# Palestine Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics



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## Press Release on Building Licenses in Palestine, Third Quarter 2014

### Decrease in the number of building licenses in Palestine\*

A total of 2,039 building licenses were issued in the third quarter of 2014.

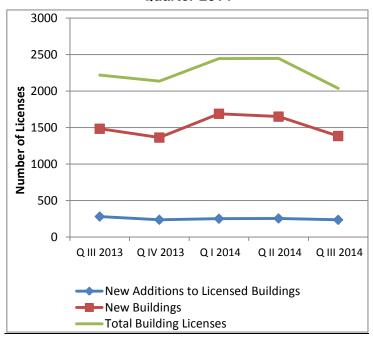
The total number of building licenses issued in the third quarter of 2014 decreased by 16.7% compared with the second quarter of 2014 and was 8.1% lower than in the third quarter of 2013.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 917.6 thousand  $m^2$  in the third quarter of 2014, of which new buildings made up 784.6 thousand  $m^2$  and existing buildings comprised 133 thousand  $m^2$ .

The total number of licensed dwellings in the third quarter was 3,571, of which 2,929 were new units with a total area of 600.2 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and 642 were existing dwellings with a total area of 105.3 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The number of new dwellings in the third quarter of 2014 was 18.5% lower than the second quarter of 2014 and 25.4% lower than the third quarter of 2013.

#### Number of Building Licenses issued in Palestine\*, Third Quarter 2013 to Third Quarter 2014



<sup>\*</sup> The data excludes those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967.

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