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# BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED, APRIL 2026

A total of 1 084 building permits were issued in April 2026, which was **7.4%** more than in April 2025.

The total number of building permits issued in the period from January to April 2026, as compared to the same period of 2025, decreased by **17.5%**.

In April 2026:

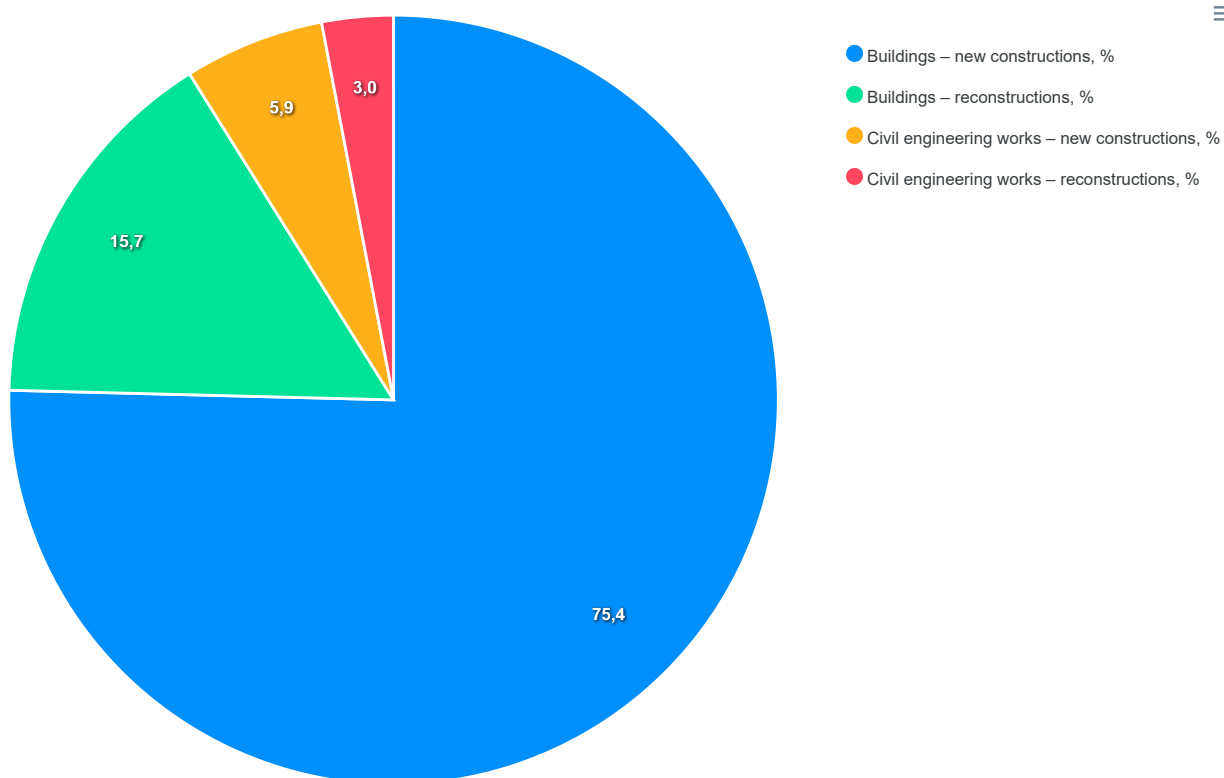
- by types of constructions, 91.1% of permits were issued on buildings and 8.9% on civil engineering works
- by types of works, 81.3% of permits were issued on new constructions and 18.7% on reconstructions.

According to the permits issued in April 2026, there are 2 263 dwellings with an average floor area of 88.5 m<sup>2</sup> planned to be built.

