



## Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

### Increase in the number of building licenses in Palestine\* in the third quarter of 2020, due to the increase in the number of new building licenses

A total of 1,974 building licenses were issued in the third quarter of 2020 which included 1,353 for new buildings.

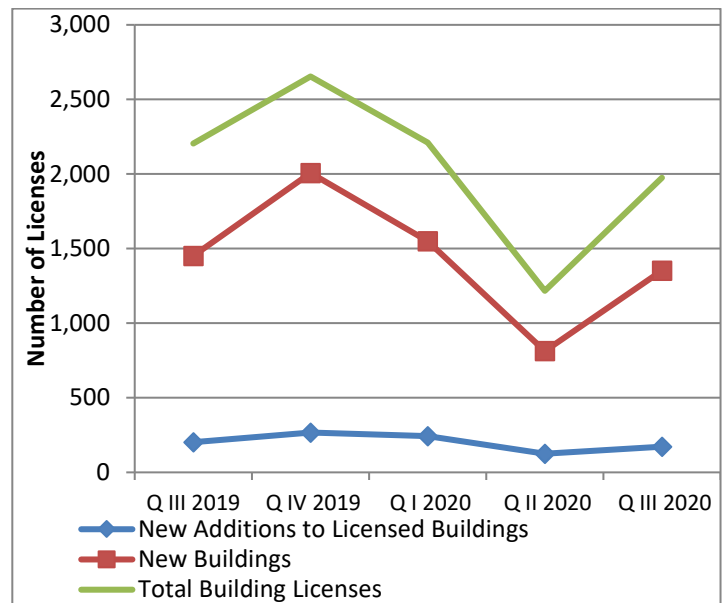
The total number of building licenses issued in the third quarter of 2020 increased by 62% compared with the second quarter of 2020 and decreased by 10% compared with the third quarter of 2019, where the number of new building licenses increased by 66% compared with the second quarter of 2020 and decreased by 7% compared with the third quarter of 2019.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 822 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which new buildings made up 677 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and existing buildings comprised 145 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The total number of licensed dwellings was 3,614 with a total area of 596 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which 2,836 were new dwellings with a total area of 469 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and 778 were existing dwellings with a total area of 127 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The number of new dwellings in the third quarter of 2020 increased by 64% compared with the second quarter of 2020 and decreased by 12% compared with the third quarter of 2019.

### Number of Building Licenses Issued in Palestine\* during the period, Third Quarter 2019 - Third Quarter 2020



\*Data excluded those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israeli occupation in 1967.

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