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Results for January to May 2014

Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices: January to May 2013 versus January to May 2014

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2013	January to May 2014	Difference in value between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	% change between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	15 115 950	17 444 872	2 328 922	15,4
-Dwelling-houses	10 699 757	12 030 505	1 330 748	12,4
-Flats and townhouses	4 140 825	5 047 711	906 886	21,9
-Other residential buildings	275 368	366 656	91 288	33,2
Non-residential buildings	9 565 436	8 775 294	-790 142	-8,3
Additions and alterations	9 444 409	9 607 105	162 696	1,7
Total	34 125 795	35 827 271	1 701 476	5,0

1/ 2013 and 2014 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 5,0% (R1 701,5 million) during January to May 2014 compared with January to May 2013 (see Table A).

Residential buildings (15,4% or R2 328,9 million) was the largest contributor to the increase.

Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to May 2013 versus January to May 2014

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2013	January to May 2014	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to May 2013	% change between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	Difference in value between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	7 027 008	7 965 254	20,6	13,4	2,7	938 246
Eastern Cape	2 314 308	1 866 208	6,8	-19,4	-1,3	-448 100
Northern Cape	332 296	488 858	1,0	47,1	0,5	156 562
Free State	867 802	1 325 772	2,5	52,8	1,3	457 970
KwaZulu-Natal	4 929 710	6 745 448	14,4	36,8	5,3	1 815 738
North West	1 548 490	1 315 502	4,5	-15,0	-0,7	-232 988
Gauteng	14 506 844	13 820 644	42,5	-4,7	-2,0	-686 200
Mpumalanga	1 863 851	1 542 065	5,5	-17,3	-0,9	-321 786
Limpopo	735 486	757 520	2,2	3,0	0,1	22 034
Total	34 125 795	35 827 271	100,0	5,0	5,0	1 701 476

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2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between Jan. to May 2013 and Jan. to May 2014 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during Jan. to May 2013, divided by 100.

Five provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of building plans passed during January to May 2014. The increase in the value of building plans passed was dominated by KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 5,3 percentage points or R1 815,7 million) and Western Cape (contributing 2,7 percentage points or R938,2 million) (see Table B).

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices: January to May 2013 versus January to May 2014

Estimates at constant 2010 prices	January to May 2013	January to May 2014	Difference in value between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	% change between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	12 971 735	14 034 214	1 062 479	8,2
Non-residential buildings	8 228 520	7 057 828	-1 170 692	-14,2
Additions and alterations	8 105 391	7 725 496	-379 895	-4,7
Total	29 305 646	28 817 538	-488 108	-1,7

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Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2010 prices) decreased by 1,7% (-R488,1 million) year-on-year during January to May 2014. Non-residential buildings (-14,2% or -R1 170,7 million) was the largest contributor to the decrease (see Table C).

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

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices	December 2013 to February 2014	March to May 2014	% change between December 2013 to February 2014 and March to May 2014
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 973 845	8 899 432	-0,8
Non-residential buildings	4 640 023	4 777 518	3,0
Additions and alterations	4 960 975	5 140 354	3,6
Total	18 574 843	18 817 304	1,3

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed increased by 1,3% during the three months ended May 2014 compared with the previous three months. Increases were reported for additions and alterations (3,6%) and non-residential buildings (3,0%). A decrease was reported for residential buildings (-0,8%) (see Table D).

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

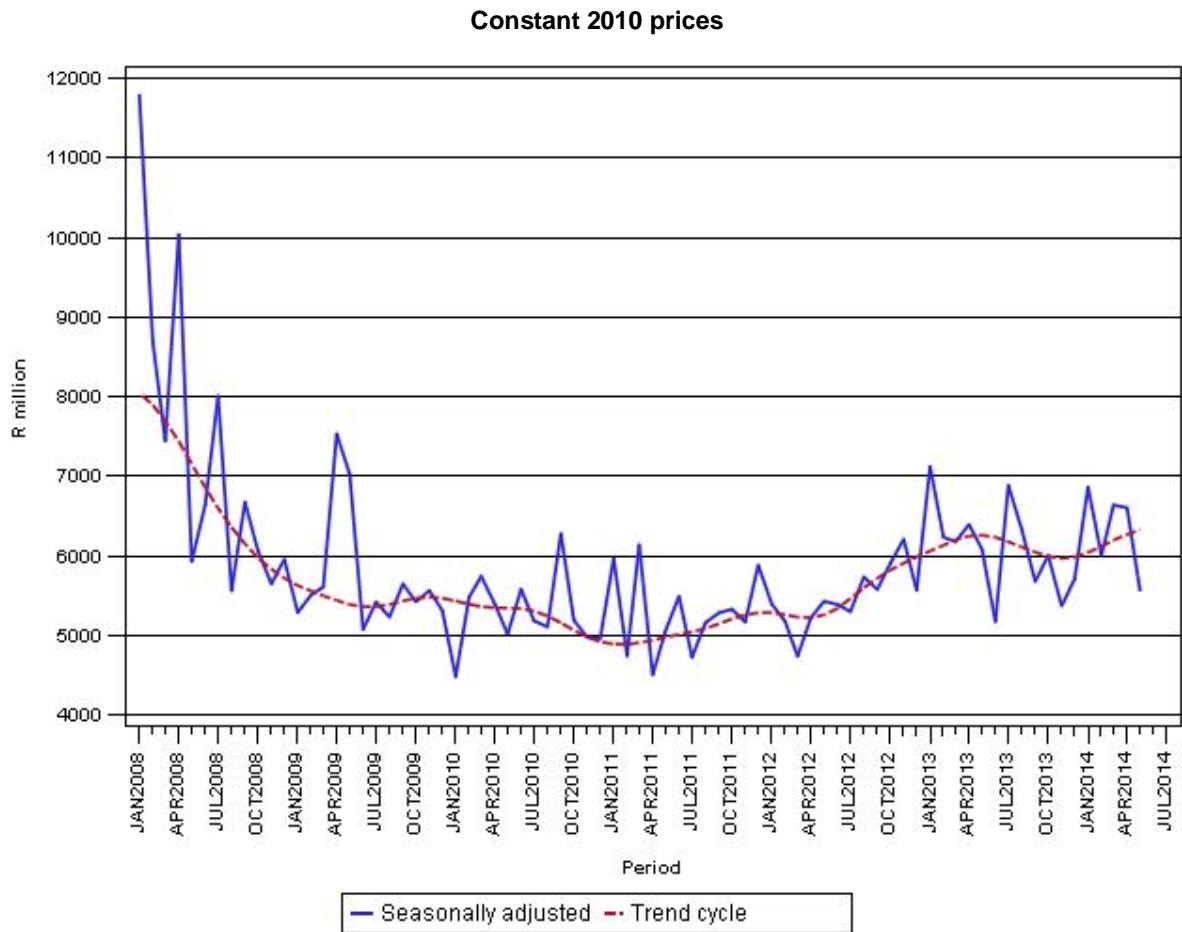


Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices: January to May 2013 versus January to May 2014

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2013	January to May 2014	Difference in value between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	% change between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	9 955 352	10 381 863	426 511	4,3
-Dwelling-houses	6 975 729	7 037 414	61 685	0,9
-Flats and townhouses	2 717 963	3 126 945	408 982	15,0
-Other residential buildings	261 660	217 504	-44 156	-16,9
Non-residential buildings	5 474 515	5 075 991	-398 524	-7,3
Additions and alterations	5 587 857	4 274 332	-1 313 525	-23,5
Total	21 017 724	19 732 186	-1 285 538	-6,1

1/ 2013 and 2014 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

As indicated in Table E, the value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 6,1% (-R1 285,5 million) during January to May 2014 compared with January to May 2013.

Additions and alterations (-23,5% or -R1 313,5 million) was the largest contributor to the decrease.

Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level: January to May 2013 versus January to May 2014

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2013	January to May 2014	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to May 2013	% change between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	Difference in value between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	6 824 847	4 738 180	32,5	-30,6	-9,9	-2 086 667
Eastern Cape	973 451	923 299	4,6	-5,2	-0,2	-50 152
Northern Cape	88 141	230 146	0,4	161,1	0,7	142 005
Free State	478 746	219 846	2,3	-54,1	-1,2	-258 900
KwaZulu-Natal	2 867 099	2 362 608	13,6	-17,6	-2,4	-504 491
North West	518 862	815 602	2,5	57,2	1,4	296 740
Gauteng	8 290 024	9 060 119	39,4	9,3	3,7	770 095
Mpumalanga	741 771	1 178 600	3,5	58,9	2,1	436 829
Limpopo	234 783	203 786	1,1	-13,2	-0,1	-30 997
Total	21 017 724	19 732 186	100,0	-6,1	-6,1	-1 285 538

1/ 2013 and 2014 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 May 2013 and Jan. to May 2014 with the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during Jan. to May 2013, divided by 100.

