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Results for January to March 2016

Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to March 2015 versus January to March 2016

| Estimates at current prices | January to March 2015 1/ | January to March 2016 1/ | Difference in value between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 | % change between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | |
| Residential buildings | 11 407 918 | 11 986 259 | 578 341 | 5,1 |
| -Dwelling-houses | 7 783 214 | 8 079 671 | 296 457 | 3,8 |
| -Flats and townhouses | 3 386 706 | 3 654 524 | 267 818 | 7,9 |
| -Other residential buildings | 237 998 | 252 064 | 14 066 | 5,9 |
| Non-residential buildings | 3 935 574 | 8 004 840 | 4 069 266 | 103,4 |
| Additions and alterations | 6 251 419 | 5 617 848 | -633 571 | -10,1 |
| Total | 21 594 911 | 25 608 947 | 4 014 036 | 18,6 |

1/ 2015 and 2016 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 18,6% (R4 014,0 million) in the first quarter of 2016 compared with the first quarter of 2015.

Non-residential buildings rose by 103,4% (R4 069,3 million) – see Table A. There were large year-on-year increases in plans passed for shopping space in KwaZulu-Natal (R2 090,9 million), Western Cape (R824,1 million) and Gauteng (R577,4 million) – see Tables 10, 14 and 16, pages 18, 22 and 24.

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to March 2015 versus January to March 2016

| Estimates at current prices | January to March 2015 1/ | January to March 2016 1/ | % contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to March 2015 | % change between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 | Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 2/ | Difference in value between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | | | | R'000 |
| Western Cape | 5 859 525 | 6 360 733 | 27,1 | 8,6 | 2,3 | 501 208 |
| Eastern Cape | 1 062 544 | 840 561 | 4,9 | -20,9 | -1,0 | -221 983 |
| Northern Cape | 118 107 | 263 900 | 0,5 | 123,4 | 0,7 | 145 793 |
| Free State | 1 042 545 | 874 766 | 4,8 | -16,1 | -0,8 | -167 779 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 3 518 946 | 5 582 155 | 16,3 | 58,6 | 9,6 | 2 063 209 |
| North West | 846 897 | 619 995 | 3,9 | -26,8 | -1,1 | -226 902 |
| Gauteng | 7 475 507 | 9 763 003 | 34,6 | 30,6 | 10,6 | 2 287 496 |
| Mpumalanga | 1 108 215 | 979 907 | 5,1 | -11,6 | -0,6 | -128 308 |
| Limpopo | 562 625 | 323 927 | 2,6 | -42,4 | -1,1 | -238 698 |
| Total | 21 594 911 | 25 608 947 | 100,0 | 18,6 | 18,6 | 4 014 036 |

1/ 2015 and 2016 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 2015 and Jan. to Mar 2016 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to Mar 2015, divided by 100.

The largest contributions to the total increase of 18,6% (R4 014,0 million) were made by Gauteng (contributing 10,6 percentage points or R2 287,5 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 9,6 percentage points or R2 063,2 million) – see Table B.

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices: January to March 2015 versus January to March 2016

| Estimates at constant 2010 prices | January to March 2015 | January to March 2016 | Difference in value between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 | % change between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | 1/ | 1/ | R'000 | |
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | |
| Residential buildings | 8 839 826 | 8 820 023 | -19 803 | -0,2 |
| Non-residential buildings | 3 046 892 | 5 911 297 | 2 864 405 | 94,0 |
| Additions and alterations | 4 844 526 | 4 135 759 | -708 767 | -14,6 |
| Total | 16 731 244 | 18 867 079 | 2 135 835 | 12,8 |

1/ 2015 and 2016 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) increased by 12,8% (R2 135,8 million) year-on-year in the first quarter of 2016. Non-residential buildings rose by 94,0% (R2 864,4 million) – see Table C. There were large year-on-year increases in plans passed for shopping space in KwaZulu-Natal, Western Cape and Gauteng – see Tables 10, 14 and 16, pages 18, 22 and 24.

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

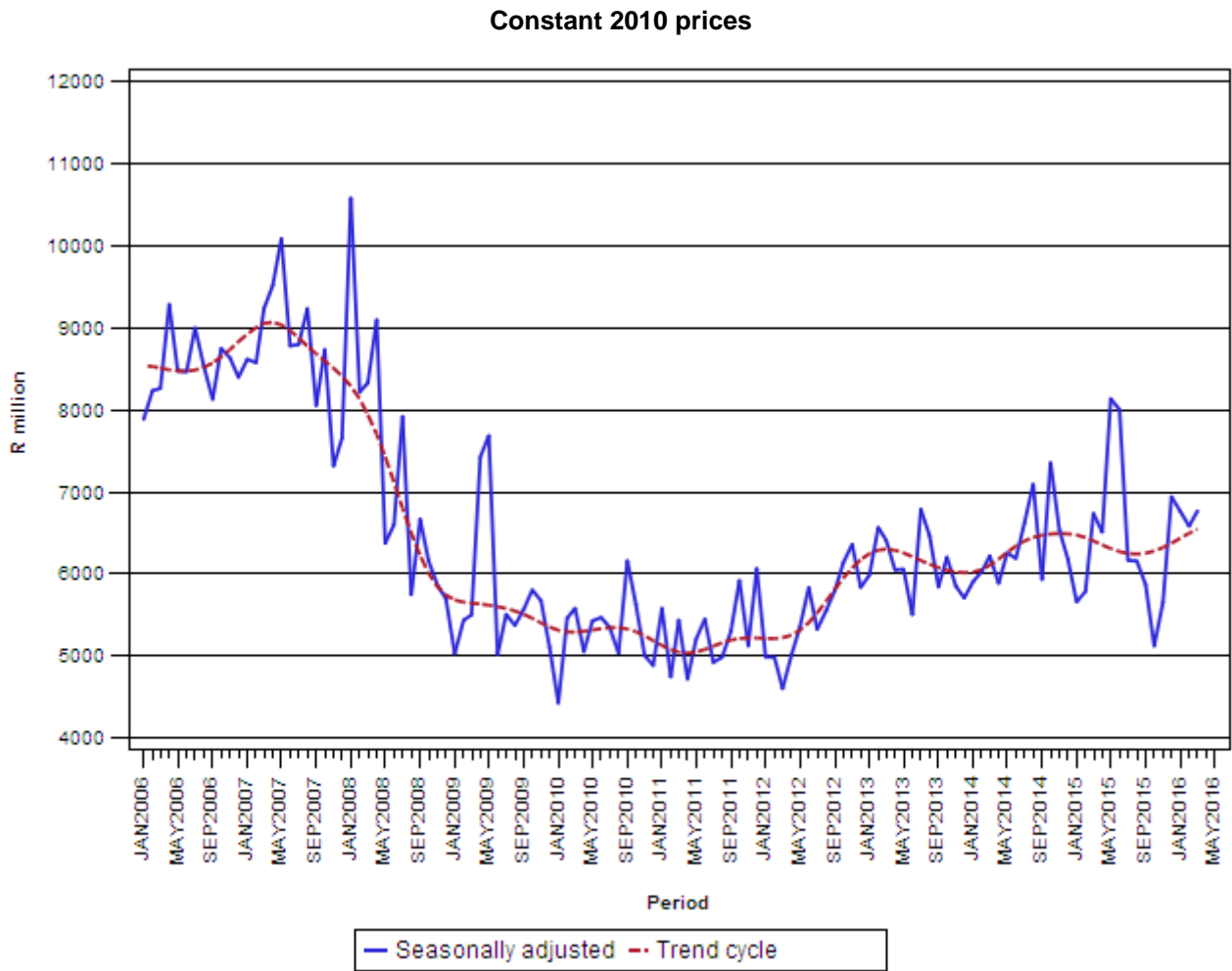
| Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices | October to December 2015 | January to March 2016 | % change between October to December 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | |
| Residential buildings | 9 345 613 | 9 567 679 | 2,4 |
| Non-residential buildings 1/ | 3 339 273 | 5 911 297 | 77,0 |
| Additions and alterations | 5 030 134 | 4 634 712 | -7,9 |
| Total | 17 715 019 | 20 113 690 | 13,5 |

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 increased by 13,5% in the first quarter of 2016 compared with the fourth quarter of 2015. Non-residential buildings rose by 77,0% – 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 2015 versus January to March 2016**

| Estimates at current prices | January to March 2015 1/ | January to March 2016 1/ | Difference in value between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 | % change between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | |
| Residential buildings | 6 474 432 | 7 200 991 | 726 559 | 11,2 |
| -Dwelling-houses | 5 010 900 | 4 893 960 | -116 940 | -2,3 |
| -Flats and townhouses | 1 427 587 | 2 240 015 | 812 428 | 56,9 |
| -Other residential buildings | 35 945 | 67 016 | 31 071 | 86,4 |
| Non-residential buildings | 2 664 192 | 3 419 109 | 754 917 | 28,3 |
| Additions and alterations | 2 203 355 | 2 399 946 | 196 591 | 8,9 |
| Total | 11 341 979 | 13 020 046 | 1 678 067 | 14,8 |

1/ 2015 and 2016 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) increased by 14,8% (R1 678,1 million) in the first quarter of 2016 compared with the first quarter of 2015. The largest increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (28,3% or R754,9 million) and residential buildings (11,2% or R726,6 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to March 2015 versus January to March 2016**

| Estimates at current prices | January to March 2015 1/ | January to March 2016 1/ | % contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to March 2015 | % change between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 | Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 2/ | Difference in value between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | | | | |
| Western Cape | 2 765 838 | 3 287 199 | 24,4 | 18,9 | 4,6 | 521 361 |
| Eastern Cape | 517 241 | 289 916 | 4,6 | -43,9 | -2,0 | -227 325 |
| Northern Cape | 52 418 | 96 876 | 0,5 | 84,8 | 0,4 | 44 458 |
| Free State | 246 417 | 352 120 | 2,2 | 42,9 | 0,9 | 105 703 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 1 597 047 | 1 884 522 | 14,1 | 18,0 | 2,5 | 287 475 |
| North West | 522 878 | 562 443 | 4,6 | 7,6 | 0,3 | 39 565 |
| Gauteng | 5 025 124 | 5 938 880 | 44,3 | 18,2 | 8,1 | 913 756 |
| Mpumalanga | 498 024 | 450 710 | 4,4 | -9,5 | -0,4 | -47 314 |
| Limpopo | 116 992 | 157 380 | 1,0 | 34,5 | 0,4 | 40 388 |
| Total | 11 341 979 | 13 020 046 | 100,0 | 14,8 | 14,8 | 1 678 067 |

1/ 2015 and 2016 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. 2015 and Jan. to Mar. 2016 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during Jan. to Mar. 2015, divided by 100.

