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## CENSUS OF POPULATION 2021

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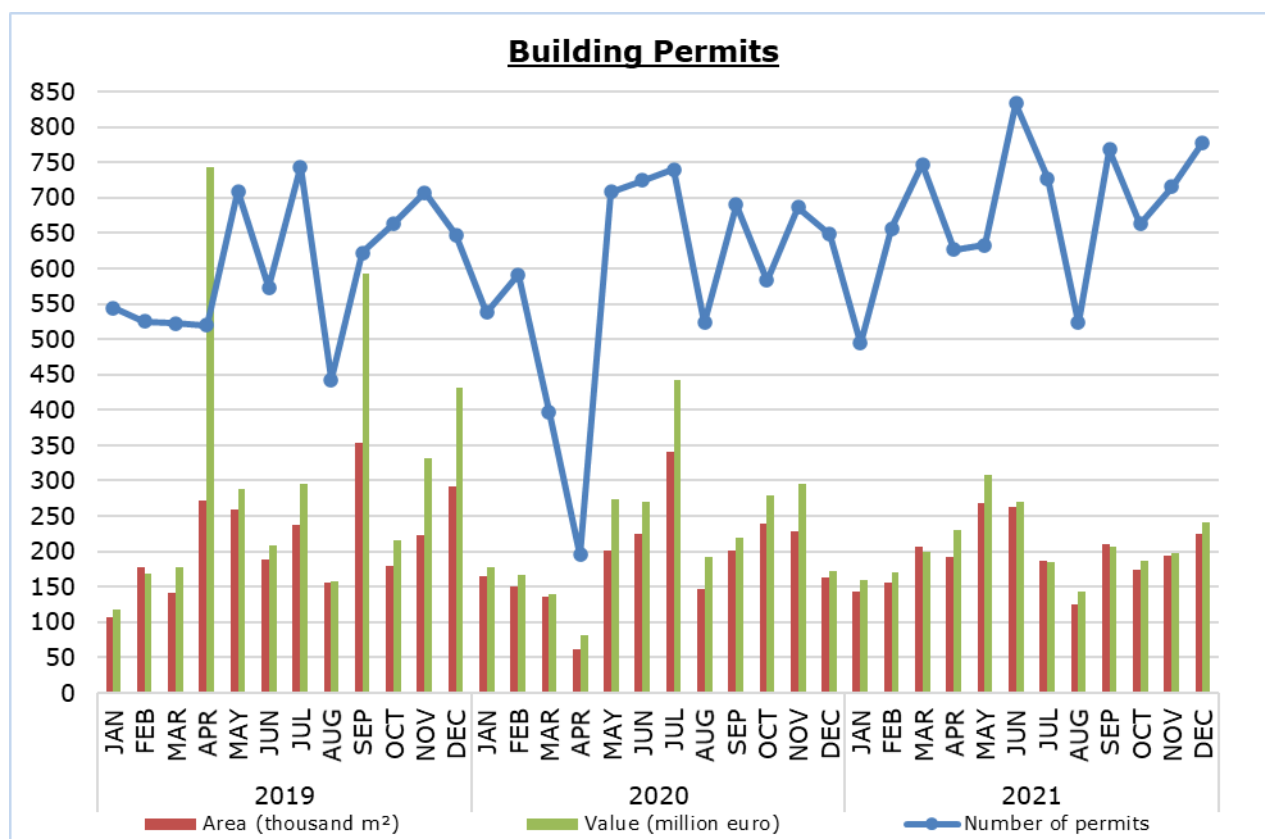
#### BUILDING PERMITS: DECEMBER 2021

#### **Increase in Area (3,8%) and decrease in Value (-7,8%)**

The Statistical Service announces that the number of building permits authorized by the municipal authorities and the district administration offices during December 2021 stood at 778. The total value of these permits reached €241,1 million and the total area 224,8 thousand square metres. These building permits provide for the construction of 1.040 dwelling units.

During the period January – December 2021, 8.164 building permits were issued compared to 7.023 in the corresponding period of the previous year, recording an increase of 16,2%. The total value of these permits decreased by -7,8% and the total area increased by 3,8%. The number of dwelling units recorded an increase of 13,1%.

Building permits constitute a leading indicator of future activity in the construction sector.



**Table 1**

Type of Project	Number of Permits			Percentage Change (%)
	Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2020	Jan-Dec 2021/ Jan-Dec 2020
Residential Buildings	573	5.753	5.069	13,5
Non-residential Buildings	108	1.254	986	27,2
Civil Engineering Projects	26	443	324	36,7
Division of Plots	47	547	481	13,7
Road Construction	24	167	163	2,5
<b>Total</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>8.164</b>	<b>7.023</b>	<b>16,2</b>

**Table 2**

Type of Project	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )			Percentage Change (%)
	Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2020	Jan-Dec 2021/ Jan-Dec 2020
Residential Buildings	209.790	1.999.466	1.851.391	8,0
Non-residential Buildings	13.599	338.522	389.728	-13,1
Civil Engineering Projects	1.406	8.194	19.613	-58,2
<b>Total</b>	<b>224.795</b>	<b>2.346.182</b>	<b>2.260.732</b>	<b>3,8</b>

**Table 3**

Type of Project	Value (€000's)			Percentage Change (%)
	Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2021	Jan-Dec 2020	Jan-Dec 2021/ Jan-Dec 2020
Residential Buildings	205.063	2.033.958	2.033.465	0,0
Non-residential Buildings	20.581	321.334	479.078	-32,9
Civil Engineering Projects	9.672	88.743	136.554	-35,0
Division of Plots	4.482	42.975	42.781	0,5
Road Construction	1.348	10.757	18.510	-41,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>241.146</b>	<b>2.497.767</b>	<b>2.710.388</b>	<b>-7,8</b>

**Table 4**

<b>Residential Buildings</b>	<b>Number of Dwelling Units</b>			<b>Percentage Change (%)</b>
	<b>Dec 2021</b>	<b>Jan-Dec 2021</b>	<b>Jan-Dec 2020</b>	<b>Jan-Dec 2021/ Jan-Dec 2020</b>
Single houses	395	3.553	3.106	14,4
Buildings with two housing units	54	930	935	-0,5
Residential apartment blocks	561	5.590	4.743	17,9
Residential/commercial apartment blocks	30	433	508	-14,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.040</b>	<b>10.506</b>	<b>9.292</b>	<b>13,1</b>

## **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.

Data cover all building permits authorized by local authorities, namely the municipalities, the district administration offices of the Ministry of Interior and the Agios Tychonas Community Board.

### **Data collection**

The Statistical Service receives on a monthly basis from all local authorities copies of all the building permits issued. The information contained in these forms is appropriately coded by the Statistical Service in order to produce the statistics. The EU Classification of Types of Construction (CC) is used to categorize the various construction projects.

### ***For more information:***

CYSTAT Portal, subtheme [Construction](#)

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

[Predefined Tables](#) (Excel)

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