

Table 1 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted, 1995-2001

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		
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	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
2001 1st Quarter	6,333	1,455	2,986	674	11,448	2,909	1,084	510	4,503
2nd "	5,538	1,465	3,030	639	10,672	2,779	921	368	4,067
3rd "	6,157	1,671	3,715	786	12,329	2,513	998	453	3,964
4th "	5,585	1,606	3,106	754	11,051	2,262	1,020	391	3,672
Year	23,613	6,197	12,837	2,853	45,500	10,463	4,023	1,722	16,206

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 2001, 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	2,449	521	923	182	4,075	768	271	109	1,148
Border	1,114	197	427	76	1,814	356	133	55	544
Cavan	190	32	49	8	279	62	19	10	91
Donegal	455	66	153	17	691	125	42	14	181
Leitrim	91	12	30	6	139	32	1	2	35
Louth	140	36	94	24	294	48	31	10	89
Monaghan	121	24	42	12	199	38	6	9	53
Sligo	117	27	59	9	212	52	34	9	95
Midland	397	114	174	45	730	135	35	23	194
Laois	63	14	44	6	127	42	3	7	51
Longford	77	24	34	9	144	25	7	4	36
Offaly	140	32	43	9	224	36	10	6	53
Westmeath	117	44	53	21	235	32	16	6	55
West	938	210	322	61	1,531	276	102	31	409
Galway Co. Borough	21	11	27	4	63	13	28	2	43
Galway ³	441	95	162	19	717	132	28	15	175
Mayo	339	72	97	24	532	100	37	10	146
Roscommon	137	32	36	14	219	32	9	4	45
Southern and Eastern	3,136	1,085	2,183	572	6,976	1,494	749	281	2,525
Dublin	323	274	672	244	1,513	308	221	91	620
Dublin Co. Borough	118	113	267	125	623	114	86	40	240
Dun Laoghaire - Rathdown	64	42	169	58	333	46	26	10	81
Fingal	107	71	149	34	361	124	80	30	234
South Dublin	34	48	87	27	196	25	30	11	65
Mid-East	545	149	294	74	1,062	260	153	38	451
Kildare	223	52	89	30	394	122	110	14	246
Meath	217	61	112	21	411	105	28	17	151
Wicklow	105	36	93	23	257	33	14	7	54
Mid-West	584	179	268	58	1,089	205	96	32	334
Clare	214	51	91	17	373	80	30	6	117
Limerick Co. Borough	20	19	32	12	83	26	4	4	33
Limerick ³	242	80	100	15	437	76	26	14	116
Tipperary N.R.	108	29	45	14	196	24	36	8	68
South-East	678	230	385	79	1,372	331	139	49	519
Carlow	66	33	47	8	154	29	68	7	104
Kilkenny	109	50	81	11	251	25	15	8	48
Tipperary S.R.	105	47	65	19	236	32	5	8	46
Waterford Co. Borough	9	19	33	11	72	34	19	4	56
Waterford ³	112	11	67	10	200	45	4	8	57
Wexford	277	70	92	20	459	165	29	15	209
South-West	1,006	253	564	117	1,940	390	139	72	601
Cork Co. Borough	36	28	73	27	164	17	28	17	61
Cork ³	616	151	374	79	1,220	288	78	42	408
Kerry	354	74	117	11	556	85	34	13	133
State	5,585	1,606	3,106	754	11,051	2,262	1,020	391	3,672

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 2001, 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	2,449	105	101	42	14	20	79	149	2,970	
Border	1,114	47	42	17	3	7	28	48	1,311	
Midland	397	25	18	12	6	2	10	39	511	
West	938	33	41	13	5	11	41	62	1,148	
Southern and Eastern	3,136	227	211	55	39	42	153	339	4,221	
Dublin	323	68	7	7	16	12	48	110	597	
Mid-East	545	33	36	12	6	6	20	35	694	
Mid-West	584	42	43	8	6	3	18	59	763	
South-East	678	31	77	12	4	11	26	64	908	
South-West	1,006	53	48	16	7	10	41	71	1,259	
State	5,585	332	312	97	53	62	232	488	7,191	
<i>Extension</i>										
Border, Midland and Western	705	95	18	17	67	16	-	-	923	
Border	338	35	8	11	28	5	-	-	427	
Midland	121	24	2	4	15	6	-	-	174	
West	246	36	8	2	24	5	-	-	322	
Southern and Eastern	1,773	169	39	40	122	38	-	-	2,183	
Dublin	562	52	1	16	31	9	-	-	672	
Mid-East	248	19	4	5	13	4	-	-	294	
Mid-West	201	27	5	5	22	8	-	-	268	
South-East	301	30	18	8	20	8	-	-	385	
South-West	461	41	11	6	36	9	-	-	564	
State	2,478	264	57	57	189	54	-	-	3,106	
<i>Alteration and Conversion</i>										
Border, Midland and Western	66	83	1	9	11	6	-	-	182	
Border	32	34	1	2	1	3	-	-	76	
Midland	11	23	-	4	3	2	-	-	45	
West	23	26	-	3	7	1	-	-	61	
Southern and Eastern	231	246	5	12	46	17	-	-	572	
Dublin	110	100	-	4	16	8	-	-	244	
Mid-East	25	27	-	3	15	2	-	-	74	
Mid-West	14	33	2	1	5	1	-	-	58	
South-East	24	44	2	1	5	1	-	-	79	
South-West	58	42	1	3	5	5	-	-	117	
State	297	329	6	21	57	23	-	-	754	
<i>All Developments</i>										
Border, Midland and Western	3,220	283	120	68	92	42	79	149	4,075	
Border	1,484	116	51	30	32	15	28	48	1,814	
Midland	529	72	20	20	24	10	10	39	730	
West	1,207	95	49	18	36	17	41	62	1,531	
Southern and Eastern	5,140	642	255	107	207	97	153	339	6,976	
Dublin	995	220	8	27	63	29	48	110	1,513	
Mid-East	818	79	40	20	34	12	20	35	1,062	
Mid-West	799	102	50	14	33	12	18	59	1,089	
South-East	1,003	105	97	21	29	20	26	64	1,372	
South-West	1,525	136	60	25	48	24	41	71	1,940	
State	8,360	925	375	175	299	139	232	488	11,051	

