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Issued building permits in the Republic of Serbia, March 2010 - Preliminary results -

On the basis of the number of issued permits in March 2010, building of 1299 dwellings with average area of $60.2~\text{m}^2$ was recorded. Number of dwellings increased, according to the issued permits, by 2.9% when compared to March 2009. Out of the total number of dwellings in new residential buildings, 9.9% of dwellings will be built in single – dwelling buildings, with average area of 123.4 m^2 , while 87.1% of dwellings will be in the buildings with three and more dwellings, with significantly smaller average area of 51.5 m^2 .

In March 2010, 517 building permits were issued, presenting the decrease of 34.9% when compared to March 2009. Index of anticipated value in March 2010 is by 38.8% lower than in March 2009.

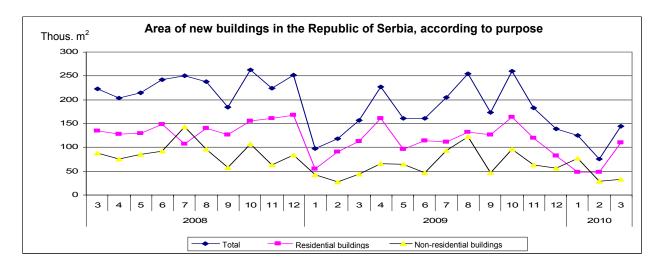
Observed by types of constructions, in March 2010, 82.6% of issued permits related to buildings and 17.4% to civil engineering. When referring only to buildings, 74.9% related to residential buildings and 25.1% to non–residential ones, while regarding civil engineering, the largest number related to pipelines, communication and electric power lines, 72.2%.

Anticipated value of works on new building in March 2010 amounts to 80.5% of totally anticipated value of works. Observed by districts, the greatest construction activity was noted in the city of Belgrade and amounted to 33% of anticipated value of works on new building. It is followed by Branicevo District (10.6%), North Banat District (8.2%), Central Banat District (7.0%) and Pomoravlje District (5.7%), while shares of other districts were smaller, up to 3.7%.

Besides the presented data, detailed monthly data regarding this activity are available on the website of the Office www.stat.gov.rs (Construction Activity and databases).

1. Indices of issued building permits in the Republic of Serbia

	<u>I–III 2010</u> I–III 2009	III 2010 II 2010	III 2010 III 2009	<u>III 2010</u> Ø 2009
Total				
Number	68,8	153,9	65,1	76,6
Anticipated value of works	87,0	180,8	61,2	62,9
Buildings				
Number	69,3	172,2	66,8	78,2
Anticipated value of works	94,2	184,4	61,6	77,6
Area	90,1	187,3	89,6	79,6
Volume	85,6	192,4	88,3	73,5
Civil engineering				
Number	66,8	102,3	58,1	69,2
Anticipated value of works	55,7	162,6	59,1	29,8
Dwellings				
Number	79,2	238,8	102,9	102,3
Useful area	75,0	220,3	90,2	92,1



Notes:

The presented data are collected in the scope of monthly survey on building permits. The report is filled by the Ministry competent for construction affairs, responsible authorities of the Autonomous Province, city or municipality that, according to the Law on planning and construction ("Official Journal of the Republic of Serbia", number 72/2009, article 133), issue construction permits.

In the scope of this survey, the concept of "building permits" unites three documents issued by the competent authority: building permit for construction, request for starting works and the decision which approves the execution of works.

This statistical survey comprises the issued building permits for all types of constructions described in the Classification of Types of Constructions, i.e. buildings and other civil engineering works and these are presented by territories where the works are performed.

Data on issued building permits show the dynamics of construction activity and enable an insight in investments' structure on state and local self – government level.

A **construction** comprises construction connected with the ground (any underground, over ground, as well as hydro technical structure – water works), for which construction works are performed, made of construction material, building – in finished products and parts. Land works, related to preparation of the surface, sowing or seeding are agriculture related activities and are not included in construction works.

Buildings refer to permanent constructions containing roof and outer walls, constructed as separate units that provide protection from weather and other outside effects, with the purpose of living, performing some activities or keeping animals, goods and equipment needed for versatile production or service activities.

Buildings also comprise constructions that contain roof but without all walls (e.g. eaves), as well as constructions that are prevailingly or completely placed under the ground surface (shelters, underground garages, shops or other business premises placed in subways, etc.).

Other civil engineering constructions relate to all constructions that are not buildings: railways, roads, bridges, highways, airport runways, pools, etc.

Gross building area (m²) presents the sum of all floor areas in the building that are comprised by outer walls, also including the thickness of outer walls.

Useful dwelling area is the floor area, measured inside the outer walls of the dwelling and presents the sum of all floor areas, rooms, kitchen, bathroom, toilet and other auxiliary spaces in the dwelling.

Anticipated value of works presents the planed value of works on a construction.

Detailed methodological notes of this survey can be found in the edition of SORS Methodologies and standards: Monthly surveys on building permits, book 22 and Classification of types of constructions, book number 15.

Since 1999, the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia doesn't dispose of certain data for AP Kosovo and Metohia, so they are not contained in the data coverage for the Republic of Serbia (total).

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