Seven provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed in the first quarter of 2016. The largest contributions were recorded for Gauteng (contributing 8,1 percentage points or R913,8 million), Western Cape (contributing 4,6 percentage points or R521,4 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 2,5 percentage points or R287,5 million) – see Table F.

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices: January to March 2015 versus January to March 2016

| Estimates at constant 2010 prices | January to March 2015 1/ | January to March 2016 1/ | Difference in value between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 | % change between January to March 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | R'000 | |
| Residential buildings | 5 098 974 | 5 515 806 | 416 832 | 8,2 |
| Non-residential buildings | 2 220 598 | 2 672 832 | 452 234 | 20,4 |
| Additions and alterations | 1 774 276 | 1 859 757 | 85 481 | 4,8 |
| Total | 9 093 848 | 10 048 395 | 954 547 | 10,5 |

1/ 2015 and 2016 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2010 prices) increased by 10,5% (R954,5 million) year-on-year in the first quarter of 2016. The largest increases were recorded for non-residential buildings (20,4% or R452,2 million) and residential buildings (8,2% or R416,8 million) – see Table G.

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

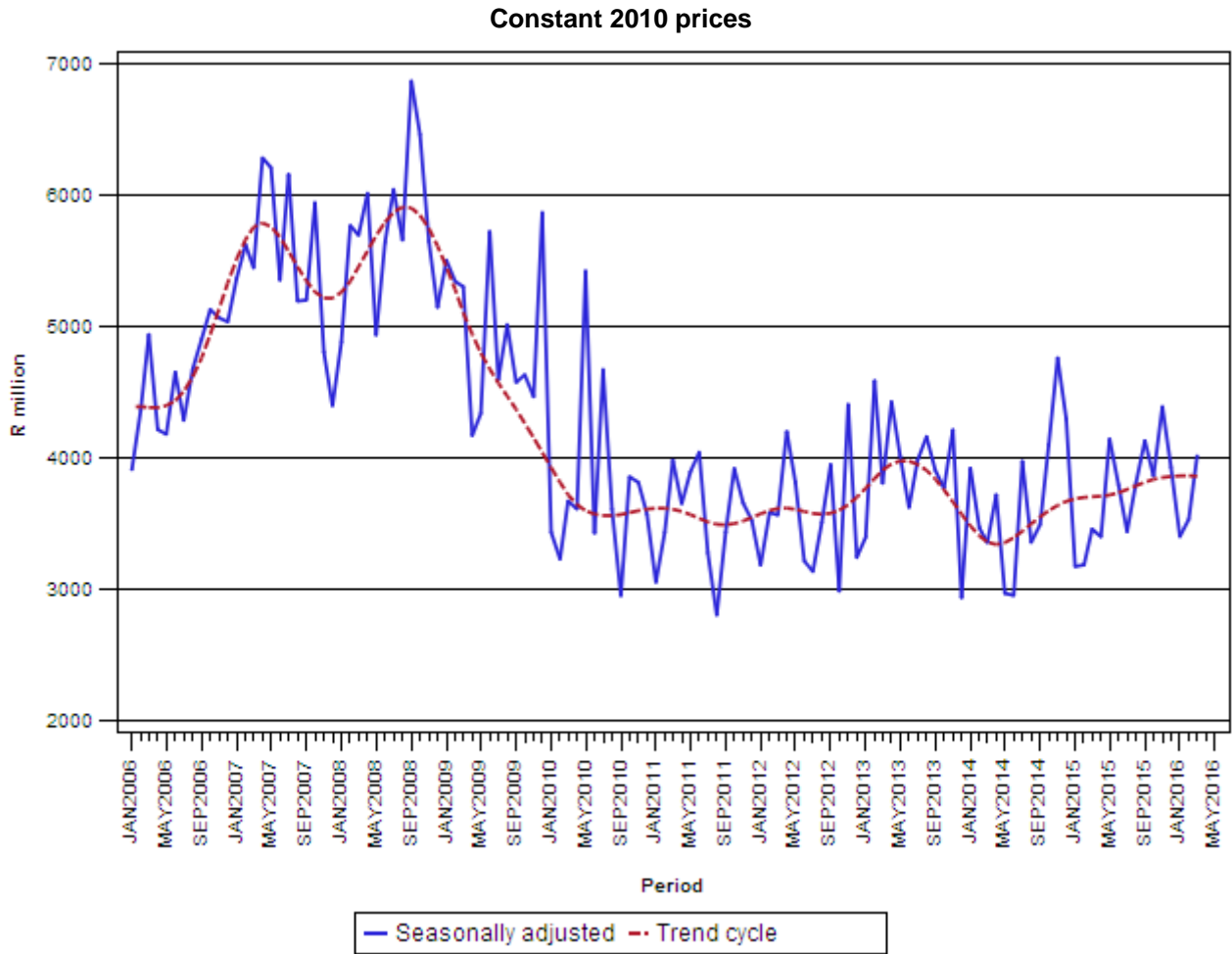
| Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices | October to December 2015 | January to March 2016 | % change between October to December 2015 and January to March 2016 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | R'000 | R'000 | |
| Residential buildings | 6 140 904 | 6 331 883 | 3,1 |
| Non-residential buildings 1/ | 4 066 660 | 2 672 832 | -34,3 |
| Additions and alterations | 1 981 818 | 1 953 106 | -1,4 |
| Total | 12 189 383 | 10 957 819 | -10,1 |

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 10,1% in the first quarter of 2016 compared with the fourth quarter of 2015. Non-residential buildings fell by 34,3% – 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/ |
| 2015 | January | 3 411 357 | 5,4 | 605 147 | -55,0 | 1 669 101 | 8,7 | 5 685 605 | -7,0 |
| | February | 3 825 309 | 17,1 | 1 179 924 | -42,6 | 2 328 241 | 13,2 | 7 333 474 | -0,6 |
| | March | 4 171 252 | 20,3 | 2 150 503 | -5,5 | 2 254 077 | 15,4 | 8 575 832 | 11,4 |
| | April | 4 231 730 | 39,1 | 1 939 405 | 12,3 | 1 979 962 | 0,2 | 8 151 097 | 20,9 |
| | May | 4 217 439 | 2,6 | 4 243 106 | 115,3 | 2 175 725 | 13,7 | 10 636 270 | 33,0 |
| | June | 4 515 235 | 15,4 | 3 972 054 | 95,3 | 2 213 891 | 15,4 | 10 701 180 | 36,1 |
| | July | 4 486 702 | 11,4 | 1 898 845 | -37,1 | 2 655 555 | 15,4 | 9 041 102 | -3,3 |
| | August | 4 255 093 | -10,7 | 1 850 190 | -15,5 | 2 292 582 | -11,7 | 8 397 865 | -12,0 |
| | September | 4 701 995 | 12,3 | 1 509 865 | 16,7 | 2 248 552 | -14,2 | 8 460 412 | 4,4 |
| | October | 3 909 559 | -25,7 | 1 126 314 | -63,2 | 2 306 634 | -0,9 | 7 342 507 | -31,1 |
| | November | 4 285 873 | 3,3 | 1 277 790 | -39,5 | 2 138 157 | -6,2 | 7 701 820 | -9,8 |
| | December | 3 715 285 | 25,7 | 2 006 222 | 7,1 | 2 171 504 | 15,7 | 7 893 011 | 17,7 |
| | Total | 49 726 829 | 7,2 | 23 759 365 | -4,8 | 26 433 981 | 4,2 | 99 920 175 | 3,3 |
| 2016 | January | 2 849 293 | -16,5 | 3 244 246 | 436,1 | 1 451 533 | -13,0 | 7 545 072 | 32,7 |
| | February | 4 592 495 | 20,1 | 2 247 812 | 90,5 | 2 119 542 | -9,0 | 8 959 849 | 22,2 |
| | March | 4 544 471 | 8,9 | 2 512 782 | 16,8 | 2 046 773 | -9,2 | 9 104 026 | 6,2 |

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 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/ |
| 2015 | January | 4 550 576 | 19,4 | 605 147 | -67,7 | 2 338 723 | 4,5 | 7 494 446 | -5,4 |
| | February | 3 927 656 | -13,7 | 1 179 924 | 95,0 | 2 340 769 | 0,1 | 7 448 349 | -0,6 |
| | March | 4 320 164 | 10,0 | 2 150 503 | 82,3 | 2 254 055 | -3,7 | 8 724 722 | 17,1 |
| | April | 4 357 453 | 0,9 | 1 939 405 | -9,8 | 2 137 873 | -5,2 | 8 434 731 | -3,3 |
| | May | 4 028 219 | -7,6 | 4 243 106 | 118,8 | 2 337 832 | 9,4 | 10 609 156 | 25,8 |
| | June | 4 311 050 | 7,0 | 3 972 054 | -6,4 | 2 209 219 | -5,5 | 10 492 322 | -1,1 |
| | July | 3 895 404 | -9,6 | 1 898 845 | -52,2 | 2 310 785 | 4,6 | 8 105 034 | -22,8 |
| | August | 4 036 508 | 3,6 | 1 850 190 | -2,6 | 2 194 452 | -5,0 | 8 081 150 | -0,3 |
| | September | 4 255 624 | 5,4 | 1 509 865 | -18,4 | 1 880 605 | -14,3 | 7 646 094 | -5,4 |
| | October | 3 508 040 | -17,6 | 1 126 314 | -25,4 | 2 157 728 | 14,7 | 6 792 082 | -11,2 |
| | November | 4 314 157 | 23,0 | 1 277 790 | 13,4 | 1 888 813 | -12,5 | 7 480 760 | 10,1 |
| | December | 4 618 547 | 7,1 | 2 006 222 | 57,0 | 2 584 502 | 36,8 | 9 209 270 | 23,1 |
| 2016 | January | 3 821 034 | -17,3 | 3 244 246 | 61,7 | 2 087 240 | -19,2 | 9 152 521 | -0,6 |
| | February | 4 711 638 | 23,3 | 2 247 812 | -30,7 | 2 039 650 | -2,3 | 8 999 100 | -1,7 |
| | March | 4 551 477 | -3,4 | 2 512 782 | 11,8 | 2 207 004 | 8,2 | 9 271 262 | 3,0 |
| | Oct. – Dec. 15 | 12 440 744 | | 4 410 326 | | 6 631 043 | | 23 482 112 | |
| | Jan. – Mar. 16 2/ | 13 084 149 | 5,2 | 8 004 840 | 81,5 | 6 333 894 | -4,5 | 27 422 883 | 16,8 |

