

## Statistical product

### Building permits

A building permit is an authorization to start with the execution of a construction project. The granting of the building permit is therefore the final stage of the approval procedure of the government before the start of construction. This statistic provides an overview of the number of buildings and the number of dwellings for which a building permit has been approved, for new construction and renovation.

## Metadata update

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## Presentation

### *Keywords*

*Domain* 3.2.01. Main economic indicators

*Statistical unit - Title* Issued building permits

*Statistical unit - Description* Issued building permits.

*Statistical population - Title* Building permits issued in Belgium during the reference period of the results

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*Geographical coverage* Belgium

*Time coverage*

*Sectors* Sector coverage = Real estate

*Other coverage*

## Reference period

*First reference period available* January 1996

## Institutional mandate

*Mandatory statistical production* Statistics produced pursuant to a European legal obligation

*Legal reference* Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 of 19 May 1998 concerning short-term statistics

## Confidentiality

<i>Confidentiality - level</i>	Non-confidential data.
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## Publication policy

<i>Release calendar</i>	The release calendar is available via the internet
<i>Periodicity</i>	Monthly

## Dissemination format

<i>Press release</i>	Press release
<i>Publications</i>	Publication on the Internet (www.statbel.fgov.be), Brochure on 'Short-term Indicators'
<i>Online database</i>	
<i>Open data</i>	Building permits per month, region, province, district and municipality [Period: 1996-2023]
<i>Access to micro data</i>	
<i>Other</i>	

## Accessibility of the documentation

<i>Documentation on the methods</i>	
<i>Documentation on the quality</i>	

## Quality management

<i>Quality assurance</i>	
<i>Quality evaluation</i>	

## Relevance

<i>User needs</i>	National Bank of Belgium (NBB) ., There is a major federation of professional customers: professional associations, trade associations, employers' associations, universities, colleges and other types of education, International organisations (Eurostat, IMF, European Commission, UNSD, WHO, ...)., Federal public services (FPSes, PPSes and parastatal)., Regional public authorities., Provincial and local institutions .
<i>User satisfaction</i>	The content is satisfactory ., The precision is satisfactory., The availability is satisfactory.
<i>Completeness</i>	Yes.

## Accuracy and reliability

<i>Accuracy</i>	The possible biases are under control .
<i>Sampling error</i>	
<i>Non-Sampling error</i>	

## Timeliness

<i>Timeliness</i>	Results available 3 months after the reference period
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## Comparability

<i>Comparability - geographical</i>	Geographic comparability does not apply.
<i>Comparability – Over time</i>	Comparable in time.
<i>Comparability - Sectorial</i>	
<i>Comparability - Other</i>	

## Coherence

<i>Internal coherence</i>	Yes.
<i>Cross-field coherence</i>	Not applicable.

## Data revision

<i>Data revision - policy</i>	
<i>Data revision - practice</i>	The results are provisional for 2 years and are reviewed every month .

## Statistical processing

<i>Source data - surveys</i>	Building permits survey
<i>Source data - Administrative data</i>	-
<i>Source data – Statistical products</i>	-
<i>Frequency of data collection</i>	Monthly
<i>Data collection</i>	BXL and Wall: SAPQ (Self Administered Paper Questionnaire) + Flanders: Questionnaire.
<i>Data composition</i>	
<i>Adjustment</i>	

## Remarks

## Related documents

<i>Title</i>	<i>URL</i>
Release calendar	<a href="https://statbel.fgov.be/en/calendar">https://statbel.fgov.be/en/calendar</a>
Internet: Building permits	<a href="https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/housing/building-permits">https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/housing/building-permits</a>

## External IDs

<i>Type</i>	<i>ID</i>
INVS	INVS-3001010

## Statistical variables

<i>Title</i>	<i>Definition</i>	<i>Unit/Nomenclature</i>
Month	-	Month of the year
New construction	-	N (Absolute frequency)
Non-residential	-	N (Absolute frequency)
Number of buildings	-	N (Absolute frequency)
Number of housing units	-	N (Absolute frequency)
Volume	-	m <sup>3</sup>
Renovation	-	N (Absolute frequency)
Residential	-	N (Absolute frequency)
Surface	-	m <sup>2</sup>