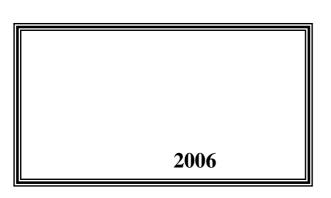


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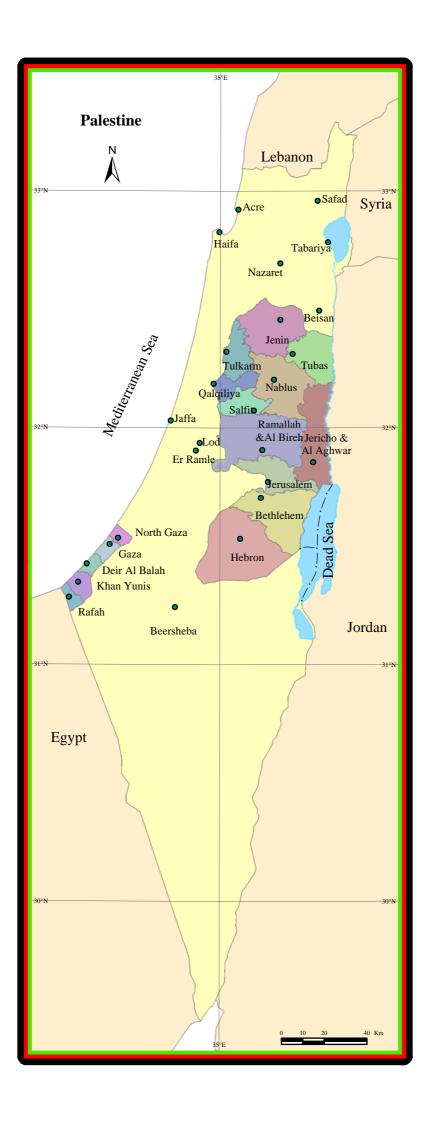
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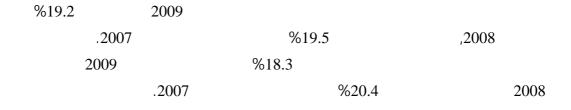
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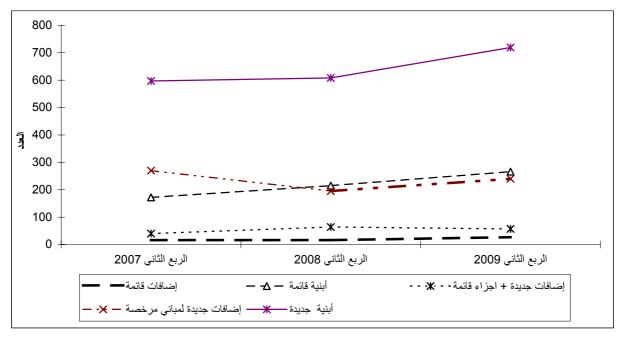
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2008 (%)	2007 (%)	2009	2008	2007
18.3	20.4	719	608	597
23.1	-11.1	240	195	270
-10.9	42.5	57	64	40
23.7	54.7	266	215	172
68.8	68.8	27	16	16
19.2	19.5	1,309	1,098	1,095



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2008 (%)	2007 (%)	2009	2008	2007
43.8	19.5	522.9	363.6	437.5
42.9	17.3	415.9	291.1	354.6
44.6	15.2	304.6	210.6	264.5
38.3	23.5	111.3	80.5	90.1
47.6	29.1	107.0	72.5	82.9
51.6	37.1	90.5	59.7	66.0
29.6	-1.8	16.6	12.8	16.9

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2008 (%)	2007 (%)	2009	2008	2007			
22.9	25.5	59	48	47			
29.7	41.2	4.8	3.7	3.4	()	

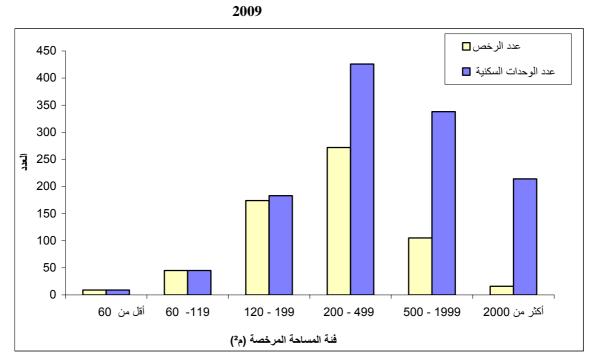
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2008 (%)	2007 (%)	2009	2008	2007			
9.6	-5.7	1,485	1,355	1,575			
60.7	32.8	311.2	193.6	234.3	()	
-28.8	-0.6	322	452	324			
50.7	41.7	85.6	56.8	60.4	()	





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Table 1: Buildings Licenses Issued* in the West Bank** and Gaza Strip During the Period 1998 to the Second Quarter 2009

