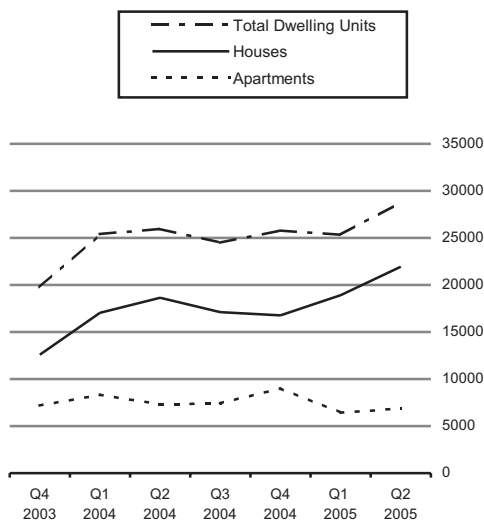




Planning Permissions Quarter 2 2005

Dwelling Units



Number of Dwelling Units

	Houses	Apartments	Total
Apr-Jun 2004	18,653	7,313	25,966
Apr-Jun 2005	21,938	6,880	28,818

New Houses approved up 17.6% in year

This release shows that for the second quarter of 2005, planning permissions were granted for 21,938 new houses, compared with 18,653 units for the same period in 2004, an increase of 17.6%. *See Table 4.*

The second quarter figures also show that:

- ◆ Planning permissions were granted for 28,818 dwelling units in the second quarter of 2005 and 25,966 in the second quarter of 2004. This is an increase of 11.0%. *See Table 4.*
- ◆ Planning permissions were granted for 6,880 new apartments. This compares with 7,313 units in the same quarter of 2004, a decrease of 5.9%. *See Table 7.*
- ◆ One-off houses accounted for 19.0% of all new dwelling units granted planning permission in this quarter. This compares with 25.0 % for the same period in 2004. *See Table 5.*
- ◆ Total floor area planned was 5,730 thousand sq. metres in the second quarter of 2005. Of this, 65.7% was for new dwellings, 25.8% for other new constructions and 8.5% for extensions. The total floor area planned increased by 17.0% in comparison with the same quarter of 2004. *See Table 1.*

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Table 1 Summary of Planning Permissions Granted, 1998-2005

Period	Number of Permissions					Total Floor Area (000 m)			
	New Construction		Extension	Alteration and Conversion	Total	New Construction		Extension	Total
	Dwellings	Other				Dwellings	Other		
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	4,026	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 ¹ 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 "	5,110	1,465	3,103	677	10,355	2,509	974	345	3,828
3rd "	5,583	1,693	3,457	689	11,422	2,832	1,184	411	4,427
4th "	5,410	1,496	2,886	566	10,358	2,473	1,066	376	3,915
Year	20,949	5,932	12,159	2,577	41,617	9,611	3,937	1,497	15,044
2004 1st Quarter	6,887	1,545	2,820	587	11,839	3,156	940	364	4,461
2nd "	7,563	1,660	3,511	652	13,386	3,344	1,156	398	4,898
3rd "	7,100	1,899	4,076	731	13,806	3,172	1,007	467	4,646
4th "	5,962	1,613	3,061	605	11,241	3,123	1,155	436	4,714
Year	27,512	6,717	13,468	2,575	50,272	12,795	4,258	1,665	18,719
2005 1st Quarter	6,170	1,571	3,028	586	11,355	3,299	985	427	4,711
2nd "	6,722	2,068	3,845	672	13,307	3,764	1,478	488	5,730

