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## Key findings for January to October 2024

### 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 – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024	% change between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>43 226 656</b>	<b>39 538 074</b>	<b>-3 688 582</b>	<b>-8,5</b>
-Dwelling-houses	28 136 641	25 588 103	-2 548 538	-9,1
-Flats and townhouses	14 404 732	12 821 422	-1 583 310	-11,0
-Other residential buildings	685 283	1 128 549	443 266	64,7
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>18 502 472</b>	<b>20 181 847</b>	<b>1 679 375</b>	<b>9,1</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>25 094 383</b>	<b>23 314 791</b>	<b>-1 779 592</b>	<b>-7,1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>86 823 511</b>	<b>83 034 712</b>	<b>-3 788 799</b>	<b>-4,4</b>

The value of building plans passed (at current prices) decreased by 4,4% (-R3 788,8 million) during January to October 2024 compared with January to October 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R3 688,6 million) and additions and alterations (-R1 779,6 million). An increase was reported for non-residential buildings (R1 679,4 million) – see Table A.

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

Province	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	Weight Jan – Oct 2023	% change between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	%	R'000		
Western Cape	27 992 487	27 148 996	32,2	-3,0	-1,0	-843 491
Eastern Cape	5 736 408	4 454 811	6,6	-22,3	-1,5	-1 281 597
Northern Cape	751 291	995 621	0,9	32,5	0,3	244 330
Free State	2 264 704	2 043 898	2,6	-9,7	-0,3	-220 806
KwaZulu-Natal	11 650 686	12 847 741	13,4	10,3	1,4	1 197 055
North West	2 649 957	3 190 728	3,1	20,4	0,6	540 771
Gauteng	29 176 311	25 648 380	33,6	-12,1	-4,1	-3 527 931
Mpumalanga	4 627 290	4 909 806	5,3	6,1	0,3	282 516
Limpopo	1 974 377	1 794 731	2,3	-9,1	-0,2	-179 646
<b>Total</b>	<b>86 823 511</b>	<b>83 034 712</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-4,4</b>	<b>-4,4</b>	<b>-3 788 799</b>

<sup>1</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 negative contributors to the total decrease of 4,4% (-R3 788,8 million) were Gauteng (contributing -4,1 percentage points or -R3 527,9 million), Eastern Cape (contributing -1,5 percentage points or -R1 281,6 million) and Western Cape (contributing -1,0 percentage point or -R843,5 million).

The largest positive contributors were KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 1,4 percentage points or R1 197,1 million) and North West (contributing 0,6 of a percentage point or R540,8 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 – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024	% change between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	33 000 817	28 906 553	-4 094 264	-12,4
Non-residential buildings	14 131 430	14 739 725	608 295	4,3
Additions and alterations	19 150 030	17 039 575	-2 110 455	-11,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>66 282 277</b>	<b>60 685 853</b>	<b>-5 596 424</b>	<b>-8,4</b>

The real value of building plans passed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 8,4% (-R5 596,4 million) during January to October 2024 compared with January to October 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R4 094,3 million) and additions and alterations (-R2 110,5 million). An increase was reported for non-residential buildings (R608,3 million) – see Table C.

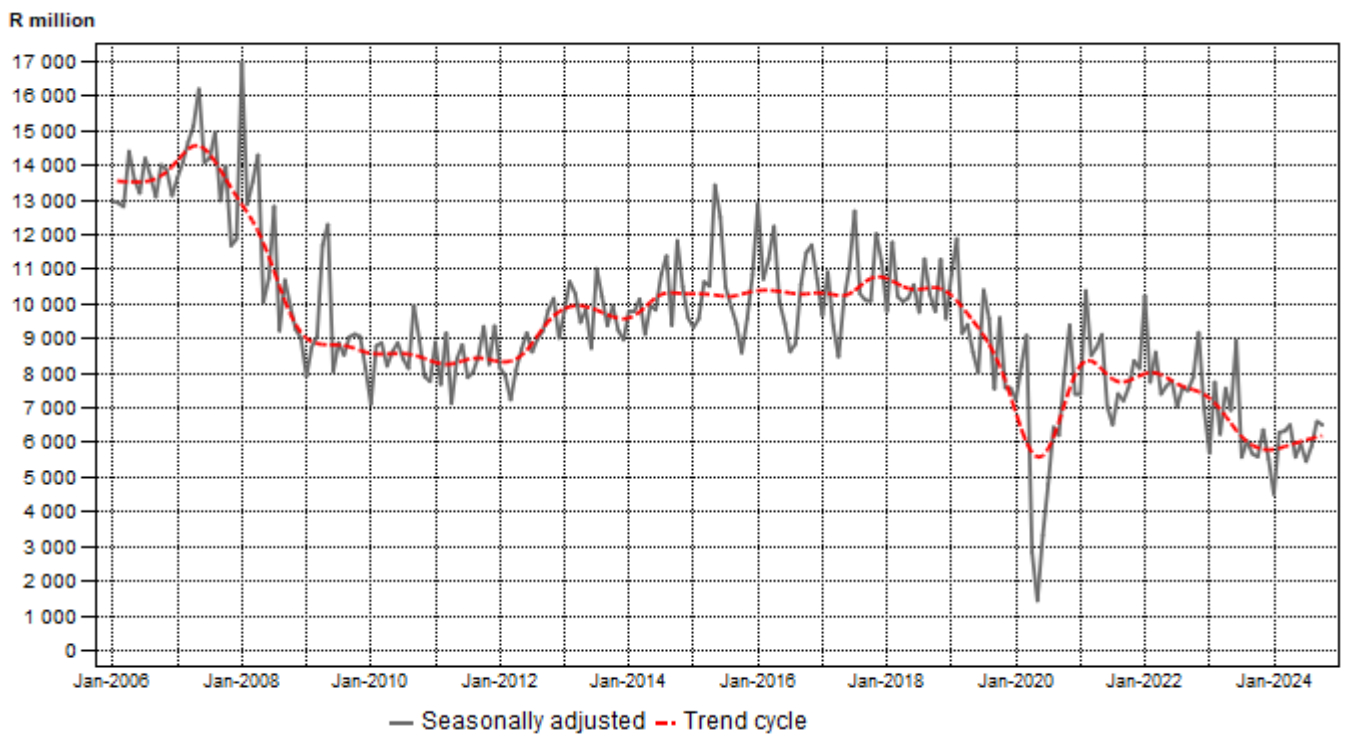
**Table D – Seasonally adjusted building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices for the latest three months by type of building**

Type of building	May – Jul 2024	Aug – Oct 2024	% change between May – Jul 2024 and Aug – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	7 395 851	8 898 172	20,3
Non-residential buildings <sup>1</sup>	4 860 041	5 004 520	3,0
Additions and alterations	4 727 652	5 115 711	8,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 983 544</b>	<b>19 018 403</b>	<b>12,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

The seasonally adjusted real value of building plans passed increased by 12,0% in the three months ended October 2024 compared with the previous three months. Increases were reported for residential buildings (20,3%), additions and alterations (8,2%) and non-residential buildings (3,0%) – 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 – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024	% change between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
<b>Residential buildings</b>	<b>28 543 985</b>	<b>24 659 314</b>	<b>-3 884 671</b>	<b>-13,6</b>
-Dwelling-houses	18 483 264	15 903 830	-2 579 434	-14,0
-Flats and townhouses	9 771 862	8 495 259	-1 276 603	-13,1
-Other residential buildings	288 859	260 225	-28 634	-9,9
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	<b>11 168 600</b>	<b>8 511 872</b>	<b>-2 656 728</b>	<b>-23,8</b>
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	<b>7 725 503</b>	<b>8 657 442</b>	<b>931 939</b>	<b>12,1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>47 438 088</b>	<b>41 828 628</b>	<b>-5 609 460</b>	<b>-11,8</b>

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) decreased by 11,8% (-R5 609,5 million) during January to October 2024 compared with January to October 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R3 884,7 million) and non-residential buildings (-R2 656,7 million). An increase was reported for additions and alterations (R931,9 million) – see Table E.

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

Province	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	Weight Jan – Oct 2023	% change between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Difference in value between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	%			R'000
Western Cape	13 544 498	12 439 929	28,6	-8,2	-2,3	-1 104 569
Eastern Cape	2 807 872	2 638 454	5,9	-6,0	-0,4	-169 418
Northern Cape	341 840	324 223	0,7	-5,2	0,0	-17 617
Free State	546 282	332 419	1,2	-39,1	-0,5	-213 863
KwaZulu-Natal	8 813 945	6 370 128	18,6	-27,7	-5,2	-2 443 817
North West	1 722 309	1 556 269	3,6	-9,6	-0,4	-166 040
Gauteng	17 381 953	16 350 245	36,6	-5,9	-2,2	-1 031 708
Mpumalanga	1 115 247	1 201 744	2,4	7,8	0,2	86 497
Limpopo	1 164 142	615 217	2,5	-47,2	-1,2	-548 925
<b>Total</b>	<b>47 438 088</b>	<b>41 828 628</b>	<b>100,0</b>	<b>-11,8</b>	<b>-11,8</b>	<b>-5 609 460</b>

<sup>1</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.