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Period						2)	(4000 2)								
		Licensed	Dwellings		LIC	ensed Area	s (1000m ⁻)			Number c	f Licenses	1			
	Existing D	wellings	New Dwe	ellings						+					
	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Exist ing Exte nsio ns	Existing Building	New Additions + Existing Parts	New Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total		
1999	439.0	3,675	2,050.6	14,587	554.4	2,860.1	3,414.5	115	1,470	475	2,055	5,803	9,918		1999
2000	383.3	2,730	1,646.1	10,708	482.4	2,457.6	2,940.0	185	1,318	448	1,852	4,498	8,301		2000
2001	256.0	1,847	1,041.9	7,037	341.0	1,633.9	1,974.9	124	774	273	1,181	2,781	5,133		2001
2002	137.6	975	794.3	5,089	171.8	1,080.4	1,252.2	52	554	131	675	1,913	3,325		2002
2003	175.8	1,671	1,234.2	8,152	226.1	1,863.9	2,090.0	99	749	138	1,268	2,981	5,235		2003
2004	161.6	1,229	1,248.6	8,184	222.0	1,803.9	2,025.8	111	706	149	1,113	2,929	5,008		2004
2005	366.7	2,522	1,729.5	10,362	474.2	2,427.4	2,901.6	127	1,469	223	1,293	3,996	7,108		2005
2006	524.2	3,301	1,193.6	6,909	679.2	1,666.9	2,346.1	112	1,894	265	1,087	2,703	6,061		2006
2007	244.2	1650	983.1	7,478	325.8	1,448.4	1774.2	64	859	140	969	2456	4,488		2007
2008															2008
Quarter I***	88.3	414	297.5	1,850	107.0	423.1	530.1	18	191	70	259	690	1,228	***	
Quarter II	60.7	331	195.2	1,062	75.0	279.8	354.8	16	253	64	208	614	1,155		
Quarter III***	62.5	223	234.3	1,174	74.7	384.1	458.8	21	180	53	254	588	1,096	***	
Quarter VI***	51.6	202	195.5	1,111	81.9	303.6	385.5	19	175	50	210	526	980	***	
2009															2009
Quarter I ***	74.3	261	245.6	1,266	107.4	361.8	469.2	24	229	63	254	649	1,219	***	
Quarter II ***	85.6	322	311.2	1,485	107.0	415.9	522.9	27	266	57	240	719	1,309	***	

^{*}Excluding boundary walls licenses

^{**} Doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were illegally annexed by Israel in 1967

^{**} Data were not available for Gaza Strip

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Table 2: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* by Building Ownership and Utilization - Second Quarter 2009

					**(2)	_						
	L	icensec	Dwellings		License	d Areas (1	1000m²)**		N	umber of Iss	ued Licenses	S	
Building Ownership	Existing Dw	vellings	New Dw	ellings					Existing	+			
Ownership	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Existing Extensi ons	Buildings	New Additions + Existing Parts	New Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildin gs	Total
Total													
Residential Building	83.4	318	275.2	1,464	90.5	304.6	395.0	26	241	56	200	621	1,144
Non-Res. Building	2.2	4	36.0	21	16.6	111.3	127.9	1	25	1	40	98	165
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	4.7	4.8	0	1	0	2	56	59
Private													
Residential Buildings	83.4	318	274.3	1,459	90.5	303.5	394.0	26	241	56	200	619	1,142
Non-Res. Buildings	2.2	4	10.8	20	16.5	70.6	87.1	1	25	1	37	79	143
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	4.7	4.8	0	1	0	2	56	59
Governmental													
Residential Buildings	0.0	0	1.0	5	0.0	1.1	1.1	0	0	0	0	2	2
Non-Res. Buildings	0.0	0	2.6	1	0.0	7.2	7.2	0	0	0	0	7	7
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Authority													
Residential Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Res. Buildings	0.0	0	22.6	0	0.0	27.6	27.6	0	0	0	0	7	7
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

^{*} Doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were illegally annexed by Israel in 1967

^{**}For boundary walls it refers to length in (1000 m.r)

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Table 2 (cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* by Building Ownership and Utilization - Second Quarter 2009

	Lic	Owellings		**(²) Licensed Areas (1000m ²)**			Number of Issued Licenses							
Building Ownership	(2) Area (1000 m²)	ellings No.	(2) Area (1000 m²)	lings No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	إضافات جديدة+ أجزاء قائمة New Additions + Existing Parts	New Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total	
Charity														
Residential Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Non-Res. Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3.9	3.9	0	0	0	3	3	6	
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other														
Residential Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Non-Res. Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2.0	2.0	0	0	0	0	2	2	
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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	Licensed Dwellings				**(²) Licensed Areas (1000 m ²)**		Number of Issued Licenses						
License Issuing Authority	Existing Dwellings		New Dwe	New Dwellings						+			
	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	New Additions + Existing Parts	New Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total
All Authorities													
Residential Buildings	83.4	318	275.2	1,464	90.5	304.6	395.0	26	241	56	200	621	1,144
Non-Res. Buildings	2.2	4	36.0	21	16.6	111.3	127.9	1	25	1	40	98	165
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	4.7	4.8	0	1	0	2	56	59
Municipalities													
Residential Buildings	73.7	263	250.0	1,315	80.3	277.3	357.6	23	205	47	192	528	995
Non-Res. Buildings	2.2	4	36.0	21	14.1	102.2	116.4	1	23	1	39	90	154
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.1	4.5	4.6	0	1	0	2	54	57
Rural Councils													
Residential Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Non-Res. Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction Authorities													
Residential Buildings	9.7	55	25.2	149	10.2	27.2	37.4	3	36	9	7	93	148
Non-Res. Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	2.4	9.1	11.5	0	2	0	1	8	11
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0	2	2

