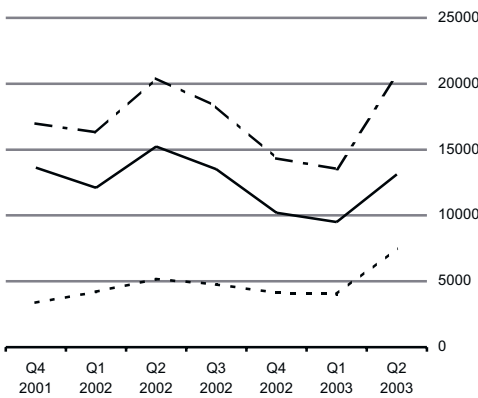




Dwelling Units



Planning Permissions Second Quarter 2003

Number of Dwelling Units

	Houses	Apartments	Total
Apr - Jun 2002	15,236	5,163	20,399
Apr - Jun 2003	13,118	7,484	20,602

Dwelling units approved up 1% in year

This release shows that for the second quarter of 2003, planning permissions were granted for 20,602 dwelling units, compared with 20,399 units for the same period in 2002, an increase of 1%.

The second quarter figures also show that:

- ◆ Planning permissions were granted for 13,118 new houses. This compares with 15,236 new houses in the same quarter of 2002, a decrease of 13.9%. *See Table 5.*
- ◆ Planning permissions were granted for 7,484 apartments in the second quarter 2003 and 5,163 in the second quarter of 2002. This is an increase of 45%. *See Table 5.*
- ◆ One-off houses accounted for 33% of all new houses granted planning permission in this quarter. *See Table 5.*
- ◆ Total floor area planned was 3,828 thousand sq. metres in the second quarter 2003. Of this, 65.5% was for new dwellings, 25.4% for other new constructions and 9% for extensions. The total floor area planned increased by 2.1% in comparison with the same quarter of 2002. *See Table 1.*

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Table 1 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted, 1997-2003

Period	Number of Permissions					Total Floor Area (000 m)			
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other		
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 1st Quarter	5,201	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2nd "	5,674	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3rd "	6,517	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4th "	6,203	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Year	23,595	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2000 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
2002 1st Quarter	5,025	1,512	2,843	856	10,236	2,096	972	423	3,491
2nd "	4,547	1,349	2,883	665	9,444	2,505	873	370	3,748
3rd "	5,502	1,691	3,704	757	11,654	2,335	1,139	429	3,904
4th "	4,654	1,374	2,892	646	9,566	1,856	1,020	401	3,277
Year	19,728	5,926	12,322	2,924	40,900	8,792	4,004	1,623	14,420
2003 1st Quarter	4,846	1,278	2,713	645	9,482	1,797	713	365	2,874
2nd Quarter	5,110	1,465	3,103	677	10,355	2,509	974	345	3,828

¹ For categories where floor area is a relevant measure

² 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, second quarter 2003, classified by region, county and type of development.

Planning Region and County	Number of Permissions					Total Floor Area (000 sq.m)			
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total ¹
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other		
Border, Midland and Western	2,502	518	862	178	4,060	819	251	99	1,170
Border	947	236	400	81	1,664	343	106	47	495
Cavan	134	29	40	4	207	56	16	6	78
Donegal	430	87	169	18	704	130	24	14	169
Leitrim	65	19	25	6	115	17	2	2	21
Louth	106	39	83	34	262	63	26	14	103
Monaghan	83	20	38	5	146	22	7	4	33
Sligo	129	42	45	14	230	54	32	6	92
Midland	330	114	168	33	645	149	67	19	236
Laois	83	45	57	6	191	34	26	5	65
Longford	47	13	11	6	77	12	4	3	19
Offaly	102	23	45	8	178	44	25	5	74
Westmeath	98	33	55	13	199	59	13	6	78
West	1,225	168	294	64	1,751	327	78	34	439
Galway City	24	2	39	9	74	9	8	2	19
Galway ²	781	70	112	31	994	181	38	11	230
Mayo	282	52	96	18	448	71	12	14	97
Roscommon	138	44	47	6	235	66	21	7	94
Southern and Eastern	2,608	947	2,241	499	6,295	1,690	723	246	2,659
Dublin	338	218	726	203	1,485	707	373	88	1,167
Dublin City	140	90	282	98	610	385	132	31	547
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown	66	42	194	48	350	66	78	19	163
Fingal	72	51	134	32	289	179	115	27	322
South Dublin	60	35	116	25	236	76	48	11	135
Mid-East	316	126	302	47	791	225	76	28	329
Kildare	120	42	95	16	273	82	27	10	118
Meath	125	48	136	13	322	110	33	13	156
Wicklow	71	36	71	18	196	34	15	6	55
Mid-West	486	134	332	55	1,007	210	53	36	299
Clare	182	45	125	15	367	76	10	17	103
Limerick City	19	12	38	14	83	30	3	2	36
Limerick ²	179	49	113	13	354	75	28	11	114
North Tipperary	106	28	56	13	203	29	11	6	45
South-East	628	222	404	93	1,347	274	83	44	401
Carlow	101	29	44	14	188	61	8	4	73
Kilkenny	119	44	72	15	250	64	5	12	81
South Tipperary	104	42	72	15	233	38	7	7	53
Waterford City	21	19	14	8	62	27	15	1	42
Waterford ²	100	35	90	9	234	27	28	8	62
Wexford	183	53	112	32	380	57	20	12	89
South-West	840	247	477	101	1,665	274	139	51	464
Cork City	30	39	67	17	153	21	54	11	86
Cork ²	510	152	302	71	1,035	170	64	30	264
Kerry	300	56	108	13	477	82	20	10	113
State	5,110	1,465	3,103	677	10,355	2,509	974	345	3,828