Eight out of the nine provinces reported year-on-year decreases in the value of buildings completed during January to October 2024, of which KwaZulu-Natal (contributing -5,2 percentage points or -R2 443,8 million), Western Cape (contributing -2,3 percentage points or -R1 104,6 million), Gauteng (contributing -2,2 percentage points or -R1 031,7 million) and Limpopo (contributing -1,2 percentage points or -R548,9 million) were the largest 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 – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	Difference in value between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024	% change between Jan – Oct 2023 and Jan – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	21 757 063	18 016 900	-3 740 163	-17,2
Non-residential buildings	8 530 614	6 214 479	-2 316 135	-27,2
Additions and alterations	5 892 282	6 327 439	435 157	7,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>36 179 959</b>	<b>30 558 818</b>	<b>-5 621 141</b>	<b>-15,5</b>

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 15,5% (-R5 621,1 million) during January to October 2024 compared with January to October 2023. Decreases were reported for residential buildings (-R3 740,2 million) and non-residential buildings (-R2 316,1 million). Additions and alterations rose by R435,2 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**

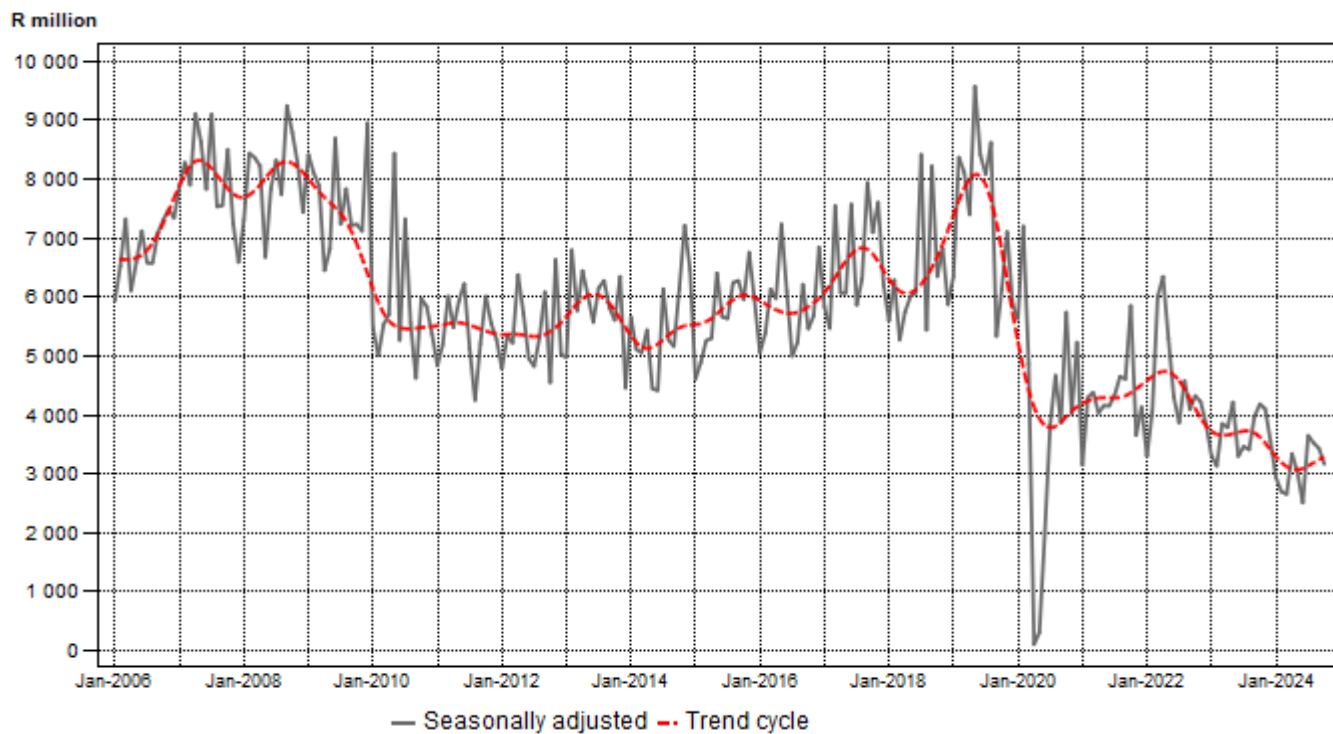
Type of building	May – Jul 2024	Aug – Oct 2024	% change between May – Jul 2024 and Aug – Oct 2024
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	5 507 125	6 007 006	9,1
Non-residential buildings <sup>1</sup>	1 775 091	2 192 801	23,5
Additions and alterations	1 893 338	1 918 924	1,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 175 554</b>	<b>10 118 731</b>	<b>10,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 9 and 10 on page 38.

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed increased by 10,3% in the three months ended October 2024 compared with the previous three months. Increases were reported for non-residential buildings (23,5%), residential buildings (9,1%) and additions and alterations (1,4%) – 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		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>2023</b>	January	2 761 377	-51,8	721 791	-49,0	1 926 198	7,2	5 409 366	-39,5
	February	5 305 695	16,1	1 856 777	-17,7	2 639 147	8,0	9 801 619	5,8
	March	4 658 432	-8,8	1 696 971	-50,1	2 152 231	-17,1	8 507 634	-23,4
	April	4 613 802	-4,9	2 137 628	87,1	2 270 843	-8,4	9 022 273	6,5
	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	-24,2	4 712 812	185,2	2 768 581	2,1	12 204 764	15,2
	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	4 478 991	-12,2	1 024 407	-45,6	2 384 182	-24,2	7 887 580	-22,1
	October	4 019 390	-31,3	1 101 434	-26,2	2 990 523	-3,1	8 111 347	-22,2
	November	4 466 586	-27,7	1 664 278	-40,2	2 781 043	-9,7	8 911 907	-26,0
	December	2 671 199	-21,5	1 563 744	-17,6	1 814 476	-12,8	6 049 419	-18,1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>50 364 441</b>	<b>-19,2</b>	<b>21 730 494</b>	<b>-3,7</b>	<b>29 689 902</b>	<b>-10,5</b>	<b>101 784 837</b>	<b>-13,8</b>
<b>2024</b>	January	2 641 211	-4,4	646 429	-10,4	1 392 946	-27,7	4 680 586	-13,5
	February	4 987 654	-6,0	1 655 142	-10,9	2 359 384	-10,6	9 002 180	-8,2
	March	3 540 798	-24,0	1 674 931	-1,3	2 596 885	20,7	7 812 614	-8,2
	April	4 241 995	-8,1	2 658 595	24,4	2 282 122	0,5	9 182 712	1,8
	May	4 033 138	-9,1	2 040 668	-0,9	1 939 535	-34,5	8 013 341	-15,3
	June	3 484 874	-26,2	2 478 972	-47,4	2 281 970	-17,6	8 245 816	-32,4
	July	3 474 787	-19,2	2 168 315	105,4	2 699 772	10,1	8 342 874	6,9
	August	4 035 524	2,7	1 988 552	-6,9	2 456 657	-3,6	8 480 733	-1,5
	September	4 744 763	5,9	2 061 661	101,3	2 605 772	9,3	9 412 196	19,3
	October	4 353 330	8,3	2 808 582	155,0	2 699 748	-9,7	9 861 660	21,6

<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.

**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>
2023	January	3 909 146	-12,9	721 791	-62,0	2 672 442	5,1	7 303 379	-18,2
	February	5 431 507	38,9	1 856 777	157,2	2 692 556	0,8	9 980 840	36,7
	March	4 366 417	-19,6	1 696 971	-8,6	2 098 416	-22,1	8 161 804	-18,2
	April	5 053 499	15,7	2 137 628	26,0	2 661 183	26,8	9 852 310	20,7
	May	4 196 819	-17,0	2 059 644	-3,6	2 816 917	5,9	9 073 380	-7,9
	June	4 334 574	3,3	4 712 812	128,8	2 648 254	-6,0	11 695 640	28,9
	July	4 058 465	-6,4	1 055 623	-77,6	2 221 886	-16,1	7 335 974	-37,3
	August	3 446 197	-15,1	2 135 385	102,3	2 337 693	5,2	7 919 275	8,0
	September	4 331 899	25,7	1 024 407	-52,0	2 160 034	-7,6	7 516 340	-5,1
	October	3 658 286	-15,6	1 101 434	7,5	2 664 507	23,4	7 424 227	-1,2
	November	4 365 542	19,3	1 664 278	51,1	2 518 991	-5,5	8 548 811	15,1
	December	3 620 568	-17,1	1 563 744	-6,0	2 322 797	-7,8	7 507 109	-12,2
2024	January	3 645 766	0,7	646 429	-58,7	1 836 793	-20,9	6 128 988	-18,4
	February	4 470 121	22,6	1 655 142	156,0	2 391 492	30,2	8 516 755	39,0
	March	3 992 044	-10,7	1 674 931	1,2	2 977 769	24,5	8 644 744	1,5
	April	3 984 108	-0,2	2 658 595	58,7	2 248 066	-24,5	8 890 769	2,8
	May	3 748 395	-5,9	2 040 668	-23,2	1 873 140	-16,7	7 662 203	-13,8
	June	3 336 439	-11,0	2 478 972	21,5	2 352 303	25,6	8 167 714	6,6
	July	3 060 477	-8,3	2 168 315	-12,5	2 268 385	-3,6	7 497 177	-8,2
	August	3 776 710	23,4	1 988 552	-8,3	2 310 758	1,9	8 076 020	7,7
	September	4 634 482	22,7	2 061 661	3,7	2 380 777	3,0	9 076 920	12,4
	October	3 725 473	-19,6	2 808 582	36,2	2 320 610	-2,5	8 854 665	-2,4
	<b>May – Jul 24</b>	<b>10 145 311</b>		<b>6 687 955</b>		<b>6 493 828</b>		<b>23 327 094</b>	
	<b>Aug – Oct 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>12 136 665</b>	<b>19,6</b>	<b>6 858 795</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>7 012 145</b>	<b>8,0</b>	<b>26 007 605</b>	<b>11,5</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 9 and 10 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		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>
2023	January	2 167 486	-54,3	566 555	-51,6	1 511 929	1,6	4 245 970	-42,6
	February	4 103 399	9,3	1 436 022	-22,5	2 041 104	1,6	7 580 525	-0,5
	March	3 569 680	-14,1	1 300 361	-53,0	1 649 219	-21,9	6 519 260	-27,9
	April	3 535 480	-9,5	1 638 029	78,0	1 740 110	-12,9	6 913 619	1,3
	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	-26,7	3 603 067	176,0	2 116 652	-1,2	9 330 859	11,5
	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	3 370 196	-16,6	770 810	-48,4	1 793 967	-28,0	5 934 973	-26,0
	October	3 017 560	-35,2	826 902	-30,4	2 245 137	-8,7	6 089 599	-26,7
	November	3 340 752	-31,9	1 244 785	-43,7	2 080 062	-14,9	6 665 599	-30,3
	December	1 987 499	-26,3	1 163 500	-22,6	1 350 057	-18,1	4 501 056	-23,1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>38 329 068</b>	<b>-23,1</b>	<b>16 539 715</b>	<b>-8,5</b>	<b>22 580 149</b>	<b>-14,8</b>	<b>77 448 932</b>	<b>-18,0</b>
2024	January	1 957 903	-9,7	479 191	-15,4	1 032 577	-31,7	3 469 671	-18,3
	February	3 686 367	-10,2	1 223 313	-14,8	1 743 817	-14,6	6 653 497	-12,2
	March	2 601 615	-27,1	1 230 662	-5,4	1 908 071	15,7	5 740 348	-11,9
	April	3 098 608	-12,4	1 941 998	18,6	1 666 999	-4,2	6 707 605	-3,0
	May	2 928 931	-13,5	1 481 967	-5,7	1 408 522	-37,6	5 819 420	-19,3
	June	2 539 996	-29,7	1 806 831	-49,9	1 663 243	-21,4	6 010 070	-35,6
	July	2 517 962	-22,9	1 571 243	95,9	1 956 357	4,9	6 045 562	1,9
	August	2 930 664	-1,5	1 444 119	-10,7	1 784 065	-7,6	6 158 848	-5,6
	September	3 448 229	2,3	1 498 300	94,4	1 893 730	5,6	6 840 259	15,3
	October	3 196 278	5,9	2 062 101	149,4	1 982 194	-11,7	7 240 573	18,9