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/ |
| 2015 | January | 2 646 514 | 0,0 | 469 470 | -57,3 | 1 294 881 | 3,0 | 4 410 865 | -11,9 |
| | February | 2 972 268 | 12,8 | 916 802 | -44,7 | 1 809 045 | 9,1 | 5 698 115 | -4,2 |
| | March | 3 221 044 | 16,4 | 1 660 620 | -8,5 | 1 740 600 | 11,7 | 6 622 264 | 7,8 |
| | April | 3 245 192 | 33,7 | 1 487 274 | 7,9 | 1 518 376 | -3,8 | 6 250 842 | 16,1 |
| | May | 3 226 809 | -1,3 | 3 246 447 | 107,1 | 1 664 671 | 9,4 | 8 137 927 | 28,0 |
| | June | 3 438 869 | 11,1 | 3 025 174 | 88,0 | 1 686 132 | 11,1 | 8 150 175 | 31,0 |
| | July | 3 406 759 | 7,7 | 1 441 796 | -39,2 | 2 016 367 | 11,7 | 6 864 922 | -6,5 |
| | August | 3 243 211 | -12,9 | 1 410 206 | -17,6 | 1 747 395 | -13,9 | 6 400 812 | -14,3 |
| | September | 3 586 571 | 9,7 | 1 151 690 | 14,0 | 1 715 143 | -16,2 | 6 453 404 | 2,0 |
| | October | 2 961 787 | -27,6 | 853 268 | -64,1 | 1 747 450 | -3,5 | 5 562 505 | -32,8 |
| | November | 3 244 416 | 0,4 | 967 290 | -41,2 | 1 618 590 | -8,8 | 5 830 296 | -12,4 |
| | December | 2 812 479 | 22,2 | 1 518 715 | 4,1 | 1 643 833 | 12,4 | 5 975 027 | 14,4 |
| | Total | 38 005 919 | 3,8 | 18 148 752 | -7,9 | 20 202 483 | 0,9 | 76 357 154 | 0,0 |
| 2016 | January | 2 131 109 | -19,5 | 2 426 512 | 416,9 | 1 085 664 | -16,2 | 5 643 285 | 27,9 |
| | February | 3 366 932 | 13,3 | 1 647 956 | 79,8 | 1 553 916 | -14,1 | 6 568 804 | 15,3 |
| | March | 3 321 982 | 3,1 | 1 836 829 | 10,6 | 1 496 179 | -14,0 | 6 654 990 | 0,5 |

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/ |
| 2015 | January | 3 402 793 | 13,5 | 469 470 | -67,8 | 1 789 631 | 3,8 | 5 661 894 | -8,4 |
| | February | 3 067 192 | -9,9 | 916 802 | 95,3 | 1 803 409 | 0,8 | 5 787 403 | 2,2 |
| | March | 3 348 772 | 9,2 | 1 660 620 | 81,1 | 1 728 473 | -4,2 | 6 737 865 | 16,4 |
| | April | 3 386 373 | 1,1 | 1 487 274 | -10,4 | 1 637 964 | -5,2 | 6 511 611 | -3,4 |
| | May | 3 106 623 | -8,3 | 3 246 447 | 118,3 | 1 782 372 | 8,8 | 8 135 442 | 24,9 |
| | June | 3 278 914 | 5,5 | 3 025 174 | -6,8 | 1 698 661 | -4,7 | 8 002 749 | -1,6 |
| | July | 2 961 942 | -9,7 | 1 441 796 | -52,3 | 1 762 102 | 3,7 | 6 165 840 | -23,0 |
| | August | 3 080 374 | 4,0 | 1 410 206 | -2,2 | 1 668 568 | -5,3 | 6 159 148 | -0,1 |
| | September | 3 286 838 | 6,7 | 1 151 690 | -18,3 | 1 432 188 | -14,2 | 5 870 716 | -4,7 |
| | October | 2 621 513 | -20,2 | 853 268 | -25,9 | 1 647 475 | 15,0 | 5 122 256 | -12,7 |
| | November | 3 229 124 | 23,2 | 967 290 | 13,4 | 1 455 457 | -11,7 | 5 651 871 | 10,3 |
| | December | 3 494 976 | 8,2 | 1 518 715 | 57,0 | 1 927 202 | 32,4 | 6 940 892 | 22,8 |
| 2016 | January | 2 789 688 | -20,2 | 2 426 512 | 59,8 | 1 548 378 | -19,7 | 6 764 578 | -2,5 |
| | February | 3 453 019 | 23,8 | 1 647 956 | -32,1 | 1 482 472 | -4,3 | 6 583 448 | -2,7 |
| | March | 3 324 972 | -3,7 | 1 836 829 | 11,5 | 1 603 862 | 8,2 | 6 765 664 | 2,8 |
| | Oct. – Dec. 15 | 9 345 613 | | 3 339 273 | | 5 030 134 | | 17 715 019 | |
| | Jan. – Mar. 16 2/ | 9 567 679 | 2,4 | 5 911 297 | 77,0 | 4 634 712 | -7,9 | 20 113 690 | 13,5 |

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/ |
| 2015 | January | 1 818 640 | -2,5 | 785 616 | -17,1 | 501 685 | -35,0 | 3 105 941 | -13,4 |
| | February | 2 087 746 | 9,8 | 1 019 816 | -0,5 | 675 990 | -29,4 | 3 783 552 | -2,6 |
| | March | 2 568 046 | 15,4 | 858 760 | -23,1 | 1 025 680 | 29,2 | 4 452 486 | 7,6 |
| | April | 2 608 404 | 16,7 | 730 600 | -42,9 | 903 209 | 43,4 | 4 242 213 | 2,3 |
| | May | 3 119 539 | 67,9 | 968 348 | 45,1 | 797 255 | 4,0 | 4 885 142 | 48,4 |
| | June | 2 599 782 | 33,2 | 1 057 013 | 32,2 | 983 921 | 50,9 | 4 640 716 | 36,3 |
| | July | 2 635 346 | 4,5 | 1 095 693 | -33,7 | 852 594 | 12,3 | 4 583 633 | -7,1 |
| | August | 2 830 856 | 18,9 | 1 420 995 | 50,9 | 814 463 | -13,1 | 5 066 314 | 18,9 |
| | September | 3 001 813 | 18,0 | 1 646 976 | 54,1 | 843 852 | 5,6 | 5 492 641 | 24,5 |
| | October | 2 688 004 | -6,8 | 1 693 843 | 18,8 | 766 090 | -14,9 | 5 147 937 | -1,2 |
| | November | 3 436 641 | 11,9 | 1 971 370 | -22,7 | 871 502 | 21,2 | 6 279 513 | -1,0 |
| | December | 2 797 120 | 11,8 | 1 449 198 | -28,3 | 764 722 | 10,9 | 5 011 040 | -3,9 |
| | Total | 32 191 937 | 15,2 | 14 698 228 | -5,2 | 9 800 963 | 4,5 | 56 691 128 | 7,3 |
| 2016 | January | 2 208 305 | 21,4 | 578 503 | -26,4 | 651 330 | 29,8 | 3 438 138 | 10,7 |
| | February | 2 457 529 | 17,7 | 1 029 861 | 1,0 | 869 812 | 28,7 | 4 357 202 | 15,2 |
| | March | 2 535 157 | -1,3 | 1 810 745 | 110,9 | 878 804 | -14,3 | 5 224 706 | 17,3 |

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

| Year and month | | Residential buildings | | Non-residential buildings 3/ | | Additions and alterations | | Total | |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | | R'000 | % change 1/ | R'000 | % change 1/ | R'000 | % change 1/ | R'000 | % change 1/ |
| 2015 | January | 2 485 027 | 5,4 | 785 616 | -61,1 | 677 922 | -19,5 | 3 948 565 | -24,4 |
| | February | 2 317 159 | -6,8 | 1 019 816 | 29,8 | 641 558 | -5,4 | 3 978 533 | 0,8 |
| | March | 2 575 135 | 11,1 | 858 760 | -15,8 | 908 393 | 41,6 | 4 342 287 | 9,1 |
| | April | 2 756 592 | 7,0 | 730 600 | -14,9 | 838 364 | -7,7 | 4 325 556 | -0,4 |
| | May | 3 401 401 | 23,4 | 968 348 | 32,5 | 844 260 | 0,7 | 5 214 009 | 20,5 |
| | June | 2 762 804 | -18,8 | 1 057 013 | 9,2 | 975 682 | 15,6 | 4 795 499 | -8,0 |
| | July | 2 461 539 | -10,9 | 1 095 693 | 3,7 | 790 277 | -19,0 | 4 347 509 | -9,3 |
| | August | 2 666 971 | 8,3 | 1 420 995 | 29,7 | 748 003 | -5,3 | 4 835 968 | 11,2 |
| | September | 2 796 685 | 4,9 | 1 646 976 | 15,9 | 826 945 | 10,6 | 5 270 606 | 9,0 |
| | October | 2 492 740 | -10,9 | 1 693 843 | 2,8 | 758 018 | -8,3 | 4 944 601 | -6,2 |
| | November | 2 808 540 | 12,7 | 1 971 370 | 16,4 | 858 428 | 13,2 | 5 638 338 | 14,0 |
| | December | 2 670 326 | -4,9 | 1 449 198 | -26,5 | 936 277 | 9,1 | 5 055 802 | -10,3 |
| 2016 | January | 2 972 828 | 11,3 | 578 503 | -60,1 | 875 934 | -6,4 | 4 427 265 | -12,4 |
| | February | 2 728 677 | -8,2 | 1 029 861 | 78,0 | 827 313 | -5,6 | 4 585 851 | 3,6 |
| | March | 2 697 695 | -1,1 | 1 810 745 | 75,8 | 834 400 | 0,9 | 5 342 840 | 16,5 |
| | Oct. – Dec. 15 | 7 971 606 | | 5 114 411 | | 2 552 723 | | 15 638 741 | |
| | Jan. – Mar. 16 2/ | 8 399 200 | 5,4 | 3 419 109 | -33,1 | 2 537 647 | -0,6 | 14 355 956 | -8,2 |

