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Results for January to September 2022

**Table A – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at current prices:
January to September 2021 versus January to September 2022**

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	Difference in value between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	% change between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	44 636 446	46 618 231	1 981 785	4,4
-Dwelling-houses	27 715 268	30 854 307	3 139 039	11,3
-Flats and townhouses	16 143 879	15 027 064	-1 116 815	-6,9
-Other residential buildings	777 299	736 860	-40 439	-5,2
Non-residential buildings	14 135 424	15 259 881	1 124 457	8,0
Additions and alterations	21 649 658	24 984 275	3 334 617	15,4
Total	80 421 528	86 862 387	6 440 859	8,0

1/ 2021 and 2022 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of recorded building plans passed at current prices

The value of recorded building plans passed (at current prices) increased by 8,0% (R6 440,9 million) during January to September 2022 compared with January to September 2021.

Increases were recorded for additions and alterations (15,4% or R3 334,6 million), non-residential buildings (8,0% or R1 124,5 million) and residential buildings (4,4% or R1 981,8 million) – see Table A.

**Table B – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to September 2021 versus January to September 2022**

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% contribution to the total value of building plans passed during Jan – Sep 2021	% change between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of building plans passed between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	Difference in value between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	22 133 704	27 314 841	27,5	23,4	6,4	5 181 137
Eastern Cape	6 258 894	5 685 798	7,8	-9,2	-0,7	-573 096
Northern Cape	763 967	1 164 120	0,9	52,4	0,5	400 153
Free State	1 961 964	1 858 251	2,4	-5,3	-0,1	-103 713
KwaZulu-Natal	14 293 573	15 262 922	17,8	6,8	1,2	969 349
North West	3 542 693	3 070 849	4,4	-13,3	-0,6	-471 844
Gauteng	26 985 482	26 473 215	33,6	-1,9	-0,6	-512 267
Mpumalanga	2 794 720	3 881 008	3,5	38,9	1,4	1 086 288
Limpopo	1 686 531	2 151 383	2,1	27,6	0,6	464 852
Total	80 421 528	86 862 387	100,0	8,0	8,0	6 440 859

1/ 2021 and 2022 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to September 2021 and January to September 2022 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of building plans passed during January to September 2021, divided by 100.

The largest contributions to the total increase of 8,0% (R6 440,9 million) were made by Western Cape (contributing 6,4 percentage points or R5 181,1 million), Mpumalanga (contributing 1,4 percentage points or R1 086,3 million) and KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 1,2 percentage points or R969,3 million) – see Table B.

Table C – Recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices: January to September 2021 versus January to September 2022

Estimates at constant 2019 prices	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	Difference in value between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	% change between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	39 543 646	37 379 303	-2 164 343	-5,5
Non-residential buildings	12 596 107	12 255 042	-341 065	-2,7
Additions and alterations	19 165 071	19 980 393	815 322	4,3
Total	71 304 824	69 614 738	-1 690 086	-2,4

1/ 2021 and 2022 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of recorded building plans passed

The real value of recorded building plans passed (at constant 2019 prices) decreased by 2,4% (-R1 690,1 million) during January to September 2022 compared with January to September 2021. Decreases were recorded for residential buildings (-5,5% or -R2 164,3 million) and non-residential buildings (-2,7% or -R341,1 million). Additions and alterations rose by 4,3% (R815,3 million) – see Table C.

Table D – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2019 prices	Apr – Jun 2022	Jul – Sep 2022	% change between Apr – Jun 2022 and Jul – Sep 2022
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	12 398 835	11 159 986	-10,0
Non-residential buildings 1/	3 486 910	3 612 662	3,6
Additions and alterations	6 731 110	7 024 716	4,4
Total	22 616 855	21 797 364	-3,6

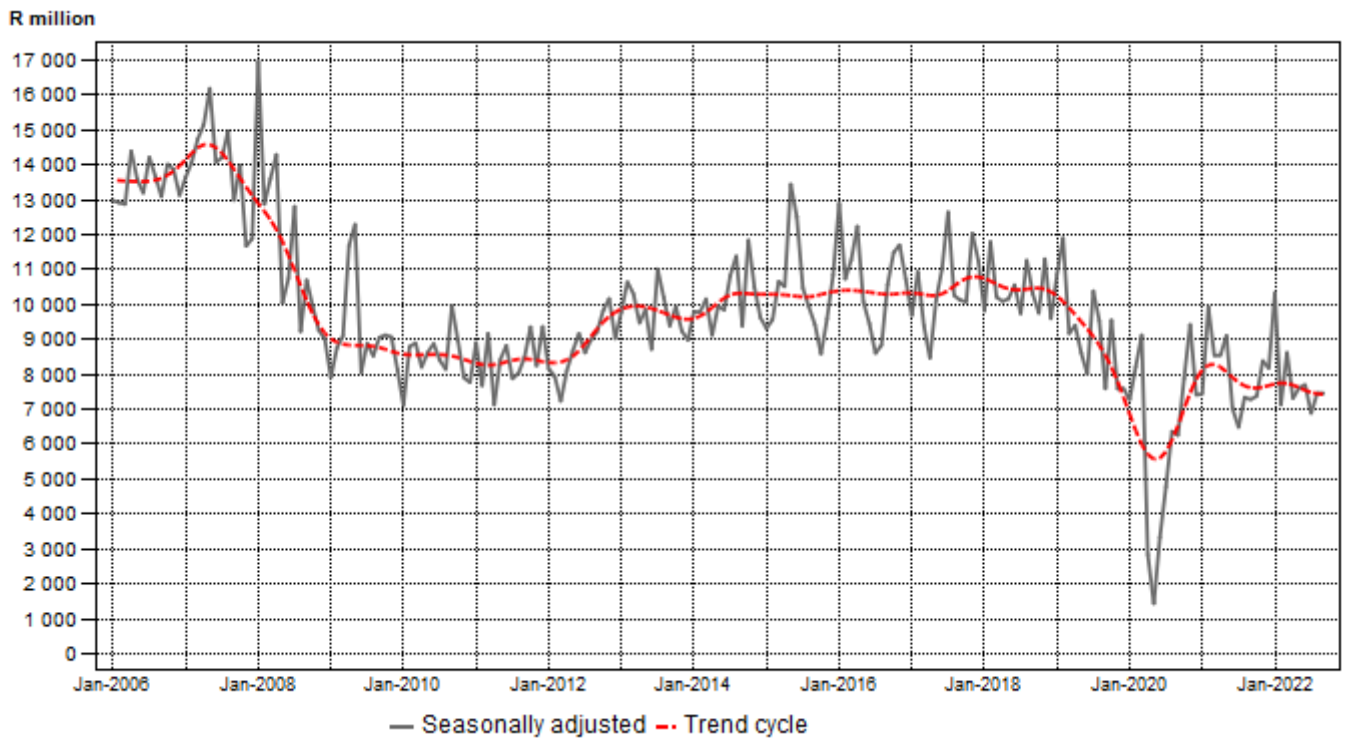
1/ Not seasonally adjusted because the presence of seasonality is not significant. See notes 10 and 11 on page 38.

Seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed

The seasonally adjusted real value of recorded building plans passed decreased by 3,6% in the third quarter of 2022 compared with the second quarter of 2022. A decrease was recorded for residential buildings (-10,0%). Increases were recorded for additions and alterations (4,4%) and non-residential buildings (3,6%) – see Table D.

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

Constant 2019 prices



**Table E – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices:
January to September 2021 versus January to September 2022**

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	Difference in value between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	% change between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022
	1/	1/		
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	22 679 005	25 939 028	3 260 023	14,4
-Dwelling-houses	13 806 011	17 169 921	3 363 910	24,4
-Flats and townhouses	8 414 578	8 390 097	-24 481	-0,3
-Other residential buildings	458 416	379 010	-79 406	-17,3
Non-residential buildings	9 239 854	11 636 708	2 396 854	25,9
Additions and alterations	10 196 072	13 181 042	2 984 970	29,3
Total	42 114 931	50 756 778	8 641 847	20,5

1/ 2021 and 2022 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Total value of buildings reported as completed at current prices

The value of buildings reported as completed (at current prices) increased by 20,5% (R8 641,8 million) during January to September 2022 compared with January to September 2021.

Increases were recorded for additions and alterations (29,3% or R2 985,0 million), non-residential buildings (25,9% or R2 396,9 million) and residential buildings (14,4% or R3 260,0 million) – see Table E.

**Table F – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities aggregated to provincial level:
January to September 2021 versus January to September 2022**

Estimates at current prices	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% contribution to the total value of buildings completed during Jan – Sep 2021	% change between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	Contribution (% points) to the % change in the value of buildings completed between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	Difference in value between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022
	1/	1/				
	R'000	R'000				R'000
Western Cape	16 419 435	21 393 913	39,0	30,3	11,8	4 974 478
Eastern Cape	2 414 264	2 470 481	5,7	2,3	0,1	56 217
Northern Cape	426 201	604 242	1,0	41,8	0,4	178 041
Free State	515 273	497 078	1,2	-3,5	0,0	-18 195
KwaZulu-Natal	5 419 535	7 685 339	12,9	41,8	5,4	2 265 804
North West	1 814 919	1 472 165	4,3	-18,9	-0,8	-342 754
Gauteng	13 752 796	14 853 251	32,7	8,0	2,6	1 100 455
Mpumalanga	780 096	938 985	1,9	20,4	0,4	158 889
Limpopo	572 412	841 324	1,4	47,0	0,6	268 912
Total	42 114 931	50 756 778	100,0	20,5	20,5	8 641 847

1/ 2021 and 2022 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

2/ The contribution (percentage points) is calculated by multiplying the percentage change of each province between January to September 2021 and January to September 2022 by the percentage contribution of the corresponding province to the total value of buildings completed during January to September 2021, divided by 100.

