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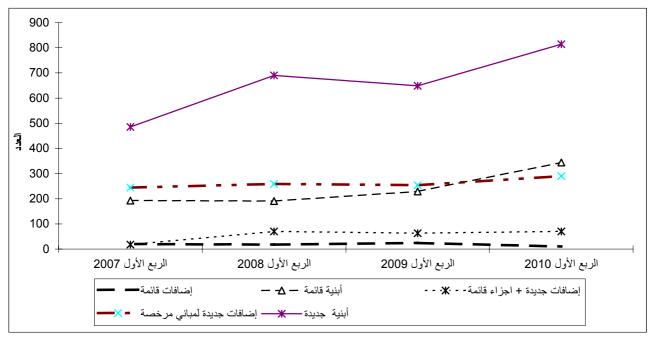
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13.3	0.2	531.4	469.2	530.1	
12.9	-3.5	408.3	361.8	423.1	:
19.3	-2.1	311.6	261.1	318.4	
-4.0	-7.6	96.7	100.7	104.7	
14.6	15.0	123.1	107.4	107.0	:
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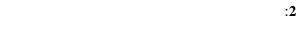
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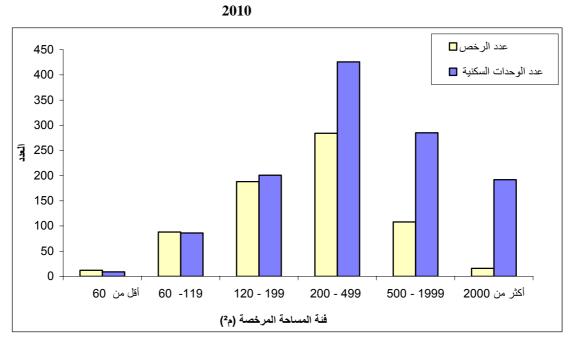
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44.4	44.4	52	36	36			
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2009 (%)	2008 (%)	2010	2009	2008			
19.5	-18.2	1,513	1,266	1,850			
19.4	-1.5	293.2	245.6	297.5	()	
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Table 1: Buildings Licenses Issued* in the West Bank** and Gaza Strip During the Period 1999- First Quarter 2010

	,	Licenced	Dwellings		(²) sed Areas (1	1000m²\			Number of I	laanaaa				
}		Licensea	Dweilings		Licens	seu Areas (1	loom)	Number of Licenses						l I	
	Existing Dv	vellings	New Dwe	ellings						+					
Period	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	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	1,650	983.1	7,478	325.8	1,448.4	1,774.2	64	859	140	969	2,456	4,488		2007
2008	263.1	1,170	922.5	5,197	338.6	1,390.6	1,729.2	74	799	237	931	2,418	4,459		2008
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	***	
Quarter III***	88.5	495	241.4	1,311	128.2	382.0	510.3	20	348	55	266	607	1,296	***	
Quarter IV***	74.5	423	297.8	1,668	93.2	500.5	593.7	14	262	62	305	839	1,482	***	
2010															2010
Quarter I ***	95.4	461	293.2	1,513	123.1	408.3	531.4	10	344	70	290	814	1,528	***	

^{*}Excluding boundary walls licenses

^{**} Doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were 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 - First Quarter 2010

					**(2)								
	Li	Licensed Dwellings				Licensed Areas (1000m ²)**			Number of Issued Licenses					
Building Ownership	Existin Dwellin		New Dwellings						Existing	+				
	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Buildings	New Additions + Existing Parts	New Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total	
Total														
Residential Building	93.0	456	282.8	1,472	101.8	311.6	413.3	9	314	69	242	696	1,330	
Non-Res. Building	2.4	5	10.4	41	21.3	96.7	118.1	1	30	1	48	118	198	
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.3	4.0	4.3	0	2	0	1	49	52	
Private														
Residential Buildings	93.0	456	282.8	1,472	101.8	311.6	413.3	9	314	69	242	696	1,330	
Non-Res. Buildings	2.2	4	4.9	17	19.6	62.1	81.7	0	28	1	41	86	156	
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.3	3.8	4.1	0	2	0	1	48	51	
Governmental														
Residential Buildings	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Non-Res. Buildings	0.3	1	5.2	21	8.0	19.1	19.9	1	1	0	4	13	19	
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	0.0	0	1.0	10.4	11.4	0	1	0	1	13	15	
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 annexed by Israel in 1967