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Table 4: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Category of Licensed Area and Governorate- Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Buildings				
Governorate &Area Category	Average No. of Storeys	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	No. of Licenses	
All Governorates							
Less than 60 m ²	0.4	9	1.0	1.0	9	9	² 60
60- 119 m ²	1.0	4	1.0	1.0	45	45	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	0.7	7	1.1	1.1	183	174	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.2	30	1.9	1.6	426	272	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	1.6	36	3.0	3.2	338	105	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	3.8	12	6.9	13.4	214	16	² 2000
Jenin							
Less than 60 m ²	1.0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60-119 m ²	2.0	1	1.0	1.0	4	4	² 119 -60
120- 199 m²	1.0	1	1.2	1.2	13	11	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	0.0	0	2.1	2.1	37	18	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	2.5	4	2.0	4.0	8	2	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Tubas							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60- 119 m ²	1.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	11	11	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.0	2	1.9	1.3	21	16	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	2.0	1	3.0	1.0	1	1	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000

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Table 4 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Category of Licensed Area and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Building				
Governorate & Area Category	Average No. of Storeys	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	No. of Licenses	
Tulkarm							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	1	² 60
60-119 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	7	7	² 119 -60
120- 199 m ²	0.0	1	1.2	1.0	33	33	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.6	5	1.9	1.6	52	33	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	2.0	1	2.9	4.4	61	14	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	6.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Nablus							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	5	1.0	1.0	3	3	² 60
60- 119 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	8	8	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	1.0	1	1.1	1.0	23	23	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	0.9	8	2.0	1.5	83	57	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	1.6	7	3.0	2.5	45	18	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	4.7	3	10.0	24.5	49	2	² 2000
Qalqilya							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60-119 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	4	4	² 119 -60
120- 199 m ²	1.0	1	1.1	1.1	18	17	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	0.0	0	2.0	1.4	23	16	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	0.0	0	2.0	4.0	4	1	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000

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Table 4 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Category of Licensed Area and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Building				
Governorate & Area Category	Average No. of Storeys	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	No. of Licenses	
Salfit							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	2	2	² 60
60- 119 m ²	0.0	1	1.0	1.0	6	6	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	0.0	0	1.2	1.1	18	17	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.0	1	1.9	1.7	36	21	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	2.7	3	3.3	3.7	11	3	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	3.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Ramallah and Al-Bireh							
Less than 60 m ²	1.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60-119 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	2	2	² 119 -60
120- 199 m²	0.0	0	1.1	1.0	8	8	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	2.0	1	2.0	1.4	46	33	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	1.5	2	3.4	3.2	98	31	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	5.3	3	6.6	12.3	148	12	² 2000
Jericho and Al Aghwar							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60- 119 m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	0.0	0	1.7	1.6	11	7	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.0	2	1.8	1.6	8	5	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	3.0	1	2.5	2.3	9	4	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	3.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000

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Table 4 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Category of Licensed Area and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Building				
Governorate & Area Category	Average No. of Storeys	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	No. of Licenses	
Jarusalem				<u> </u>			
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60- 119 m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	0.0	0	2.2	1.8	9	5	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	0.0	0	4.0	4.0	4	1	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	0.0	0	7.0	7.0	7	1	² 2000
Bethlehem							
Less than 60 m ²	1.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60- 119 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	6	6	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	1.0	1	1.1	1.0	16	16	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	2.0	2	1.7	1.6	61	39	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	1.2	5	3.1	3.1	56	18	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	4.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Hebron							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	3	3	² 60
60-119 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	8	8	² 119 -60
120- 199 m ²	0.5	2	1.0	1.0	32	31	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.0	9	1.9	1.7	50	29	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	1.0	12	2.4	3.4	41	12	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	0.0	2	5.0	10.0	10	1	² 2000

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Table 5: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate—Second Quarter 2009.

