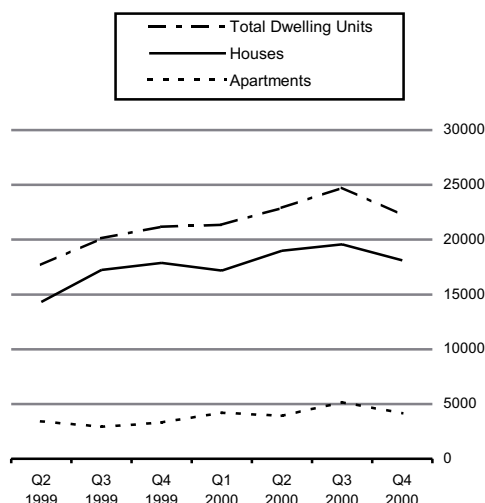




Planning Permissions Fourth Quarter 2000

Dwelling Units



Number of Dwelling Units

	Houses	Apartments	Total
Oct-Dec 1999	17,891	3,290	21,181
Oct-Dec 2000	18,106	4,141	22,247

Apartment units planned up 25.9%

This release shows that for the fourth quarter of 2000, planning permission for 22,247 dwelling units was granted, compared with 21,181 units for the same period in 1999, an increase of 5.0%.

The fourth quarter figures also show that:

Planning permission was granted for 18,106 new houses. This compares with 17,891 new houses in the same quarter of 1999, an increase of 1.2%. See Table 5.

Planning permission was granted for 4,141 apartments in the fourth quarter 2000 and 3,290 in the fourth quarter of 1999. This is an increase of 25.9%. See Table 5.

The average floor area for houses was highest in the Mid-West region at 161.3 square metres and lowest in the Midland region at 134.1 square metres. See Table 5.

The average floor area per unit for apartments was greatest in the Mid-West region at 80.8 square metres, while the lowest was the Border region at 64.9 square metres. See table 5.

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Table 1 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted, 1994-2000

Period	Number of Permissions					Total Floor Area (000 m ²) ¹			
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total ²
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other ²		
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
Year	9,920	5,344	8,637	3,023	26,924	2,969	1,735	938	5,639
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
Year	10,298	5,861	9,417	2,983	28,559	3,373	1,921	1,069	6,365
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
Year	12,016	5,301	10,422	2,799	30,538	4,167	2,418	1,111	7,698
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
Year	13,729	5,068	11,150	2,686	32,633	4,659	2,126	1,368	8,153
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
Year	16,719	5,180	12,576	2,748	37,223	6,098	2,548	1,574	10,221
1999 ³ 1st Quarter	5,201	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2nd "	5,674	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
3rd "	6,517	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
4th "	6,203	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Year	23,595	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2000 ³ 1st Quarter	6,630	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2nd "	6,597	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
3rd "	6,893	1,449	4,206	762	13,310	3,223	1,159	525	4,906
4th "	6,212	1,354	3,087	612	11,265	3,019	865	417	4,301
Year	26,332	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

¹ Partly estimated.² For categories where floor area is a relevant measure³ 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.

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

Planning Region and County	Number of Permissions				Total Floor Area (000 m ²) ¹				
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total ²
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other ²		
Border, Midland and Western	2,804	471	940	171	4,386	1,133	230	118	1,480
Border	1,229	212	457	81	1,979	508	76	54	637
Cavan	211	28	59	13	311	82	7	6	95
Donegal	513	64	154	17	748	155	33	23	212
Leitrim	134	23	35	9	201	57	3	3	63
Louth	128	42	120	25	315	135	17	10	162
Monaghan	133	26	37	11	207	49	8	4	61
Sligo	110	29	52	6	197	29	8	7	44
Midland	494	109	187	34	824	236	91	20	346
Laois	102	21	44	5	172	91	9	5	104
Longford	83	21	36	2	142	37	26	3	67
Offaly	163	35	42	8	248	62	19	5	86
Westmeath	146	32	65	19	262	46	37	7	89
West	1,081	150	296	56	1,583	389	63	44	496
Galway Co. Borough	40	13	39	4	96	77	12	5	95
Galway ³	518	60	121	22	721	153	30	23	206
Mayo	364	47	88	24	523	113	14	11	137
Roscommon	159	30	48	6	243	46	7	6	59
Southern and Eastern	3,408	883	2,147	441	6,879	1,886	636	299	2,821
Dublin	348	243	729	204	1,524	573	244	105	922
Dublin Co. Borough	149	102	294	92	637	87	59	43	189
Dun Laoghaire - Rathdown	66	44	184	51	345	19	22	13	54
Fingal	96	57	141	34	328	424	125	23	572
South Dublin	37	40	110	27	214	42	40	26	107
Mid-East	542	159	353	49	1,103	291	155	41	487
Kildare	239	59	101	16	415	144	123	10	278
Meath	165	57	137	15	374	115	23	19	157
Wicklow	138	43	115	18	314	32	9	11	52
Mid-West	608	111	242	52	1,013	272	41	23	336
Clare	230	25	62	19	336	74	16	6	96
Limerick Co. Borough	14	12	34	10	70	6	3	2	10
Limerick ³	229	47	99	15	390	142	18	8	168
Tipperary N.R.	135	27	47	8	217	50	5	7	62
South-East	991	175	372	54	1,592	343	42	46	431
Carlow	89	21	39	8	157	57	3	5	65
Kilkenny	185	51	88	5	329	41	19	7	67
Tipperary S.R.	150	26	63	9	248	64	4	10	78
Waterford Co. Borough	11	11	23	11	56	19	2	8	29
Waterford ³	137	11	55	7	210	36	4	6	46
Wexford	419	55	104	14	592	126	10	10	146
South-West	919	195	451	82	1,647	408	153	84	645
Cork Co. Borough	37	25	101	29	192	14	27	30	71
Cork ³	482	125	261	47	915	299	92	42	433
Kerry	400	45	89	6	540	95	33	13	141
State	6,212	1,354	3,087	612	11,265	3,019	865	417	4,301

