

Building and dwelling production

2012, May

Cubic volume covered by granted building permits decreased by nearly 14 per cent in May

In May 2012, building permits were granted for a total of around 3.7 million cubic metres, which is 13.9 per cent less than one year earlier. This is indicated by Statistics Finland's preliminary data from statistics on building and dwelling production.

Granted permits and building starts, mil. m³, variable annual sum



In the release the data indicated with an asterisk (*) are preliminary data.

The cubic volume covered by permits granted for residential buildings fell by 17.1 per cent in May from one year back. The cubic volume covered by permits for detached houses decreased by 19.6 per cent, that for residential blocks of flats by 14.1 per cent and that for terraced houses by 12.8 per cent.

The cubic volume covered by permits for other than residential building construction fell by 12.1 per cent from May 2011.

The cubic volume covered by permits granted for commercial and office buildings fell by 39.6 per cent.

The cubic volume covered by permits granted for industrial and warehouse buildings increased by 6 per cent from May 2011. At the same time the cubic volume covered by permits for public service buildings went up by 8.3 per cent.

In May 2012, building permits were granted for 2,981 dwellings, which is 19.4 per cent fewer than one year earlier.

Volume of newbuilding decreased by nearly 5 per cent in May

In May 2012, the constant-price value or the volume of ongoing building production decreased by 4.5 per cent year-on-year. The volume of residential building construction contracted by 4 per cent from May 2011.

The volume of residential building construction has been falling since autumn 2011. The volume of detached house construction has been contracting since as far back as spring of last year. This May, the volume of detached house construction diminished by 7.3 per cent and the volume of construction of residential blocks of flats by 0.1 per cent from last year. At the same time the volume of terraced house construction showed a slight increase of 0.3 per cent.

The volume of construction of industrial and warehouse buildings diminished most in May, or by 17.3 per cent. The volume of construction of commercial and office buildings fell by 4.3 per cent and that of public service buildings by 1.6 per cent from May 2011.

The volume of other than residential building construction went down by 5.1 per cent from one year ago.

Volume index for newbuilding 2005=100, trend



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Appendix table 1. Building permits, 1000 m3

Building type	5/2012*	Annual change% ¹⁾	1-5/2012*	Annual change% ¹⁾	Variable annual sum*	Annual change% ¹⁾
All buildings	3 717	-14	13 895	-20	38 774	-5
Residential buildings	1 318	-17	5 144	-10	13 035	-5
Free-time residential buildings	108	-16	386	-8	1 052	-10
Commercial and office buildings	442	-40	2 001	-36	5 935	-18
Public service buildings	287	8	1 019	13	2 757	10
Industrial and warehouse buildings	860	6	2 755	-34	9 391	6
Agricultural buildings	334	-15	1 478	-17	3 610	-15
Other buildings	367	-8	1 112	-6	2 993	-3

1) Change percentages for the year on which data are preliminary have been calculated using the preliminary data of corresponding level from the previous year.

Appendix table 2. Building permits monthly, 1000 m3

	All buildings	Residential buildings	Free-time residential buildings	Commercial and office buildings	Public service buildings	Industrial and warehouse buildings	Agricultural buildings
2009	40 804	10 755	1 221	8 714	3 681	8 161	5 227
2010	41 208	13 956	1 303	7 096	3 124	8 217	4 354
2011	43 801	14 167	1 136	7 189	2 750	11 164	4 173
V	5 058	1 826	153	830	284	980	511
VI	7 723	2 121	168	1 681	444	2 281	473
VII	2 014	783	90	261	55	449	149
VIII	3 607	1 187	97	452	242	1 120	232
IX	3 772	1 299	107	376	287	1 103	324
X	2 713	959	83	465	233	452	296
XI	2 723	855	79	300	311	671	322
XII	2 327	687	43	400	166	560	337
2012* I	1 691	663	40	283	87	264	246
II	2 250	771	57	298	282	458	234
III	3 213	1 110	82	573	170	697	354
IV	3 025	1 281	99	404	193	476	311
V	3 717	1 318	108	442	287	860	334

Appendix table 3. Building permits for dwellings, No.

Building type	5/2012*	Annual change%	1-5/2012*	Annual change%	Variable annual sum*	Annual change%
All buildings	2 981	-19	12 393	-12	31 705	-5
Detached houses	1 133	-20	4 075	-12	10 585	-9
Attached houses	477	-11	1 519	-14	4 040	1
Blocks of flats	1 322	-23	6 436	-16	16 170	-7
Other than residential buildings	49	250	363	317	910	59

