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## Key findings for January to November 2023

### Building plans passed at current prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Nov 2022 <sup>1</sup>	Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023	% change between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>58 865 919</b>	<b>47 594 862</b>	<b>-11 271 057</b>	<b>-19,1</b>
-Dwelling-houses	38 059 252	31 064 641	-6 994 611	-18,4
-Flats and townhouses	19 785 038	15 872 782	-3 912 256	-19,8
-Other residential buildings	1 021 629	657 439	-364 190	-35,6
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>20 669 570</b>	<b>19 934 946</b>	<b>-734 624</b>	<b>-3,6</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>31 105 983</b>	<b>27 821 493</b>	<b>-3 284 490</b>	<b>-10,6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>110 641 472</b>	<b>95 351 301</b>	<b>-15 290 171</b>	<b>-13,8</b>

<sup>1</sup> 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The value of building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 13,8% (-R15 290,2 million) during January to November 2023 compared with January to November 2022.

Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-19,1% or -R11 271,1 million), additions and alterations (-10,6% or -R3 284,5 million) and non-residential buildings (-3,6% or -R734,6 million) – see Table A.

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

Province	Jan – Nov 2022 <sup>1</sup>	Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>1</sup>	Weight Jan – Nov 2022	% change between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>2</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	%			R'000
Western Cape	34 867 347	30 382 488	31,5	-12,9	-4,1	-4 484 859
Eastern Cape	6 923 124	6 239 779	6,3	-9,9	-0,6	-683 345
Northern Cape	1 438 095	844 813	1,3	-41,3	-0,5	-593 282
Free State	2 261 607	2 455 488	2,0	8,6	0,2	193 881
KwaZulu-Natal	18 740 980	12 620 477	16,9	-32,7	-5,5	-6 120 503
North West	4 070 941	2 903 779	3,7	-28,7	-1,1	-1 167 162
Gauteng	34 570 184	32 335 136	31,2	-6,5	-2,0	-2 235 048
Mpumalanga	5 104 968	5 430 141	4,6	6,4	0,3	325 173
Limpopo	2 664 226	2 139 200	2,4	-19,7	-0,5	-525 026
<b>Total</b>	<b>110 641 472</b>	<b>95 351 301</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-13,8</b>	<b>-13,8</b>	<b>-15 290 171</b>

<sup>1</sup> 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

<sup>2</sup> The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change by its weight, divided by 100, where the weight is the percentage contribution of each province to the cumulative total building plans passed during the previous year.

The largest contributions to the total decrease of 13,8% (-R15 290,2 million) were made by KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -5,5 percentage points or -R6 120,5 million), Western Cape (contributing -4,1 percentage points or -R4 484,9 million) and Gauteng (contributing -2,0 percentage points or -R2 235,0 million) – see Table B.

## Building plans passed at constant 2019 prices

**Table C – Building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Type of building	Jan – Nov 2022 <sup>1</sup>	Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023	% change between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	47 113 860	36 267 652	-10 846 208	-23,0
Non-residential buildings	16 573 458	15 199 466	-1 373 992	-8,3
Additions and alterations	24 846 447	21 188 131	-3 658 316	-14,7
<b>Total</b>	<b>88 533 765</b>	<b>72 655 249</b>	<b>-15 878 516</b>	<b>-17,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The real value of building plans passed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 17,9% (-R15 878,5 million) during January to November 2023 compared with January to November 2022. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-23,0% or -R10 846,2 million), additions and alterations (-14,7% or -R3 658,3 million) and non-residential buildings (-8,3% or -R1 374,0 million) – see Table C.

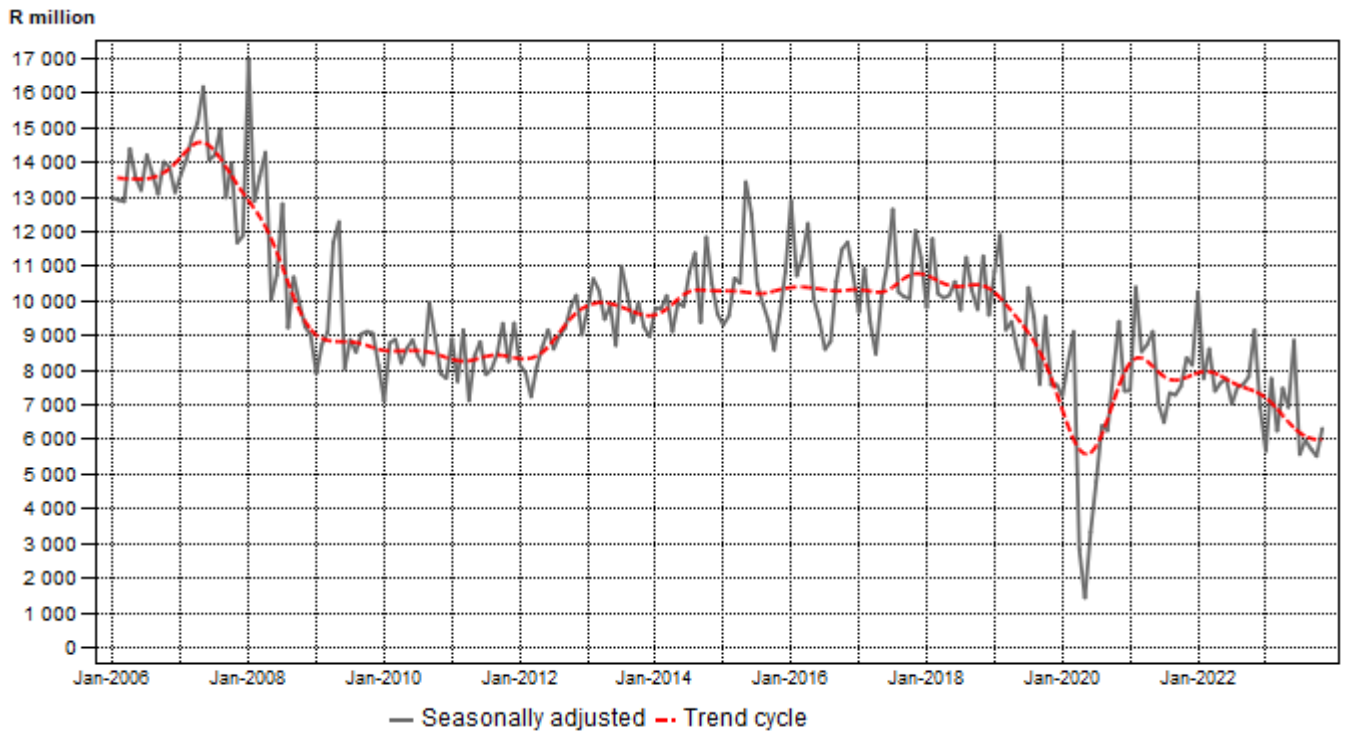
**Table D – Seasonally adjusted building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building**

Type of building	Jun – Aug 2023	Sep – Nov 2023	% change between Jun – Aug 2023 and Sep – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	8 984 483	9 251 111	3,0
Non-residential buildings <sup>1</sup>	5 952 389	2 813 211	-52,7
Additions and alterations	5 480 619	5 495 803	0,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>20 417 491</b>	<b>17 560 125</b>	<b>-14,0</b>

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of building plans passed decreased by 14,0% in the three months ended November 2023 compared with the previous three months. A decrease was reported for non-residential buildings (-52,7%). Increases were reported for residential buildings (3,0%) and additions and alterations (0,3%) – see Table D.

**Figure 1 – Building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices**



## Buildings reported as completed at current prices

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

Type of building	Jan – Nov 2022 <sup>1</sup>	Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023	% change between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>34 015 448</b>	<b>32 097 822</b>	<b>-1 917 626</b>	<b>-5,6</b>
-Dwelling-houses	22 001 805	20 925 041	-1 076 764	-4,9
-Flats and townhouses	11 571 671	10 874 414	-697 257	-6,0
-Other residential buildings	441 972	298 367	-143 605	-32,5
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>13 663 963</b>	<b>12 813 454</b>	<b>-850 509</b>	<b>-6,2</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>15 247 355</b>	<b>8 745 520</b>	<b>-6 501 835</b>	<b>-42,6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>62 926 766</b>	<b>53 656 796</b>	<b>-9 269 970</b>	<b>-14,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 14,7% (-R9 270,0 million) during January to November 2023 compared with January to November 2022.

Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-42,6% or -R6 501,8 million), non-residential buildings (-6,2% or -R850,5 million) and residential buildings (-5,6% or -R1 917,6 million) – see Table E.

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

Province	Jan – Nov 2022 <sup>1</sup>	Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>1</sup>	Weight Jan – Nov 2022	% change between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>2</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	%			R'000
Western Cape	25 376 365	15 769 086	40,3	-37,9	-15,3	-9 607 279
Eastern Cape	2 798 674	3 249 705	4,4	16,1	0,7	451 031
Northern Cape	725 400	361 268	1,2	-50,2	-0,6	-364 132
Free State	546 970	564 403	0,9	3,2	0,0	17 433
KwaZulu-Natal	9 149 154	9 862 868	14,5	7,8	1,1	713 714
North West	2 098 309	2 134 157	3,3	1,7	0,1	35 848
Gauteng	20 095 781	19 192 323	31,9	-4,5	-1,4	-903 458
Mpumalanga	1 132 439	1 283 334	1,8	13,3	0,2	150 895
Limpopo	1 003 674	1 239 652	1,6	23,5	0,4	235 978
<b>Total</b>	<b>62 926 766</b>	<b>53 656 796</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-14,7</b>	<b>-14,7</b>	<b>-9 269 970</b>

<sup>1</sup> 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

<sup>2</sup> The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change by its weight, divided by 100, where the weight is the percentage contribution of each province to the cumulative total buildings reported as completed during the previous year.

Three provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during January to November 2023, of which Western Cape (contributing -15,3 percentage points or -R9 607,3 million) and Gauteng (contributing -1,4 percentage points or -R903,5 million) were the largest negative contributors – see Table F.

