	-48,6	652 986	-30,6	2 793 860	-26,6
	June	1 622 819	-8,3	704 707	-31,8	552 913	-26,2	2 880 439	-18,9
	July	2 083 259	-0,3	1 443 082	33,9	636 724	-38,9	4 163 065	-1,1
	August	1 937 886	-6,2	816 934	-41,2	782 667	-12,3	3 537 487	-18,6
	September	2 055 674	-3,4	913 485	-7,0	664 019	-28,4	3 633 178	-10,0
	October	2 318 466	11,6	1 210 776	29,5	744 816	-18,0	4 274 058	9,0
	November	2 477 900	18,9	2 172 365	22,7	594 688	-24,0	5 244 953	13,1
	December	2 009 778	20,7	1 714 028	154,7	569 284	-2,3	4 293 090	47,0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>22 981 000</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>13 458 144</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>7 914 921</b>	<b>-27,8</b>	<b>44 354 065</b>	<b>-5,1</b>
2015	January	1 442 828	-8,5	659 074	-22,1	411 217	-39,0	2 513 119	-18,9
	February	1 603 023	-0,1	851 977	-6,9	545 060	-34,4	3 000 060	-10,4
	March	1 995 291	6,6	713 256	-28,3	812 990	19,8	3 521 537	-0,7

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

2/ Preliminary figures.



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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2014	January	2 231 753	46,0	846 377	25,8	893 976	22,7	3 972 106	35,6
	February	1 781 025	-20,2	914 946	8,1	776 704	-13,1	3 472 675	-12,6
	March	1 795 240	0,8	994 868	8,7	503 861	-35,1	3 293 969	-5,1
	April	2 012 363	12,1	1 136 616	14,2	618 006	22,7	3 766 985	14,4
	May	1 726 257	-14,2	589 960	-48,1	691 420	11,9	3 007 638	-20,2
	June	1 723 191	-0,2	704 707	19,4	593 766	-14,1	3 021 664	0,5
	July	1 942 738	12,7	1 443 082	104,8	571 241	-3,8	3 957 061	31,0
	August	1 829 799	-5,8	816 934	-43,4	700 173	22,6	3 346 906	-15,4
	September	1 952 754	6,7	913 485	11,8	652 627	-6,8	3 518 866	5,1
	October	2 118 178	8,5	1 210 776	32,5	717 544	9,9	4 046 498	15,0
	November	2 041 520	-3,6	2 172 365	79,4	568 954	-20,7	4 782 839	18,2
	December	1 863 636	-8,7	1 714 028	-21,1	714 350	25,6	4 292 014	-10,3
2015	January	2 021 051	8,4	659 074	-61,5	547 291	-23,4	3 227 416	-24,8
	February	1 781 407	-11,9	851 977	29,3	509 427	-6,9	3 142 811	-2,6
	March	1 907 263	7,1	713 256	-16,3	737 595	44,8	3 358 114	6,9
	Oct. – Dec. 14	6 023 334		5 097 169		2 000 848		13 121 351	
	Jan. – Mar. 15 2/	5 709 721	-5,2	2 224 307	-56,4	1 794 313	-10,3	9 728 341	-25,9

1/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant month compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous month expressed as a percentage.  
 2/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities for the latest three months compared with the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the previous three months expressed as a percentage.  
 3/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 11 and 12 on page 38.

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	Number	2 516	1 073	1 317	6 205	3 965	-36,1	
		Square metres	115 192	52 170	63 610	305 878	190 978	-37,6	
		R'000	367 526	241 705	279 611	1 007 930	788 064	-21,8	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	Number	1 222	1 320	1 445	3 924	4 018	2,4	
		Square metres	339 460	362 253	411 146	1 036 200	1 118 908	8,0	
		R'000	2 071 999	2 289 938	2 560 891	6 226 416	7 010 051	12,6	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	Number	1 268	1 867	1 231	3 872	4 472	15,5	
		Square metres	135 320	171 220	179 770	375 196	476 337	27,0	
		R'000	938 788	1 240 518	1 240 415	2 424 362	3 392 122	39,9	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	Square metres	15 547	2 262	25 143	66 427	38 238	-42,4	
		R'000	90 299	16 403	139 653	312 613	224 644	-28,1	
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		R'000	<b>3 468 612</b>	<b>3 788 564</b>	<b>4 220 570</b>	<b>9 971 321</b>	<b>11 414 881</b>	<b>14,5</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	Square metres	124 885	20 907	65 523	292 831	94 553	-67,7	
		R'000	1 012 826	130 882	551 495	2 266 602	741 129	-67,3	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	Square metres	47 303	28 136	96 697	139 570	142 268	1,9	
		R'000	299 633	177 625	667 610	882 248	936 071	6,1	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	Square metres	148 273	102 230	155 195	388 097	312 526	-19,5	
		R'000	661 491	596 113	743 119	1 802 608	1 648 749	-8,5	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	Square metres	53 562	45 041	28 937	128 794	94 704	-26,5	
		R'000	301 210	268 596	167 497	722 385	571 341	-20,9	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		R'000	<b>2 275 160</b>	<b>1 173 216</b>	<b>2 129 721</b>	<b>5 673 843</b>	<b>3 897 290</b>	<b>-31,3</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	Square metres	251 492	251 346	260 269	726 982	708 282	-2,6
R'000			1 356 207	1 466 397	1 548 104	3 955 362	4 147 330	4,9	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		Square metres	88 733	82 592	100 150	237 743	253 716	6,7	
		R'000	596 586	644 491	703 614	1 589 501	1 877 445	18,1	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		R'000	<b>1 952 793</b>	<b>2 110 888</b>	<b>2 251 718</b>	<b>5 544 863</b>	<b>6 024 775</b>	<b>8,7</b>	
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	R'000	<b>7 696 565</b>	<b>7 072 668</b>	<b>8 602 009</b>	<b>21 190 027</b>	<b>21 336 946</b>	<b>0,7</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

		Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/		
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	1 133	587	598	2 364	1 513	-36,0	
		<b>Square metres</b>	50 213	25 866	26 388	104 903	67 052	-36,1	
		<b>R'000</b>	151 512	142 883	145 297	330 581	373 763	13,1	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	233	314	408	768	1 190	54,9	
		<b>Square metres</b>	56 451	71 231	99 786	182 721	293 319	60,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	338 048	438 808	618 735	1 094 323	1 847 655	68,8	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	502	348	364	819	1 050	28,2	
		<b>Square metres</b>	41 761	32 317	51 616	75 413	109 764	45,6	
		<b>R'000</b>	331 946	236 421	388 076	550 824	800 659	45,4	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	4 900	1 798	2 573	4 900	5 331	8,8	
		<b>R'000</b>	32 700	13 792	12 791	32 700	32 343	-1,1	
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>854 206</b>	<b>831 904</b>	<b>1 164 899</b>	<b>2 008 428</b>	<b>3 054 420</b>	<b>52,1</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	20 538	7 536	11 915	62 944	19 849	-68,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	143 232	48 174	79 888	422 857	130 676	-69,1	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	7 591	4 358	562	52 871	6 597	-87,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	42 674	31 736	4 000	348 564	50 220	-85,6	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	38 409	55 737	15 281	64 771	97 833	51,0	
		<b>R'000</b>	197 541	360 461	93 761	346 649	622 000	79,4	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	36 453	17 563	5 454	69 566	25 117	-63,9	
		<b>R'000</b>	227 733	108 068	33 286	398 582	154 116	-61,3	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>611 180</b>	<b>548 439</b>	<b>210 935</b>	<b>1 516 652</b>	<b>957 012</b>	<b>-36,9</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	69 555	78 039	93 163	183 417	231 096	26,0
<b>R'000</b>			350 611	433 108	550 295	914 366	1 309 783	43,2	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	29 112	11 647	22 168	86 318	50 492	-41,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	220 344	120 886	251 902	630 805	533 935	-15,4	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>570 955</b>	<b>553 994</b>	<b>802 197</b>	<b>1 545 171</b>	<b>1 843 718</b>	<b>19,3</b>	
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 036 341</b>	<b>1 934 337</b>	<b>2 178 031</b>	<b>5 070 251</b>	<b>5 855 150</b>	<b>15,5</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	115	14	30	148	67	-54,7	
		<b>Square metres</b>	5 178	841	1 890	6 952	4 100	-41,0	
		<b>R'000</b>	16 474	4 620	8 859	24 100	19 514	-19,0	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	60	85	101	199	242	21,6	
		<b>Square metres</b>	12 174	20 402	25 102	42 496	56 883	33,9	
		<b>R'000</b>	61 412	130 886	129 130	208 810	322 458	54,4	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	30	14	14	90	43	-52,2	
		<b>Square metres</b>	2 621	1 547	1 492	5 409	4 559	-15,7	
		<b>R'000</b>	13 629	8 126	7 533	27 358	24 004	-12,3	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	662	0	155	1 543	709	-54,1	
		<b>R'000</b>	3 442	0	1 008	9 169	4 609	-49,7	
<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>94 957</b>	<b>143 632</b>	<b>146 530</b>	<b>269 437</b>	<b>370 585</b>	<b>37,5</b>	
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	1 992	2 995	751	2 444	3 746	53,3	
		<b>R'000</b>	7 968	17 102	3 380	9 656	20 482	112,1	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	2 119	2 056	32 652	5 176	-84,1	
		<b>R'000</b>	0	12 250	8 224	191 144	24 695	-87,1	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	4 304	8 613	9 885	36 273	21 363	-41,1	
		<b>R'000</b>	23 113	38 804	44 483	162 151	98 808	-39,1	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	6 315	630	3 528	6 553	4 158	-36,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	23 814	2 596	14 112	24 904	16 708	-32,9	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>54 895</b>	<b>70 752</b>	<b>70 199</b>	<b>387 855</b>	<b>160 693</b>	<b>-58,6</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	25 904	27 616	27 280	63 526	74 709	17,6
<b>R'000</b>			118 555	142 165	135 756	289 456	385 748	33,3	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	4 835	12 619	8 169	18 451	30 885	67,4	
		<b>R'000</b>	23 493	57 209	40 246	77 980	145 518	86,6	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>142 048</b>	<b>199 374</b>	<b>176 002</b>	<b>367 436</b>	<b>531 266</b>	<b>44,6</b>	
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>291 900</b>	<b>413 758</b>	<b>392 731</b>	<b>1 024 728</b>	<b>1 062 544</b>	<b>3,7</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

		Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	Number	0	0	5	0	5	..
		Square metres	0	0	174	0	174	..
		R'000	0	0	1 050	0	1 050	..
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	Number	14	14	13	127	37	-70,9
		Square metres	2 608	1 916	3 875	16 104	8 154	-49,4
		R'000	11 931	9 961	18 908	74 102	40 567	-45,3
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	Number	0	0	0	48	0	..
		Square metres	0	0	0	3 614	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	13 010	0	..
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	29 528	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	132 686	0	..
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	R'000	<b>11 931</b>	<b>9 961</b>	<b>19 958</b>	<b>219 798</b>	<b>41 617</b>	<b>-81,1</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	892	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	4 460	0	..
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	Square metres	0	0	985	2 609	985	-62,2
		R'000	0	0	5 418	12 042	5 418	-55,0
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	Square metres	466	0	147	815	256	-68,6
		R'000	2 079	0	809	3 440	1 223	-64,4
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	R'000	<b>2 079</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6 227</b>	<b>19 942</b>	<b>6 641</b>	<b>-66,7</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	Square metres	5 522	5 615	4 494	14 812	12 405
R'000			25 567	30 462	24 606	66 375	66 961	0,9
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		Square metres	5 786	466	0	10 085	466	-95,4
		R'000	28 299	2 743	90	47 446	2 888	-93,9
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		R'000	<b>53 866</b>	<b>33 205</b>	<b>24 696</b>	<b>113 821</b>	<b>69 849</b>	<b>-38,6</b>
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	R'000	<b>67 876</b>	<b>43 166</b>	<b>50 881</b>	<b>353 561</b>	<b>118 107</b>	<b>-66,6</b>