Governorate	Non-Res. Buildin	gs		Residential Buil					
	Average No. of Storeys	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m ²)	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	
All Governorates									
Stone	1.6	95.7	80	2.2	2.3	912	206.9	399	
Cement Block	1.2	7.4	17	1.5	1.4	282	47.2	205	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	1	1.6	1.2	21	4.7	17	
Jenin									
Stone	2.0	1.5	5	1.8	1.9	48	7.5	25	
Cement Block	1.7	1.4	3	1.4	1.4	14	1.8	10	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Tubas									
Stone	1.3	1.0	3	1.7	1.2	18	4.6	15	
Cement Block	1.0	0.4	1	1.5	1.2	15	3.1	13	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Tulkarm									
Stone	2.1	7.8	7	2.4	2.9	55	9.9	19	
Cement Block	1.0	0.2	1	1.5	1.4	85	14.7	59	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.5	1.4	14	2.8	10	
Nablus									
Stone	1.8	16.0	18	2.3	2.2	170	40.9	76	
Cement Block	0.0	0.4	5	1.4	1.2	40	6.1	34	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	1	1.0	1.0	1	0.0	1	

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Table 5 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Construction Material of Extern

Table 5 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate - Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Build	ings		Residential Buil	dings			
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses
Qalqilya								
Stone	1.0	0.1	1	2.3	1.0	4	1.4	4
Cement Block	1.0	0.1	1	1.4	1.3	45	7.3	34
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Salfit								
Stone	2.7	4.0	3	1.9	1.6	13	3.1	8
Cement Block	1.3	1.8	3	1.5	1.5	59	9.3	40
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.0	1	0.2	1
Ramallah and Al-Bireh								
Stone	3.1	15.0	7	3.2	3.7	296	77.3	80
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	2	0.3	2
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.8	1.0	4	1.4	4
Jericho and Al Aghwar								
Stone	0.0	0.3	1	2.3	2.0	6	1.1	3
Cement Block	2.7	3.2	3	1.8	1.7	22	4.6	13
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Jarusalem								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	3.1	2.9	20	4.8	7
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0

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Table 5 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate - Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Build	ings		Residential Buil	dings				
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	
Bethlehem									
Stone	1.6	8.4	10	1.8	1.8	138	31.0	78	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.0	1	0.3	1	
Hebron									
Stone	0.9	41.7	25	1.6	1.7	144	25.4	84	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	

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Table 6 : Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Additions to Licensed Existing Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate—Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Building	js .		Residential Buil	ldings			
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m ²)	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses
All Governorates								
Stone	0.8	7.6	31	1.5	1.0	148	28. 1	147
Cement Block	0.3	0.5	9	1.5	0.9	49	8.3	52
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1
Jenin								
Stone	4.0	1.3	1	2.4	2.4	17	2.6	7
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.6	1.2	6	0.7	5
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Tubas								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.2	1
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Tulkarm								
Stone	1.0	0.6	2	1.2	1.4	7	1.9	5
Cement Block	1.0	0.1	1	1.0	0.9	6	0.9	7
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1

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Table 6 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Additions to Licensed Existing Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate– Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Buil	dings		Residential Buil	dings			
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses
Nablus								
Stone	0.5	4.2	24	1.2	0.9	82	15.8	90
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	4	1.4	0.8	6	1.0	8
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Qalqilya								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.6	1.3	26	4.5	20
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Salfit								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Cement Block	1.0	0.0	1	2.0	0.0	0	0.8	7
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Ramallah and Al-Birah								
Stone	2.0	0.1	1	2.0	0.1	2	2.1	21
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0

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Table 6 (Cont.) : Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Additions to Licensed Existing Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

	Non-Res. Building	js .		Residential Buil	dings				
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m ²)	No. of Licenses	Average No. of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(2) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	
Jericho and Al Aghwar									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.5	1	
Cement Block	0.3	0.3	3	1.3	1.3	4	0.3	3	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	
Jarusalem									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	0.0	0	0.1	1	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	
Bethlehem									
Stone	1.7	1.4	3	1.5	2.1	30	2.9	14	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	
Hebron									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.3	9	2.0	7	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	

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Table 7: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Additions and Existing Parts to Unlicensed Existing Buildings by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate—Second Quarter 2009

	Non- Res. Buildir	ngs		Residential Bu	ildings				
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	
All Governorates									
Stone	4.0	0.1	1	3.1	1.6	41	7.4	26	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.3	1.6	48	8.1	30	
Tubas									
Stone	4.0	0.1	1	2.0	1.6	4	0.6	3	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	2.0	6	0.9	3	
Tulkarem									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	3.8	2.3	9	1.5	4	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.3	1.6	38	6.5	25	
Nablus									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	3.1	1.5	26	4.8	18	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.3	0.7	1	0.2	2	
Qalqilya									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	3.0	2.0	2	0.4	1	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	3.0	3.0	3	0.5	1	

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Table 8: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Existing Buildings and Extensions by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate- Second Quarter 2009

	Non- Res. Buil	dings		Residential Bu	ildings				
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	
All Governorates									
Stone	0.8	15.2	25	1.2	1.1	204	72.3	193	
Cement Block	1.0	0.2	1	1.3	1.0	62	10.0	64	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.7	1.4	14	2.0	10	
Jenin									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.5	1.5	3	0.6	2	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.4	1.4	7	1.1	5	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Tubas									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.8	1.3	5	0.9	4	
Cement Block	1.0	0.2	1	1.2	1.0	5	0.7	5	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1	
Tulkarm									
Stone	1.0	0.9	1	1.8	1.0	4	0.7	4	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.6	1.0	21	3.3	21	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.5	1.5	3	0.4	2	
Nablus									
Stone	1.0	0.7	4	1.9	1.2	27	4.7	23	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.8	0.5	10	1.8	19	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	2.3	1.5	6	1.0	4	