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 2005, 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	3,243	684	1,120	232	5,279	1,633	575	149	2,357
Border	1,570	320	501	98	2,489	834	354	58	1,246
Cavan	285	57	93	14	449	132	30	18	180
Donegal	650	72	175	28	925	241	43	14	298
Leitrim	149	30	26	5	210	70	53	3	126
Louth	148	76	110	27	361	148	180	9	337
Monaghan	164	43	48	8	263	106	30	10	146
Sligo	174	42	49	16	281	137	19	4	160
Midland	558	197	241	47	1,043	373	111	43	528
Laois	115	35	50	8	208	124	23	9	157
Longford	191	85	56	10	342	136	56	8	200
Offaly	146	26	58	10	240	44	5	13	62
Westmeath	106	51	77	19	253	69	27	13	109
West	1,115	167	378	87	1,747	426	109	48	583
Galway City	14	10	35	18	77	9	5	5	20
Galway ²	422	77	170	32	701	156	57	21	234
Mayo	371	38	123	25	557	134	35	17	186
Roscommon	308	42	50	12	412	128	12	5	144
Southern and Eastern	3,479	1,384	2,725	440	8,028	2,130	904	339	3,373
Dublin	421	292	916	181	1,810	335	197	93	626
Dublin City	160	145	345	96	746	82	71	38	192
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown	100	33	233	26	392	65	34	22	121
Fingal	111	71	177	38	397	179	80	24	283
South Dublin	50	43	161	21	275	9	11	10	30
Mid-East	619	211	427	68	1,325	504	168	55	727
Kildare	193	71	139	15	418	184	36	15	235
Meath	177	68	140	21	406	227	60	21	308
Wicklow	249	72	148	32	501	92	73	19	184
Mid-West	549	210	305	48	1,112	264	120	48	432
Clare	190	62	91	10	353	106	23	8	137
Limerick City	8	32	29	13	82	20	40	4	65
Limerick ²	227	72	115	10	424	85	35	27	146
North Tipperary	124	44	70	15	253	53	23	9	85
South-East	841	358	493	75	1,767	461	240	61	761
Carlow	87	42	58	3	190	112	41	8	162
Kilkenny	163	86	105	15	369	49	64	16	129
South Tipperary	134	82	80	16	312	123	70	7	200
Waterford City	6	15	35	12	68	1	2	3	6
Waterford ²	124	33	70	12	239	45	11	7	62
Wexford	327	100	145	17	589	131	53	20	203
South-West	1,049	313	584	68	2,014	566	179	82	827
Cork City	25	15	61	4	105	36	33	4	73
Cork ²	654	196	380	47	1,277	402	106	59	567
Kerry	370	102	143	17	632	128	39	19	187
State	6,722	2,068	3,845	672	13,307	3,764	1,478	488	5,730

¹ For categories where floor area is a relevant measure

² Excluding cities

Table 3A Number of Planning Permissions granted, second quarter 2005, 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	3,243	190	111	73	46	27	118	119	3,927
Border	1,570	90	52	22	20	16	55	65	1,890
Midland	558	60	23	37	19	5	29	24	755
West	1,115	40	36	14	7	6	34	30	1,282
Southern and Eastern	3,479	338	264	81	80	59	227	335	4,863
Dublin	421	83	1	18	23	11	36	120	713
Mid-East	619	53	43	20	19	9	22	45	830
Mid-West	549	52	61	5	8	4	41	39	759
South-East	841	77	80	18	16	23	61	83	1,199
South-West	1,049	73	79	20	14	12	67	48	1,362
State	6,722	528	375	154	126	86	345	454	8,790
Extension									
Border, Midland and Western	920	99	16	26	26	33	-	-	1,120
Border	414	43	9	11	12	12	-	-	501
Midland	184	30	1	9	5	12	-	-	241
West	322	26	6	6	9	9	-	-	378
Southern and Eastern	2,316	192	44	49	89	35	-	-	2,725
Dublin	809	54	2	15	30	6	-	-	916
Mid-East	376	26	4	2	14	5	-	-	427
Mid-West	245	27	12	6	7	8	-	-	305
South-East	401	46	9	7	25	5	-	-	493
South-West	485	39	17	19	13	11	-	-	584
State	3,236	291	60	75	115	68	-	-	3,845
Alteration and Conversion									
Border, Midland and Western	72	130	2	5	17	6	-	-	232
Border	34	53	1	1	7	2	-	-	98
Midland	12	27	1	1	5	1	-	-	47
West	26	50	-	3	5	3	-	-	87
Southern and Eastern	163	199	4	12	44	18	-	-	440
Dublin	81	69	1	5	19	6	-	-	181
Mid-East	24	28	-	2	11	3	-	-	68
Mid-West	13	29	1	2	2	1	-	-	48
South-East	14	46	1	3	7	4	-	-	75
South-West	31	27	1	-	5	4	-	-	68
State	235	329	6	17	61	24	-	-	672
All Developments									
Border, Midland and Western	4,235	419	129	104	89	66	118	119	5,279
Border	2,018	186	62	34	39	30	55	65	2,489
Midland	754	117	25	47	29	18	29	24	1,043
West	1,463	116	42	23	21	18	34	30	1,747
Southern and Eastern	5,958	729	312	142	213	112	227	335	8,028
Dublin	1,311	206	4	38	72	23	36	120	1,810
Mid-East	1,019	107	47	24	44	17	22	45	1,325
Mid-West	807	108	74	13	17	13	41	39	1,112
South-East	1,256	169	90	28	48	32	61	83	1,767
South-West	1,565	139	97	39	32	27	67	48	2,014
State	10,193	1,148	441	246	302	178	345	454	13,307