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	16	123	177	145	513	253,8	
		Square metres	973	6 699	8 750	7 722	27 497	256,1	
		R'000	4 531	17 859	20 057	24 210	64 802	167,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	53	85	55	226	215	-4,9	
		Square metres	12 178	16 468	11 953	47 203	42 882	-9,2	
		R'000	57 800	83 153	58 474	215 977	216 295	0,1	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	101	63	184	181	-1,6	
		Square metres	0	9 737	8 037	27 951	18 420	-34,1	
		R'000	0	57 702	47 870	144 517	109 448	-24,3	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	9 156	0	18 024	20 500	18 024	-12,1	
		R'000	50 068	0	93 088	91 923	93 088	1,3	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	<b>112 399</b>	<b>158 714</b>	<b>219 489</b>	<b>476 627</b>	<b>483 633</b>	<b>1,5</b>	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 553	2 594	3 994	2 269	6 588	190,3	
		R'000	9 319	17 657	26 951	11 885	44 608	275,3	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	785	0	25 395	2 812	25 951	822,9	
		R'000	3 016	0	177 765	11 884	180 545	1 419,2	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	11 412	1 000	449	17 566	1 449	-91,8	
		R'000	39 942	4 500	2 300	61 381	6 800	-88,9	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	3 583	452	886	4 035	355,4	
		R'000	0	21 498	2 300	4 322	23 798	450,6	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	<b>52 277</b>	<b>43 655</b>	<b>209 316</b>	<b>89 472</b>	<b>255 751</b>	<b>185,8</b>
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	11 533	13 140	9 174	38 982	35 778	-8,2
R'000			50 940	62 652	41 111	167 883	166 460	-0,8	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	1 306	1 207	3 001	6 595	9 818	48,9	
		R'000	12 884	8 176	14 302	47 375	58 139	22,7	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	<b>63 824</b>	<b>70 828</b>	<b>55 413</b>	<b>215 258</b>	<b>224 599</b>	<b>4,3</b>	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	<b>228 500</b>	<b>273 197</b>	<b>484 218</b>	<b>781 357</b>	<b>963 983</b>	<b>23,4</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

		Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/		
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	Number	19	23	21	67	69	3,0	
		Square metres	1 045	1 309	1 154	3 887	3 828	-1,5	
		R'000	7 124	10 048	8 302	28 055	27 797	-0,9	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	Number	99	108	143	305	372	22,0	
		Square metres	28 329	34 035	47 129	91 059	120 148	31,9	
		R'000	232 025	284 371	387 411	704 513	982 745	39,5	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	Number	69	63	104	340	271	-20,3	
		Square metres	18 558	11 748	19 758	53 787	42 171	-21,6	
		R'000	186 465	95 534	128 503	397 537	302 584	-23,9	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	5 481	2 442	-55,4	
		R'000	0	0	0	27 772	24 176	-12,9	
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		R'000	<b>425 614</b>	<b>389 953</b>	<b>524 216</b>	<b>1 157 877</b>	<b>1 337 302</b>	<b>15,5</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	Square metres	74 012	1 835	18 997	96 340	21 827	-77,3	
		R'000	636 500	10 027	163 253	828 521	178 725	-78,4	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	Square metres	7 024	463	0	9 188	1 197	-87,0	
		R'000	54 783	4 306	0	73 393	11 132	-84,8	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	Square metres	18 456	19 717	54 685	83 067	93 165	12,2	
		R'000	81 955	106 200	271 729	412 419	471 426	14,3	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	Square metres	414	9 969	11 897	23 372	35 309	51,1	
		R'000	1 864	70 531	80 271	135 426	240 376	77,5	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		R'000	<b>775 102</b>	<b>191 064</b>	<b>515 253</b>	<b>1 449 759</b>	<b>901 659</b>	<b>-37,8</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	Square metres	34 840	25 833	29 135	87 270	76 631	-12,2
R'000			235 442	204 468	231 367	627 988	604 948	-3,7	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		Square metres	17 175	39 091	30 619	49 619	83 825	68,9	
		R'000	136 388	352 142	208 390	375 773	675 037	79,6	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		R'000	<b>371 830</b>	<b>556 610</b>	<b>439 757</b>	<b>1 003 761</b>	<b>1 279 985</b>	<b>27,5</b>	
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>		<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	R'000	<b>1 572 546</b>	<b>1 137 627</b>	<b>1 479 226</b>	<b>3 611 397</b>	<b>3 518 946</b>	<b>-2,6</b>