## Buildings reported as completed at constant 2019 prices

**Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Type of building	Jan – Nov 2022 <sup>1</sup>	Jan – Nov 2023 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023	% change between Jan – Nov 2022 and Jan – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	27 182 643	24 415 130	-2 767 513	-10,2
Non-residential buildings	10 941 271	9 760 871	-1 180 400	-10,8
Additions and alterations	12 210 314	6 655 197	-5 555 117	-45,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>50 334 228</b>	<b>40 831 198</b>	<b>-9 503 030</b>	<b>-18,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> 2022 and 2023 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 18,9% (-R9 503,0 million) during January to November 2023 compared with January to November 2022. Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-45,5% or -R5 555,1 million), non-residential buildings (-10,8% or -R1 180,4 million) and residential buildings (-10,2% or -R2 767,5 million) – see Table G.

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

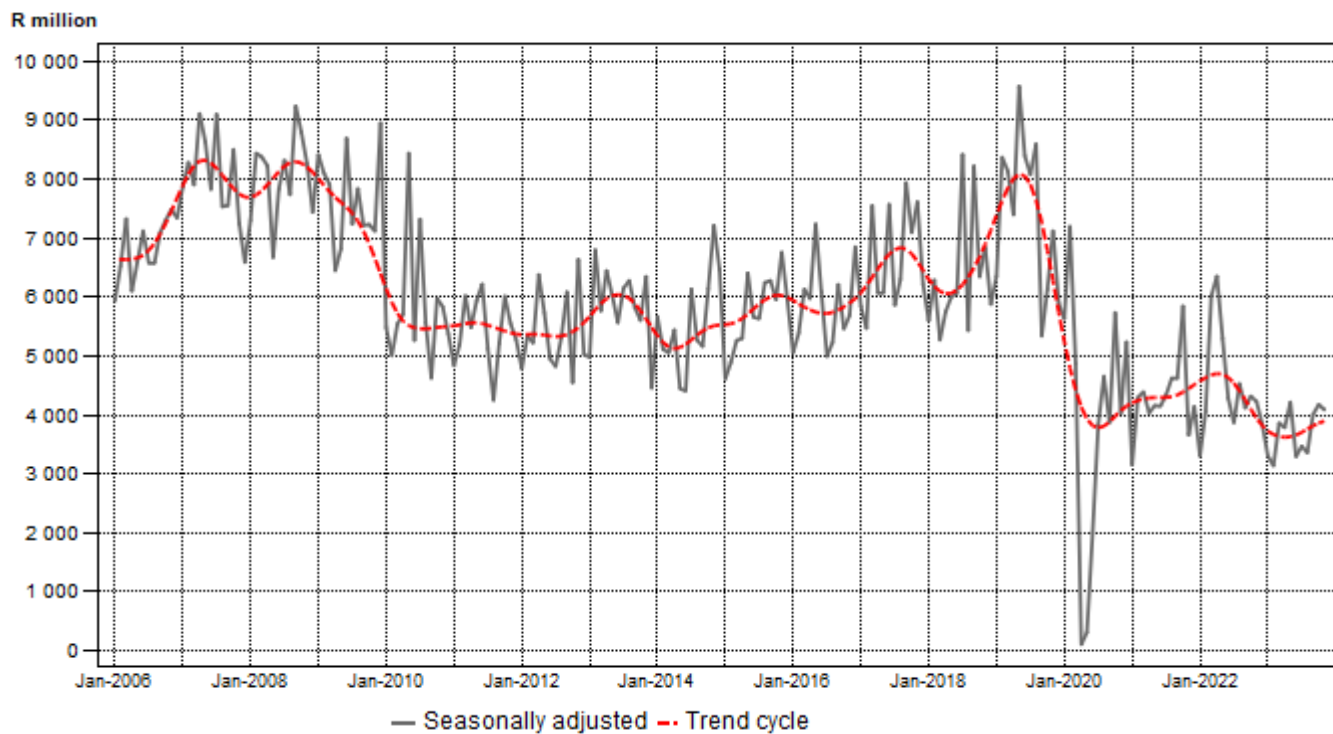
Type of building	Jun – Aug 2023	Sep – Nov 2023	% change between Jun – Aug 2023 and Sep – Nov 2023
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	6 470 822	6 902 878	6,7
Non-residential buildings <sup>1</sup>	2 022 525	3 320 326	64,2
Additions and alterations	1 619 768	2 040 224	26,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10 113 115</b>	<b>12 263 428</b>	<b>21,3</b>

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

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 21,3% in the three months ended November 2023 compared with the previous three months. Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (64,2%), additions and alterations (26,0%) and residential buildings (6,7%) – see Table H.



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



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## Tables

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

Year and month <sup>2</sup>		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2022	January	5 723 791	57,3	1 415 467	242,3	1 797 644	18,0	8 936 902	60,3
	February	4 568 639	-11,9	2 255 248	-31,8	2 444 275	-7,3	9 268 162	-16,7
	March	5 109 535	11,2	3 402 406	36,1	2 595 055	1,6	11 106 996	15,1
	April	4 849 203	-3,0	1 142 322	-48,9	2 478 941	16,1	8 470 466	-9,6
	May	4 986 476	-20,7	1 681 108	35,3	3 099 515	17,9	9 767 099	-3,9
	June	6 194 173	42,5	1 652 544	-14,6	2 717 245	13,2	10 563 962	21,7
	July	5 426 435	14,8	1 136 464	6,3	3 035 046	21,8	9 597 945	15,8
	August	4 874 248	-13,4	1 823 251	97,1	3 626 575	41,3	10 324 074	13,2
	September	5 099 248	-2,5	1 883 600	51,9	3 143 796	16,1	10 126 644	10,3
	October	5 852 739	14,8	1 492 387	23,4	3 087 319	-3,7	10 432 445	9,7
	November	6 181 432	5,2	2 784 773	99,7	3 080 572	4,0	12 046 777	17,8
	December	3 404 524	-27,4	1 809 580	31,1	2 080 533	-0,6	7 294 637	-10,6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>62 270 443</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>22 479 150</b>	<b>19,3</b>	<b>33 186 516</b>	<b>11,0</b>	<b>117 936 109</b>	<b>8,1</b>
2023	January	2 761 377	-51,8	721 791	-49,0	1 882 313	4,7	5 365 481	-40,0
	February	5 305 695	16,1	1 856 777	-17,7	2 639 147	8,0	9 801 619	5,8
	March	4 655 553	-8,9	1 696 971	-50,1	2 152 231	-17,1	8 504 755	-23,4
	April	4 613 802	-4,9	2 035 643	78,2	2 270 843	-8,4	8 920 288	5,3
	May	4 438 281	-11,0	2 059 644	22,5	2 959 940	-4,5	9 457 865	-3,2
	June	4 723 371	-23,7	4 622 149	179,7	2 768 581	1,9	12 114 101	14,7
	July	4 298 223	-20,8	1 055 623	-7,1	2 453 173	-19,2	7 807 019	-18,7
	August	3 929 094	-19,4	2 135 385	17,1	2 549 565	-29,7	8 614 044	-16,6
	September	4 438 258	-13,0	1 024 407	-45,6	2 384 182	-24,2	7 846 847	-22,5
	October	3 984 050	-31,9	1 101 434	-26,2	2 990 523	-3,1	8 076 007	-22,6
	November	4 447 158	-28,1	1 625 122	-41,6	2 770 995	-10,0	8 843 275	-26,6

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

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2022	January	8 521 444	42,6	1 415 467	2,5	2 554 595	2,0	12 491 506	26,7
	February	4 669 798	-45,2	2 255 248	59,3	2 496 955	-2,3	9 422 001	-24,6
	March	4 685 606	0,3	3 402 406	50,9	2 545 398	1,9	10 633 410	12,9
	April	5 241 691	11,9	1 142 322	-66,4	2 753 010	8,2	9 137 023	-14,1
	May	4 843 868	-7,6	1 681 108	47,2	3 106 870	12,9	9 631 846	5,4
	June	5 584 500	15,3	1 652 544	-1,7	2 594 594	-16,5	9 831 638	2,1
	July	5 047 294	-9,6	1 136 464	-31,2	2 792 663	7,6	8 976 421	-8,7
	August	4 366 079	-13,5	1 823 251	60,4	3 249 377	16,4	9 438 707	5,2
	September	4 834 781	10,7	1 883 600	3,3	2 794 426	-14,0	9 512 807	0,8
	October	5 516 863	14,1	1 492 387	-20,8	2 810 014	0,6	9 819 264	3,2
	November	6 026 586	9,2	2 784 773	86,6	2 786 592	-0,8	11 597 951	18,1
	December	4 485 555	-25,6	1 809 580	-35,0	2 543 393	-8,7	8 838 528	-23,8
2023	January	3 930 093	-12,4	721 791	-60,1	2 613 127	2,7	7 265 011	-17,8
	February	5 442 213	38,5	1 856 777	157,2	2 698 329	3,3	9 997 319	37,6
	March	4 372 578	-19,7	1 696 971	-8,6	2 105 682	-22,0	8 175 231	-18,2
	April	5 043 164	15,3	2 035 643	20,0	2 665 834	26,6	9 744 641	19,2
	May	4 196 538	-16,8	2 059 644	1,2	2 819 539	5,8	9 075 721	-6,9
	June	4 327 149	3,1	4 622 149	124,4	2 651 647	-6,0	11 600 945	27,8
	July	4 050 225	-6,4	1 055 623	-77,2	2 225 138	-16,1	7 330 986	-36,8
	August	3 402 830	-16,0	2 135 385	102,3	2 316 165	4,1	7 854 380	7,1
	September	4 390 269	29,0	1 024 407	-52,0	2 170 308	-6,3	7 584 984	-3,4
	October	3 582 284	-18,4	1 101 434	7,5	2 648 336	22,0	7 332 054	-3,3
	November	4 338 976	21,1	1 625 122	47,5	2 507 683	-5,3	8 471 781	15,5
	<b>Jun – Aug 23</b>	<b>11 780 204</b>		<b>7 813 157</b>		<b>7 192 950</b>		<b>26 786 311</b>	
<b>Sep – Nov 23 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>12 311 529</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>3 750 963</b>	<b>-52,0</b>	<b>7 326 327</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>23 388 819</b>	<b>-12,7</b>	