- No permissions

Table 3B Total Floor Area planned (000 m²)¹ in new construction and extensions, fourth quarter 2001, 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	768	143	46	52	11	16	1,038
Border	356	72	18	31	4	7	489
Midland	135	17	8	7	1	2	171
West	276	54	20	15	6	6	378
Southern and Eastern	1,494	439	95	131	41	41	2,243
Dublin	308	152	6	33	11	17	529
Mid-East	260	85	14	50	1	3	413
Mid-West	205	65	17	7	6	1	302
South-East	331	71	37	14	2	14	470
South-West	390	65	21	26	21	6	529
State	2,262	581	141	183	52	57	3,282
<i>Extension</i>							
Border, Midland and Western	41	22	7	18	15	5	109
Border	19	9	3	15	5	2	55
Midland	8	5	0	3	5	2	23
West	14	8	4	0	4	1	31
Southern and Eastern	102	48	23	42	44	21	281
Dublin	27	15	0	28	17	4	91
Mid-East	15	4	7	3	8	1	38
Mid-West	11	5	2	3	4	7	32
South-East	20	8	9	3	6	3	49
South-West	29	16	6	5	10	6	72
State	144	71	31	60	59	26	391
<i>Total New Construction and Extension</i>							
Border, Midland and Western	809	165	54	71	26	20	1,148
Border	376	81	22	46	9	10	544
Midland	143	22	8	10	7	4	194
West	290	63	24	15	10	6	409
Southern and Eastern	1,596	487	118	172	85	63	2,525
Dublin	336	167	7	61	27	22	620
Mid-East	275	89	21	52	9	4	451
Mid-West	216	71	18	10	11	8	334
South-East	350	79	46	18	8	17	519
South-West	419	81	27	32	31	12	601
State	2,405	652	172	243	111	83	3,672

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, 1995-2001

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)
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	145.5	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	443	5,157	406	78.7
4th "	5,791	18,106	2,664	147.0	405	4,141	297	71.7
Year	12,229	73,828	5,445	73.7	848	17,415	703	40.4
2001 1st Quarter	5,891	16,492	2,427	147.2	435	6,066	475	78.3
2nd "	5,157	16,104	2,402	149.2	373	4,785	370	77.4
3rd "	5,741	14,452	2,223	153.8	411	3,561	283	79.4
4th "	5,220	13,618	1,997	146.6	361	3,368	262	77.9
Year	22,009	60,666	9,049	149.2	1,580	17,780	1,390	78.2

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 2001, 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	2,348	4,827	729	151.1
Border	1,073	2,273	341	150.1
Midland	372	901	125	138.8
West	903	1,653	263	159.2
Southern and Eastern	2,872	8,791	1,267	144.2
Dublin	229	1,614	173	107.1
Mid-East	503	1,336	238	178.0
Mid-West	552	1,161	180	155.4
South-East	650	2,116	314	148.2
South-West	938	2,564	363	141.5
State	5,220	13,618	1,997	146.6
Apartments				
Border, Midland and Western	99	525	38	72.4
Border	40	220	15	68.2
Midland	25	131	10	77.3
West	34	174	13	73.9
Southern and Eastern	262	2,843	224	78.9
Dublin	93	1,707	133	78.2
Mid-East	42	296	22	75.6
Mid-West	32	299	25	83.0
South-East	28	192	17	89.1
South-West	67	349	26	75.7
State	361	3,368	262	77.9

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.