<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.

**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>
2023	January	3 035 665	-13,0	566 555	-62,3	2 089 112	4,3	5 691 332	-18,7
	February	4 226 648	39,2	1 436 022	153,5	2 080 619	-0,4	7 743 289	36,1
	March	3 320 317	-21,4	1 300 361	-9,4	1 607 903	-22,7	6 228 581	-19,6
	April	3 889 038	17,1	1 638 029	26,0	2 040 302	26,9	7 567 369	21,5
	May	3 197 241	-17,8	1 571 048	-4,1	2 155 201	5,6	6 923 490	-8,5
	June	3 311 621	3,6	3 603 067	129,3	2 030 257	-5,8	8 944 945	29,2
	July	3 081 902	-6,9	802 145	-77,7	1 693 264	-16,6	5 577 311	-37,6
	August	2 651 267	-14,0	1 616 491	101,5	1 774 077	4,8	6 041 835	8,3
	September	3 274 870	23,5	770 810	-52,3	1 626 450	-8,3	5 672 130	-6,1
	October	2 764 309	-15,6	826 902	7,3	1 994 434	22,6	5 585 645	-1,5
	November	3 244 561	17,4	1 244 785	50,5	1 880 706	-5,7	6 370 052	14,0
	December	2 644 799	-18,5	1 163 500	-6,5	1 719 928	-8,5	5 528 227	-13,2
2024	January	2 663 902	0,7	479 191	-58,8	1 356 528	-21,1	4 499 621	-18,6
	February	3 306 071	24,1	1 223 313	155,3	1 766 223	30,2	6 295 607	39,9
	March	2 911 821	-11,9	1 230 662	0,6	2 182 910	23,6	6 325 393	0,5
	April	2 924 698	0,4	1 941 998	57,8	1 647 626	-24,5	6 514 322	3,0
	May	2 731 552	-6,6	1 481 967	-23,7	1 364 628	-17,2	5 578 147	-14,4
	June	2 434 195	-10,9	1 806 831	21,9	1 713 972	25,6	5 954 998	6,8
	July	2 230 104	-8,4	1 571 243	-13,0	1 649 052	-3,8	5 450 399	-8,5
	August	2 769 939	24,2	1 444 119	-8,1	1 683 283	2,1	5 897 341	8,2
	September	3 382 079	22,1	1 498 300	3,8	1 733 767	3,0	6 614 146	12,2
	October	2 746 154	-18,8	2 062 101	37,6	1 698 661	-2,0	6 506 916	-1,6
	<b>May – Jul 24</b>	<b>7 395 851</b>		<b>4 860 041</b>		<b>4 727 652</b>		<b>16 983 544</b>	
	<b>Aug – Oct 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8 898 172</b>	<b>20,3</b>	<b>5 004 520</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>5 115 711</b>	<b>8,2</b>	<b>19 018 403</b>	<b>12,0</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 9 and 10 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		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>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	-5,3	754 080	-48,5	779 664	-23,4	4 366 578	-20,2
	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	3 150 698	-11,6	1 537 808	43,8	1 095 896	13,7	5 784 402	3,3
	November	3 543 845	-15,6	1 678 880	75,7	1 014 084	-4,4	6 236 809	0,3
	December	3 283 587	3,4	597 276	-45,1	846 051	34,8	4 726 914	-3,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>35 371 417</b>	<b>-4,9</b>	<b>13 444 756</b>	<b>-8,9</b>	<b>9 585 638</b>	<b>-39,6</b>	<b>58 401 811</b>	<b>-13,9</b>	
<b>2024</b>	January	1 834 865	14,6	738 235	-49,1	662 252	23,5	3 235 352	-9,9
	February	2 097 005	-13,1	464 909	-18,4	932 878	9,6	3 494 792	-8,9
	March	2 149 921	-21,9	392 388	-77,0	911 912	35,3	3 454 221	-32,7
	April	2 362 554	-6,7	1 461 297	8,4	730 773	5,4	4 554 624	-0,4
	May	2 446 961	-38,3	1 139 630	75,5	550 554	-35,5	4 137 145	-24,4
	June	2 194 469	-22,5	486 000	-35,6	731 540	-6,2	3 412 009	-21,9
	July	2 991 476	12,5	818 680	-33,8	1 360 226	91,6	5 170 382	12,3
	August	2 557 985	-16,3	1 344 921	101,1	934 048	23,9	4 836 954	7,9
	September	3 134 688	-12,4	932 629	-25,0	957 795	23,2	5 025 112	-10,2
	October	2 889 390	-8,3	733 183	-52,3	885 464	-19,2	4 508 037	-22,1

<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.

**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>
2023	January	2 138 964	-29,3	1 451 781	33,5	639 565	-13,4	4 230 310	-12,8
	February	2 667 385	24,7	569 750	-60,8	816 847	27,7	4 053 982	-4,2
	March	2 749 267	3,1	1 709 220	200,0	574 528	-29,7	5 033 015	24,1
	April	2 742 250	-0,3	1 347 813	-21,1	835 173	45,4	4 925 236	-2,1
	May	3 998 299	45,8	649 310	-51,8	869 083	4,1	5 516 692	12,0
	June	2 809 403	-29,7	754 080	16,1	736 484	-15,3	4 299 967	-22,1
	July	2 605 581	-7,3	1 236 636	64,0	707 366	-4,0	4 549 583	5,8
	August	3 153 711	21,0	668 846	-45,9	690 296	-2,4	4 512 853	-0,8
	September	3 254 124	3,2	1 243 356	85,9	759 872	10,1	5 257 352	16,5
	October	3 003 674	-7,7	1 537 808	23,7	1 038 353	36,6	5 579 835	6,1
	November	2 880 770	-4,1	1 678 880	9,2	923 901	-11,0	5 483 551	-1,7
	December	3 115 977	8,2	597 276	-64,4	1 050 353	13,7	4 763 606	-13,1
2024	January	2 446 189	-21,5	738 235	23,6	800 207	-23,8	3 984 631	-16,4
	February	2 325 610	-4,9	464 909	-37,0	866 203	8,2	3 656 722	-8,2
	March	2 304 588	-0,9	392 388	-15,6	927 289	7,1	3 624 265	-0,9
	April	2 383 105	3,4	1 461 297	272,4	709 171	-23,5	4 553 573	25,6
	May	2 462 530	3,3	1 139 630	-22,0	547 904	-22,7	4 150 064	-8,9
	June	2 174 236	-11,7	486 000	-57,4	777 899	42,0	3 438 135	-17,2
	July	2 929 200	34,7	818 680	68,5	1 279 601	64,5	5 027 481	46,2
	August	2 642 972	-9,8	1 344 921	64,3	866 434	-32,3	4 854 327	-3,4
	September	2 847 284	7,7	932 629	-30,7	930 663	7,4	4 710 576	-3,0
	October	2 756 534	-3,2	733 183	-21,4	832 654	-10,5	4 322 371	-8,2
	<b>May – Jul 24</b>	<b>7 565 966</b>		<b>2 444 310</b>		<b>2 605 404</b>		<b>12 615 680</b>	
	<b>Aug – Oct 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8 246 790</b>	<b>9,0</b>	<b>3 010 733</b>	<b>23,2</b>	<b>2 629 751</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>13 887 274</b>	<b>10,1</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 9 and 10 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		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>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	-8,3	576 514	-50,2	596 073	-25,9	3 338 362	-22,8
	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	2 365 389	-16,6	1 154 511	35,6	822 745	7,2	4 342 645	-2,6
	November	2 650 595	-20,5	1 255 707	65,6	758 477	-10,0	4 664 779	-5,4
	December	2 443 145	-2,9	444 402	-48,4	629 502	26,6	3 517 049	-9,2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>26 850 803</b>	<b>-9,6</b>	<b>10 230 723</b>	<b>-13,4</b>	<b>7 280 261</b>	<b>-42,7</b>	<b>44 361 787</b>	<b>-18,2</b>
<b>2024</b>	January	1 360 167	8,2	547 246	-52,0	490 921	16,7	2 398 334	-14,9
	February	1 549 893	-17,0	343 613	-22,0	689 489	4,7	2 582 995	-12,9
	March	1 579 663	-25,1	288 309	-78,0	670 031	29,7	2 538 003	-35,5
	April	1 725 752	-11,1	1 067 419	3,4	533 801	0,5	3 326 972	-5,1
	May	1 777 023	-41,3	827 618	67,1	399 821	-38,6	3 004 462	-28,0
	June	1 599 467	-26,1	354 227	-38,6	533 192	-10,5	2 486 886	-25,5
	July	2 167 736	7,3	593 246	-36,9	985 671	82,7	3 746 653	7,1
	August	1 857 651	-19,7	976 704	92,9	678 321	18,8	3 512 676	3,6
	September	2 278 116	-15,4	677 783	-27,6	696 072	19,0	3 651 971	-13,3
	October	2 121 432	-10,3	538 314	-53,4	650 120	-21,0	3 309 866	-23,8