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Table 8 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Existing Buildings and Extensions by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

	Non- Res. Buil	dings		Residential B	uildings				
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m ²)	No. of Licenses	
Qalqilya									İ
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.5	1.3	14	2.5	11	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Salfit]
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.2	1	1
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.7	1.7	5	0.6	3]
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Ramallah and Al-Bireh									1
Stone	1.2	2.7	6	1.9	2.5	63	11.8	25	1
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1	1
Jerusalem]
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	3.0	3.0	3	0.6	1]
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0]
Bethlehem									1
Stone	1.0	0.0	1	1.3	1.3	20	5.1	16]
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0]
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.2	1	1

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Table 8 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Existing Buildings and Extensions by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate- Second Quarter 2009

	Non- Res. Buil	dings		Residential B	uildings				
Governorate	Average No. of Storeys	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m²)	No. of Licenses	Average No of Storeys	Average No. of Dwellings	Total No. of Dwellings	(²) Licensed Area (1000 m ²)	No. of Licenses	
Hebron									
Stone	0.5	11.0	13	0.8	0.7	78	47.8	117	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.0	2	0.2	1	

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Table 9: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Residential Buildings by Status of Licensed Building and Governorate—Second Quarter 2009

	(2)							
	Licen	sed Areas (000 m ²)			Number of Issued	Licenses	1	
Governorate	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions+Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total
All Governorates									
Complete Dwellings	88.4	295.7	384.0	5	241	38	127	610	1,021
Extension of Rooms	0.4	3.7	4.1	7	0	1	34	2	44
Other Extensions	0.1	1.4	1.5	0	0	8	14	6	28
Other	1.6	3.9	5.4	14	0	9	25	3	51
Jenin									
Complete Dwellings	1.6	12.7	14.3	0	7	0	12	35	54
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ubas									
Complete Dwellings	2.4	8.7	11.1	0	10	4	2	28	44
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	1	0	0	1
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Γulkarm									
Complete Dwellings	6.8	34.5	41.3	0	22	23	11	87	143
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.0	0.1	1	0	0	0	1	2
Other Extensions	0.1	0.2	0.2	0	0	5	2	0	7
Other	0.9	0.1	1.0	4	0	2	0	0	6

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Table 9 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Residential Buildings by Status of Licensed Building and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

	(2)	_						
	License	ed Areas (000 m²)			Number of Issued	Licenses	1	
Governorate	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions+Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total
Nablus									
Complete Dwellings	8.0	65.1	73.1	1	31	9	58	109	208
Extension of Rooms	0.3	0.4	0.7	4	0	0	6	1	11
Other Extensions	0.0	0.5	0.5	0	0	3	9	1	13
Other	0.6	1.5	2.2	10	0	7	25	0	42
Qalqilya									
Complete Dwellings	3.1	13.4	16.5	0	10	2	20	37	69
Extension of Rooms	0.1	0.0	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Salfit									
Complete Dwellings	0.8	11.5	12.3	0	4	0	0	46	50
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.8	8.0	0	0	0	7	0	7
Other Extensions	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	1	2	3
Other	0.0	1.0	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ramallah & Al- Bireh									
Complete Dwellings	11.9	79.1	90.9	0	26	0	2	86	114
Extension of Rooms	0.0	2.0	2.0	0	0	0	17	0	17
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Table 9 (Cont): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Residential Buildings by Status of Licensed Building and Governorate—Second Quarter 2009

	(2)	•						
	License	ed Areas (000 m²)			Number of Issued	Licenses	<u> </u>	
Governorate	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions+Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total
Jericho and Al Aghwar									
Complete Dwellings	0.0	5.2	5.2	0	0	0	3	15	18
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	1.2	1.2	0	0	0	0	1	1
Jerusalem									
Complete Dwellings	0.6	4.8	5.3	0	1	0	0	7	8
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bethlehem									
Complete Dwellings	5.3	33.9	39.2	0	17	0	12	79	108
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	2	0	2
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hebron									
Complete Dwellings	48.0	26.8	74.8	4	113	0	7	81	205
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Other Extensions	0.0	0.6	0.6	0	0	0	0	3	3
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Table 10: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Non-Residential Buildings by Utilization and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

			(2)								
	Stores	S	Licensec	Areas (10	000 m ²)		T	Number of Issue	ed Licenses		T
Governorate & Utilization	(² 1000) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions +Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total
All Governorates											
Industrial	1.9	22	0.6	3.6	4.2	0	1	0	2	0	3
Commercial	54.6	238	15.2	47.4	62.6	1	20	1	9	53	84
Educational	2.6	0	0.4	20.9	21.3	0	1	0	3	13	17
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.6	0.6	0	0	0	0	1	1
Others	2.2	14	0.4	38.8	39.2	0	3	0	26	31	60
Jenin											
Industrial	1.3	22	0.0	1.3	1.3	0	0	0	1	0	1
Commercial	1.9	32	0.0	2.0	2.0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0	0	0	0	2	2
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Tubas											
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	0.4	12	0.0	0.6	0.6	0	0	1	0	2	3
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0.0	0	0.2	0.9	1.1	0	1	0	0	2	3

