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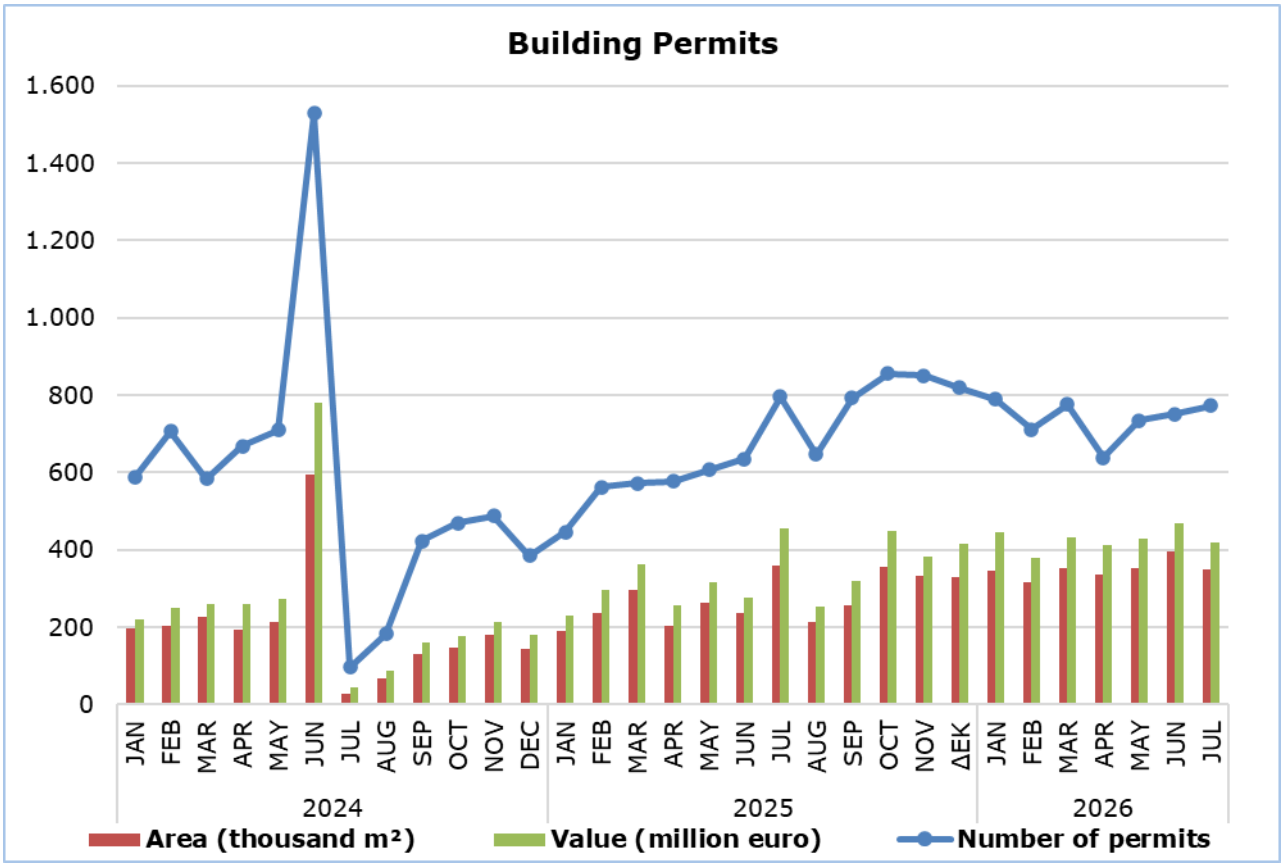
PRESS RELEASE

BUILDING PERMITS: **JULY 2026**

Decrease of 3,0% in the Number of Building Permits

The Statistical Service announces that the number of building permits authorized during July 2026 stood at 772, registering a decrease of 3,0% compared to the corresponding month of the previous year. The total value of these permits reached €418,0 million and the total area 349,6 thousand square metres. These building permits provide for the construction of 1.944 dwelling units.

During the period January – July 2026, 5.173 building permits were issued compared to 4.195 in the corresponding period of the previous year, recording an increase of 23,3%. The total value of these permits increased by 36,5% and the total area by 37,1%. The number of dwelling units recorded an increase of 60,5%.



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Table 1

Type of Project	Number of Permits			Percentage Change (%)
	July 2026	Jan-July 2026	Jan-July 2025	Jan-July 2026/2025
Residential Buildings	559	3.786	3.169	19,5
Non-residential Buildings	63	469	446	5,2
Civil Engineering Projects	44	294	231	27,3
Division of Plots	92	515	293	75,8
Road Construction	14	109	56	94,6
Total	**772**	**5.173**	**4.195**	**23,3**

Table 2

Type of Project	Area (m²)			Percentage Change (%)
	July 2026	Jan-July 2026	Jan-July 2025	Jan-July 2026/2025
Residential Buildings	306.191	2.209.371	1.410.713	56,6
Non-residential Buildings	42.766	218.663	366.152	-40,3
Civil Engineering Projects	664	19.027	8.482	124,3
Total	**349.621**	**2.447.061**	**1.785.347**	**37,1**

Table 3

Type of Project	Value (€000's)			Percentage Change (%)
	July 2026	Jan-July 2026	Jan-July 2025	Jan-July 2026/2025
Residential Buildings	350.326	2.562.917	1.633.624	56,9
Non-residential Buildings	49.822	276.086	453.390	-39,1
Civil Engineering Projects	6.756	99.622	81.357	22,5
Division of Plots	10.388	39.217	16.619	136,0
Road Construction	714	9.048	3.862	134,3
Total	**418.006**	**2.986.890**	**2.188.852**	**36,5**

Table 4

Residential Buildings	Number of Dwelling Units			Percentage Change (%)
	July 2026	Jan-July 2026	Jan-July 2025	Jan-July 2026/2025
Single houses	279	2.039	2.018	1,0
Buildings with two housing units	134	805	645	24,8
Residential apartment blocks	1.466	9.298	5.285	75,9
Residential/commercial apartment blocks	65	902	180	401,1
Total	**1.944**	**13.044**	**8.128**	**60,5**

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.

***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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