¹ Partly estimated

² For categories where floor area is a relevant measure

³ Excluding boroughs

Table 3A Number of Planning Permissions granted, fourth 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	
<i>New Construction</i>									
Border, Midland and Western	2,804	111	72	49	16	18	68	137	3,275
Border	1,229	41	34	20	10	10	33	64	1,441
Midland	494	29	20	19	–	4	14	23	603
West	1,081	41	18	10	6	4	21	50	1,231
Southern and Eastern	3,408	182	112	69	37	32	118	333	4,291
Dublin	348	72	5	15	10	8	21	112	591
Mid-East	542	27	34	16	5	5	23	49	701
Mid-West	608	13	12	12	7	2	19	46	719
South-East	991	29	34	9	7	5	21	70	1,166
South-West	919	41	27	17	8	12	34	56	1,114
State	6,212	293	184	118	53	50	186	470	7,566
<i>Extension</i>									
Border, Midland and Western	729	96	10	31	53	21	–	–	940
Border	362	41	3	14	23	14	–	–	457
Midland	143	22	4	4	13	1	–	–	187
West	224	33	3	13	17	6	–	–	296
Southern and Eastern	1,777	190	9	55	80	36	–	–	2,147
Dublin	603	70	–	15	29	12	–	–	729
Mid-East	303	25	1	10	11	3	–	–	353
Mid-West	206	15	2	3	11	5	–	–	242
South-East	308	23	3	14	15	9	–	–	372
South-West	357	57	3	13	14	7	–	–	451
State	2,506	286	19	86	133	57	–	–	3,087
<i>Alteration and Conversion</i>									
Border, Midland and Western	60	81	1	4	23	2	–	–	171
Border	30	37	1	2	9	2	–	–	81
Midland	10	18	–	–	6	–	–	–	34
West	20	26	–	2	8	–	–	–	56
Southern and Eastern	193	161	5	15	56	11	–	–	441
Dublin	94	70	–	9	27	4	–	–	204
Mid-East	17	22	1	1	8	–	–	–	49
Mid-West	23	16	3	4	4	2	–	–	52
South-East	24	20	1	–	9	–	–	–	54
South-West	35	33	–	1	8	5	–	–	82
State	253	242	6	19	79	13	–	–	612
<i>All Developments</i>									
Border, Midland and Western	3,593	288	83	84	92	41	68	137	4,386
Border	1,621	119	38	36	42	26	33	64	1,979
Midland	647	69	24	23	19	5	14	23	824
West	1,325	100	21	25	31	10	21	50	1,583
Southern and Eastern	5,378	533	126	139	173	79	118	333	6,879
Dublin	1,045	212	5	39	66	24	21	112	1,524
Mid-East	862	74	36	27	24	8	23	49	1,103
Mid-West	837	44	17	19	22	9	19	46	1,013
South-East	1,323	72	38	23	31	14	21	70	1,592
South-West	1,311	131	30	31	30	24	34	56	1,647
State	8,971	821	209	223	265	120	186	470	11,265

- No permissions

Table 3B Total Floor Area planned (000 m²)¹ in new construction and extensions, fourth quarter 2000, classified by region and functional category.