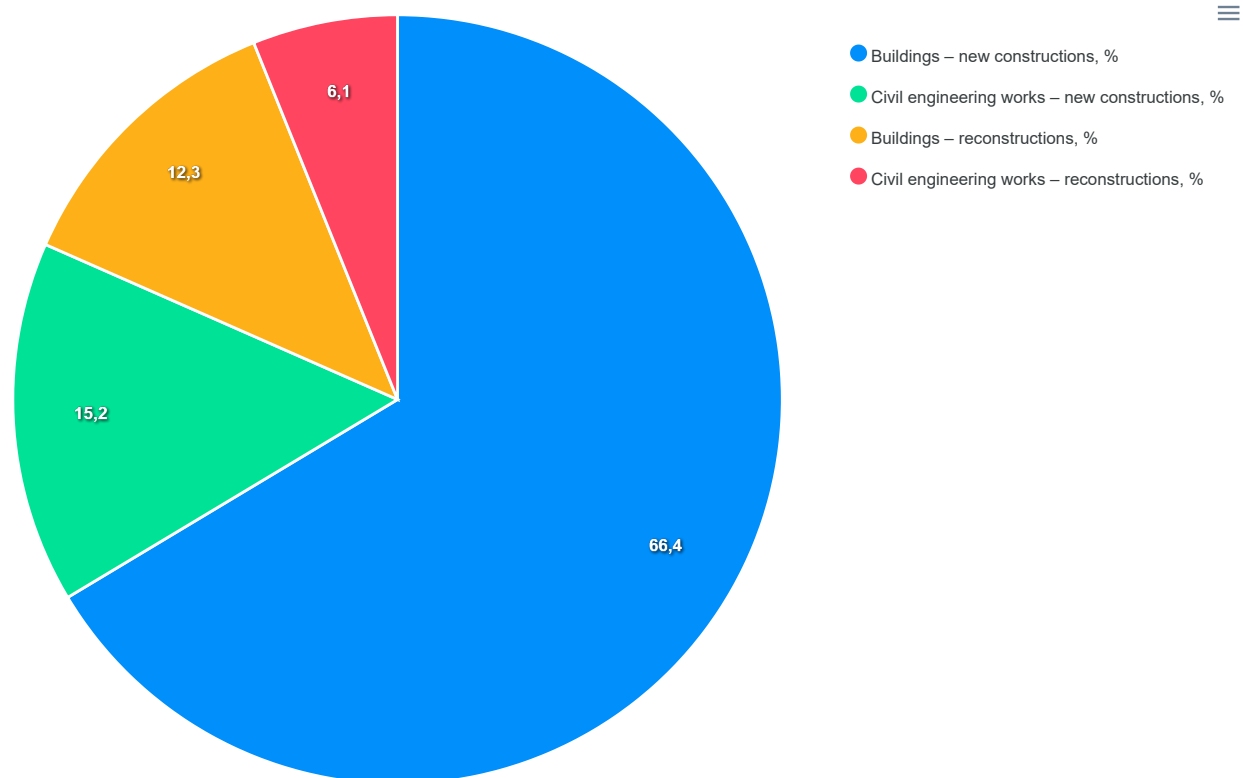
# 1 INDICES OF BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED, APRIL 2026

	Buildings				Civil engineering works		Dwellings	
	Number	Planned value of works	Floor area	Volume	Number	Planned value of works	Number	Useful floor area
<u>IV 2026</u> III 2026	112,7	116,5	124,8	128,2	118,5	43,3	134,1	118,5
<u>IV 2026</u> IV 2025	109,9	101,7	95,9	91,5	87,3	169,9	97,3	99,8
<u>IV 2026</u> Ø 2025	114,8	114,0	114,6	107,2	81,8	89,5	124,5	118,7
<u>I – IV 2026</u> I – IV 2025	85,5	97,7	91,4	95,5	61,2	154,5	83,6	84,6

## G-1 NUMBER OF PERMITS, BY TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIONS AND TYPES OF WORKS, APRIL 2026



## G-2 PLANNED VALUE OF WORKS, BY TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIONS AND TYPES OF WORKS, APRIL 2026



## 2 BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED AND PLANNED VALUE OF WORKS, BY TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIONS AND TYPES OF WORKS, APRIL 2026

Type of works	Number of permits by types of constructions			Planned value of works, thousand euro			Dwellings	
	Total	Buildings	Civil engineering works	Total	Buildings	Civil engineering works	Number	Useful floor area, m <sup>2</sup>

### IV 2026

Total	1 084	988	96	705 734	555 039	150 695	2 263	200 245
New constructions	881	818	63	575 961	468 502	107 459	2 176	190 867
Reconstructions	203	170	33	129 773	86 537	43 236	87 <sup>1)</sup>	9 378 <sup>1)</sup>

### I – IV 2026

Total	3 276	2 972	304	2 412 288	1 720 852	691 436	5 915	561 816
New constructions	2 630	2 404	226	1 869 675	1 337 101	532 574	5 632	533 117
Reconstructions	646	568	78	542 613	383 751	158 862	283 <sup>1)</sup>	28 699 <sup>1)</sup>

1) New dwellings created by additions (extensions) or by conversions of non-residential areas into dwellings.

### 3 BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED ON BUILDINGS, APRIL 2026

	Number of permits	Floor area, m <sup>2</sup>	Volume, m <sup>3</sup>
Total	988	385 414	1 395 622
New buildings	818	361 721	1 307 634
Residential buildings with:	715	256 179	791 702
One dwelling	422	83 523	258 467
Two dwellings	88	23 506	70 901
Three and more dwellings	204	147 119	456 001
Residences for communities	1	2 031	6 333
Non-residential buildings	103	105 542	515 932
Hotels and similar buildings	13	35 363	117 976
Office buildings	5	3 552	11 330
Wholesale and retail trade buildings	10	10 706	51 875
Traffic and communication buildings	14	2 048	8 882
Industrial buildings and warehouses	24	34 949	238 161
Public entertainment, education, hospital or institutional care buildings	11	10 985	51 519
Other non-residential buildings	26	7 939	36 189
Additions (extensions) <sup>1)</sup>	62	23 693	87 988
Residential buildings	47	11 504	35 747
Non-residential buildings	15	12 189	52 241
Conversion and improvement	108	-	-
Residential buildings	86	-	-
Non-residential buildings	22	-	-

1) Works leading to the creation of new usable units beside or on already existing constructions (new dwellings, space for economic activity and other spaces).