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

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	Lie	Licensed Dwellings				**(²) Licensed Areas (1000m ²)**			Number of Issued Licenses					
Building Ownership	Existing Dwellings		New Dwellings					Existing	Existing	إضافات جديدة+ أجزاء قائمة New	New	New		
	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m ²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Extensions	Buildings	Additions + Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	Buildings	Total	
Corporative														
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	1.0	1.0	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	
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	1	0.0	2.9	2.9	0	0	0	1	2	3	
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	0.4	2	0.0	1.2	1.2	0	0	0	1	2	3	
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	0	1	1	

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Table 3: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* by Issuing Authority and Utilization - First Quarter 2010

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	Lie	Licensed Dwellings				Areas (10	000 m²)**	Number of Issued Licenses					
License Issuing Authority		Existing Dwellings		New Dwellings						+	New		
	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	(²) Area (1000 m²)	No.	Existing Areas	All New Areas	Total	Existing Extensions	Existing Buildings	New Additions + Existing Parts	Additions to Licensed Buildings	New Buildings	Total
All Authorities													
Residential Buildings	93.0	456	282.8	1,472	101.8	311.6	413.3	9	314	69	242	696	1,330
Non-Res. Buildings	2.4	5	10.4	41	21.3	96.7	118.1	1	30	1	48	118	198
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.3	4.0	4.3	0	2	0	1	49	52
Municipalities													
Residential Buildings	79.4	385	229.7	1,180	87.2	254.0	341.2	7	271	58	234	515	1,085
Non-Res. Buildings	2.3	4	8.6	39	14.1	74.0	88.1	1	21	0	44	96	162
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	3.6	3.6	0	1	0	1	46	48
Construction Authorities													
Residential Buildings	13.6	71	53.1	292	14.6	57.6	72.1	2	43	11	8	181	245
Non-Res. Buildings	0.1	1	1.9	2	7.2	22.8	30.0	0	9	1	4	22	36
Boundary walls	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0	1	0	0	3	4