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Table 10 (Cont.)`: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Non-Residential Buildings by Utilization and Governorate- Second Quarter 2009

	Stores	_	(²)	(4000 m²)	Number of Issued Licenses						
Governorate & Utilization	(2 1000) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions +Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total	
Tulkarm												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial	7.5	29	2.0	6.3	8.3	1	0	0	1	4	6	
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	0.0	0	0.0	2.1	2.1	0	0	0	2	3	5	
Nablus												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	2.3	2.3	0	0	0	1	0	1	
Commercial	7.7	50	0.7	9.1	9.8	0	3	0	4	11	18	
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	3.9	3.9	0	0	0	3	1	4	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	0.0	0	0.0	5.3	5.3	0	1	0	20	12	33	
Qalqilya												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial	0.2	3	0.0	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0	2	2	
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Table 10 (Cont.)`: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Non-Residential Buildings by Utilization and Governorate— Second Quarter 2009

			(2)								
	Stores	5	License	ed Areas ((1000 m ²)			Number of Issue	d Licenses	1		
Governorate & Utilization	(² 1000) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions +Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total	
Salfit												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial	2.8	32	0.0	2.9	2.9	0	0	0	1	4	5	
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	2.2	2.2	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	0.0	0	0.0	0.6	0.6	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Ramallah and Al-Bireh												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial	13.7	32	2.3	14.0	16.2	0	5	0	1	5	11	
Educational	0.0	0	0.4	1.2	1.6	0	1	0	0	2	3	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jericho and Al Aghwar												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial	0.3	1	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	1	1	2	
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	2.3	2.3	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.6	0.6	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Others	0.0	0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0	0	0	2	1	3	

^{*} Doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were illegally annexed by Israel in 1967

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Table 10 (Cont.)`: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Non-Residential Buildings by Utilization and Governorate- Second Quarter 2009

	Stores	6	(² Licens) ed Areas ((1000 m ²)			Number of Issue	d Licenses			
Governorate & Utilization	(² 1000) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	+ New Additions +Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total	
Bethlehem												
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Commercial	3.4	2	0.0	4.8	4.8	0	1	0	1	5	7	
Educational	2.6	0	0.0	2.6	2.6	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	1.6	4	0.0	2.4	2.4	0	0	0	2	4	6	
Hebron												
Industrial	0.6	0	0.6	0.0	0.6	0	1	0	0	0	1	
Commercial	16.6	45	10.2	7.4	17.6	0	11	0	0	14	25	
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	7.3	7.3	0	0	0	0	4	4	
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Others	0.6	10	0.2	27.0	27.2	0	1	0	0	7	8	

^{*} Doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were illegally annexed by Israel in 1967

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Table 11: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Boundary Walls Only by
Governorate- Second Quarter 2009

Governorate	Existing and Existing	Additions	New and New Additions			
Governorate	(.)		(.)			
	Total Length (1000 m.r)	Number	Total Length (1000 m.r)	Number		
All Governorates	0.1	1	4.7	58		
Jenin	0.0	0	0.3	2		
Tulkarm	0.0	0	0.7	12		
Nablus	0.0	0	2.2	30		
Qalqilya	0.0	0	0.1	2		
Ramallah and Al-Bireh	0.0	0	0.4	6		
Bethlehem	0.0	0	0.7	4		
Hebron	0.1	1	0.3	2		

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Important Note

- It should be noted that obtaining data from Gaza Strip was not possible for the report of Building Licenses Q2 of 2009.
- Data for the West Bank doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were illegally annexed by Israel in 1967.

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Preface

Construction is considered one of the important economic activities in the Palestinian economy. It contributes substantially to the Gross Domestic Product, recruits a large share of employees, and directly influences several other economic activities. Building construction in particular represents one of the major construction activities.

It has been necessary for PCBS to establish a statistical database that covers several aspects of construction activities in order to accommodate the different needs of users. The annual economic surveys series conducted by PCBS as of 1994 includes a survey for construction contractors. PCBS had also conducted the annual Existing Buildings Survey starting from the reference year 1996.

PCBS is pleased to present this report of Building Licenses Statistics, which provides statistical data on the size, and characteristics of licensed buildings in the West Bank for the Second Quarter 2009, but Gaza Strip data was not available.

Statistical data is currently collected through filling the designated form from the administrative records of the different official licenses issuing authorities. This has been initiated on quarterly basis since the Second Quarter of 1996.

Publication of building licenses statistics will be pursued in the following years. PCBS hopes that the means by which these data are archived in the issuing authorities are developed, in the foreseeable future, in a manner that would reduce the cost and time needed for preparing these statistics.