- No permissions

Table 3B Total Floor Area planned (000 sq.m) in new construction and extensions, second quarter 2005, 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	1,633	357	37	116	45	20	2,208
Border	834	227	20	73	20	15	1,188
Midland	373	57	7	27	18	2	484
West	426	73	10	16	6	3	536
Southern and Eastern	2,130	594	158	68	37	45	3,034
Dublin	335	170	0	5	9	12	532
Mid-East	504	93	18	39	10	9	672
Mid-West	264	81	28	2	5	3	384
South-East	461	128	78	12	7	14	701
South-West	566	123	35	10	5	6	745
State	3,764	952	196	184	82	65	5,242
Extension							
Border, Midland and Western	64	45	5	21	5	9	149
Border	28	11	3	10	2	3	58
Midland	14	15	0	9	1	4	43
West	22	19	2	2	1	2	48
Southern and Eastern	146	93	32	24	36	8	339
Dublin	40	32	0	12	6	3	93
Mid-East	30	12	4	0	8	1	55
Mid-West	17	15	7	3	4	2	48
South-East	27	9	9	2	14	1	61
South-West	32	24	12	7	4	2	82
State	211	138	37	45	40	17	488
Total New Construction and Extension							
Border, Midland and Western	1,698	403	42	137	49	28	2,357
Border	862	238	23	83	22	17	1,246
Midland	388	72	7	36	19	6	528
West	448	93	12	18	8	5	583
Southern and Eastern	2,277	687	191	92	73	53	3,373
Dublin	376	202	0	17	15	15	626
Mid-East	534	105	21	39	18	10	727
Mid-West	281	97	34	5	10	5	432
South-East	488	137	87	14	20	15	761
South-West	598	147	47	17	10	8	827
State	3,975	1,090	233	229	122	82	5,730

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, 1998-2005

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)
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 "	4,752	13,118	1,893	144.3	348	7,484	605	80.8
3rd "	5,132	14,394	2,035	141.4	439	10,065	789	78.4
4th "	4,970	12,582	1,905	151.4	435	7,170	562	78.3
Year	19,323	49,605	7,297	147.1	1,592	28,749	2,281	79.3
2004 1st Quarter	6,426	17,054	2,509	147.1	457	8,347	646	77.4
2nd "	7,123	18,653	2,770	148.5	425	7,313	543	74.2
3rd "	6,647	17,097	2,580	150.9	446	7,399	579	78.3
4th "	5,555	16,772	2,428	144.8	403	9,018	691	76.6
Year	25,751	69,576	10,287	147.8	1,731	32,077	2,459	76.6
2005 1st Quarter	5,749	18,913	2,810	148.6	416	6,437	487	75.7
2nd "	6,244	21,938	3,186	145.2	472	6,880	553	80.4

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, second quarter 2005, classified by region and county.

Planning Region and County	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	2,697	2,697	577	214.1
Border	1,320	1,320	286	217.0
Cavan	221	221	51	228.6
Donegal	575	575	118	205.9
Leitrim	128	128	25	195.3
Louth	131	131	31	233.2
Monaghan	136	136	34	252.4
Sligo	129	129	28	214.1
Midland	427	427	95	223.1
Laois	86	86	21	241.2
Longford	123	123	26	208.0
Offaly	127	127	28	221.9
Westmeath	91	91	21	228.3
West	950	950	196	206.1
Galway City	8	8	2	242.1
Galway ²	382	382	80	209.4
Mayo	312	312	66	213.1
Roscommon	248	248	47	190.9
Southern and Eastern	2,791	2,791	581	208.3
Dublin	265	265	41	153.2
Dublin City	96	96	11	117.4
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown	62	62	11	176.0
Fingal	66	66	13	194.2
South Dublin	41	41	6	136.7
Mid-East	487	487	110	225.4
Kildare	153	153	37	242.4
Meath	137	137	32	236.8
Wicklow	197	197	40	204.2
Mid-West	457	457	101	220.4
Clare	152	152	33	215.1
Limerick City	2	2	0	102.0
Limerick ²	194	194	44	224.3
North Tipperary	109	109	24	222.8
South-East	724	724	155	214.6
Carlow	71	71	16	220.5
Kilkenny	143	143	33	231.6
South Tipperary	100	100	21	209.0
Waterford City	5	5	1	178.2
Waterford ²	113	113	23	207.9
Wexford	292	292	61	209.9
South-West	858	858	175	203.8
Cork City	7	7	1	191.1
Cork ²	545	545	113	208.0
Kerry	306	306	60	196.7
State	5,488	5,488	1,159	211.1

² Excluding cities

Table 6 Details of Planning Permissions granted for new houses³, second quarter 2005, classified by region and county.