Five provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during January to May 2014. The year-on-year decrease was dominated by Western Cape (contributing -9,9 percentage points or -R2 086,7 million) (see Table F).

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices: January to May 2013 versus January to May 2014

Estimates at constant 2010 prices	January to May 2013	January to May 2014	Difference in value between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014	% change between January to May 2013 and January to May 2014
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 915 874	8 719 972	-195 902	-2,2
Non-residential buildings	5 132 777	4 517 231	-615 546	-12,0
Additions and alterations	5 081 285	3 671 791	-1 409 494	-27,7
Total	19 129 936	16 908 994	-2 220 942	-11,6

1/ 2013 and 2014 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2010 prices) decreased by 11,6% (-R2 220,9 million) year-on-year during January to May 2014. Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-27,7% or -R1 409,5 million), non-residential buildings (-12,0% or -R615,5 million) and residential buildings (-2,2% or -R195,9 million) (see Table G).

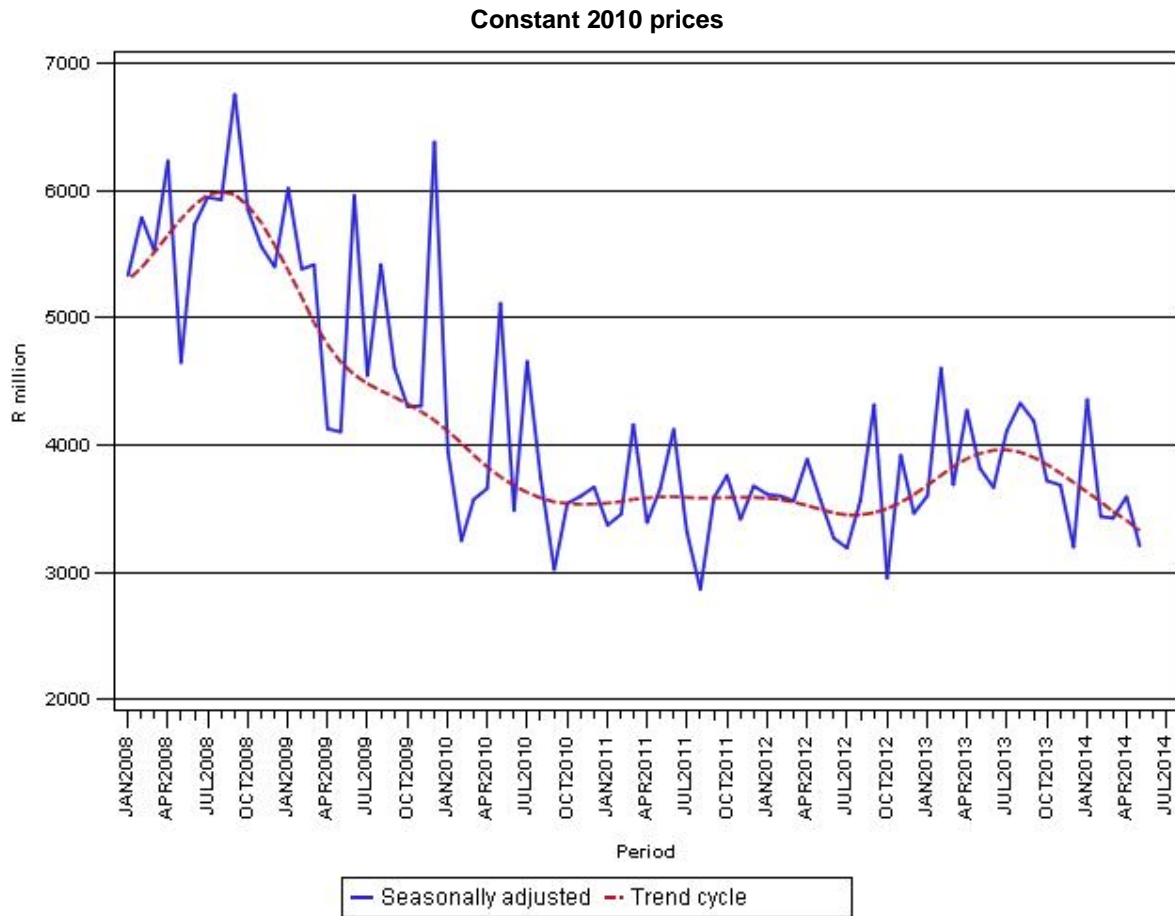
Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2010 prices

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2010 prices	December 2013 to February 2014	March to May 2014	% change between December 2013 to February 2014 and March to May 2014
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	5 518 487	5 678 397	2,9
Non-residential buildings	3 166 237	2 404 565	-24,1
Additions and alterations	2 307 652	2 141 867	-7,2
Total	10 992 376	10 224 829	-7,0

Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 7,0% during the three months ended May 2014 compared with the previous three months. Decreases were reported for non-residential buildings (-24,1%) and additions and alterations (-7,2%) while an increase was reported for residential buildings (2,9%) (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/
2013	January	2 172 570	8,6	2 387 916	192,6	1 490 780	0,2	6 051 266	40,6
	February	3 310 108	30,3	1 836 246	39,1	2 010 618	11,7	7 156 972	26,4
	March	2 955 321	26,6	2 114 047	134,1	1 693 296	2,6	6 762 664	38,4
	April	3 123 662	46,7	1 227 575	5,9	2 212 541	31,8	6 563 778	32,2
	May	3 554 289	17,1	1 999 652	23,4	2 037 174	14,5	7 591 115	18,0
	June	3 249 730	29,3	1 274 295	-39,0	1 853 962	1,4	6 377 987	-0,8
	July	3 883 751	31,2	2 504 593	80,5	2 414 510	15,3	8 802 854	36,7
	August	3 548 538	10,1	2 497 559	66,0	2 151 669	-1,6	8 197 766	18,6
	September	3 133 795	9,4	1 783 090	1,6	2 304 773	13,3	7 221 658	8,6
	October	3 943 327	12,2	2 327 806	20,1	2 220 706	-4,5	8 491 839	9,2
	November	2 946 421	-21,6	1 903 602	6,3	2 352 174	4,0	7 202 197	-7,7
	December	2 438 757	7,0	1 623 534	5,3	1 635 557	18,5	5 697 848	9,5
	Total	38 260 269	15,4	23 479 915	31,7	24 377 760	8,3	86 117 944	17,2
2014	January	3 327 121	53,1	1 344 728	-43,7	1 535 551	3,0	6 207 400	2,6
	February	3 267 441	-1,3	2 053 955	11,9	2 056 519	2,3	7 377 915	3,1
	March	3 468 612	17,4	2 275 160	7,6	1 952 793	15,3	7 696 565	13,8
	April	3 372 155	8,0	1 694 318	38,0	2 054 606	-7,1	7 121 079	8,5
	May	4 009 543	12,8	1 407 133	-29,6	2 007 636	-1,4	7 424 312	-2,2

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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2013	January	2 971 477	0,9	3 229 336	85,9	1 994 315	18,6	8 195 128	28,8
	February	3 385 196	13,9	1 828 826	-43,4	2 005 555	0,6	7 219 577	-11,9
	March	3 151 608	-6,9	2 159 141	18,1	1 881 154	-6,2	7 191 903	-0,4
	April	3 500 336	11,1	1 645 879	-23,8	2 355 239	25,2	7 501 454	4,3
	May	3 210 548	-8,3	1 854 049	12,6	2 095 881	-11,0	7 160 478	-4,5
	June	3 123 050	-2,7	976 985	-47,3	1 922 869	-8,3	6 022 904	-15,9
	July	3 489 637	11,7	2 517 897	157,7	2 168 051	12,8	8 175 585	35,7
	August	3 210 206	-8,0	2 383 584	-5,3	1 987 869	-8,3	7 581 659	-7,3
	September	3 142 072	-2,1	1 632 611	-31,5	2 059 451	3,6	6 834 134	-9,9
	October	3 336 406	6,2	2 025 225	24,0	1 911 309	-7,2	7 272 940	6,4
	November	2 568 681	-23,0	1 944 969	-4,0	2 008 116	5,1	6 521 766	-10,3
	December	3 162 595	23,1	1 801 043	-7,4	2 002 014	-0,3	6 965 652	6,8
2014	January	4 558 150	44,1	1 838 744	2,1	2 017 138	0,8	8 414 032	20,8
	February	3 335 655	-26,8	2 045 118	11,2	2 066 917	2,5	7 447 690	-11,5
	March	3 713 040	11,3	2 354 785	15,1	2 190 823	6,0	8 258 648	10,9
	April	3 778 307	1,8	2 291 731	-2,7	2 151 412	-1,8	8 221 450	-0,5
	May	3 625 136	-4,1	1 306 296	-43,0	2 071 006	-3,7	7 002 438	-14,8
	Dec. 13 – Feb. 14	11 056 400		5 684 905		6 086 069		22 827 374	
	Mar. – May 14 2/	11 116 483	0,5	5 952 812	4,7	6 413 241	5,4	23 482 536	2,9

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.