Seven provinces reported year-on-year increases in the value of buildings completed during January to September 2022, of which Western Cape (contributing 11,8 percentage points or R4 974,5 million), KwaZulu-Natal (contributing 5,4 percentage points or R2 265,8 million) and Gauteng (contributing 2,6 percentage points or R1 100,5 million) were the largest positive contributors – see Table F.

Table G – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices: January to September 2021 versus January to September 2022

Estimates at constant 2019 prices	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	Difference in value between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022	% change between Jan – Sep 2021 and Jan – Sep 2022
	1/	1/	R'000	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	20 068 764	20 764 227	695 463	3,5
Non-residential buildings	8 160 615	9 329 649	1 169 034	14,3
Additions and alterations	8 976 575	10 568 006	1 591 431	17,7
Total	37 205 954	40 661 882	3 455 928	9,3

1/ 2021 and 2022 figures should be regarded as preliminary because of possible backlogs and incomplete reporting by municipalities.

Real value of buildings reported as completed

The real value of buildings reported as completed (at constant 2019 prices) increased by 9,3% (R3 455,9 million) during January to September 2022 compared with January to September 2021. Increases were recorded for additions and alterations (17,7% or R1 591,4 million), non-residential buildings (14,3% or R1 169,0 million) and residential buildings (3,5% or R695,5 million) – see Table G.

Table H – Seasonally adjusted three-monthly key figures regarding buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices

Seasonally adjusted estimates at constant 2019 prices	Apr – Jun 2022	Jul – Sep 2022	% change between Apr – Jun 2022 and Jul – Sep 2022
	R'000	R'000	
Residential buildings	7 731 665	7 010 940	-9,3
Non-residential buildings 1/	2 996 622	2 770 623	-7,5
Additions and alterations	5 213 454	2 477 006	-52,5
Total	15 941 741	12 258 569	-23,1

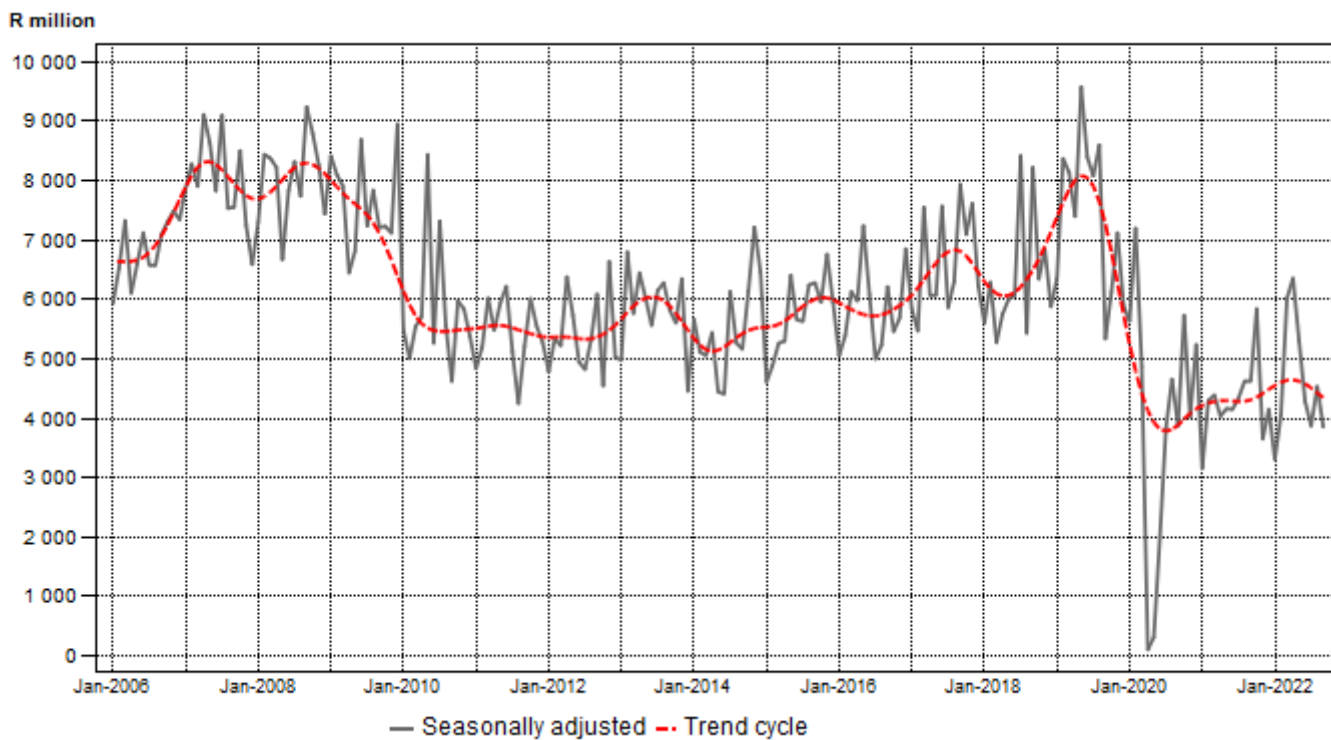
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Seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed

The seasonally adjusted real value of buildings reported as completed decreased by 23,1% in the third quarter of 2022 compared with the second quarter of 2022. Decreases were reported for additions and alterations (-52,5%), residential buildings (-9,3%) and non-residential buildings (-7,5%) – see Table H.

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

Constant 2019 prices



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Tables

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2021	January	3 638 393	35,6	413 469	-71,1	1 523 189	-9,7	5 575 051	-3,9
	February	5 184 991	20,2	2 787 213	51,4	2 636 828	5,4	10 609 032	22,6
	March	4 593 558	-2,2	2 499 249	20,6	2 554 253	2,7	9 647 060	4,2
	April	5 000 286	518,9	2 024 317	29,0	2 135 961	382,8	9 160 564	225,0
	May	6 289 829	676,7	1 242 347	589,9	2 630 019	503,0	10 162 195	612,6
	June	4 346 231	144,5	1 934 417	102,5	2 401 341	181,5	8 681 989	142,1
	July	4 725 414	58,9	1 069 244	12,2	2 492 195	64,1	8 286 853	52,2
	August	5 626 562	41,1	925 255	2,3	2 567 253	32,3	9 119 070	33,5
	September	5 231 182	34,4	1 239 913	23,4	2 708 619	26,2	9 179 714	30,3
	October	5 025 633	-2,7	1 067 570	-23,0	3 204 577	27,9	9 297 780	2,7
	November	5 873 589	21,1	1 394 350	-45,9	2 961 545	26,6	10 229 484	4,8
	December	4 688 524	25,0	1 380 657	45,4	2 093 828	5,8	8 163 009	22,2
	Total	60 224 192	51,7	17 978 001	13,6	29 909 608	43,5	108 111 801	41,6
2022	January	5 725 672	57,4	1 415 467	242,3	1 800 263	18,2	8 941 402	60,4
	February	4 570 070	-11,9	1 479 010	-46,9	2 446 446	-7,2	8 495 526	-19,9
	March	5 109 013	11,2	3 402 406	36,1	2 597 094	1,7	11 108 513	15,1
	April	4 847 086	-3,1	1 055 069	-47,9	2 480 200	16,1	8 382 355	-8,5
	May	4 974 894	-20,9	1 681 108	35,3	3 097 882	17,8	9 753 884	-4,0
	June	6 143 490	41,4	1 648 991	-14,8	2 708 649	12,8	10 501 130	21,0
	July	5 426 717	14,8	984 134	-8,0	3 031 595	21,6	9 442 446	13,9
	August	4 827 539	-14,2	1 820 814	96,8	3 615 896	40,8	10 264 249	12,6
	September	4 993 750	-4,5	1 772 882	43,0	3 206 250	18,4	9 972 882	8,6

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2021	January	5 346 714	15,1	413 469	-56,5	2 189 892	-8,1	7 950 075	-0,3
	February	5 296 823	-0,9	2 787 213	574,1	2 697 601	23,2	10 781 637	35,6
	March	4 405 809	-16,8	2 499 249	-10,3	2 471 349	-8,4	9 376 407	-13,0
	April	5 190 555	17,8	2 024 317	-19,0	2 290 623	-7,3	9 505 495	1,4
	May	6 411 245	23,5	1 242 347	-38,6	2 698 605	17,8	10 352 197	8,9
	June	3 864 157	-39,7	1 934 417	55,7	2 276 913	-15,6	8 075 487	-22,0
	July	4 301 245	11,3	1 069 244	-44,7	2 177 274	-4,4	7 547 763	-6,5
	August	5 109 952	18,8	925 255	-13,5	2 434 631	11,8	8 469 838	12,2
	September	4 840 001	-5,3	1 239 913	34,0	2 408 914	-1,1	8 488 828	0,2
	October	4 666 017	-3,6	1 067 570	-13,9	2 978 599	23,6	8 712 186	2,6
	November	5 998 984	28,6	1 394 350	30,6	2 646 420	-11,2	10 039 754	15,2
	December	6 001 873	0,0	1 380 657	-1,0	2 510 874	-5,1	9 893 404	-1,5
2022	January	8 561 340	42,6	1 415 467	2,5	2 559 989	2,0	12 536 796	26,7
	February	4 663 182	-45,5	1 479 010	4,5	2 493 589	-2,6	8 635 781	-31,1
	March	4 690 776	0,6	3 402 406	130,0	2 541 405	1,9	10 634 587	23,1
	April	5 220 148	11,3	1 055 069	-69,0	2 745 551	8,0	9 020 768	-15,2
	May	4 827 965	-7,5	1 681 108	59,3	3 095 670	12,8	9 604 743	6,5
	June	5 536 224	14,7	1 648 991	-1,9	2 580 097	-16,7	9 765 312	1,7
	July	5 043 280	-8,9	984 134	-40,3	2 786 193	8,0	8 813 607	-9,7
	August	4 301 237	-14,7	1 820 814	85,0	3 243 327	16,4	9 365 378	6,3
	September	4 715 887	9,6	1 772 882	-2,6	2 855 324	-12,0	9 344 093	-0,2
	Apr – Jun 22	15 584 337		4 385 168		8 421 318		28 390 823	
	Jul – Sep 22 2/	14 060 404	-9,8	4 577 830	4,4	8 884 844	5,5	27 523 078	-3,1