Planning Region and County	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 sq.m)	Average Floor Area per Unit (sq.m)
Houses³				
Border, Midland and Western	390	6,879	858	124.7
Border	180	3,571	438	122.7
Cavan	46	558	72	128.2
Donegal	60	641	88	137.6
Leitrim	15	270	36	134.5
Louth	10	867	97	112.3
Monaghan	20	577	65	113.4
Sligo	29	658	79	120.4
Midland	88	1,759	224	127.2
Laois	18	737	87	118.4
Longford	54	759	106	139.8
Offaly	10	124	15	119.3
Westmeath	6	139	16	113.0
West	122	1,549	196	126.5
Galway ²	28	509	61	119.0
Mayo	40	450	56	124.8
Roscommon	54	590	79	134.2
Southern and Eastern	366	9,571	1,169	122.1
Dublin	50	1,117	130	115.9
Dublin City	11	26	4	141.5
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown	13	37	6	160.7
Fingal	22	1,037	118	113.5
South Dublin	4	17	2	127.5
Mid-East	64	2,415	321	133.0
Kildare	17	935	117	125.5
Meath	23	1,276	179	140.1
Wicklow	24	204	25	123.2
Mid-West	53	957	128	133.8
Clare	21	455	64	141.3
Limerick ²	24	304	37	121.6
North Tipperary	8	198	27	135.3
South-East	69	2,256	262	116.1
Carlow	10	572	65	113.6
Kilkenny	11	106	14	131.3
South Tipperary	19	924	100	108.2
Waterford City	1	2	0	124.0
Waterford ²	7	181	20	111.5
Wexford	21	471	63	133.0
South-West	130	2,826	328	116.1
Cork City	7	90	9	101.9
Cork ²	73	2,282	256	112.1
Kerry	50	454	63	139.2
State	756	16,450	2,027	123.2

² Excluding cities

³ Excluding one-off houses

Table 7 Details of Planning Permissions granted for new apartments, second quarter 2005, classified by region and county.

Planning Region and County	Number of Permissions	Number of Units	Floor Area (000 sq.m)	Average Floor Area per Unit (sq.m)
Apartments				
Border, Midland and Western	154	2,244	186	83.0
Border	68	1,153	97	84.5
Cavan	18	135	10	76.6
Donegal	15	271	34	126.6
Leitrim	6	123	9	69.5
Louth	7	294	20	67.4
Monaghan	8	92	6	68.4
Sligo	14	238	18	76.1
Midland	43	638	54	85.0
Laois	11	200	16	81.6
Longford	14	61	5	75.9
Offaly	9	14	1	72.3
Westmeath	9	363	32	88.9
West	43	453	35	76.4
Galway City	6	106	7	66.5
Galway ²	12	203	15	75.3
Mayo	19	128	11	87.0
Roscommon	6	16	1	71.0
Southern and Eastern	318	4,636	367	79.1
Dublin	103	1,927	155	80.3
Dublin City	51	839	65	77.7
Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown	24	456	40	88.0
Fingal	23	613	48	78.3
South Dublin	5	19	1	68.1
Mid-East	67	902	70	77.2
Kildare	23	414	30	71.5
Meath	17	214	16	75.3
Wicklow	27	274	24	87.4
Mid-West	39	504	35	70.4
Clare	17	134	9	64.1
Limerick City	6	268	20	74.9
Limerick ²	9	63	4	70.3
North Tipperary	7	39	2	61.6
South-East	48	462	44	95.3
Carlow	6	296	32	107.5
Kilkenny	9	28	2	81.4
South Tipperary	15	42	2	54.0
Waterford ²	4	15	1	66.3
Wexford	14	81	7	82.6
South-West	61	841	63	74.5
Cork City	11	323	25	78.5
Cork ²	36	465	33	70.5
Kerry	14	53	5	85.2
State	472	6,880	553	80.4

² Excluding cities

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.