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/
2013	January	1 895 785	2,8	2 083 696	176,8	1 300 855	-5,2	5 280 336	33,0
	February	2 870 866	23,7	1 592 581	32,1	1 743 814	6,0	6 207 261	20,1
	March	2 525 915	19,1	1 806 878	120,3	1 447 262	-3,4	5 780 055	30,2
	April	2 651 666	37,7	1 042 084	-0,7	1 878 218	23,6	5 571 968	24,0
	May	3 027 503	10,6	1 703 281	16,6	1 735 242	8,2	6 466 026	11,5
	June	2 756 344	22,1	1 080 827	-42,4	1 572 487	-4,3	5 409 658	-6,4
	July	3 258 180	23,3	2 101 169	69,6	2 025 596	8,3	7 384 945	28,4
	August	2 964 526	3,0	2 086 515	55,3	1 797 551	-7,9	6 848 592	10,9
	September	2 602 820	2,1	1 480 972	-5,2	1 914 263	5,7	5 998 055	1,3
	October	3 264 344	4,6	1 926 992	11,9	1 838 333	-10,9	7 029 669	1,8
	November	2 437 073	-26,6	1 574 526	-0,5	1 945 553	-2,7	5 957 152	-13,7
	December	2 013 837	0,3	1 340 656	-1,3	1 350 584	11,1	4 705 077	2,7
	Total	32 268 859	8,6	19 820 177	24,1	20 549 758	1,8	72 638 794	10,2
2014	January	2 727 148	43,9	1 102 236	-47,1	1 258 648	-3,2	5 088 032	-3,6
	February	2 641 424	-8,0	1 660 432	4,3	1 662 505	-4,7	5 964 361	-3,9
	March	2 772 671	9,8	1 818 673	0,7	1 560 986	7,9	6 152 330	6,4
	April	2 695 568	1,7	1 354 371	30,0	1 642 371	-12,6	5 692 310	2,2
	May	3 197 403	5,6	1 122 116	-34,1	1 600 986	-7,7	5 920 505	-8,4

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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2013	January	2 577 544	0,2	2 810 647	84,8	1 734 202	17,9	7 122 393	28,0
	February	2 904 379	12,7	1 589 976	-43,4	1 740 916	0,4	6 235 271	-12,5
	March	2 697 419	-7,1	1 866 144	17,4	1 614 789	-7,2	6 178 352	-0,9
	April	2 977 188	10,4	1 409 410	-24,5	2 007 873	24,3	6 394 471	3,5
	May	2 741 894	-7,9	1 554 377	10,3	1 787 301	-11,0	6 083 572	-4,9
	June	2 712 136	-1,1	829 528	-46,6	1 632 238	-8,7	5 173 902	-15,0
	July	2 930 021	8,0	2 131 273	156,9	1 825 355	11,8	6 886 649	33,1
	August	2 676 960	-8,6	1 989 996	-6,6	1 661 549	-9,0	6 328 505	-8,1
	September	2 613 067	-2,4	1 354 240	-31,9	1 711 501	3,0	5 678 808	-10,3
	October	2 748 154	5,2	1 677 857	23,9	1 578 592	-7,8	6 004 603	5,7
	November	2 117 050	-23,0	1 601 099	-4,6	1 654 235	4,8	5 372 384	-10,5
	December	2 588 907	22,3	1 477 954	-7,7	1 641 040	-0,8	5 707 901	6,2
2014	January	3 713 244	43,4	1 504 516	1,8	1 647 373	0,4	6 865 133	20,3
	February	2 671 694	-28,0	1 657 553	10,2	1 672 562	1,5	6 001 809	-12,6
	March	2 974 347	11,3	1 905 285	14,9	1 760 084	5,2	6 639 716	10,6
	April	3 027 867	1,8	1 849 571	-2,9	1 727 363	-1,9	6 604 801	-0,5
	May	2 897 218	-4,3	1 022 662	-44,7	1 652 907	-4,3	5 572 787	-15,6
	Dec. 13 – Feb. 14	8 973 845		4 640 023		4 960 975		18 574 843	
	Mar. – May 14 2/	8 899 432	-0,8	4 777 518	3,0	5 140 354	3,6	18 817 304	1,3

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

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/
2013	January	1 633 635	30,5	402 131	-41,5	787 064	23,7	2 822 830	9,6
	February	2 121 423	21,1	1 502 515	71,4	1 233 823	29,3	4 857 761	35,6
	March	1 984 387	-6,5	1 078 631	47,4	1 158 924	12,4	4 221 942	8,7
	April	2 281 322	40,3	1 258 675	-23,7	1 364 886	44,0	4 904 883	16,2
	May	1 934 585	10,6	1 232 563	-1,9	1 043 160	33,8	4 210 308	11,2
	June	1 999 928	14,9	1 113 196	62,8	833 983	-7,1	3 947 107	18,8
	July	2 376 750	10,9	1 167 939	77,0	1 167 596	60,7	4 712 285	33,5
	August	2 360 441	8,6	1 521 634	106,6	999 727	-2,7	4 881 802	24,0
	September	2 447 885	29,1	1 081 316	-32,4	1 041 790	25,3	4 570 991	5,6
	October	2 419 515	24,4	1 032 886	72,4	1 022 162	24,6	4 474 563	33,0
	November	2 419 759	-6,4	1 963 824	8,9	885 275	2,1	5 268 858	0,2
	December	1 941 931	-6,9	748 958	-0,8	661 601	-0,5	3 352 490	-4,4
	Total	25 921 561	12,4	14 104 268	17,2	12 199 991	19,8	52 225 820	15,3
2014	January	1 864 951	14,2	947 942	135,7	772 015	-1,9	3 584 908	27,0
	February	1 901 135	-10,4	1 024 739	-31,8	957 322	-22,4	3 883 196	-20,1
	March	2 225 573	12,2	1 117 237	3,6	793 665	-31,5	4 136 475	-2,0
	April	2 414 024	5,8	1 275 351	1,3	783 914	-42,6	4 473 289	-8,8
	May	1 976 180	2,2	710 722	-42,3	967 416	-7,3	3 654 318	-13,2

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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2013	January	2 326 702	21,5	605 970	-38,4	997 711	18,9	3 930 383	5,2
	February	2 300 299	-1,1	1 587 463	162,0	1 091 630	9,4	4 979 392	26,7
	March	1 908 460	-17,0	1 055 166	-33,5	1 073 707	-1,6	4 037 333	-18,9
	April	2 394 869	25,5	1 019 205	-3,4	1 372 458	27,8	4 786 532	18,6
	May	2 120 394	-11,5	1 066 492	4,6	1 059 905	-22,8	4 246 791	-11,3
	June	2 110 776	-0,5	1 158 868	8,7	828 483	-21,8	4 098 127	-3,5
	July	2 250 737	6,6	1 273 040	9,9	1 074 258	29,7	4 598 035	12,2
	August	2 188 364	-2,8	1 757 158	38,0	919 005	-14,5	4 864 527	5,8
	September	2 362 563	8,0	1 315 342	-25,1	1 040 210	13,2	4 718 115	-3,0
	October	2 290 382	-3,1	890 763	-32,3	1 042 615	0,2	4 223 760	-10,5
	November	2 007 458	-12,4	1 318 437	48,0	838 950	-19,5	4 164 845	-1,4
	December	1 812 009	-9,7	988 689	-25,0	843 697	0,6	3 644 395	-12,5
2014	January	2 630 419	45,2	1 413 040	42,9	967 696	14,7	5 011 155	37,5
	February	2 044 898	-22,3	1 073 451	-24,0	838 678	-13,3	3 957 027	-21,0
	March	2 138 713	4,6	1 112 793	3,7	730 258	-12,9	3 981 764	0,6
	April	2 499 879	16,9	1 012 352	-9,0	787 519	7,8	4 299 750	8,0
	May	2 189 582	-12,4	634 396	-37,3	987 366	25,4	3 811 344	-11,4
	Dec. 13 – Feb. 14	6 487 326		3 475 180		2 650 071		12 612 577	
	Mar. – May 14 2/	6 828 174	5,3	2 759 541	-20,6	2 505 143	-5,5	12 092 858	-4,1

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.