<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.



**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>	
2023	January	1 671 750	-30,1	1 139 546	32,2	494 755	-16,2	3 306 051	-14,0	
	February	2 059 610	23,2	440 642	-61,3	629 872	27,3	3 130 124	-5,3	
	March	2 104 011	2,2	1 309 747	197,2	439 026	-30,3	3 852 784	23,1	
	April	2 103 361	0,0	1 032 807	-21,1	645 760	47,1	3 781 928	-1,8	
	May	3 056 276	45,3	495 278	-52,0	662 113	2,5	4 213 667	11,4	
	June	2 150 238	-29,6	576 514	16,4	564 778	-14,7	3 291 530	-21,9	
	July	1 984 926	-7,7	939 693	63,0	539 089	-4,5	3 463 708	5,2	
	August	2 379 399	19,9	506 318	-46,1	521 908	-3,2	3 407 625	-1,6	
	September	2 457 977	3,3	935 558	84,8	574 524	10,1	3 968 059	16,4	
	October	2 249 109	-8,5	1 154 511	23,4	778 143	35,4	4 181 763	5,4	
	November	2 159 193	-4,0	1 255 707	8,8	686 753	-11,7	4 101 653	-1,9	
	December	2 313 016	7,1	444 402	-64,6	787 744	14,7	3 545 162	-13,6	
2024	January	1 806 127	-21,9	547 246	23,1	584 650	-25,8	2 938 023	-17,1	
	February	1 716 747	-4,9	343 613	-37,2	637 669	9,1	2 698 029	-8,2	
	March	1 688 119	-1,7	288 309	-16,1	674 516	5,8	2 650 944	-1,7	
	April	1 746 674	3,5	1 067 419	270,2	527 902	-21,7	3 341 995	26,1	
	May	1 792 581	2,6	827 618	-22,5	398 773	-24,5	3 018 972	-9,7	
	June	1 586 626	-11,5	354 227	-57,2	564 802	41,6	2 505 655	-17,0	
	July	2 127 918	34,1	593 246	67,5	929 763	64,6	3 650 927	45,7	
	August	1 911 679	-10,2	976 704	64,6	632 785	-31,9	3 521 168	-3,6	
	September	2 077 355	8,7	677 783	-30,6	677 928	7,1	3 433 066	-2,5	
	October	2 017 972	-2,9	538 314	-20,6	608 211	-10,3	3 164 497	-7,8	
		<b>May – Jul 24</b>	<b>5 507 125</b>		<b>1 775 091</b>		<b>1 893 338</b>		<b>9 175 554</b>	
		<b>Aug – Oct 24 <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>6 007 006</b>	<b>9,1</b>	<b>2 192 801</b>	<b>23,5</b>	<b>1 918 924</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>10 118 731</b>	<b>10,3</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 9 and 10 on page 38.