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

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

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

Table 3 – Value and percentage change of recorded building plans passed by larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building

Year and month ^{2/}		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}
2021	January	3 409 928	29,4	387 506	-72,5	1 427 544	-13,8	5 224 978	-8,3
	February	4 778 794	13,4	2 568 860	42,7	2 430 256	-0,6	9 777 910	15,6
	March	4 183 568	-9,5	2 276 183	11,6	2 326 278	-5,0	8 786 029	-3,6
	April	4 484 561	461,2	1 815 531	17,0	1 915 660	337,8	8 215 752	194,6
	May	5 566 220	594,3	1 099 422	516,6	2 327 450	439,0	8 993 092	537,0
	June	3 772 770	115,4	1 679 181	78,4	2 084 497	148,0	7 536 448	113,3
	July	4 073 633	40,4	921 762	-0,9	2 148 444	45,0	7 143 839	34,5
	August	4 829 667	25,2	794 210	-9,2	2 203 651	17,4	7 827 528	18,4
	September	4 444 505	19,2	1 053 452	9,4	2 301 291	11,9	7 799 248	15,6
	October	4 251 805	-13,3	903 190	-31,4	2 711 148	13,9	7 866 143	-8,5
	November	4 927 508	7,1	1 169 757	-52,1	2 484 518	12,0	8 581 783	-7,4
	December	3 913 626	10,4	1 152 468	28,4	1 747 770	-6,5	6 813 864	7,9
	Total	52 636 585	37,2	15 821 522	3,1	26 108 507	29,6	94 566 614	28,1
2022	January	4 739 795	39,0	1 171 744	202,4	1 490 284	4,4	7 401 823	41,7
	February	3 755 193	-21,4	1 215 292	-52,7	2 010 227	-17,3	6 980 712	-28,6
	March	4 157 049	-0,6	2 768 434	21,6	2 113 177	-9,2	9 038 660	2,9
	April	3 905 790	-12,9	850 176	-53,2	1 998 550	4,3	6 754 516	-17,8
	May	3 948 329	-29,1	1 334 213	21,4	2 458 637	5,6	7 741 179	-13,9
	June	4 852 678	28,6	1 302 521	-22,4	2 139 533	2,6	8 294 732	10,1
	July	4 256 249	4,5	771 870	-16,3	2 377 722	10,7	7 405 841	3,7
	August	3 807 207	-21,2	1 435 973	80,8	2 851 653	29,4	8 094 833	3,4
	September	3 957 013	-11,0	1 404 819	33,4	2 540 610	10,4	7 902 442	1,3

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2021	January	5 006 511	17,2	387 506	-56,8	2 038 250	-9,0	7 432 267	0,3
	February	4 886 815	-2,4	2 568 860	562,9	2 476 863	21,5	9 932 538	33,6
	March	4 015 608	-17,8	2 276 183	-11,4	2 242 687	-9,5	8 534 478	-14,1
	April	4 654 245	15,9	1 815 531	-20,2	2 069 807	-7,7	8 539 583	0,1
	May	5 618 702	20,7	1 099 422	-39,4	2 390 149	15,5	9 108 273	6,7
	June	3 365 855	-40,1	1 679 181	52,7	1 972 623	-17,5	7 017 659	-23,0
	July	3 671 056	9,1	921 762	-45,1	1 885 938	-4,4	6 478 756	-7,7
	August	4 437 241	20,9	794 210	-13,8	2 103 360	11,5	7 334 811	13,2
	September	4 172 733	-6,0	1 053 452	32,6	2 049 879	-2,5	7 276 064	-0,8
	October	3 954 049	-5,2	903 190	-14,3	2 514 095	22,6	7 371 334	1,3
	November	4 999 517	26,4	1 169 757	29,5	2 213 835	-11,9	8 383 109	13,7
	December	4 927 255	-1,4	1 152 468	-1,5	2 086 506	-5,8	8 166 229	-2,6
2022	January	7 055 488	43,2	1 171 744	1,7	2 105 237	0,9	10 332 469	26,5
	February	3 862 532	-45,3	1 215 292	3,7	2 044 154	-2,9	7 121 978	-31,1
	March	3 792 366	-1,8	2 768 434	127,8	2 062 942	0,9	8 623 742	21,1
	April	4 235 257	11,7	850 176	-69,3	2 222 916	7,8	7 308 349	-15,3
	May	3 809 946	-10,0	1 334 213	56,9	2 466 155	10,9	7 610 314	4,1
	June	4 353 632	14,3	1 302 521	-2,4	2 042 039	-17,2	7 698 192	1,2
	July	3 916 846	-10,0	771 870	-40,7	2 193 246	7,4	6 881 962	-10,6
	August	3 459 347	-11,7	1 435 973	86,0	2 567 096	17,0	7 462 416	8,4
	September	3 783 793	9,4	1 404 819	-2,2	2 264 374	-11,8	7 452 986	-0,1
	Apr – Jun 22	12 398 835		3 486 910		6 731 110		22 616 855	
	Jul – Sep 22 2/	11 159 986	-10,0	3 612 662	3,6	7 024 716	4,4	21 797 364	-3,6

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

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

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

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

Year and month 2/		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2021	January	1 556 192	-27,6	592 555	-59,9	557 442	-52,9	2 706 189	-43,7
	February	2 292 037	-17,5	1 278 339	-57,0	868 117	-31,5	4 438 493	-36,8
	March	3 241 970	43,7	484 864	-74,5	1 229 078	23,5	4 955 912	-3,8
	April	2 247 786	6 111,6	1 055 478	2 186,9	974 063	6 793,1	4 277 327	4 333,8
	May	2 577 282	2 191,7	1 177 072	1 021,5	838 562	892,2	4 592 916	1 421,2
	June	2 728 620	144,5	1 040 200	99,9	1 037 899	149,9	4 806 719	134,3
	July	2 502 803	-9,5	1 252 762	194,8	1 355 087	88,2	5 110 652	30,7
	August	2 505 989	0,1	1 188 372	3,7	1 788 633	64,4	5 482 994	15,7
	September	3 026 326	41,0	1 170 212	19,6	1 547 191	37,1	5 743 729	35,0
	October	3 685 713	4,9	2 052 384	26,9	1 371 063	20,0	7 109 160	13,3
	November	3 199 733	9,2	806 725	-7,4	1 144 563	-1,4	5 151 021	3,8
	December	3 294 450	1,0	881 654	-37,3	769 854	-11,3	4 945 958	-10,6
	Total	32 858 901	28,5	12 980 617	-3,6	13 481 552	33,9	59 321 070	20,8
2022	January	1 916 588	23,2	458 707	-22,6	765 284	37,3	3 140 579	16,1
	February	2 310 014	0,8	1 271 640	-0,5	1 147 349	32,2	4 729 003	6,5
	March	3 197 697	-1,4	2 627 335	441,9	1 891 604	53,9	7 716 636	55,7
	April	3 351 268	49,1	1 172 464	11,1	2 620 953	169,1	7 144 685	67,0
	May	3 078 346	19,4	1 137 002	-3,4	2 412 256	187,7	6 627 604	44,3
	June	2 976 891	9,1	1 455 223	39,9	1 014 533	-2,3	5 446 647	13,3
	July	2 792 747	11,6	1 167 421	-6,8	1 007 968	-25,6	4 968 136	-2,8
	August	3 221 336	28,5	1 248 420	5,1	1 340 292	-25,1	5 810 048	6,0
	September	3 094 141	2,2	1 098 496	-6,1	980 803	-36,6	5 173 440	-9,9