1/ The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant month compared with the 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/ |
| 2015 | January | 1 439 644 | -8,6 | 657 970 | -22,3 | 410 544 | -39,0 | 2 508 158 | -18,9 |
| | February | 1 642 970 | 2,6 | 850 555 | -7,0 | 545 153 | -34,2 | 3 038 678 | -9,1 |
| | March | 2 016 360 | 7,9 | 712 073 | -28,4 | 818 579 | 20,8 | 3 547 012 | 0,2 |
| | April | 2 042 066 | 9,3 | 603 802 | -46,9 | 720 837 | 35,0 | 3 366 705 | -4,9 |
| | May | 2 446 757 | 58,0 | 799 627 | 35,5 | 634 252 | -2,8 | 3 880 636 | 39,0 |
| | June | 2 033 218 | 25,5 | 871 404 | 23,7 | 778 419 | 40,9 | 3 683 041 | 28,0 |
| | July | 2 049 402 | -1,5 | 896 639 | -37,8 | 669 226 | 5,3 | 3 615 267 | -13,0 |
| | August | 2 204 315 | 14,0 | 1 145 964 | 40,6 | 636 797 | -18,5 | 3 987 076 | 13,0 |
| | September | 2 325 468 | 13,3 | 1 314 426 | 44,0 | 658 745 | -0,6 | 4 298 639 | 18,5 |
| | October | 2 069 046 | -10,6 | 1 351 830 | 11,7 | 595 715 | -19,9 | 4 016 591 | -5,9 |
| | November | 2 644 082 | 6,9 | 1 568 313 | -27,7 | 678 740 | 14,3 | 4 891 135 | -6,6 |
| | December | 2 146 421 | 7,0 | 1 146 517 | -33,1 | 595 578 | 4,8 | 3 888 516 | -9,3 |
| | Total | 25 059 749 | 9,2 | 11 919 120 | -11,4 | 7 742 585 | -2,0 | 44 721 454 | 1,0 |
| 2016 | January | 1 691 357 | 17,5 | 454 084 | -31,0 | 505 299 | 23,1 | 2 650 740 | 5,7 |
| | February | 1 884 582 | 14,7 | 805 208 | -5,3 | 675 845 | 24,0 | 3 365 635 | 10,8 |
| | March | 1 939 867 | -3,8 | 1 413 540 | 98,5 | 678 613 | -17,1 | 4 032 020 | 13,7 |

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/ |
| 2015 | January | 1 968 498 | 3,9 | 657 970 | -61,6 | 549 717 | -20,4 | 3 176 184 | -26,1 |
| | February | 1 823 620 | -7,4 | 850 555 | 29,3 | 514 482 | -6,4 | 3 188 657 | 0,4 |
| | March | 2 027 047 | 11,2 | 712 073 | -16,3 | 721 009 | 40,1 | 3 460 129 | 8,5 |
| | April | 2 125 831 | 4,9 | 603 802 | -15,2 | 672 622 | -6,7 | 3 402 255 | -1,7 |
| | May | 2 671 803 | 25,7 | 799 627 | 32,4 | 675 475 | 0,4 | 4 146 906 | 21,9 |
| | June | 2 154 520 | -19,4 | 871 404 | 9,0 | 772 491 | 14,4 | 3 798 415 | -8,4 |
| | July | 1 920 858 | -10,8 | 896 639 | 2,9 | 623 540 | -19,3 | 3 441 038 | -9,4 |
| | August | 2 078 564 | 8,2 | 1 145 964 | 27,8 | 587 916 | -5,7 | 3 812 444 | 10,8 |
| | September | 2 171 041 | 4,4 | 1 314 426 | 14,7 | 647 812 | 10,2 | 4 133 279 | 8,4 |
| | October | 1 922 717 | -11,4 | 1 351 830 | 2,8 | 590 033 | -8,9 | 3 864 580 | -6,5 |
| | November | 2 158 715 | 12,3 | 1 568 313 | 16,0 | 665 506 | 12,8 | 4 392 534 | 13,7 |
| | December | 2 059 472 | -4,6 | 1 146 517 | -26,9 | 726 279 | 9,1 | 3 932 269 | -10,5 |
| 2016 | January | 2 276 903 | 10,6 | 454 084 | -60,4 | 673 483 | -7,3 | 3 404 469 | -13,4 |
| | February | 2 091 614 | -8,1 | 805 208 | 77,3 | 639 347 | -5,1 | 3 536 168 | 3,9 |
| | March | 1 963 366 | -6,1 | 1 413 540 | 75,5 | 640 276 | 0,1 | 4 017 182 | 13,6 |
| | Oct. – Dec. 15 | 6 140 904 | | 4 066 660 | | 1 981 818 | | 12 189 383 | |
| | Jan. – Mar. 16 2/ | 6 331 883 | 3,1 | 2 672 832 | -34,3 | 1 953 106 | -1,4 | 10 957 819 | -10,1 |