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	10	8	33	23	547	2 278,3
		<b>Square metres</b>	670	524	1 500	1 553	24 831	1 498,9
		<b>R'000</b>	3 220	2 173	4 245	6 842	62 544	814,1
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	83	59	78	248	198	-20,2
		<b>Square metres</b>	18 381	15 139	19 079	56 136	51 544	-8,2
		<b>R'000</b>	84 340	73 655	95 928	255 676	254 313	-0,5
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	86	68	154	391	329	-15,9
		<b>Square metres</b>	10 037	7 718	14 844	33 988	29 470	-13,3
		<b>R'000</b>	48 632	36 739	80 669	175 556	157 259	-10,4
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	464	0	564	464	-17,7
		<b>R'000</b>	0	2 611	0	1 974	2 611	32,3
<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>136 192</b>	<b>115 178</b>	<b>180 842</b>	<b>440 048</b>	<b>476 727</b>	<b>8,3</b>	
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	1 737	700	0	3 286	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	8 534	3 500	0	16 279	..
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	4 951	1 291	20 067	7 118	23 551	230,9
		<b>R'000</b>	24 671	6 683	118 936	33 259	138 633	316,8
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	305	1 248	8 331	2 021	-75,7
		<b>R'000</b>	0	1 220	5 376	35 047	8 468	-75,8
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	733	2 465	0	7 690	2 465	-67,9
		<b>R'000</b>	3 086	10 215	0	39 094	10 215	-73,9
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>27 757</b>	<b>26 652</b>	<b>127 812</b>	<b>107 400</b>	<b>173 595</b>	<b>61,6</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	15 197	12 819	12 763	43 639	35 896
<b>R'000</b>			63 514	58 050	61 167	188 728	163 810	-13,2
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	6 735	1 338	3 252	9 402	5 768	-38,7
		<b>R'000</b>	27 214	7 923	18 499	40 959	32 765	-20,0
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>90 728</b>	<b>65 973</b>	<b>79 666</b>	<b>229 687</b>	<b>196 575</b>	<b>-14,4</b>
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>254 677</b>	<b>207 803</b>	<b>388 320</b>	<b>777 135</b>	<b>846 897</b>	<b>9,0</b>

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

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

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

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



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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 129	225	238	3 093	816	-73,6	
		Square metres	51 830	11 768	11 963	161 118	40 136	-75,1	
		R'000	158 176	43 196	38 611	505 208	139 525	-72,4	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	524	466	365	1 527	1 110	-27,3	
		Square metres	170 906	146 212	133 590	478 435	370 959	-22,5	
		R'000	1 114 836	992 198	890 277	3 103 261	2 497 980	-19,5	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	501	1 257	350	1 645	2 395	45,6	
		Square metres	53 632	107 026	55 366	144 196	241 643	67,6	
		R'000	322 356	799 685	453 141	983 320	1 854 867	88,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	238	0	4 391	238	5 141	2 060,1	
		R'000	1 332	0	32 766	1 332	40 245	2 921,4	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	<b>1 596 700</b>	<b>1 835 079</b>	<b>1 414 795</b>	<b>4 593 121</b>	<b>4 532 617</b>	<b>-1,3</b>	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	25 470	2 724	26 418	126 033	33 334	-73,6	
		R'000	209 867	19 388	262 752	980 633	321 241	-67,2	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	11 576	14 566	46 403	18 697	61 399	228,4	
		R'000	75 352	90 281	349 585	121 097	442 851	265,7	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	57 898	9 096	57 349	147 003	68 698	-53,3	
		R'000	241 582	42 419	255 270	653 560	311 890	-52,3	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	2 731	9 375	5 432	12 029	18 995	57,9	
		R'000	13 877	49 134	27 827	82 711	104 732	26,6	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	<b>540 678</b>	<b>201 222</b>	<b>895 434</b>	<b>1 838 001</b>	<b>1 180 714</b>	<b>-35,8</b>
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	70 215	64 124	63 588	230 496	177 426	-23,0
R'000			432 579	415 500	412 392	1 427 019	1 157 504	-18,9	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	19 612	12 360	27 674	49 445	61 499	24,4	
		R'000	120 258	73 948	144 783	314 879	371 163	17,9	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	<b>552 837</b>	<b>489 448</b>	<b>557 175</b>	<b>1 741 898</b>	<b>1 528 667</b>	<b>-12,2</b>	
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	<b>2 690 215</b>	<b>2 525 749</b>	<b>2 867 404</b>	<b>8 173 020</b>	<b>7 241 998</b>	<b>-11,4</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	59	58	175	256	344	34,4	
		<b>Square metres</b>	3 153	3 243	9 580	13 239	18 360	38,7	
		<b>R'000</b>	15 452	12 587	41 605	55 914	75 234	34,6	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	114	134	236	395	487	23,3	
		<b>Square metres</b>	26 379	41 398	56 481	85 360	126 675	48,4	
		<b>R'000</b>	115 566	205 532	292 732	396 165	625 316	57,8	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	60	16	20	212	36	-83,0	
		<b>Square metres</b>	5 696	1 127	2 777	15 003	3 904	-74,0	
		<b>R'000</b>	25 209	6 311	11 528	66 732	17 839	-73,3	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	145	0	0	145	375	158,6	
		<b>R'000</b>	750	0	0	750	1 688	125,1	
<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>156 977</b>	<b>224 430</b>	<b>345 865</b>	<b>519 561</b>	<b>720 077</b>	<b>38,6</b>	
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	1 320	1 486	610	1 909	2 096	9,8	
		<b>R'000</b>	5 940	10 000	2 440	8 590	12 440	44,8	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	405	5 124	1 730	1 136	14 953	1 216,3	
		<b>R'000</b>	1 825	31 401	6 922	5 119	72 496	1 316,2	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	13 449	3 845	14 158	23 462	21 940	-6,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	60 719	25 091	59 007	100 020	100 746	0,7	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	6 450	0	0	7 634	633	-91,7	
		<b>R'000</b>	28 757	0	0	33 034	3 588	-89,1	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>97 241</b>	<b>66 492</b>	<b>68 369</b>	<b>146 763</b>	<b>189 270</b>	<b>29,0</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	12 294	20 122	15 911	45 127	52 098	15,4
<b>R'000</b>			51 498	100 565	68 636	189 192	234 790	24,1	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	4 172	1 611	1 063	6 464	4 468	-30,9	
		<b>R'000</b>	27 207	8 808	5 924	47 472	22 559	-52,5	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>78 705</b>	<b>109 373</b>	<b>74 560</b>	<b>236 664</b>	<b>257 349</b>	<b>8,7</b>	
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>332 923</b>	<b>400 295</b>	<b>488 794</b>	<b>902 988</b>	<b>1 166 696</b>	<b>29,2</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	Number	35	35	40	109	91	-16,5	
		Square metres	2 130	1 920	2 211	6 504	5 000	-23,1	
		R'000	11 037	8 339	11 585	33 020	23 835	-27,8	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	Number	42	55	46	129	167	29,5	
		Square metres	12 054	15 452	14 151	36 686	48 344	31,8	
		R'000	56 041	71 374	69 296	173 589	222 722	28,3	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	Number	20	0	162	143	167	16,8	
		Square metres	3 015	0	25 880	15 835	26 406	66,8	
		R'000	10 551	0	123 095	65 508	125 462	91,5	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	Square metres	446	0	0	3 528	5 752	63,0	
		R'000	2 007	0	0	14 307	25 884	80,9	
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		R'000	<b>79 636</b>	<b>79 713</b>	<b>203 976</b>	<b>286 424</b>	<b>397 903</b>	<b>38,9</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	Square metres	0	0	2 138	0	3 827	..	
		R'000	0	0	9 331	0	16 678	..	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	Square metres	14 971	215	484	15 096	3 444	-77,2	
		R'000	97 312	968	2 178	97 788	15 499	-84,2	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	Square metres	4 345	3 917	1 155	5 015	5 072	1,1	
		R'000	16 639	17 418	5 775	19 339	23 193	19,9	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	Square metres	0	1 456	2 027	249	3 736	1 400,4	
		R'000	0	6 554	8 892	872	16 585	1 801,9	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		R'000	<b>113 951</b>	<b>24 940</b>	<b>26 176</b>	<b>117 999</b>	<b>71 955</b>	<b>-39,0</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	Square metres	6 432	4 038	4 761	19 713	12 243	-37,9
R'000			27 501	19 427	22 774	84 355	57 326	-32,0	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		Square metres	0	2 253	4 204	1 364	6 495	376,2	
		R'000	499	12 656	19 478	6 812	35 441	420,3	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		R'000	<b>28 000</b>	<b>32 083</b>	<b>42 252</b>	<b>91 167</b>	<b>92 767</b>	<b>1,8</b>	
<b>4. Recorded plans passed</b>		<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	R'000	<b>221 587</b>	<b>136 736</b>	<b>272 404</b>	<b>495 590</b>	<b>562 625</b>	<b>13,5</b>