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

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	815	721	632	6 631	5 093	-23,2
		square metres	40 898	34 014	31 156	325 557	251 308	-22,8
		R'000	238 086	278 052	241 687	2 313 223	1 970 467	-14,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 040	1 059	1 144	10 462	9 617	-8,1
		square metres	291 645	297 609	345 856	3 108 398	2 787 754	-10,3
		R'000	2 423 319	2 574 031	2 883 666	25 823 418	23 617 636	-8,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 658	1 973	921	15 376	13 087	-14,9
		square metres	135 475	186 688	109 224	1 530 515	1 304 648	-14,8
		R'000	1 304 823	1 866 161	1 001 364	14 404 732	12 821 422	-11,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	8 103	3 695	25 358	85 718	124 722	45,5
		R'000	53 162	26 519	226 613	685 283	1 128 549	64,7
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>4 019 390</b>	<b>4 744 763</b>	<b>4 353 330</b>	<b>43 226 656</b>	<b>39 538 074</b>	<b>-8,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	3 355	3 864	31 148	241 396	149 587	-38,0
		R'000	23 392	37 675	301 941	2 523 642	1 377 833	-45,4
	Shopping space	square metres	19 458	62 827	104 160	493 494	645 896	30,9
		R'000	169 337	499 808	930 901	4 626 770	6 147 030	32,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	102 683	190 508	152 431	1 288 416	1 387 054	7,7
		R'000	702 162	1 327 740	1 062 616	8 964 767	10 063 467	12,3
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	28 282	27 039	56 272	290 686	308 688	6,2
		R'000	206 543	196 438	513 124	2 387 293	2 593 517	8,6
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 101 434</b>	<b>2 061 661</b>	<b>2 808 582</b>	<b>18 502 472</b>	<b>20 181 847</b>	<b>9,1</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	201 332	195 607	222 419	2 106 605	1 904 584	-9,6
		R'000	1 756 652	1 713 602	1 937 553	17 752 735	16 343 718	-7,9
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	119 528	84 340	70 420	731 576	646 822	-11,6
		R'000	1 233 871	892 170	762 195	7 341 648	6 971 073	-5,0
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 990 523</b>	<b>2 605 772</b>	<b>2 699 748</b>	<b>25 094 383</b>	<b>23 314 791</b>	<b>-7,1</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>8 111 347</b>	<b>9 412 196</b>	<b>9 861 660</b>	<b>86 823 511</b>	<b>83 034 712</b>	<b>-4,4</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	244	255	216	2 222	1 560	-29,8
		square metres	11 517	11 399	10 619	101 313	72 246	-28,7
		R'000	82 289	98 007	86 937	685 407	536 214	-21,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	425	431	516	4 224	3 778	-10,6
		square metres	101 272	115 595	143 875	1 221 112	1 008 879	-17,4
		R'000	754 569	897 052	1 072 845	9 261 063	7 795 747	-15,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	488	799	578	5 267	5 871	11,5
		square metres	29 783	77 448	63 234	581 266	589 216	1,4
		R'000	259 330	681 259	570 627	4 965 469	5 524 925	11,3
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	1 424	98	18 598	14 171	38 696	173,1
		R'000	9 257	800	181 111	96 483	347 510	260,2
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 105 445</b>	<b>1 677 118</b>	<b>1 911 520</b>	<b>15 008 422</b>	<b>14 204 396</b>	<b>-5,4</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	767	1 411	5 295	60 861	43 606	-28,4
		R'000	4 774	12 699	49 012	530 204	372 845	-29,7
	Shopping space	square metres	4 491	5 024	38 764	78 059	140 887	80,5
		R'000	32 172	45 216	337 720	628 721	1 413 674	124,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	17 299	27 395	43 011	350 262	295 568	-15,6
		R'000	128 952	213 768	321 118	2 500 723	2 203 817	-11,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	6 415	4 172	50 472	92 955	120 446	29,6
		R'000	50 569	31 334	471 270	710 437	1 004 648	41,4
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>216 467</b>	<b>303 017</b>	<b>1 179 120</b>	<b>4 370 085</b>	<b>4 994 984</b>	<b>14,3</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	50 017	76 091	91 127	762 349	689 945	-9,5
		R'000	349 059	571 471	708 013	5 780 274	5 124 229	-11,3
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	59 718	20 214	47 730	270 677	228 170	-15,7
		R'000	552 527	274 855	513 370	2 833 706	2 825 387	-0,3
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>901 586</b>	<b>846 326</b>	<b>1 221 383</b>	<b>8 613 980</b>	<b>7 949 616</b>	<b>-7,7</b>	
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 223 498</b>	<b>2 826 461</b>	<b>4 312 023</b>	<b>27 992 487</b>	<b>27 148 996</b>	<b>-3,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	16	99	146	539	463	-14,1	
		square metres	833	4 442	7 199	25 537	21 191	-17,0	
		R'000	6 419	38 013	61 380	183 899	171 233	-6,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	70	43	68	862	564	-34,6	
		square metres	20 684	11 345	18 362	225 204	155 558	-30,9	
		R'000	168 372	98 096	159 182	1 869 115	1 312 566	-29,8	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	7	7	0	188	192	2,1	
		square metres	563	1 423	0	23 453	25 483	8,7	
		R'000	4 945	12 194	0	190 763	207 302	8,7	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	2 573	1 660	-35,5	
		R'000	0	0	0	22 049	15 256	-30,8	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>179 736</b>	<b>148 303</b>	<b>220 562</b>	<b>2 265 826</b>	<b>1 706 357</b>	<b>-24,7</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	636	868	145	5 186	9 265	78,7	
		R'000	5 245	7 523	838	42 507	60 440	42,2	
	Shopping space	square metres	1 284	1 235	0	5 337	5 829	9,2	
		R'000	9 445	7 758	0	41 020	43 880	7,0	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	172	10 017	0	117 091	80 193	-31,5	
		R'000	1 371	86 817	0	947 581	667 363	-29,6	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	6 133	793	0	19 733	12 068	-38,8	
		R'000	50 579	6 726	0	157 184	94 908	-39,6	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>66 640</b>	<b>108 824</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>1 188 292</b>	<b>866 591</b>	<b>-27,1</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	20 625	9 768	11 760	182 620	141 594	-22,5	
		R'000	169 623	82 950	99 243	1 474 525	1 163 137	-21,1	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	9 059	8 372	4 740	98 313	82 826	-15,8	
		R'000	73 085	72 382	40 354	807 765	718 726	-11,0	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>242 708</b>	<b>155 332</b>	<b>139 597</b>	<b>2 282 290</b>	<b>1 881 863</b>	<b>-17,5</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>489 084</b>	<b>412 459</b>	<b>360 997</b>	<b>5 736 408</b>	<b>4 454 811</b>	<b>-22,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	3	112	44	55	361	556,4	
		square metres	157	4 513	1 753	2 837	14 702	418,2	
		R'000	1 480	44 625	17 342	26 708	141 491	429,8	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	20	15	12	177	136	-23,2	
		square metres	3 878	3 986	3 861	34 898	29 089	-16,6	
		R'000	34 264	31 228	35 278	306 608	249 560	-18,6	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	10	6	-40,0	
		square metres	0	0	0	982	1 148	16,9	
		R'000	0	0	0	9 244	10 151	9,8	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	64	4 653	473	-89,8	
		R'000	0	0	633	43 799	4 483	-89,8	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>35 744</b>	<b>75 853</b>	<b>53 253</b>	<b>386 359</b>	<b>405 685</b>	<b>5,0</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 551	1 977	27,5	
		R'000	0	0	0	14 600	16 104	10,3	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	280	0	3 057	3 618	18,4	
		R'000	0	2 770	0	28 776	34 181	18,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	2 758	2 014	1 952	28 511	1 360,6	
		R'000	0	27 285	19 925	18 374	272 297	1 382,0	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	3 125	430	182	6 328	3 376,9	
		R'000	0	22 849	4 254	1 713	54 536	3 083,7	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>52 904</b>	<b>24 179</b>	<b>63 463</b>	<b>377 118</b>	<b>494,2</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 007	1 715	749	32 317	18 384	-43,1	
		R'000	27 027	16 698	6 255	291 885	165 983	-43,1	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	0	1 525	0	276	4 692	1 600,0	
		R'000	567	15 236	0	9 584	46 835	388,7	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>27 594</b>	<b>31 934</b>	<b>6 255</b>	<b>301 469</b>	<b>212 818</b>	<b>-29,4</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>63 338</b>	<b>160 691</b>	<b>83 687</b>	<b>751 291</b>	<b>995 621</b>	<b>32,5</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	5	33	4	65	251	286,2
		square metres	322	1 312	258	3 909	11 031	182,2
		R'000	3 098	11 056	2 609	35 763	69 005	93,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	44	29	44	350	361	3,1
		square metres	10 613	7 638	10 238	85 814	91 394	6,5
		R'000	88 333	66 187	87 465	698 592	786 773	12,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	56	0	144	144	0,0
		square metres	0	5 273	0	37 536	15 503	-58,7
		R'000	0	53 321	0	353 276	151 744	-57,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	98	483	6 854	1 673	-75,6
		R'000	0	644	4 484	54 820	14 909	-72,8
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>91 431</b>	<b>131 208</b>	<b>94 558</b>	<b>1 142 451</b>	<b>1 022 431</b>	<b>-10,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	2 207	2 404	4 231	76,0
		R'000	0	0	22 317	20 788	39 084	88,0
	Shopping space	square metres	1 033	0	7 420	30 930	24 104	-22,1
		R'000	9 577	0	48 230	195 545	154 677	-20,9
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	4 982	0	936	23 104	12 858	-44,3
		R'000	47 372	0	9 465	198 221	101 730	-48,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	1 786	12 367	592,4
		R'000	0	0	0	13 370	90 153	574,3
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>56 949</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>80 012</b>	<b>427 924</b>	<b>385 644</b>	<b>-9,9</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 354	5 448	6 186	69 481	57 322	-17,5
		R'000	45 169	47 356	53 601	578 292	491 300	-15,0
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	2 220	1 075	439	11 307	16 587	46,7
		R'000	28 325	10 324	5 807	116 037	144 523	24,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>73 494</b>	<b>57 680</b>	<b>59 408</b>	<b>694 329</b>	<b>635 823</b>	<b>-8,4</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>221 874</b>	<b>188 888</b>	<b>233 978</b>	<b>2 264 704</b>	<b>2 043 898</b>	<b>-9,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	44	28	36	137	179	30,7	
		square metres	2 161	1 293	1 580	7 011	8 388	19,6	
		R'000	15 714	9 542	12 624	54 377	67 557	24,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	104	71	104	830	828	-0,2	
		square metres	32 858	23 879	33 212	274 588	267 195	-2,7	
		R'000	329 303	263 093	370 565	2 742 668	2 809 297	2,4	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	184	215	64	1 052	2 148	104,2	
		square metres	22 578	28 629	11 601	131 940	251 050	90,3	
		R'000	260 093	326 545	104 351	1 365 654	2 517 638	84,4	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	1 554	0	12 678	33 161	161,6	
		R'000	0	12 432	0	132 893	397 136	198,8	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>605 110</b>	<b>611 612</b>	<b>487 540</b>	<b>4 295 592</b>	<b>5 791 628</b>	<b>34,8</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	102	16 065	24 770	54,2	
		R'000	0	0	1 122	142 970	243 035	70,0	
	Shopping space	square metres	459	4 321	51 102	159 088	145 436	-8,6	
		R'000	3 672	33 180	491 893	1 648 021	1 459 183	-11,5	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	11 269	29 298	45 442	219 228	175 670	-19,9	
		R'000	74 904	189 551	299 934	1 420 527	1 145 358	-19,4	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	10 488	1 710	463	18 739	40 302	115,1	
		R'000	66 749	19 205	4 769	133 937	433 169	223,4	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>145 325</b>	<b>241 936</b>	<b>797 718</b>	<b>3 345 455</b>	<b>3 280 745</b>	<b>-1,9</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	34 848	21 709	23 478	226 269	235 861	4,2
R'000			385 914	233 843	255 274	2 290 000	2 530 330	10,5	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	18 099	13 688	5 355	142 326	95 434	-32,9	
		R'000	224 993	198 259	68 529	1 719 639	1 245 038	-27,6	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>610 907</b>	<b>432 102</b>	<b>323 803</b>	<b>4 009 639</b>	<b>3 775 368</b>	<b>-5,8</b>	
<b>Building plans passed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 361 342</b>	<b>1 285 650</b>	<b>1 609 061</b>	<b>11 650 686</b>	<b>12 847 741</b>	<b>10,3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	284	6	6	349	63	-81,9
		square metres	11 991	321	334	15 496	3 461	-77,7
		R'000	54 279	2 125	2 273	78 621	24 045	-69,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	73	51	45	604	505	-16,4
		square metres	21 736	11 396	20 744	168 640	147 382	-12,6
		R'000	158 559	74 682	138 753	1 186 010	1 060 901	-10,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	31	16	10	254	192	-24,4
		square metres	3 045	2 910	746	26 616	14 269	-46,4
		R'000	21 836	29 100	4 667	167 558	110 811	-33,9
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	216	3 213	29 333	812,9
		R'000	0	0	1 404	22 990	209 118	809,6
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>234 674</b>	<b>105 907</b>	<b>147 097</b>	<b>1 455 179</b>	<b>1 404 875</b>	<b>-3,5</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	400	101	22 479	2 275	-89,9
		R'000	0	3 520	657	141 173	15 923	-88,7
	Shopping space	square metres	494	3 166	2 782	26 560	89 604	237,4
		R'000	3 460	20 688	18 945	177 325	722 787	307,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	15 581	228	112	30 117	24 855	-17,5
		R'000	99 809	1 432	728	190 355	187 038	-1,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	327	593	301	7 053	12 962	83,8
		R'000	2 354	4 000	1 956	49 563	102 854	107,5
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>105 623</b>	<b>29 640</b>	<b>22 286</b>	<b>558 416</b>	<b>1 028 602</b>	<b>84,2</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	7 859	6 837	10 034	72 470	78 818
R'000			54 590	47 214	65 218	489 073	545 498	11,5
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	301	795	671	11 814	15 672	32,7
		R'000	6 269	13 648	20 150	147 289	211 753	43,8
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>60 859</b>	<b>60 862</b>	<b>85 368</b>	<b>636 362</b>	<b>757 251</b>	<b>19,0</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>401 156</b>	<b>196 409</b>	<b>254 751</b>	<b>2 649 957</b>	<b>3 190 728</b>	<b>20,4</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	209	181	161	3 059	2 075	-32,2
		square metres	13 351	10 329	8 333	156 904	111 544	-28,9
		R'000	71 273	71 724	50 291	1 153 604	893 972	-22,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	219	308	230	2 419	2 338	-3,3
		square metres	71 747	81 565	74 630	739 068	695 084	-6,0
		R'000	691 712	824 275	707 179	7 141 882	6 739 899	-5,6
	Flats and townhouses	Number	863	852	259	7 976	4 168	-47,7
		square metres	70 761	67 180	32 456	671 743	372 127	-44,6
		R'000	702 792	737 624	313 119	6 963 015	4 045 080	-41,9
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	1 395	0	0	8 445	4 794	-43,2
		R'000	10 161	0	0	69 287	43 134	-37,7
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 475 938</b>	<b>1 633 623</b>	<b>1 070 589</b>	<b>15 327 788</b>	<b>11 722 085</b>	<b>-23,5</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	448	860	10 511	126 618	32 633	-74,2
		R'000	3 887	11 774	142 311	1 590 337	423 125	-73,4
	Shopping space	square metres	8 456	46 628	2 644	102 093	185 180	81,4
		R'000	90 521	373 061	24 319	1 186 583	1 955 397	64,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	51 556	116 954	54 225	452 248	631 439	39,6
		R'000	338 226	777 674	367 906	3 048 962	4 563 715	49,7
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	1 744	9 138	54	96 051	68 184	-29,0
		R'000	16 433	63 463	704	910 912	573 931	-37,0
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>449 067</b>	<b>1 225 972</b>	<b>535 240</b>	<b>6 736 794</b>	<b>7 516 168</b>	<b>11,6</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	63 599	55 739	55 511	593 483	516 278	-13,0
		R'000	621 949	578 103	556 454	5 699 099	5 131 661	-10,0
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	26 148	16 767	7 611	166 556	145 085	-12,9
		R'000	287 823	132 928	73 333	1 412 630	1 278 466	-9,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>909 772</b>	<b>711 031</b>	<b>629 787</b>	<b>7 111 729</b>	<b>6 410 127</b>	<b>-9,9</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>2 834 777</b>	<b>3 570 626</b>	<b>2 235 616</b>	<b>29 176 311</b>	<b>25 648 380</b>	<b>-12,1</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	5	5	15	175	115	-34,3
		square metres	271	286	825	10 728	7 120	-33,6
		R'000	1 675	2 087	6 426	82 611	55 878	-32,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	51	74	95	683	758	11,0
		square metres	17 718	29 594	30 157	247 287	262 829	6,3
		R'000	122 110	228 603	233 931	1 836 715	1 934 048	5,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	69	21	8	166	220	32,5
		square metres	7 448	2 426	365	13 387	17 408	30,0
		R'000	47 087	16 013	2 425	84 518	120 921	43,1
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	5 164	1 945	0	19 715	8 197	-58,4
		R'000	32 886	12 643	0	159 560	53 225	-66,6
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>203 758</b>	<b>259 346</b>	<b>242 782</b>	<b>2 163 404</b>	<b>2 164 072</b>	<b>0,0</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	1 504	325	12 787	5 762	20 751	260,1
		R'000	9 486	2 159	85 684	37 703	137 928	265,8
	Shopping space	square metres	3 241	2 173	1 448	73 415	39 970	-45,6
		R'000	20 490	17 135	9 794	614 461	282 114	-54,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 824	3 858	6 691	68 773	123 085	79,0
		R'000	11 528	31 213	43 540	482 517	819 669	69,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	3 175	7 508	2 710	28 816	19 682	-31,7
		R'000	19 859	48 861	18 027	233 542	130 456	-44,1
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>61 363</b>	<b>99 368</b>	<b>157 045</b>	<b>1 368 223</b>	<b>1 370 167</b>	<b>0,1</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	11 578	13 806	20 263	129 303	136 260	5,4
		R'000	72 925	102 824	169 589	887 122	976 781	10,1
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	3 714	21 215	3 874	22 538	46 637	106,9
		R'000	49 713	169 061	38 152	208 541	398 786	91,2
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>122 638</b>	<b>271 885</b>	<b>207 741</b>	<b>1 095 663</b>	<b>1 375 567</b>	<b>25,5</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>387 759</b>	<b>630 599</b>	<b>607 568</b>	<b>4 627 290</b>	<b>4 909 806</b>	<b>6,1</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	5	2	4	30	26	-13,3
		square metres	295	119	255	1 822	1 625	-10,8
		R'000	1 859	873	1 805	12 233	11 072	-9,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	34	37	30	313	349	11,5
		square metres	11 139	12 611	10 777	111 787	130 344	16,6
		R'000	76 097	90 815	78 468	780 765	928 845	19,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	16	7	2	319	146	-54,2
		square metres	1 297	1 399	822	43 592	18 444	-57,7