Type of Development and Planning Region	Functional Category						Total ²
	Dwellings	Commercial Buildings	Buildings for Agriculture	Industrial Buildings	Govt., Health and Education	Other Buildings for Social Use	
<i>New Construction</i>							
Border, Midland and Western	1,133	121	34	54	12	9	1,362
Border	508	26	19	17	8	6	583
Midland	236	54	10	24	–	3	327
West	389	42	5	13	3	0	452
Southern and Eastern	1,886	252	56	259	35	34	2,522
Dublin	573	146	2	66	14	15	817
Mid-East	291	19	24	98	3	11	446
Mid-West	272	7	3	20	10	2	313
South-East	343	17	13	9	1	1	385
South-West	408	62	13	67	6	4	560
State	3,019	373	90	313	46	43	3,884
<i>Extension</i>							
Border, Midland and Western	45	24	2	25	18	4	118
Border	22	9	1	7	13	3	54
Midland	10	5	1	1	3	0	20
West	14	10	0	17	2	1	44
Southern and Eastern	119	92	1	38	37	12	299
Dublin	40	31	–	11	15	7	105
Mid-East	22	12	0	4	1	2	41
Mid-West	14	5	0	1	1	2	23
South-East	19	11	1	11	3	1	46
South-West	24	32	0	11	17	1	84
State	164	115	3	62	56	16	417
<i>Total New Construction and Extension</i>							
Border, Midland and Western	1,178	145	36	78	30	13	1,480
Border	530	34	19	24	22	8	637
Midland	246	59	11	24	3	3	346
West	403	52	5	30	6	1	496
Southern and Eastern	2,005	343	57	297	72	47	2,821
Dublin	613	177	2	78	30	22	922
Mid-East	313	32	24	102	5	13	487
Mid-West	286	12	3	21	11	4	336
South-East	362	29	14	19	4	3	431
South-West	431	94	14	77	23	5	645
State	3,183	488	93	375	102	60	4,301

¹ Partly estimated

² For categories where floor area is a relevant measure

- No permissions.

Note: 0 implies less than 500m².

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 ²)	Average Floor Area per Unit (m ²)	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m ²)	Average Floor Area per Unit (m ²)
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
Year	9,296	19,960	2,578	129.2	579	5,775	355	61.4
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
Year	9,677	23,072	2,981	129.2	594	5,765	374	64.8
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
Year	11,358	29,510	3,771	127.8	637	5,354	368	68.7
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
Year	12,922	29,762	4,127	138.7	790	7,298	521	71.4
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
Year	15,847	39,958	5,574	139.5	862	7,431	516	69.5
1999 ¹ 1st Quarter	–	14,370	–	–	–	3,194	–	–
2nd "	–	14,303	–	–	–	3,410	–	–
3rd "	–	17,231	–	–	–	2,907	–	–
4th "	–	17,891	–	–	–	3,290	–	–
Year	–	63,795	–	–	–	12,801	–	–
2000 ¹ 1st Quarter	–	17,163	–	–	–	4,203	–	–
2nd "	–	18,985	–	–	–	3,914	–	–
3rd "	6,438	19,574	2,781	142.1	–	5,157	406	78.7
4th "	5,791	18,106	2,664	147.0	405	4,141	297	71.7
Year	–	73,828	–	–	–	17,415	–	–

¹ 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.

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

Planning Region	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m ²)	Average Floor Area per Unit (m ²)
Houses				
Border, Midland and Western	2,675	6,848	1,014	148.1
Border	1,175	3,137	473	150.9
Midland	474	1,672	224	134.1
West	1,026	2,039	316	155.2
Southern and Eastern	3,116	11,258	1,650	146.6
Dublin	225	3,183	474	148.9
Mid-East	501	1,970	268	136.0
Mid-West	574	1,405	227	161.3
South-East	964	2,236	323	144.4
South-West	852	2,464	358	145.3
State	5,791	18,106	2,664	147.1
Apartments				
Border, Midland and Western	123	1,400	100	71.7
Border	51	276	18	64.9
Midland	20	162	12	72.4
West	52	962	71	73.5
Southern and Eastern	282	2,741	197	71.9
Dublin	121	1,380	97	70.6
Mid-East	39	304	21	69.5
Mid-West	32	146	12	80.8
South-East	27	275	20	73.0
South-West	63	636	47	73.9
State	405	4,141	297	71.7

NOTE: 0 implies less than 500m²

Background Notes

Scope and Background	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.
Regions	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.
Classification	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.
Coverage	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">• Changes of a technical and business nature as distinct from a building or structural nature;• Outline permission;• Retention of an existing building;• Changes to existing plan;• Bye-law permission;• Refusals - permissions subsequently granted on appeal by An Bord Pleanála are included.
Rounding	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.