



**Table 1 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted, 1994-2000**

Period	Number of Permissions					Total Floor Area (000 m <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>			
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total <sup>2</sup>
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other <sup>2</sup>		
1994 1st Quarter	2,202	1,247	1,815	695	5,959	691	402	184	1,277
2nd "	2,549	1,278	2,290	853	6,970	683	344	221	1,247
3rd "	2,771	1,462	2,586	872	7,691	842	573	285	1,699
4th "	2,398	1,357	1,946	603	6,304	753	416	248	1,416
<b>Year</b>	<b>9,920</b>	<b>5,344</b>	<b>8,637</b>	<b>3,023</b>	<b>26,924</b>	<b>2,969</b>	<b>1,735</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>5,639</b>
1995 1st Quarter	2,424	1,288	1,982	654	6,348	943	331	234	1,508
2nd "	2,464	1,552	2,473	782	7,271	830	530	249	1,609
3rd "	2,898	1,753	2,830	891	8,372	925	576	331	1,833
4th "	2,512	1,268	2,132	656	6,568	675	484	255	1,415
<b>Year</b>	<b>10,298</b>	<b>5,861</b>	<b>9,417</b>	<b>2,983</b>	<b>28,559</b>	<b>3,373</b>	<b>1,921</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>6,365</b>
1996 1st Quarter	2,775	1,304	2,175	645	6,899	1,031	441	279	1,751
2nd "	3,028	1,325	2,788	709	7,850	959	838	278	2,075
3rd "	3,313	1,528	3,174	792	8,807	1,146	666	342	2,155
4th "	2,900	1,144	2,285	653	6,982	1,031	473	212	1,717
<b>Year</b>	<b>12,016</b>	<b>5,301</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>2,799</b>	<b>30,538</b>	<b>4,167</b>	<b>2,418</b>	<b>1,111</b>	<b>7,698</b>
1997 1st Quarter	2,991	1,107	2,231	613	6,942	1,077	492	319	1,888
2nd "	3,393	1,294	2,817	676	8,180	1,304	671	301	2,276
3rd "	3,818	1,334	3,348	735	9,235	1,134	447	384	1,965
4th "	3,527	1,333	2,754	662	8,276	1,144	516	364	2,024
<b>Year</b>	<b>13,729</b>	<b>5,068</b>	<b>11,150</b>	<b>2,686</b>	<b>32,633</b>	<b>4,659</b>	<b>2,126</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>8,153</b>
1998 1st Quarter	3,513	1,216	2,491	602	7,822	1,403	618	333	2,354
2nd "	3,854	1,182	3,087	671	8,794	1,383	521	388	2,292
3rd "	5,027	1,486	4,060	763	11,336	1,897	804	496	3,198
4th "	4,325	1,296	2,938	712	9,271	1,415	605	357	2,377
<b>Year</b>	<b>16,719</b>	<b>5,180</b>	<b>12,576</b>	<b>2,748</b>	<b>37,223</b>	<b>6,098</b>	<b>2,548</b>	<b>1,574</b>	<b>10,221</b>
1999 <sup>3</sup> 1st Quarter	5,201								
2nd "	5,674								
3rd "	6,517								
4th "	6,203								
<b>Year</b>	<b>23,595</b>								
2000 <sup>3</sup> 1st Quarter	6,630								
2nd "	6,597								
3rd "	6,893	1,449	4,206	762	13,310	3,223	1,159	525	4,906

<sup>1</sup> Partly estimated.<sup>2</sup> For categories where floor area is a relevant measure<sup>3</sup> A review of the series for new dwellings was undertaken and resulted in revised data for 1999 and the first half of 2000. Corresponding revised data were not available for floor area or for permissions other than for new dwellings for those periods. Such data are available for the third quarter of 2000 and will be for future periods.

**Table 2 Summary of Planning Permissions granted, third quarter 2000, classified by region, county and type of development.**