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2021	January	2 079 491	-34,2	592 555	-57,8	707 291	-28,8	3 379 337	-39,2
	February	2 551 187	22,7	1 278 339	115,7	835 980	18,2	4 665 506	38,1
	March	3 196 739	25,3	484 864	-62,1	1 073 481	28,4	4 755 084	1,9
	April	2 448 462	-23,4	1 055 478	117,7	1 050 383	-2,2	4 554 323	-4,2
	May	2 602 331	6,3	1 177 072	11,5	921 023	-12,3	4 700 426	3,2
	June	2 697 274	3,6	1 040 200	-11,6	1 041 215	13,0	4 778 689	1,7
	July	2 504 679	-7,1	1 252 762	20,4	1 265 770	21,6	5 023 211	5,1
	August	2 573 461	2,7	1 188 372	-5,1	1 624 929	28,4	5 386 762	7,2
	September	2 755 883	7,1	1 170 212	-1,5	1 509 555	-7,1	5 435 650	0,9
	October	3 519 051	27,7	2 052 384	75,4	1 327 020	-12,1	6 898 455	26,9
	November	2 517 715	-28,5	806 725	-60,7	1 010 341	-23,9	4 334 781	-37,2
	December	3 197 516	27,0	881 654	9,3	896 195	-11,3	4 975 365	14,8
2022	January	2 577 427	-19,4	458 707	-48,0	982 102	9,6	4 018 236	-19,2
	February	2 563 044	-0,6	1 271 640	177,2	1 099 835	12,0	4 934 519	22,8
	March	3 168 773	23,6	2 627 335	106,6	1 617 443	47,1	7 413 551	50,2
	April	3 645 345	15,0	1 172 464	-55,4	3 030 270	87,3	7 848 079	5,9
	May	3 105 170	-14,8	1 137 002	-3,0	2 442 838	-19,4	6 685 010	-14,8
	June	2 947 136	-5,1	1 455 223	28,0	1 019 023	-58,3	5 421 382	-18,9
	July	2 764 519	-6,2	1 167 421	-19,8	989 624	-2,9	4 921 564	-9,2
	August	3 261 325	18,0	1 248 420	6,9	1 241 383	25,4	5 751 128	16,9
	September	2 856 465	-12,4	1 098 496	-12,0	899 430	-27,5	4 854 391	-15,6
	Apr – Jun 22	9 697 651		3 764 689		6 492 131		19 954 471	
	Jul – Sep 22 2/	8 882 309	-8,4	3 514 337	-6,7	3 130 437	-51,8	15 527 083	-22,2

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

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

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

Table 7 – Value and percentage change of buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at constant 2019 prices by type of building

Year and month ^{2/}		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}	R'000	% change ^{1/}
2021	January	1 458 474	-30,9	555 347	-61,7	522 439	-55,1	2 536 260	-46,3
	February	2 112 476	-22,2	1 178 193	-59,5	800 108	-35,4	4 090 777	-40,4
	March	2 952 614	33,0	441 588	-76,4	1 119 379	14,3	4 513 581	-11,0
	April	2 015 952	5 532,3	946 617	1 973,6	873 599	6 150,3	3 836 168	3 920,3
	May	2 280 781	1 948,3	1 041 657	902,4	742 090	786,8	4 064 528	1 259,6
	June	2 368 594	115,4	902 951	76,1	900 954	120,2	4 172 499	106,4
	July	2 157 589	-20,0	1 079 967	160,5	1 168 178	66,3	4 405 734	15,5
	August	2 151 064	-11,2	1 020 062	-8,0	1 535 307	45,9	4 706 433	2,7
	September	2 571 220	25,0	994 233	6,1	1 314 521	21,6	4 879 974	19,8
	October	3 118 201	-6,5	1 736 365	13,1	1 159 952	6,9	6 014 518	1,0
	November	2 684 340	-3,5	676 783	-18,1	960 204	-12,8	4 321 327	-8,2
	December	2 749 958	-10,8	735 938	-44,6	642 616	-21,7	4 128 512	-21,1
	Total	28 621 263	16,0	11 309 701	-13,3	11 739 347	20,6	51 670 311	8,9
2022	January	1 586 579	8,8	379 724	-31,6	633 513	21,3	2 599 816	2,5
	February	1 898 122	-10,1	1 044 897	-11,3	942 768	17,8	3 885 787	-5,0
	March	2 601 869	-11,9	2 137 783	384,1	1 539 141	37,5	6 278 793	39,1
	April	2 700 458	34,0	944 774	-0,2	2 111 969	141,8	5 757 201	50,1
	May	2 443 132	7,1	902 383	-13,4	1 914 489	158,0	5 260 004	29,4
	June	2 351 415	-0,7	1 149 465	27,3	801 369	-11,1	4 302 249	3,1
	July	2 190 390	1,5	915 624	-15,2	790 563	-32,3	3 896 577	-11,6
	August	2 540 486	18,1	984 558	-3,5	1 057 013	-31,2	4 582 057	-2,6
	September	2 451 776	-4,6	870 441	-12,5	777 181	-40,9	4 099 398	-16,0

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

2/ Preliminary figures.

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

Year and month		Residential buildings		Non-residential buildings 3/		Additions and alterations		Total	
		R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/	R'000	% change 1/
2021	January	1 938 836	-34,8	555 347	-58,2	656 969	-29,8	3 151 152	-39,8
	February	2 344 438	20,9	1 178 193	112,2	770 246	17,2	4 292 877	36,2
	March	2 906 705	24,0	441 588	-62,5	1 041 006	35,2	4 389 299	2,2
	April	2 193 990	-24,5	946 617	114,4	891 073	-14,4	4 031 680	-8,1
	May	2 302 753	5,0	1 041 657	10,0	814 376	-8,6	4 158 786	3,2
	June	2 345 850	1,9	902 951	-13,3	898 340	10,3	4 147 141	-0,3
	July	2 160 991	-7,9	1 079 967	19,6	1 096 392	22,0	4 337 350	4,6
	August	2 206 788	2,1	1 020 062	-5,5	1 395 554	27,3	4 622 404	6,6
	September	2 346 326	6,3	994 233	-2,5	1 282 440	-8,1	4 622 999	0,0
	October	2 978 049	26,9	1 736 365	74,6	1 127 549	-12,1	5 841 963	26,4
	November	2 125 423	-28,6	676 783	-61,0	844 905	-25,1	3 647 111	-37,6
	December	2 659 248	25,1	735 938	8,7	752 205	-11,0	4 147 391	13,7
2022	January	2 122 611	-20,2	379 724	-48,4	802 853	6,7	3 305 188	-20,3
	February	2 100 660	-1,0	1 044 897	175,2	903 188	12,5	4 048 745	22,5
	March	2 573 777	22,5	2 137 783	104,6	1 302 969	44,3	6 014 529	48,6
	April	2 935 752	14,1	944 774	-55,8	2 476 404	90,1	6 356 930	5,7
	May	2 465 771	-16,0	902 383	-4,5	1 935 545	-21,8	5 303 699	-16,6
	June	2 330 142	-5,5	1 149 465	27,4	801 505	-58,6	4 281 112	-19,3
	July	2 171 652	-6,8	915 624	-20,3	779 802	-2,7	3 867 078	-9,7
	August	2 571 051	18,4	984 558	7,5	980 611	25,8	4 536 220	17,3
	September	2 268 237	-11,8	870 441	-11,6	716 593	-26,9	3 855 271	-15,0
	Apr – Jun 22	7 731 665		2 996 622		5 213 454		15 941 741	
	Jul – Sep 22 2/	7 010 940	-9,3	2 770 623	-7,5	2 477 006	-52,5	12 258 569	-23,1

