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## Results for January to May 2018

**Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices:  
January to May 2017 versus January to May 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2017	January to May 2018	Difference in value between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	% change between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>20 259 994</b>	<b>22 252 269</b>	<b>1 992 275</b>	<b>9,8</b>
-Dwelling-houses	12 593 925	13 414 413	820 488	6,5
-Flats and townhouses	7 522 087	7 567 198	45 111	0,6
-Other residential buildings	143 982	1 270 658	1 126 676	782,5
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>8 866 531</b>	<b>9 600 753</b>	<b>734 222</b>	<b>8,3</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>10 568 693</b>	<b>11 540 861</b>	<b>972 168</b>	<b>9,2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>39 695 218</b>	<b>43 393 883</b>	<b>3 698 665</b>	<b>9,3</b>

1/ 2017 and 2018 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 9,3% (R3 698,7 million) during January to May 2018 compared with January to May 2017.

Increases were recorded for residential buildings (9,8% or R1 992,3 million), additions and alterations (9,2% or R972,2 million) and non-residential buildings (8,3% or R734,2 million) – see Table A.

**Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:  
January to May 2017 versus January to May 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2017	January to May 2018	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during January to May 2017	% change between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	Difference in value between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000			2/	R'000
Western Cape	11 446 061	14 393 188	28,8	25,7	7,4	2 947 127
Eastern Cape	2 059 998	2 886 141	5,2	40,1	2,1	826 143
Northern Cape	256 309	415 894	0,6	62,3	0,4	159 585
Free State	1 309 188	1 641 677	3,3	25,4	0,8	332 489
KwaZulu-Natal	7 408 031	8 132 375	18,7	9,8	1,8	724 344
North West	1 698 579	1 280 236	4,3	-24,6	-1,1	-418 343
Gauteng	13 486 984	12 402 715	34,0	-8,0	-2,7	-1 084 269
Mpumalanga	1 148 339	1 530 364	2,9	33,3	1,0	382 025
Limpopo	881 729	711 293	2,2	-19,3	-0,4	-170 436
<b>Total</b>	<b>39 695 218</b>	<b>43 393 883</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>9,3</b>	<b>9,3</b>	<b>3 698 665</b>

1/ 2017 and 2018 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 January to May 2017 and January to May 2018 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to May 2017, divided by 100.

The largest positive contributions to the total increase of 9,3% (R3 698,7 million) were made by Western Cape (contributing 7,4 percentage points or R2 947,1 million), Eastern Cape (2,1 percentage points or R826,1 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (1,8 percentage points or R724,3 million). Gauteng (contributing -2,7 percentage points or -R1 084,3 million) was the largest negative contributor – see Table B.

**Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to May 2017 versus January to May 2018**

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to May 2017	January to May 2018	Difference in value between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	% change between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	18 224 694	19 386 677	1 161 983	6,4
Non-residential buildings	7 982 659	8 367 693	385 034	4,8
Additions and alterations	9 506 666	10 056 240	549 574	5,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>35 714 019</b>	<b>37 810 610</b>	<b>2 096 591</b>	<b>5,9</b>

1/ 2017 and 2018 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 2015 prices) increased by 5,9% (R2 096,6 million) year-on-year during January to May 2018. Increases were recorded for residential buildings (6,4% or R1 162,0 million), additions and alterations (5,8% or R549,6 million) and non-residential buildings (4,8% or R385,0 million) – see Table C.

**Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices**

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	December 2017 to February 2018	March to May 2018	% change between December 2017 to February 2018 and March to May 2018
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	12 476 028	12 286 986	-1,5
Non-residential buildings 1/	6 134 637	4 437 641	-27,7
Additions and alterations	6 619 309	6 544 819	-1,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25 229 974</b>	<b>23 269 446</b>	<b>-7,8</b>

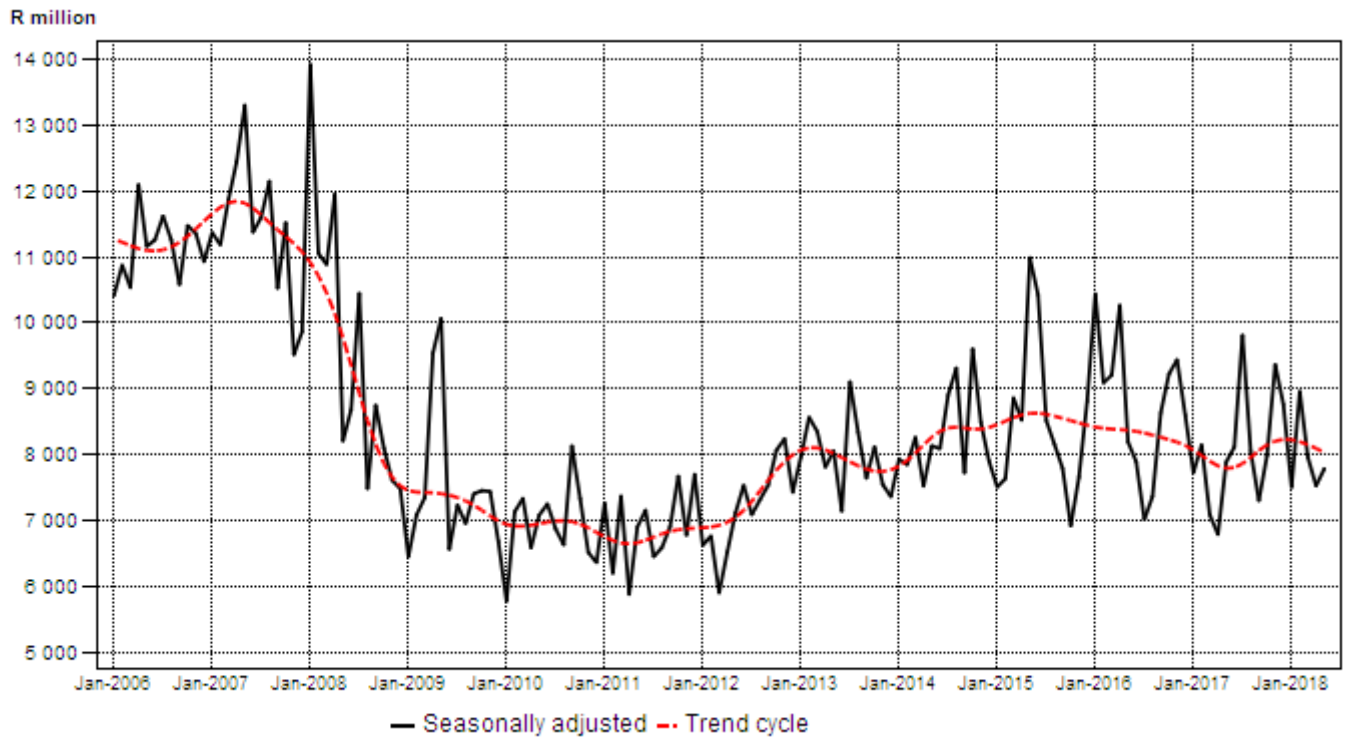
1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased by 7,8% in the three months ended May 2018 compared with the previous three months. Non-residential buildings fell by 27,7% – see Table D.

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

Constant 2015 prices



**Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices:  
January to May 2017 versus January to May 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2017 1/	January to May 2018 1/	Difference in value between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	% change between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>15 657 575</b>	<b>13 459 395</b>	<b>-2 198 180</b>	<b>-14,0</b>
-Dwelling-houses	8 975 240	8 437 644	-537 596	-6,0
-Flats and townhouses	4 985 580	4 764 250	-221 330	-4,4
-Other residential buildings	1 696 755	257 501	-1 439 254	-84,8
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>6 881 768</b>	<b>6 144 641</b>	<b>-737 127</b>	<b>-10,7</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>4 318 742</b>	<b>4 755 610</b>	<b>436 868</b>	<b>10,1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>26 858 085</b>	<b>24 359 646</b>	<b>-2 498 439</b>	<b>-9,3</b>

1/ 2017 and 2018 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) decreased by 9,3% (-R2 498,4 million) during January to May 2018 compared with January to May 2017.

Decreases were recorded for residential buildings (-14,0% or -R2 198,2 million) and non-residential buildings (-10,7% or -R737,1 million). An increase was recorded for additions and alterations (10,1% or R436,9 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:  
January to May 2017 versus January to May 2018**

Estimates at current prices	January to May 2017 1/	January to May 2018 1/	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during January to May 2017	% change between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018 2/	Difference in value between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	7 397 941	7 636 804	27,5	3,2	0,9	238 863
Eastern Cape	712 309	809 443	2,7	13,6	0,4	97 134
Northern Cape	127 725	167 418	0,5	31,1	0,1	39 693
Free State	362 871	507 924	1,4	40,0	0,5	145 053
KwaZulu-Natal	4 324 303	3 378 207	16,1	-21,9	-3,5	-946 096
North West	612 232	1 089 771	2,3	78,0	1,8	477 539
Gauteng	12 481 825	9 668 501	46,5	-22,5	-10,5	-2 813 324
Mpumalanga	527 110	695 560	2,0	32,0	0,6	168 450
Limpopo	311 769	406 018	1,2	30,2	0,4	94 249
<b>Total</b>	<b>26 858 085</b>	<b>24 359 646</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-9,3</b>	<b>-9,3</b>	<b>-2 498 439</b>

1/ 2017 and 2018 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 January to May 2017 and January to May 2018 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to May 2017, divided by 100.