¹ For categories where floor area is a relevant measure

² Excluding cities

Table 3A Number of Planning Permissions granted, second quarter 2003, 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	
New Construction									
Border, Midland and Western	2,502	108	117	31	35	33	94	100	3,020
Border	947	61	48	14	12	13	35	53	1,183
Midland	330	23	27	12	10	7	24	11	444
West	1,225	24	42	5	13	13	35	36	1,393
Southern and Eastern	2,608	196	146	62	64	47	168	264	3,555
Dublin	338	57	4	15	24	9	26	83	556
Mid-East	316	18	27	8	8	6	22	37	442
Mid-West	486	28	23	7	11	11	17	37	620
South-East	628	36	49	12	7	11	52	55	850
South-West	840	57	43	20	14	10	51	52	1,087
State	5,110	304	263	93	99	80	262	364	6,575
Extension									
Border, Midland and Western	694	76	14	23	33	22	-	-	862
Border	312	42	7	11	15	13	-	-	400
Midland	135	11	5	6	10	1	-	-	168
West	247	23	2	6	8	8	-	-	294
Southern and Eastern	1,867	176	41	34	86	37	-	-	2,241
Dublin	615	58	2	10	29	12	-	-	726
Mid-East	259	18	5	6	12	2	-	-	302
Mid-West	271	25	14	3	12	7	-	-	332
South-East	328	33	11	11	12	9	-	-	404
South-West	394	42	9	4	21	7	-	-	477
State	2,561	252	55	57	119	59	-	-	3,103
Alteration and Conversion									
Border, Midland and Western	74	72	-	9	15	8	-	-	178
Border	33	36	-	6	3	3	-	-	81
Midland	12	11	-	1	7	2	-	-	33
West	29	25	-	2	5	3	-	-	64
Southern and Eastern	181	199	10	12	69	28	-	-	499
Dublin	93	65	1	3	33	8	-	-	203
Mid-East	12	22	2	1	8	2	-	-	47
Mid-West	22	15	2	2	9	5	-	-	55
South-East	22	48	3	3	9	8	-	-	93
South-West	32	49	2	3	10	5	-	-	101
State	255	271	10	21	84	36	-	-	677
All Developments									
Border, Midland and Western	3,270	256	131	63	83	63	94	100	4,060
Border	1,292	139	55	31	30	29	35	53	1,664
Midland	477	45	32	19	27	10	24	11	645
West	1,501	72	44	13	26	24	35	36	1,751
Southern and Eastern	4,656	571	197	108	219	112	168	264	6,295
Dublin	1,046	180	7	28	86	29	26	83	1,485
Mid-East	587	58	34	15	28	10	22	37	791
Mid-West	779	68	39	12	32	23	17	37	1,007
South-East	978	117	63	26	28	28	52	55	1,347
South-West	1,266	148	54	27	45	22	51	52	1,665
State	7,926	827	328	171	302	175	262	364	10,355

- No permissions

Table 3B Total Floor Area planned (000 sq.m) in new construction and extensions, second quarter 2003, classified by region and functional category.