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 933	724	672	7 795	8 460	8,5
		square metres	85 722	39 186	36 651	382 355	437 928	14,5
		R'000	441 229	300 405	285 328	2 368 127	3 052 426	28,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	1 554	1 394	1 323	11 858	12 298	3,7
		square metres	439 192	394 817	391 759	3 272 749	3 469 795	6,0
		R'000	3 524 973	3 290 520	3 249 576	25 347 141	27 801 881	9,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 021	860	1 410	18 264	17 771	-2,7
		square metres	138 990	116 173	150 583	1 800 212	1 672 789	-7,1
		R'000	1 197 742	1 016 648	1 408 839	16 143 879	15 027 064	-6,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	7 910	26 856	7 945	100 012	95 106	-4,9
		R'000	67 238	219 966	50 007	777 299	736 860	-5,2
Total residential buildings	R'000	5 231 182	4 827 539	4 993 750	44 636 446	46 618 231	4,4	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	17 394	5 812	13 555	233 534	88 733	-62,0
		R'000	188 448	59 835	124 423	2 131 350	760 708	-64,3
	Shopping space	square metres	10 181	32 999	21 656	362 759	307 758	-15,2
		R'000	85 499	287 919	183 856	2 809 956	2 691 284	-4,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	142 630	169 048	187 899	1 195 677	1 418 537	18,6
		R'000	882 609	1 182 418	1 264 333	7 533 487	9 271 290	23,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	12 989	33 374	27 254	240 439	326 980	36,0
		R'000	83 357	290 642	200 270	1 660 631	2 536 599	52,7
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 239 913	1 820 814	1 772 882	14 135 424	15 259 881	8,0	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	246 528	280 069	283 293	2 114 143	2 290 787	8,4
		R'000	1 994 140	2 336 584	2 456 019	16 595 352	18 638 888	12,3
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	80 405	122 249	72 016	516 163	577 062	11,8
		R'000	714 479	1 279 312	750 231	5 054 306	6 345 387	25,5
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	2 708 619	3 615 896	3 206 250	21 649 658	24 984 275	15,4
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	9 179 714	10 264 249	9 972 882	80 421 528	86 862 387	8,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	957	255	216	2 270	3 477	53,2
		square metres	40 988	12 017	9 902	102 574	157 884	53,9
		R'000	219 046	72 136	64 275	594 734	987 695	66,1
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	628	581	523	3 860	4 905	27,1
		square metres	159 959	156 377	136 613	1 002 433	1 296 492	29,3
		R'000	1 165 170	1 161 523	1 003 872	7 028 705	9 267 620	31,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	363	344	582	5 945	6 170	3,8
		square metres	51 035	53 251	65 565	586 131	610 688	4,2
		R'000	402 641	408 486	573 082	4 531 380	4 943 819	9,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	552	5 970	57 920	24 629	-57,5
		R'000	0	3 340	36 413	445 224	194 999	-56,2
	Total residential buildings	R'000	1 786 857	1 645 485	1 677 642	12 600 043	15 394 133	22,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 881	1 271	1 853	52 686	35 863	-31,9
		R'000	16 459	9 218	14 500	385 922	271 000	-29,8
	Shopping space	square metres	6 777	6 923	1 956	56 182	51 164	-8,9
		R'000	56 998	53 361	14 977	453 873	380 413	-16,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	1 075	19 716	14 770	182 122	226 327	24,3
		R'000	7 481	144 019	116 431	1 227 359	1 544 699	25,9
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	9 287	11 682	9 003	120 937	151 943	25,6
		R'000	60 319	79 953	67 967	838 204	1 137 705	35,7
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	141 257	286 551	213 875	2 905 358	3 333 817	14,7	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	71 405	120 136	103 314	653 314	852 738	30,5
		R'000	493 420	888 056	774 558	4 493 694	6 050 719	34,6
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	29 495	33 206	30 662	206 245	207 642	0,7
		R'000	300 068	364 241	349 646	2 134 609	2 536 172	18,8
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	793 488	1 252 297	1 124 204	6 628 303	8 586 891	29,5
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	2 721 602	3 184 333	3 015 721	22 133 704	27 314 841	23,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	717	52	43	1 930	626	-67,6
		square metres	29 499	3 164	2 307	86 653	30 753	-64,5
		R'000	127 198	24 738	15 813	381 276	193 850	-49,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	98	119	83	1 038	936	-9,8
		square metres	28 883	25 210	22 163	266 710	223 036	-16,4
		R'000	221 097	205 287	181 339	1 957 502	1 764 965	-9,8
	Flats and townhouses	Number	48	29	159	627	621	-1,0
		square metres	4 010	3 651	15 128	73 795	76 148	3,2
		R'000	28 778	26 883	124 761	534 906	595 069	11,2
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	25 640	0	5 867	46 921	699,7
		R'000	0	211 453	0	43 900	369 815	742,4
	Total residential buildings	R'000	377 073	468 361	321 913	2 917 584	2 923 699	0,2
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	132	1 272	4 017	1 935	-51,8
		R'000	0	1 052	10 490	25 003	15 483	-38,1
	Shopping space	square metres	168	165	4 094	59 786	21 039	-64,8
		R'000	968	1 315	33 055	427 755	156 145	-63,5
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	5 336	12 811	20 674	129 520	70 905	-45,3
		R'000	39 749	102 192	129 034	925 526	509 436	-45,0
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	1 759	10 987	22 461	104,4
		R'000	0	0	9 746	77 517	162 544	109,7
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	40 717	104 559	182 325	1 455 801	843 608	-42,1
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	25 771	21 750	20 393	209 315	193 000
R'000			193 930	173 874	164 099	1 507 039	1 478 096	-1,9
Other buildings 4/		square metres	9 582	7 706	7 022	48 632	54 905	12,9
		R'000	73 561	63 536	56 320	378 470	440 395	16,4
Total additions and alterations		R'000	267 491	237 410	220 419	1 885 509	1 918 491	1,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	685 281	810 330	724 657	6 258 894	5 685 798	-9,2

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	7	1	2	44	22	-50,0
		square metres	357	34	90	2 502	1 302	-48,0
		R'000	3 041	320	847	21 810	11 551	-47,0
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	20	17	17	141	148	5,0
		square metres	5 729	4 212	4 270	34 221	32 969	-3,7
		R'000	47 438	37 326	38 253	284 016	275 807	-2,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	145	4	-97,2
		square metres	0	0	0	9 143	2 642	-71,1
		R'000	0	0	0	78 915	22 295	-71,7
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	588	0	3 399	..
		R'000	0	0	5 535	0	30 171	..
	Total residential buildings	R'000	50 479	37 646	44 635	384 741	339 824	-11,7
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	252	3 839	1 835	8 068
R'000			0	2 372	36 137	15 781	73 069	363,0
Shopping space		square metres	0	0	0	276	516	87,0
		R'000	0	0	0	2 374	4 523	90,5
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	987	0	0	12 730	26 262	106,3
		R'000	7 998	0	0	107 573	220 542	105,0
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	1 039	866	762	13 179	1 629,5
		R'000	0	9 780	8 152	6 438	116 737	1 713,2
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	7 998	12 152	44 289	132 166	414 871	213,9
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	5 823	5 002	4 454	25 828	44 080
	R'000		48 181	46 015	40 191	214 562	375 064	74,8
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	195	0	1 527	1 788	2 821	57,8
		R'000	7 024	461	14 874	32 498	34 361	5,7
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	55 205	46 476	55 065	247 060	409 425	65,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	113 682	96 274	143 989	763 967	1 164 120	52,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	5	3	27	127	142	11,8
		square metres	284	193	1 507	7 671	7 985	4,1
		R'000	2 374	1 643	14 499	62 745	71 122	13,4
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	54	35	31	526	439	-16,5
		square metres	12 659	7 325	5 969	107 067	91 810	-14,2
		R'000	94 879	63 640	51 096	806 132	725 989	-9,9
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	15	72	66	200	203,0
		square metres	0	2 860	5 250	9 444	24 707	161,6
		R'000	0	27 516	50 510	80 027	233 623	191,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	240	0	594	3 735	4 235	13,4
		R'000	1 843	0	3 674	26 774	27 903	4,2
	Total residential buildings	R'000	99 096	92 799	119 779	975 678	1 058 637	8,5
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	260	1 047	790	-24,5
		R'000	0	0	2 073	9 379	5 125	-45,4
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	13 216	6 332	-52,1
		R'000	0	0	0	99 537	43 362	-56,4
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	956	1 174	14 157	9 751	34 172	250,4
		R'000	5 506	8 616	92 866	61 726	230 329	273,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	356	1 163	0	24 169	2 159	-91,1
		R'000	2 050	11 189	0	144 303	20 772	-85,6
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	7 556	19 805	94 939	314 945	299 588	-4,9
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	6 435	4 386	6 034	77 494	56 771
R'000			47 414	35 053	54 524	562 828	458 325	-18,6
Other buildings 4/		square metres	4 561	12	0	13 883	3 512	-74,7
		R'000	35 584	768	22	108 513	41 701	-61,6
Total additions and alterations		R'000	82 998	35 821	54 546	671 341	500 026	-25,5
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	189 650	148 425	269 264	1 961 964	1 858 251	-5,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	35	16	26	179	345	92,7
		square metres	2 201	914	1 309	10 415	21 016	101,8
		R'000	14 979	7 117	11 646	86 146	198 592	130,5
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	121	116	98	888	995	12,0
		square metres	40 581	34 987	39 730	282 226	336 012	19,1
		R'000	420 248	349 169	386 164	2 821 108	3 387 164	20,1
	Flats and townhouses	Number	164	158	91	3 657	3 761	2,8
		square metres	21 532	27 278	9 631	347 918	397 996	14,4
		R'000	209 251	279 374	105 300	3 687 671	4 113 623	11,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	279	457	0	14 084	6 949	-50,7
		R'000	2 232	3 654	0	113 417	52 359	-53,8
	Total residential buildings	R'000	646 710	639 314	503 110	6 708 342	7 751 738	15,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	3 166	0	0	18 188	16 894	-7,1
		R'000	37 992	0	0	154 807	164 376	6,2
	Shopping space	square metres	627	17 211	604	38 860	83 552	115,0
		R'000	4 703	179 913	6 427	378 922	820 814	116,6
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	52 924	48 797	81 509	470 093	327 672	-30,3
		R'000	325 868	309 386	552 557	2 901 517	2 058 519	-29,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	261	0	246	21 054	17 108	-18,7
		R'000	2 088	0	3 075	166 649	138 188	-17,1
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	370 651	489 299	562 059	3 601 895	3 181 897	-11,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	31 658	25 436	40 273	269 831	253 769
R'000			326 584	251 736	430 307	2 754 475	2 650 813	-3,8
Other buildings 4/		square metres	6 825	59 172	10 215	111 168	144 522	30,0
		R'000	79 347	647 478	116 921	1 228 861	1 678 474	36,6
Total additions and alterations		R'000	405 931	899 214	547 228	3 983 336	4 329 287	8,7
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	1 423 292	2 027 827	1 612 397	14 293 573	15 262 922	6,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	38	4	17	120	264	120,0
		square metres	2 198	263	923	6 571	11 417	73,7
		R'000	13 487	1 714	5 338	39 798	55 693	39,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	71	103	80	836	790	-5,5
		square metres	19 228	31 554	24 530	211 657	217 031	2,5
		R'000	136 625	228 938	175 407	1 386 347	1 502 544	8,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	36	32	50	666	208	-68,8
		square metres	3 160	2 561	6 869	58 830	19 273	-67,2
		R'000	18 769	15 840	50 047	371 052	124 018	-66,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 373	447	-67,4
		R'000	0	0	0	9 300	3 433	-63,1
	Total residential buildings	R'000	168 881	246 492	230 792	1 806 497	1 685 688	-6,7
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	216	32	0	1 547	1 789	15,6
		R'000	1 244	198	0	9 237	10 375	12,3
	Shopping space	square metres	0	6 450	6 280	110 803	25 547	-76,9
		R'000	0	36 479	44 837	649 838	164 726	-74,7
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 943	790	0	8 373	46 443	454,7
		R'000	20 729	4 343	0	51 400	273 984	433,0
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	941	3 648	4 541	19 460	18 555	-4,7
		R'000	5 419	20 835	33 900	118 733	120 323	1,3
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	27 392	61 855	78 737	829 208	569 408	-31,3
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 000	13 041	10 604	106 730	88 917
R'000			64 474	90 214	71 623	669 492	583 673	-12,8
Other buildings 4/		square metres	1 252	638	1 287	22 408	24 541	9,5
		R'000	35 442	12 786	11 670	237 496	232 080	-2,3
Total additions and alterations		R'000	99 916	103 000	83 293	906 988	815 753	-10,1
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	296 189	411 347	392 822	3 542 693	3 070 849	-13,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	166	374	285	2 938	3 246	10,5
		square metres	9 822	21 487	16 945	154 933	186 640	20,5
		R'000	58 916	184 555	143 188	1 116 898	1 382 405	23,8
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	385	310	352	3 096	2 857	-7,7
		square metres	123 674	100 702	115 590	955 490	896 641	-6,2
		R'000	1 119 406	978 086	1 104 182	8 458 857	8 314 809	-1,7
	Flats and townhouses	Number	406	207	429	6 786	4 897	-27,8
		square metres	58 841	18 385	45 656	672 688	450 478	-33,0
		R'000	535 561	194 174	488 275	6 600 345	4 398 479	-33,4
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	7 391	0	0	13 639	42	-99,7
		R'000	63 163	0	0	116 931	285	-99,8
Total residential buildings	R'000	1 777 046	1 356 815	1 735 645	16 293 031	14 095 978	-13,5	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	12 131	3 609	3 942	152 393	16 995	-88,8
		R'000	132 753	43 449	45 491	1 519 563	179 527	-88,2
	Shopping space	square metres	1 540	1 382	5 068	71 691	62 150	-13,3
		R'000	16 674	11 118	61 540	722 178	757 970	5,0
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	75 871	81 965	50 752	349 966	586 039	67,5
		R'000	454 142	581 111	327 093	2 041 041	3 736 068	83,0
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	942	15 698	4 687	36 578	80 050	118,8
		R'000	6 389	167 856	38 078	271 492	708 513	161,0
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	609 958	803 534	472 202	4 554 274	5 382 078	18,2	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	73 565	77 973	77 900	613 750	627 888	2,3
		R'000	678 633	762 881	778 182	5 417 790	5 900 948	8,9
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	21 018	19 855	16 867	90 389	114 258	26,4
		R'000	136 513	163 128	153 378	720 387	1 094 211	51,9
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	815 146	926 009	931 560	6 138 177	6 995 159	14,0
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	3 202 150	3 086 358	3 139 407	26 985 482	26 473 215	-1,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	8	12	51	111	281	153,2	
		square metres	373	723	3 340	6 241	17 228	176,0	
		R'000	2 188	5 514	27 689	35 369	127 649	260,9	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	103	68	86	984	828	-15,9	
		square metres	26 996	18 879	26 662	255 306	242 224	-5,1	
		R'000	179 047	155 010	194 687	1 641 055	1 699 226	3,5	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	44	0	153	80	-47,7	
		square metres	0	4 372	0	16 545	8 155	-50,7	
		R'000	0	39 099	0	101 366	64 302	-36,6	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	3 513	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	27 713	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	181 235	199 623	222 376	1 777 790	1 918 890	7,9
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	1 585	378	3 307	774,9	
		R'000	0	0	10 206	2 964	21 505	625,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	1 069	337	3 654	11 410	39 311	244,5	
		R'000	6 156	2 084	23 020	72 038	253 229	251,5	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 538	3 795	3 038	14 875	66 930	349,9	
		R'000	21 136	32 751	25 740	108 024	481 365	345,6	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	1 202	0	6 152	5 589	18 241	226,4	
		R'000	7 092	0	39 352	32 164	109 278	239,8	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	34 384	34 835	98 318	215 190	865 377	302,1
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	16 887	8 975	14 284	116 443	136 596	17,3
R'000			109 781	66 191	101 129	721 535	901 453	24,9	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	3 045	660	4 167	6 177	17 797	188,1	
		R'000	19 057	14 557	40 047	80 205	195 288	143,5	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	128 838	80 748	141 176	801 740	1 096 741	36,8	
Recorded plans passed		Total at current prices	R'000	344 457	315 206	461 870	2 794 720	3 881 008	38,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

