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BUILDING PERMITS: AUGUST 2025

Decline of 4,3% in the Number of Building Permits Issued during the period Jan – Aug 2025

The Statistical Service announces that the number of building permits authorized during August 2025 stood at 647. The total value of these permits reached €252,8 million and the total area 213,2 thousand square metres. These building permits provide for the construction of 1.147 dwelling units.

During the period January – August 2025, 4.842 building permits were issued compared to 5.062 in the corresponding period of the previous year, recording a decrease of 4,3%. The total value of these permits increased by 12,3% and the total area by 16,1%. The number of dwelling units recorded an increase of 14,6%.

It is noted that as from the 1st July 2024, the authority of issuing building permits was transferred from the municipalities and the district administration offices to the newly founded Local Government Organisations (LGOs) and the licensing process is performed through the new integrated information system "Ippodamos".

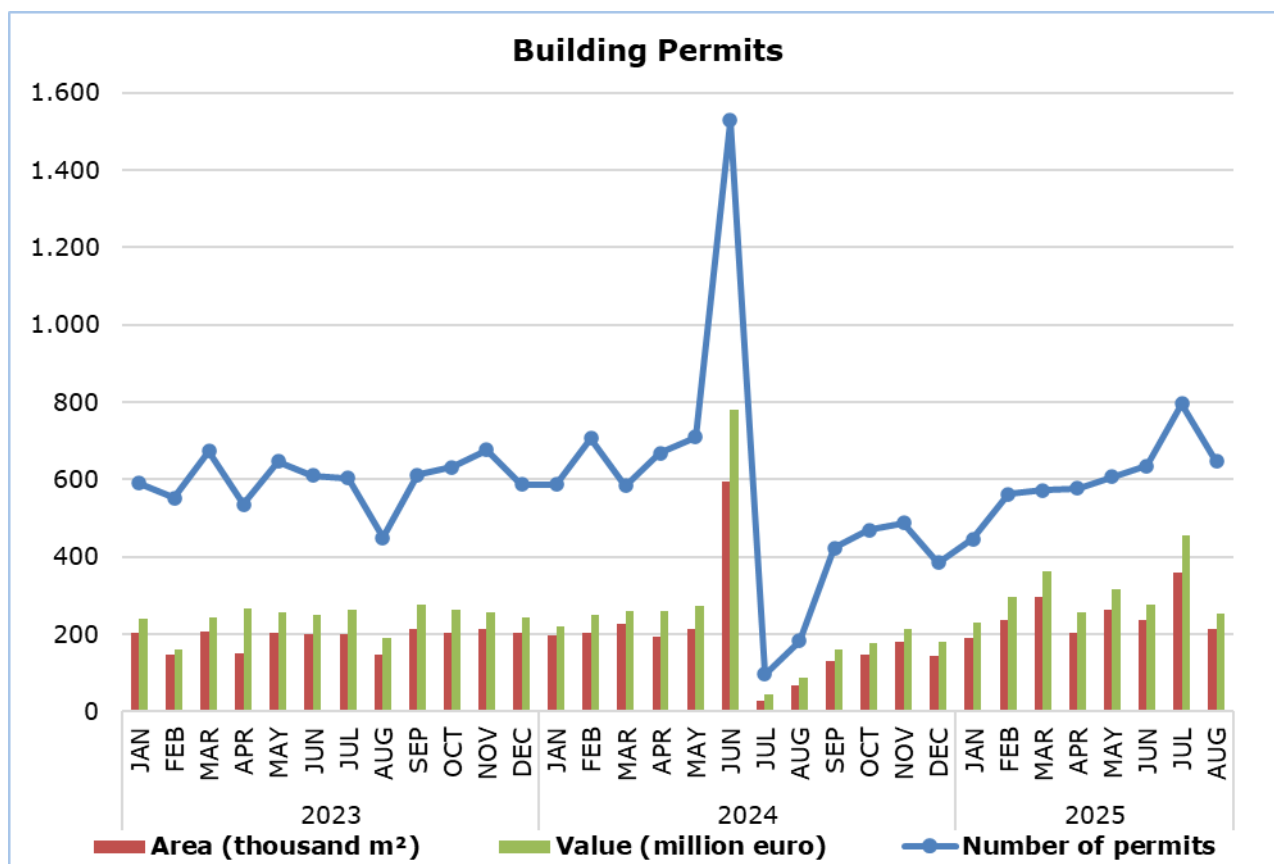


Table 1

Type of Project	Number of Permits			Percentage Change (%)
	Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2024	Jan-Aug 2025/2024
Residential Buildings	485	3.654	3.369	8,5
Non-residential Buildings	65	511	876	-41,7
Civil Engineering Projects	30	261	304	-14,1
Division of Plots	54	347	353	-1,7
Road Construction	13	69	160	-56,9
Total	647	4.842	5.062	-4,3

Table 2

Type of Project	Area (m ²)			Percentage Change (%)
	Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2024	Jan-Aug 2025/2024
Residential Buildings	195.984	1.606.697	1.343.112	19,6
Non-residential Buildings	15.564	381.716	371.961	2,6
Civil Engineering Projects	1.653	10.135	6.902	46,8
Total	213.201	1.998.548	1.721.975	16,1

Table 3

Type of Project	Value (€000's)			Percentage Change (%)
	Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2024	Jan-Aug 2025/2024
Residential Buildings	219.555	1.853.179	1.592.377	16,4
Non-residential Buildings	15.863	469.253	408.463	14,9
Civil Engineering Projects	12.654	94.011	135.267	-30,5
Division of Plots	4.072	20.691	27.072	-23,6
Road Construction	666	4.528	11.881	-61,9
Total	252.810	2.441.662	2.175.060	12,3

Table 4

Residential Buildings	Number of Dwelling Units			Percentage Change (%)
	Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2025	Jan-Aug 2024	Jan-Aug 2025/2024
Single houses	307	2.325	1.868	24,5
Buildings with two housing units	80	725	623	16,4