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

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

<sup>3</sup> 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 building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month <sup>2</sup>		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2022</b>	January	4 738 238	39,0	1 171 744	202,4	1 488 116	4,2	7 398 098	41,6
	February	3 754 017	-21,4	1 853 121	-39,2	2 008 443	-17,4	7 615 581	-25,7
	March	4 157 474	-0,6	2 768 434	21,6	2 111 517	-9,2	9 037 425	2,9
	April	3 907 496	-12,9	920 485	-54,1	1 997 535	4,3	6 825 516	-18,8
	May	3 957 521	-28,9	1 334 213	21,4	2 459 933	5,7	7 751 667	-13,8
	June	4 892 712	29,7	1 305 327	-22,3	2 146 323	3,0	8 344 362	10,7
	July	4 256 027	4,5	891 344	-3,3	2 380 428	10,8	7 527 799	5,4
	August	3 844 044	-20,4	1 437 895	81,0	2 860 075	29,8	8 142 014	4,0
	September	4 040 609	-9,1	1 492 552	41,7	2 491 122	8,2	8 024 283	2,9
	October	4 659 824	8,0	1 188 206	16,2	2 458 057	-9,3	8 306 087	3,2
	November	4 905 898	-0,4	2 210 137	88,9	2 444 898	-1,6	9 560 933	11,4
	December	2 697 721	-31,1	1 433 899	24,4	1 648 600	-5,7	5 780 220	-15,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>49 811 581</b>	<b>-5,5</b>	<b>18 007 357</b>	<b>8,4</b>	<b>26 495 047</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>94 313 985</b>	<b>-1,2</b>	
<b>2023</b>	January	2 167 486	-54,3	566 555	-51,6	1 477 483	-0,7	4 211 524	-43,1
	February	4 103 399	9,3	1 436 022	-22,5	2 041 104	1,6	7 580 525	-0,5
	March	3 567 474	-14,2	1 300 361	-53,0	1 649 219	-21,9	6 517 054	-27,9
	April	3 535 480	-9,5	1 559 880	69,5	1 740 110	-12,9	6 835 470	0,1
	May	3 385 416	-14,5	1 571 048	17,8	2 257 773	-8,2	7 214 237	-6,9
	June	3 611 140	-26,2	3 533 753	170,7	2 116 652	-1,4	9 261 545	11,0
	July	3 266 127	-23,3	802 145	-10,0	1 864 113	-21,7	5 932 385	-21,2
	August	2 974 333	-22,6	1 616 491	12,4	1 930 026	-32,5	6 520 850	-19,9
	September	3 339 547	-17,4	770 810	-48,4	1 793 967	-28,0	5 904 324	-26,4
	October	2 991 029	-35,8	826 902	-30,4	2 245 137	-8,7	6 063 068	-27,0
	November	3 326 221	-32,2	1 215 499	-45,0	2 072 547	-15,2	6 614 267	-30,8

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

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.

**Table 4 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2022	January	6 996 042	42,4	1 171 744	1,7	2 102 624	1,0	10 270 410	26,1
	February	3 854 563	-44,9	1 853 121	58,2	2 046 707	-2,7	7 754 391	-24,5
	March	3 786 010	-1,8	2 768 434	49,4	2 064 957	0,9	8 619 401	11,2
	April	4 246 393	12,2	920 485	-66,8	2 224 377	7,7	7 391 255	-14,2
	May	3 828 935	-9,8	1 334 213	44,9	2 469 306	11,0	7 632 454	3,3
	June	4 404 270	15,0	1 305 327	-2,2	2 049 744	-17,0	7 759 341	1,7
	July	3 932 268	-10,7	891 344	-31,7	2 196 565	7,2	7 020 177	-9,5
	August	3 506 697	-10,8	1 437 895	61,3	2 572 912	17,1	7 517 504	7,1
	September	3 876 859	10,6	1 492 552	3,8	2 218 483	-13,8	7 587 894	0,9
	October	4 388 564	13,2	1 188 206	-20,4	2 234 975	0,7	7 811 745	3,0
	November	4 745 641	8,1	2 210 137	86,0	2 207 153	-1,2	9 162 931	17,3
	December	3 488 041	-26,5	1 433 899	-35,1	2 005 490	-9,1	6 927 430	-24,4
2023	January	3 048 641	-12,6	566 555	-60,5	2 043 064	1,9	5 658 260	-18,3
	February	4 244 040	39,2	1 436 022	153,5	2 084 562	2,0	7 764 624	37,2
	March	3 331 066	-21,5	1 300 361	-9,4	1 613 808	-22,6	6 245 235	-19,6
	April	3 885 978	16,7	1 559 880	20,0	2 042 968	26,6	7 488 826	19,9
	May	3 196 874	-17,7	1 571 048	0,7	2 156 241	5,5	6 924 163	-7,5
	June	3 304 568	3,4	3 533 753	124,9	2 031 256	-5,8	8 869 577	28,1
	July	3 072 864	-7,0	802 145	-77,3	1 694 132	-16,6	5 569 141	-37,2
	August	2 607 051	-15,2	1 616 491	101,5	1 755 231	3,6	5 978 773	7,4
	September	3 324 027	27,5	770 810	-52,3	1 633 501	-6,9	5 728 338	-4,2
	October	2 701 998	-18,7	826 902	7,3	1 988 056	21,7	5 516 956	-3,7
	November	3 225 086	19,4	1 215 499	47,0	1 874 246	-5,7	6 314 831	14,5
	<b>Jun – Aug 23</b>	<b>8 984 483</b>		<b>5 952 389</b>		<b>5 480 619</b>		<b>20 417 491</b>	
<b>Sep – Nov 23 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9 251 111</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>2 813 211</b>	<b>-52,7</b>	<b>5 495 803</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>17 560 125</b>	<b>-14,0</b>	

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

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

<sup>3</sup> 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 <sup>2</sup>		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2022</b>	January	1 915 442	23,1	458 707	-22,6	764 676	37,2	3 138 825	16,0
	February	2 310 014	0,8	1 271 255	-0,6	1 147 349	32,2	4 728 618	6,5
	March	3 197 697	-1,4	2 627 335	441,9	1 891 604	53,9	7 716 636	55,7
	April	3 351 268	49,1	1 172 464	11,1	2 620 953	169,1	7 144 685	67,0
	May	3 078 346	19,4	1 137 002	-3,4	2 412 256	187,7	6 627 604	44,3
	June	2 981 227	9,3	1 455 223	39,9	1 014 533	-2,3	5 450 983	13,4
	July	2 793 180	11,6	1 167 421	-6,8	1 007 968	-25,6	4 968 569	-2,8
	August	3 221 336	28,5	1 248 420	5,1	1 336 536	-25,3	5 806 292	5,9
	September	3 404 025	12,5	1 100 905	-5,9	1 026 348	-33,7	5 531 278	-3,7
	October	3 563 665	-3,3	1 069 676	-47,9	963 822	-29,7	5 597 163	-21,3
	November	4 199 248	31,2	955 555	18,4	1 061 310	-7,3	6 216 113	20,7
	December	3 174 089	-3,7	1 087 669	23,4	627 720	-18,5	4 889 478	-1,1
<b>Total</b>	<b>37 189 537</b>	<b>13,2</b>	<b>14 751 632</b>	<b>13,6</b>	<b>15 875 075</b>	<b>17,8</b>	<b>67 816 244</b>	<b>14,3</b>	
<b>2023</b>	January	1 601 076	-16,4	1 451 781	216,5	536 096	-29,9	3 588 953	14,3
	February	2 414 223	4,5	569 750	-55,2	851 184	-25,8	3 835 157	-18,9
	March	2 752 569	-13,9	1 709 220	-34,9	674 075	-64,4	5 135 864	-33,4
	April	2 532 811	-24,4	1 347 813	15,0	693 048	-73,6	4 573 672	-36,0
	May	3 965 807	28,8	649 310	-42,9	853 995	-64,6	5 469 112	-17,5
	June	2 832 834	-5,0	754 080	-48,2	779 664	-23,2	4 366 578	-19,9
	July	2 658 357	-4,8	1 236 636	5,9	710 048	-29,6	4 605 041	-7,3
	August	3 057 825	-5,1	668 846	-46,4	754 093	-43,6	4 480 764	-22,8
	September	3 577 785	5,1	1 243 356	12,9	777 404	-24,3	5 598 545	1,2
	October	3 150 214	-11,6	1 537 808	43,8	1 095 896	13,7	5 783 918	3,3
	November	3 554 321	-15,4	1 644 854	72,1	1 020 017	-3,9	6 219 192	0,0

