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## CENSUS OF POPULATION 2021

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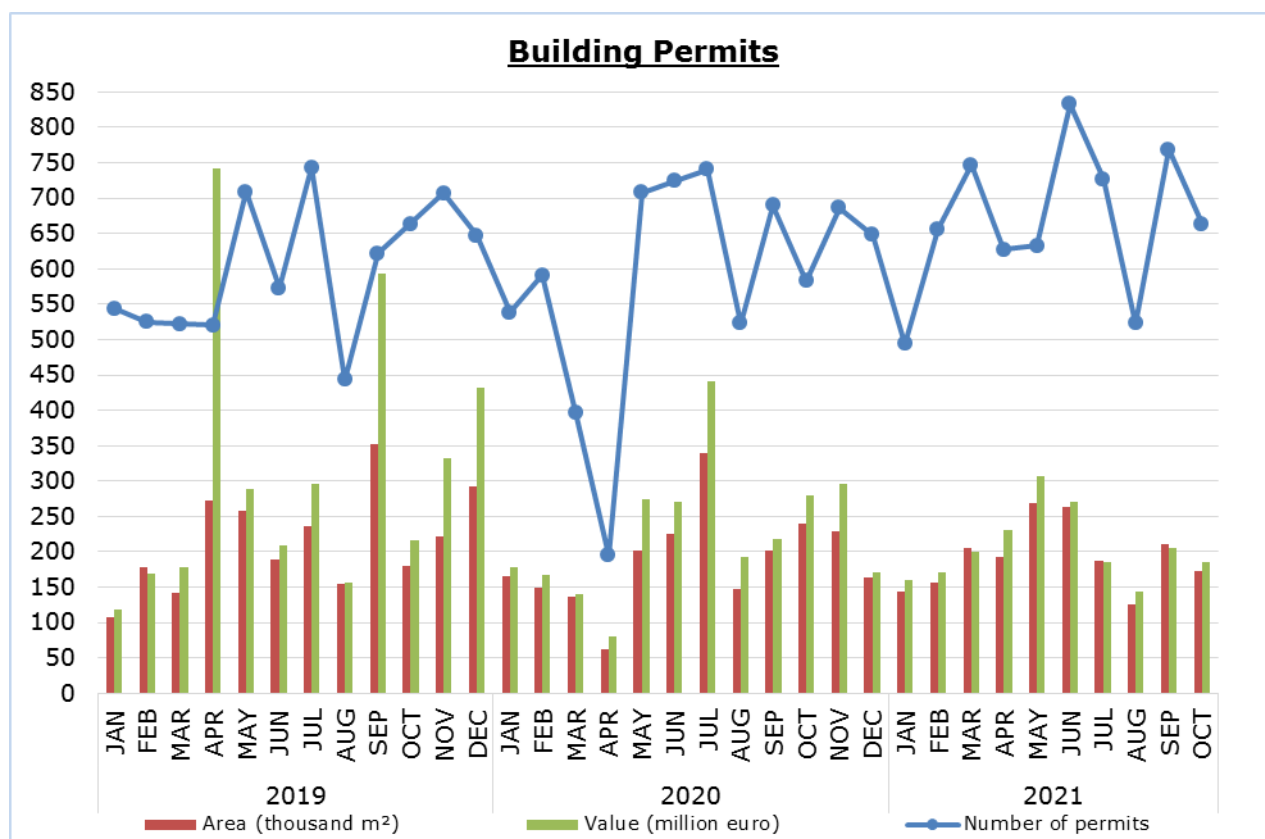
#### BUILDING PERMITS: OCTOBER 2021

#### **Increase in Area (3,1%) and decrease in Value (-8,2%)**

The Statistical Service announces that the number of building permits authorized by the municipal authorities and the district administration offices during October 2021 stood at 663. The total value of these permits reached €186,0 million and the total area 173,7 thousand square metres. These building permits provide for the construction of 801 dwelling units.

During the period January – October 2021, 6.671 building permits were issued compared to 5.689 in the corresponding period of the previous year, recording an increase of 17,3%. The total value of these permits decreased by -8,2% and the total area increased by 3,1%. The number of dwelling units recorded an increase of 10,9%.

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



**Table 1**

Type of Project	Number of Permits			Percentage Change (%)
	Oct 2021	Jan-Oct 2021	Jan-Oct 2020	Jan-Oct 2021/ Jan-Oct 2020
Residential Buildings	463	4.670	4.118	13,4
Non-residential Buildings	97	1.049	802	30,8
Civil Engineering Projects	41	381	252	51,2
Division of Plots	50	447	387	15,5
Road Construction	12	124	130	-4,6
<b>Total</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>6.671</b>	<b>5.689</b>	<b>17,3</b>

**Table 2**

Type of Project	Area (m <sup>2</sup> )			Percentage Change (%)
	Oct 2021	Jan-Oct 2021	Jan-Oct 2020	Jan-Oct 2021/ Jan-Oct 2020
Residential Buildings	156.792	1.625.585	1.521.451	6,8
Non-residential Buildings	15.824	294.780	327.687	-10,0
Civil Engineering Projects	1.046	6.431	19.148	-66,4
<b>Total</b>	<b>173.662</b>	<b>1.926.796</b>	<b>1.868.286</b>	<b>3,1</b>

**Table 3**

Type of Project	Value (€000's)			Percentage Change (%)
	Oct 2021	Jan-Oct 2021	Jan-Oct 2020	Jan-Oct 2021/ Jan-Oct 2020
Residential Buildings	160.229	1.667.144	1.673.920	-0,4
Non-residential Buildings	17.218	276.517	404.794	-31,7
Civil Engineering Projects	3.669	72.434	113.043	-35,9
Division of Plots	3.978	34.962	35.030	-0,2
Road Construction	889	7.829	16.420	-52,3
<b>Total</b>	<b>185.983</b>	<b>2.058.886</b>	<b>2.243.207</b>	<b>-8,2</b>

**Table 4**

<b>Residential Buildings</b>	<b>Number of Dwelling Units</b>			<b>Percentage Change (%)</b>
	<b>Oct 2021</b>	<b>Jan-Oct 2021</b>	<b>Jan-Oct 2020</b>	<b>Jan-Oct 2021 / Jan-Oct 2020</b>
Single houses	231	2.878	2.510	14,7
Buildings with two housing units	81	787	763	3,1
Residential apartment blocks	462	4.545	3.967	14,6
Residential/commercial apartment blocks	27	338	469	-27,9
<b>Total</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>8.548</b>	<b>7.709</b>	<b>10,9</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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