Residential apartment blocks	745	6.030	5.084	18,6
Residential/commercial apartment blocks	15	195	520	-62,5
Total	1.147	9.275	8.095	14,6

METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Scope and Coverage

The purpose is the collection of basic data concerning residential and non-residential buildings as well as other construction activities such as civil engineering projects, division of plots and road construction, by district (both urban and rural areas). For each type of project, information is compiled on the number of permits authorized, the area and the value of the project and the number of dwelling units that are expected to be built. For the categorization of the various construction projects, the EU Classification of Types of Construction (CC) is being used.

Data cover all building permits authorized, including those for demolitions and permits being re-issued. However, permit renewals and permits for the division of buildings are not included.

Data Collection

The Statistical Service traditionally received on a monthly basis from all the local administration authorities, namely the municipalities, the district administration offices of the Ministry of Interior and the Agios Tychonas Community Board, copies of all the building permits they issued. The information contained in these forms was appropriately coded by the Statistical Service in order to produce the statistics.

As part of the administrative reform, the authority of issuing building permits was transferred as from the 1st July 2024 from the local administration authorities to the newly founded Local Government Organisations (LGOs). At the same time, the integrated information system "Ippodamos" was put into operation and all applications are now processed by the LGOs electronically, including a large volume of older applications that were apparently submitted in printed form before the 1st July 2024. In the first months of the reform, the operation of "Ippodamos" was accompanied by a series of technical and procedural weaknesses and delays that had a serious impact on the production of statistics in a timely, accurate and reliable manner.

For more information:

CYSTAT Portal, subtheme [Construction](#)

[CYSTAT-DB](#) (Online Database)

[Predefined Tables](#) (Excel)

The [Predefined Tables](#), available in Excel format, include data up to December 2022. Data from January 2023 onwards are available only in the CYSTAT-DB Online Database.

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