Type of Development and Planning Region	Functional Category						Total ¹
	Dwellings	Commercial Buildings	Buildings for Agriculture	Industrial Buildings	Govt., Health and Education	Other Buildings for Social Use	
New Construction							
Border, Midland and Western	819	106	38	35	38	36	1,071
Border	343	53	14	11	12	15	449
Midland	149	21	14	19	9	6	217
West	327	32	10	5	17	14	405
Southern and Eastern	1,690	378	63	184	63	36	2,413
Dublin	707	201	2	119	38	13	1,079
Mid-East	225	28	20	22	4	2	301
Mid-West	210	28	11	5	5	4	263
South-East	274	44	12	13	8	5	357
South-West	274	77	18	25	8	11	413
State	2,509	484	100	218	101	71	3,483
Extension							
Border, Midland and Western	44	22	3	16	9	5	99
Border	19	11	2	7	4	3	47
Midland	9	1	1	4	3	0	19
West	16	10	0	4	2	1	34
Southern and Eastern	115	59	10	28	22	12	246
Dublin	30	24	1	19	8	6	88
Mid-East	19	2	1	2	3	1	28
Mid-West	18	11	3	0	2	2	36
South-East	22	10	2	5	3	1	44
South-West	26	12	2	1	7	2	51
State	159	81	14	43	31	16	345
Total New Construction and Extension							
Border, Midland and Western	864	128	41	50	46	40	1,170
Border	362	64	16	19	17	18	495
Midland	159	22	15	23	12	6	236
West	343	42	11	9	18	16	439
Southern and Eastern	1,805	437	73	212	85	47	2,659
Dublin	737	225	3	137	46	19	1,167
Mid-East	244	30	21	24	7	3	329
Mid-West	228	39	14	5	7	6	299
South-East	296	54	14	19	11	7	401
South-West	300	88	21	27	15	13	464
State	2,668	565	114	262	131	88	3,828

¹ For categories where floor area is a relevant measure
NOTE: 0 implies less than 500 sq.m

Table 4 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted for new houses and apartments, 1997-2003

Period	Houses				Apartments			
	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m)	Average Floor Area per Unit (m)	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 m)	Average Floor Area per Unit (m)
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 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	–	73,828	–	–	–	17,415	–	–
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
2002 1st Quarter	4,638	12,105	1,751	144.7	370	4,200	336	79.9
2nd "	4,192	15,236	2,103	138.1	350	5,163	391	75.7
3rd "	5,091	13,501	1,951	144.5	401	4,771	368	77.2
4th "	4,303	10,213	1,523	149.1	343	4,125	327	79.2
Year	18,224	51,055	7,328	143.6	1,464	18,259	1,422	77.9
2003 1st Quarter	4,469	9,511	1,464	153.9	370	4,030	325	80.6
2nd Quarter	4,752	13,118	1,893	144.3	348	7,484	605	80.8

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 one-off houses, new houses³ and apartments during the second quarter 2003, classified by region.

Planning Region	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 sq.m)	Average Floor Area per Unit (sq.m)
One-Off Houses				
Border, Midland and Western	2,228	2,228	446	200.3
Border	799	799	165	206.1
Midland	289	289	58	200.9
West	1,140	1,140	224	196.1
Southern and Eastern	2,108	2,108	412	195.3
Dublin	199	199	28	140.4
Mid-East	264	264	55	207.1
Mid-West	399	399	80	199.5
South-East	537	537	110	205.5
South-West	709	709	139	196.2
State	4,336	4,336	858	197.9
Houses³				
Border, Midland and Western	185	2,507	320	127.6
Border	101	1,144	138	120.7
Midland	27	658	86	131.4
West	57	705	95	135.5
Southern and Eastern	231	6,275	715	114.0
Dublin	29	2,230	243	109.1
Mid-East	25	1,196	145	120.8
Mid-West	49	671	92	136.7
South-East	52	1,287	130	100.9
South-West	76	891	106	119.0
State	416	8,782	1,035	117.9
Apartments				
Border, Midland and Western	85	667	51	76.8
Border	44	478	39	80.7
Midland	13	74	4	58.9
West	28	115	8	72.4
Southern and Eastern	263	6,817	554	81.2
Dublin	108	5,260	433	82.4
Mid-East	26	306	24	78.8
Mid-West	37	452	35	77.9
South-East	38	438	33	74.7
South-West	54	361	28	78.0
State	348	7,484	605	80.8

³ Excluding one-off houses

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. Estimates are included where complete details of floor area size are not available.