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Table 4: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for New Buildings by Category of Licensed Area and Governorate- First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Buildings	S			
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	0.8	12	1.0	0.8	9	12	² 60
60- 119 m ²	1.0	13	1.0	1.0	86	88	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	1.1	10	1.2	1.1	201	188	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.3	28	1.8	1.5	426	284	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	2.1	42	3.1	2.6	285	108	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	4.7	13	6.3	12.0	192	16	² 2000
Jenin							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	1	² 60
60-119 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	25	25	² 119 -60
120- 199 m ²	1.5	2	1.3	1.2	27	23	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.7	3	2.0	1.8	44	24	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	1.5	8	2.0	3.0	6	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	1.0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 60
60- 119 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	2	2	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	1.0	1	1.1	1.0	15	15	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.0	1	1.9	1.4	24	17	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	2.0	1	2.3	2.3	7	3	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—
First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Build	ings			
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	0.0	0	1	² 60
60-119 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	9	9	² 119 -60
120- 199 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	24	23	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.5	2	2.0	1.7	71	42	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	2.0	2	3.3	5.3	32	6	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	5.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Nablus							
Less than 60 m ²	0.8	4	0.7	0.3	1	3	² 60
60- 119 m ²	1.0	4	1.2	1.0	9	9	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	1.0	3	1.2	1.0	28	27	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.2	5	1.8	1.5	74	49	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	2.1	11	3.3	2.9	77	27	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	3.8	4	6.1	12.6	113	9	² 2000
Qalqilya							
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	1	² 60
60-119 m ²	1.0	1	1.1	0.9	6	7	² 119 -60
120- 199 m ²	1.0	1	1.1	1.0	23	22	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	2.0	1	1.8	1.6	36	22	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	2.0	2	3.3	3.3	10	3	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—
First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Build	ings	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					
Salfit											
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	9	9	² 199 -120				
200- 499 m ²	1.0	3	1.8	1.7	22	13	² 499-200				
500-1999 m ²	2.0	1	3.0	3.0	9	3	² 1999 -500				
2000- m ² and more	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000				
Ramallah and Al-Bireh											
Less than 60 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	1	1	² 60				
60-119 m ²	1.0	2	1.0	1.0	12	12	² 119 -60				
120- 199 m ²	0.0	0	1.3	1.1	15	14	² 199 -120				
200- 499 m ²	1.0	4	1.9	1.5	69	46	² 499 -200				
500- 1999 m ²	2.2	5	3.1	3.0	85	28	² 1999 -500				
2000 m ² and more	5.0	5	6.6	11.3	79	7	² 2000				
Jericho and Al Aghwar											
Less than 60 m ²	0.0	1	1.0	1.0	2	2	² 60				
60- 119 m ²	0.0	0	1.0	0.7	2	3	² 119 -60				
120-199m ²	0.0	0	1.8	1.8	9	5	² 199 -120				
200- 499 m ²	0.0	0	1.3	1.7	15	9	² 499-200				
500-1999 m ²	0.0	0	3.0	3.0	3	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—
First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Buildings		Residential Build	ings			
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	
Jerusalem							
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	1.0	1.0	1	1	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	2.0	1	1.6	1.2	6	5	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	3.0	1	3.0	3.6	18	5	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Bethlehem							
Less than 60 m ²	1.0	2	1.5	1.0	2	2	² 60
60- 119 m ²	1.0	2	1.0	1.0	7	7	² 119 -60
120-199m ²	1.0	1	1.1	1.1	13	12	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.0	2	1.6	1.6	42	27	² 499-200
500-1999 m ²	2.6	5	3.3	2.8	25	9	² 1999 -500
2000- m ² and more	8.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	² 2000
Hebron							
Less than 60 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	1	1	² 60
60-119 m ²	1.0	1	1.0	1.0	8	8	² 119 -60
120- 199 m²	1.0	1	1.1	1.0	37	37	² 199 -120
200- 499 m ²	1.5	6	1.7	0.8	23	30	² 499 -200
500- 1999 m ²	2.7	6	2.8	0.6	13	21	² 1999 -500
2000 m ² and more	5.0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	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—First Quarter 2010.

	Non-Res. Buildin	gs		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	
All Governorates									1
Stone	2.1	78.3	93	2.0	1.9	840	206.6	436	1
Cement Block	1.2	9.6	25	1.5	1.4	356	56.0	257	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	3	0.4	3	1
Jenin									1
Stone	1.5	1.8	4	1.5	1.5	49	7.9	33	1
Cement Block	1.5	5.8	10	1.3	1.3	54	6.8	42	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Tubas									1
Stone	1.6	3.9	5	1.6	1.3	16	3.5	12	1
Cement Block	1.0	0.1	2	1.5	1.3	32	5.8	25	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Tulkarm									1
Stone	3.0	4.1	3	2.4	2.4	31	6.6	13	1
Cement Block	1.3	1.0	3	1.5	1.5	105	17.8	68	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1
Nablus									1
Stone	1.8	24.7	29	2.5	2.8	269	64.7	95	1
Cement Block	1.0	0.4	2	1.4	1.1	33	5.2	29	1
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1