Two provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during January to May 2018, namely Gauteng (contributing -10,5 percentage points or -R2 813,3 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -3,5 percentage points or -R946,1 million) – see Table F.

**Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices: January to May 2017 versus January to May 2018**

Estimates at constant 2015 prices	January to May 2017 1/	January to May 2018 1/	Difference in value between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018	% change between January to May 2017 and January to May 2018
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	14 086 894	11 727 389	-2 359 505	-16,7
Non-residential buildings	6 192 682	5 353 201	-839 481	-13,6
Additions and alterations	3 885 962	4 144 035	258 073	6,6
<b>Total</b>	<b>24 165 538</b>	<b>21 224 625</b>	<b>-2 940 913</b>	<b>-12,2</b>

1/ 2017 and 2018 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 2015 prices) decreased by 12,2% (-R2 940,9 million) year-on-year during January to May 2018. Decreases were recorded for residential buildings (-16,7% or -R2 359,5 million) and non-residential buildings (-13,6% or -R839,5 million). An increase was recorded for additions and alterations (6,6% or R258,1 million) – see Table G.

**Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 prices**

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2015 prices	December 2017 to February 2018	March to May 2018	% change between December 2017 to February 2018 and March to May 2018
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 909 527	7 212 627	-19,0
Non-residential buildings 1/	2 784 232	3 319 618	19,2
Additions and alterations	2 726 535	2 505 941	-8,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>14 420 294</b>	<b>13 038 186</b>	<b>-9,6</b>

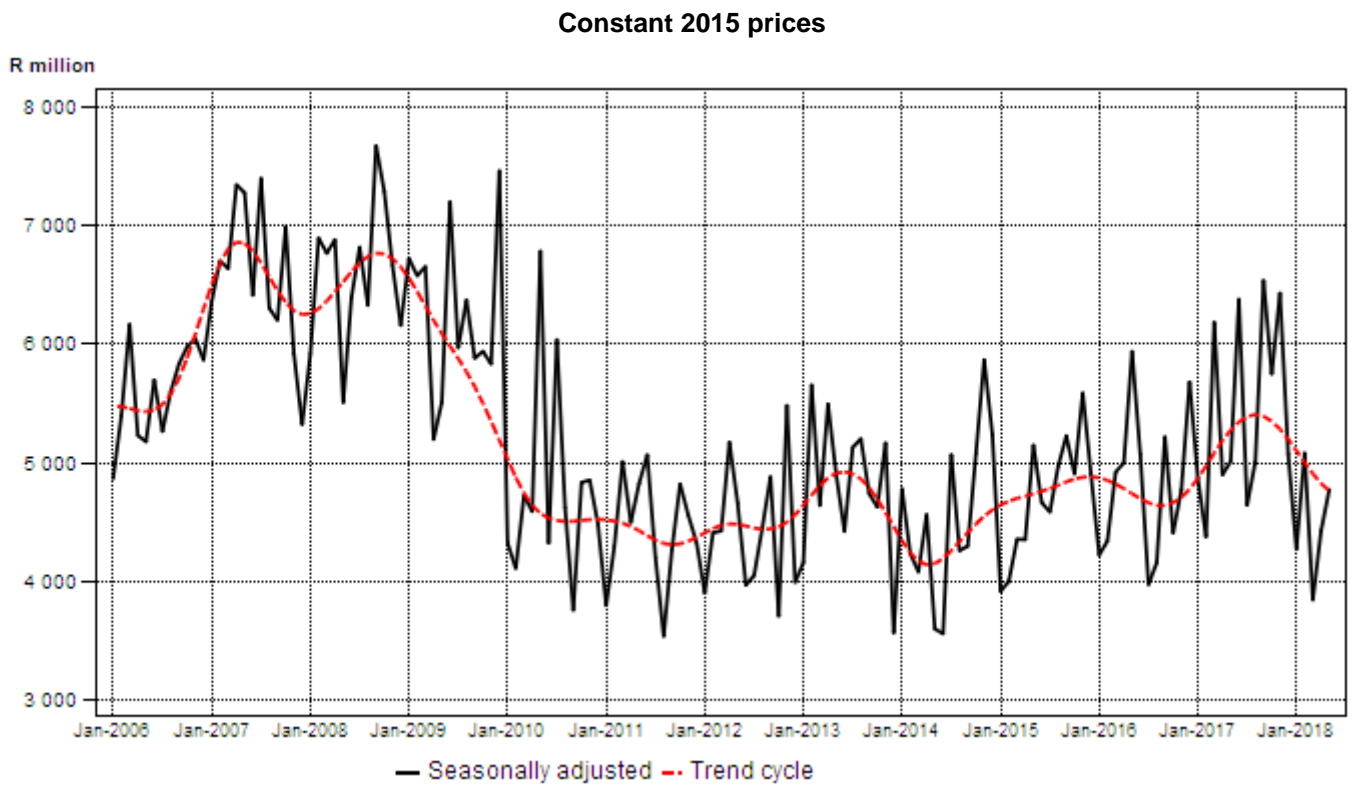
1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 9,6% in the three months ended May 2018 compared with the previous three months. Decreases were recorded for residential buildings (-19,0%) and additions and alterations (-8,1%). An increase was recorded for non-residential buildings (19,2%) – see Table H.



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



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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	3 161 447	6,2	1 894 083	-58,3	1 703 058	17,3	6 758 588	-24,7
	February	4 539 426	-1,2	2 310 636	-13,2	2 161 104	1,7	9 011 166	-3,9
	March	4 237 489	-7,9	1 675 826	-36,7	2 277 738	10,8	8 191 053	-12,0
	April	3 673 952	-33,0	1 002 693	-64,7	1 983 859	-16,9	6 660 504	-37,8
	May	4 647 680	10,4	1 983 293	-12,0	2 442 934	9,0	9 073 907	4,3
	June	4 775 996	-5,0	2 192 921	40,6	2 642 793	9,4	9 611 710	6,8
	July	5 658 090	50,4	2 811 554	103,3	2 626 367	3,7	11 096 011	44,5
	August	4 041 399	-8,6	2 874 162	60,0	2 958 451	29,1	9 874 012	16,0
	September	4 486 618	-6,6	1 498 229	-40,4	2 705 724	-0,1	8 690 571	-13,3
	October	5 302 305	-2,2	1 903 123	-26,5	2 993 633	10,2	10 199 061	-4,9
	November	4 585 400	-5,0	3 903 092	14,0	2 785 284	13,3	11 273 776	5,2
	December	4 230 596	-10,7	2 535 273	66,5	1 982 402	1,4	8 748 271	6,5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>53 340 398</b>	<b>-2,8</b>	<b>26 584 885</b>	<b>-10,6</b>	<b>29 263 347</b>	<b>7,0</b>	<b>109 188 630</b>	<b>-2,5</b>
2018	January	3 423 823	8,3	1 326 388	-30,0	2 048 834	20,3	6 799 045	0,6
	February	4 728 955	4,2	3 173 522	37,3	2 360 140	9,2	10 262 617	13,9
	March	4 324 029	2,0	1 544 746	-7,8	2 547 968	11,9	8 416 743	2,8
	April	4 593 385	25,0	1 718 431	71,4	2 162 953	9,0	8 474 769	27,2
	May	5 182 077	11,5	1 837 666	-7,3	2 420 966	-0,9	9 440 709	4,0

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/
2017	January	4 341 505	-22,8	1 894 083	24,4	2 291 052	-3,5	8 526 640	-10,5
	February	4 474 384	3,1	2 310 636	22,0	2 229 503	-2,7	9 014 523	5,7
	March	3 899 670	-12,8	1 675 826	-27,5	2 265 652	1,6	7 841 148	-13,0
	April	4 191 945	7,5	1 002 693	-40,2	2 358 413	4,1	7 553 051	-3,7
	May	4 457 001	6,3	1 983 293	97,8	2 403 988	1,9	8 844 282	17,1
	June	4 343 367	-2,5	2 192 921	10,6	2 549 570	6,1	9 085 858	2,7
	July	5 781 236	33,1	2 811 554	28,2	2 416 170	-5,2	11 008 960	21,2
	August	3 651 749	-36,8	2 874 162	2,2	2 531 445	4,8	9 057 356	-17,7
	September	4 342 435	18,9	1 498 229	-47,9	2 435 531	-3,8	8 276 195	-8,6
	October	4 604 397	6,0	1 903 123	27,0	2 628 541	7,9	9 136 061	10,4
	November	4 288 797	-6,9	3 903 092	105,1	2 558 413	-2,7	10 750 302	17,7
	December	5 074 713	18,3	2 535 273	-35,0	2 498 258	-2,4	10 108 244	-6,0
2018	January	4 614 225	-9,1	1 326 388	-47,7	2 657 350	6,4	8 597 963	-14,9
	February	4 626 841	0,3	3 173 522	139,3	2 454 471	-7,6	10 254 834	19,3
	March	4 761 848	2,9	1 544 746	-51,3	2 932 614	19,5	9 239 208	-9,9
	April	4 610 109	-3,2	1 718 431	11,2	2 248 865	-23,3	8 577 405	-7,2
	May	4 750 548	3,0	1 837 666	6,9	2 372 493	5,5	8 960 707	4,5
	<b>Dec. 17 – Feb. 18</b>	<b>14 315 779</b>		<b>7 035 183</b>		<b>7 610 079</b>		<b>28 961 041</b>	
	<b>Mar. – May 18 2/</b>	<b>14 122 505</b>	<b>-1,4</b>	<b>5 100 843</b>	<b>-27,5</b>	<b>7 553 972</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>26 777 320</b>	<b>-7,5</b>

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 10 and 11 on page 38.