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 620	1 205	1 200	3 700	3 345	-9,6	
		Square metres	74 249	60 770	64 585	175 154	171 919	-1,8	
		R'000	209 804	218 260	244 130	528 111	644 758	22,1	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	726	941	1 042	2 414	2 684	11,2	
		Square metres	179 257	231 969	264 705	609 306	699 489	14,8	
		R'000	1 065 438	1 380 727	1 626 049	3 614 318	4 279 588	18,4	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 866	653	999	3 076	2 231	-27,5	
		Square metres	123 538	57 842	95 248	258 817	204 897	-20,8	
		R'000	927 759	424 531	640 276	1 719 715	1 424 347	-17,2	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	4 906	1 708	2 746	22 720	5 434	-76,1	
		R'000	22 572	8 293	23 732	129 515	35 945	-72,2	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	<b>2 225 573</b>	<b>2 031 811</b>	<b>2 534 187</b>	<b>5 991 659</b>	<b>6 384 638</b>	<b>6,6</b>	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	38 950	37 525	28 945	94 238	109 495	16,2	
		R'000	254 656	291 066	205 359	611 808	855 136	39,8	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	48 157	19 366	58 569	86 961	97 593	12,2	
		R'000	338 412	115 681	383 193	661 566	623 872	-5,7	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	89 730	109 256	31 195	299 806	187 852	-37,3	
		R'000	443 942	569 600	147 179	1 405 561	935 184	-33,5	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	14 767	6 423	17 186	61 089	33 242	-45,6	
		R'000	80 227	43 469	123 029	410 983	250 000	-39,2	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	<b>1 117 237</b>	<b>1 019 816</b>	<b>858 760</b>	<b>3 089 918</b>	<b>2 664 192</b>	<b>-13,8</b>
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	110 821	90 597	96 351	344 566	259 767	-24,6
R'000			604 300	475 679	520 955	1 759 987	1 373 413	-22,0	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	34 737	27 437	57 083	130 574	100 536	-23,0	
		R'000	189 365	198 560	496 096	763 015	819 562	7,4	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	<b>793 665</b>	<b>674 239</b>	<b>1 017 051</b>	<b>2 523 002</b>	<b>2 192 975</b>	<b>-13,1</b>	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	<b>4 136 475</b>	<b>3 725 866</b>	<b>4 409 998</b>	<b>11 604 579</b>	<b>11 241 805</b>	<b>-3,1</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	1 187	391	305	2 054	1 013	-50,7	
		<b>Square metres</b>	50 497	17 425	17 148	87 981	47 863	-45,6	
		<b>R'000</b>	112 965	67 786	73 401	219 827	190 632	-13,3	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	170	309	302	528	747	41,5	
		<b>Square metres</b>	41 535	70 904	71 210	140 323	178 377	27,1	
		<b>R'000</b>	218 274	413 279	419 391	755 132	1 037 888	37,4	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	166	90	274	451	402	-10,9	
		<b>Square metres</b>	16 126	10 306	22 073	55 741	36 255	-35,0	
		<b>R'000</b>	105 864	76 358	154 617	319 040	257 575	-19,3	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	4 576	0	777	21 777	777	-96,4	
		<b>R'000</b>	20 592	0	5 976	124 129	5 976	-95,2	
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>457 695</b>	<b>557 423</b>	<b>653 385</b>	<b>1 418 128</b>	<b>1 492 071</b>	<b>5,2</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	28 650	1 283	14 603	36 571	16 051	-56,1	
		<b>R'000</b>	189 936	10 238	82 962	249 511	93 943	-62,3	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	150	8 941	284	5 480	18 116	230,6	
		<b>R'000</b>	705	51 335	2 384	24 556	111 511	354,1	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	926	21 863	6 109	36 674	32 447	-11,5	
		<b>R'000</b>	4 904	137 921	34 794	169 135	196 188	16,0	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	2 580	2 232	3 736	11 266	5 968	-47,0	
		<b>R'000</b>	13 792	12 759	23 941	54 519	36 700	-32,7	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>209 337</b>	<b>212 253</b>	<b>144 081</b>	<b>497 721</b>	<b>438 342</b>	<b>-11,9</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	34 575	39 595	45 352	135 852	113 165	-16,7
<b>R'000</b>			154 074	180 327	215 428	581 368	525 325	-9,6	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	20 342	5 341	21 659	88 393	35 466	-59,9	
		<b>R'000</b>	109 802	42 062	181 223	484 585	289 458	-40,3	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>263 876</b>	<b>222 389</b>	<b>396 651</b>	<b>1 065 953</b>	<b>814 783</b>	<b>-23,6</b>	
<b>4. Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>930 908</b>	<b>992 065</b>	<b>1 194 117</b>	<b>2 981 802</b>	<b>2 745 196</b>	<b>-7,9</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	34	69	121	80	290	262,5	
		Square metres	1 859	3 131	5 495	4 417	12 831	190,5	
		R'000	5 389	9 057	13 429	14 213	32 057	125,5	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	62	48	66	131	141	7,6	
		Square metres	10 293	9 879	15 258	25 593	30 731	20,1	
		R'000	44 346	47 660	73 005	116 330	146 696	26,1	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	21	23	4	39	51	30,8	
		Square metres	3 247	1 770	843	6 146	3 894	-36,6	
		R'000	13 636	8 651	4 638	26 551	18 971	-28,5	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	420	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	2 730	0	..	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	63 371	65 368	91 072	159 824	197 724	23,7
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	790	0	0	1 024	0	..
R'000			2 985	0	0	3 804	0	..	
2. Shopping space		Square metres	339	0	252	2 353	982	-58,3	
		R'000	1 591	0	1 008	10 003	5 753	-42,5	
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	26 201	27 254	768	43 248	28 228	-34,7	
		R'000	97 388	149 823	3 456	156 048	154 388	-1,1	
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	0	0	3 677	467	4 288	818,2	
		R'000	0	0	18 385	1 454	21 135	1 353,6	
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	101 964	149 823	22 849	171 309	181 276	5,8	
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	6 734	8 324	9 751	25 781	25 810	0,1
	R'000		24 083	32 771	39 884	98 382	106 578	8,3	
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	3 441	1 731	2 308	7 526	4 239	-43,7	
		R'000	11 878	18 831	10 841	27 898	31 663	13,5	
	3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	35 961	51 602	50 725	126 280	138 241	9,5
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	201 296	266 793	164 646	457 413	517 241	13,1	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	Number	0	1	0	1	1	0,0
		Square metres	0	51	0	41	51	24,4
		R'000	0	281	0	205	281	37,1
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	Number	16	14	1	26	17	-34,6
		Square metres	3 946	3 465	144	6 814	4 005	-41,2
		R'000	17 838	19 058	792	30 625	21 696	-29,2
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	Number	8	0	0	10	0	..
		Square metres	598	0	0	1 159	0	..
		R'000	2 691	0	0	4 655	0	..
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	R'000	<b>20 529</b>	<b>19 339</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>35 485</b>	<b>21 977</b>	<b>-38,1</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	14 879	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	50 589	0	..
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	363	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	1 634	0	..
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	Square metres	547	420	0	2 237	915	-59,1
		R'000	2 735	2 310	0	11 185	4 318	-61,4
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	Square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	R'000	<b>2 735</b>	<b>2 310</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>63 408</b>	<b>4 318</b>	<b>-93,2</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	Square metres	2 259	1 340	2 723	5 974	4 400
R'000			10 346	7 371	16 627	27 437	25 767	-6,1
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		Square metres	173	82	0	401	82	-79,6
		R'000	2 865	296	60	3 804	356	-90,6
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		R'000	<b>13 211</b>	<b>7 667</b>	<b>16 687</b>	<b>31 241</b>	<b>26 123</b>	<b>-16,4</b>
<b>4. Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	R'000	<b>36 475</b>	<b>29 316</b>	<b>17 479</b>	<b>130 134</b>	<b>52 418</b>	<b>-59,7</b>

