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Issued building permits in the Republic of Serbia, May 2011 – Preliminary results –

On the basis of the number of issued permits in May 2011, building of 659 dwellings with average area of 78.8 m² was recorded. Number of dwellings decreased, according to the issued permits, by 41.8% when compared to May 2010. Out of the total number of dwellings in new residential buildings, 25.1% of dwellings will be built in single – dwelling buildings, with average area of 144 m², while 64.5% of dwellings will be in the buildings with three and more dwellings, with significantly smaller average area of 53.5 m².

In May 2011, 570 building permits were issued, presenting the increase of 13.1% when compared to May 2010. Index of anticipated value of works in May 2011 is by 46.7% lower than in May 2010.

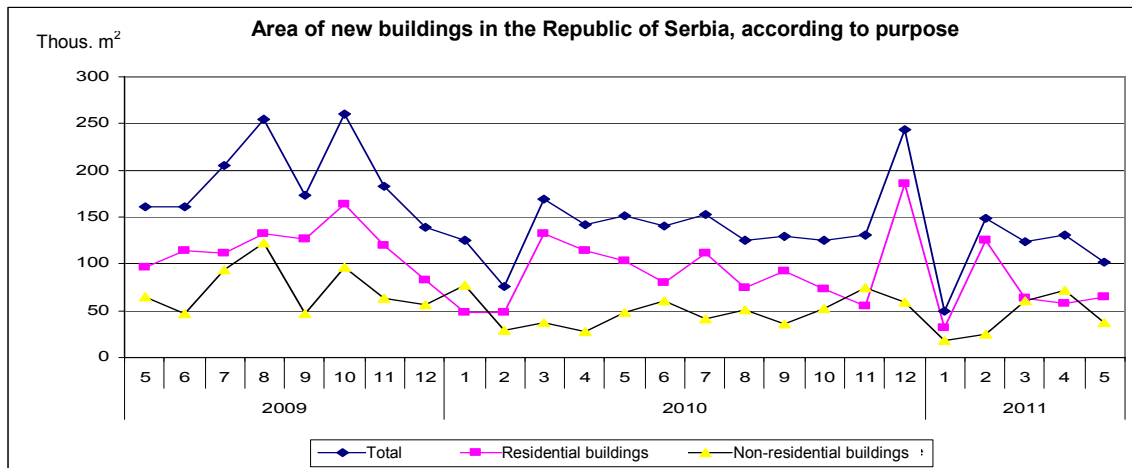
Observed by types of constructions, in May 2011, 80.9% of issued permits related to buildings and 19.1% to civil engineering. When referring only to buildings, 71.6% related to residential buildings and 28.4% to non-residential ones, while regarding civil engineering, the largest number related to pipelines, communication and electric power lines, 74.3%.

Anticipated value of works on new building in May 2011 amounts to 75.9% of totally anticipated value of works. Observed by administrative districts, the greatest construction activity was noted in the city of Belgrade, 20.3% of the anticipated value of works on new construction, followed by Srem District, 18.3%, Southern Backa District, 11.7%, Pirot District, 6.1% and Southern Banat District, 5.0%, while the shares of other districts were up to 3.5%.

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).

Indices of issued building permits in the Republic of Serbia

	$\frac{I-V\ 2011}{I-V\ 2010}$	$\frac{V\ 2011}{IV\ 2011}$	$\frac{V\ 2011}{V\ 2010}$	$\frac{V\ 2011}{\emptyset\ 2010}$
Total				
Number	105,8	100,2	113,1	105,0
Anticipated value of works	109,4	69,9	53,3	58,3
Buildings				
Number	100,5	101,3	104,8	106,5
Anticipated value of works	109,4	86,5	86,7	76,8
Area	86,3	75,0	68,7	73,6
Volume	101,1	69,2	79,7	84,8
Civil engineering				
Number	131,0	95,6	170,3	99,1
Anticipated value of works	109,7	45,9	26,0	35,2
Dwellings				
Number	78,4	84,8	58,2	63,9
Useful area	83,8	93,7	67,2	76,2



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 Gazette 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 prevalingly 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.

Starting from 1999 the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia has not at disposal and may not provide available certain data relative to AP Kosovo and Metohia and therefore these data are not included in the coverage for the Republic of Serbia (total).