**Table 3 – Value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2015 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/
2017	January	2 874 043	-1,3	1 721 894	-61,3	1 548 235	9,0	6 144 172	-30,0
	February	4 096 955	-7,0	2 085 412	-18,3	1 950 455	-4,3	8 132 822	-9,6
	March	3 814 122	-13,3	1 508 394	-40,4	2 050 169	4,3	7 372 685	-17,1
	April	3 300 945	-36,6	900 892	-66,5	1 782 443	-21,3	5 984 280	-41,1
	May	4 138 629	3,9	1 766 067	-17,1	2 175 364	2,6	8 080 060	-1,9
	June	4 268 093	-9,3	1 959 715	34,2	2 361 745	4,4	8 589 553	1,9
	July	5 051 866	43,8	2 510 316	94,4	2 344 971	-0,8	9 907 153	38,2
	August	3 589 164	-13,0	2 552 542	52,3	2 627 399	22,9	8 769 105	10,4
	September	3 956 453	-11,4	1 321 190	-43,5	2 386 000	-5,3	7 663 643	-17,8
	October	4 642 999	-7,7	1 666 482	-30,6	2 621 395	4,0	8 930 876	-10,2
	November	3 990 775	-10,1	3 396 947	7,8	2 424 094	7,2	9 811 816	-0,4
	December	3 678 779	-14,9	2 204 585	58,7	1 723 828	-3,3	7 607 192	1,5
	<b>Total</b>	<b>47 402 823</b>	<b>-8,0</b>	<b>23 594 436</b>	<b>-15,9</b>	<b>25 996 098</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>96 993 357</b>	<b>-7,8</b>
2018	January	2 990 238	4,0	1 158 417	-32,7	1 789 375	15,6	5 938 030	-3,4
	February	4 130 092	0,8	2 771 635	32,9	2 061 258	5,7	8 962 985	10,2
	March	3 769 860	-1,2	1 346 771	-10,7	2 221 419	8,4	7 338 050	-0,5
	April	3 994 248	21,0	1 494 288	65,9	1 880 829	5,5	7 369 365	23,1
	May	4 502 239	8,8	1 596 582	-9,6	2 103 359	-3,3	8 202 180	1,5

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 2015 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/
2017	January	3 934 353	-21,8	1 721 894	24,0	2 074 025	-4,7	7 730 272	-10,1
	February	4 050 907	3,0	2 085 412	21,1	2 011 598	-3,0	8 147 917	5,4
	March	3 552 123	-12,3	1 508 394	-27,7	2 027 648	0,8	7 088 165	-13,0
	April	3 771 311	6,2	900 892	-40,3	2 119 950	4,6	6 792 153	-4,2
	May	3 991 533	5,8	1 766 067	96,0	2 129 529	0,5	7 887 129	16,1
	June	3 862 224	-3,2	1 959 715	11,0	2 292 200	7,6	8 114 139	2,9
	July	5 140 108	33,1	2 510 316	28,1	2 162 230	-5,7	9 812 654	20,9
	August	3 247 962	-36,8	2 552 542	1,7	2 251 690	4,1	8 052 194	-17,9
	September	3 832 402	18,0	1 321 190	-48,2	2 151 718	-4,4	7 305 310	-9,3
	October	4 022 930	5,0	1 666 482	26,1	2 297 410	6,8	7 986 822	9,3
	November	3 725 603	-7,4	3 396 947	103,8	2 242 365	-2,4	9 364 915	17,3
	December	4 375 498	17,4	2 204 585	-35,1	2 181 742	-2,7	8 761 825	-6,4
2018	January	4 045 864	-7,5	1 158 417	-47,5	2 302 186	5,5	7 506 467	-14,3
	February	4 054 666	0,2	2 771 635	139,3	2 135 381	-7,2	8 961 682	19,4
	March	4 118 946	1,6	1 346 771	-51,4	2 490 747	16,6	7 956 464	-11,2
	April	4 040 084	-1,9	1 494 288	11,0	1 994 021	-19,9	7 528 393	-5,4
	May	4 127 956	2,2	1 596 582	6,8	2 060 051	3,3	7 784 589	3,4
	<b>Dec. 17 – Feb. 18</b>	<b>12 476 028</b>		<b>6 134 637</b>		<b>6 619 309</b>		<b>25 229 974</b>	
	<b>Mar. – May 18 2/</b>	<b>12 286 986</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>4 437 641</b>	<b>-27,7</b>	<b>6 544 819</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>23 269 446</b>	<b>-7,8</b>

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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.

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	2 359 273	6,8	1 324 149	128,9	755 314	16,0	4 438 736	29,1
	February	2 987 483	21,5	793 718	-22,9	839 781	-3,5	4 620 982	6,0
	March	3 590 701	42,3	2 469 283	36,4	1 096 654	24,9	7 156 638	37,3
	April	3 722 887	60,7	835 924	-60,4	688 546	-16,3	5 247 357	-0,1
	May	2 997 231	-8,5	1 458 694	-19,8	938 447	2,7	5 394 372	-10,2
	June	3 184 349	2,5	2 807 943	111,9	1 119 285	20,3	7 111 577	32,7
	July	2 791 841	19,3	1 418 931	23,3	878 502	24,5	5 089 274	21,3
	August	3 021 402	20,3	1 538 208	27,6	1 121 295	41,6	5 680 905	26,0
	September	3 017 108	-17,3	3 501 830	164,1	1 234 363	25,5	7 753 301	30,1
	October	3 332 642	9,2	2 668 765	187,5	831 585	-18,6	6 832 992	36,6
	November	3 663 759	21,0	3 257 545	93,7	1 141 897	9,7	8 063 201	40,2
	December	4 159 930	-7,9	863 246	-12,4	958 305	9,8	5 981 481	-6,2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>38 828 606</b>	<b>11,0</b>	<b>22 938 236</b>	<b>43,8</b>	<b>11 603 974</b>	<b>10,7</b>	<b>73 370 816</b>	<b>19,5</b>
2018	January	2 357 400	-0,1	807 034	-39,1	792 693	4,9	3 957 127	-10,9
	February	2 996 399	0,3	1 521 419	91,7	1 053 541	25,5	5 571 359	20,6
	March	2 351 240	-34,5	1 044 722	-57,7	1 068 288	-2,6	4 464 250	-37,6
	April	2 961 916	-20,4	1 205 988	44,3	890 508	29,3	5 058 412	-3,6
	May	2 792 440	-6,8	1 565 478	7,3	950 580	1,3	5 308 498	-1,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2017	January	3 083 943	-27,9	1 324 149	34,4	963 857	-3,2	5 371 949	-14,2
	February	3 233 913	4,9	793 718	-40,1	816 403	-15,3	4 844 034	-9,8
	March	3 556 307	10,0	2 469 283	211,1	827 907	1,4	6 853 497	41,5
	April	3 746 606	5,4	835 924	-66,1	859 339	3,8	5 441 869	-20,6
	May	3 219 149	-14,1	1 458 694	74,5	952 351	10,8	5 630 194	3,5
	June	3 264 386	1,4	2 807 943	92,5	1 057 994	11,1	7 130 323	26,6
	July	2 848 450	-12,7	1 418 931	-49,5	922 299	-12,8	5 189 680	-27,2
	August	3 031 030	6,4	1 538 208	8,4	1 065 006	15,5	5 634 244	8,6
	September	2 771 986	-8,5	3 501 830	127,7	1 133 377	6,4	7 407 193	31,5
	October	3 100 518	11,9	2 668 765	-23,8	800 367	-29,4	6 569 650	-11,3
	November	3 049 940	-1,6	3 257 545	22,1	1 075 381	34,4	7 382 866	12,4
	December	3 924 031	28,7	863 246	-73,5	1 072 934	-0,2	5 860 211	-20,6
2018	January	3 080 059	-21,5	807 034	-6,5	1 014 168	-5,5	4 901 261	-16,4
	February	3 252 218	5,6	1 521 419	88,5	1 041 755	2,7	5 815 392	18,7
	March	2 329 094	-28,4	1 044 722	-31,3	1 026 237	-1,5	4 400 053	-24,3
	April	2 980 054	27,9	1 205 988	15,4	892 124	-13,1	5 078 166	15,4
	May	2 970 851	-0,3	1 565 478	29,8	960 089	7,6	5 496 418	8,2
	<b>Dec. 17 – Feb. 18</b>	<b>10 256 308</b>		<b>3 191 699</b>		<b>3 128 857</b>		<b>16 576 864</b>	
	<b>Mar. – May 18 2/</b>	<b>8 279 999</b>	<b>-19,3</b>	<b>3 816 188</b>	<b>19,6</b>	<b>2 878 450</b>	<b>-8,0</b>	<b>14 974 637</b>	<b>-9,7</b>

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 10 and 11 on page 38.

**Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2015 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/
2017	January	2 144 794	-0,7	1 203 772	112,7	686 649	7,7	4 035 215	19,9
	February	2 696 284	14,4	716 352	-27,5	757 925	-9,1	4 170 561	-0,2
	March	3 231 954	34,0	2 222 577	28,4	987 087	17,6	6 441 618	29,3
	April	3 344 912	52,2	751 055	-62,5	618 640	-20,7	4 714 607	-5,4
	May	2 668 950	-13,9	1 298 926	-24,5	835 661	-3,3	4 803 537	-15,5
	June	2 845 710	-2,1	2 509 332	102,2	1 000 255	14,9	6 355 297	26,6
	July	2 492 715	14,1	1 266 903	17,9	784 377	19,1	4 543 995	16,0
	August	2 683 306	14,5	1 366 082	21,4	995 821	34,8	5 045 209	20,0
	September	2 660 589	-21,6	3 088 034	150,3	1 088 504	18,9	6 837 127	23,4
	October	2 918 250	3,1	2 336 922	171,4	728 183	-23,2	5 983 355	29,0
	November	3 188 650	14,5	2 835 113	83,2	993 818	3,8	7 017 581	32,7
	December	3 617 330	-12,2	750 649	-16,5	833 309	4,6	5 201 288	-10,6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>34 493 444</b>	<b>5,2</b>	<b>20 345 717</b>	<b>35,7</b>	<b>10 310 229</b>	<b>4,8</b>	<b>65 149 390</b>	<b>13,1</b>
2018	January	2 058 865	-4,0	704 833	-41,4	692 308	0,8	3 456 006	-14,4
	February	2 616 942	-2,9	1 328 750	85,5	920 123	21,4	4 865 815	16,7
	March	2 049 904	-36,6	910 830	-59,0	931 376	-5,6	3 892 110	-39,6
	April	2 575 579	-23,0	1 048 685	39,6	774 355	25,2	4 398 619	-6,7
	May	2 426 099	-9,1	1 360 103	4,7	825 873	-1,2	4 612 075	-4,0

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 2015 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/
2017	January	2 794 877	-27,8	1 203 772	33,9	873 290	-3,7	4 871 939	-14,2
	February	2 918 864	4,4	716 352	-40,5	738 385	-15,4	4 373 601	-10,2
	March	3 213 897	10,1	2 222 577	210,3	746 767	1,1	6 183 241	41,4
	April	3 374 858	5,0	751 055	-66,2	771 200	3,3	4 897 113	-20,8
	May	2 862 023	-15,2	1 298 926	72,9	848 871	10,1	5 009 820	2,3
	June	2 918 479	2,0	2 509 332	93,2	949 354	11,8	6 377 165	27,3
	July	2 549 324	-12,6	1 266 903	-49,5	824 813	-13,1	4 641 040	-27,2
	August	2 692 133	5,6	1 366 082	7,8	947 122	14,8	5 005 337	7,8
	September	2 448 502	-9,0	3 088 034	126,1	999 426	5,5	6 535 962	30,6
	October	2 713 149	10,8	2 336 922	-24,3	696 614	-30,3	5 746 685	-12,1
	November	2 657 634	-2,0	2 835 113	21,3	935 178	34,2	6 427 925	11,9
	December	3 387 908	27,5	750 649	-73,5	931 464	-0,4	5 070 021	-21,1
2018	January	2 681 555	-20,8	704 833	-6,1	883 016	-5,2	4 269 404	-15,8
	February	2 840 064	5,9	1 328 750	88,5	912 055	3,3	5 080 869	19,0
	March	2 038 387	-28,2	910 830	-31,5	893 149	-2,1	3 842 366	-24,4
	April	2 597 322	27,4	1 048 685	15,1	777 703	-12,9	4 423 710	15,1
	May	2 576 918	-0,8	1 360 103	29,7	835 089	7,4	4 772 110	7,9
	<b>Dec. 17 – Feb. 18</b>	<b>8 909 527</b>		<b>2 784 232</b>		<b>2 726 535</b>		<b>14 420 294</b>	
	<b>Mar. – May 18 2/</b>	<b>7 212 627</b>	<b>-19,0</b>	<b>3 319 618</b>	<b>19,2</b>	<b>2 505 941</b>	<b>-8,1</b>	<b>13 038 186</b>	<b>-9,6</b>

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 10 and 11 on page 38.