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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 - First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Build	ings		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	
Qalqilya									
Stone	2.0	1.9	3	2.0	1.8	14	3.0	8	
Cement Block	1.0	0.8	2	1.4	1.3	62	9.4	47	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Salfit									
Stone	1.0	0.8	2	2.1	2.0	16	3.9	8	
Cement Block	1.3	1.0	4	1.4	1.3	30	4.3	23	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Ramallah and Al-Bireh									
Stone	2.6	17.7	16	2.5	2.5	236	59.7	93	
Cement Block	1.0	0.3	1	1.6	1.8	22	3.3	12	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	3	0.4	3	
Jericho and Al Aghwar									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.6	1.4	13	1.8	9	
Cement Block	1.0	0.0	1	1.4	1.6	18	3.3	11	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Jarusalem									
Stone	2.5	1.9	2	2.2	2.3	25	4.9	11	
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 - First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Buildi	ings		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	
Bethlehem									
Stone	2.2	9.1	13	1.7	1.6	89	18.7	57	
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	
Hebron									
Stone	2.1	12.4	16	1.6	0.8	82	31.7	97	
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—First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Building	js .		Residential Bui	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	1.0	5.7	35	1.2	0.9	165	30.5	193	
Cement Block	0.6	1.8	8	1.3	0.9	43	7.0	48	
Concrete	0.2	0.7	5	1.0	1.0	1	0.2	1	
Jenin									
Stone	1.0	0.1	1	1.8	1.6	8	1.3	5	
Cement Block	1.0	0.7	1	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Tubas									
Stone	1.0	0.5	1	1.3	1.5	6	1.1	4	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	0.5	1	0.3	2	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Tulkarm									
Stone	1.5	0.5	2	2.0	1.0	1	0.2	1	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.1	1.1	10	1.3	9	
Concrete	0.0	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—First Quarter 2010

	Non-Res. Build	dings		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	
Nablus									
Stone	0.8	3.8	24	1.1	0.7	106	21.3	143	
Cement Block	0.4	0.3	5	1.1	0.3	2	0.5	7	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	4	1.0	1.0	1	0.2	1	
Qalqilya									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.2	6	0.9	5	
Cement Block	1.0	0.8	2	1.4	1.2	23	3.5	20	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Salfit									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	0.0	0	0.1	3	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.5	0.0	0	0.3	2	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Ramallah and Al-Birah									
Stone	1.5	0.2	2	1.7	0.3	3	1.2	10	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.3	0.8	3	0.6	4	
Concrete	1.0	0.6	1	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– First Quarter 2010

	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	2.0	0.1	1	1.3	1.3	4	0.6	3	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	3	0.3	3	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Bethlehem									
Stone	1.5	0.4	4	1.4	1.6	23	2.7	14	
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	
Hebron									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.6	8	1.2	5	
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 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- First Quarter 2010

	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	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.1	33	8.3	31	
Cement Block	2.0	1.5	1	2.0	1.7	64	9.0	38	
Tubas									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	2.5	1.5	6	1.2	4	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.1	1.8	18	2.6	10	
Tulkarem									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	3.1	2.4	13	3.0	6	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.7	38	5.3	23	
Nablus									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.6	0.7	14	4.2	21	
Cement Block	2.0	1.5	1	1.3	1.0	3	0.6	3	
Qalqilya									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	3.0	2.5	5	0.5	2	

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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- First Quarter 2010

	Non- Res. Buil	dings		Residential Bu	ıildings				
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	1.9	16.5	21	1.9	1.3	296	76.5	228	
Cement Block	1.3	3.7	9	1.4	1.3	125	18.8	94	
Concrete	2.0	0.4	1	2.0	2.0	2	0.1	1	
Jenin									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.0	1	0.5	1	
Cement Block	1.0	0.6	1	1.3	1.3	8	1.6	6	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	2.0	2	0.1	1	
Tubas									
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	2.2	2.7	16	2.5	6	
Cement Block	1.0	0.1	1	1.5	1.4	26	3.8	19	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Tulkarm									
Stone	2.0	0.2	1	2.8	1.0	4	1.2	4	
Cement Block	1.0	1.6	1	1.5	1.3	28	4.6	21	
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	
Nablus									
Stone	1.0	0.3	2	1.6	1.3	24	4.3	19	
Cement Block	2.0	0.6	2	0.9	0.8	11	1.9	13	
Concrete	2.0	0.4	1	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0	