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

<sup>2</sup> 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 <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
2022	January	2 570 753	-19,4	458 707	-48,0	979 983	9,0	4 009 443	-19,3
	February	2 568 602	-0,1	1 271 255	177,1	1 102 153	12,5	4 942 010	23,3
	March	3 168 418	23,4	2 627 335	106,7	1 617 913	46,8	7 413 666	50,0
	April	3 643 962	15,0	1 172 464	-55,4	3 024 190	86,9	7 840 616	5,8
	May	3 099 251	-14,9	1 137 002	-3,0	2 436 615	-19,4	6 672 868	-14,9
	June	2 947 275	-4,9	1 455 223	28,0	1 016 863	-58,3	5 419 361	-18,8
	July	2 762 082	-6,3	1 167 421	-19,8	988 060	-2,8	4 917 563	-9,3
	August	3 257 092	17,9	1 248 420	6,9	1 236 388	25,1	5 741 900	16,8
	September	3 141 974	-3,5	1 100 905	-11,8	940 196	-24,0	5 183 075	-9,7
	October	3 382 891	7,7	1 069 676	-2,8	965 355	2,7	5 417 922	4,5
	November	3 395 500	0,4	955 555	-10,7	970 523	0,5	5 321 578	-1,8
	December	3 029 768	-10,8	1 087 669	13,8	743 226	-23,4	4 860 663	-8,7
2023	January	2 141 129	-29,3	1 451 781	33,5	638 659	-14,1	4 231 569	-12,9
	February	2 672 357	24,8	569 750	-60,8	815 185	27,6	4 057 292	-4,1
	March	2 753 726	3,0	1 709 220	200,0	578 541	-29,0	5 041 487	24,3
	April	2 744 696	-0,3	1 347 813	-21,1	837 773	44,8	4 930 282	-2,2
	May	3 999 483	45,7	649 310	-51,8	870 059	3,9	5 518 852	11,9
	June	2 808 601	-29,8	754 080	16,1	737 435	-15,2	4 300 116	-22,1
	July	2 610 061	-7,1	1 236 636	64,0	708 624	-3,9	4 555 321	5,9
	August	3 084 063	18,2	668 846	-45,9	681 263	-3,9	4 434 172	-2,7
	September	3 301 589	7,1	1 243 356	85,9	763 794	12,1	5 308 739	19,7
	October	2 989 989	-9,4	1 537 808	23,7	1 029 224	34,8	5 557 021	4,7
	November	2 894 565	-3,2	1 644 854	7,0	928 130	-9,8	5 467 549	-1,6
	<b>Jun – Aug 23</b>	<b>8 502 725</b>		<b>2 659 562</b>		<b>2 127 322</b>		<b>13 289 609</b>	
<b>Sep – Nov 23 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>9 186 143</b>	<b>8,0</b>	<b>4 426 018</b>	<b>66,4</b>	<b>2 721 148</b>	<b>27,9</b>	<b>16 333 309</b>	<b>22,9</b>	

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant month compared with the previous month expressed as a percentage.

<sup>2</sup> The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities for the latest three months compared with the previous three months expressed as a percentage.

<sup>3</sup> 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 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month <sup>2</sup>		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2022</b>	January	1 585 631	8,7	379 724	-31,6	633 010	21,2	2 598 365	2,4
	February	1 898 122	-10,1	1 044 581	-11,3	942 768	17,8	3 885 471	-5,0
	March	2 601 869	-11,9	2 137 783	384,1	1 539 141	37,5	6 278 793	39,1
	April	2 700 458	34,0	944 774	-0,2	2 111 969	141,8	5 757 201	50,1
	May	2 443 132	7,1	902 383	-13,4	1 914 489	158,0	5 260 004	29,4
	June	2 354 840	-0,6	1 149 465	27,3	801 369	-11,1	4 305 674	3,2
	July	2 190 729	1,5	915 624	-15,2	790 563	-32,3	3 896 916	-11,5
	August	2 540 486	18,1	984 558	-3,5	1 054 050	-31,3	4 579 094	-2,7
	September	2 697 326	4,9	872 349	-12,3	813 271	-38,1	4 382 946	-10,2
	October	2 837 313	-9,0	851 653	-51,0	767 374	-33,8	4 456 340	-25,9
	November	3 332 737	24,2	758 377	12,1	842 310	-12,3	4 933 424	14,2
	December	2 515 126	-8,5	861 861	17,1	497 401	-22,6	3 874 388	-6,2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>29 697 769</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>11 803 132</b>	<b>4,4</b>	<b>12 707 715</b>	<b>8,2</b>	<b>54 208 616</b>	<b>4,9</b>
<b>2023</b>	January	1 256 732	-20,7	1 139 546	200,1	420 797	-33,5	2 817 075	8,4
	February	1 867 148	-1,6	440 642	-57,8	658 302	-30,2	2 966 092	-23,7
	March	2 109 248	-18,9	1 309 747	-38,7	516 533	-66,4	3 935 528	-37,3
	April	1 940 851	-28,1	1 032 807	9,3	531 071	-74,9	3 504 729	-39,1
	May	3 025 024	23,8	495 278	-45,1	651 407	-66,0	4 171 709	-20,7
	June	2 165 775	-8,0	576 514	-49,8	596 073	-25,6	3 338 362	-22,5
	July	2 020 028	-7,8	939 693	2,6	539 550	-31,8	3 499 271	-10,2
	August	2 314 780	-8,9	506 318	-48,6	570 850	-45,8	3 391 948	-25,9
	September	2 692 088	-0,2	935 558	7,2	584 954	-28,1	4 212 600	-3,9
	October	2 365 026	-16,6	1 154 511	35,6	822 745	7,2	4 342 282	-2,6
	November	2 658 430	-20,2	1 230 257	62,2	762 915	-9,4	4 651 602	-5,7

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

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary figures.



**Table 8 – Seasonally adjusted value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building**

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>	R'000	% change <sup>1</sup>
<b>2022</b>	January	2 117 379	-20,1	379 724	-48,4	800 670	6,0	3 297 773	-20,4
	February	2 105 706	-0,6	1 044 581	175,1	904 531	13,0	4 054 818	23,0
	March	2 574 067	22,2	2 137 783	104,7	1 303 371	44,1	6 015 221	48,3
	April	2 935 770	14,1	944 774	-55,8	2 472 611	89,7	6 353 155	5,6
	May	2 462 040	-16,1	902 383	-4,5	1 931 231	-21,9	5 295 654	-16,6
	June	2 330 948	-5,3	1 149 465	27,4	799 966	-58,6	4 280 379	-19,2
	July	2 170 123	-6,9	915 624	-20,3	778 656	-2,7	3 864 403	-9,7
	August	2 567 913	18,3	984 558	7,5	976 656	25,4	4 529 127	17,2
	September	2 494 734	-2,8	872 349	-11,4	748 889	-23,3	4 115 972	-9,1
	October	2 693 620	8,0	851 653	-2,4	769 092	2,7	4 314 365	4,8
	November	2 702 705	0,3	758 377	-11,0	765 093	-0,5	4 226 175	-2,0
	December	2 393 345	-11,4	861 861	13,6	592 882	-22,5	3 848 088	-8,9
<b>2023</b>	January	1 673 351	-30,1	1 139 546	32,2	494 169	-16,6	3 307 066	-14,1
	February	2 063 276	23,3	440 642	-61,3	629 265	27,3	3 133 183	-5,3
	March	2 107 115	2,1	1 309 747	197,2	441 912	-29,8	3 858 774	23,2
	April	2 103 387	-0,2	1 032 807	-21,1	647 604	46,5	3 783 798	-1,9
	May	3 054 981	45,2	495 278	-52,0	663 037	2,4	4 213 296	11,4
	June	2 147 734	-29,7	576 514	16,4	565 256	-14,7	3 289 504	-21,9
	July	1 987 931	-7,4	939 693	63,0	539 805	-4,5	3 467 429	5,4
	August	2 335 157	17,5	506 318	-46,1	514 707	-4,6	3 356 182	-3,2
	September	2 489 725	6,6	935 558	84,8	577 433	12,2	4 002 716	19,3
	October	2 245 429	-9,8	1 154 511	23,4	772 341	33,8	4 172 281	4,2
	November	2 167 724	-3,5	1 230 257	6,6	690 450	-10,6	4 088 431	-2,0
	<b>Jun – Aug 23</b>	<b>6 470 822</b>		<b>2 022 525</b>		<b>1 619 768</b>		<b>10 113 115</b>	
	<b>Sep – Nov 23 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>6 902 878</b>	<b>6,7</b>	<b>3 320 326</b>	<b>64,2</b>	<b>2 040 224</b>	<b>26,0</b>	<b>12 263 428</b>	<b>21,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities of the relevant month compared with the previous month expressed as a percentage.

<sup>2</sup> The percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted value of buildings reported as completed to municipalities for the latest three months compared with the previous three months expressed as a percentage.