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

			May 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 805	1 317	2 270	7 040	8 922	26,7
		square metres	85 755	65 922	102 786	337 278	410 701	21,8
		R'000	439 961	393 881	565 033	1 778 483	2 165 239	21,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 319	1 155	1 309	5 842	5 924	1,4
		square metres	355 287	299 129	357 177	1 587 627	1 569 342	-1,2
		R'000	2 457 973	2 158 170	2 511 134	10 815 442	11 249 174	4,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	2 073	1 691	1 920	8 659	10 159	17,3
		square metres	230 991	178 617	219 844	984 181	989 867	0,6
		R'000	1 715 366	1 437 513	1 759 493	7 522 087	7 567 198	0,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	5 082	49 307	34 253	23 975	120 927	404,4
		R'000	34 380	603 821	346 417	143 982	1 270 658	782,5
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 647 680</b>	<b>4 593 385</b>	<b>5 182 077</b>	<b>20 259 994</b>	<b>22 252 269</b>	<b>9,8</b>	
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	44 326	44 739	29 763	209 768	237 810	13,4
		R'000	416 820	404 008	265 605	1 904 091	2 289 027	20,2
	Shopping space	square metres	80 545	53 810	46 106	240 878	245 798	2,0
		R'000	657 948	462 719	379 804	1 981 448	1 971 259	-0,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	101 833	98 231	169 952	659 930	666 697	1,0
		R'000	683 484	573 640	1 017 833	3 836 627	4 034 185	5,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	33 171	40 603	25 269	165 236	177 442	7,4
		R'000	225 041	278 064	174 424	1 144 365	1 306 282	14,1
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 983 293</b>	<b>1 718 431</b>	<b>1 837 666</b>	<b>8 866 531</b>	<b>9 600 753</b>	<b>8,3</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	269 882	218 969	246 549	1 139 289	1 116 164	-2,0
		R'000	1 896 707	1 582 447	1 802 611	7 843 881	8 059 656	2,8
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	56 667	61 037	69 130	290 648	377 205	29,8
		R'000	546 227	580 506	618 355	2 724 812	3 481 205	27,8
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 442 934</b>	<b>2 162 953</b>	<b>2 420 966</b>	<b>10 568 693</b>	<b>11 540 861</b>	<b>9,2</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>9 073 907</b>	<b>8 474 769</b>	<b>9 440 709</b>	<b>39 695 218</b>	<b>43 393 883</b>	<b>9,3</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	866	563	1 289	3 043	3 494	14,8	
		square metres	40 110	24 202	53 649	142 253	153 028	7,6	
		R'000	245 854	143 113	311 334	863 149	890 395	3,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	457	381	415	1 995	2 110	5,8	
		square metres	108 747	94 514	114 238	468 507	509 966	8,8	
		R'000	733 187	654 135	766 799	3 121 558	3 457 066	10,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	277	1 275	1 032	3 111	5 247	68,7	
		square metres	46 078	126 369	110 092	329 110	512 514	55,7	
		R'000	347 505	1 027 398	869 804	2 489 874	3 777 216	51,7	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	3 262	3 367	40	6 964	21 651	210,9	
		R'000	22 426	25 137	348	45 573	168 576	269,9	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 348 972</b>	<b>1 849 783</b>	<b>1 948 285</b>	<b>6 520 154</b>	<b>8 293 253</b>	<b>27,2</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	8 572	15 356	2 537	69 352	38 572	-44,4	
		R'000	83 090	134 365	21 950	612 380	315 419	-48,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	23 105	8 885	20 965	42 831	74 573	74,1	
		R'000	179 764	65 118	174 267	340 763	601 779	76,6	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	49 776	29 229	57 934	116 721	178 489	52,9	
		R'000	376 475	196 622	394 193	822 208	1 200 163	46,0	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	14 092	22 844	5 518	28 372	79 710	180,9	
		R'000	98 749	159 956	38 883	186 834	575 572	208,1	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>738 078</b>	<b>556 061</b>	<b>629 293</b>	<b>1 962 185</b>	<b>2 692 933</b>	<b>37,2</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	71 014	72 361	69 417	315 012	334 307	6,1
R'000			471 951	495 191	470 051	2 060 884	2 260 561	9,7	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	19 197	24 791	22 396	82 388	109 722	33,2	
		R'000	230 712	283 996	236 360	902 838	1 146 441	27,0	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>702 663</b>	<b>779 187</b>	<b>706 411</b>	<b>2 963 722</b>	<b>3 407 002</b>	<b>15,0</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 789 713</b>	<b>3 185 031</b>	<b>3 283 989</b>	<b>11 446 061</b>	<b>14 393 188</b>	<b>25,7</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	29	201	118	1 044	943	-9,7
		square metres	1 637	9 078	5 521	46 702	42 009	-10,0
		R'000	8 062	52 688	38 804	220 465	264 240	19,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	95	96	128	370	499	34,9
		square metres	19 995	23 376	30 537	81 405	111 442	36,9
		R'000	120 231	144 354	193 671	473 207	705 009	49,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	22	12	35	171	1 025	499,4
		square metres	2 592	1 591	5 089	15 314	64 757	322,9
		R'000	14 952	10 797	31 378	83 609	402 669	381,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	600	6 066	824	-86,4
		R'000	0	0	2 857	36 010	4 368	-87,9
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>143 245</b>	<b>207 839</b>	<b>266 710</b>	<b>813 291</b>	<b>1 376 286</b>	<b>69,2</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	790	10 763	1 311	8 040	21 550	168,0
		R'000	5 320	65 313	8 106	43 989	132 209	200,6
	Shopping space	square metres	4 349	601	1 568	10 978	3 919	-64,3
		R'000	21 745	3 183	8 628	56 365	22 310	-60,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 249	19 298	5 007	55 134	64 984	17,9
		R'000	13 592	87 580	31 171	305 569	365 927	19,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 321	5 303	2 008	5 359	12 892	140,6
		R'000	11 515	22 551	9 993	28 285	66 878	136,4
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>52 172</b>	<b>178 627</b>	<b>57 898</b>	<b>434 208</b>	<b>587 324</b>	<b>35,3</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	26 216	21 756	23 848	109 658	107 319
R'000			164 328	132 336	144 547	668 867	661 543	-1,1
Other buildings 4/		square metres	6 156	8 400	7 041	24 206	41 283	70,5
		R'000	36 665	45 386	46 421	143 632	260 988	81,7
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>200 993</b>	<b>177 722</b>	<b>190 968</b>	<b>812 499</b>	<b>922 531</b>	<b>13,5</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>396 410</b>	<b>564 188</b>	<b>515 576</b>	<b>2 059 998</b>	<b>2 886 141</b>	<b>40,1</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	8	4	1	16	8	-50,0
		square metres	484	172	78	937	423	-54,9
		R'000	2 370	1 383	627	5 008	3 401	-32,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	14	5	10	64	70	9,4
		square metres	5 903	1 306	1 842	13 599	12 416	-8,7
		R'000	43 342	9 925	13 207	92 969	83 397	-10,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	13	0	0	17	..
		square metres	0	934	0	0	1 286	..
		R'000	0	7 320	0	0	8 996	..
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	294	0	390	588	50,8
		R'000	0	2 058	0	2 535	4 116	62,4
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>45 712</b>	<b>20 686</b>	<b>13 834</b>	<b>100 512</b>	<b>99 910</b>	<b>-0,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	818	0	8 087	..
		R'000	0	0	6 578	0	65 028	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	1 583	0	1 583	..
		R'000	0	0	12 729	0	12 729	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 858	614	494	7 063	6 297	-10,8
		R'000	36 921	4 298	2 352	51 254	39 750	-22,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	200	658	2 199	234,2
		R'000	0	0	1 608	4 278	17 682	313,3
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>36 921</b>	<b>4 298</b>	<b>23 267</b>	<b>55 532</b>	<b>135 189</b>	<b>143,4</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	7 428	5 004	5 296	13 967	15 563
R'000			52 861	36 600	39 678	95 845	112 899	17,8
Other buildings 4/		square metres	70	129	1 027	523	8 373	1 501,0
		R'000	635	1 753	7 671	4 420	67 896	1 436,1
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>53 496</b>	<b>38 353</b>	<b>47 349</b>	<b>100 265</b>	<b>180 795</b>	<b>80,3</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>136 129</b>	<b>63 337</b>	<b>84 450</b>	<b>256 309</b>	<b>415 894</b>	<b>62,3</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	8	12	25	53	87	64,2
		square metres	468	646	1 403	2 984	4 771	59,9
		R'000	2 577	3 722	9 716	16 913	29 136	72,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	52	60	54	289	285	-1,4
		square metres	9 093	12 079	13 319	59 050	63 858	8,1
		R'000	48 164	77 480	82 897	321 679	401 601	24,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	5	0	27	341	220	-35,5
		square metres	396	0	1 901	47 774	10 791	-77,4
		R'000	2 533	0	12 451	327 502	74 511	-77,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	117	4 355	1 920	1 215	8 031	561,0
		R'000	702	31 921	10 872	6 390	51 294	702,7
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>53 976</b>	<b>113 123</b>	<b>115 936</b>	<b>672 484</b>	<b>556 542</b>	<b>-17,2</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	343	1 854	440,5
		R'000	0	0	0	2 744	13 497	391,9
	Shopping space	square metres	260	5 733	187	5 893	17 883	203,5
		R'000	1 170	42 004	1 385	32 010	122 593	283,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	911	4 847	22 605	20 590	30 934	50,2
		R'000	5 283	35 897	143 921	99 403	203 730	105,0
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	2 094	0	2 821	4 649	3 779	-18,7
		R'000	9 423	0	17 875	24 260	23 804	-1,9
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>15 876</b>	<b>77 901</b>	<b>163 181</b>	<b>158 417</b>	<b>363 624</b>	<b>129,5</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 672	12 145	9 379	58 634	56 277
R'000			48 281	75 310	57 430	308 042	363 708	18,1
Other buildings 4/		square metres	2 127	355	3 312	15 405	42 477	175,7
		R'000	11 678	7 932	22 415	170 245	357 803	110,2
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>59 959</b>	<b>83 242</b>	<b>79 845</b>	<b>478 287</b>	<b>721 511</b>	<b>50,9</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>129 811</b>	<b>274 266</b>	<b>358 962</b>	<b>1 309 188</b>	<b>1 641 677</b>	<b>25,4</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	136	31	15	194	82	-57,7
		square metres	5 741	1 965	903	9 224	4 964	-46,2
		R'000	30 333	14 496	7 806	55 835	37 521	-32,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	112	89	106	525	443	-15,6
		square metres	38 088	26 026	31 325	159 095	136 737	-14,1
		R'000	369 239	260 438	295 401	1 477 169	1 340 923	-9,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	100	164	268	914	851	-6,9
		square metres	13 403	16 273	31 341	137 289	101 648	-26,0
		R'000	129 476	131 460	299 627	1 324 158	975 468	-26,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	38 994	23 235	3 192	73 362	2 198,3
		R'000	0	533 769	276 496	20 747	942 748	4 444,0
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>529 048</b>	<b>940 163</b>	<b>879 330</b>	<b>2 877 909</b>	<b>3 296 660</b>	<b>14,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	30 336	1 335	4 912	52 546	97 473	85,5
		R'000	301 253	9 762	47 340	508 588	1 027 261	102,0
	Shopping space	square metres	35 951	27 805	2 198	102 320	39 808	-61,1
		R'000	333 688	288 574	24 208	997 431	416 225	-58,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	16 340	2 854	19 326	88 729	159 339	79,6
		R'000	91 806	17 094	115 410	522 085	964 779	84,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 204	9 416	8 446	23 103	22 251	-3,7
		R'000	21 164	78 900	68 413	170 627	188 466	10,5
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>747 911</b>	<b>394 330</b>	<b>255 371</b>	<b>2 198 731</b>	<b>2 596 731</b>	<b>18,1</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	45 445	22 784	38 054	158 353	132 329
R'000			432 783	230 848	383 757	1 500 902	1 317 391	-12,2
Other buildings 4/		square metres	16 841	7 740	15 024	76 480	79 828	4,4
		R'000	173 953	106 676	160 752	830 489	921 593	11,0
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>606 736</b>	<b>337 524</b>	<b>544 509</b>	<b>2 331 391</b>	<b>2 238 984</b>	<b>-4,0</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 883 695</b>	<b>1 672 017</b>	<b>1 679 210</b>	<b>7 408 031</b>	<b>8 132 375</b>	<b>9,8</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	8	7	8	30	706	2 253,3
		square metres	515	420	397	1 881	29 262	1 455,7
		R'000	2 338	1 940	1 785	8 564	90 512	956,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	70	62	65	329	286	-13,1
		square metres	16 002	12 551	15 490	85 297	72 571	-14,9
