Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Increase in the number of building licenses in Palestine\* in the third quarter of 2022 compared with previous quarter, due to the increase in the number of

new building licenses

A totalof 2,665 building licenses were issued in the third quarter of 2022, of which 1,626 are new buildings.

The total number of building licenses issued in the third quarter of 2022 increased by 2% compared with the second quarter of 2022 and decreased by 7% compared with the third quarter of 2021, where the number of new building licenses increased by 4% compared with the second quarter of 2022 and decreased by 8% compared with the third quarter of 2021.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 1,284 thousand m2, of which new buildings made up 1,037 thousand m2 and existing buildings comprised 247 thousand m2.

The total number of licensed dwellings was 5,510 with a total area of 906 thousand m2, of which 4,348 were new dwellings with a total area of 724 thousand m2 and 1,162 were existing dwellings with a total area of 182 thousand m2.

The number of new dwellings in the third quarter of 2022 increased by 9% compared with the second quarter of 2022 and decreased by 2% compared with the third quarter of 2021.

**Number of Building Licenses Issued in Palestine\***

 **During the period, Third Quarter 2021 - Third Quarter 2022**

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