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 1 312 | 1 583 | 1 691 | 4 012 | 4 652 | 16,0 | |
| | | square metres | 63 386 | 76 371 | 80 979 | 193 697 | 222 292 | 14,8 | |
| | | R'000 | 278 751 | 373 459 | 383 959 | 796 875 | 1 033 339 | 29,7 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 1 453 | 1 462 | 1 406 | 4 049 | 3 946 | -2,5 | |
| | | square metres | 401 708 | 395 019 | 382 618 | 1 116 292 | 1 056 187 | -5,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 2 498 156 | 2 605 696 | 2 607 572 | 6 986 339 | 7 046 332 | 0,9 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 1 237 | 2 125 | 1 644 | 4 475 | 4 949 | 10,6 | |
| | | square metres | 179 975 | 186 870 | 177 321 | 475 737 | 463 575 | -2,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 1 241 338 | 1 449 492 | 1 465 327 | 3 386 706 | 3 654 524 | 7,9 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 25 143 | 21 806 | 11 725 | 38 238 | 33 665 | -12,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 153 007 | 163 848 | 87 613 | 237 998 | 252 064 | 5,9 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 4 171 252 | 4 592 495 | 4 544 471 | 11 407 918 | 11 986 259 | 5,1 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 66 897 | 84 192 | 27 253 | 95 927 | 124 883 | 30,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 557 678 | 775 035 | 216 181 | 747 312 | 1 082 656 | 44,9 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 96 697 | 91 480 | 125 552 | 142 268 | 470 766 | 230,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 667 610 | 669 487 | 986 442 | 936 071 | 4 107 132 | 338,8 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 156 607 | 132 547 | 157 169 | 316 502 | 365 815 | 15,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 750 974 | 668 728 | 866 441 | 1 670 940 | 1 928 822 | 15,4 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 30 364 | 22 775 | 64 492 | 96 487 | 131 514 | 36,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 174 241 | 134 562 | 443 718 | 581 251 | 886 230 | 52,5 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 2 150 503 | 2 247 812 | 2 512 782 | 3 935 574 | 8 004 840 | 103,4 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 261 001 | 273 041 | 240 535 | 714 097 | 684 848 | -4,1 |
| R'000 | | | 1 549 348 | 1 802 388 | 1 539 845 | 4 186 082 | 4 438 207 | 6,0 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 100 452 | 38 308 | 54 301 | 280 943 | 142 122 | -49,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 704 729 | 317 154 | 506 928 | 2 065 337 | 1 179 641 | -42,9 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 2 254 077 | 2 119 542 | 2 046 773 | 6 251 419 | 5 617 848 | -10,1 | |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 8 575 832 | 8 959 849 | 9 104 026 | 21 594 911 | 25 608 947 | 18,6 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 598 | 607 | 920 | 1 513 | 1 863 | 23,1 | |
| | | square metres | 26 388 | 28 231 | 41 915 | 67 052 | 85 081 | 26,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 145 297 | 157 875 | 221 253 | 373 763 | 464 790 | 24,4 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 408 | 421 | 408 | 1 192 | 1 081 | -9,3 | |
| | | square metres | 99 786 | 106 061 | 97 089 | 294 836 | 262 815 | -10,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 621 855 | 721 518 | 631 133 | 1 855 793 | 1 738 045 | -6,3 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 364 | 437 | 269 | 1 050 | 954 | -9,1 | |
| | | square metres | 51 616 | 49 504 | 36 834 | 109 764 | 117 464 | 7,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 388 076 | 371 505 | 260 522 | 800 659 | 859 879 | 7,4 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 2 573 | 17 799 | 0 | 5 331 | 17 799 | 233,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 14 124 | 137 926 | 0 | 33 676 | 137 926 | 309,6 | |
| Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 1 169 352 | 1 388 824 | 1 112 908 | 3 063 891 | 3 200 640 | 4,5 | |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 11 915 | 7 376 | 1 570 | 19 849 | 8 946 | -54,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 79 888 | 58 847 | 10 285 | 130 676 | 69 132 | -47,1 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 562 | 293 | 106 312 | 6 597 | 106 605 | 1 516,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 4 000 | 1 793 | 872 547 | 50 220 | 874 340 | 1 641,0 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 15 281 | 29 483 | 41 721 | 97 833 | 78 179 | -20,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 94 410 | 185 512 | 294 884 | 622 649 | 531 248 | -14,7 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 5 454 | 2 840 | 22 477 | 25 117 | 31 397 | 25,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 33 286 | 18 950 | 148 923 | 154 116 | 203 736 | 32,2 | |
| Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 211 584 | 265 102 | 1 326 639 | 957 661 | 1 678 456 | 75,3 | |
| Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 93 163 | 68 353 | 65 948 | 230 474 | 181 678 | -21,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 546 658 | 434 600 | 408 063 | 1 304 109 | 1 142 029 | -12,4 | |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 22 168 | 7 116 | 9 621 | 50 492 | 28 419 | -43,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 251 902 | 84 789 | 162 592 | 533 864 | 339 608 | -36,4 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 798 560 | 519 389 | 570 655 | 1 837 973 | 1 481 637 | -19,4 | |
| Recorded plans passed | Total at current prices | | R'000 | 2 179 496 | 2 173 315 | 3 010 202 | 5 859 525 | 6 360 733 | 8,6 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 30 | 51 | 86 | 67 | 215 | 220,9 |
| | | square metres | 1 890 | 2 992 | 3 720 | 4 100 | 11 102 | 170,8 |
| | | R'000 | 8 859 | 17 280 | 13 399 | 19 514 | 56 462 | 189,3 |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 101 | 97 | 47 | 242 | 213 | -12,0 |
| | | square metres | 25 102 | 20 177 | 11 811 | 56 883 | 46 518 | -18,2 |
| | | R'000 | 129 130 | 115 053 | 67 505 | 322 458 | 272 263 | -15,6 |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 14 | 33 | 28 | 43 | 71 | 65,1 |
| | | square metres | 1 492 | 3 278 | 1 502 | 4 559 | 6 174 | 35,4 |
| | | R'000 | 7 533 | 17 322 | 7 541 | 24 004 | 30 863 | 28,6 |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 155 | 148 | 0 | 709 | 148 | -79,1 |
| | | R'000 | 1 008 | 962 | 0 | 4 609 | 962 | -79,1 |
| | Total residential buildings | R'000 | 146 530 | 150 617 | 88 445 | 370 585 | 360 550 | -2,7 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 751 | 0 | 135 | 3 746 | 281 | -92,5 |
| | | R'000 | 3 380 | 0 | 607 | 20 482 | 1 317 | -93,6 |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 2 056 | 242 | 450 | 5 176 | 1 692 | -67,3 |
| | | R'000 | 8 224 | 968 | 2 558 | 24 695 | 7 526 | -69,5 |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 9 885 | 3 958 | 9 081 | 21 363 | 29 415 | 37,7 |
| | | R'000 | 44 483 | 16 831 | 57 392 | 98 808 | 146 397 | 48,2 |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 3 528 | 3 068 | 0 | 4 158 | 3 488 | -16,1 |
| | | R'000 | 14 112 | 14 120 | 0 | 16 708 | 16 130 | -3,5 |
| | Total non-residential buildings | R'000 | 70 199 | 31 919 | 60 557 | 160 693 | 171 370 | 6,6 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 27 280 | 18 910 | 15 978 | 74 709 | 49 133 |
| R'000 | | | 135 756 | 102 258 | 82 455 | 385 748 | 270 352 | -29,9 |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 8 169 | 4 259 | 2 557 | 30 885 | 9 539 | -69,1 |
| | | R'000 | 40 246 | 17 122 | 12 508 | 145 518 | 38 289 | -73,7 |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 176 002 | 119 380 | 94 963 | 531 266 | 308 641 | -41,9 |
| Recorded plans passed | Total at current prices | R'000 | 392 731 | 301 916 | 243 965 | 1 062 544 | 840 561 | -20,9 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 3 | -40,0 | |
| | | square metres | 174 | 0 | 0 | 174 | 230 | 32,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 1 050 | 0 | 0 | 1 050 | 1 380 | 31,4 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 13 | 16 | 14 | 37 | 43 | 16,2 | |
| | | square metres | 3 875 | 3 621 | 2 825 | 8 154 | 9 128 | 11,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 18 908 | 23 746 | 16 536 | 40 567 | 57 188 | 41,0 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 46 | .. | |
| | | square metres | 0 | 875 | 864 | 0 | 5 326 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 5 274 | 5 503 | 0 | 31 677 | .. | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 19 958 | 29 020 | 22 039 | 41 617 | 90 245 | 116,8 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 0 | 7 690 | 1 153 | 0 | 8 843 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 46 140 | 6 850 | 0 | 52 990 | .. | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 985 | 0 | 5 214 | 985 | 5 430 | 451,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 5 418 | 0 | 31 372 | 5 418 | 32 668 | 503,0 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 147 | 502 | 441 | 256 | 943 | 268,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 809 | 2 794 | 2 514 | 1 223 | 5 308 | 334,0 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 6 227 | 48 934 | 40 736 | 6 641 | 90 966 | 1 269,8 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 4 494 | 5 663 | 4 116 | 12 405 | 11 811 | -4,8 |
| R'000 | | | 24 606 | 37 364 | 28 830 | 66 961 | 78 393 | 17,1 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 0 | 0 | 111 | 466 | 111 | -76,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 90 | 110 | 2 306 | 2 888 | 4 296 | 48,8 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 24 696 | 37 474 | 31 136 | 69 849 | 82 689 | 18,4 | |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 50 881 | 115 428 | 93 911 | 118 107 | 263 900 | 123,4 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 178 | 45 | 17 | 514 | 116 | -77,4 |
| | | square metres | 8 802 | 2 609 | 986 | 27 549 | 6 624 | -76,0 |
| | | R'000 | 20 435 | 14 339 | 5 364 | 65 180 | 30 219 | -53,6 |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 63 | 86 | 61 | 232 | 198 | -14,7 |
| | | square metres | 13 646 | 21 743 | 13 277 | 47 967 | 48 547 | 1,2 |
| | | R'000 | 69 414 | 117 882 | 72 310 | 246 175 | 261 372 | 6,2 |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 63 | 102 | 23 | 181 | 125 | -30,9 |
| | | square metres | 8 037 | 11 392 | 2 961 | 18 420 | 14 353 | -22,1 |
| | | R'000 | 47 870 | 78 546 | 18 407 | 109 448 | 96 953 | -11,4 |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 18 024 | 2 975 | 742 | 18 024 | 3 851 | -78,6 |
| | | R'000 | 105 109 | 20 560 | 5 194 | 105 109 | 26 357 | -74,9 |
| | Total residential buildings | R'000 | 242 828 | 231 327 | 101 275 | 525 912 | 414 901 | -21,1 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 3 994 | 10 229 | 0 | 6 588 | 10 229 | 55,3 |
| | | R'000 | 26 951 | 80 888 | 0 | 44 608 | 80 888 | 81,3 |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 25 395 | 2 449 | 860 | 25 951 | 3 309 | -87,2 |
| | | R'000 | 177 765 | 15 713 | 4 521 | 180 545 | 20 234 | -88,8 |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 870 | 14 458 | 2 998 | 4 434 | 18 295 | 312,6 |
| | | R'000 | 5 046 | 65 062 | 13 491 | 23 882 | 82 329 | 244,7 |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 452 | 0 | 4 096 | 4 035 | 5 694 | 41,1 |
| | | R'000 | 2 622 | 0 | 32 768 | 24 120 | 40 235 | 66,8 |
| | Total non-residential buildings | R'000 | 212 384 | 161 663 | 50 780 | 273 155 | 223 686 | -18,1 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 9 771 | 18 150 | 11 177 | 38 837 | 39 154 |
| R'000 | | | 45 386 | 95 542 | 58 822 | 184 741 | 202 196 | 9,4 |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 3 028 | 1 097 | 1 159 | 9 921 | 2 937 | -70,4 |
| | | R'000 | 14 459 | 16 298 | 12 490 | 58 737 | 33 983 | -42,1 |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 59 845 | 111 840 | 71 312 | 243 478 | 236 179 | -3,0 |
| Recorded plans passed | Total at current prices | R'000 | 515 057 | 504 830 | 223 367 | 1 042 545 | 874 766 | -16,1 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 21 | 20 | 30 | 69 | 71 | 2,9 | |
| | | square metres | 1 154 | 1 049 | 1 584 | 3 828 | 3 903 | 2,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 8 302 | 8 233 | 13 708 | 27 797 | 31 349 | 12,8 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 143 | 110 | 139 | 372 | 341 | -8,3 | |
| | | square metres | 47 129 | 33 405 | 47 262 | 120 148 | 111 679 | -7,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 387 411 | 282 690 | 436 686 | 982 745 | 966 983 | -1,6 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 104 | 581 | 176 | 271 | 813 | 200,0 | |