		R'000	88 119	69 672	82 860	453 002	397 979	-12,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	270	27	66	1 305	644	-50,7
		square metres	33 555	2 961	6 976	142 842	55 590	-61,1
		R'000	200 016	14 970	36 033	851 071	283 790	-66,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	6 314	0	6 314	..
		R'000	0	0	34 328	0	34 328	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>290 473</b>	<b>86 582</b>	<b>155 006</b>	<b>1 312 637</b>	<b>806 609</b>	<b>-38,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	668	0	791	1 541	2 996	94,4
		R'000	4 342	0	4 153	9 949	15 272	53,5
	Shopping space	square metres	5 840	1 090	153	8 784	13 899	58,2
		R'000	29 200	5 450	767	45 272	77 588	71,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 441	3 250	134	6 729	12 787	90,0
		R'000	6 485	18 200	750	31 315	66 525	112,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	257	0	0	1 083	2 777	156,4
		R'000	1 078	0	0	4 796	13 339	178,1
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>41 105</b>	<b>23 650</b>	<b>5 670</b>	<b>91 332</b>	<b>172 724</b>	<b>89,1</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	13 340	8 046	14 789	50 057	51 563
R'000			64 932	42 604	76 929	247 682	272 137	9,9
Other buildings 4/		square metres	1 240	164	2 279	6 935	4 242	-38,8
		R'000	8 584	1 041	16 542	46 928	28 766	-38,7
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>73 516</b>	<b>43 645</b>	<b>93 471</b>	<b>294 610</b>	<b>300 903</b>	<b>2,1</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>405 094</b>	<b>153 877</b>	<b>254 147</b>	<b>1 698 579</b>	<b>1 280 236</b>	<b>-24,6</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	593	465	721	2 044	3 377	65,2
		square metres	29 035	27 338	35 678	101 700	163 640	60,9
		R'000	115 427	165 662	167 319	463 280	785 447	69,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	379	354	361	1 632	1 603	-1,8
		square metres	121 154	98 548	105 322	548 948	488 604	-11,0
		R'000	873 626	781 027	819 039	4 018 739	3 882 722	-3,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 300	156	484	2 617	1 996	-23,7
		square metres	117 610	25 037	63 916	284 496	228 507	-19,7
		R'000	919 426	216 727	507 289	2 295 500	1 964 791	-14,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	1 703	0	1 550	4 646	2 356	-49,3
		R'000	11 252	0	17 431	25 967	22 326	-14,0
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 919 731</b>	<b>1 163 416</b>	<b>1 511 078</b>	<b>6 803 486</b>	<b>6 655 286</b>	<b>-2,2</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	1 393	16 638	12 307	62 752	58 643	-6,5
		R'000	10 765	191 145	131 146	653 652	666 505	2,0
	Shopping space	square metres	3 340	3 185	17 383	45 247	73 892	63,3
		R'000	25 546	27 386	148 079	361 505	619 749	71,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	21 795	37 761	55 144	347 324	165 929	-52,2
		R'000	130 606	211 949	284 810	1 922 522	930 688	-51,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	10 627	1 022	5 757	76 012	45 273	-40,4
		R'000	80 232	6 170	34 859	577 269	377 822	-34,6
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>247 149</b>	<b>436 650</b>	<b>598 894</b>	<b>3 514 948</b>	<b>2 594 764</b>	<b>-26,2</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	81 178	65 544	66 289	362 268	336 775
R'000			584 101	511 735	523 705	2 625 224	2 625 631	0,0
Other buildings 4/		square metres	8 538	16 551	12 616	76 842	73 647	-4,2
		R'000	66 175	110 310	79 929	543 326	527 034	-3,0
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>650 276</b>	<b>622 045</b>	<b>603 634</b>	<b>3 168 550</b>	<b>3 152 665</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 817 156</b>	<b>2 222 111</b>	<b>2 713 606</b>	<b>13 486 984</b>	<b>12 402 715</b>	<b>-8,0</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	151	12	35	509	91	-82,1
		square metres	7 379	717	1 903	24 840	5 060	-79,6
		R'000	30 961	3 556	11 403	104 132	26 472	-74,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	83	72	120	398	412	3,5
		square metres	21 451	20 939	29 901	104 932	107 553	2,5
		R'000	106 256	111 807	177 992	517 947	635 551	22,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	8	0	0	58	73	25,9
		square metres	682	0	0	4 635	4 956	6,9
		R'000	3 069	0	0	20 992	27 384	30,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	2 297	594	1 502	7 492	398,8
		R'000	0	10 936	4 085	6 760	41 588	515,2
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>140 286</b>	<b>126 299</b>	<b>193 480</b>	<b>649 831</b>	<b>730 995</b>	<b>12,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	1 571	0	6 019	4 594	6 505	41,6
		R'000	7 070	0	40 732	20 788	43 046	107,1
	Shopping space	square metres	7 700	6 511	795	17 847	17 566	-1,6
		R'000	66 835	31 004	4 004	112 920	85 691	-24,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 834	0	7 581	9 713	29 958	208,4
		R'000	14 171	0	36 090	44 307	171 217	286,4
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	2 018	152	9 755	5 997	-38,5
		R'000	0	10 487	1 047	44 334	30 855	-30,4
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>88 076</b>	<b>41 491</b>	<b>81 873</b>	<b>222 349</b>	<b>330 809</b>	<b>48,8</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 118	8 005	15 078	46 584	63 085
R'000			45 376	40 442	83 694	214 178	347 392	62,2
Other buildings 4/		square metres	2 398	2 286	3 906	5 548	10 027	80,7
		R'000	14 355	18 627	38 015	61 981	121 168	95,5
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>59 731</b>	<b>59 069</b>	<b>121 709</b>	<b>276 159</b>	<b>468 560</b>	<b>69,7</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>288 093</b>	<b>226 859</b>	<b>397 062</b>	<b>1 148 339</b>	<b>1 530 364</b>	<b>33,3</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	22	58	107	134	25,2	
		square metres	386	1 384	3 254	6 757	7 544	11,6	
		R'000	2 039	7 321	16 239	41 137	38 115	-7,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	57	36	50	240	216	-10,0	
		square metres	14 854	9 790	15 203	66 794	66 195	-0,9	
		R'000	75 809	49 332	79 268	339 172	344 926	1,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	91	44	8	142	86	-39,4	
		square metres	16 675	5 452	529	22 721	9 818	-56,8	
		R'000	98 389	28 841	2 911	129 381	52 373	-59,5	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	309	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 314	..	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>176 237</b>	<b>85 494</b>	<b>98 418</b>	<b>509 690</b>	<b>436 728</b>	<b>-14,3</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	996	647	1 068	10 600	2 130	-79,9	
		R'000	4 980	3 423	5 600	52 001	10 790	-79,3	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	1 274	6 978	2 675	-61,7	
		R'000	0	0	5 737	35 182	12 595	-64,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 629	378	1 727	7 927	17 980	126,8	
		R'000	8 145	2 000	9 136	37 964	91 406	140,8	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	576	0	367	16 245	2 564	-84,2	
		R'000	2 880	0	1 746	103 682	11 864	-88,6	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>16 005</b>	<b>5 423</b>	<b>22 219</b>	<b>228 829</b>	<b>126 655</b>	<b>-44,7</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 471	3 324	4 399	24 756	18 946	-23,5
R'000			32 094	17 381	22 820	122 257	98 394	-19,5	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	100	621	1 529	2 321	7 606	227,7	
		R'000	3 470	4 785	10 250	20 953	49 516	136,3	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>35 564</b>	<b>22 166</b>	<b>33 070</b>	<b>143 210</b>	<b>147 910</b>	<b>3,3</b>	
<b>Recorded plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>227 806</b>	<b>113 083</b>	<b>153 707</b>	<b>881 729</b>	<b>711 293</b>	<b>-19,3</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 536	827	818	6 465	3 788	-41,4	
		square metres	72 732	41 438	43 680	307 916	188 796	-38,7	
		R'000	329 172	229 904	264 829	1 437 425	1 063 121	-26,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	916	752	940	3 866	3 892	0,7	
		square metres	248 802	190 709	250 198	1 066 277	1 009 132	-5,4	
		R'000	1 766 479	1 426 383	1 775 160	7 537 815	7 374 523	-2,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	995	1 227	787	6 618	5 323	-19,6	
		square metres	103 613	152 318	94 638	621 453	593 094	-4,6	
		R'000	835 269	1 260 759	752 451	4 985 580	4 764 250	-4,4	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	9 473	8 212	0	169 161	36 269	-78,6	
		R'000	66 311	44 870	0	1 696 755	257 501	-84,8	
<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 997 231</b>	<b>2 961 916</b>	<b>2 792 440</b>	<b>15 657 575</b>	<b>13 459 395</b>	<b>-14,0</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	50 244	28 413	50 436	277 689	214 586	-22,7	
		R'000	456 201	220 817	507 031	2 524 567	1 983 114	-21,4	
	Shopping space	square metres	32 637	23 330	74 523	217 167	150 628	-30,6	
		R'000	240 306	191 182	654 574	1 759 967	1 263 574	-28,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	128 029	107 409	57 090	384 481	410 647	6,8	
		R'000	702 834	659 431	330 722	2 141 691	2 386 001	11,4	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	6 792	19 816	11 593	59 694	71 326	19,5	
		R'000	59 353	134 558	73 151	455 543	511 952	12,4	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 458 694</b>	<b>1 205 988</b>	<b>1 565 478</b>	<b>6 881 768</b>	<b>6 144 641</b>	<b>-10,7</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	85 739	80 135	87 586	451 410	449 541	-0,4
R'000			560 221	616 786	624 275	2 806 029	3 221 209	14,8	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	29 150	30 922	33 768	150 732	164 872	9,4	
		R'000	378 226	273 722	326 305	1 512 713	1 534 401	1,4	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>938 447</b>	<b>890 508</b>	<b>950 580</b>	<b>4 318 742</b>	<b>4 755 610</b>	<b>10,1</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>5 394 372</b>	<b>5 058 412</b>	<b>5 308 498</b>	<b>26 858 085</b>	<b>24 359 646</b>	<b>-9,3</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	489	329	251	2 620	1 469	-43,9	
		square metres	22 258	15 396	12 664	118 741	68 335	-42,5	
		R'000	131 107	79 013	80 226	645 029	394 104	-38,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	353	283	324	1 302	1 309	0,5	
		square metres	86 383	63 711	73 071	305 232	303 518	-0,6	
		R'000	582 825	440 562	493 073	1 991 888	2 031 566	2,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	182	473	199	1 274	2 369	85,9	
		square metres	21 438	60 885	31 863	146 357	219 592	50,0	
		R'000	163 375	464 144	237 803	1 101 536	1 696 290	54,0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	9 473	203	0	26 591	22 386	-15,8	
		R'000	66 311	1 092	0	202 289	171 170	-15,4	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>943 618</b>	<b>984 811</b>	<b>811 102</b>	<b>3 940 742</b>	<b>4 293 130</b>	<b>8,9</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	19 513	12 453	6 663	102 981	33 372	-67,6	
		R'000	155 884	77 707	53 538	754 400	245 354	-67,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	2 966	11 145	5 798	12 738	43 993	245,4	
		R'000	19 000	89 291	34 452	85 466	344 511	303,1	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	31 219	54 149	2 857	100 344	110 584	10,2	
		R'000	209 708	355 243	18 475	667 339	726 847	8,9	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 185	13 973	4 203	19 284	36 990	91,8	
		R'000	7 658	98 216	28 329	128 034	257 007	100,7	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>392 250</b>	<b>620 457</b>	<b>134 794</b>	<b>1 635 239</b>	<b>1 573 719</b>	<b>-3,8</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	40 257	31 915	36 697	219 038	166 366	-24,0
R'000			238 555	213 475	230 196	1 215 512	1 041 728	-14,3	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	15 367	11 087	17 945	54 094	74 024	36,8	
		R'000	167 292	112 814	172 139	606 448	728 227	20,1	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>405 847</b>	<b>326 289</b>	<b>402 335</b>	<b>1 821 960</b>	<b>1 769 955</b>	<b>-2,9</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 741 715</b>	<b>1 931 557</b>	<b>1 348 231</b>	<b>7 397 941</b>	<b>7 636 804</b>	<b>3,2</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	68	29	49	145	106	-26,9	
		square metres	3 462	1 513	2 654	7 934	5 621	-29,2	
		R'000	19 658	9 704	14 740	44 351	32 068	-27,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	68	55	34	232	177	-23,7	
		square metres	12 918	12 919	6 535	50 396	39 712	-21,2	
		R'000	76 513	99 144	38 736	271 052	268 617	-0,9	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	7	18	14	60	35	-41,7	
		square metres	841	1 134	769	5 332	2 272	-57,4	
		R'000	4 001	7 066	4 119	30 754	13 510	-56,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	3 139	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	17 775	0	..	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>100 172</b>	<b>115 914</b>	<b>57 595</b>	<b>363 932</b>	<b>314 195</b>	<b>-13,7</b>