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/
2013	January	1 471 481	23,5	379 727	-44,5	726 074	16,3	2 577 282	3,1
	February	1 910 031	14,8	1 416 131	61,9	1 126 779	21,4	4 452 941	28,4
	March	1 779 745	-11,1	1 011 849	38,8	1 052 610	6,4	3 844 204	3,3
	April	2 035 427	33,0	1 177 432	-28,2	1 235 191	36,0	4 448 050	9,1
	May	1 719 190	5,0	1 147 638	-7,9	940 631	26,0	3 807 459	4,9
	June	1 768 809	8,7	1 032 649	52,6	749 311	-12,5	3 550 769	12,3
	July	2 090 240	5,2	1 077 435	66,4	1 042 496	51,9	4 210 171	26,8
	August	2 065 710	3,1	1 389 620	94,0	892 613	-7,9	4 347 943	17,8
	September	2 127 428	22,3	982 122	-36,0	927 685	19,0	4 037 235	-0,4
	October	2 077 196	17,0	934 738	62,9	907 782	18,3	3 919 716	25,7
	November	2 083 631	-11,5	1 770 806	2,5	782 737	-3,0	4 637 174	-5,1
	December	1 664 426	-12,1	672 918	-6,5	582 908	-5,5	2 920 252	-9,6
	Total	22 793 314	6,5	12 993 065	10,4	10 966 817	13,3	46 753 196	9,1
2014	January	1 577 690	7,2	846 377	122,9	673 661	-7,2	3 097 728	20,2
	February	1 604 474	-16,0	914 946	-35,4	830 288	-26,3	3 349 708	-24,8
	March	1 871 420	5,2	994 868	-1,7	678 346	-35,6	3 544 634	-7,8
	April	2 018 431	-0,8	1 132 639	-3,8	665 462	-46,1	3 816 532	-14,2
	May	1 647 957	-4,1	628 401	-45,2	824 034	-12,4	3 100 392	-18,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

Table 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		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2013	January	2 100 934	20,2	583 406	-38,1	916 786	18,6	3 601 126	4,0
	February	2 073 547	-1,3	1 535 168	163,1	995 677	8,6	4 604 392	27,9
	March	1 715 404	-17,3	993 392	-35,3	979 130	-1,7	3 687 926	-19,9
	April	2 121 717	23,7	904 971	-8,9	1 246 472	27,3	4 273 160	15,9
	May	1 863 607	-12,2	992 569	9,7	959 134	-23,1	3 815 310	-10,7
	June	1 853 180	-0,6	1 066 774	7,5	745 330	-22,3	3 665 284	-3,9
	July	1 970 263	6,3	1 177 464	10,4	962 102	29,1	4 109 829	12,1
	August	1 906 532	-3,2	1 601 198	36,0	821 721	-14,6	4 329 451	5,3
	September	2 063 696	8,2	1 200 825	-25,0	924 863	12,6	4 189 384	-3,2
	October	1 982 534	-3,9	813 145	-32,3	923 110	-0,2	3 718 789	-11,2
	November	1 743 382	-12,1	1 202 305	47,9	738 345	-20,0	3 684 032	-0,9
	December	1 564 260	-10,3	893 106	-25,7	738 957	0,1	3 196 323	-13,2
2014	January	2 229 278	42,5	1 287 307	44,1	841 703	13,9	4 358 288	36,4
	February	1 724 949	-22,6	985 824	-23,4	726 992	-13,6	3 437 765	-21,1
	March	1 803 182	4,5	994 018	0,8	626 965	-13,8	3 424 165	-0,4
	April	2 072 846	15,0	848 988	-14,6	670 955	7,0	3 592 789	4,9
	May	1 802 369	-13,0	561 559	-33,9	843 947	25,8	3 207 875	-10,7
	Dec. 13 – Feb. 14	5 518 487		3 166 237		2 307 652		10 992 376	
	Mar. – May 14 2/	5 678 397	2,9	2 404 565	-24,1	2 141 867	-7,2	10 224 829	-7,0