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	54	257	166	105	436	315,2
		<b>Square metres</b>	3 137	14 264	9 301	5 866	24 175	312,1
		<b>R'000</b>	7 945	34 295	25 589	13 316	60 746	356,2
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	13	16	49	29	73	151,7
		<b>Square metres</b>	2 759	3 421	9 835	7 542	15 080	99,9
		<b>R'000</b>	13 522	16 141	43 466	35 965	68 565	90,6
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	82	0	43	120	43	-64,2
		<b>Square metres</b>	11 699	0	6 330	14 335	6 330	-55,8
		<b>R'000</b>	56 070	0	34 815	70 568	34 815	-50,7
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>77 537</b>	<b>50 436</b>	<b>103 870</b>	<b>119 849</b>	<b>164 126</b>	<b>36,9</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	935	0	935	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	5 797	0	5 797	..
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	451	0	4 149	451	4 149	820,0
		<b>R'000</b>	2 030	0	19 233	2 030	19 233	847,4
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	103	0	725	103	-85,8
		<b>R'000</b>	0	515	0	2 700	515	-80,9
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 030</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>25 030</b>	<b>4 730</b>	<b>25 545</b>	<b>440,1</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	1 136	2 061	3 737	2 612	6 603
<b>R'000</b>			4 680	8 193	19 849	10 267	31 192	203,8
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	299	2 148	114	556	2 262	306,8
		<b>R'000</b>	2 224	8 692	15 499	14 945	25 162	68,4
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>6 904</b>	<b>16 885</b>	<b>35 348</b>	<b>25 212</b>	<b>56 354</b>	<b>123,5</b>
<b>4. Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>86 471</b>	<b>67 836</b>	<b>164 248</b>	<b>149 791</b>	<b>246 025</b>	<b>64,2</b>