## 4 DWELLINGS IN BUILDINGS FOR WHICH PERMITS WERE ISSUED, BY TYPES OF BUILDINGS, CONSTRUCTION WORKS AND NUMBER OF ROOMS, APRIL 2026

	Number of dwellings	Useful floor area, m <sup>2</sup>	Dwellings by number of rooms							
			1 room	2 rooms	3 rooms	4 rooms	5 rooms	6 rooms	7 rooms	8 or more rooms
Total	2 263	200 245	206	652	804	417	140	34	9	1
Dwellings in new buildings	2 176	190 867	202	629	772	395	137	31	9	1
Residential buildings with:	2 072	184 403	172	588	745	392	134	31	9	1
One dwelling	422	63 718	5	28	95	157	102	26	8	1
Two dwellings	176	18 143	6	38	62	53	14	3	-	-
Three and more dwellings	1 474	102 542	161	522	588	182	18	2	1	-
Non-residential buildings	104	6 464	30	41	27	3	3	-	-	-
Dwellings got by additions and extensions	81	8 648	4	22	31	18	3	3	-	-
Dwellings got by converting non-residential area into dwellings	6	730	-	1	1	4	-	-	-	-

## NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

### Notice

The Croatian Bureau of Statistics submits quarterly data on issued building permits to Eurostat. These data are available on the website of the Croatian Bureau of Statistics in the STS Database (database of short-term business statistics) at <https://stsbaza.dzs.hr/en>.

The STS Database presents data in the form of gross (unadjusted), working-day adjusted as well as seasonally and working-day adjusted absolute values.

Seasonal and working-day adjustment has been done using the X13 ARIMA method on the quarterly series of absolute values, starting with data for the first quarter of 2000.

### Sources and methods of data collection

The data are collected by using the reporting method on the Monthly Report on Issued Building Permits (GRAD-44a form).

## Coverage and comparability

The Monthly Report on Issued Building Permits is collected from the administration bodies competent for construction affairs in major cities, the City of Zagreb and counties as well as from the Ministry of Physical Planning, Construction and State Assets, which issue building permits for constructions as specified in the Building Act (NN, No. 155/25).

Data on types of constructions and works are classified according to the National Classification of Types of Constructions – NKVG (Methodological Guidelines No. 41, ISBN 953-6667-33-9, the Croatian Bureau of Statistics, 2002).

## Definitions

**Constructions** are structures connected with the ground, for which construction works are carried out and which are made of construction materials and ready-made components.

**Buildings** are permanent constructions covered with a roof and closed with outer walls. They are built as separate useful units that protect from weather and other external conditions, intended for dwelling, for performing a certain activity or for storage and upkeep of animals, goods and equipment used in various industrial activities and services, etc.

In this survey, constructions covered with a roof but without (some of the) walls, e.g., porches and underground constructions, such as underground shelters, underground garages, underground shopping centres and other business spaces (e.g. in subways), etc. are also counted as buildings.

**Residential buildings** are constructions in which 50% or more of the useful floor area is intended for dwelling purposes.

**Non-residential buildings** are constructions without dwelling areas or in which less than 50% of the overall useful floor area is used for dwelling purposes.

**Floor area of a building** is the sum total of the areas of all floors of a building placed inside outer walls.

**Useful floor area of a dwelling** is the floor area of a dwelling, measured inside the walls of the dwelling.

**Volume of building** is the sum total of the volumes of all roofed spaces of a building, including outer walls.

**Civil engineering works** are all constructions not classified under buildings, for example roads, railways, pipelines, bridges, dams, constructions intended for sports and recreation, etc.

**New constructions** are newly built structures built on a location where no structure existed or on a location previously cleared by demolition.

**Reconstructions** are construction works that affect the main characteristics of already existing constructions, for example, additions and extensions, conversions and other works, which may significantly improve the occupancy value of a construction (for example capacity, quality, function) and/or prolong or at least restore its duration.

**Value of works** is defined according to the bill of costs submitted by an investor. It is used for defining a tax paid for issuing of building permit.

## Abbreviations

Eurostat	Statistical Office of the European Union
m <sup>2</sup>	square metre
m <sup>3</sup>	cubic metre
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia

## Symbols

-	no occurrence
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