| | | square metres | 19 758 | 35 582 | 28 901 | 42 171 | 75 126 | 78,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 128 503 | 340 750 | 247 549 | 302 584 | 680 792 | 125,0 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 844 | 2 284 | 2 442 | 3 128 | 28,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 4 220 | 12 867 | 24 176 | 17 087 | -29,3 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 524 216 | 635 893 | 710 810 | 1 337 302 | 1 696 211 | 26,8 |
| | Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 18 997 | 22 977 | 4 107 | 21 827 | 27 304 | 25,1 |
| R'000 | | | 163 253 | 228 442 | 28 136 | 178 725 | 257 349 | 44,0 | |
| Shopping space | | square metres | 0 | 13 267 | 157 | 1 197 | 211 928 | 17 604,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 119 529 | 1 570 | 11 132 | 2 102 014 | 18 782,6 | |
| Industrial and warehouse space | | square metres | 54 685 | 9 526 | 8 135 | 93 165 | 31 228 | -66,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 271 729 | 45 560 | 39 330 | 471 426 | 154 074 | -67,3 | |
| Other non-residential buildings 3/ | | square metres | 11 897 | 12 029 | 13 179 | 35 309 | 25 939 | -26,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 80 271 | 77 767 | 107 101 | 240 376 | 188 158 | -21,7 | |
| Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 515 253 | 471 298 | 176 137 | 901 659 | 2 701 595 | 199,6 | |
| Additions and alterations | | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 29 135 | 32 324 | 28 035 | 76 631 | 80 738 | 5,4 |
| | R'000 | | 231 367 | 266 257 | 228 974 | 604 948 | 678 280 | 12,1 | |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 30 619 | 16 037 | 21 325 | 83 825 | 63 166 | -24,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 208 390 | 112 568 | 207 326 | 675 037 | 506 069 | -25,0 | |
| | Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 439 757 | 378 825 | 436 300 | 1 279 985 | 1 184 349 | -7,5 |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 1 479 226 | 1 486 016 | 1 323 247 | 3 518 946 | 5 582 155 | 58,6 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 33 | 8 | 2 | 547 | 20 | -96,3 | |
| | | square metres | 1 500 | 500 | 136 | 24 831 | 1 322 | -94,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 4 245 | 2 669 | 816 | 62 544 | 6 576 | -89,5 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 78 | 76 | 76 | 198 | 211 | 6,6 | |
| | | square metres | 19 079 | 21 234 | 18 404 | 51 544 | 54 239 | 5,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 95 928 | 103 484 | 92 653 | 254 313 | 270 965 | 6,5 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 154 | 79 | 147 | 329 | 260 | -21,0 | |
| | | square metres | 14 844 | 6 727 | 9 046 | 29 470 | 18 033 | -38,8 | |
| | | R'000 | 80 669 | 29 231 | 47 890 | 157 259 | 86 613 | -44,9 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 718 | 464 | 718 | 54,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 5 026 | 2 611 | 5 026 | 92,5 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 180 842 | 135 384 | 146 385 | 476 727 | 369 180 | -22,6 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 700 | 0 | 1 180 | 3 286 | 1 180 | -64,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 3 500 | 0 | 5 900 | 16 279 | 5 900 | -63,8 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 20 067 | 1 051 | 1 774 | 23 551 | 2 825 | -88,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 118 936 | 5 249 | 7 465 | 138 633 | 12 714 | -90,8 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 1 248 | 1 250 | 775 | 2 021 | 5 554 | 174,8 | |
| | | R'000 | 5 376 | 5 000 | 3 275 | 8 468 | 27 630 | 226,3 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 0 | 546 | 3 000 | 2 465 | 4 398 | 78,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 2 730 | 15 000 | 10 215 | 22 416 | 119,4 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 127 812 | 12 979 | 31 640 | 173 595 | 68 660 | -60,4 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 12 763 | 11 977 | 11 535 | 35 896 | 33 228 | -7,4 |
| R'000 | | | 61 167 | 55 920 | 59 556 | 163 810 | 160 369 | -2,1 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 3 252 | 1 652 | 1 361 | 5 768 | 4 100 | -28,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 18 499 | 7 750 | 8 539 | 32 765 | 21 786 | -33,5 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 79 666 | 63 670 | 68 095 | 196 575 | 182 155 | -7,3 | |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 388 320 | 212 033 | 246 120 | 846 897 | 619 995 | -26,8 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 238 | 660 | 558 | 868 | 1 820 | 109,7 | |
| | | square metres | 11 963 | 31 146 | 28 498 | 43 079 | 86 605 | 101,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 38 611 | 133 593 | 112 075 | 149 196 | 328 692 | 120,3 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 365 | 483 | 477 | 1 122 | 1 340 | 19,4 | |
| | | square metres | 133 590 | 145 333 | 155 970 | 372 872 | 404 940 | 8,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 890 277 | 1 029 226 | 1 120 702 | 2 513 045 | 2 886 209 | 14,8 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 350 | 854 | 968 | 2 392 | 2 628 | 9,9 | |
| | | square metres | 55 366 | 75 818 | 94 805 | 240 838 | 220 997 | -8,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 453 141 | 589 422 | 867 077 | 1 848 528 | 1 839 467 | -0,5 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 4 391 | 0 | 6 727 | 5 141 | 6 727 | 30,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 32 766 | 0 | 58 882 | 40 245 | 58 882 | 46,3 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 1 414 795 | 1 752 241 | 2 158 736 | 4 551 014 | 5 113 250 | 12,4 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 26 418 | 35 464 | 11 891 | 33 334 | 56 335 | 69,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 262 752 | 358 438 | 113 755 | 321 241 | 540 613 | 68,3 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 46 403 | 67 620 | 11 619 | 61 399 | 130 742 | 112,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 349 585 | 495 178 | 77 284 | 442 851 | 1 020 209 | 130,4 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 57 349 | 69 806 | 82 936 | 68 698 | 180 404 | 162,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 255 270 | 331 065 | 398 868 | 311 890 | 875 540 | 180,7 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 5 432 | 223 | 17 919 | 19 351 | 49 675 | 156,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 27 827 | 1 217 | 122 463 | 107 898 | 364 572 | 237,9 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 895 434 | 1 185 898 | 712 370 | 1 183 880 | 2 800 934 | 136,6 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 63 588 | 97 869 | 86 580 | 180 669 | 234 146 | 29,6 |
| R'000 | | | 412 392 | 720 216 | 592 374 | 1 183 043 | 1 649 931 | 39,5 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 27 674 | 8 027 | 14 885 | 88 348 | 29 900 | -66,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 144 783 | 72 369 | 79 741 | 557 570 | 198 888 | -64,3 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 557 175 | 792 585 | 672 115 | 1 740 613 | 1 848 819 | 6,2 | |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 2 867 404 | 3 730 724 | 3 543 221 | 7 475 507 | 9 763 003 | 30,6 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 169 | 148 | 62 | 338 | 474 | 40,2 | |
| | | square metres | 9 304 | 7 449 | 3 134 | 18 084 | 23 387 | 29,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 40 367 | 27 891 | 12 050 | 73 996 | 93 813 | 26,8 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 236 | 102 | 139 | 487 | 365 | -25,1 | |
| | | square metres | 45 350 | 25 802 | 25 142 | 115 544 | 78 278 | -32,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 215 937 | 126 869 | 118 108 | 548 521 | 400 139 | -27,1 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 26 | 16 | 23 | 42 | 39 | -7,1 | |
| | | square metres | 2 982 | 2 056 | 2 408 | 4 109 | 4 464 | 8,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 12 451 | 9 252 | 10 838 | 18 762 | 20 090 | 7,1 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 40 | 1 254 | 375 | 1 294 | 245,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 180 | 5 644 | 1 688 | 5 824 | 245,0 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 268 755 | 164 192 | 146 640 | 642 967 | 519 866 | -19,1 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 1 984 | 0 | 7 217 | 3 470 | 11 309 | 225,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 8 623 | 0 | 50 648 | 18 623 | 72 187 | 287,6 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 1 730 | 6 558 | 4 380 | 14 953 | 13 665 | -8,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 6 922 | 31 057 | 20 497 | 72 496 | 70 095 | -3,3 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 15 149 | 632 | 6 309 | 22 931 | 12 819 | -44,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 63 467 | 2 528 | 27 829 | 105 206 | 57 296 | -45,5 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 1 427 | 2 889 | 3 380 | 2 060 | 9 041 | 338,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 6 422 | 13 594 | 14 949 | 10 010 | 41 294 | 312,5 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 85 434 | 47 179 | 113 923 | 206 335 | 240 872 | 16,7 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 16 046 | 15 483 | 12 733 | 52 233 | 41 693 | -20,2 |
| R'000 | | | 69 242 | 69 398 | 59 114 | 235 396 | 192 825 | -18,1 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 1 338 | 40 | 2 703 | 4 743 | 2 743 | -42,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 6 882 | 4 248 | 17 531 | 23 517 | 26 344 | 12,0 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 76 124 | 73 646 | 76 645 | 258 913 | 219 169 | -15,4 | |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 430 313 | 285 017 | 337 208 | 1 108 215 | 979 907 | -11,6 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 40 | 44 | 16 | 91 | 70 | -23,1 | |
| | | square metres | 2 211 | 2 395 | 1 006 | 5 000 | 4 038 | -19,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 11 585 | 11 579 | 5 294 | 23 835 | 20 058 | -15,8 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 46 | 71 | 45 | 167 | 154 | -7,8 | |
| | | square metres | 14 151 | 17 643 | 10 838 | 48 344 | 40 043 | -17,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 69 296 | 85 228 | 51 939 | 222 722 | 193 168 | -13,3 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 162 | 13 | 0 | 167 | 13 | -92,2 | |
| | | square metres | 25 880 | 1 638 | 0 | 26 406 | 1 638 | -93,8 | |
| | | R'000 | 123 095 | 8 190 | 0 | 125 462 | 8 190 | -93,5 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 752 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 884 | 0 | .. | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 203 976 | 104 997 | 57 233 | 397 903 | 221 416 | -44,4 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 2 138 | 456 | 0 | 3 827 | 456 | -88,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 9 331 | 2 280 | 0 | 16 678 | 2 280 | -86,3 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 484 | 0 | 0 | 3 444 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 2 178 | 0 | 0 | 15 499 | 0 | .. | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 1 155 | 3 434 | 0 | 5 072 | 4 491 | -11,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 5 775 | 17 170 | 0 | 23 193 | 21 640 | -6,7 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 2 027 | 678 | 0 | 3 736 | 939 | -74,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 8 892 | 3 390 | 0 | 16 585 | 4 381 | -73,6 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 26 176 | 22 840 | 0 | 71 955 | 28 301 | -60,7 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 4 761 | 4 312 | 4 433 | 12 243 | 13 267 | 8,4 |
| R'000 | | | 22 774 | 20 833 | 21 657 | 57 326 | 63 832 | 11,3 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 4 204 | 80 | 579 | 6 495 | 1 207 | -81,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 19 478 | 1 900 | 3 895 | 35 441 | 10 378 | -70,7 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 42 252 | 22 733 | 25 552 | 92 767 | 74 210 | -20,0 | |
| Recorded plans passed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 272 404 | 150 570 | 82 785 | 562 625 | 323 927 | -42,4 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 1 289 | 1 263 | 847 | 3 527 | 3 094 | -12,3 | |
| | | square metres | 69 113 | 59 975 | 42 848 | 181 719 | 148 766 | -18,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 271 575 | 246 090 | 199 424 | 689 527 | 621 274 | -9,9 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 1 046 | 870 | 1 089 | 2 708 | 2 678 | -1,1 | |
| | | square metres | 264 804 | 227 788 | 258 359 | 705 112 | 659 889 | -6,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 1 629 223 | 1 437 111 | 1 687 484 | 4 321 373 | 4 272 686 | -1,1 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 1 015 | 1 752 | 753 | 2 247 | 3 505 | 56,0 | |