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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—First Quarter 2010

	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								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	2.0	1.0	1	0.2	1
Cement Block	0.0	0.0	0	1.4	1.4	10	1.4	7
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Salfit								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	1.0	1.0	1	0.1	1
Cement Block	1.3	0.4	3	1.5	1.5	42	5.5	28
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Ramallah and Al-Bireh								
Stone	2.1	8.8	7	2.2	2.4	47	9.3	20
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
Jericho and Al Aghwar								
Stone	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Cement Block	1.0	0.3	1	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Concrete	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0
Jerusalem								
Stone	3.0	1.8	2	2.3	1.3	4	1.6	3
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 8 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Existing Buildings and Extensions by Construction Material of

Table 8 (Cont.): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Existing Buildings and Extensions by Construction Material of External Walls and Governorate- First Quarter 2010

	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 m²)	No. of Licenses	
Bethlehem									
Stone	1.0	0.2	1	1.7	1.5	15	3.9	10	
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	
Hebron									
Stone	1.8	5.2	8	1.8	1.1	183	53.0	163	
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 9: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Residential Buildings by Status of Licensed Building and Governorate – First Quarter 2010

	(2)							
	Licen	sed 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
All Governorates									
Complete Dwellings	100.2	305.6	405.8	3	313	51	142	689	1,198
Extension of Rooms	0.1	2.3	2.4	0	0	2	24	5	31
Other Extensions	0.7	1.0	1.8	1	0	4	23	2	30
Other	0.7	2.6	3.3	5	1	12	53	0	71
Jenin									
Complete Dwellings	2.2	16.1	18.3	0	8	0	5	75	88
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	1	0	1
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ubas									
Complete Dwellings	7.3	13.1	20.3	0	25	13	4	37	79
Extension of Rooms	0.1	0.2	0.3	0	0	1	1	0	2
Other Extensions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.1	0.1	0.2	0	0	0	1	0	1
Tulkarm									
Complete Dwellings	8.8	30.5	39.3	0	23	24	9	80	136
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.2	0.2	0	0	1	1	1	3
Other Extensions	0.2	0.0	0.2	0	0	3	0	0	3
Other	0.4	0.0	0.4	2	0	1	0	0	3

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

First Quarter 2010

	(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	6.8	91.7	98.5	1	26	12	72	122	233
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	6	1	7
Other Extensions	0.6	8.0	1.4	1	0	1	21	1	24
Other	0.2	2.5	2.7	3	1	11	52	0	67
Qalqilya									
Complete Dwellings	1.8	16.9	18.7	0	8	2	24	54	88
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	1	1	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
Salfit									
Complete Dwellings	5.6	8.3	13.9	2	27	0	0	31	60
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	4	0	4
Other Extensions	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah & Al- Bireh									
Complete Dwellings	9.3	64.3	73.6	0	20	0	4	108	132
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.9	0.9	0	0	0	10	0	10
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

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Table 9 (Cont): Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Residential Buildings by Status of Licensed Building and Governorate First Quarter 2010

	(2)							
	License	ed Areas (000 m²)			Number of Issued	Licenses		
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	5.8	5.8	0	0	0	5	19	24
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.2	0.2	0	0	0	1	1	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
Jerusalem									
Complete Dwellings	1.6	4.9	6.5	0	3	0	0	11	14
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
Bethlehem									
Complete Dwellings	3.9	21.3	25.2	0	10	0	14	56	80
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	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
Hebron									
Complete Dwellings	53.0	32.8	85.8	0	163	0	5	96	264
Extension of Rooms	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Extensions	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	1
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 - First Quarter 2010