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	686	743	566	9 858	7 125	-27,7
		square metres	35 030	37 730	26 542	510 612	348 931	-31,7
		R'000	247 937	233 972	196 017	3 561 082	2 505 126	-29,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 550	1 040	1 173	15 260	11 635	-23,8
		square metres	422 955	291 645	320 132	4 276 622	3 428 530	-19,8
		R'000	3 473 299	2 423 319	2 736 097	34 498 170	28 559 515	-17,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	2 054	1 625	1 260	22 231	16 584	-25,4
		square metres	258 149	133 078	141 790	2 174 074	1 669 908	-23,2
		R'000	2 441 227	1 273 597	1 499 276	19 785 038	15 872 782	-19,8
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	2 407	8 103	1 912	129 107	83 584	-35,3
		R'000	18 969	53 162	15 768	1 021 629	657 439	-35,6
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>6 181 432</b>	<b>3 984 050</b>	<b>4 447 158</b>	<b>58 865 919</b>	<b>47 594 862</b>	<b>-19,1</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	89 236	3 355	25 470	230 768	266 866	15,6
		R'000	1 061 691	23 392	234 990	2 389 932	2 758 632	15,4
	Shopping space	square metres	77 912	19 458	42 188	509 068	522 084	2,6
		R'000	738 636	169 337	372 835	4 647 850	4 897 620	5,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	121 598	102 683	95 359	1 613 746	1 370 860	-15,1
		R'000	807 064	702 162	688 482	10 610 524	9 562 586	-9,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	25 237	28 282	36 255	394 648	326 941	-17,2
		R'000	177 382	206 543	328 815	3 021 264	2 716 108	-10,1
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 784 773</b>	<b>1 101 434</b>	<b>1 625 122</b>	<b>20 669 570</b>	<b>19 934 946</b>	<b>-3,6</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	228 758	201 332	211 216	2 767 850	2 317 821	-16,3
		R'000	1 981 708	1 756 652	1 789 346	22 701 109	19 542 081	-13,9
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	105 844	119 528	100 354	769 779	826 123	7,3
		R'000	1 098 864	1 233 871	981 649	8 404 874	8 279 412	-1,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>3 080 572</b>	<b>2 990 523</b>	<b>2 770 995</b>	<b>31 105 983</b>	<b>27 821 493</b>	<b>-10,6</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>12 046 777</b>	<b>8 076 007</b>	<b>8 843 275</b>	<b>110 641 472</b>	<b>95 351 301</b>	<b>-13,8</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.<sup>2</sup> 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.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	428	244	217	4 153	2 439	-41,3	
		square metres	20 604	11 517	9 292	190 976	110 605	-42,1	
		R'000	136 651	82 289	68 334	1 207 345	753 741	-37,6	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	688	425	494	6 132	4 718	-23,1	
		square metres	177 763	101 272	112 506	1 615 565	1 333 618	-17,5	
		R'000	1 364 400	754 569	855 091	11 693 990	10 116 154	-13,5	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 092	488	402	8 168	5 669	-30,6	
		square metres	116 780	29 783	49 820	825 257	631 086	-23,5	
		R'000	1 026 457	259 330	460 480	6 775 534	5 425 949	-19,9	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	2 407	1 424	0	31 345	14 171	-54,8	
		R'000	18 969	9 257	0	251 526	96 483	-61,6	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 546 477</b>	<b>1 105 445</b>	<b>1 383 905</b>	<b>19 928 395</b>	<b>16 392 327</b>	<b>-17,7</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	14 536	767	6 478	51 321	67 339	31,2	
		R'000	115 407	4 774	51 123	393 597	581 327	47,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	6 713	4 491	2 270	65 257	66 731	2,3	
		R'000	53 372	32 172	14 790	491 769	541 526	10,1	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	29 169	17 299	22 790	284 912	360 137	26,4	
		R'000	195 383	128 952	168 340	1 931 539	2 578 400	33,5	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	19 981	6 415	16 497	176 529	109 452	-38,0	
		R'000	136 372	50 569	135 692	1 310 727	846 129	-35,4	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>500 534</b>	<b>216 467</b>	<b>369 945</b>	<b>4 127 632</b>	<b>4 547 382</b>	<b>10,2</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	78 075	50 017	63 872	1 020 417	826 221	-19,0
R'000			606 825	349 059	470 555	7 321 922	6 250 829	-14,6	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	55 152	59 718	39 063	288 269	309 740	7,4	
		R'000	596 577	552 527	358 244	3 489 398	3 191 950	-8,5	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 203 402</b>	<b>901 586</b>	<b>828 799</b>	<b>10 811 320</b>	<b>9 442 779</b>	<b>-12,7</b>	
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 250 413</b>	<b>2 223 498</b>	<b>2 582 649</b>	<b>34 867 347</b>	<b>30 382 488</b>	<b>-12,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.<sup>2</sup> 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.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> Other buildings include other residential buildings, non-residential buildings and internal alterations. No square metres are collected for internal alterations.

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	36	16	178	868	717	-17,4
		square metres	2 268	833	7 748	42 579	33 285	-21,8
		R'000	16 815	6 419	63 589	265 469	247 488	-6,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	91	70	69	1 119	931	-16,8
		square metres	24 328	20 684	19 237	268 892	244 441	-9,1
		R'000	201 719	168 372	161 512	2 145 623	2 030 627	-5,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	29	7	6	906	194	-78,6
		square metres	4 671	563	1 219	100 396	24 672	-75,4
		R'000	36 402	4 945	10 053	791 880	200 816	-74,6
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	1 912	46 921	4 485	-90,4
		R'000	0	0	15 768	369 815	37 817	-89,8
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>254 936</b>	<b>179 736</b>	<b>250 922</b>	<b>3 572 787</b>	<b>2 516 748</b>	<b>-29,6</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	636	0	2 832	5 186	83,1
		R'000	0	5 245	0	22 634	42 507	87,8
	Shopping space	square metres	793	1 284	5 345	21 832	10 682	-51,1
		R'000	6 540	9 445	33 059	162 685	74 079	-54,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	376	172	5 244	54 362	122 335	125,0
		R'000	3 101	1 371	43 247	410 325	990 828	141,5
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	446	6 133	923	24 281	20 656	-14,9
		R'000	3 678	50 579	5 226	177 176	162 410	-8,3
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>13 319</b>	<b>66 640</b>	<b>81 532</b>	<b>772 820</b>	<b>1 269 824</b>	<b>64,3</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	22 524	20 625	17 624	246 303	200 244	-18,7
		R'000	181 384	169 623	142 376	1 905 845	1 616 901	-15,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	9 539	9 059	3 322	82 712	101 635	22,9
		R'000	81 200	73 085	28 541	671 672	836 306	24,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>262 584</b>	<b>242 708</b>	<b>170 917</b>	<b>2 577 517</b>	<b>2 453 207</b>	<b>-4,8</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>530 839</b>	<b>489 084</b>	<b>503 371</b>	<b>6 923 124</b>	<b>6 239 779</b>	<b>-9,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	3	0	29	55	89,7
		square metres	222	157	0	1 713	2 837	65,6
		R'000	2 090	1 480	0	15 420	26 708	73,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	14	20	16	192	193	0,5
		square metres	4 161	3 878	4 530	44 033	39 428	-10,5
		R'000	36 907	34 264	40 260	375 694	346 868	-7,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	4	10	150,0
		square metres	0	0	0	2 642	982	-62,8
		R'000	0	0	0	22 295	9 244	-58,5
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	3 399	4 653	36,9
		R'000	0	0	0	30 171	43 799	45,2
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>		<b>38 997</b>	<b>35 744</b>	<b>40 260</b>	<b>443 580</b>	<b>426 619</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	482	0	0	12 860	1 551	-87,9
		R'000	4 537	0	0	118 176	14 600	-87,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	920	3 057	232,3
		R'000	0	0	0	8 326	28 776	245,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	973	26 383	2 925	-88,9
		R'000	0	0	9 159	221 681	27 533	-87,6
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	1 696	13 179	1 878	-85,8
		R'000	0	0	15 843	116 737	17 556	-85,0
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>		<b>4 537</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25 002</b>	<b>464 920</b>	<b>88 465</b>	<b>-81,0</b>
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 561	3 007	2 520	53 105	34 837	-34,4
		R'000	32 299	27 027	22 243	457 613	314 128	-31,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	35	0	567	6 669	843	-87,4
		R'000	794	567	6 017	71 982	15 601	-78,3
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>		<b>33 093</b>	<b>27 594</b>	<b>28 260</b>	<b>529 595</b>	<b>329 729</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>76 627</b>	<b>63 338</b>	<b>93 522</b>	<b>1 438 095</b>	<b>844 813</b>	<b>-41,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	26	5	46	197	111	-43,7	
		square metres	1 444	322	2 399	11 039	6 308	-42,9	
		R'000	13 796	3 098	14 477	100 031	50 240	-49,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	42	44	46	526	396	-24,7	
		square metres	10 859	10 613	10 983	111 820	96 797	-13,4	
		R'000	87 846	88 333	90 377	889 656	788 969	-11,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	2	248	146	-41,1	
		square metres	0	0	291	29 521	37 827	28,1	
		R'000	0	0	2 800	279 938	356 076	27,2	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	4 235	6 854	61,8	
		R'000	0	0	0	27 903	54 820	96,5	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>101 642</b>	<b>91 431</b>	<b>107 654</b>	<b>1 297 528</b>	<b>1 250 105</b>	<b>-3,7</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 430	0	0	2 220	2 404	8,3	
		R'000	8 845	0	0	13 970	20 788	48,8	
	Shopping space	square metres	233	1 033	1 885	6 565	32 815	399,8	
		R'000	1 857	9 577	12 861	45 219	208 406	360,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	4 982	0	34 666	23 104	-33,4	
		R'000	0	47 372	0	235 082	198 221	-15,7	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 292	0	0	6 239	1 786	-71,4	
		R'000	10 300	0	0	48 316	13 370	-72,3	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>21 002</b>	<b>56 949</b>	<b>12 861</b>	<b>342 587</b>	<b>440 785</b>	<b>28,7</b>
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 819	5 354	5 920	70 020	75 401	7,7	
		R'000	49 116	45 169	46 977	569 527	625 269	9,8	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	42	2 220	2 220	3 598	13 527	276,0	
		R'000	9 451	28 325	23 292	51 965	139 329	168,1	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>58 567</b>	<b>73 494</b>	<b>70 269</b>	<b>621 492</b>	<b>764 598</b>	<b>23,0</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>181 211</b>	<b>221 874</b>	<b>190 784</b>	<b>2 261 607</b>	<b>2 455 488</b>	<b>8,6</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	7	44	12	364	149	-59,1
		square metres	366	2 161	536	22 190	7 547	-66,0
		R'000	2 808	15 714	4 466	209 806	58 843	-72,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	102	104	86	1 154	916	-20,6
		square metres	36 226	32 858	26 690	389 395	301 278	-22,6
		R'000	372 158	329 303	297 619	3 950 445	3 040 287	-23,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	170	184	36	4 081	1 088	-73,3
		square metres	44 014	22 578	9 325	462 884	141 265	-69,5
		R'000	478 118	260 093	88 423	4 851 865	1 454 077	-70,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	16 247	8 975	-44,8
		R'000	0	0	0	169 475	92 160	-45,6
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>853 084</b>	<b>605 110</b>	<b>390 508</b>	<b>9 181 591</b>	<b>4 645 367</b>	<b>-49,4</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	1 969	0	5 716	18 863	21 781	15,5
		R'000	21 038	0	62 876	185 414	205 846	11,0
	Shopping space	square metres	29 853	459	0	138 699	159 088	14,7
		R'000	326 304	3 672	0	1 386 109	1 648 021	18,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	47 397	11 269	29 030	397 302	248 258	-37,5
		R'000	299 877	74 904	183 018	2 498 994	1 603 545	-35,8
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 620	10 488	1 419	19 872	20 158	1,4
		R'000	13 128	66 749	15 999	164 071	149 936	-8,6
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>660 347</b>	<b>145 325</b>	<b>261 893</b>	<b>4 234 588</b>	<b>3 607 348</b>	<b>-14,8</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	33 902	34 848	22 785	311 229	249 054	-20,0
		R'000	357 595	385 914	240 736	3 258 792	2 530 736	-22,3
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	17 202	18 099	7 519	178 561	149 845	-16,1
		R'000	199 862	224 993	117 387	2 066 009	1 837 026	-11,1
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>557 457</b>	<b>610 907</b>	<b>358 123</b>	<b>5 324 801</b>	<b>4 367 762</b>	<b>-18,0</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 070 888</b>	<b>1 361 342</b>	<b>1 010 524</b>	<b>18 740 980</b>	<b>12 620 477</b>	<b>-32,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	7	212	12	278	289	4,0
		square metres	315	8 823	557	12 169	12 885	5,9
		R'000	2 076	50 165	3 931	60 468	78 438	29,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	108	73	65	990	669	-32,4
		square metres	20 400	21 736	18 354	260 945	186 994	-28,3
		R'000	145 361	158 559	136 066	1 818 946	1 322 076	-27,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	38	31	3	256	257	0,4
		square metres	1 463	3 045	375	21 339	26 991	26,5
		R'000	8 650	21 836	2 414	136 165	169 972	24,8
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	15 270	3 213	-79,0
		R'000	0	0	0	90 576	22 990	-74,6
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>156 087</b>	<b>230 560</b>	<b>142 411</b>	<b>2 106 155</b>	<b>1 593 476</b>	<b>-24,3</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	994	0	310	7 432	22 789	206,6
		R'000	6 148	0	2 558	54 313	143 731	164,6
	Shopping space	square metres	19 131	494	779	61 636	27 339	-55,6
		R'000	118 508	3 460	6 312	386 071	183 637	-52,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 311	15 581	0	50 754	30 117	-40,7
		R'000	32 182	99 809	0	306 166	190 355	-37,8
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 485	327	2 345	41 994	9 398	-77,6
		R'000	10 907	2 354	14 816	281 064	64 379	-77,1
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>167 745</b>	<b>105 623</b>	<b>23 686</b>	<b>1 027 614</b>	<b>582 102</b>	<b>-43,4</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 607	7 859	12 136	102 543	84 606
R'000			45 887	54 590	84 067	675 288	573 140	-15,1
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	3 224	301	1 114	27 914	12 928	-53,7
		R'000	24 690	6 269	7 772	261 884	155 061	-40,8
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>70 577</b>	<b>60 859</b>	<b>91 839</b>	<b>937 172</b>	<b>728 201</b>	<b>-22,3</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>394 409</b>	<b>397 042</b>	<b>257 936</b>	<b>4 070 941</b>	<b>2 903 779</b>	<b>-28,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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