		R'000	8 740	10 105	6 175	305 235	132 850	-56,5
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	120	0	5 997	13 416	6 735	-49,8
		R'000	858	0	38 981	83 402	43 778	-47,5
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>87 554</b>	<b>101 793</b>	<b>125 429</b>	<b>1 181 635</b>	<b>1 116 545</b>	<b>-5,5</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	470	10 079	2 044,5
		R'000	0	0	0	3 360	69 349	1 964,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	14 955	11 268	-24,7
		R'000	0	0	0	106 318	81 137	-23,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	25 641	14 875	-42,0
		R'000	0	0	0	157 507	102 480	-34,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	1 842	25 371	16 349	-35,6
		R'000	0	0	12 144	176 635	108 862	-38,4
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12 144</b>	<b>443 820</b>	<b>361 828</b>	<b>-18,5</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 445	4 494	3 311	38 313	30 122	-21,4
		R'000	30 396	33 143	23 906	262 465	214 799	-18,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	269	689	0	7 769	11 719	50,8
		R'000	10 569	5 477	2 500	86 457	101 559	17,5
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>40 965</b>	<b>38 620</b>	<b>26 406</b>	<b>348 922</b>	<b>316 358</b>	<b>-9,3</b>
<b>Building plans passed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>128 519</b>	<b>140 413</b>	<b>163 979</b>	<b>1 974 377</b>	<b>1 794 731</b>	<b>-9,1</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	700	332	300	6 844	3 811	-44,3	
		square metres	34 031	17 351	15 871	342 952	198 280	-42,2	
		R'000	227 006	133 560	110 458	2 469 550	1 433 868	-41,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	752	634	656	7 351	6 251	-15,0	
		square metres	201 674	181 008	177 053	1 862 335	1 649 748	-11,4	
		R'000	1 692 453	1 654 295	1 588 222	16 013 714	14 469 962	-9,6	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 253	1 505	1 130	9 774	9 382	-4,0	
		square metres	124 343	129 741	114 736	1 072 545	876 194	-18,3	
		R'000	1 150 548	1 326 785	1 165 934	9 771 862	8 495 259	-13,1	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	13 603	2 939	2 732	36 255	32 995	-9,0	
		R'000	80 691	20 048	24 776	288 859	260 225	-9,9	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>3 150 698</b>	<b>3 134 688</b>	<b>2 889 390</b>	<b>28 543 985</b>	<b>24 659 314</b>	<b>-13,6</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	13 395	0	12 513	148 010	71 543	-51,7	
		R'000	121 395	0	170 600	1 707 146	722 582	-57,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	88 493	32 848	11 009	322 135	240 189	-25,4	
		R'000	884 683	255 071	89 899	3 310 609	2 388 607	-27,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	64 982	89 559	63 699	829 273	654 292	-21,1	
		R'000	442 873	661 837	447 907	5 413 102	4 818 731	-11,0	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	13 957	1 947	3 212	89 418	74 885	-16,3	
		R'000	88 857	15 721	24 777	737 743	581 952	-21,1	
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 537 808</b>	<b>932 629</b>	<b>733 183</b>	<b>11 168 600</b>	<b>8 511 872</b>	<b>-23,8</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	69 196	63 356	65 349	562 093	601 148	6,9	
		R'000	611 533	578 486	584 772	4 739 103	5 223 095	10,2	
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	47 247	34 529	23 175	302 023	311 267	3,1	
		R'000	484 363	379 309	300 692	2 986 400	3 434 347	15,0	
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 095 896</b>	<b>957 795</b>	<b>885 464</b>	<b>7 725 503</b>	<b>8 657 442</b>	<b>12,1</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>5 784 402</b>	<b>5 025 112</b>	<b>4 508 037</b>	<b>47 438 088</b>	<b>41 828 628</b>	<b>-11,8</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	344	167	126	2 331	1 369	-41,3	
		square metres	15 105	7 689	5 889	104 578	62 439	-40,3	
		R'000	93 257	51 503	37 667	687 266	406 225	-40,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	268	180	254	2 521	2 266	-10,1	
		square metres	71 353	51 550	59 768	611 889	571 116	-6,7	
		R'000	512 444	393 305	467 033	4 375 139	4 284 566	-2,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	315	972	368	3 523	3 554	0,9	
		square metres	41 721	66 421	54 625	440 921	364 532	-17,3	
		R'000	346 463	580 149	479 612	3 535 499	3 144 889	-11,0	
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	13 603	2 563	1 198	26 255	22 484	-14,4	
		R'000	80 691	17 444	8 263	204 198	155 458	-23,9	
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 032 855</b>	<b>1 042 401</b>	<b>992 575</b>	<b>8 802 102</b>	<b>7 991 138</b>	<b>-9,2</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	10 149	0	107	17 600	12 128	-31,1	
		R'000	89 454	0	749	136 123	110 352	-18,9	
	Shopping space	square metres	7 396	24 876	125	37 063	45 028	21,5	
		R'000	65 518	175 881	938	294 077	331 605	12,8	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	8 309	14 793	22 776	144 560	148 473	2,7	
		R'000	58 573	116 026	163 847	1 028 472	1 095 973	6,6	
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	288	1 571	3 149	41 484	49 246	18,7	
		R'000	1 797	11 585	24 231	291 310	325 684	11,8	
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>215 342</b>	<b>303 492</b>	<b>189 765</b>	<b>1 749 982</b>	<b>1 863 614</b>	<b>6,5</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	26 916	16 119	19 902	210 324	171 858	-18,3
R'000			196 569	121 067	151 347	1 494 217	1 264 778	-15,4	
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	32 381	21 585	9 253	159 901	130 152	-18,6	
		R'000	316 509	233 730	111 749	1 498 197	1 320 399	-11,9	
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>513 078</b>	<b>354 797</b>	<b>263 096</b>	<b>2 992 414</b>	<b>2 585 177</b>	<b>-13,6</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>		<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 761 275</b>	<b>1 700 690</b>	<b>1 445 436</b>	<b>13 544 498</b>	<b>12 439 929</b>	<b>-8,2</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	47	11	11	481	235	-51,1
		square metres	2 157	531	664	22 973	12 029	-47,6
		R'000	17 670	4 065	5 597	169 230	99 302	-41,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	49	19	22	533	359	-32,6
		square metres	11 334	3 901	5 960	151 426	89 003	-41,2
		R'000	91 642	33 768	50 425	1 244 718	745 791	-40,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	16	10	0	354	385	8,8
		square metres	2 423	1 879	0	31 312	25 632	-18,1
		R'000	19 872	16 285	0	257 902	207 511	-19,5
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	104	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	658	0	-100,0
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>129 184</b>	<b>54 118</b>	<b>56 022</b>	<b>1 672 508</b>	<b>1 052 604</b>	<b>-37,1</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 750	1 554	-11,2
		R'000	0	0	0	13 723	12 816	-6,6
	Shopping space	square metres	495	2 994	0	4 222	11 026	161,2
		R'000	3 062	24 869	0	33 484	92 327	175,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	5 008	0	23 589	13 575	-42,5
		R'000	0	42 430	0	187 013	114 192	-38,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	11 224	0	63	15 984	2 717	-83,0
		R'000	69 420	0	546	107 817	21 678	-79,9
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>72 482</b>	<b>67 299</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>342 037</b>	<b>241 013</b>	<b>-29,5</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 604	10 696	6 915	51 082	109 405	114,2
		R'000	46 216	91 684	58 673	419 209	914 579	118,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	4 289	5 687	3 304	42 783	45 893	7,3
		R'000	43 257	50 797	28 739	374 118	430 258	15,0
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>89 473</b>	<b>142 481</b>	<b>87 412</b>	<b>793 327</b>	<b>1 344 837</b>	<b>69,5</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>291 139</b>	<b>263 898</b>	<b>143 980</b>	<b>2 807 872</b>	<b>2 638 454</b>	<b>-6,0</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
<b>Residential buildings</b>	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	0	2	5	150,0
		square metres	0	0	0	153	278	81,7
		R'000	0	0	0	1 140	2 670	134,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	7	7	3	52	42	-19,2
		square metres	1 985	1 649	384	12 634	7 846	-37,9
		R'000	18 685	14 705	3 799	118 929	71 622	-39,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	1	0	-100,0
		square metres	0	0	0	66	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	621	0	-100,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	1 006	0	2 170	..
		R'000	0	0	9 952	0	20 909	..
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>18 685</b>	<b>14 705</b>	<b>13 751</b>	<b>120 690</b>	<b>95 201</b>	<b>-21,1</b>
<b>Non-residential buildings</b>	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 387	1 074	-22,6
		R'000	0	0	0	13 056	10 109	-22,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	473	3 585	657,9
		R'000	0	0	0	4 452	33 746	658,0
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	193	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	1 817	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17 508</b>	<b>45 672</b>	<b>160,9</b>	
<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 036	1 934	3 144	17 288	16 021	-7,3
		R'000	9 752	19 133	31 104	162 733	155 158	-4,7
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	3 733	2 785	-25,4
		R'000	140	100	170	40 909	28 192	-31,1
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>9 892</b>	<b>19 233</b>	<b>31 274</b>	<b>203 642</b>	<b>183 350</b>	<b>-10,0</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>28 577</b>	<b>33 938</b>	<b>45 025</b>	<b>341 840</b>	<b>324 223</b>	<b>-5,2</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	0	65	6	-90,8
		square metres	0	0	0	3 768	392	-89,6
		R'000	0	0	0	34 741	3 884	-88,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	8	8	4	128	79	-38,3
		square metres	1 830	1 345	755	25 559	17 359	-32,1
		R'000	13 985	11 364	5 533	195 762	144 619	-26,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	70	43	-38,6
		square metres	0	0	0	13 325	7 178	-46,1
		R'000	0	0	0	109 891	72 605	-33,9
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	325	991	204,9
		R'000	0	0	0	2 430	7 654	215,0
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>13 985</b>	<b>11 364</b>	<b>5 533</b>	<b>342 824</b>	<b>228 762</b>	<b>-33,3</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	696	277	-60,2
		R'000	0	0	0	5 074	2 665	-47,5
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	1 421	1 017	-28,4
		R'000	0	0	0	11 635	9 287	-20,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	6 370	107	-98,3
		R'000	0	0	0	51 865	1 082	-97,9
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>68 574</b>	<b>13 034</b>	<b>-81,0</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	849	702	453	15 781	11 644	-26,2
		R'000	6 652	5 009	3 416	119 325	82 538	-30,8
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	1 706	276	-83,8
		R'000	0	0	0	15 559	8 085	-48,0
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>6 652</b>	<b>5 009</b>	<b>3 416</b>	<b>134 884</b>	<b>90 623</b>	<b>-32,8</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>20 637</b>	<b>16 373</b>	<b>8 949</b>	<b>546 282</b>	<b>332 419</b>	<b>-39,1</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	2	18	8	78	123	57,7
		square metres	101	1 178	443	4 664	7 168	53,7
		R'000	978	15 347	5 346	42 540	78 545	84,6
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	73	66	69	682	533	-21,8
		square metres	27 760	20 434	22 777	220 045	162 129	-26,3
		R'000	282 255	238 167	263 949	2 396 232	1 808 420	-24,5
	Flats and townhouses	Number	22	54	360	1 067	987	-7,5
		square metres	2 528	8 878	29 535	139 556	103 926	-25,5
		R'000	22 425	101 496	360 295	1 523 370	1 124 239	-26,2
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	223	1 992	604	-69,7
		R'000	0	0	2 654	23 705	5 704	-75,9
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>305 658</b>	<b>355 010</b>	<b>632 244</b>	<b>3 985 847</b>	<b>3 016 908</b>	<b>-24,3</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	571	0	0	10 527	1 732	-83,5
		R'000	5 368	0	0	113 796	15 260	-86,6
	Shopping space	square metres	66 173	3 543	7 051	115 867	78 414	-32,3
		R'000	718 410	38 973	52 883	1 247 930	826 297	-33,8
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	36 884	3 644	14 832	341 113	91 748	-73,1
		R'000	221 304	27 137	97 767	2 037 846	623 940	-69,4
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	139	376	0	11 031	8 263	-25,1
		R'000	1 529	4 136	0	123 879	85 002	-31,4
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>946 611</b>	<b>70 246</b>	<b>150 650</b>	<b>3 523 451</b>	<b>1 550 499</b>	<b>-56,0</b>
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	7 653	9 510	11 111	73 080	82 583
R'000			87 890	111 827	124 614	823 996	937 063	13,7
Other buildings <sup>4</sup>		square metres	7 811	4 029	4 764	41 078	53 908	31,2
		R'000	92 707	51 151	103 524	480 651	865 658	80,1
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>180 597</b>	<b>162 978</b>	<b>228 138</b>	<b>1 304 647</b>	<b>1 802 721</b>	<b>38,2</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 432 866</b>	<b>588 234</b>	<b>1 011 032</b>	<b>8 813 945</b>	<b>6 370 128</b>	<b>-27,7</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	62	4	26	429	169	-60,6
		square metres	2 870	220	1 465	22 546	9 609	-57,4
		R'000	14 753	1 444	8 495	126 087	65 800	-47,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	137	58	54	642	477	-25,7
		square metres	27 528	13 782	11 393	136 693	107 440	-21,4
		R'000	187 590	97 330	79 788	953 521	771 711	-19,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	33	14	18	245	143	-41,6
		square metres	4 379	1 488	2 784	28 325	14 433	-49,0
		R'000	31 671	10 079	18 384	187 288	95 671	-48,9
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	376	0	4 945	2 477	-49,9
		R'000	0	2 604	0	31 284	17 731	-43,3
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>234 014</b>	<b>111 457</b>	<b>106 667</b>	<b>1 298 180</b>	<b>950 913</b>	<b>-26,8</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	940	0	0	1 225	3 099	153,0
		R'000	6 768	0	0	8 531	20 016	134,6
	Shopping space	square metres	2 076	0	354	6 520	5 564	-14,7
		R'000	12 840	0	2 452	42 665	39 910	-6,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 877	2 274	210	11 410	12 862	12,7
		R'000	20 544	13 234	1 365	86 574	87 471	1,0
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	161	0	0	161	284	76,4
		R'000	996	0	0	996	1 757	76,4
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>41 148</b>	<b>13 234</b>	<b>3 817</b>	<b>138 766</b>	<b>149 154</b>	<b>7,5</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 321	3 934	3 194	31 317	44 482	42,0
		R'000	21 189	25 585	21 035	196 587	285 510	45,2
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	300	275	642	4 876	12 991	166,4
		R'000	7 056	2 327	13 845	88 776	170 692	92,3
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>28 245</b>	<b>27 912</b>	<b>34 880</b>	<b>285 363</b>	<b>456 202</b>	<b>59,9</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>303 407</b>	<b>152 603</b>	<b>145 364</b>	<b>1 722 309</b>	<b>1 556 269</b>	<b>-9,6</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	241	127	128	3 297	1 859	-43,6
		square metres	13 543	7 423	7 336	174 301	103 519	-40,6
		R'000	98 595	58 809	52 657	1 338 948	757 577	-43,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	176	248	181	2 260	2 061	-8,8
		square metres	50 090	74 608	54 471	573 590	576 794	0,6
		R'000	517 513	754 011	553 907	5 776 646	5 760 470	-0,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	863	433	380	4 088	4 043	-1,1
		square metres	72 919	49 515	26 864	382 753	339 544	-11,3
		R'000	727 553	608 411	300 940	3 903 037	3 709 014	-5,0
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	305	1 817	4 269	134,9
		R'000	0	0	3 907	20 590	52 769	156,3
<b>Total residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 343 661</b>	<b>1 421 231</b>	<b>911 411</b>	<b>11 039 221</b>	<b>10 279 830</b>	<b>-6,9</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 735	0	12 406	113 540	32 338	-71,5
		R'000	19 805	0	169 851	1 407 949	399 733	-71,6
	Shopping space	square metres	0	1 435	216	122 399	91 143	-25,5
		R'000	0	15 348	2 957	1 446 791	1 025 048	-29,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	13 207	61 757	24 413	234 569	350 019	49,2
		R'000	116 988	448 454	174 325	1 558 568	2 610 713	67,5
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	2 145	0	0	20 758	11 157	-46,3
		R'000	15 115	0	0	213 741	126 751	-40,7
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>151 908</b>	<b>463 802</b>	<b>347 133</b>	<b>4 627 049</b>	<b>4 162 245</b>	<b>-10,0</b>	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	21 731	18 617	15 352	139 385	136 105	-2,4
		R'000	226 595	188 969	158 279	1 351 941	1 373 708	1,6
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	1 278	2 953	3 346	39 100	60 730	55,3
		R'000	15 929	31 928	23 280	363 742	534 462	46,9
<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>242 524</b>	<b>220 897</b>	<b>181 559</b>	<b>1 715 683</b>	<b>1 908 170</b>	<b>11,2</b>	
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 738 093</b>	<b>2 105 930</b>	<b>1 440 103</b>	<b>17 381 953</b>	<b>16 350 245</b>	<b>-5,9</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	1	1	129	14	-89,1
		square metres	0	70	74	7 858	901	-88,5
		R'000	0	658	696	55 157	6 476	-88,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	13	29	57	313	262	-16,3
		square metres	2 579	10 044	17 888	67 047	71 513	6,7
		R'000	18 483	84 616	136 719	518 675	554 012	6,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	22	0	116	176	51,7
		square metres	0	1 560	0	13 034	15 811	21,3
		R'000	0	10 365	0	93 903	105 166	12,0
	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>18 483</b>	<b>95 639</b>	<b>137 415</b>	<b>667 735</b>	<b>665 654</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	73	9 748	13 253,4
		R'000	0	0	0	460	84 480	18 265,2
	Shopping space	square metres	287	0	3 263	9 589	3 263	-66,0
		R'000	1 923	0	30 669	62 018	30 669	-50,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	845	0	22 168	22 477	1,4
		R'000	0	5 614	0	143 039	173 873	21,6
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	3 025	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	19 263	..
	<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>1 923</b>	<b>5 614</b>	<b>30 669</b>	<b>205 517</b>	<b>308 285</b>	<b>50,0</b>
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	1 562	1 844	4 691	19 380	23 420	20,8
		R'000	13 069	15 212	32 167	141 006	171 116	21,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	0	0	1 442	7 206	2 861	-60,3
		R'000	100	8 516	16 022	100 989	56 689	-43,9
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>13 169</b>	<b>23 728</b>	<b>48 189</b>	<b>241 995</b>	<b>227 805</b>	<b>-5,9</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>33 575</b>	<b>124 981</b>	<b>216 273</b>	<b>1 115 247</b>	<b>1 201 744</b>	<b>7,8</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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**