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Executive Summary

This report covers data in the West Bank for the Second Quarter 2009.

The main findings of this quarter are as follows:

1. Number of licenses:

The number of building licenses issued in the Second Quarter 2009 totaled 1,309 and was distributed as follows:

- 719 licenses for new buildings
- 240 licenses for new additions to licensed existing buildings
- 57 licenses for new additions and existing parts
- 266 licenses for existing buildings
- 27 licenses for existing extensions

2. Licensed areas:

The total areas of licensed buildings (residential & non residential) amounted to 522.9 thousand m² distributed as follows:

- \bullet 415.9 thousand m² are the new buildings areas, of which 304.6 thousand m² are residential and 111.3 thousand m² are non-residential.
- 107.0 thousand m² are the existing buildings areas, of which 90.5 thousand m² are residential and 16.6 thousand m² are non-residential.

3. Licensed boundary walls:

59 licenses were issued for walls with total length of 4.8 thousand meters.

4. Number and area of dwellings licensed:

- New dwellings: 1,485 units with a total area of 311.2 thousand m².
- Existing dwellings: 322 units with a total area of 85.6 thousand m².

There was an increase of 19.2% in the total number of issued buildings licenses for the Second quarter of 2009 compared with the Second quarter of 2008, and also there was an increase by 19.5% in the total number of issued buildings licenses when the results of the Second quarter of 2009 were compared with the Second quarter of 2007.

The results showed that in the 2009 Second quarter the number of new dwellings increased by 9.6% compared with the same quarter of 2008. On the other hand, there was a decrease of 5.7% in the number of new dwellings when the Second quarter of 2009 was compared with the same quarter of 2007.

1. Introduction:

Construction is considered an important economic activity, particularly in countries undergoing economic development. This activity plays a vital role in the Palestinian economy and is significantly interrelated to other economic activities. The PCBS is committed to compiling statistical data on all aspects of construction activities in order to measure the main related variables.

Administrative record statistics shed light on the size and type of buildings licenses issued by the proper authorities. Building license statistics are compiled by most countries. In addition to its own importance, buildings licenses statistics constitute the sampling frame for other surveys to be launched concerning identification of the actually constructed buildings with issued licenses, estimating construction costs and obtaining data on the technical characteristics of these buildings.

2. Objectives:

These statistics provide data on the number of building licenses, licensed buildings areas, number and area of licensed dwellings and stores considering the following variables:

- Issuing authorities.
- Geographic location.
- Status of the buildings to be licensed (new, existing, new or existing additions, etc.).
- Building ownership (private, governmental, local authorities, cooperative, etc.).
- Utilization of the building (residential, non-residential: industrial, commercial, educational, etc.).
- Major external construction material (stone, concrete, block, etc.).

3. Definitions:

1.1 Statistical Unit:

The license issued by any authorized authority. The issuing authorities are the reporting units for this administrative records statistics.

1.2 Building Ownership:

- 1. Private.
- 2. Governmental.
- 3. Local Authority.
- 4. Cooperatives.
- 5. Charitable Organization.
- 6. Other, e.g. religious groups, UNRWA, etc.

1.3 Status of the building to be licensed:

- 1. New, when the building site is entirely vacant.
- 2. Addition to an already existing licensed building either a vertical or horizontal addition.
- 3. Addition to non-licensed existing building (or part of a building) that needs licensing.
- 4. Existing building.
- 5. Existing extension.

1.4 Building Utilization:

- 1. Residential: The building is considered residential if more than half of its total area is prepared for residential purposes. The building could consist of:
 - Complete dwellings.
 - Rooms added to the dwellings.
 - Extension of other facilities, e.g. kitchen, bathroom, cesspool, garage.
- 2. Non-Residential: industrial, commercial, educational, etc.
- 3. The boundary wall: in cases when the boundary wall undergoes separate licensing. If the building license includes the wall, then it is not included here.

3.5 Dwelling:

The housing unit of a single household.

4. Main Findings

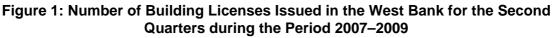
1. Number of licenses: The following table shows comparison between the number of buildings licenses for the Second Quarter 2009 in the West Bank with the same period for the years 2007-2008:

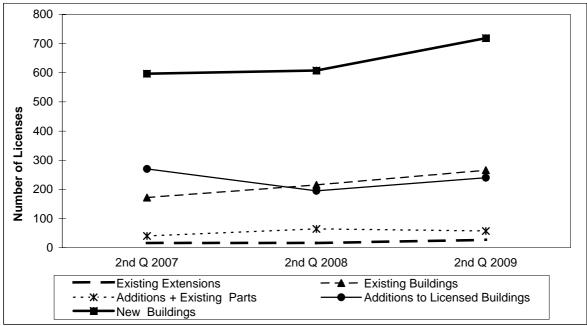
	No. of i	ssued Lic	enses*	_	% Change in Q2	
Indicator	Q2 2007	Q2 2008	Q2 2009	2009 from Q2 2007	2009 from Q2 2008	
Licenses for new buildings.	597	608	719	20.4	18.3	
Licenses for additions to licensed buildings.	270	195	240	-11.1	23.1	
Licenses for additions + existing parts.	40	64	57	42.5	-10.9	
Licenses for existing buildings.	172	215	266	54.7	23.7	
Licenses for existing extensions	16	16	27	68.8	68.8	
Total	1,095	1,098	1,309	19.5	19.2	

^{*}Excluding boundary wall licenses

The results showed an increase for building licenses indicators during the 2009 Second Quarter compared with the 2008 Second Quarter, despite some vacillation in some indicators, compared with the same period or pervious quarters for the same years.