| | | square metres | 95 968 | 121 937 | 79 940 | 205 617 | 303 381 | 47,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 643 516 | 765 360 | 607 249 | 1 427 587 | 2 240 015 | 56,9 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 2 746 | 1 393 | 6 346 | 5 434 | 11 055 | 103,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 23 732 | 8 968 | 41 000 | 35 945 | 67 016 | 86,4 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 2 568 046 | 2 457 529 | 2 535 157 | 6 474 432 | 7 200 991 | 11,2 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 28 945 | 54 972 | 88 216 | 109 495 | 169 866 | 55,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 205 359 | 412 157 | 596 119 | 855 136 | 1 262 115 | 47,6 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 58 569 | 13 399 | 21 890 | 97 593 | 48 589 | -50,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 383 193 | 101 739 | 172 325 | 623 872 | 367 744 | -41,1 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 31 195 | 73 021 | 121 862 | 187 852 | 232 966 | 24,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 147 179 | 426 952 | 627 366 | 935 184 | 1 254 260 | 34,1 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 17 186 | 15 799 | 66 577 | 33 242 | 88 158 | 165,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 123 029 | 89 013 | 414 935 | 250 000 | 534 990 | 114,0 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 858 760 | 1 029 861 | 1 810 745 | 2 664 192 | 3 419 109 | 28,3 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 96 962 | 111 724 | 99 460 | 260 453 | 284 237 | 9,1 |
| R'000 | | | 529 384 | 608 778 | 581 606 | 1 383 593 | 1 621 093 | 17,2 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 57 083 | 31 275 | 38 868 | 100 536 | 93 302 | -7,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 496 296 | 261 034 | 297 198 | 819 762 | 778 853 | -5,0 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 1 025 680 | 869 812 | 878 804 | 2 203 355 | 2 399 946 | 8,9 | |
| Recorded buildings completed | | Total at current prices | R'000 | 4 452 486 | 4 357 202 | 5 224 706 | 11 341 979 | 13 020 046 | 14,8 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 305 | 303 | 212 | 1 013 | 753 | -25,7 | |
| | | square metres | 17 148 | 13 767 | 9 823 | 47 863 | 34 041 | -28,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 73 401 | 68 912 | 54 121 | 190 632 | 175 811 | -7,8 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 302 | 244 | 266 | 751 | 683 | -9,1 | |
| | | square metres | 70 873 | 58 193 | 63 657 | 180 516 | 162 955 | -9,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 420 028 | 350 661 | 404 434 | 1 053 133 | 1 002 852 | -4,8 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 274 | 175 | 263 | 402 | 548 | 36,3 | |
| | | square metres | 22 073 | 17 118 | 30 161 | 36 255 | 60 241 | 66,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 154 617 | 129 372 | 221 541 | 257 575 | 452 634 | 75,7 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 777 | 0 | 1 069 | 777 | 1 069 | 37,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 5 976 | 0 | 9 338 | 5 976 | 9 338 | 56,3 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 654 022 | 548 945 | 689 434 | 1 507 316 | 1 640 635 | 8,8 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 14 603 | 13 700 | 35 620 | 16 051 | 49 320 | 207,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 82 962 | 98 100 | 205 596 | 93 943 | 303 696 | 223,3 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 284 | 300 | 289 | 18 116 | 7 201 | -60,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 2 384 | 2 930 | 1 153 | 111 511 | 55 889 | -49,9 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 6 109 | 36 303 | 6 844 | 32 447 | 46 049 | 41,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 34 794 | 242 479 | 43 961 | 196 188 | 303 492 | 54,7 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 3 736 | 6 121 | 11 545 | 5 968 | 19 412 | 225,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 23 941 | 36 651 | 73 714 | 36 700 | 118 050 | 221,7 | |
| Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 144 081 | 380 160 | 324 424 | 438 342 | 781 127 | 78,2 | |
| Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 45 352 | 43 631 | 35 384 | 113 018 | 109 938 | -2,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 220 822 | 215 551 | 187 251 | 530 722 | 550 913 | 3,8 | |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 21 659 | 10 003 | 11 427 | 35 466 | 31 240 | -11,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 181 223 | 114 889 | 99 969 | 289 458 | 314 524 | 8,7 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 402 045 | 330 440 | 287 220 | 820 180 | 865 437 | 5,5 | |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | | R'000 | 1 200 148 | 1 259 545 | 1 301 078 | 2 765 838 | 3 287 199 | 18,9 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 121 | 28 | 43 | 290 | 88 | -69,7 |
| | | square metres | 5 495 | 1 695 | 2 712 | 12 831 | 5 450 | -57,5 |
| | | R'000 | 13 429 | 9 191 | 14 328 | 32 057 | 29 439 | -8,2 |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 66 | 41 | 23 | 141 | 86 | -39,0 |
| | | square metres | 15 258 | 10 031 | 4 322 | 30 731 | 18 220 | -40,7 |
| | | R'000 | 73 005 | 54 471 | 22 931 | 146 696 | 97 335 | -33,6 |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 4 | 34 | 11 | 51 | 82 | 60,8 |
| | | square metres | 843 | 4 398 | 1 161 | 3 894 | 9 118 | 134,2 |
| | | R'000 | 4 638 | 22 227 | 5 495 | 18 971 | 49 636 | 161,6 |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 1 059 | 0 | 0 | 1 059 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 6 884 | 0 | 0 | 6 884 | .. |
| | Total residential buildings | R'000 | 91 072 | 92 773 | 42 754 | 197 724 | 183 294 | -7,3 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 252 | 0 | 450 | 982 | 450 | -54,2 |
| | | R'000 | 1 008 | 0 | 2 558 | 5 753 | 2 558 | -55,5 |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 768 | 757 | 0 | 28 228 | 2 537 | -91,0 |
| | | R'000 | 3 456 | 3 406 | 0 | 154 388 | 10 752 | -93,0 |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 3 677 | 0 | 0 | 4 288 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 18 385 | 0 | 0 | 21 135 | 0 | .. |
| | Total non-residential buildings | R'000 | 22 849 | 3 406 | 2 558 | 181 276 | 13 310 | -92,7 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 9 751 | 5 649 | 5 036 | 25 810 | 13 054 |
| R'000 | | | 39 884 | 27 043 | 20 529 | 106 578 | 58 298 | -45,3 |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 2 308 | 71 | 7 050 | 4 239 | 7 735 | 82,5 |
| | | R'000 | 10 841 | 364 | 31 769 | 31 663 | 35 014 | 10,6 |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 50 725 | 27 407 | 52 298 | 138 241 | 93 312 | -32,5 |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | R'000 | 164 646 | 123 586 | 97 610 | 517 241 | 289 916 | -43,9 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .. |
| | | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 281 | 0 | .. |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 1 | 5 | 6 | 17 | 15 | -11,8 |
| | | square metres | 144 | 1 209 | 965 | 4 005 | 2 834 | -29,2 |
| | | R'000 | 792 | 8 686 | 6 953 | 21 696 | 18 915 | -12,8 |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .. |
| | | square metres | 0 | 149 | 0 | 0 | 149 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 1 028 | 0 | 0 | 1 028 | .. |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 158 | 0 | 158 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 948 | 0 | 948 | .. |
| | Total residential buildings | R'000 | 792 | 9 714 | 7 901 | 21 977 | 20 891 | -4,9 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 915 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 318 | 0 | .. |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| Total non-residential buildings | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 318 | 0 | .. | |
| Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 2 723 | 2 021 | 4 042 | 4 400 | 9 862 | 124,1 |
| | | R'000 | 16 627 | 14 264 | 29 980 | 25 767 | 70 558 | 173,8 |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 472 | 82 | 472 | 475,6 |
| | | R'000 | 60 | 250 | 5 087 | 356 | 5 427 | 1 424,4 |
| | Total additions and alterations | R'000 | 16 687 | 14 514 | 35 067 | 26 123 | 75 985 | 190,9 |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | R'000 | 17 479 | 24 228 | 42 968 | 52 418 | 96 876 | 84,8 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 166 | 1 | 15 | 436 | 17 | -96,1 |
| | | square metres | 9 301 | 57 | 934 | 24 175 | 1 048 | -95,7 |
| | | R'000 | 25 981 | 266 | 4 715 | 61 138 | 5 086 | -91,7 |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 49 | 30 | 30 | 73 | 68 | -6,8 |
| | | square metres | 9 835 | 5 573 | 4 534 | 15 080 | 11 854 | -21,4 |
| | | R'000 | 43 466 | 25 854 | 21 998 | 68 565 | 56 314 | -17,9 |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 43 | 878 | 0 | 43 | 881 | 1 948,8 |
| | | square metres | 6 330 | 35 104 | 0 | 6 330 | 35 468 | 460,3 |
| | | R'000 | 34 815 | 157 968 | 0 | 34 815 | 160 516 | 361,1 |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 105 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 525 | .. |
| Total residential buildings | R'000 | 104 262 | 184 088 | 26 713 | 164 518 | 222 441 | 35,2 | |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 935 | 0 | 0 | 935 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 5 797 | 0 | 0 | 5 797 | 0 | .. |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 4 149 | 0 | 0 | 4 149 | 3 591 | -13,4 |
| | | R'000 | 19 233 | 0 | 0 | 19 233 | 25 137 | 30,7 |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 964 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 49 339 | .. |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 103 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 515 | 0 | .. |
| Total non-residential buildings | R'000 | 25 030 | 0 | 0 | 25 545 | 74 476 | 191,5 | |
| Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 3 737 | 6 012 | 1 771 | 6 603 | 9 088 | 37,6 |
| | | R'000 | 19 849 | 27 054 | 8 119 | 31 192 | 41 046 | 31,6 |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 114 | 0 | 189 | 2 262 | 1 229 | -45,7 |
| | | R'000 | 15 499 | 2 302 | 3 070 | 25 162 | 14 157 | -43,7 |
| Total additions and alterations | R'000 | 35 348 | 29 356 | 11 189 | 56 354 | 55 203 | -2,0 | |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | R'000 | 164 640 | 213 444 | 37 902 | 246 417 | 352 120 | 42,9 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 15 | 13 | 13 | 55 | 52 | -5,5 | |
| | | square metres | 864 | 797 | 806 | 3 598 | 3 060 | -15,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 6 639 | 6 881 | 6 379 | 30 536 | 27 233 | -10,8 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 59 | 78 | 76 | 166 | 200 | 20,5 | |
| | | square metres | 12 815 | 19 026 | 20 544 | 40 464 | 51 709 | 27,8 | |
| | | R'000 | 103 706 | 142 876 | 164 779 | 310 650 | 410 995 | 32,3 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 58 | 66 | 32 | 219 | 129 | -41,1 | |
| | | square metres | 13 129 | 11 845 | 8 222 | 36 507 | 24 646 | -32,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 87 207 | 98 046 | 70 308 | 265 626 | 199 685 | -24,8 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 195 | 0 | 5 119 | 1 656 | 7 952 | 380,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 1 482 | 0 | 30 714 | 8 787 | 44 879 | 410,7 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 199 034 | 247 803 | 272 180 | 615 599 | 682 792 | 10,9 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 930 | 563 | 25 259 | 2 000 | 41 138 | 1 956,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 5 115 | 2 500 | 145 837 | 15 066 | 301 497 | 1 901,2 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 29 660 | 1 662 | 18 005 | 34 713 | 20 262 | -41,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 240 626 | 7 478 | 144 000 | 283 986 | 154 156 | -45,7 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 3 646 | 28 905 | 18 135 | 22 415 | 47 040 | 109,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 17 415 | 146 904 | 100 269 | 112 230 | 247 173 | 120,2 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 3 068 | 0 | 0 | 7 045 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 22 568 | 0 | 0 | 52 774 | 0 | .. | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 285 724 | 156 882 | 390 106 | 464 056 | 702 826 | 51,5 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 10 726 | 13 138 | 12 955 | 27 238 | 37 578 | 38,0 |