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	664	0	3 023	1 056	-65,1
R'000			0	4 108	0	13 483	6 804	-49,5	
Shopping space		square metres	734	0	0	1 892	413	-78,2	
		R'000	3 303	0	0	9 025	1 746	-80,7	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	835	28 336	1 272	7 074	36 660	418,2	
		R'000	3 758	172 430	8 074	34 729	224 450	546,3	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	0	0	1 163	118	-89,9	
		R'000	0	0	0	6 166	749	-87,9	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>7 061</b>	<b>176 538</b>	<b>8 074</b>	<b>63 403</b>	<b>233 749</b>	<b>268,7</b>	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 161	5 431	6 581	38 114	29 441	-22,8
	R'000		46 621	33 786	41 398	179 959	185 394	3,0	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 365	897	1 921	14 255	9 952	-30,2	
		R'000	26 577	10 719	16 815	105 015	76 105	-27,5	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>73 198</b>	<b>44 505</b>	<b>58 213</b>	<b>284 974</b>	<b>261 499</b>	<b>-8,2</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>180 431</b>	<b>336 957</b>	<b>123 882</b>	<b>712 309</b>	<b>809 443</b>	<b>13,6</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	5	1	1	7	600,0
		square metres	0	336	60	76	459	503,9
		R'000	0	2 702	482	456	3 625	695,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	5	3	4	24	14	-41,7
		square metres	1 164	447	903	5 101	2 986	-41,5
		R'000	8 092	3 129	7 032	35 092	21 852	-37,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	15	1	-93,3
		square metres	0	0	0	1 333	146	-89,0
		R'000	0	0	0	8 665	1 174	-86,5
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	935	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	5 512	0	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>8 092</b>	<b>5 831</b>	<b>7 514</b>	<b>49 725</b>	<b>26 651</b>	<b>-46,4</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	505	0	0	1 945	0	..
		R'000	3 283	0	0	11 203	0	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	120	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	720	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	521	0	0	521	..
		R'000	0	3 647	0	0	3 647	..
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>3 283</b>	<b>3 647</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11 923</b>	<b>3 647</b>	<b>-69,4</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 821	2 288	4 462	6 221	13 040
R'000			19 946	17 063	32 553	46 250	96 771	109,2
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	2 291	0	2 518	4 083	62,2
		R'000	90	17 791	8 880	19 827	40 349	103,5
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>20 036</b>	<b>34 854</b>	<b>41 433</b>	<b>66 077</b>	<b>137 120</b>	<b>107,5</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>31 411</b>	<b>44 332</b>	<b>48 947</b>	<b>127 725</b>	<b>167 418</b>	<b>31,1</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	3	14	58	108	86,2	
		square metres	0	183	830	3 283	6 257	90,6	
		R'000	0	1 123	6 147	16 561	34 246	106,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	13	23	5	68	68	0,0	
		square metres	3 421	5 533	1 115	12 263	14 669	19,6	
		R'000	20 355	36 668	6 443	67 873	92 545	36,4	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	26	0	126	390	240	-38,5	
		square metres	2 271	0	12 183	29 735	28 112	-5,5	
		R'000	11 777	0	90 228	203 665	207 857	2,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	402	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	2 144	..	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>32 132</b>	<b>37 791</b>	<b>102 818</b>	<b>288 099</b>	<b>336 792</b>	<b>16,9</b>
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	2 573	5 768	124,2
R'000			0	0	0	17 649	42 185	139,0	
Shopping space		square metres	0	706	0	786	2 145	172,9	
		R'000	0	4 332	0	3 990	12 664	217,4	
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	0	0	1 340	535	-60,1	
		R'000	0	0	0	7 315	3 396	-53,6	
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	0	0	0	326	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	2 000	..	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4 332</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28 954</b>	<b>60 245</b>	<b>108,1</b>	
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 176	1 009	205	7 875	10 406	32,1
	R'000		5 292	6 229	1 401	35 956	56 165	56,2	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	47	5 523	69	599	6 941	1 058,8	
		R'000	312	42 453	601	9 862	54 722	454,9	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>5 604</b>	<b>48 682</b>	<b>2 002</b>	<b>45 818</b>	<b>110 887</b>	<b>142,0</b>
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>37 736</b>	<b>90 805</b>	<b>104 820</b>	<b>362 871</b>	<b>507 924</b>	<b>40,0</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	12	15	32	47	82	74,5	
		square metres	704	868	2 107	2 647	4 905	85,3	
		R'000	6 463	8 324	23 747	23 448	52 455	123,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	75	62	78	327	356	8,9	
		square metres	25 597	15 730	19 373	102 403	89 707	-12,4	
		R'000	234 882	173 703	199 990	925 333	934 307	1,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	45	50	32	657	192	-70,8	
		square metres	12 666	7 586	5 505	73 497	36 522	-50,3	
		R'000	109 060	72 495	47 292	691 047	352 075	-49,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	12 095	858	-92,9	
		R'000	0	0	0	134 848	10 211	-92,4	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>350 405</b>	<b>254 522</b>	<b>271 029</b>	<b>1 774 676</b>	<b>1 349 048</b>	<b>-24,0</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	22 072	0	28 094	48 345	28 979	-40,1	
		R'000	231 758	0	306 449	497 211	315 260	-36,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	12 448	0	31 910	74 145	33 615	-54,7	
		R'000	80 554	0	318 518	728 372	336 395	-53,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	28 872	2 923	33 276	58 927	59 497	1,0	
		R'000	164 479	17 539	199 610	333 882	356 289	6,7	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	230	1 975	13 838	7 542	-45,5	
		R'000	0	2 254	15 259	132 766	67 372	-49,3	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>476 791</b>	<b>19 793</b>	<b>839 836</b>	<b>1 692 231</b>	<b>1 075 316</b>	<b>-36,5</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 500	15 322	12 846	49 103	75 811	54,4
R'000			104 993	169 758	137 959	485 362	762 666	57,1	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	5 190	2 031	6 158	32 878	19 774	-39,9	
		R'000	121 868	19 869	57 688	372 034	191 177	-48,6	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>226 861</b>	<b>189 627</b>	<b>195 647</b>	<b>857 396</b>	<b>953 843</b>	<b>11,2</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 054 057</b>	<b>463 942</b>	<b>1 306 512</b>	<b>4 324 303</b>	<b>3 378 207</b>	<b>-21,9</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	65	24	61	205	154	-24,9	
		square metres	3 720	1 409	3 597	11 890	9 251	-22,2	
		R'000	15 641	7 045	17 815	51 163	47 576	-7,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	50	19	97	262	351	34,0	
		square metres	8 082	6 612	20 656	50 100	71 338	42,4	
		R'000	38 772	39 254	107 864	256 862	403 637	57,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	6	105	78	132	425	222,0	
		square metres	413	16 366	6 001	10 357	47 329	357,0	
		R'000	2 037	90 118	27 061	61 425	263 959	329,7	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>56 450</b>	<b>136 417</b>	<b>152 740</b>	<b>369 450</b>	<b>715 172</b>	<b>93,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 618	1 429	-11,7	
		R'000	0	0	0	8 092	8 421	4,1	
	Shopping space	square metres	687	0	463	16 915	1 337	-92,1	
		R'000	3 435	0	2 417	86 944	7 257	-91,7	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	636	2 567	507	2 810	6 154	119,0	
		R'000	3 180	12 835	2 537	12 964	29 042	124,0	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	2 204	1 191	5 459	358,4	
		R'000	0	0	11 020	5 955	30 629	414,3	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>6 615</b>	<b>12 835</b>	<b>15 974</b>	<b>113 955</b>	<b>75 349</b>	<b>-33,9</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	720	1 184	4 846	23 808	42 203	77,3	
		R'000	3 240	6 370	26 508	111 372	256 174	130,0	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	103	0	865	3 284	6 975	112,4	
		R'000	577	0	5 791	17 455	43 076	146,8	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>3 817</b>	<b>6 370</b>	<b>32 299</b>	<b>128 827</b>	<b>299 250</b>	<b>132,3</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>66 882</b>	<b>155 622</b>	<b>201 013</b>	<b>612 232</b>	<b>1 089 771</b>	<b>78,0</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	838	387	365	2 725	1 679	-38,4
		square metres	39 484	19 811	19 019	132 522	83 440	-37,0
		R'000	143 072	112 543	106 308	560 836	442 542	-21,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	295	221	297	1 420	1 214	-14,5
		square metres	96 553	66 959	97 067	481 100	384 015	-20,2
		R'000	731 882	532 007	752 006	3 700 485	3 050 850	-17,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	637	581	335	3 802	1 988	-47,7
		square metres	58 553	66 347	38 172	323 994	253 501	-21,8
		R'000	509 988	626 936	345 181	2 742 970	2 197 699	-19,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	120 649	1 260	-99,0
		R'000	0	0	0	1 307 571	8 807	-99,3
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 384 942</b>	<b>1 271 486</b>	<b>1 203 495</b>	<b>8 311 862</b>	<b>5 699 898</b>	<b>-31,4</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	8 154	15 296	15 679	115 882	140 450	21,2
		R'000	65 276	139 002	147 044	1 215 815	1 346 541	10,8
	Shopping space	square metres	14 140	10 694	24 182	96 245	50 379	-47,7
		R'000	125 704	93 822	238 406	778 133	466 064	-40,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	63 784	16 774	15 179	196 809	181 444	-7,8
		R'000	305 611	85 372	80 871	1 001 665	963 692	-3,8
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	5 262	5 399	2 622	21 901	20 088	-8,3
		R'000	49 970	33 068	16 036	171 034	150 668	-11,9
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>546 561</b>	<b>351 264</b>	<b>482 357</b>	<b>3 166 647</b>	<b>2 926 965</b>	<b>-7,6</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	16 243	19 214	18 943	89 012	95 523
R'000			124 128	150 604	137 796	650 887	730 000	12,2
Other buildings 4/		square metres	5 236	9 093	6 501	39 191	38 788	-1,0
		R'000	51 433	62 244	53 629	352 429	311 638	-11,6
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>175 561</b>	<b>212 848</b>	<b>191 425</b>	<b>1 003 316</b>	<b>1 041 638</b>	<b>3,8</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 107 064</b>	<b>1 835 598</b>	<b>1 877 277</b>	<b>12 481 825</b>	<b>9 668 501</b>	<b>-22,5</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	53	26	23	325	129	-60,3	
		square metres	2 415	1 354	1 406	15 055	7 202	-52,2	
		R'000	9 786	6 445	8 260	57 541	38 911	-32,4	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	33	54	72	131	276	110,7	
		square metres	8 369	10 725	23 522	32 247	69 034	114,1	
		R'000	41 329	60 496	129 167	152 584	395 967	159,5	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	26	0	0	192	49	-74,5	
		square metres	1 872	0	0	20 191	2 769	-86,3	
		R'000	9 664	0	0	93 859	17 100	-81,8	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	391	0	0	2 307	..	
		R'000	0	1 864	0	0	15 648	..	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>60 779</b>	<b>68 805</b>	<b>137 427</b>	<b>303 984</b>	<b>467 626</b>	<b>53,8</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	256	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 219	..	
	Shopping space	square metres	1 662	785	6 264	14 168	7 569	-46,6	
		R'000	8 310	3 737	29 823	66 527	36 036	-45,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 683	551	0	11 964	6 401	-46,5	
		R'000	16 098	3 964	0	57 907	31 816	-45,1	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	214	0	1 972	214	-89,1	
		R'000	0	1 020	0	9 863	1 020	-89,7	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>24 408</b>	<b>8 721</b>	<b>29 823</b>	<b>134 297</b>	<b>70 091</b>	<b>-47,8</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 440	2 917	2 513	16 644	14 165	-14,9
R'000			15 366	15 036	13 840	73 056	79 027	8,2	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	0	0	1 700	3 394	99,6	
		R'000	100	7 332	8 448	15 773	78 816	399,7	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>15 466</b>	<b>22 368</b>	<b>22 288</b>	<b>88 829</b>	<b>157 843</b>	<b>77,7</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>100 653</b>	<b>99 894</b>	<b>189 538</b>	<b>527 110</b>	<b>695 560</b>	<b>32,0</b>

