

Building permits indicators

IV quarter 2017

The building permits indicators measure the quarterly evolution in the number of dwellings used for residential purposes, square metres of residential useful floor area and square metres of non-residential area using the Classification of types of Construction (CC).

The number of dwellings in new buildings increased by 5.7% in fourth quarter 2017 with respect to fourth quarter 2016.

The useful floor area increased by 7.0% in the fourth quarter compared with the same period of 2016.

Non-residential area increased by 8.9% in the fourth quarter of 2017 with respect to fourth quarter 2016.

TABLE 1. BUILDING PERMITS INDICATORS. RAW DATA

I quarter 2016 – IV quarter 2017, absolute figures and trend percent changes (a)

PERIOD	New residential buildings				Non-residential buildings		
	Number of dwellings	q/q-4	Useful floor area of dwellings (sq ²)	q/q-4	Area (sq ²)	q/q-4	
2016							
I- quarter	10,572	-4.7	924,907	0.0	1,743,429	+2.4	
II- quarter	11,917	+3.7	1,051,590	+7.5	2,278,228	+7.9	
III- quarter	10,423	+1.8	909,546	-0.1	2,349,062	+20.5	
IV- quarter	11,671	+15.6	1,027,064	+14.0	2,570,544	+14.0	
2016	44,583	+3.9	3,913,107	+5.4	8,941,263	+11.5	
2017 (b)							
I- quarter	11,575	+9.5	1,038,364	+12.3	2,611,014	+49.8	
II- quarter	13,543	+13.6	1,171,790	+11.4	2,918,693	+28.1	
III- quarter	12,147	+16.5	1,042,571	+14.6	3,187,212	+35.7	
IV- quarter	12,338	+5.7	1,099,033	+7.0	2,798,698	+8.9	
2017	49,603	+11.3	4,351,758	+11.2	11,515,617	+28.8	

(a) All series of Building permits indicators are available in the database I.stat: <http://dati.istat.it/?lang=it>

(b) Data are provisional and subject to revisions

The number of dwellings in new buildings decreased by 4.4% in the fourth quarter with respect to third quarter 2017.

The useful floor area decreased by 3.7% in the fourth quarter compared with previous quarters.

Non-residential area decreased by 16.4% in the fourth quarter of 2017 respect to third quarter 2017; the latter, however, was one of the highest values since 2006.

TABLE 2. BUILDING PERMITS INDICATORS. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

I quarter 2016 – IV quarter 2017, absolute figures and percentage changes on the previous period (a)

PERIOD	New residential buildings				Non-residential buildings	
	Number of dwellings	q/q-1	Useful floor area of dwellings (sq ²)	q/q-1	Area (sq ²)	q/q-1
2016 (b)						
I- quarter	11,042	+11.6	969,211	+11.9	1,872,287	-14.3
II- quarter	11,127	+0.8	996,416	+2.8	2,161,991	+15.5
III- quarter	10,931	-1.8	957,259	-3.9	2,390,764	+10.6
IV- quarter	11,489	+5.1	987,576	+3.2	2,490,666	+4.2
2017 (b)						
I- quarter	12,069	+5.0	1,087,943	+10.2	2,803,087	+12.5
II- quarter	12,624	+4.6	1,110,196	+2.0	2,769,606	-1.2
III- quarter	12,737	+0.9	1,097,287	-1.2	3,243,422	+17.1
IV- quarter	12,172	-4.4	1,056,915	-3.7	2,712,973	-16.4

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