| R'000 | | | 99 278 | 113 784 | 121 574 | 239 593 | 332 106 | 38,6 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 20 551 | 6 965 | 13 413 | 31 914 | 24 479 | -23,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 191 235 | 36 327 | 99 688 | 277 799 | 166 798 | -40,0 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 290 513 | 150 111 | 221 262 | 517 392 | 498 904 | -3,6 | |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | | R'000 | 775 271 | 554 796 | 883 548 | 1 597 047 | 1 884 522 | 18,0 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 2 | 11 | 47 | 10 | 75 | 650,0 | |
| | | square metres | 128 | 717 | 2 735 | 627 | 4 529 | 622,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 512 | 2 613 | 9 388 | 2 097 | 15 967 | 661,4 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 70 | 62 | 164 | 189 | 307 | 62,4 | |
| | | square metres | 13 653 | 11 993 | 25 912 | 36 705 | 50 050 | 36,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 62 092 | 53 953 | 116 915 | 157 764 | 226 515 | 43,6 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 12 | 189 | 35 | 288 | 295 | 2,4 | |
| | | square metres | 1 226 | 14 054 | 3 808 | 20 459 | 26 950 | 31,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 5 150 | 72 375 | 17 984 | 89 770 | 133 628 | 48,9 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 227 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 908 | 0 | .. | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 67 754 | 128 941 | 144 287 | 254 539 | 376 110 | 47,8 |
| | Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 2 594 | 2 616 | 0 | 4 923 | 2 616 | -46,9 |
| R'000 | | | 12 970 | 13 080 | 0 | 26 944 | 13 080 | -51,5 | |
| Shopping space | | square metres | 22 929 | 0 | 356 | 26 766 | 1 353 | -94,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 114 762 | 0 | 1 424 | 132 029 | 5 911 | -95,5 | |
| Industrial and warehouse space | | square metres | 0 | 0 | 349 | 13 257 | 349 | -97,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 1 854 | 53 028 | 1 854 | -96,5 | |
| Other non-residential buildings 3/ | | square metres | 0 | 212 | 993 | 0 | 2 079 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 1 035 | 4 767 | 0 | 9 780 | .. | |
| Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 127 732 | 14 115 | 8 045 | 212 001 | 30 625 | -85,6 | |
| Additions and alterations | | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 2 166 | 16 722 | 17 359 | 12 710 | 34 878 | 174,4 |
| | R'000 | | 8 689 | 67 006 | 72 867 | 50 543 | 143 074 | 183,1 | |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 628 | 0 | 1 038 | 1 181 | 2 716 | 130,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 1 884 | 302 | 4 781 | 5 795 | 12 634 | 118,0 | |
| | Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 10 573 | 67 308 | 77 648 | 56 338 | 155 708 | 176,4 |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | | R'000 | 206 059 | 210 364 | 229 980 | 522 878 | 562 443 | 7,6 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 496 | 718 | 428 | 1 303 | 1 732 | 32,9 | |
| | | square metres | 26 307 | 33 990 | 21 552 | 70 096 | 82 248 | 17,3 | |
| | | R'000 | 110 248 | 124 971 | 93 549 | 288 708 | 297 377 | 3,0 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 399 | 311 | 438 | 1 074 | 1 049 | -2,3 | |
| | | square metres | 118 834 | 98 904 | 116 529 | 327 589 | 296 368 | -9,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 817 663 | 698 291 | 850 983 | 2 238 441 | 2 165 998 | -3,2 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 596 | 361 | 368 | 1 216 | 1 453 | 19,5 | |
| | | square metres | 49 748 | 34 844 | 33 531 | 99 553 | 136 935 | 37,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 345 637 | 263 743 | 277 276 | 749 378 | 1 196 090 | 59,6 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 1 774 | 334 | 0 | 1 774 | 712 | -59,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 16 274 | 2 084 | 0 | 16 274 | 4 442 | -72,7 | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 1 289 822 | 1 089 089 | 1 221 808 | 3 292 801 | 3 663 907 | 11,3 |
| | Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 9 883 | 38 093 | 21 605 | 84 266 | 69 969 | -17,0 |
| R'000 | | | 98 515 | 298 477 | 212 679 | 707 314 | 606 621 | -14,2 | |
| Shopping space | | square metres | 0 | 11 437 | 2 790 | 6 430 | 14 945 | 132,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 91 331 | 23 190 | 45 610 | 120 552 | 164,3 | |
| Industrial and warehouse space | | square metres | 20 048 | 7 056 | 93 541 | 81 709 | 118 905 | 45,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 88 643 | 34 163 | 468 853 | 373 714 | 611 781 | 63,7 | |
| Other non-residential buildings 3/ | | square metres | 6 421 | 8 622 | 52 652 | 15 319 | 64 436 | 320,6 | |
| | | R'000 | 57 115 | 47 067 | 330 070 | 136 256 | 396 516 | 191,0 | |
| Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 244 273 | 471 038 | 1 034 792 | 1 262 894 | 1 735 470 | 37,4 | |
| Additions and alterations | | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 12 105 | 15 678 | 16 765 | 42 809 | 49 405 | 15,4 |
| | R'000 | | 81 756 | 106 234 | 114 531 | 282 209 | 338 134 | 19,8 | |
| | Other buildings 4/ | square metres | 11 823 | 10 858 | 5 279 | 24 890 | 20 321 | -18,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 95 554 | 88 553 | 52 334 | 187 220 | 201 369 | 7,6 | |
| | Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 177 310 | 194 787 | 166 865 | 469 429 | 539 503 | 14,9 |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | | R'000 | 1 711 405 | 1 754 914 | 2 423 465 | 5 025 124 | 5 938 880 | 18,2 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ | |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 164 | 165 | 75 | 364 | 329 | -9,6 | |
| | | square metres | 8 627 | 7 516 | 3 445 | 19 268 | 15 581 | -19,1 | |
| | | R'000 | 35 152 | 26 076 | 12 739 | 69 122 | 56 316 | -18,5 | |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 88 | 69 | 61 | 258 | 199 | -22,9 | |
| | | square metres | 18 748 | 15 342 | 13 746 | 55 048 | 46 025 | -16,4 | |
| | | R'000 | 86 248 | 66 383 | 58 005 | 255 743 | 198 762 | -22,3 | |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 16 | 17 | 37 | 16 | 63 | 293,8 | |
| | | square metres | 720 | 1 610 | 2 207 | 720 | 4 631 | 543,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 3 240 | 6 526 | 10 395 | 3 240 | 20 583 | 535,3 | |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. | |
| | Total residential buildings | | R'000 | 124 640 | 98 985 | 81 139 | 328 105 | 275 661 | -16,0 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 5 644 | 1 320 | 6 243 | 373,0 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 31 611 | 6 072 | 34 365 | 466,0 | |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 142 | 787 | -84,7 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 570 | 3 541 | -82,8 | |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 624 | 0 | 2 993 | 4 775 | 6 662 | 39,5 | |
| | | R'000 | 2 871 | 0 | 12 429 | 22 841 | 27 799 | 21,7 | |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 284 | 0 | 1 387 | 519 | 1 387 | 167,2 | |
| | | R'000 | 1 020 | 0 | 6 384 | 2 620 | 6 384 | 143,7 | |
| | Total non-residential buildings | | R'000 | 3 891 | 0 | 50 424 | 52 103 | 72 089 | 38,4 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 10 336 | 8 284 | 5 047 | 27 541 | 18 445 | -33,0 |
| R'000 | | | 42 148 | 35 024 | 21 554 | 115 507 | 77 530 | -32,9 | |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 0 | 3 378 | 0 | 502 | 5 110 | 917,9 | |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 18 047 | 0 | 2 309 | 25 430 | 1 001,3 | |
| Total additions and alterations | | R'000 | 42 148 | 53 071 | 21 554 | 117 816 | 102 960 | -12,6 | |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | | R'000 | 170 679 | 152 056 | 153 117 | 498 024 | 450 710 | -9,5 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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. 2015 | Feb. 2016 | Mar. 2016 | Jan. - Mar. 2015 | Jan. - Mar. 2016 | % change 1/ |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Category of building | Type of building | Measuring unit | | | | | | |
| Residential buildings | Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres | Number | 20 | 24 | 14 | 55 | 48 | -12,7 |
| | | square metres | 1 243 | 1 436 | 841 | 3 210 | 2 809 | -12,5 |
| | | R'000 | 6 213 | 7 180 | 4 205 | 14 956 | 14 045 | -6,1 |
| | Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres | Number | 12 | 30 | 25 | 39 | 71 | 82,1 |
| | | square metres | 4 644 | 7 517 | 8 150 | 14 974 | 19 874 | 32,7 |
| | | R'000 | 22 223 | 35 936 | 40 486 | 68 685 | 95 000 | 38,3 |
| | Flats and townhouses | Number | 12 | 31 | 7 | 12 | 53 | 341,7 |
| | | square metres | 1 899 | 2 815 | 850 | 1 899 | 5 243 | 176,1 |
| | | R'000 | 8 212 | 14 075 | 4 250 | 8 212 | 26 215 | 219,2 |
| | Other residential buildings 2/ | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | Total residential buildings | R'000 | 36 648 | 57 191 | 48 941 | 91 853 | 135 260 | 47,3 |
| Non-residential buildings | Office and banking space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 88 | 0 | 580 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 396 | 0 | 2 856 | .. |
| | Shopping space | square metres | 1 295 | 0 | 0 | 1 295 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 5 180 | 0 | 0 | 5 180 | 0 | .. |
| | Industrial and warehouse space | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 106 | 460 | -88,8 |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 477 | 2 070 | -88,8 |
| | Other non-residential buildings 3/ | square metres | 0 | 844 | 0 | 0 | 844 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 4 260 | 0 | 0 | 4 260 | .. |
| | Total non-residential buildings | R'000 | 5 180 | 4 260 | 396 | 23 657 | 9 186 | -61,2 |
| | Additions and alterations | Dwelling-houses | square metres | 66 | 589 | 1 101 | 324 | 1 989 |
| R'000 | | | 331 | 2 818 | 5 201 | 1 482 | 9 434 | 536,6 |
| Other buildings 4/ | | square metres | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .. |
| | | R'000 | 0 | 0 | 500 | 0 | 3 500 | .. |
| Total additions and alterations | R'000 | 331 | 2 818 | 5 701 | 1 482 | 12 934 | 772,7 | |
| Recorded buildings completed | Total at current prices | R'000 | 42 159 | 64 269 | 55 038 | 116 992 | 157 380 | 34,5 |

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2015 and 2016.

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

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

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

Explanatory notes

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| Introduction | 1 | Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements. |
| | 2 | In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available. |
| Purpose of the survey | 3 | The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector. |
| Scope of the survey | 4 | This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings. |
| Classification | 5 | Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02</i> . The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)</i> with suitable adaptations for local conditions. |
| Collection rate | 6 | The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for March 2016 was 93,6%. The collection rate for February 2016 was 94,5%. |
| Statistical unit | 7 | The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities. |
| Survey methodology and design | 8 | Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone. |
| Constant prices | 9 | The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2010. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: <i>Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2010=100. |

- 10** The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 9). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2010 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2010 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2010. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.
- Seasonal adjustment**
- 11** Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 12** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at [Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment January 2015.pdf](#)
- Trend cycle**
- 13** The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures**
- 14** Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 15** Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.
- Related publications**
- 16** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually.
 - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually.
 - *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

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

Glossary

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

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

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