Planning Region and County	Number of Permissions				Total Floor Area (000 m <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>				
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total <sup>2</sup>
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other <sup>2</sup>		
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>3,115</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>1,122</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>4,891</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>1,740</b>
<b>Border</b>	<b>1,323</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>2,109</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>683</b>
Cavan	199	37	54	17	307	85	23	4	112
Donegal	577	78	174	24	853	180	23	19	222
Leitrim	122	17	36	4	179	41	9	3	54
Louth	165	28	126	31	350	139	18	28	186
Monaghan	131	23	48	4	206	31	11	4	45
Sligo	129	27	46	12	214	46	14	3	64
<b>Midland</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>511</b>
Laois	156	31	62	6	255	123	13	8	144
Longford	83	11	36	4	134	76	47	5	128
Offaly	153	21	50	17	241	104	17	7	128
Westmeath	154	34	70	15	273	89	13	9	111
<b>West</b>	<b>1,246</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1,879</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>547</b>
Galway Co. Borough	38	22	65	6	131	34	44	7	85
Galway <sup>3</sup>	569	61	149	17	796	160	14	10	184
Mayo	419	43	127	27	616	128	37	17	183
Roscommon	220	32	79	5	336	66	16	13	96
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>3,778</b>	<b>984</b>	<b>3,084</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>8,419</b>	<b>1,920</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>3,166</b>
<b>Dublin</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>1,138</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>1,976</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>1,029</b>
Dublin Co. Borough	151	110	442	107	810	110	46	60	216
Dun Laoghaire - Rathdown	66	61	302	71	500	43	127	33	204
Fingal	77	51	237	26	391	131	114	23	267
South Dublin	43	51	157	24	275	110	193	39	342
<b>Mid-East</b>	<b>622</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>555</b>
Kildare	341	60	179	40	620	203	69	18	290
Meath	142	53	167	27	389	128	27	16	171
Wicklow	139	24	142	19	324	70	9	15	94
<b>Mid-West</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>411</b>
Clare	254	44	112	16	426	72	23	14	109
Limerick Co. Borough	14	14	44	16	88	38	10	3	51
Limerick <sup>3</sup>	258	53	115	17	443	124	16	12	152
Tipperary N.R.	165	22	55	13	255	68	10	21	100
<b>South-East</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>1,801</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>456</b>
Carlow	90	25	53	13	181	30	13	6	49
Kilkenny	142	53	97	10	302	59	34	9	101
Tipperary S.R.	195	42	88	11	336	46	10	6	62
Waterford Co. Borough	18	33	42	14	107	10	7	3	21
Waterford <sup>3</sup>	131	13	97	5	246	31	24	9	64
Wexford	434	58	108	29	629	118	27	15	159
<b>South-West</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>715</b>
Cork Co. Borough	32	18	97	27	174	10	8	24	41
Cork <sup>3</sup>	682	138	428	68	1,316	408	78	50	536
Kerry	404	61	122	20	607	112	14	12	138
<b>State</b>	<b>6,893</b>	<b>1,449</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>13,310</b>	<b>3,223</b>	<b>1,159</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>4,906</b>

<sup>1</sup> Partly estimated

<sup>2</sup> For categories where floor area is a relevant measure

<sup>3</sup> Excluding boroughs

**Table 3A Number of Planning Permissions granted, third quarter 2000, classified by region, type of development and functional category.**

Type of Development and Planning Region	Functional Category								Total
	Dwellings	Commercial Buildings	Buildings for Agriculture	Industrial Buildings	Govt., Health and Education	Other Buildings for Social Use	Civil Eng.	Other	
<b><i>New Construction</i></b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>3,115</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>3,580</b>
Border	1,323	44	26	25	13	8	27	67	1,533
Midland	546	24	13	13	4	4	10	29	643
West	1,246	36	27	16	11	10	18	40	1,404
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>3,778</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>4,762</b>
Dublin	337	49	3	29	15	8	29	140	610
Mid-East	622	30	28	11	10	8	13	37	759
Mid-West	691	25	15	11	7	3	22	50	824
South-East	1,010	37	41	23	6	7	32	78	1,234
South-West	1,118	39	37	35	3	13	20	70	1,335
<b>State</b>	<b>6,893</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>8,342</b>
<b><i>Extension</i></b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,122</b>
Border	412	31	6	7	20	8	-	-	484
Midland	173	24	3	6	10	2	-	-	218
West	353	34	3	9	13	8	-	-	420
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>2,611</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,084</b>
Dublin	1,004	67	1	23	35	8	-	-	1,138
Mid-East	419	35	2	4	20	8	-	-	488
Mid-West	264	25	7	10	17	3	-	-	326
South-East	397	38	7	11	22	10	-	-	485
South-West	527	65	3	16	25	11	-	-	647
<b>State</b>	<b>3,549</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,206</b>
<b><i>Alteration and Conversion</i></b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>189</b>
Border	33	41	-	2	11	5	-	-	92
Midland	20	17	-	1	3	1	-	-	42
West	23	23	-	1	5	2	1	-	55
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>573</b>
Dublin	109	87	-	9	20	3	-	-	228
Mid-East	38	34	1	1	9	3	-	-	86
Mid-West	30	21	2	1	6	2	-	-	62
South-East	33	33	-	5	9	2	-	-	82
South-West	57	45	3	-	8	2	-	-	115
<b>State</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>762</b>
<b><i>All Developments</i></b>									
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>4,129</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>4,891</b>
Border	1,768	116	32	34	44	21	27	67	2,109
Midland	739	65	16	20	17	7	10	29	903
West	1,622	93	30	26	29	20	19	40	1,879
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>6,656</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>8,419</b>
Dublin	1,450	203	4	61	70	19	29	140	1,976
Mid-East	1,079	99	31	16	39	19	13	37	1,333
Mid-West	985	71	24	22	30	8	22	50	1,212
South-East	1,440	108	48	39	37	19	32	78	1,801
South-West	1,702	149	43	51	36	26	20	70	2,097
<b>State</b>	<b>10,785</b>	<b>904</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>13,310</b>