Appendix table 4. Building permits by region

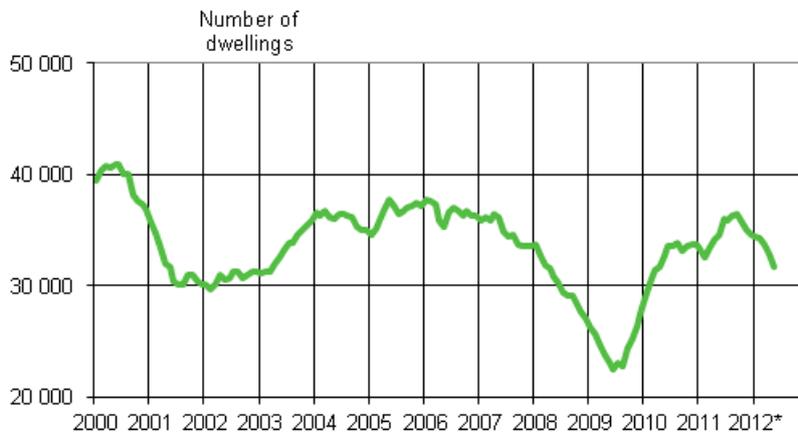
Region	Volume (1000 m3)		Dwellings (No.)		Free time residential buildings (No.)	
	1-5/2012*	1-5/2011	1-5/2012*	1-5/2011	1-5/2012*	1-5/2011
All regions	13 895	18 922	12 393	15 217	1 805	2 149
Continental Finland	13 877	18 827	12 381	15 115	1 799	2 105
Uusimaa	3 987	4 775	4 722	5 528	133	131
Metropolitan area	2 875	2 956	3 616	3 662	5	7
Varsinais-Suomi	1 327	1 613	651	1 063	189	236
Satakunta	517	503	245	382	34	58
Kanta-Häme	350	1 170	218	401	60	60
Pirkanmaa	872	1 607	1 051	1 502	116	145
Päijät-Häme	513	569	496	431	58	105
Kymenlaakso	425	734	141	305	57	70
South Karelia	216	355	153	255	84	89
Etelä-Savo	401	548	187	231	224	215
Pohjois-Savo	773	648	608	437	90	123
North Karelia	395	455	416	405	83	84
Central Finland	625	783	571	908	128	156
South Ostrobothnia	862	1 004	590	521	61	55
Ostrobothnia	629	979	655	511	85	129
Central Ostrobothnia	223	209	118	153	14	37
North Ostrobothnia	1 106	1 613	1 082	1 477	135	168
Kainuu	206	202	86	149	75	72
Lapland	451	1 059	391	456	173	172
Åland	19	95	12	102	6	44

Appendix table 5. Volume index of newbuilding 2005=100

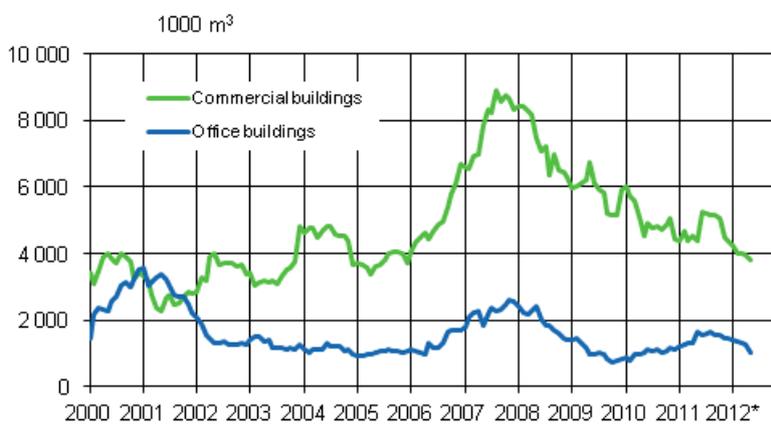
	All buildings	Residential buildings	Free-time residential buildings	Commercial and office buildings	Public service buildings	Industrial and warehouse buildings	Agricultural buildings
2009	85,7	62,9	96,5	131,8	110,0	102,7	95,2
2010	96,9	91,4	112,1	119,1	118,7	75,0	94,7
2011	104,0	97,7	102,2	126,6	110,2	102,1	95,8
V	93,1	84,7	76,2	122,0	105,7	96,3	72,2
VI	99,9	89,5	91,0	122,1	113,7	99,4	83,4
VII	105,0	95,8	108,7	122,7	104,5	102,4	95,8
VIII	112,2	104,3	126,9	129,8	106,6	107,8	109,8
IX	116,6	111,2	136,2	129,8	105,6	111,7	119,6
X	117,8	115,0	135,9	125,4	105,6	111,9	124,3
XI	116,2	111,9	123,9	132,3	110,0	113,9	117,5
XII	107,8	102,2	106,1	131,0	107,0	109,0	106,7
2012*							
I	104,6	97,0	101,4	136,4	104,3	109,0	100,7
II	93,4	86,4	84,0	122,8	103,8	99,3	81,9
III	87,1	79,3	73,4	124,5	101,2	89,2	69,4
IV	85,0	78,1	68,6	118,9	99,5	82,8	66,8
V	88,9	81,3	76,0	116,8	104,0	79,6	77,3

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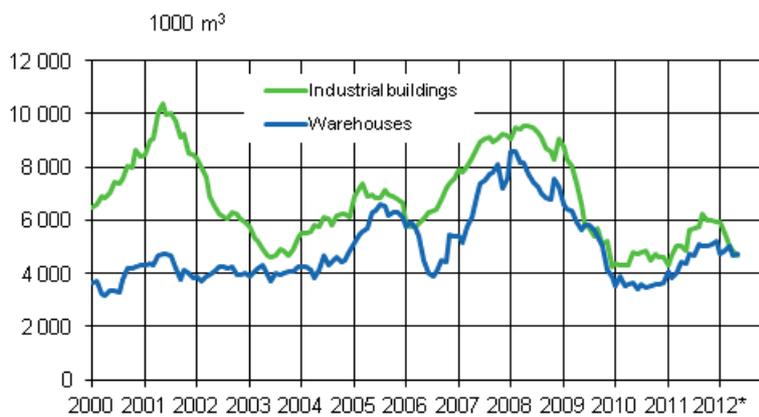
Appendix figure 1. Building permits granted for dwellings, variable annual sum



Appendix figure 2. Commercial and office buildings, variable annual sum



Appendix figure 3. Industrial buildings and warehouses, variable annual sum



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