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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	152	209	95	3 566	3 154	-11,6
		square metres	8 083	13 351	5 555	204 962	162 459	-20,7
		R'000	61 016	71 273	37 148	1 521 547	1 190 752	-21,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	285	219	261	3 508	2 680	-23,6
		square metres	85 241	71 747	81 440	1 093 637	820 508	-25,0
		R'000	803 600	691 712	811 140	10 192 621	7 953 022	-22,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	680	830	756	6 560	8 699	32,6
		square metres	83 260	68 364	75 324	625 572	744 670	19,0
		R'000	838 838	671 566	895 355	6 221 014	7 827 144	25,8
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	1 395	0	834	8 102	871,5
		R'000	0	10 161	0	10 602	66 408	526,4
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 703 454</b>	<b>1 444 712</b>	<b>1 743 643</b>	<b>17 945 784</b>	<b>17 037 326</b>	<b>-5,1</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	69 148	448	1 192	127 102	127 810	0,6
		R'000	900 791	3 887	13 281	1 548 446	1 603 618	3,6
	Shopping space	square metres	20 201	8 456	6 396	140 787	108 489	-22,9
		R'000	225 898	90 521	77 472	1 697 660	1 264 055	-25,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	25 070	51 556	29 166	636 364	481 414	-24,3
		R'000	176 399	338 226	220 497	4 123 217	3 269 459	-20,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	1 744	10 989	83 955	107 040	27,5
		R'000	0	16 433	125 908	746 147	1 036 820	39,0
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 303 088</b>	<b>449 067</b>	<b>437 158</b>	<b>8 115 470</b>	<b>7 173 952</b>	<b>-11,6</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	58 611	63 599	66 639	747 474	660 122	-11,7
		R'000	572 028	621 949	647 343	7 072 455	6 346 442	-10,3
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	19 327	26 148	43 548	148 922	204 297	37,2
		R'000	168 539	287 823	408 671	1 436 475	1 777 416	23,7
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>740 567</b>	<b>909 772</b>	<b>1 056 014</b>	<b>8 508 930</b>	<b>8 123 858</b>	<b>-4,5</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>3 747 109</b>	<b>2 803 551</b>	<b>3 236 815</b>	<b>34 570 184</b>	<b>32 335 136</b>	<b>-6,5</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	23	5	6	341	181	-46,9	
		square metres	1 533	271	455	20 958	11 183	-46,6	
		R'000	11 345	1 675	4 072	154 907	86 683	-44,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	117	51	94	1 036	777	-25,0	
		square metres	46 187	17 718	29 970	323 818	277 257	-14,4	
		R'000	340 750	122 110	227 405	2 297 226	2 064 120	-10,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	10	69	35	102	201	97,1	
		square metres	3 023	7 448	2 461	13 349	15 848	18,7	
		R'000	19 111	47 087	19 180	102 828	103 698	0,8	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	5 164	0	5 885	19 715	235,0	
		R'000	0	32 886	0	41 379	159 560	285,6	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>371 206</b>	<b>203 758</b>	<b>250 657</b>	<b>2 596 340</b>	<b>2 414 061</b>	<b>-7,0</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	156	1 504	11 774	4 451	17 536	294,0	
		R'000	1 395	9 486	105 152	29 146	142 855	390,1	
	Shopping space	square metres	342	3 241	25 513	42 652	98 928	131,9	
		R'000	2 162	20 490	228 341	273 940	842 802	207,7	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	12 628	1 824	8 156	91 497	76 929	-15,9	
		R'000	81 929	11 528	64 221	641 611	546 738	-14,8	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	413	3 175	2 146	25 315	30 962	22,3	
		R'000	2 997	19 859	13 570	154 487	247 112	60,0	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>88 483</b>	<b>61 363</b>	<b>411 284</b>	<b>1 099 184</b>	<b>1 779 507</b>	<b>61,9</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	17 156	11 578	17 239	173 393	146 542	-15,5	
		R'000	119 473	72 925	117 853	1 156 809	1 004 975	-13,1	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	1 323	3 714	2 831	25 839	25 369	-1,8	
		R'000	15 689	49 713	23 057	252 635	231 598	-8,3	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>135 162</b>	<b>122 638</b>	<b>140 910</b>	<b>1 409 444</b>	<b>1 236 573</b>	<b>-12,3</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>594 851</b>	<b>387 759</b>	<b>802 851</b>	<b>5 104 968</b>	<b>5 430 141</b>	<b>6,4</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