- No permissions

**Table 3B Total Floor Area planned (000 m<sup>2</sup>)<sup>1</sup> in new construction and extensions, third quarter 2000, classified by region and functional category.**

Type of Development and Planning Region	Functional Category						Total <sup>2</sup>
	Dwellings	Commercial Buildings	Buildings for Agriculture	Industrial Buildings	Govt., Health and Education	Other Buildings for Social Use	
<b><i>New Construction</i></b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1,603</b>
Border	522	53	12	22	9	3	621
Midland	392	62	3	14	4	6	482
West	388	24	7	65	5	10	499
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>1,920</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2,778</b>
Dublin	393	192	2	223	59	5	874
Mid-East	401	62	7	31	2	3	506
Mid-West	302	29	7	20	1	2	361
South-East	294	50	20	40	2	3	409
South-West	530	33	12	51	2	2	629
<b>State</b>	<b>3,223</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>4,381</b>
<b><i>Extension</i></b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>137</b>
Border	25	19	7	3	5	1	61
Midland	12	6	1	6	3	1	28
West	22	5	1	3	9	7	47
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>388</b>
Dublin	54	55	1	25	18	2	156
Mid-East	27	10	0	3	4	4	49
Mid-West	16	5	3	18	8	1	50
South-East	23	8	1	5	8	2	48
South-West	27	18	0	17	21	2	85
<b>State</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>525</b>
<b><i>Total New Construction and Extension</i></b>							
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1,740</b>
Border	548	73	19	25	15	3	683
Midland	405	69	4	20	7	7	511
West	410	30	7	68	14	17	547
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>2,067</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3,166</b>
Dublin	448	248	2	248	77	6	1,029
Mid-East	428	72	7	34	7	7	555
Mid-West	318	34	10	38	9	3	411
South-East	317	59	21	45	10	5	456
South-West	557	50	13	67	23	5	715
<b>State</b>	<b>3,430</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>4,906</b>

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Note: 0 implies less than 500m<sup>2</sup>.

**Table 4 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted for new houses and apartments, 1994-2000**

Period	Houses				Apartments			
	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m <sup>2</sup> )	Average Floor Area per Unit (m <sup>2</sup> )	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m <sup>2</sup> )	Average Floor Area per Unit (m <sup>2</sup> )
1994 1st Quarter	2,044	4,811	593	123.3	140	1,406	84	59.6
2nd "	2,383	4,464	587	131.6	156	1,440	87	60.6
3rd "	2,619	5,858	764	130.4	144	1,169	73	62.4
4th "	2,250	4,827	634	131.3	139	1,760	111	62.8
<b>Year</b>	<b>9,296</b>	<b>19,960</b>	<b>2,578</b>	<b>129.2</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>5,775</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>61.4</b>
1995 1st Quarter	2,276	6,679	840	125.8	139	1,522	96	62.8
2nd "	2,308	5,647	721	127.8	151	1,765	107	60.8
3rd "	2,732	6,396	838	131.0	158	1,219	83	68.4
4th "	2,361	4,350	582	133.7	146	1,259	88	69.5
<b>Year</b>	<b>9,677</b>	<b>23,072</b>	<b>2,981</b>	<b>129.2</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>5,765</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>64.8</b>
1996 1st Quarter	2,601	7,610	912	119.8	165	1,614	112	69.4
2nd "	2,861	6,640	857	129.1	166	1,421	99	69.6
3rd "	3,151	8,294	1,090	131.4	158	853	54	63.2
4th "	2,745	6,966	912	130.9	148	1,466	103	70.3
<b>Year</b>	<b>11,358</b>	<b>29,510</b>	<b>3,771</b>	<b>127.8</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>5,354</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>68.7</b>
1997 1st Quarter	2,794	6,962	923	132.6	195	2,041	153	74.8
2nd "	3,178	8,821	1,161	131.6	204	1,929	135	70.2
3rd "	3,608	6,975	1,014	145.4	208	1,728	120	69.2
4th "	3,342	7,004	1,029	147.0	183	1,600	113	70.9
<b>Year</b>	<b>12,922</b>	<b>29,762</b>	<b>4,127</b>	<b>138.7</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>7,298</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>71.4</b>
1998 1st Quarter	3,304	9,280	1,286	138.5	206	1,600	115	71.6
2nd "	3,632	9,170	1,251	136.4	218	1,980	128	64.7
3rd "	4,792	12,232	1,754	143.4	234	2,035	143	70.5
4th "	4,119	9,276	1,283	138.3	204	1,816	130	71.8
<b>Year</b>	<b>15,847</b>	<b>39,958</b>	<b>5,574</b>	<b>139.5</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>7,431</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>69.5</b>
1999 1st Quarter		14,370				3,194		
2nd "		14,303				3,410		
3rd "		17,231				2,907		
4th "		17,891				3,290		
<b>Year</b>		<b>63,795</b>				<b>12,801</b>		
2000 1st Quarter		17,163				4,203		
2nd "		18,985				3,914		
3rd "	6,438	19,574	2,781	142.1	443	5,157	406	78.7