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

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 115	1 493	2 144	7 181	9 842	37,1	
		Square metres	53 948	73 877	104 387	359 176	484 142	34,8	
		R'000	186 455	266 376	347 842	1 151 327	1 622 148	40,9	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	1 378	1 355	1 397	6 820	6 676	-2,1	
		Square metres	390 907	338 075	344 545	1 692 750	1 718 820	1,5	
		R'000	2 195 247	2 039 891	2 050 197	9 548 430	10 408 357	9,0	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	2 255	1 596	3 222	7 670	8 748	14,1	
		Square metres	206 869	156 198	228 863	687 621	760 257	10,6	
		R'000	1 168 168	1 044 641	1 578 708	4 140 825	5 047 711	21,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	977	2 864	5 742	43 029	75 033	74,4	
		R'000	4 419	21 247	32 796	275 368	366 656	33,2	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	3 554 289	3 372 155	4 009 543	15 115 950	17 444 872	15,4	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	35 453	92 879	64 491	249 760	450 201	80,3	
		R'000	269 024	809 021	514 801	1 793 669	3 590 424	100,2	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	171 171	53 804	33 719	589 110	227 093	-61,5	
		R'000	1 054 818	296 103	234 990	3 781 824	1 413 341	-62,6	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	88 529	105 733	121 707	723 384	615 537	-14,9	
		R'000	369 854	492 263	559 771	3 146 221	2 854 642	-9,3	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	56 539	17 880	17 485	153 101	164 159	7,2	
		R'000	305 956	96 931	97 571	843 722	916 887	8,7	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 999 652	1 694 318	1 407 133	9 565 436	8 775 294	-8,3
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	256 137	251 490	261 023	1 232 777	1 239 495	0,5
R'000			1 318 338	1 403 564	1 454 721	6 481 167	6 813 647	5,1	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	103 090	95 306	86 864	435 627	419 913	-3,6	
		R'000	718 836	651 042	552 915	2 963 242	2 793 458	-5,7	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	2 037 174	2 054 606	2 007 636	9 444 409	9 607 105	1,7	
4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	7 591 115	7 121 079	7 424 312	34 125 795	35 827 271	5,0	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	316	587	527	2 214	3 478	57,1	
		Square metres	14 724	26 861	24 150	99 499	155 914	56,7	
		R'000	50 175	87 131	80 978	297 839	498 690	67,4	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	348	285	301	1 360	1 354	-0,4	
		Square metres	91 316	69 551	70 828	335 036	323 100	-3,6	
		R'000	525 338	418 413	410 963	1 935 235	2 015 552	4,2	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	293	410	213	1 679	1 500	-10,7	
		Square metres	26 337	38 883	21 295	125 413	135 591	8,1	
		R'000	174 233	279 511	140 498	832 803	970 833	16,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	256	0	2 468	4 241	7 368	73,7	
		R'000	1 792	0	13 574	28 142	46 274	64,4	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	751 538	785 055	646 013	3 094 019	3 531 349	14,1
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 625	3 938	5 125	19 417	72 007	270,8	
		R'000	12 391	30 268	37 061	143 867	490 186	240,7	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	13 946	2 640	39 952	69 457	73,9	
		R'000	0	92 126	14 520	296 897	455 210	53,3	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	3 766	6 854	13 821	116 921	85 446	-26,9	
		R'000	16 047	41 837	75 713	630 921	464 199	-26,4	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	23 148	3 169	7 684	50 791	80 419	58,3	
		R'000	87 097	17 458	38 970	234 724	455 010	93,8	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	115 535	181 689	166 264	1 306 409	1 864 605	42,7
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	84 503	68 992	66 660	343 321	319 069	-7,1
			R'000	409 698	360 059	344 824	1 673 849	1 619 249	-3,3
		2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	19 658	19 363	21 819	115 114	127 500	10,8
R'000			181 922	153 094	166 152	952 731	950 051	-0,3	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	591 620	513 153	510 976	2 626 580	2 569 300	-2,2	
4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	1 458 693	1 479 897	1 323 253	7 027 008	7 965 254	13,4	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	41	127	588	109	863	691,7
		Square metres	2 555	5 480	24 728	6 263	37 160	493,3
		R'000	8 958	12 708	60 479	22 674	97 287	329,1
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	73	100	107	316	406	28,5
		Square metres	15 640	19 839	23 947	72 802	86 282	18,5
		R'000	70 385	98 893	113 727	338 518	421 430	24,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	42	12	17	496	119	-76,0
		Square metres	7 277	2 364	2 106	35 162	9 879	-71,9
		R'000	32 699	12 670	11 288	160 582	51 316	-68,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	888	0	1 935	2 431	25,6
		R'000	0	5 772	0	8 221	14 941	81,7
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	112 042	130 043	185 494	529 995	584 974	10,4	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 992	0	1 562	13 365	4 006	-70,0
		R'000	6 972	0	5 842	51 755	15 498	-70,1
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	118 017	2 261	1 619	143 956	36 532	-74,6
		R'000	706 469	11 931	8 543	819 551	211 618	-74,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	21 993	3 905	18 783	70 334	58 961	-16,2
		R'000	67 122	20 785	91 735	241 781	274 671	13,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	285	125	2 248	7 778	8 926	14,8
		R'000	1 302	650	9 522	27 189	35 076	29,0
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	781 865	33 366	115 642	1 140 276	536 863	-52,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	24 315	19 994	35 578	112 061	119 098
R'000			101 616	92 900	168 951	481 798	551 307	14,4
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	3 390	7 108	20 162	37 615	45 721	21,5
		R'000	14 082	28 617	86 467	162 239	193 064	19,0
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	115 698	121 517	255 418	644 037	744 371	15,6
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 009 605	284 926	556 554	2 314 308	1 866 208	-19,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	0	7	0	1	7	600,0	
		Square metres	0	311	0	69	311	350,7	
		R'000	0	1 334	0	290	1 334	360,0	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	36	23	15	146	165	13,0	
		Square metres	9 116	5 612	2 439	24 951	24 155	-3,2	
		R'000	40 730	26 062	16 102	109 376	116 266	6,3	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	50	48	-4,0	
		Square metres	0	0	0	5 963	3 614	-39,4	
		R'000	0	0	0	26 267	13 010	-50,5	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	191	0	0	7 283	29 528	305,4	
		R'000	860	0	0	42 565	132 686	211,7	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	41 590	27 396	16 102	178 498	263 296	47,5
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	414	210	3 250	1 516	-53,4
R'000			0	2 070	1 050	12 675	7 580	-40,2	
2. Shopping space		Square metres	0	5 976	0	0	5 976	..	
		R'000	0	26 893	0	0	26 893	..	
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	356	2 126	0	8 476	4 735	-44,1	
		R'000	1 709	10 630	0	40 264	22 672	-43,7	
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	300	242	0	405	1 057	161,0	
		R'000	1 351	1 089	0	1 824	4 529	148,3	
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	3 060	40 682	1 050	54 763	61 674	12,6	
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	2 778	4 122	2 775	16 029	21 709	35,4
			R'000	11 996	19 153	13 473	69 792	99 001	41,9
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	1 593	3 211	188	5 035	13 484	167,8	
		R'000	8 381	16 263	1 178	29 243	64 887	121,9	
	3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	20 377	35 416	14 651	99 035	163 888	65,5
	4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	65 027	103 494	31 803	332 296	488 858	47,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	90	60	22	506	227	-55,1
		Square metres	5 133	3 386	1 416	27 361	12 524	-54,2
		R'000	11 890	9 890	6 407	56 451	40 507	-28,2
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	56	52	71	332	349	5,1
		Square metres	11 125	11 115	14 403	65 785	72 721	10,5
		R'000	50 487	54 024	68 795	290 843	338 796	16,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	215	98	16	271	298	10,0
		Square metres	15 093	14 884	1 441	23 536	44 276	88,1
		R'000	82 144	81 658	7 526	128 270	233 701	82,2
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	240	556	20 740	3 630,2
		R'000	0	0	1 320	3 380	93 243	2 658,7
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	144 521	145 572	84 048	478 944	706 247	47,5	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	428	472	2 697	471,4
		R'000	0	0	2 117	2 596	14 002	439,4
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	632	424	2 999	3 868	29,0
		R'000	0	2 844	2 508	17 003	17 236	1,4
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	969	17 959	10 407	1 750	45 932	2 524,7
		R'000	3 390	84 597	51 422	5 733	197 400	3 343,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	898	638	180	3 414	1 704	-50,1
		R'000	2 694	3 487	1 044	16 863	8 853	-47,5
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	6 084	90 928	57 091	42 195	237 491	462,8
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	10 830	10 850	11 030	59 310	60 862
R'000			46 521	48 833	48 479	260 181	265 195	1,9
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	89	8 051	2 644	7 643	17 290	126,2
		R'000	2 526	48 462	21 002	86 482	116 839	35,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	49 047	97 295	69 481	346 663	382 034	10,2
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	199 652	333 795	210 620	867 802	1 325 772	52,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	134	28	19	254	114	-55,1	
		Square metres	4 627	1 809	1 049	11 780	6 745	-42,7	
		R'000	15 639	10 777	5 994	61 594	44 826	-27,2	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	122	106	104	491	515	4,9	
		Square metres	38 590	34 485	34 325	149 376	159 869	7,0	
		R'000	281 285	268 783	274 523	1 058 670	1 247 819	17,9	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	645	155	1 260	1 113	1 755	57,7	
		Square metres	42 766	22 941	90 737	105 906	167 465	58,1	
		R'000	229 039	178 876	567 267	686 359	1 143 680	66,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	1 401	1 579	3 176	8 461	166,4	
		R'000	0	12 889	7 800	15 087	48 461	221,2	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	525 963	471 325	855 584	1 821 710	2 484 786	36,4	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	5 367	27 822	34 484	43 567	158 646	264,1	
		R'000	39 877	239 269	293 383	305 504	1 361 173	345,5	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	29 230	3 701	14 540	47 172	27 429	-41,9	
		R'000	227 309	21 631	121 530	334 120	216 554	-35,2	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	11 897	34 852	35 223	182 400	153 142	-16,0	
		R'000	63 683	151 632	150 294	760 582	714 345	-6,1	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	17 835	4 246	0	24 621	27 618	12,2	
		R'000	140 612	29 341	0	183 813	164 767	-10,4	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	471 481	441 873	565 207	1 584 019	2 456 839	55,1
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	28 012	32 675	28 970	127 370	148 915	16,9
R'000			176 435	221 552	212 959	842 951	1 062 499	26,0	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	24 487	37 408	11 777	94 110	98 804	5,0	
		R'000	186 441	277 398	88 153	681 030	741 324	8,9	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	362 876	498 950	301 112	1 523 981	1 803 823	18,4	
4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	1 360 320	1 412 148	1 721 903	4 929 710	6 745 448	36,8	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	9	8	10	518	41	-92,1
		Square metres	529	430	640	30 886	2 623	-91,5
		R'000	2 197	2 338	2 546	60 985	11 726	-80,8
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	110	58	88	468	394	-15,8
		Square metres	29 303	14 515	24 196	105 524	94 847	-10,1
		R'000	129 616	77 527	127 411	469 255	460 614	-1,8
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	175	66	166	749	623	-16,8
		Square metres	12 156	4 543	13 266	57 998	51 797	-10,7
		R'000	63 416	24 573	64 537	288 970	264 666	-8,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	530	0	0	7 392	564	-92,4
		R'000	1 767	0	0	38 064	1 974	-94,8
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	196 996	104 438	194 494	857 274	738 980	-13,8
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	1 128	0	667	2 323	667
R'000			5 640	0	3 668	10 908	3 668	-66,4
2. Shopping space		Square metres	9 379	13 363	4 045	53 586	24 526	-54,2
		R'000	39 221	62 568	19 405	254 617	115 232	-54,7
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	0	1 435	0	5 417	9 766	80,3
		R'000	0	6 314	0	20 298	41 361	103,8
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	622	717	3 652	3 018	12 059	299,6
		R'000	2 572	3 300	21 912	12 859	64 306	400,1
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	47 433	72 182	44 985	298 682	224 567	-24,8
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	16 177	10 347	9 865	73 674	63 851
	R'000		68 588	46 584	45 218	304 308	280 530	-7,8
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	7 586	490	5 420	18 970	15 312	-19,3
		R'000	34 599	4 135	26 331	88 226	71 425	-19,0
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	103 187	50 719	71 549	392 534	351 955	-10,3
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	347 616	227 339	311 028	1 548 490	1 315 502	-15,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	447	530	846	3 104	4 469	44,0
		Square metres	22 130	28 532	44 765	156 971	234 415	49,3
		R'000	76 201	114 019	163 206	528 319	782 433	48,1
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	437	577	544	2 679	2 648	-1,2
		Square metres	146 037	144 056	132 879	710 978	755 370	6,2
		R'000	883 046	917 465	844 907	4 344 817	4 865 633	12,0
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	788	644	1 483	2 857	3 772	32,0
		Square metres	90 720	56 706	96 105	283 512	297 007	4,8
		R'000	537 469	394 348	770 221	1 813 499	2 147 889	18,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	575	726	14 659	1 539	-89,5
		R'000	0	2 586	5 336	122 387	9 254	-92,4
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 496 716	1 428 418	1 783 670	6 809 022	7 805 209	14,6
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	21 121	59 647	20 916	153 150	206 596	34,9
		R'000	180 677	532 653	166 734	1 202 916	1 680 020	39,7
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	8 295	6 980	10 290	218 138	35 967	-83,5
		R'000	55 531	46 861	67 871	1 592 470	235 829	-85,2
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	44 196	28 634	33 838	291 157	209 475	-28,1
		R'000	191 785	131 567	148 606	1 247 217	933 733	-25,1
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	5 844	5 380	3 522	49 823	20 931	-58,0
		R'000	31 712	26 472	25 149	304 059	134 332	-55,8
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	459 705	737 553	408 360	4 346 662	2 983 914	-31,4
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	72 261	84 582	81 451	406 990	396 529
R'000			428 828	528 444	512 999	2 447 209	2 468 462	0,9
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	43 083	17 780	21 032	146 307	88 257	-39,7
		R'000	275 585	111 938	136 242	903 951	563 059	-37,7
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	704 413	640 382	649 241	3 351 160	3 031 521	-9,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	2 660 834	2 806 353	2 841 271	14 506 844	13 820 644	-4,7