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

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	7	5	76	57	-25,0
		square metres	0	391	328	4 795	3 703	-22,8
		R'000	0	2 668	2 033	29 351	23 869	-18,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	74	45	53	489	400	-18,2
		square metres	21 483	15 571	16 232	157 639	133 580	-15,3
		R'000	141 063	111 541	114 576	963 419	863 757	-10,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	4	31	27	219	1 830	735,6
		square metres	412	3 815	2 484	25 718	82 702	221,6
		R'000	2 742	25 276	16 864	158 217	531 836	236,1
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	207	793	3 394	4 971	46,5
		R'000	0	1 519	4 385	21 753	30 182	38,7
	Total residential buildings	R'000	143 805	141 004	137 858	1 172 740	1 449 644	23,6
	Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	516	804	1 443	3 092
R'000			0	3 546	5 526	8 694	20 248	132,9
Shopping space		square metres	0	531	0	535	18 147	3 292,0
		R'000	0	3 649	0	3 441	110 102	3 099,7
Industrial and warehouse space		square metres	0	0	2 999	18 247	33 787	85,2
		R'000	0	0	20 612	109 321	216 348	97,9
Other non-residential buildings 3/		square metres	0	144	0	903	3 284	263,7
		R'000	0	1 029	0	5 131	22 539	339,3
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	0	8 224	26 138	126 587	369 237	191,7
Additions and alterations		Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 984	3 370	6 037	41 438	37 028
	R'000		31 723	22 564	41 406	253 937	239 797	-5,6
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	4 432	1 000	269	15 473	7 064	-54,3
		R'000	27 883	12 357	7 353	133 267	92 705	-30,4
	Total additions and alterations	R'000	59 606	34 921	48 759	387 204	332 502	-14,1
Recorded plans passed	Total at current prices	R'000	203 411	184 149	212 755	1 686 531	2 151 383	27,6

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 19 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: South Africa

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	1 027	973	786	5 713	7 073	23,8	
		square metres	50 800	51 738	43 540	298 256	365 235	22,5	
		R'000	331 756	357 986	339 892	1 925 895	2 517 627	30,7	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	834	853	905	5 972	7 241	21,2	
		square metres	200 992	218 277	215 801	1 504 995	1 820 609	21,0	
		R'000	1 643 972	1 851 752	1 805 617	11 880 116	14 652 294	23,3	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	1 386	851	1 068	10 568	9 777	-7,5	
		square metres	121 589	114 490	101 619	999 418	942 919	-5,7	
		R'000	1 050 598	1 011 598	939 541	8 414 578	8 390 097	-0,3	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 337	48 550	42 957	-11,5	
		R'000	0	0	9 091	458 416	379 010	-17,3	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	3 026 326	3 221 336	3 094 141	22 679 005	25 939 028	14,4
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	2 343	6 829	10 125	153 869	114 373	-25,7	
		R'000	20 255	60 827	80 951	1 296 208	1 005 400	-22,4	
	Shopping space	square metres	82 927	8 478	36 667	333 961	260 475	-22,0	
		R'000	605 654	82 114	291 626	2 634 479	2 501 168	-5,1	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	75 227	143 215	103 370	671 449	983 218	46,4	
		R'000	481 167	910 898	693 462	4 321 379	6 264 645	45,0	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	9 659	22 614	4 173	125 416	238 955	90,5	
		R'000	63 136	194 581	32 457	987 788	1 865 495	88,9	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	1 170 212	1 248 420	1 098 496	9 239 854	11 636 708	25,9	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	111 497	84 951	78 438	755 880	1 149 376	52,1	
		R'000	822 917	680 779	633 217	5 757 839	8 436 265	46,5	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	80 284	73 508	37 552	425 631	473 180	11,2	
		R'000	724 274	659 513	347 586	4 438 233	4 744 777	6,9	
	Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 547 191	1 340 292	980 803	10 196 072	13 181 042	29,3
Recorded buildings completed		Total at current prices	R'000	5 743 729	5 810 048	5 173 440	42 114 931	50 756 778	20,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 20 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Western Cape

