

## Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

### News Release on Building Licenses in the Palestinian Territory First Quarter, 2011

#### Increase of the building licenses in the Palestinian Territory compared with previous quarter and corresponding quarter of 2010

The number of building licenses issued in the First quarter 2011 totaled 2,092.

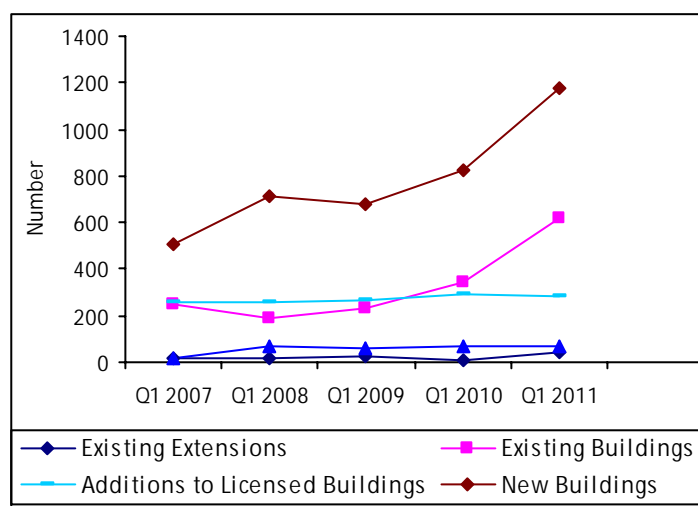
There was an increase by 35.5% in the total number of issued buildings licenses for the first quarter of 2011 compared with the first quarter of 2010. In addition, there was an increase by 34.6% in the total number of issued buildings licenses for the first quarter of 2011 compared with the fourth quarter of 2010.

The total area of licensed buildings (residential & non residential) amounted to 915.4 thousand m<sup>2</sup> of which the total areas of new buildings amounted to 698.0 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and the total areas of existing buildings amounted to 217.4 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The total number of licensed dwellings amounted to 3,828 of which 2,746 new units with a total area of 499.7 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and 1,082 existing dwellings with a total area of 193.3 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The number of new dwellings in the first quarter 2011 increased by 77.5% compared with the same quarter of 2010. There was also an increase by 24.3% in the number of new dwellings in the first quarter of 2011 in comparison with the fourth quarter of 2010.

Number of Building Licenses Issued in the Palestinian Territory for the First Quarters During the Period 2007–2011



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