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	32	124	102	301	482	60,1
		Square metres	1 505	5 855	5 828	16 069	24 922	55,1
		R'000	6 520	22 375	19 892	69 662	98 181	40,9
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	154	115	123	814	633	-22,2
		Square metres	39 313	27 245	27 905	168 338	140 510	-16,5
		R'000	166 825	125 990	129 621	729 733	651 776	-10,7
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	33	176	56	185	444	140,0
		Square metres	4 383	9 303	2 862	20 685	27 168	31,3
		R'000	17 532	44 138	13 024	84 805	123 894	46,1
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	729	0	874	..
		R'000	0	0	4 766	0	5 516	..
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	190 877	192 503	167 303	884 200	879 367	-0,5	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	4 080	0	0	11 871	1 909	-83,9
		R'000	22 837	0	0	53 676	8 590	-84,0
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	846	6 945	0	74 621	8 081	-89,2
		R'000	2 900	31 249	0	430 487	36 368	-91,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	4 702	8 378	5 966	29 925	37 806	26,3
		R'000	23 525	38 958	25 490	134 207	164 468	22,5
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	7 309	0	199	9 725	7 833	-19,5
		R'000	37 481	0	974	47 282	34 008	-28,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	86 743	70 207	26 464	665 652	243 434	-63,4
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	15 141	16 680	18 928	66 257	80 735
R'000			65 246	72 190	82 785	277 911	344 167	23,8
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	1 207	1 790	2 239	5 618	10 493	86,8
		R'000	7 272	10 191	17 434	36 088	75 097	108,1
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	72 518	82 381	100 219	313 999	419 264	33,5
4. Recorded plans passed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	350 138	345 091	293 986	1 863 851	1 542 065	-17,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	46	22	30	174	161	-7,5	
		Square metres	2 745	1 213	1 811	10 278	9 528	-7,3	
		R'000	14 875	5 804	8 340	53 513	47 164	-11,9	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	42	39	44	214	212	-0,9	
		Square metres	10 467	11 657	13 623	59 960	61 966	3,3	
		R'000	47 535	52 734	64 148	271 983	290 471	6,8	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	64	35	11	270	189	-30,0	
		Square metres	8 137	6 574	1 051	29 446	23 460	-20,3	
		R'000	31 636	28 867	4 347	119 270	98 722	-17,2	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	3 787	3 528	-6,8	
		R'000	0	0	0	17 522	14 307	-18,3	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	94 046	87 405	76 835	462 288	450 664	-2,5	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	140	1 058	1 099	2 345	2 157	-8,0	
		R'000	630	4 761	4 946	9 772	9 707	-0,7	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	5 404	0	161	8 686	15 257	75,7	
		R'000	23 388	0	613	36 679	98 401	168,3	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	650	1 590	3 669	17 004	10 274	-39,6	
		R'000	2 593	5 943	16 511	65 218	41 793	-35,9	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	298	3 363	0	3 526	3 612	2,4	
		R'000	1 135	15 134	0	15 109	16 006	5,9	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	27 746	25 838	22 070	126 778	165 907	30,9
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	2 120	3 248	5 766	27 765	28 727	3,5
R'000			9 410	13 849	25 033	123 168	123 237	0,1	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	1 997	105	1 583	5 215	3 052	-41,5	
		R'000	8 028	944	9 956	23 252	17 712	-23,8	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	17 438	14 793	34 989	146 420	140 949	-3,7	
4. Recorded plans passed		R'000	139 230	128 036	133 894	735 486	757 520	3,0	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	1 051	1 102	1 064	8 049	5 866	-27,1
		Square metres	50 326	54 674	51 305	368 015	281 133	-23,6
		R'000	150 065	201 841	182 808	948 205	912 760	-3,7
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	893	836	953	4 615	4 203	-8,9
		Square metres	239 118	210 848	217 598	1 124 269	1 037 752	-7,7
		R'000	1 289 561	1 260 333	1 250 003	6 027 524	6 124 654	1,6
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	1 162	1 572	612	5 190	5 260	1,3
		Square metres	99 423	136 211	86 371	481 448	481 399	-0,0
		R'000	492 279	865 713	541 517	2 717 963	3 126 945	15,0
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	670	18 013	367	49 861	41 100	-17,6
		R'000	2 680	86 137	1 852	261 660	217 504	-16,9
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	1 934 585	2 414 024	1 976 180	9 955 352	10 381 863	4,3	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	38 397	20 809	20 561	364 119	135 608	-62,8
		R'000	317 751	155 200	161 534	2 498 610	928 542	-62,8
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	69 184	35 334	20 422	188 457	142 717	-24,3
		R'000	338 697	220 932	157 901	947 041	1 040 399	9,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	83 266	173 521	78 433	327 262	551 760	68,6
		R'000	380 733	862 571	320 907	1 448 314	2 589 039	78,8
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	44 597	7 786	15 667	117 025	84 542	-27,8
		R'000	195 382	36 648	70 380	580 550	518 011	-10,8
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 232 563	1 275 351	710 722	5 474 515	5 075 991	-7,3
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	149 114	95 411	111 199	794 553	551 176
R'000			702 444	504 122	576 015	3 644 241	2 840 124	-22,1
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	70 503	49 811	67 985	355 684	248 370	-30,2
		R'000	340 716	279 792	391 401	1 943 616	1 434 208	-26,2
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 043 160	783 914	967 416	5 587 857	4 274 332	-23,5
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	4 210 308	4 473 289	3 654 318	21 017 724	19 732 186	-6,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	424	511	505	2 946	3 070	4,2
		Square metres	18 520	22 733	22 274	127 578	132 988	4,2
		R'000	39 228	67 587	62 428	258 941	349 842	35,1
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	317	233	215	1 325	976	-26,3
		Square metres	79 464	57 493	52 921	319 076	250 737	-21,4
		R'000	372 565	316 467	272 946	1 480 940	1 344 545	-9,2
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	648	315	128	1 651	894	-45,9
		Square metres	57 702	26 777	15 268	166 973	97 786	-41,4
		R'000	274 401	164 417	90 203	835 684	573 660	-31,4
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	30 329	21 777	-28,2
		R'000	0	0	0	153 940	124 129	-19,4
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	686 194	548 471	425 577	2 729 505	2 392 176	-12,4	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	2 229	2 869	3 347	76 797	42 787	-44,3
		R'000	9 685	21 273	24 818	355 992	295 602	-17,0
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	38 125	740	0	65 160	6 220	-90,5
		R'000	185 665	4 810	0	311 963	29 366	-90,6
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	26 612	6 436	7 075	105 844	50 185	-52,6
		R'000	103 557	29 890	33 933	444 881	232 958	-47,6
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	1 542	0	54	45 532	11 320	-75,1
		R'000	6 089	0	243	224 992	54 762	-75,7
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	304 996	55 973	58 994	1 337 828	612 688	-54,2
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	80 866	41 907	50 452	410 778	228 211
R'000			304 211	179 824	213 892	1 544 115	975 084	-36,9
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	43 711	22 154	31 079	241 277	141 626	-41,3
		R'000	205 373	115 495	158 152	1 213 399	758 232	-37,5
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	509 584	295 319	372 044	2 757 514	1 733 316	-37,1
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 500 774	899 763	856 615	6 824 847	4 738 180	-30,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