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	500	177	153	2 240	2 487	11,0	
		square metres	22 475	7 867	6 641	101 182	106 721	5,5	
		R'000	131 756	46 196	39 014	571 552	607 024	6,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	278	292	386	2 059	2 907	41,2	
		square metres	67 845	63 759	80 079	491 543	711 425	44,7	
		R'000	463 839	441 315	565 950	3 367 065	4 905 968	45,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	639	294	521	5 202	5 151	-1,0	
		square metres	53 852	45 224	41 337	445 105	459 368	3,2	
		R'000	422 630	368 593	337 842	3 467 548	3 636 386	4,9	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	1 063	22 136	11 736	-47,0	
		R'000	0	0	7 396	180 045	76 574	-57,5	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 018 225	856 104	950 202	7 586 210	9 225 952	21,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	1 943	5 808	9 099	99 825	60 879	-39,0	
		R'000	15 044	50 820	67 585	812 895	474 897	-41,6	
	Shopping space	square metres	34 826	3 648	1 065	82 189	75 815	-7,8	
		R'000	300 723	31 923	9 401	680 624	613 285	-9,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	29 972	29 323	27 788	222 072	217 337	-2,1	
		R'000	210 567	198 173	198 074	1 520 162	1 470 019	-3,3	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	4 338	19 858	2 526	40 060	122 377	205,5	
		R'000	26 922	174 113	17 306	275 693	914 116	231,6	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	553 256	455 029	292 366	3 289 374	3 472 317	5,6	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	68 953	36 808	44 334	396 286	806 670	103,6	
		R'000	434 483	246 858	302 818	2 626 657	5 397 603	105,5	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	67 062	30 922	16 327	264 930	310 793	17,3	
		R'000	567 001	305 298	175 913	2 917 194	3 298 041	13,1	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	1 001 484	552 156	478 731	5 543 851	8 695 644	56,9	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	2 572 965	1 863 289	1 721 299	16 419 435	21 393 913	30,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 21 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Eastern Cape

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	30	43	30	116	269	131,9
		square metres	1 676	2 643	1 845	6 589	16 018	143,1
		R'000	12 478	19 698	13 775	44 768	116 698	160,7
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	39	54	42	364	428	17,6
		square metres	6 140	11 755	9 824	86 879	92 818	6,8
		R'000	46 625	99 896	83 335	640 523	736 336	15,0
	Flats and townhouses	Number	44	11	7	250	194	-22,4
		square metres	4 072	1 264	1 895	20 779	16 723	-19,5
		R'000	31 269	10 424	15 628	151 762	129 645	-14,6
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	5 297	..
		R'000	0	0	0	0	40 676	..
Total residential buildings	R'000	90 372	130 018	112 738	837 053	1 023 355	22,3	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	10 537	3 921	-62,8
		R'000	0	0	0	77 245	30 109	-61,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	520	27 570	3 605	28 258	683,9
		R'000	0	3 668	227 370	23 466	232 328	890,1
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	982	105 230	10 461	-90,1
		R'000	0	0	8 099	750 703	80 889	-89,2
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	243	0	0	3 121	30 913	890,5
		R'000	1 866	0	0	23 034	230 805	902,0
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	1 866	3 668	235 469	874 448	574 131	-34,3	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	4 583	11 894	2 892	76 593	63 596	-17,0
		R'000	34 583	96 219	24 581	553 000	496 774	-10,2
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	1 847	26 304	9 223	16 731	46 543	178,2
		R'000	14 561	210 263	76 286	149 763	376 221	151,2
Total additions and alterations	R'000	49 144	306 482	100 867	702 763	872 995	24,2	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	141 382	440 168	449 074	2 414 264	2 470 481	2,3

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 22 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Northern Cape

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	0	0	1	15	10	-33,3	
		square metres	0	0	67	877	635	-27,6	
		R'000	0	0	631	7 601	5 319	-30,0	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	10	9	5	72	67	-6,9	
		square metres	2 231	1 564	1 008	17 697	15 084	-14,8	
		R'000	18 078	14 722	9 488	149 479	128 566	-14,0	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	11	20	81,8	
		square metres	0	0	0	1 035	1 571	51,8	
		R'000	0	0	0	8 901	12 730	43,0	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	1 117	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	9 789	0	-100,0	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	18 078	14 722	10 119	175 770	146 615	-16,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	274	461	68,2	
		R'000	0	0	0	2 356	3 735	58,5	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	1 190	249	-79,1	
		R'000	0	0	0	10 429	2 344	-77,5	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	293	0	0	1 379	20 169	1 362,6	
		R'000	2 374	0	0	11 714	163 430	1 295,2	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	195	202	3,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	1 677	1 637	-2,4	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	2 374	0	0	26 176	171 146	553,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	2 797	3 349	3 635	18 298	31 001	69,4
R'000			22 664	31 524	34 216	155 334	265 044	70,6	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	112	0	67	7 881	2 218	-71,9	
		R'000	1 018	280	911	68 921	21 437	-68,9	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	23 682	31 804	35 127	224 255	286 481	27,7	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	44 134	46 526	45 246	426 201	604 242	41,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 23 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Free State

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	4	47	1	222	146	-34,2
		square metres	232	2 645	40	13 479	7 922	-41,2
		R'000	1 722	25 448	247	113 581	72 405	-36,3
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	7	27	9	174	153	-12,1
		square metres	1 935	4 699	2 090	31 281	30 106	-3,8
		R'000	14 796	40 094	15 101	234 219	242 080	3,4
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	0	0	35	2	-94,3
		square metres	0	0	0	4 012	355	-91,2
		R'000	0	0	0	33 393	2 044	-93,9
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	605	1 487	145,8
		R'000	0	0	0	4 942	8 563	73,3
	Total residential buildings	R'000	16 518	65 542	15 348	386 135	325 092	-15,8
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	147	0	-100,0
		R'000	0	0	0	1 091	0	-100,0
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	538	207	-61,5
		R'000	0	0	0	3 640	1 992	-45,3
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	0	0	6 315	2 786	-55,9
		R'000	0	0	0	46 469	21 319	-54,1
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	471	353	-25,1
		R'000	0	0	0	2 653	2 129	-19,8
	Total non-residential buildings	R'000	0	0	0	53 853	25 440	-52,8
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	3 396	2 145	638	10 596	16 660
R'000			21 842	19 513	4 475	69 640	114 017	63,7
Other buildings 4/		square metres	0	0	0	628	3 794	504,1
		R'000	0	176	0	5 645	32 529	476,2
Total additions and alterations		R'000	21 842	19 689	4 475	75 285	146 546	94,7
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	38 360	85 231	19 823	515 273	497 078	-3,5

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 24 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: KwaZulu-Natal

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	9	4	15	69	79	14,5
		square metres	525	259	792	4 077	4 486	10,0
		R'000	6 247	2 087	7 051	40 121	42 888	6,9
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	90	63	43	449	473	5,3
		square metres	18 323	19 377	18 158	138 784	173 260	24,8
		R'000	208 466	201 184	189 720	1 445 949	1 811 198	25,3
	Flats and townhouses	Number	258	206	158	656	1 766	169,2
		square metres	19 857	32 772	27 480	73 588	178 994	143,2
		R'000	196 262	362 328	315 024	684 876	2 002 215	192,3
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	24 068	20 423	-15,1
		R'000	0	0	0	259 649	224 653	-13,5
Total residential buildings	R'000	410 975	565 599	511 795	2 430 595	4 080 954	67,9	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	767	0	19 983	8 251	-58,7
		R'000	0	8 437	0	212 528	90 761	-57,3
	Shopping space	square metres	4 810	4 109	0	80 057	47 713	-40,4
		R'000	53 843	45 199	0	732 441	518 850	-29,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	9 200	66 205	51 247	79 222	277 870	250,7
		R'000	55 200	410 496	308 220	498 732	1 703 449	241,6
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	678	661	811	3 657	15 569	325,7
		R'000	7 458	8 263	9 980	23 493	160 229	582,0
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	116 501	472 395	318 200	1 467 194	2 473 289	68,6	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	10 120	6 216	8 279	83 430	64 749	-22,4
		R'000	116 691	70 853	90 658	949 419	730 999	-23,0
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	6 248	2 339	1 172	48 519	30 208	-37,7
		R'000	82 953	28 682	12 771	572 327	400 097	-30,1
Total additions and alterations	R'000	199 644	99 535	103 429	1 521 746	1 131 096	-25,7	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	727 120	1 137 529	933 424	5 419 535	7 685 339	41,8

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 25 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: North West

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit						
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	9	33	43	148	262	77,0
		square metres	630	1 891	2 943	9 048	15 490	71,2
		R'000	3 654	10 544	19 357	51 918	88 362	70,2
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	43	76	72	428	610	42,5
		square metres	11 270	18 210	13 556	98 393	127 489	29,6
		R'000	77 147	132 369	97 330	641 450	873 811	36,2
	Flats and townhouses	Number	0	2	40	179	102	-43,0
		square metres	0	495	5 587	20 833	13 629	-34,6
		R'000	0	2 862	34 556	136 690	83 598	-38,8
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	274	0	1 325	..
		R'000	0	0	1 695	0	8 772	..
Total residential buildings	R'000	80 801	145 775	152 938	830 058	1 054 543	27,0	
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	254	0	7 339	1 309	-82,2
		R'000	0	1 570	0	42 368	7 688	-81,9
	Shopping space	square metres	43 291	201	594	109 895	11 979	-89,1
		R'000	251 088	1 324	3 734	652 897	83 277	-87,2
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	6 472	711	791	9 764	13 475	38,0
		R'000	44 476	3 909	4 351	66 276	90 905	37,2
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	2 095	836	520	16 443	3 062,1
		R'000	0	12 205	5 171	3 993	98 348	2 363,0
Total non-residential buildings	R'000	295 564	19 008	13 256	765 534	280 218	-63,4	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	741	1 921	1 963	12 327	13 666	10,9
		R'000	4 811	11 814	12 361	72 066	83 542	15,9
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 055	776	351	16 134	5 131	-68,2
		R'000	14 728	7 495	5 841	147 261	53 862	-63,4
Total additions and alterations	R'000	19 539	19 309	18 202	219 327	137 404	-37,4	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices	R'000	395 904	184 092	184 396	1 814 919	1 472 165	-18,9