<sup>1</sup> A review of the series for new dwellings was undertaken and resulted in revised data for 1999 and the first half of 2000. Corresponding revised data were not available for floor area or for permissions other than for new dwellings for those periods. Such data are available for the third quarter of 2000 and will be available for future periods.

**Table 5 Details of Planning Permissions granted for new houses and apartments during the third quarter 2000, classified by region.**

Planning Region	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m <sup>2</sup> )	Average Floor Area per Unit (m <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Houses</b>				
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>2,991</b>	<b>8,273</b>	<b>1,201</b>	<b>145.2</b>
Border	1,272	3,345	480	143.6
Midland	518	2,727	362	132.8
West	1,201	2,201	358	162.9
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>3,447</b>	<b>11,301</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>139.8</b>
Dublin	211	1,766	198	112.4
Mid-East	575	2,627	366	139.5
Mid-West	651	1,803	281	155.7
South-East	969	1,836	264	143.6
South-West	1,041	3,269	471	144.0
<b>State</b>	<b>6,438</b>	<b>19,574</b>	<b>2,781</b>	<b>142.1</b>
<b>Apartments</b>				
<b>Border, Midland and Western</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>85.9</b>
Border	51	406	42	103.2
Midland	25	353	25	70.7
West	44	366	30	81.3
<b>Southern and Eastern</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>4,032</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>76.7</b>
Dublin	124	2,169	167	77.0
Mid-East	46	453	35	76.4
Mid-West	40	232	21	90.4
South-East	39	375	30	78.7
South-West	74	803	57	70.7
<b>State</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>5,157</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>78.7</b>

NOTE: 0 implies less than 500m<sup>2</sup>

## Background Notes

<b>Scope and Background</b>	Details of the scope and background of this series were given in the March 1973 <i>Statistical Bulletin</i> . Works undertaken by a local authority outside its functional area come within the scope of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Acts, 1963 to 1993 and need planning permission. Planning permission is also needed for development by the State, except where the consultation procedures provided for in the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1993 obtain (e.g. national security, public safety or order, the administration of justice etc.). This series only provides coverage where development is subject to the requirement to obtain planning permission.
<b>Regions</b>	The Local Government Act 1991 (Regional Authorities) (Establishment) Order, 1993, which came into operation on 1 January 1994, established eight new Regions. The CSO has adopted these in place of the old Planning Regions as the basis for the regional breakdown of planning permissions data.
<b>Classification</b>	Planning permissions are classified by type of development, local authority district and by regional authority. A distinction is made between residential and non-residential building and civil engineering.
<b>Coverage</b>	Only final grants of permission or approvals are covered, i.e. only works which involve construction. The following permissions are excluded since they do not entail construction per se: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Changes of a technical and business nature as distinct from a building or structural nature;</li><li>• Outline permission;</li><li>• Retention of an existing building;</li><li>• Changes to existing plan;</li><li>• Bye-law permission;</li><li>• Refusals - permissions subsequently granted on appeal by An Bord Pleanála are included.</li></ul>
<b>Rounding</b>	As the figures for floor area have been rounded there may be slight discrepancies between the sum of the constituent items and the totals shown.