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**Issued building permits, March 2020**

**– Preliminary results –**

In March 2020, 1 694 building permits were issued, presenting the increase of 12.8% related to March 2019.

Observed by types of constructions, in March 2020,76.4% of building permits related to buildings and 23.6% to civil engineering. When referring only to buildings, 63.8% related to residential buildings and 36.2% to non–residential ones, while regarding civil engineering, the largest number related to pipelines, communication and electric power lines (64.8%).

According to the permits issued in March 2020 in the Republic of Serbia, building of 2 953 dwellings with average area of 69.4 m2 was recorded. Out of the total number of dwellings in new residential buildings, 6.6% of dwellings will be built in single-dwelling buildings, with average area of 146.5 m², and 92.2% of dwellings will be in buildings with three and more dwellings, with significantly smaller average area of 62.5 m².

Index of anticipated value of works in March 2020 increased by 12.4% relative to March 2019. Anticipated value of works of new construction in March 2020 amounted to 74.1% of totally anticipated value of works. Observed by areas, the greatest construction activity is expected in Beogradska oblast (31.7%) of totally anticipated value of works, followed by Južnobacka oblast (16.5%), Sremska oblast (12.1%), Sumadijska oblast (8.6%), Nisavska oblast (6.9%) and Zlatiborska oblast (6.2%), while the shares of other areas are up to 3.1%.

Non-residential buildings

Residential buildings

Total

**Indices of issued building permits in the Republic of Serbia**

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|  | I–III 2020I–III 2019 | III 2020II2020 | III 2020III 2019 | III 2020∅ 2019 |
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| Total |  |  |  |  |
| Number | 122.3 | 119.3 | 112.8 | 93.1 |
| Anticipated value of works | 120.1 | 163.7 | 112.4 | 84.6 |
| Buildings |  |  |  |  |
| Number | 121.4 | 123.1 | 108.9 | 91.2 |
| Anticipated value of works | 146.5 | 174.4 | 201.2 | 149.9 |
| Area | 139.0 | 132.9 | 154.2 | 122.9 |
| Civil engineering |  |  |  |  |
|  Number | 125.1 | 108.4 | 127.4 | 99.8 |
| Anticipated value of works | 88.7 | 136.9 | 46.6 | 35.4 |
| Dwellings |  |  |  |  |
|  Number | 136.0 | 108.6 | 145.6 | 128.8 |
| Useful area | 127.7 | 115.0 | 136.6 | 117.2 |

**Notes:**

The data on issued building permits are overtaken from the Central Register of Integrated Procedures, which has been, according to the Law on planning and construction (“Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia“, number 132/14, article 8) administered by the Serbian Business Registers Agency (SBRA).

In the scope of this survey, the concept of „building permit” comprises the building permit for construction and the decision which approves the execution of works following the article 145 of the Law on planning and construction. The issued building permits and approvals for works executions, based on harmonized request, included are only if the construction is approved for the first time. 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 planned works are performed in the country.

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 Metohija and therefore these data are not included in the coverage for the Republic of Serbia (total).

Detailed methodological notes of this survey can be found on the website of the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia:

<http://www.stat.gov.rs/istrazivanja/methodology-and-documents/?a=05&s=0>

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