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 26 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Gauteng

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	449	641	522	2 716	3 606	32,8	
		square metres	23 721	34 572	29 956	152 119	201 183	32,3	
		R'000	166 036	241 802	251 701	1 031 407	1 499 087	45,3	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	298	248	293	1 965	1 964	-0,1	
		square metres	75 575	73 618	78 212	517 688	519 164	0,3	
		R'000	693 668	740 660	750 483	4 559 756	4 902 849	7,5	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	398	323	338	4 105	2 449	-40,3	
		square metres	38 698	32 294	24 544	421 068	261 319	-37,9	
		R'000	367 584	250 614	230 944	3 850 228	2 451 091	-36,3	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	484	2 474	411,2	
		R'000	0	0	0	3 091	18 303	492,1	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	1 227 288	1 233 076	1 233 128	9 444 482	8 871 330	-6,1
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	400	0	1 026	8 115	38 097	369,5	
		R'000	5 211	0	13 366	87 815	389 640	343,7	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	46 067	85 283	85,1	
		R'000	0	0	0	465 448	976 838	109,9	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	26 304	41 870	22 108	238 680	408 384	71,1	
		R'000	150 932	258 925	172 207	1 374 029	2 496 064	81,7	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	436	0	0	71 596	40 748	-43,1	
		R'000	3 502	0	0	622 108	361 311	-41,9	
Total non-residential buildings		R'000	159 645	258 925	185 573	2 549 400	4 223 853	65,7	
Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	19 295	20 874	15 651	145 888	140 268	-3,9	
		R'000	177 227	192 078	156 655	1 251 714	1 262 017	0,8	
	Other buildings 4/	square metres	2 776	13 167	9 394	67 162	68 062	1,3	
		R'000	30 188	105 584	65 895	507 200	496 051	-2,2	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	207 415	297 662	222 550	1 758 914	1 758 068	0,0	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	1 594 348	1 789 663	1 641 251	13 752 796	14 853 251	8,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 27 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Mpumalanga

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	6	16	11	98	136	38,8	
		square metres	313	1 052	621	5 464	7 734	41,5	
		R'000	2 005	6 651	3 926	31 210	52 806	69,2	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	39	49	33	245	421	71,8	
		square metres	6 933	12 986	7 296	60 939	82 757	35,8	
		R'000	53 490	97 483	55 872	464 355	602 184	29,7	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	16	0	0	26	4	-84,6	
		square metres	1 426	0	0	2 242	509	-77,3	
		R'000	9 182	0	0	14 500	2 966	-79,5	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	0	0	..	
		R'000	0	0	0	0	0	..	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	64 677	104 134	59 798	510 065	657 956	29,0
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	6 680	1 455	-78,2	
		R'000	0	0	0	54 071	8 570	-84,2	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	0	7 840	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	51 456	0	-100,0	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	2 986	2 078	0	7 594	14 497	90,9	
		R'000	17 618	18 584	0	45 882	120 236	162,1	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	3 964	0	0	3 964	8 599	116,9	
		R'000	23 388	0	0	23 388	71 604	206,2	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	41 006	18 584	0	174 797	200 410	14,7
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	632	1 121	236	7 654	7 704	0,7
R'000			4 393	8 149	1 817	51 584	54 000	4,7	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	28	0	0	1 609	1 806	12,2	
		R'000	10 827	735	306	43 650	26 619	-39,0	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	15 220	8 884	2 123	95 234	80 619	-15,3	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	120 903	131 602	61 921	780 096	938 985	20,4

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Table 28 – Buildings reported as completed to larger municipalities at current prices by type of building: Limpopo

			Sep 2021	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Jan – Sep 2021	Jan – Sep 2022	% change 1/	
Category of building	Type of building	Measuring unit							
Residential buildings	Dwelling-houses < 80 square metres	Number	20	12	10	89	78	-12,4	
		square metres	1 228	809	635	5 421	5 046	-6,9	
		R'000	7 858	5 560	4 190	33 737	33 038	-2,1	
	Dwelling-houses >= 80 square metres	Number	30	35	22	216	218	0,9	
		square metres	10 740	12 309	5 578	61 791	68 506	10,9	
		R'000	67 863	84 029	38 338	377 320	449 302	19,1	
	Flats and townhouses	Number	31	15	4	104	89	-14,4	
		square metres	3 684	2 441	776	10 756	10 451	-2,8	
		R'000	23 671	16 777	5 547	66 680	69 422	4,1	
	Other residential buildings 2/	square metres	0	0	0	140	215	53,6	
		R'000	0	0	0	900	1 469	63,2	
	Total residential buildings		R'000	99 392	106 366	48 075	478 637	553 231	15,6
Non-residential buildings	Office and banking space	square metres	0	0	0	969	0	-100,0	
		R'000	0	0	0	5 839	0	-100,0	
	Shopping space	square metres	0	0	7 438	2 580	10 971	325,2	
		R'000	0	0	51 121	14 078	72 254	413,2	
	Industrial and warehouse space	square metres	0	3 028	454	1 193	18 239	1 428,8	
		R'000	0	20 811	2 511	7 412	118 334	1 496,5	
	Other non-residential buildings 3/	square metres	0	0	0	1 832	3 751	104,7	
		R'000	0	0	0	11 749	25 316	115,5	
	Total non-residential buildings		R'000	0	20 811	53 632	39 078	215 904	452,5
	Additions and alterations	Dwelling-houses	square metres	980	623	810	4 808	5 062	5,3
R'000			6 223	3 771	5 636	28 425	32 269	13,5	
Other buildings 4/		square metres	156	0	1 018	2 037	4 625	127,0	
		R'000	2 998	1 000	9 663	26 272	39 920	51,9	
Total additions and alterations		R'000	9 221	4 771	15 299	54 697	72 189	32,0	
Recorded buildings completed	Total at current prices		R'000	108 613	131 948	117 006	572 412	841 324	47,0

1/ The percentage change between cumulative figures for 2021 and 2022.

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

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

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

Explanatory notes

Introduction	1	Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts a monthly building statistics survey collecting information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed, financed by the private sector, from the largest local government institutions in South Africa. According to these institutions, they are not always notified about low-cost housing projects and, therefore, do not include the bulk of low-cost dwelling-houses in their reporting. Data regarding subsidised low-cost dwelling-houses can be obtained from the Department of Human Settlements.
	2	In order to improve timeliness of the publication, some information for the current month has been estimated due to late submission by respondents. These estimates will be revised in the next statistical release(s) as soon as actual information is available.
Purpose of the survey	3	The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of economy and formulation of economic policy. Furthermore, the results are important inputs to estimate the gross domestic product (GDP) and to calculate the Composite Leading Business Cycle Indicator. The data are extensively used by the private sector.
Scope of the survey	4	This survey covers local government institutions conducting activities for the private sector regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • passing of building plans; and • final inspection of completed buildings.
Classification	5	Building activities are classified in division 5 according to the 1993 edition of the <i>Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities</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.
Collection rate	6	The preliminary collection rate for the survey on building statistics for September 2022 was 88,3%. The improved collection rate for August 2022 was 93,7%.
Statistical unit	7	The statistical unit for the collection of information is a local government institution. Local government institutions include district municipalities, metropolitan municipalities and local municipalities.
Survey methodology and design	8	Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of metropolitan municipalities and large local municipalities on building plans passed and buildings completed. An annual survey of the remaining municipalities is conducted regarding buildings completed. The monthly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value of buildings completed. Information regarding building plans passed and buildings completed for the private sector is collected by mail, fax and telephone.
Constant prices	9	The value of building plans passed and buildings completed at constant prices measures building activities in terms of ruling prices in a specific base year, which is currently 2019. The value of building plans passed at constant prices for each month is obtained by deflating the values at current prices with a price index known as the 'lump sum domestic buildings' as published in statistical release P0151.1: <i>Construction Materials Price Indices</i> . In order to be applicable, these indices (base December 2021=100) are converted to the base year 2019=100.

Seasonal adjustment	10	Seasonally adjusted estimates of building plans passed and buildings completed are generated each month, using the X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program developed by the United States Census Bureau.
	11	Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile or unsystematic can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variations. Therefore, the month-to-month movements of seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour. The X-12-ARIMA procedure for building statistics is described in more detail on the Stats SA website at Click to download building statistics seasonal adjustment February 2022
Trend cycle	12	The trend is a long-term pattern or movement of a time series. The X-12-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Program is used for smoothing seasonally adjusted data.
Revised figures	13	Revised figures are due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or to respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. Figures for the latest two years are therefore preliminary. Data are edited at municipal level.
	14	Once a year the annual statistical release P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> is published with the revised and updated information at provincial and municipal level for the previous calendar year. Due to this comprehensive revision, the monthly statistical release P5041.1 reflects provincial revision where applicable.
Related publications	15	Users may also wish to refer to the following publications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P5041.3: <i>Selected building statistics of the private sector as reported by local government institutions</i> issued annually; • P9101.2: <i>Actual and expected expenditure on construction by the public sector per statistical region</i> issued annually; and • <i>Building Statistics</i> (Report No. 50-11-01) issued annually.
Rounding-off of figures	16	Where necessary, the figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown.
Symbols and abbreviations	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> .. Changes from a zero in the preceding period cannot be calculated as a percentage. 0 Nil or figure too small to publish. * Revised. Stats SA Statistics South Africa. SIC Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities. ISIC International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities.

Glossary

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

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