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

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

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3	5	0	62	30	-51,6
		square metres	195	295	0	4 026	1 822	-54,7
		R'000	1 340	1 859	0	26 089	12 233	-53,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	103	34	42	603	355	-41,1
		square metres	17 790	11 139	16 422	168 517	128 209	-23,9
		R'000	120 558	76 097	116 627	1 133 969	897 392	-20,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	35	16	20	1 906	320	-83,2
		square metres	4 938	1 297	2 975	93 114	46 567	-50,0
		R'000	33 651	8 740	20 571	603 519	325 806	-46,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	120	0	4 971	13 416	169,9
		R'000	0	858	0	30 182	83 402	176,3
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>155 549</b>	<b>87 554</b>	<b>137 198</b>	<b>1 793 759</b>	<b>1 318 833</b>	<b>-26,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	521	0	0	3 687	470	-87,3
		R'000	3 530	0	0	24 236	3 360	-86,1
	Shopping space	square metres	646	0	0	30 720	14 955	-51,3
		R'000	3 995	0	0	196 071	106 318	-45,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 647	0	0	37 506	25 641	-31,6
		R'000	18 193	0	0	241 909	157 507	-34,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	240	3 284	25 611	679,9
		R'000	0	0	1 761	22 539	178 396	691,5
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>25 718</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1 761</b>	<b>484 755</b>	<b>445 581</b>	<b>-8,1</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 503	4 445	2 481	43 366	40 794	-5,9
		R'000	17 101	30 396	17 196	282 858	279 661	-1,1
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	0	269	170	7 295	7 939	8,8
		R'000	2 062	10 569	8 668	102 854	95 125	-7,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>19 163</b>	<b>40 965</b>	<b>25 864</b>	<b>385 712</b>	<b>374 786</b>	<b>-2,8</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>200 430</b>	<b>128 519</b>	<b>164 823</b>	<b>2 664 226</b>	<b>2 139 200</b>	<b>-19,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	897	700	699	9 075	7 543	-16,9	
		square metres	47 815	34 031	36 673	471 710	379 625	-19,5	
		R'000	359 850	227 006	268 515	3 288 640	2 738 065	-16,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 009	752	932	9 152	8 283	-9,5	
		square metres	263 352	201 674	249 849	2 302 796	2 112 184	-8,3	
		R'000	2 202 879	1 691 969	2 173 746	18 713 165	18 186 976	-2,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 578	1 253	1 119	12 880	10 893	-15,4	
		square metres	175 499	124 343	121 820	1 280 748	1 194 365	-6,7	
		R'000	1 631 787	1 150 548	1 102 552	11 571 671	10 874 414	-6,0	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	718	13 603	1 567	52 063	37 822	-27,4	
		R'000	4 732	80 691	9 508	441 972	298 367	-32,5	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 199 248</b>	<b>3 150 214</b>	<b>3 554 321</b>	<b>34 015 448</b>	<b>32 097 822</b>	<b>-5,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	4 623	13 395	20 915	119 741	168 925	41,1	
		R'000	45 074	121 395	194 343	1 058 623	1 901 489	79,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	62 798	88 493	24 076	361 324	346 211	-4,2	
		R'000	633 298	884 683	169 941	3 439 907	3 480 550	1,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	23 872	64 982	153 293	1 104 094	982 566	-11,0	
		R'000	154 959	442 873	1 096 393	7 084 016	6 509 495	-8,1	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	16 727	13 957	18 064	268 162	107 482	-59,9	
		R'000	122 224	88 857	184 177	2 081 417	921 920	-55,7	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>955 555</b>	<b>1 537 808</b>	<b>1 644 854</b>	<b>13 663 963</b>	<b>12 813 454</b>	<b>-6,2</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	74 669	69 196	71 110	1 299 621	633 203	-51,3	
		R'000	621 057	611 533	599 618	9 691 648	5 338 721	-44,9	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	33 625	47 247	34 360	534 446	336 383	-37,1	
		R'000	440 253	484 363	420 399	5 555 707	3 406 799	-38,7	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 061 310</b>	<b>1 095 896</b>	<b>1 020 017</b>	<b>15 247 355</b>	<b>8 745 520</b>	<b>-42,6</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>6 216 113</b>	<b>5 783 918</b>	<b>6 219 192</b>	<b>62 926 766</b>	<b>53 656 796</b>	<b>-14,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	400	344	257	3 256	2 588	-20,5
		square metres	19 088	15 105	11 798	141 580	116 376	-17,8
		R'000	125 115	93 257	76 829	818 600	764 095	-6,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	409	268	339	3 681	2 860	-22,3
		square metres	102 873	71 353	82 583	894 662	694 472	-22,4
		R'000	726 140	512 444	626 392	6 187 943	5 001 531	-19,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	635	315	572	6 400	4 095	-36,0
		square metres	78 327	41 721	74 234	592 817	515 155	-13,1
		R'000	634 509	346 463	628 232	4 705 502	4 163 731	-11,5
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	13 603	1 257	19 974	27 512	37,7
		R'000	0	80 691	7 537	133 608	211 735	58,5
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 485 764</b>	<b>1 032 855</b>	<b>1 338 990</b>	<b>11 845 653</b>	<b>10 141 092</b>	<b>-14,4</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	142	10 149	0	61 287	17 600	-71,3
		R'000	1 250	89 454	0	478 083	136 123	-71,5
	Shopping space	square metres	6 644	7 396	3 648	88 651	40 711	-54,1
		R'000	55 603	65 518	31 923	720 331	326 000	-54,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	8 401	8 309	56 945	240 838	201 505	-16,3
		R'000	55 008	58 573	411 399	1 625 694	1 439 871	-11,4
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	14 159	288	1 670	143 521	43 154	-69,9
		R'000	99 796	1 797	15 670	1 065 264	306 980	-71,2
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>211 657</b>	<b>215 342</b>	<b>458 992</b>	<b>3 889 372</b>	<b>2 208 974</b>	<b>-43,2</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	35 437	26 916	34 429	879 832	244 753
R'000			247 050	196 569	265 170	5 911 222	1 759 387	-70,2
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	20 158	32 381	10 846	341 583	170 747	-50,0
		R'000	249 637	316 509	161 436	3 730 118	1 659 633	-55,5
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>496 687</b>	<b>513 078</b>	<b>426 606</b>	<b>9 641 340</b>	<b>3 419 020</b>	<b>-64,5</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 194 108</b>	<b>1 761 275</b>	<b>2 224 588</b>	<b>25 376 365</b>	<b>15 769 086</b>	<b>-37,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.<sup>2</sup> 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.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	29	47	45	316	526	66,5	
		square metres	1 721	2 157	3 154	18 808	26 127	38,9	
		R'000	12 669	17 670	25 886	137 141	195 116	42,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	68	49	96	528	629	19,1	
		square metres	13 758	11 334	29 583	113 307	181 009	59,8	
		R'000	117 405	91 642	242 637	910 012	1 487 355	63,4	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	12	16	30	207	384	85,5	
		square metres	2 192	2 423	3 160	18 994	34 472	81,5	
		R'000	18 077	19 872	25 738	148 374	283 640	91,2	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	5 297	104	-98,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	40 676	658	-98,4	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>148 151</b>	<b>129 184</b>	<b>294 261</b>	<b>1 236 203</b>	<b>1 966 769</b>	<b>59,1</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	3 921	1 750	-55,4	
		R'000	0	0	0	30 109	13 723	-54,4	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	495	0	28 751	4 222	-85,3	
		R'000	0	3 062	0	235 377	33 484	-85,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	2 964	10 761	26 553	146,8	
		R'000	0	0	23 647	82 538	210 660	155,2	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	332	11 224	250	31 245	16 234	-48,0	
		R'000	2 738	69 420	2 062	233 543	109 879	-53,0	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 738</b>	<b>72 482</b>	<b>25 709</b>	<b>581 567</b>	<b>367 746</b>	<b>-36,8</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 179	5 604	6 851	73 432	57 933	-21,1
R'000			34 566	46 216	55 562	577 466	474 771	-17,8	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	791	4 289	7 090	49 806	49 873	0,1	
		R'000	6 347	43 257	66 301	403 438	440 419	9,2	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>40 913</b>	<b>89 473</b>	<b>121 863</b>	<b>980 904</b>	<b>915 190</b>	<b>-6,7</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>191 802</b>	<b>291 139</b>	<b>441 833</b>	<b>2 798 674</b>	<b>3 249 705</b>	<b>16,1</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	7	15	9	-40,0
		square metres	0	0	366	981	519	-47,1
		R'000	0	0	3 437	8 576	4 577	-46,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	6	7	3	76	55	-27,6
		square metres	1 235	1 985	333	16 791	12 967	-22,8
		R'000	11 625	18 685	3 082	144 634	122 011	-15,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	20	1	-95,0
		square metres	0	0	0	1 571	66	-95,8
		R'000	0	0	0	12 730	621	-95,1
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>11 625</b>	<b>18 685</b>	<b>6 519</b>	<b>165 940</b>	<b>127 209</b>	<b>-23,3</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	1 005	0	0	1 466	1 387	-5,4
		R'000	9 460	0	0	13 195	13 056	-1,1
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	729	249	729	192,8
		R'000	0	0	6 712	2 344	6 712	186,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	510	0	0	22 619	473	-97,9
		R'000	4 801	0	0	186 492	4 452	-97,6
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	442	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	3 896	0	-100,0
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>14 261</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6 712</b>	<b>205 927</b>	<b>24 220</b>	<b>-88,2</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 470	1 036	659	36 059	17 947	-50,2
		R'000	13 837	9 752	6 067	312 655	168 800	-46,0
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	685	0	0	4 145	3 733	-9,9
		R'000	7 530	140	130	40 878	41 039	0,4
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>21 367</b>	<b>9 892</b>	<b>6 197</b>	<b>353 533</b>	<b>209 839</b>	<b>-40,6</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>47 253</b>	<b>28 577</b>	<b>19 428</b>	<b>725 400</b>	<b>361 268</b>	<b>-50,2</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.<sup>2</sup> 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.<sup>3</sup> Other non-residential space includes churches, sport and recreation clubs, schools, crèches, hospitals and all other non-residential space.<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1	0	0	147	65	-55,8
		square metres	55	0	0	7 977	3 768	-52,8
		R'000	438	0	0	72 843	34 741	-52,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	4	8	6	168	134	-20,2
		square metres	1 132	1 830	1 432	34 332	26 991	-21,4
		R'000	8 174	13 985	11 705	272 824	207 467	-24,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	2	70	3 400,0
		square metres	0	0	0	355	13 325	3 653,5
		R'000	0	0	0	2 044	109 891	5 276,3
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	1 637	325	-80,1
		R'000	0	0	0	9 759	2 430	-75,1
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>8 612</b>	<b>13 985</b>	<b>11 705</b>	<b>357 470</b>	<b>354 529</b>	<b>-0,8</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	261	0	0	261	696	166,7
		R'000	2 081	0	0	2 081	5 074	143,8
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	207	1 421	586,5
		R'000	0	0	0	1 992	11 635	484,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	2 786	6 370	128,6
		R'000	0	0	0	21 319	51 865	143,3
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	353	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	2 129	0	-100,0
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 081</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27 521</b>	<b>68 574</b>	<b>149,2</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 133	849	818	18 717	16 599	-11,3
		R'000	7 494	6 652	6 416	128 798	125 741	-2,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	79	0	0	3 873	1 706	-56,0
		R'000	652	0	0	33 181	15 559	-53,1
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>8 146</b>	<b>6 652</b>	<b>6 416</b>	<b>161 979</b>	<b>141 300</b>	<b>-12,8</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>18 839</b>	<b>20 637</b>	<b>18 121</b>	<b>546 970</b>	<b>564 403</b>	<b>3,2</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	2	6	103	84	-18,4	
		square metres	416	101	321	5 777	4 985	-13,7	
		R'000	4 726	978	3 481	54 692	46 021	-15,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	85	73	84	607	766	26,2	
		square metres	31 753	27 760	28 782	218 296	248 827	14,0	
		R'000	336 711	282 255	327 789	2 292 622	2 724 021	18,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	299	22	68	2 122	1 135	-46,5	
		square metres	29 843	2 528	7 641	214 842	147 197	-31,5	
		R'000	339 144	22 425	87 269	2 398 025	1 610 639	-32,8	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	20 423	1 992	-90,2	
		R'000	0	0	0	224 653	23 705	-89,4	
<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>680 581</b>	<b>305 658</b>	<b>418 539</b>	<b>4 969 992</b>	<b>4 404 386</b>	<b>-11,4</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	2 607	571	10 705	10 858	21 232	95,5	
		R'000	25 761	5 368	105 980	116 522	219 776	88,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	7 265	66 173	548	57 299	116 415	103,2	
		R'000	64 804	718 410	5 555	609 185	1 253 485	105,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	10 337	36 884	28 907	288 207	370 020	28,4	
		R'000	61 153	221 304	173 442	1 764 602	2 211 288	25,3	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	139	14 002	20 123	25 033	24,4	
		R'000	0	1 529	151 614	195 579	275 493	40,9	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>151 718</b>	<b>946 611</b>	<b>436 591</b>	<b>2 685 888</b>	<b>3 960 042</b>	<b>47,4</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	9 170	7 653	7 093	78 194	80 173	2,5	
		R'000	105 226	87 890	78 217	886 863	902 213	1,7	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	8 899	7 811	10 038	44 575	51 116	14,7	
		R'000	149 537	92 707	115 576	606 411	596 227	-1,7	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>254 763</b>	<b>180 597</b>	<b>193 793</b>	<b>1 493 274</b>	<b>1 498 440</b>	<b>0,3</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 087 062</b>	<b>1 432 866</b>	<b>1 048 923</b>	<b>9 149 154</b>	<b>9 862 868</b>	<b>7,8</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	12	62	39	289	468	61,9	
		square metres	708	2 870	2 342	17 083	24 888	45,7	
		R'000	4 140	14 753	16 218	97 650	142 305	45,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	89	137	107	756	749	-0,9	
		square metres	20 416	27 528	24 338	159 474	161 031	1,0	
		R'000	151 323	187 590	168 510	1 111 244	1 122 031	1,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	6	33	22	179	267	49,2	
		square metres	669	4 379	1 737	18 591	30 062	61,7	
		R'000	4 138	31 671	10 743	116 585	198 031	69,9	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	718	0	310	2 043	5 255	157,2	
		R'000	4 732	0	1 971	13 504	33 255	146,3	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>164 333</b>	<b>234 014</b>	<b>197 442</b>	<b>1 338 983</b>	<b>1 495 622</b>	<b>11,7</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	940	4 309	1 309	5 534	322,8	
		R'000	0	6 768	35 549	7 688	44 080	473,4	
	Shopping space	square metres	8 201	2 076	16 895	48 755	23 415	-52,0	
		R'000	61 217	12 840	101 986	364 205	144 651	-60,3	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 624	2 877	3 437	19 617	14 847	-24,3	
		R'000	33 997	20 544	27 496	133 706	114 070	-14,7	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	161	1 086	16 916	1 247	-92,6	
		R'000	0	996	6 717	101 274	7 713	-92,4	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>95 214</b>	<b>41 148</b>	<b>171 748</b>	<b>606 873</b>	<b>310 514</b>	<b>-48,8</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	784	3 321	4 790	15 071	36 107	139,6
R'000			4 880	21 189	30 375	92 381	226 962	145,7	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	0	300	1 299	5 131	6 175	20,3	
		R'000	0	7 056	12 283	60 072	101 059	68,2	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 880</b>	<b>28 245</b>	<b>42 658</b>	<b>152 453</b>	<b>328 021</b>	<b>115,2</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>264 427</b>	<b>303 407</b>	<b>411 848</b>	<b>2 098 309</b>	<b>2 134 157</b>	<b>1,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	431	241	340	4 681	3 637	-22,3	
		square metres	24 830	13 543	18 356	263 549	192 657	-26,9	
		R'000	206 277	98 595	140 051	1 991 830	1 478 999	-25,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	274	176	220	2 559	2 480	-3,1	
		square metres	71 803	50 090	64 793	679 141	638 383	-6,0	
		R'000	700 529	517 029	657 427	6 476 383	6 433 589	-0,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	597	863	385	3 828	4 473	16,8	
		square metres	61 641	72 919	31 515	419 791	414 268	-1,3	
		R'000	615 711	727 553	323 506	4 095 815	4 226 543	3,2	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	2 474	1 817	-26,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	18 303	20 590	12,5	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 522 517</b>	<b>1 343 177</b>	<b>1 120 984</b>	<b>12 582 331</b>	<b>12 159 721</b>	<b>-3,4</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	608	1 735	0	39 184	113 540	189,8	
		R'000	6 522	19 805	0	402 375	1 407 949	249,9	
	Shopping space	square metres	40 688	0	2 011	126 441	124 410	-1,6	
		R'000	451 674	0	21 572	1 434 219	1 468 363	2,4	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	13 207	60 290	486 530	294 859	-39,4	
		R'000	0	116 988	453 696	3 031 095	2 012 264	-33,6	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 806	2 145	1 056	42 782	21 814	-49,0	
		R'000	16 616	15 115	8 114	379 738	221 855	-41,6	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>474 812</b>	<b>151 908</b>	<b>483 382</b>	<b>5 247 427</b>	<b>5 110 431</b>	<b>-2,6</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	19 861	21 731	15 270	181 697	154 655	-14,9
R'000			188 645	226 595	148 679	1 668 192	1 500 620	-10,0	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	1 759	1 278	5 087	77 056	44 187	-42,7	
		R'000	16 998	15 929	57 809	597 831	421 551	-29,5	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>205 643</b>	<b>242 524</b>	<b>206 488</b>	<b>2 266 023</b>	<b>1 922 171</b>	<b>-15,2</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 202 972</b>	<b>1 737 609</b>	<b>1 810 854</b>	<b>20 095 781</b>	<b>19 192 323</b>	<b>-4,5</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	13	0	2	173	131	-24,3
		square metres	667	0	146	9 812	8 004	-18,4
		R'000	4 217	0	1 307	66 730	56 464	-15,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	36	13	59	500	372	-25,6
		square metres	9 117	2 579	10 655	101 922	77 702	-23,8
		R'000	74 412	18 483	86 093	755 799	604 768	-20,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	22	4	138	3 350,0
		square metres	0	0	1 206	509	14 240	2 697,6
		R'000	0	0	10 794	2 966	104 697	3 429,9
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>78 629</b>	<b>18 483</b>	<b>98 194</b>	<b>825 495</b>	<b>765 929</b>	<b>-7,2</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	5 901	1 455	5 974	310,6
		R'000	0	0	52 814	8 570	53 274	521,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	287	245	0	9 834	..
		R'000	0	1 923	2 193	0	64 211	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	750	14 497	22 918	58,1
		R'000	0	0	6 713	120 236	149 752	24,5
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	8 599	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	71 604	0	-100,0
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1 923</b>	<b>61 720</b>	<b>200 410</b>	<b>267 237</b>	<b>33,3</b>
	<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 190	1 562	913	10 662	20 293
R'000			16 726	13 069	7 159	76 551	148 165	93,6
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	0	0	0	1 806	7 206	299,0
		R'000	246	100	1 014	29 983	102 003	240,2
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>16 972</b>	<b>13 169</b>	<b>8 173</b>	<b>106 534</b>	<b>250 168</b>	<b>134,8</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>95 601</b>	<b>33 575</b>	<b>168 087</b>	<b>1 132 439</b>	<b>1 283 334</b>	<b>13,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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**