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

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

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

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



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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	19	5	15	50	55	10,0	
		Square metres	1 082	293	864	2 756	3 598	30,6	
		R'000	7 219	1 439	6 639	17 761	30 536	71,9	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	78	72	59	202	166	-17,8	
		Square metres	20 542	17 209	12 815	59 666	40 464	-32,2	
		R'000	164 123	129 681	103 706	448 159	310 650	-30,7	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	386	136	58	460	219	-52,4	
		Square metres	31 764	18 004	13 129	46 363	36 507	-21,3	
		R'000	269 831	139 983	87 207	357 541	265 626	-25,7	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	1 461	195	0	1 656	..	
		R'000	0	7 305	1 482	0	8 787	..	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	441 173	278 408	199 034	823 461	615 599	-25,2	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	930	9 602	2 000	-79,2	
		R'000	0	0	5 115	64 139	15 066	-76,5	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	735	158	29 660	1 629	34 713	2 030,9	
		R'000	2 572	1 469	240 626	10 260	283 986	2 667,9	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	8 591	16 830	3 646	25 994	22 415	-13,8	
		R'000	36 505	84 150	17 415	121 578	112 230	-7,7	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	3 752	3 068	5 241	7 045	34,4	
		R'000	0	28 140	22 568	27 394	52 774	92,6	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	39 077	113 759	285 724	223 371	464 056	107,8
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	10 667	10 296	10 726	34 568	27 238	-21,2
R'000			89 068	90 576	99 278	272 580	239 593	-12,1	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	3 162	9 165	20 551	6 603	31 914	383,3	
		R'000	22 077	73 820	191 235	53 403	277 799	420,2	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	111 145	164 396	290 513	325 983	517 392	58,7	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	591 395	556 563	775 271	1 372 815	1 597 047	16,3	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	18	5	2	61	10	-83,6	
		Square metres	1 055	296	128	3 164	627	-80,2	
		R'000	4 232	851	512	10 376	2 097	-79,8	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	45	54	70	222	189	-14,9	
		Square metres	8 942	8 529	13 653	33 952	36 705	8,1	
		R'000	38 572	35 957	62 092	148 283	157 764	6,4	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	8	58	12	336	288	-14,3	
		Square metres	690	4 174	1 226	31 271	20 459	-34,6	
		R'000	3 518	23 780	5 150	166 635	89 770	-46,1	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	247	0	193	1 227	535,8	
		R'000	0	988	0	676	4 908	626,0	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	<b>46 322</b>	<b>61 576</b>	<b>67 754</b>	<b>325 970</b>	<b>254 539</b>	<b>-21,9</b>	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 127	642	2 594	4 401	4 923	11,9	
		R'000	5 635	3 852	12 970	21 778	26 944	23,7	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	17 080	3 837	22 929	23 944	26 766	11,8	
		R'000	102 480	17 267	114 762	138 373	132 029	-4,6	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	1 179	1 190	0	11 513	13 257	15,1	
		R'000	4 127	4 760	0	39 805	53 028	33,2	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	2 117	0	0	2 938	0	..	
		R'000	12 702	0	0	15 496	0	..	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	<b>124 944</b>	<b>25 879</b>	<b>127 732</b>	<b>215 452</b>	<b>212 001</b>	<b>-1,6</b>
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	1 831	3 227	2 166	7 463	12 710	70,3
R'000			7 074	13 126	8 689	29 988	50 543	68,5	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	0	105	628	1 936	1 181	-39,0	
		R'000	290	513	1 884	8 591	5 795	-32,5	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	<b>7 364</b>	<b>13 639</b>	<b>10 573</b>	<b>38 579</b>	<b>56 338</b>	<b>46,0</b>	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	<b>178 630</b>	<b>101 094</b>	<b>206 059</b>	<b>580 001</b>	<b>522 878</b>	<b>-9,8</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	240	302	406	1 097	1 120	2,1	
		<b>Square metres</b>	13 023	16 116	21 657	57 385	60 174	4,9	
		<b>R'000</b>	55 940	75 408	82 646	197 573	243 782	23,4	
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	276	300	389	1 068	1 048	-1,9	
		<b>Square metres</b>	77 459	89 825	116 907	289 895	322 614	11,3	
		<b>R'000</b>	510 072	587 872	806 225	1 887 988	2 203 000	16,7	
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	1 166	346	596	1 523	1 216	-20,2	
		<b>Square metres</b>	54 076	23 588	49 748	92 687	99 553	7,4	
		<b>R'000</b>	453 822	175 759	345 637	726 798	749 378	3,1	
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	330	0	1 774	330	1 774	437,6	
		<b>R'000</b>	1 980	0	16 274	1 980	16 274	721,9	
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 021 814</b>	<b>839 039</b>	<b>1 250 782</b>	<b>2 814 339</b>	<b>3 212 434</b>	<b>14,1</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	8 383	34 280	9 883	26 443	84 266	218,7	
		<b>R'000</b>	56 100	270 904	98 515	216 712	707 314	226,4	
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	29 402	6 430	0	31 018	6 430	-79,3	
		<b>R'000</b>	229 034	45 610	0	241 710	45 610	-81,1	
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	47 791	33 442	20 048	166 050	81 709	-50,8	
		<b>R'000</b>	278 055	152 189	88 643	848 150	373 714	-55,9	
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	10 070	101	6 421	40 289	15 319	-62,0	
		<b>R'000</b>	53 733	455	57 115	308 765	136 256	-55,9	
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>616 922</b>	<b>469 158</b>	<b>244 273</b>	<b>1 615 337</b>	<b>1 262 894</b>	<b>-21,8</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	44 162	14 934	11 907	103 424	42 389	-59,0
<b>R'000</b>			275 529	98 131	80 581	619 163	279 286	-54,9	
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	6 571	8 363	11 823	24 092	24 890	3,3	
		<b>R'000</b>	36 816	52 037	95 354	164 864	187 020	13,4	
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>312 345</b>	<b>150 168</b>	<b>175 935</b>	<b>784 027</b>	<b>466 306</b>	<b>-40,5</b>	
<b>4. Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 951 081</b>	<b>1 458 365</b>	<b>1 670 990</b>	<b>5 213 703</b>	<b>4 941 634</b>	<b>-5,2</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	48	160	165	203	365	79,8
		Square metres	2 439	8 261	8 749	10 762	19 390	80,2
		R'000	10 909	24 945	35 701	42 355	69 671	64,5
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	43	113	94	147	264	79,6
		Square metres	8 526	22 076	20 239	32 441	56 539	74,3
		R'000	36 588	101 104	95 149	134 946	264 644	96,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	17	0	0	67	0	..
		Square metres	1 206	0	0	4 083	0	..
		R'000	5 430	0	0	18 072	0	..
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	52 927	126 049	130 850	195 373	334 315	71,1	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	1 320	0	0	1 320	..
		R'000	0	6 072	0	0	6 072	..
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	0	0	21 723	5 142	-76,3
		R'000	0	0	0	233 000	20 570	-91,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	4 151	624	5 912	4 775	-19,2
		R'000	0	19 970	2 871	23 424	22 841	-2,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	235	284	163	519	218,4
		R'000	0	1 600	1 020	655	2 620	300,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	27 642	3 891	257 079	52 103	-79,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	9 128	10 562	9 923	26 959	27 128
R'000			38 251	44 033	40 288	112 610	113 647	0,9
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	624	502	0	942	502	-46,7
		R'000	2 938	2 309	0	4 450	2 309	-48,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	41 189	46 342	40 288	117 060	115 956	-0,9
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	94 116	200 033	175 029	569 512	502 374	-11,8

