## Palestine Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics



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## News Release on Building Licenses in the Palestinian Territory, First Quarter 2012

## Increase in building licenses in Palestinian Territory compared with previous quarter and corresponding quarter of 2011

The total number of building licenses issued in the first quarter of 2012 was 2,172.

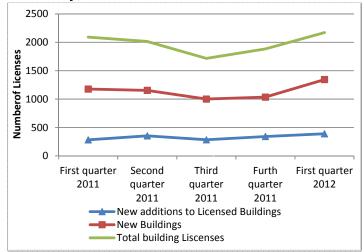
The number of building licenses issued in the first quarter of 2012 was 15.3% higher than in the fourth quarter of 2011. The total number of building licenses issued for the first quarter of 2012 was 3.8% higher than in the first quarter of 2011.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 976.8 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which new buildings made up 849.4 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and existing buildings 127.4 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The total number of licensed dwellings was 3,843, of which 3,317 were new units with a total area of 618.2 thousand  $m^2$  and 526 were existing dwellings with a total area of 109.0 thousand  $m^2$ .

The number of new dwellings in the first quarter of 2012 increased by 5.6% compared to the fourth quarter of 2011 and was 20.8% higher than the first quarter of 2011.

## Number of Building Licenses Issued in the Palestinian Territory, First Quarter 2011 to First Quarter 2012



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