			Nov 2022	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Jan – Nov 2022	Jan – Nov 2023	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	5	4	3	95	35	-63,2
		square metres	330	255	190	6 143	2 301	-62,5
		R'000	2 268	1 753	1 306	40 578	15 747	-61,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	38	21	18	277	238	-14,1
		square metres	11 265	7 215	7 350	84 871	70 802	-16,6
		R'000	76 560	49 856	50 111	561 704	484 203	-13,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	29	4	20	118	330	179,7
		square metres	2 827	373	2 327	13 278	25 580	92,6
		R'000	20 208	2 564	16 270	89 630	176 621	97,1
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	215	817	280,0
		R'000	0	0	0	1 469	5 994	308,0
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>99 036</b>	<b>54 173</b>	<b>67 687</b>	<b>693 381</b>	<b>682 565</b>	<b>-1,6</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	0	1 212	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	8 434	..
	Shopping space	square metres	0	12 066	0	10 971	25 054	128,4
		R'000	0	82 930	0	72 254	172 009	138,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	3 705	0	18 239	45 021	146,8
		R'000	0	25 464	0	118 334	315 273	166,4
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	430	0	0	4 181	0	-100,0
		R'000	3 074	0	0	28 390	0	-100,0
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>3 074</b>	<b>108 394</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>218 978</b>	<b>495 716</b>	<b>126,4</b>
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	445	524	287	5 957	4 743	-20,4
		R'000	2 633	3 601	1 973	37 520	32 062	-14,5
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	1 254	1 188	0	6 471	1 640	-74,7
		R'000	9 306	8 665	5 850	53 795	29 309	-45,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>11 939</b>	<b>12 266</b>	<b>7 823</b>	<b>91 315</b>	<b>61 371</b>	<b>-32,8</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>114 049</b>	<b>174 833</b>	<b>75 510</b>	<b>1 003 674</b>	<b>1 239 652</b>	<b>23,5</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2022 and 2023.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

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

<sup>4</sup> 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 five according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02. The SIC is based on the 1990 <i>International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</i> (ISIC) with suitable adaptations for local conditions.
<b>Collection rate</b>	6	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for November 2023 was 90,0%. The improved collection rate for October 2023 was 94,5%.
<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% of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by email, fax and telephone.
<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 2019. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151.1: <i>Construction Materials Price Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2021=100) are converted to the base year 2019=100.

<b>Seasonal adjustment</b>	<b>10</b>	Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau.
	<b>11</b>	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: <a href="#">Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment February 2022</a> .
<b>Trend cycle</b>	<b>12</b>	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.
<b>Revised figures</b>	<b>13</b>	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.
	<b>14</b>	Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> 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.
<b>Related publications</b>	<b>15</b>	Users may also wish to refer to the following publications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> issued annually;</li> <li>• P9101.2: <i>Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region</i> issued annually; and</li> <li>• <i>Building Statistics</i> (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.</li> </ul>
<b>Rounding-off of figures</b>	<b>16</b>	Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
<b>Symbols and abbreviations</b>	<b>17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage</li> <li>0 Nil or figure too small to publish</li> <li>* Revised</li> <li>Stats SA Statistics South Africa</li> <li>SIC Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</li> <li>ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities</li> </ul>

## 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>	<p>Include:</p> <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 same month in the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using annual actual values, the percentage change is the change in the actual values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant year compared with the previous year expressed as a percentage.</p> <p>When using seasonally adjusted values, the percentage change is the change in the seasonally adjusted values of building activities (building plans passed or buildings completed) of the relevant month compared with the previous month expressed as a percentage.</p>



<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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