		May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/		
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	16	54	43	964	177	-81,6	
		Square metres	749	2 635	2 099	39 891	9 151	-77,1	
		R'000	1 874	7 957	5 354	80 194	27 524	-65,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	39	54	37	240	222	-7,5	
		Square metres	8 725	8 187	7 661	47 988	41 441	-13,6	
		R'000	38 326	37 648	35 580	188 550	189 558	0,5	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	6	104	35	348	178	-48,9	
		Square metres	653	6 385	3 274	20 547	15 805	-23,1	
		R'000	2 269	31 099	15 819	70 022	73 469	4,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	100	8 795	520	-94,1	
		R'000	0	0	650	37 351	3 380	-91,0	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	42 469	76 704	57 403	376 117	293 931	-21,9
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	1 992	7 567	3 016	-60,1	
		R'000	0	0	7 968	29 207	11 772	-59,7	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	3 492	7 471	562	41 111	10 386	-74,7	
		R'000	12 233	33 620	3 500	147 101	47 123	-68,0	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	4 827	38 828	2 441	21 520	84 517	292,7	
		R'000	16 895	174 727	11 066	76 755	341 841	345,4	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	89	0	5 472	11 836	5 939	-49,8	
		R'000	312	0	20 531	54 918	21 985	-60,0	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	29 440	208 347	43 065	307 981	422 721	37,3
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	8 727	5 650	7 847	62 155	39 278	-36,8
R'000			32 929	21 412	28 250	216 244	148 044	-31,5	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	7 775	3 353	3 649	21 391	14 528	-32,1	
		R'000	26 822	12 689	18 016	73 109	58 603	-19,8	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	59 751	34 101	46 266	289 353	206 647	-28,6	
4. Recorded buildings completed		R'000	131 660	319 152	146 734	973 451	923 299	-5,2	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	0	1	0	1	2	100,0
		Square metres	0	41	0	42	82	95,2
		R'000	0	71	0	202	276	36,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	4	9	11	27	46	70,4
		Square metres	802	1 468	2 166	5 971	10 448	75,0
		R'000	3 482	7 123	10 253	26 794	48 001	79,1
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	0	10	..
		Square metres	0	0	0	0	1 159	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	4 655	..
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	1 538	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	7 382	0	..
	5. Total residential buildings	R'000	3 482	7 194	10 253	34 378	52 932	54,0
	2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	0	0	14 879
R'000			0	0	0	0	50 589	..
2. Shopping space		Square metres	0	0	0	259	363	40,2
		R'000	0	0	0	1 203	1 634	35,8
3. Industrial and warehouse space		Square metres	0	272	2 774	1 339	5 283	294,5
		R'000	0	1 360	13 870	6 427	26 415	311,0
4. Other non-residential buildings 3/		Square metres	0	0	242	262	242	-7,6
		R'000	0	0	1 089	996	1 089	9,3
5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	0	1 360	14 959	8 626	79 727	824,3
3. Additions and alterations		1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	1 626	2 156	2 481	7 798	10 611
	R'000		7 224	10 694	11 569	34 108	49 700	45,7
	2. Other buildings 4/	Square metres	1 484	3 217	6 047	2 408	9 665	301,4
		R'000	6 594	16 044	27 939	11 029	47 787	333,3
	3. Total additions and alterations	R'000	13 818	26 738	39 508	45 137	97 487	116,0
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	17 300	35 292	64 720	88 141	230 146	161,1

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	27	4	5	178	114	-36,0	
		Square metres	1 367	200	287	9 271	6 353	-31,5	
		R'000	2 678	360	1 292	17 057	14 968	-12,2	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	34	14	16	199	59	-70,4	
		Square metres	8 741	3 930	4 501	47 867	15 973	-66,6	
		R'000	36 461	19 559	22 619	179 852	78 143	-56,6	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	0	30	0	56	150	167,9	
		Square metres	0	2 286	0	3 897	16 621	326,5	
		R'000	0	10 957	0	21 236	81 525	283,9	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	670	0	267	2 366	267	-88,7	
		R'000	2 680	0	1 202	12 010	1 202	-90,0	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	41 819	30 876	25 113	230 155	175 838	-23,6	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	15 171	0	0	18 481	451	-97,6	
		R'000	83 440	0	0	98 336	2 030	-97,9	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	0	0	7 127	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	41 673	0	..	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	1 921	0	0	1 921	725	-62,3	
		R'000	6 265	0	0	6 265	2 700	-56,9	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	89 705	0	0	146 274	4 730	-96,8
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	4 895	1 362	1 361	19 665	5 335	-72,9
R'000			16 271	6 131	6 125	67 688	22 523	-66,7	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	2 015	0	0	7 543	556	-92,6	
		R'000	9 601	900	910	34 629	16 755	-51,6	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	25 872	7 031	7 035	102 317	39 278	-61,6	
4. Recorded buildings completed		R'000	157 396	37 907	32 148	478 746	219 846	-54,1	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	27	12	13	152	75	-50,7	
		Square metres	1 509	692	770	8 217	4 218	-48,7	
		R'000	9 189	3 682	5 699	48 601	27 142	-44,2	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	74	64	51	346	317	-8,4	
		Square metres	19 274	20 977	12 374	90 927	93 017	2,3	
		R'000	135 226	163 857	98 168	675 830	710 184	5,1	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	51	275	33	677	768	13,4	
		Square metres	9 583	17 604	7 355	86 666	71 322	-17,7	
		R'000	61 254	132 013	47 372	622 099	536 926	-13,7	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	205 669	299 552	151 239	1 346 530	1 274 252	-5,4
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	1 673	13 861	52 480	25 136	-52,1	
		R'000	0	14 388	119 205	381 478	197 732	-48,2	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	5 521	3 328	915	13 893	5 872	-57,7	
		R'000	19 324	16 713	7 869	84 357	34 842	-58,7	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	1 365	12 488	879	20 018	39 361	96,6	
		R'000	5 870	57 445	3 164	87 157	182 187	109,0	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	38 113	108	1 456	44 556	6 805	-84,7	
		R'000	163 887	994	10 523	203 953	38 911	-80,9	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	189 081	89 540	140 761	756 945	453 672	-40,1
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	19 427	14 632	13 050	74 507	62 250	-16,5
R'000			159 688	121 678	111 378	587 535	505 636	-13,9	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	2 470	5 986	5 312	13 219	17 901	35,4	
		R'000	17 690	37 813	37 832	176 089	129 048	-26,7	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	177 378	159 491	149 210	763 624	634 684	-16,9	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	572 128	548 583	441 210	2 867 099	2 362 608	-17,6	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	2	19	4	18	84	366,7	
		Square metres	133	1 137	240	1 127	4 541	302,9	
		R'000	418	4 542	980	3 481	15 898	356,7	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	37	81	182	211	485	129,9	
		Square metres	8 881	13 196	22 204	43 919	69 352	57,9	
		R'000	40 040	59 675	99 927	180 810	307 885	70,3	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	31	38	69	296	443	49,7	
		Square metres	2 974	3 579	4 829	24 643	39 679	61,0	
		R'000	14 121	15 081	20 654	119 282	202 370	69,7	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	0	193	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	676	..	
	5. Total residential buildings		R'000	54 579	79 298	121 561	303 573	526 829	73,5
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	0	0	0	1 855	4 401	137,3	
		R'000	0	0	0	8 233	21 778	164,5	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	760	950	0	19 899	24 894	25,1	
		R'000	2 660	4 750	0	99 885	143 123	43,3	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	0	0	12 492	11 513	-7,8	
		R'000	0	0	0	47 608	39 805	-16,4	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	0	0	164	2 938	1 691,5	
		R'000	0	0	0	984	15 496	1 474,8	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	2 660	4 750	0	156 710	220 202	40,5
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	2 238	1 766	2 999	13 088	12 228	-6,6
R'000			9 070	8 344	15 854	47 122	54 186	15,0	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	74	0	759	2 412	2 695	11,7	
		R'000	259	0	5 794	11 457	14 385	25,6	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	9 329	8 344	21 648	58 579	68 571	17,1	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	66 568	92 392	143 209	518 862	815 602	57,2	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	463	326	375	3 457	1 798	-48,0
		Square metres	21 905	18 505	18 512	163 078	94 402	-42,1
		R'000	70 968	84 920	78 869	466 732	361 362	-22,6
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	313	296	373	1 751	1 737	-0,8
		Square metres	97 609	86 864	100 968	465 261	477 727	2,7
		R'000	597 959	573 716	646 879	2 864 528	3 108 583	8,5
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	371	311	298	1 892	2 132	12,7
		Square metres	24 241	50 555	51 796	153 615	195 038	27,0
		R'000	122 094	314 983	350 090	942 057	1 391 871	47,7
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	0	0	5 790	330	-94,3
		R'000	0	0	0	46 805	1 980	-95,8
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	791 021	973 619	1 075 838	4 320 122	4 863 796	12,6	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	35 657	16 267	1 361	219 444	44 071	-79,9
		R'000	305 950	119 539	9 543	1 697 227	345 794	-79,6
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	6 115	22 845	18 945	29 100	72 808	150,2
		R'000	35 375	161 039	146 532	202 030	549 281	171,9
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	40 755	112 834	59 279	132 201	338 163	155,8
		R'000	193 947	586 617	232 011	612 372	1 666 778	172,2
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	2 108	3 962	0	6 721	44 251	558,4
		R'000	14 651	18 890	0	45 817	327 655	615,1
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	549 923	886 085	388 086	2 557 446	2 889 508	13,0
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	22 418	21 668	24 865	172 746	149 957
R'000			135 097	131 231	155 038	1 009 043	905 432	-10,3
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	11 263	15 001	21 039	63 139	60 132	-4,8
		R'000	65 446	95 879	140 640	403 413	401 383	-0,5
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	200 543	227 110	295 678	1 412 456	1 306 815	-7,5
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	1 541 487	2 086 814	1 759 602	8 290 024	9 060 119	9,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