			(2)		2	Number of Issued Licenses					
Cavamanata	Stores	8	Licensec	l Areas (10	000 m²)				ed 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
All Governorates											
Industrial	2.2	24	1.6	4.3	6.0	0	1	0	0	4	5
Commercial	55.3	321	15.5	41.1	56.6	0	22	0	22	62	106
Educational	2.8	0	1.5	21.8	23.3	0	2	0	1	15	18
Health	0.0	0	0.0	2.9	2.9	0	0	0	2	2	4
Other	1.6	5	2.7	26.6	29.3	1	5	1	23	35	65
Jenin											
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.7	0.7	0	0	0	0	1	1
Commercial	1.3	18	0.0	1.7	1.7	0	0	0	1	4	5
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0	0	0	0	2	2
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0.0	0.6	4.9	5.5	0	1	0	1	7	9
Tubas											
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	0.6	14	0.1	0.5	0.6	0	1	0	0	5	6
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	2.6	2.6	0	0	0	0	1	1
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other	0.0	0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0	0	0	0	1	1

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Table 10 (Cont.)`: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Non-Residential Buildings by Utilization and Governorate - First Quarter 2010

	Ctoron		(2)	4000 2	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	1.6	3	1.6	0.0	1.6	0	1	0	0	0	1
Commercial	1.9	18	0.0	2.9	2.9	0	0	0	2	3	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
Other	0.0	0	0.2	0.6	8.0	0	1	0	0	2	3
Nablus											
Industrial	0.6	21	0.0	1.6	1.6	0	0	0	0	2	2
Commercial	8.7	69	0.5	9.2	9.7	0	2	0	14	12	28
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	5.5	5.5	0	0	0	0	3	3
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	1	0	1
Other	0.1	1	1.6	13.3	14.9	0	3	1	18	14	36
Qalqilya											
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	1.1	6	0.0	1.1	1.1	0	0	0	1	3	4
Educational	0.0	0	0.0	2.1	2.1	0	0	0	1	1	2
Health	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.0	0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0	0	0	0	1	1

^{*} Doesn't include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate which were 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 - First Quarter 2010

	1										
	Stores		(²)	4000 m ²)			Number of Issue	dlicences		
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	1.7	22	0.4	1.8	2.3	0	3	0	0	5	8
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
Other	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Ramallah and Al-Bireh Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	2.1	2.1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Commercial	19.9	130	8.8	15.6	24.4	0	7	0	2	14	23
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
Other Jericho and Al Aghwar	0.1	1	0.0	1.2	1.2	0	0	0	1	2	3
Industrial	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	0.2	3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0	0	0	1	1	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
Other	0.0	0	0.3	0.0	0.3	1	0	0	0	0	1

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Table 10 (Cont.)`: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Non-Residential Buildings by Utilization and Governorate - First Quarter 2010

			(2)							
	Stores	3	Licens	ed Areas (1000 m ²)			Number of Issue	d Licenses	T	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
Jerusalem											
Industrial	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	1.2	15.0	0.8	0.4	1.2	0	1	0	0	1	2
Educational	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.6	2.5	0	1	0	0	1	2
Health	0.0	0.0	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	0	0	0	0
Bethlehem											
Industrial	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	1.3	4.0	0.2	1.1	1.3	0	1	0	1	4	6
Educational	2.2	0.0	0.0	4.9	4.9	0	0	0	0	5	5
Health	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0.4	3.0	0.0	3.4	3.4	0	0	0	3	4	7
Hebron											
Industrial	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commercial	17.2	22.0	4.7	6.7	11.4	0	7	0	0	10	17
Educational	0.5	0.0	0.5	1.6	2.2	0	1	0	0	1	2
Health	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	2.1	0	0	0	0	2	2
Other	1.1	0.0	0.0	1.9	1.9	0	0	0	0	3	3

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Table 11: Buildings Licenses Issued in the West Bank* for Boundary Walls Only by Governorate - First Quarter 2010