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

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

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

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

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

			Mar. 2014	Feb. 2015	Mar. 2015	Jan. - Mar. 2014	Jan. - Mar. 2015	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>1. Residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	20	15	20	49	55	12,2
		<b>Square metres</b>	1 157	933	1 243	2 782	3 210	15,4
		<b>R'000</b>	5 205	4 198	6 213	12 485	14 956	19,8
	<b>2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres</b>	<b>Number</b>	23	15	12	61	39	-36,1
		<b>Square metres</b>	5 255	6 661	4 644	13 080	14 974	14,5
		<b>R'000</b>	22 103	29 975	22 223	56 890	68 685	20,7
	<b>3. Flats and townhouses</b>	<b>Number</b>	12	0	12	70	12	-82,9
		<b>Square metres</b>	4 132	0	1 899	7 032	1 899	-73,0
		<b>R'000</b>	16 897	0	8 212	29 855	8 212	-72,5
	<b>4. Other residential buildings 2/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>5. Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>44 205</b>	<b>34 173</b>	<b>36 648</b>	<b>99 230</b>	<b>91 853</b>	<b>-7,4</b>
<b>2. Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>1. Office and banking space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	0	1 318	0	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	0	5 275	0	..
	<b>2. Shopping space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	1 295	0	1 295	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	5 180	0	5 180	..
	<b>3. Industrial and warehouse space</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	4 495	4 106	0	8 178	4 106	-49,8
		<b>R'000</b>	20 228	18 477	0	36 236	18 477	-49,0
	<b>4. Other non-residential buildings 3/</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
		<b>R'000</b>	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>5. Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>20 228</b>	<b>18 477</b>	<b>5 180</b>	<b>41 511</b>	<b>23 657</b>	<b>-43,0</b>
	<b>3. Additions and alterations</b>	<b>1. Dwelling-houses</b>	<b>Square metres</b>	329	258	66	1 933	324
<b>R'000</b>			1 195	1 151	331	8 192	1 482	-81,9
<b>2. Other buildings 4/</b>		<b>Square metres</b>	125	0	0	125	0	..
		<b>R'000</b>	475	0	0	475	0	..
<b>3. Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 670</b>	<b>1 151</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>8 667</b>	<b>1 482</b>	<b>-82,9</b>
<b>4. Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>1. Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>66 103</b>	<b>53 801</b>	<b>42 159</b>	<b>149 408</b>	<b>116 992</b>	<b>-21,7</b>

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

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

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

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

## Explanatory notes

- 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 -
    - passing of building plans; and
    - final inspection of completed buildings.
- Classification**
- 5 Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the *Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02*. The SIC is based on the 1990 *International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)* with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
- Collection rate**
- 6 The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for March 2015 was 96,4%. The improved collection rate for February 2015 was 93,6%.
- 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 86 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.
- Constant prices**
- 9 The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2010. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: *Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices*. In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2010=100.

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

**Symbols and abbreviations**

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



## Glossary

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

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

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