			May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	74	156	105	249	464	86,3	
		Square metres	5 259	7 677	6 227	14 523	24 666	69,8	
		R'000	21 732	27 977	24 154	53 700	94 486	76,0	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	58	64	55	417	266	-36,2	
		Square metres	11 273	13 232	11 640	78 505	57 313	-27,0	
		R'000	46 262	58 688	49 542	320 916	243 176	-24,2	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	43	498	49	187	614	228,3	
		Square metres	2 903	28 875	3 849	15 256	36 807	141,3	
		R'000	12 317	196 489	17 379	63 581	231 940	264,8	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	17 689	0	1 043	17 689	1 596,0	
		R'000	0	84 841	0	4 172	84 841	1 933,6	
5. Total residential buildings	R'000	80 311	367 995	91 075	442 369	654 443	47,9		
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	286	0	0	760	0	..	
		R'000	1 145	0	0	3 042	0	..	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	0	0	0	21 723	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	233 000	..	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	9 707	2 663	5 985	23 170	14 560	-37,2	
		R'000	60 464	12 532	26 863	115 461	62 819	-45,6	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	824	3 716	8 443	5 889	12 322	109,2	
		R'000	4 178	16 764	37 994	41 761	55 413	32,7	
	5. Total non-residential buildings	R'000	65 787	29 296	64 857	160 264	351 232	119,2	
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	7 724	5 732	7 714	30 831	40 405	31,1
			R'000	32 751	22 687	32 206	125 740	167 503	33,2
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	563	100	0	2 854	1 042	-63,5	
		R'000	2 985	972	0	13 398	5 422	-59,5	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	35 736	23 659	32 206	139 138	172 925	24,3	
4. Recorded buildings completed	1. Total at current prices	R'000	181 834	420 950	188 138	741 771	1 178 600	58,9	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

		May 2013	Apr. 2014	May 2014	Jan. - May 2013	Jan. - May 2014	% change 1/		
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
1. Residential buildings	1. Dwelling-houses smaller than 80 square metres	Number	18	19	14	84	82	-2,4	
		Square metres	884	1 054	896	4 288	4 732	10,4	
		R'000	3 978	4 745	4 032	19 297	21 262	10,2	
	2. Dwelling-houses equal to or greater than 80 square metres	Number	17	21	13	99	95	-4,0	
		Square metres	4 349	5 501	3 163	24 755	21 744	-12,2	
		R'000	19 240	23 600	14 089	109 304	94 579	-13,5	
	3. Flats and townhouses	Number	12	1	0	83	71	-14,5	
		Square metres	1 367	150	0	9 851	7 182	-27,1	
		R'000	5 823	674	0	44 002	30 529	-30,6	
	4. Other residential buildings 2/	Square metres	0	324	0	0	324	..	
		R'000	0	1 296	0	0	1 296	..	
5. Total residential buildings		R'000	29 041	30 315	18 121	172 603	147 666	-14,4	
2. Non-residential buildings	1. Office and banking space	Square metres	225	0	0	5 216	1 318	-74,7	
		R'000	971	0	0	23 431	5 275	-77,5	
	2. Shopping space	Square metres	0	0	0	554	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	2 166	0	..	
	3. Industrial and warehouse space	Square metres	0	0	0	3 551	8 178	130,3	
		R'000	0	0	0	15 980	36 236	126,8	
	4. Other non-residential buildings 3/	Square metres	0	0	0	144	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	864	0	..	
	5. Total non-residential buildings		R'000	971	0	0	42 441	41 511	-2,2
	3. Additions and alterations	1. Dwelling-houses	Square metres	1 193	538	430	2 985	2 901	-2,8
R'000			5 203	2 121	1 703	12 646	12 016	-5,0	
2. Other buildings 4/		Square metres	1 148	0	100	1 441	225	-84,4	
		R'000	5 946	0	2 118	7 093	2 593	-63,4	
3. Total additions and alterations		R'000	11 149	2 121	3 821	19 739	14 609	-26,0	
4. Recorded buildings completed		R'000	41 161	32 436	21 942	234 783	203 786	-13,2	

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2013 and 2014.

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

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

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

Explanatory notes

- Introduction**
- 1 Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.
 - 2 In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.
- Purpose of the survey**
- 3 The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.
- Scope of the survey**
- 4 This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding -
 - passing of building plans; and
 - final inspection of completed buildings.
- Classification**
- 5 Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the *Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities, (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02*. The SIC is based on the 1990 *International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC)* with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
- Collection rate**
- 6 The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for May 2014 was 89,1%. The improved collection rate for April 2014 was 90,0%.
- Statistical unit**
- 7 The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
- Survey methodology and design**
- 8 Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 86 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.
- Constant prices**
- 9 The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2010. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151: *Contract Price Adjustment Provisions (CPAP) Work Groups and Selected Materials Indices*. In order to be applicable, these indices (base February 1991=100) are converted to the base year 2010=100.

- 10 The value of buildings completed at constant prices is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with the price index which is used to calculate building plans passed at constant prices (see paragraph 9). Since the completion of buildings may extend over a few months to a few years, the current value of buildings completed is deflated by price indices which prevailed at the time the plans were passed. Therefore, the duration of the completion of different types of buildings are taken into account in ascertaining the deflators e.g. the value of dwelling-houses completed at constant prices at January 2010 is obtained by deflating the current value of dwelling-houses completed for January 2010 with the price index of a month six months prior to January 2010. Furthermore, the value of other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and additions and alterations at constant prices is obtained by deflating the current values with price indices of 12 months, 18 months and 12 months prior to the relevant month, respectively.
- Seasonal adjustment**
- 11 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-11 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.
- Trend cycle**
- 13 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-11 Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures**
- 14 Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 15 Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.
- Related publications**
- 16 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually.
 - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually.
 - *Bulletin of Statistics* issued quarterly.
 - *South African Statistics* issued annually.
 - *Building Statistics* (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
- Rounding-off of figures**
- 17 Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

Symbols and abbreviations

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

Glossary

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

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

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