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BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED, MAY 2025

A total of 1 001 building permits were issued in May 2025, which was **4.1%** more than in May 2024.

The total number of building permits issued in the period from January to May 2025, as compared to the same period of 2024, decreased by **1.0%**.

In May 2025:

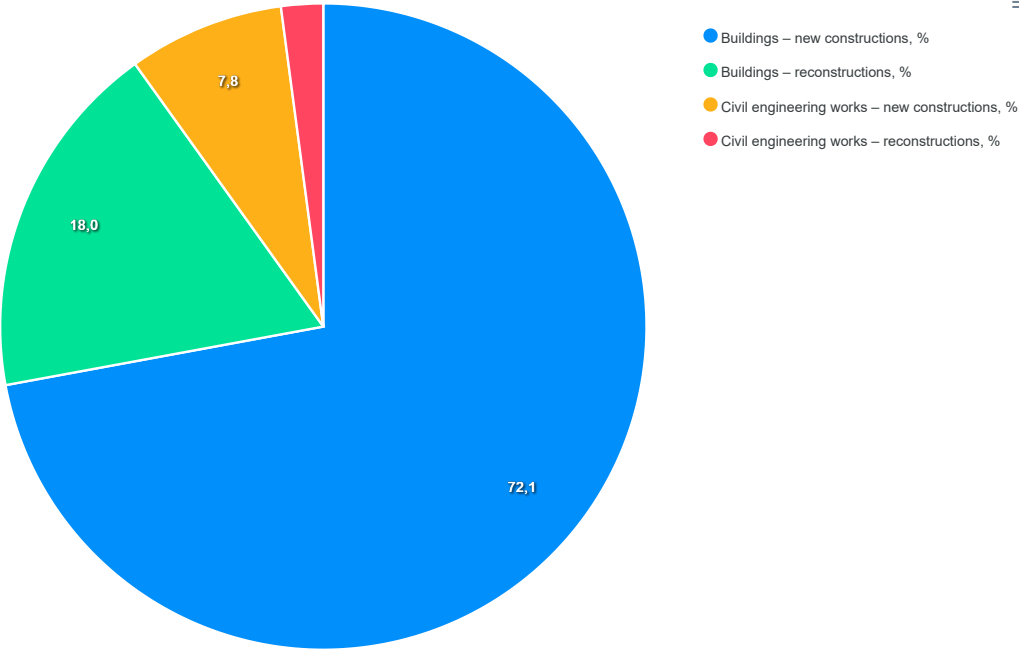
- by types of constructions, 90.1% of permits were issued on buildings and 9.9% on civil engineering works
- by types of works, 79.9% of permits were issued on new constructions and 20.1% on reconstructions.

According to the permits issued in May 2025, there are 1 726 dwellings with an average floor area of 97.2 m² planned to be built.

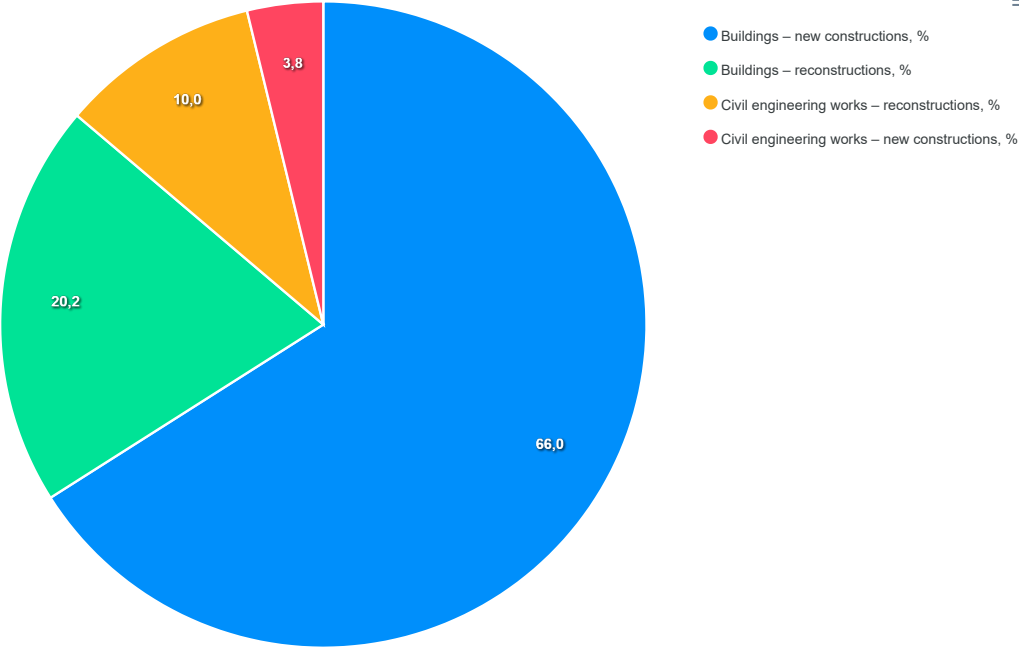
1 INDICES OF BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED, MAY 2025