			Oct 2023	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2023	Jan – Oct 2024	% change <sup>1</sup>
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	4	0	32	31	-3,1
		square metres	255	240	0	2 111	1 945	-7,9
		R'000	1 753	1 734	0	14 441	13 389	-7,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	21	19	12	220	172	-21,8
		square metres	7 215	3 695	3 657	63 452	46 548	-26,6
		R'000	49 856	27 029	27 069	434 092	328 751	-24,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	4	0	4	310	51	-83,5
		square metres	373	0	928	23 253	5 138	-77,9
		R'000	2 564	0	6 703	160 351	36 164	-77,4
	Other residential buildings <sup>2</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	817	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	5 994	0	-100,0
	<b>Total residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>54 173</b>	<b>28 763</b>	<b>33 772</b>	<b>614 878</b>	<b>378 304</b>
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	1 212	9 593	691,5
		R'000	0	0	0	8 434	67 151	696,2
	Shopping space	square metres	12 066	0	0	25 054	4 734	-81,1
		R'000	82 930	0	0	172 009	33 464	-80,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	3 705	1 238	1 468	45 021	11 446	-74,6
		R'000	25 464	8 942	10 603	315 273	77 741	-75,3
	Other non-residential buildings <sup>3</sup>	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..
<b>Total non-residential buildings</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>108 394</b>	<b>8 942</b>	<b>10 603</b>	<b>495 716</b>	<b>178 356</b>	<b>-64,0</b>
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	524	0	587	4 456	5 630	26,3
		R'000	3 601	0	4 137	30 089	38 645	28,4
	Other buildings <sup>4</sup>	square metres	1 188	0	424	1 640	1 671	1,9
		R'000	8 665	760	3 363	23 459	19 912	-15,1
	<b>Total additions and alterations</b>		<b>R'000</b>	<b>12 266</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>7 500</b>	<b>53 548</b>	<b>58 557</b>
<b>Buildings completed</b>	<b>Total at current prices</b>	<b>R'000</b>	<b>174 833</b>	<b>38 465</b>	<b>51 875</b>	<b>1 164 142</b>	<b>615 217</b>	<b>-47,2</b>