There was a 19.2% increase in the total number of issued building licenses in 2009 Second Quarter as compared with the 2008 Second Quarter, and also the total number of issued building licenses increased by 19.5% in the 2009 Second Quarter compared to the 2007 Second Quarter.





2. Licensed areas: The following table shows comparison between the licensed areas for the 2009 Second Quarter in the West Bank with the same period for the years 2007-2008:

	License	ed Areas (10	00 m²)	% Change in Q2	% Change in Q2 2009 from Q2 2008	
Indicator	Q2 2007	Q2 2008	Q2 2009	2009 from Q2 2007		
Total areas	437.5	363.6	522.9	19.5	43.8	
New areas	354.6	291.1	415.9	17.3	42.9	
Residential	264.5	210.6	304.6	15.2	44.6	
Non-residential	90.1	80.5	111.3	23.5	38.3	
Existing areas	82.9	72.5	107.0	29.1	47.6	
Residential	66.0	59.7	90.5	37.1	51.6	
Non-residential	16.9	12.8	16.6	-1.8	29.6	

3.Licensed boundary walls: The following table shows comparison between the licenses issued for walls for the 2009 Second Quarter with the same period for the years 2007-2008:

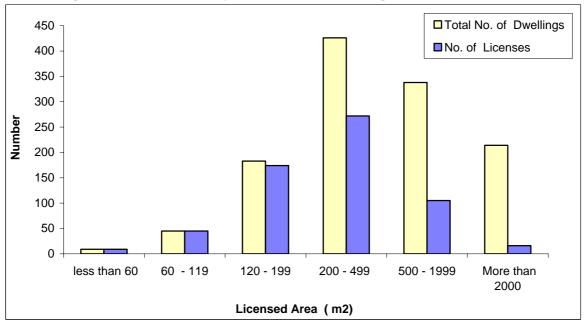
	Licensed	boundary	walls	% Change in Q2	% Change in Q2
Indicator	Q2 2007	Q2 2008	Q2 2009	2009 from Q2 2007	2009 from Q2 2008
Number of Walls licenses	47	48	59	25.5	22.9
Length of Walls licenses (meters)	3.4	3.7	4.8	41.2	29.7

4. Number and area of licensed dwellings: The following table shows comparison between the number and total area for the licensed dwellings for the 2009 Second Quarter and the same period for the years 2007- 2008:

Indicator	Number of dwellings and their area			% Change in Q2	% Change in Q2
	Q2 2007	Q2 2008	Q2 2009	2009 from Q2 2007	2009 from Q2 2008
Number of new dwellings	1,575	1,355	1,485	-5.7	9.6
Area for new dwellings (1000 m ²)	234.3	193.6	35.8	32.8	60.7
Number of existing dwellings	324	452	322	-0.6	-28.8
Area for existing dwellings (1000 m ²)	60.4	56.8	3.8	41.7	50.7

This figure shows the number of licenses and number of dwellings for new residential buildings by licensed area in Remaining West Bank for the Second Quarter of 2009:

Figure 2: Number of Building Licenses and Number of Dwellings for New Residential Buildings in the West Bank by Licensed Area During the 2009 Second Quarter



5. Data Quality

5.1 Accuracy of the Data

5.1.1 Statistical Errors

The survey was implemented on the basis of a comprehensive census for all studied statistical units (Licenses); therefore this survey was free of statistical (sampling) errors.

5.1.2 Non-Statistical Errors

Non-statistical errors are probable in all stages of the project, during data collection or processing. In this survey non-statistical errors are mostly referred to data entry errors. To avoid errors and reduce their effects, great efforts were made to train data entry staff. They were trained on the entry program that was tested before starting the data entry process. The data entry program was prepared before data collection to check its readiness. A set of

validation rules was applied to the program for checking consistency of data. Periodic data files were received by project management for checking accuracy and consistency, and notes of correction were given to data entry management for correction.

5.2 Comparison of the Data

Comparison exercises were done with previous years surveys of Building Licenses for the same quarter, and the results reveal consistency with previous survey data.

5.3 Technical Notes

There are important technical notes which should be taken into consideration when reviewing this report, which are as follows:

- Tables exclude building licenses for those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed illegally by Israel in 1967, while they include licenses for some villages of Jerusalem Governorate.
- It may be noticed that the details of the value of some indicators may not add up to their total, due to rounding calculations.
- Data were not available for the Gaza Strip.