	Buildings				Civil engineering works		Dwellings	
	Number	Planned value of works	Floor area	Volume	Number	Planned value of works	Number	Useful floor area
<u>V 2025</u> IV 2025	100,3	102,5	94,9	101,9	90,0	101,4	74,2	83,6
<u>V 2025</u> V 2024	105,9	131,5	110,4	117,5	90,0	105,3	99,7	97,7
<u>V 2025</u> Ø 2024	105,4	111,5	102,1	106,4	76,6	70,7	101,5	103,6
<u>I - V 2025</u> I - V 2024	100,9	103,2	84,2	79,7	87,1	80,6	100,3	99,4

G-1 NUMBER OF PERMITS, BY TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIONS AND TYPES OF WORKS, MAY 2025



G-2 PLANNED VALUE OF WORKS, BY TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIONS AND TYPES OF WORKS, MAY 2025



2 BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED AND PLANNED VALUE OF WORKS, BY TYPES OF CONSTRUCTIONS AND TYPES OF WORKS, MAY 2025

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 ²

V 2025

Total	1 001	902	99	649 337	559 423	89 914	1 726	167 721
New constructions	800	722	78	493 379	428 443	64 936	1 577	154 550
Reconstructions	201	180	21	155 958	130 980	24 978	149 ¹⁾	13 171 ¹⁾

I - V 2025

Total	4 973	4 377	596	2 858 603	2 321 058	537 545	8 799	831 968
New constructions	4 031	3 596	435	2 290 852	1 919 486	371 366	8 397	795 102
Reconstructions	942	781	161	567 751	401 572	166 179	402 ¹⁾	36 866 ¹⁾

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

3 BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED ON BUILDINGS, MAY 2025

	Number of permits	Floor area, m ²	Volume, m ³
Total	902	381 424	1 554 749
New buildings	722	324 208	1 248 319
Residential buildings with:	632	221 542	695 029
One dwelling	428	84 526	261 349
Two dwellings	57	15 185	46 993
Three and more dwellings	146	120 326	381 554
Residences for communities	1	1 505	5 133
Non-residential buildings	90	102 666	553 290
Hotels and similar buildings	9	5 081	20 758
Office buildings	2	2 309	8 260
Wholesale and retail trade buildings	10	12 065	55 667
Traffic and communication buildings	11	1 541	4 982
Industrial buildings and warehouses	26	36 873	281 992
Public entertainment, education, hospital or institutional care buildings	16	26 390	118 515
Other non-residential buildings	16	18 407	63 116
Additions (extensions) ¹⁾	77	57 216	306 430
Residential buildings	49	19 124	60 225
Non-residential buildings	28	38 092	246 205
Conversion and improvement	103	-	-
Residential buildings	70	-	-
Non-residential buildings	33	-	-

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, MAY 2025

	Number of dwellings	Useful floor area, m ²	Dwellings by number of rooms							
			1 room	2 rooms	3 rooms	4 rooms	5 rooms	6 rooms	7 rooms	8 or more rooms
Total	1 726	167 721	104	423	592	360	187	45	9	6
Dwellings in new buildings	1 577	154 550	85	377	547	338	172	43	9	6
Residential buildings with:	1 571	154 098	85	373	545	338	172	43	9	6
One dwelling	428	64 409	11	20	98	151	104	29	9	6
Two dwellings	114	11 878	6	20	39	27	18	4	-	-
Three and more dwellings	1 029	77 811	68	333	408	160	50	10	-	-
Non-residential buildings	6	452	-	4	2	-	-	-	-	-
Dwellings got by additions and extensions	125	11 084	15	39	35	21	14	1	-	-
Dwellings got by converting non-residential area into dwellings	24	2 087	4	7	10	1	1	1	-	-

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, Nos 153/13, 20/17, 39/19, 125/19 and 145/24).

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 ²	square metre
m ³	cubic metre
NN	Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia

Symbols

-	no occurrence
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