<sup>1</sup> The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2023 and 2024.

<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>	<b>1</b>	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.
<b>Purpose of the survey</b>	<b>2</b>	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>	<b>3</b>	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>	<b>4</b>	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>	<b>5</b>	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for October 2024 was 84,5%. The collection rate for September 2024 was 87,3%.
<b>Statistical unit</b>	<b>6</b>	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>	<b>7</b>	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>	<b>8</b>	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 2023=100) are converted to the base year 2019=100.

- Seasonal adjustment**     **9**     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.
- 10**     Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at: [Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment February 2022.](#)

- Trend cycle**     **11**     The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.

- Revised figures**     **12**     Revised figures are mainly due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. The reasons for routine revisions are outlined in the following schedule. Any unscheduled revisions will be promptly indicated in relevant tables to maintain transparency and accuracy. It is important to note that seasonally adjusted figures are revised monthly.

Statistical release	Reason for revision	Period subject to revision
Oct-24	Additional information from respondents	Oct-22 - Sep-24
Nov-24	Additional information from respondents	Nov-22 - Oct-24
Dec-24	Additional information from respondents	Dec-22 - Nov-24
Jan-25	Additional information from respondents	Jan-23 - Dec-24
Feb-25	Additional information from respondents	Feb-23 - Jan-25
Mar-25	Additional information from respondents	Mar-23 - Feb-25
Apr-25	Additional information from respondents	Apr-23 - Mar-25
May-25	Additional information from respondents	May-23 - Apr-25
Jun-25	Additional information from respondents	Jun-23 - May-25
Jul-25	Additional information from respondents	Jul-23 - Jun-25
Aug-25	Additional information from respondents	Aug-23 - Jul-25
Sep-25	Additional information from respondents	Sep-23 - Aug-25
New base year in 2027/28 – periodic, approximately four to five-year intervals		

- Related publications**     **13**     Users may also wish to refer to the following publications:
- P5041.3: *Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions* issued annually;
  - P9101.2: *Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region* issued annually; and
  - *Building Statistics* (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.

- Rounding-off of figures**     **14**     Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.

- Symbols and abbreviations**     **15**     ..     Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage
- 0     Nil or figure too small to publish
- \*     Revised figures
- Stats SA     Statistics South Africa
- SIC     Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities
- ISIC     International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities

## Glossary

<b>Additions and alterations</b>	Extensions to existing buildings as well as internal and external alterations of existing buildings.
<b>Blocks of flats</b>	High-density housing consisting of a number of self-contained dwelling-units, each with at least one living-room together with a kitchen and bathroom, conjoined to similar units in one building.
<b>Dwelling-house</b>	A free-standing, complete structure on a separate stand or a self-contained dwelling-unit, e.g. granny flat, on the same premises as an existing residence. Out-buildings and garages are included.
<b>Local government institutions</b>	<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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