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2017 and 2018.

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 2017	Apr. 2018	May 2018	Jan. - May 2017	Jan. - May 2018	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	11	9	22	339	54	-84,1	
		square metres	689	568	1 343	15 768	3 326	-78,9	
		R'000	3 445	3 005	7 104	38 040	17 594	-53,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	24	32	29	100	127	27,0	
		square metres	6 315	8 073	7 956	27 435	34 153	24,5	
		R'000	31 829	41 420	40 849	136 646	175 182	28,2	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	66	0	3	96	24	-75,0	
		square metres	5 559	0	145	10 657	2 851	-73,2	
		R'000	25 367	0	767	51 659	14 586	-71,8	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	7 618	0	5 752	9 056	57,4	
		R'000	0	41 914	0	28 760	49 521	72,2	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>60 641</b>	<b>86 339</b>	<b>48 720</b>	<b>255 105</b>	<b>256 883</b>	<b>0,7</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 322	3 276	147,8	
		R'000	0	0	0	6 714	17 330	158,1	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	5 906	158	11 177	6 974,1	
		R'000	0	0	30 958	790	58 901	7 355,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	1 588	3 999	5 213	8 851	69,8	
		R'000	0	8 401	21 155	25 890	46 822	80,8	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	345	0	589	345	589	70,7	
		R'000	1 725	0	2 507	1 725	2 507	45,3	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 725</b>	<b>8 401</b>	<b>54 620</b>	<b>35 119</b>	<b>125 560</b>	<b>257,5</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	421	855	493	1 595	2 586	62,1
R'000			2 080	4 465	2 624	7 675	13 284	73,1	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	1 842	0	309	2 213	941	-57,5	
		R'000	9 977	500	2 314	13 870	10 291	-25,8	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>12 057</b>	<b>4 965</b>	<b>4 938</b>	<b>21 545</b>	<b>23 575</b>	<b>9,4</b>	
<b>Recorded buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>74 423</b>	<b>99 705</b>	<b>108 278</b>	<b>311 769</b>	<b>406 018</b>	<b>30,2</b>

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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

<b>Introduction</b>	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.
<b>Purpose of the survey</b>	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.
<b>Scope of the survey</b>	4	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• passing of building plans; and</li> <li>• final inspection of completed buildings.</li> </ul>
<b>Classification</b>	5	Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> , (SIC) Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
<b>Collection rate</b>	6	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for May 2018 was 88,2%. The collection rate for April 2018 was 89,1%.
<b>Statistical unit</b>	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.
<b>Survey methodology and design</b>	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.
<b>Constant prices</b>	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 2015. 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 December 2016=100) are converted to the base year 2015=100.

- Seasonal adjustment** 10 Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by US Bureau of the Census Economic Research and Analyses Division, 1968.
- 11 Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at [Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment May 2017](#)
- Trend cycle** 12 The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
- Revised figures** 13 Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
- 14 Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: *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** 15 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** 16 Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

**Symbols and abbreviations**

<b>17</b>	..	no meaningful percentage change between two specified periods available since either one or both of the totals are nil
	0	nil or figure too small to publish
	*	revised
	Stats SA	Statistics South Africa
	SIC	Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
	ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities



## Glossary

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

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

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