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**Increase in the number of building  
licenses in Palestine\* in the second quarter  
of 2021 compared with previous quarter,  
due to the increase in the number  
of new building licenses**

A total of 2,649 building licenses were issued in the second quarter of 2021, of which 1,661 are new buildings.

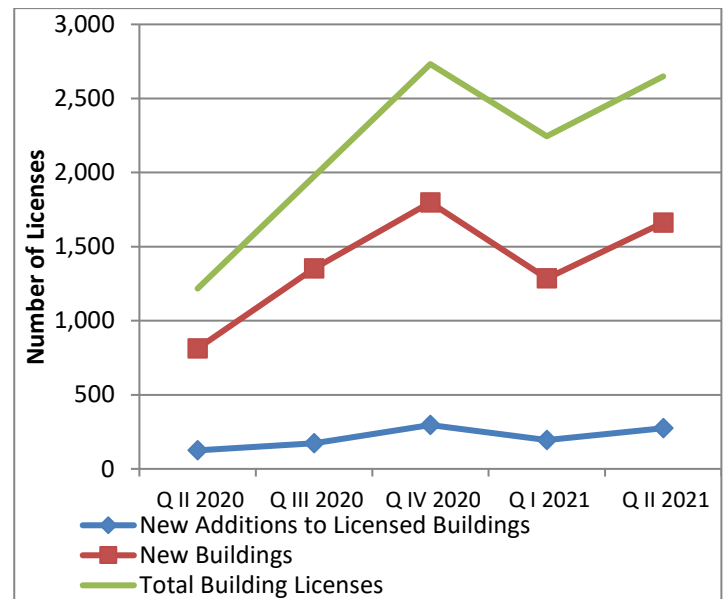
The total number of building licenses issued in the second quarter of 2021 increased by 18% compared with the first quarter of 2021 and increased by 118% compared with the second quarter of 2020, where the number of new building licenses increased by 29% compared with the first quarter of 2021 and increased by 104% compared with the second quarter of 2020.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 1,178 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which new buildings made up 951 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and existing buildings comprised 227 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The total number of licensed dwellings was 5,158 with a total area of 836 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which 3,917 were new dwellings with a total area of 640 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and 1,241 were existing dwellings with a total area of 196 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The number of new dwellings in the second quarter of 2021 increased by 33% compared with the first quarter of 2021 and increased by 127% compared with the second quarter of 2020.

**Number of Building Licenses Issued in  
Palestine\* during the period, Second  
Quarter 2020 - Second Quarter 2021**



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

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