Governorate	Existing and Existi	ng Additions	New and New A	Additions	
Governorate	(.)		(.)		
	Total Length (1000 m.r)	Number	Total Length (1000 m.r)	Number	
All Governorates	0.3	2	4.0	50	
Jenin	0.0	0	0.1	1	
Tulkarm	0.0	0	0.7	8	
Nablus	0.1	1	1.6	21	
Qalqilya	0.0	0	0.1	2	
Ramallah and Al-Bireh	0.0	0	0.6	4	
Jericho and Al Aghwar	0.0	0	0.2	3	
Bethlehem	0.0	0	0.5	10	
Hebron	0.2	1	0.1	1	

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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 Q1 of 2010.
- Data for the West Bank does not include those parts of Jerusalem Governorate, which were 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 First Quarter 2010. However, data for Gaza Strip 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 a quarterly basis since the First 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 by the issuing authorities will be 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 First Quarter 2010.

The main findings of this quarter are as follows:

1. Number of licenses:

The number of building licenses issued in the First Quarter 2010 totaled 1,528 and was distributed as follows:

- 814 licenses for new buildings.
- 290 licenses for new additions to licensed existing buildings.
- 70 licenses for new additions and existing parts.
- 344 licenses for existing buildings.
- 10 licenses for existing extensions.

2. Licensed areas:

The total area of licensed buildings (residential & non residential) amounted to 531.4 thousand m² distributed as follows:

- The new buildings areas amounted to 408.3 thousand m² of which 311.6 thousand m² are residential and 96.7 thousand m² are non-residential.
- The existing buildings areas amounted to 123.1 thousand m² of which 101.8 thousand m² are residential and 21.3 thousand m² are non-residential.

3. Licensed boundary walls:

52 licenses were issued for walls with total length of 4.3 thousand meters.

4. Number and area of dwellings licensed:

- New dwellings: 1,513 units with a total area of 293.2 thousand m².
- Existing dwellings: 461 units with a total area of 95.4 thousand m².

There was an increase of 25.3% in the total number of issued buildings licenses for the first quarter of 2010 compared with the first quarter of 2009, and also there was an increase by 24.4% in the total number of issued buildings licenses for the first quarter of 2010 compared with the first quarter of 2008.

The results showed that the number of new dwellings in the first quarter 2010 increased by 19.5% compared with the same quarter of 2009. On the other hand, there was a decrease of 18.2% in the number of new dwellings when the First quarter of 2010 was compared with the same quarter of 2008.

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. PCBS is committed to compiling statistical data on all aspects of construction activities in order to measure the main relevant variables.

Administrative record statistics shed light on the size and type of building licenses issued by the designated authorities. Building licenses statistics are compiled by most countries. In addition to its own importance, buildings licenses statistics constitute the sampling frame for other surveys that aim to identify the actual buildings constructed with issued licenses, estimation of 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:

3.1 Statistical Unit:

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

3.2 Building Ownership:

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

3.3 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.

3.4 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:

A building or a part of a building constructed for one household only, with one or more independent entrance leading to the public road without passing through another housing unit.

4. Main Findings

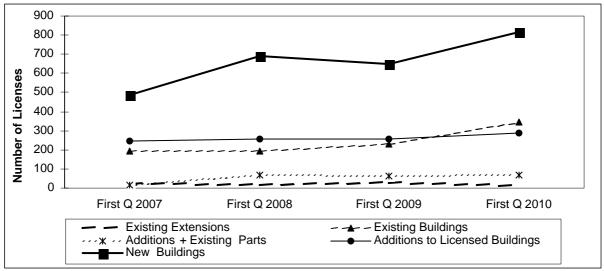
1. Number of licenses: The following table shows comparison between the number of buildings licenses for the First Quarter 2010 in the West Bank with the same period for the years 2008-2009:

	No. of is	ssued Lic	enses*	_	% Change in Q1	
Indicator	Q1 2008	Q1 2009	Q1 2010	2010 from Q1 2008	2010 from Q1 2009	
Licenses for new buildings.	690	649	814	18.0	25.4	
Licenses for additions to licensed buildings.	259	254	290	12.0	14.2	
Licenses for additions + existing parts.	70	63	70	0.0	11.1	
Licenses for existing buildings.	191	229	344	80.1	50.2	
Licenses for existing extensions	18	24	10	-44.4	-58.3	
Total	1,228	1,219	1,528	24.4	25.3	

^{*}Excluding boundary wall licenses

There was a 25.3% increase in the total number of issued building licenses in the First Quarter 2010 as compared with the First Quarter 2009, and also the total number of issued building licenses increased by 24.4% in the First Quarter 2010 compared to the First Quarter 2008.





2. Licensed areas: The following table shows comparison between the licensed areas for the First Quarter 2010 in the West Bank with the same period for the years 2008-2009.

	License	ed Areas (100	00 m²)	% Change in Q1	% Change in Q1	
Indicator	Q1 2008	Q1 2009	Q1 2010	2010 from Q1 2008	2010 from Q1 2009	
Total areas	530.1	469.2	531.4	0.2	13.3	
New areas	423.1	361.8	408.3	-3.5	12.9	
Residential	318.4	261.1	311.6	-2.1	19.3	
Non-residential	104.7	100.7	96.7	-7.6	-4.0	
Existing areas	107	107.4	123.1	15.0	14.6	
Residential	95.7	94.8	101.8	6.4	7.4	
Non-residential	11.3	12.6	21.3	88.5	69.0	

3. Licensed boundary walls: The following table shows comparison between the licenses issued for walls for the First Quarter 2010 with the same period for the years 2008-2009:

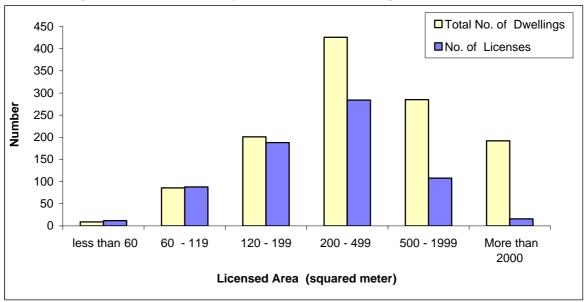
Indicator	Licensed boundary walls			% Change in Q1	% Change in Q1	
	Q1 2008	Q1 2009	Q1 2010	2010 from Q1 2008	2010 from Q1 2009	
Number of Walls licenses	36	36	52	44.4	44.4	
Length of Walls licenses (meters)	2.6	2.5	4.3	65.4	72.0	

4. Number and area of licensed dwellings: The following table shows comparison between the number and total area for the licensed dwellings for the First Quarter 2010 and the same period for the years 2008- 2009:

Indicator	Number of	dwellings and	% Change in Q1	% Change in Q1	
	Q1 2008	Q1 2009	Q1 2010	2010 from Q1 2008	2010 from Q1 2009
Number of new dwellings	1,850	1,266	1,513	-18.2	19.5
Area for new dwellings (1000 m ²)	297.5	245.6	293.2	-1.5	19.4
Number of existing dwellings	414	261	461	11.4	76.6
Area for existing dwellings (1000 m ²)	88.3	74.3	95.4	8.0	28.4

This figure shows the number of licenses and number of dwellings for new residential buildings by licensed area in The West Bank for the First Quarter of 2010:

Figure 2: Number of Building Licenses and Number of Dwellings for New Residential Buildings in the West Bank by Licensed Area During the First Quarter 2010



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 on the data entry program that was tested before starting the actual 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 of data.

5.2 Comparison of the Data

Comparison exercises were done with surveys of Building Licenses for the same quarter in previous years, and the results reveal fluctuation 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 by Israel in 1967
- 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.