

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics released a Statistical Report about Building Licenses Statistics in the Palestinian Territory

1342 of Building Licenses Issued With Total 528.1 Thousands M²

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics released a Statistical Report about the Result of Building Licenses for the Fourth Quarter 2003, Which shows that the number of building licenses is 1342, distributed as 761 licenses for new buildings, 360 licenses for additions to licensed buildings, 36 licenses for additions and existing parts, 170 licenses for existing buildings and 15 licenses for existing extensions. The results indicate that the total licensed areas were 528.1 thousand m², distributed as 481.3 thousand m² for new areas and 46.8 thousand m² for existing areas. Also the number of licensed dwellings reached 2708 units distributed as 2416 for the new dwellings and 292 units for the existing dwellings

There was a general increasing in the total number of issued building licenses in the Fourth Quarter 2003 compared with the Fourth Quarter 2002 (around 48.1%), meanwhile there was an increase in the number of issued building licenses in the Fourth Quarter 2003 compared with the Fourth Quarter 2001(around 29.5%), notice that the Fourth Quarter 2001 decreased by 17.5% compared with the Fourth Quarter 2000.

Comparing data of the Fourth Quarter 2003 with the Fourth Quarter 2002, shows that the licensed of new areas increased by 66.8%, and the existing areas decreased by 4.5%. Comparing licensed areas of the Fourth Quarter 2003 with the same period of 2001, indicates that the licensed of new areas increased by 46.4%, and the existing areas decreased by 20.8%.

The results show that there is an increase in the residential dwellings in the Fourth Quarter 2003 compared with the same period of 2002 by 93.1% for the new dwellings, and by 9.0% for the existing dwellings. comparing data of the Fourth Quarter 2003 with the same period of 2001 there is an increase in the number of the new dwellings by 91.0% and by 1.0% for the existing dwellings.

The number of boundary walls licenses are increased by 44.2% in the Fourth Quarter 2003 compared with the Fourth Quarter 2002, and increased by 5.1% in the Fourth Quarter 2003 compared with the Fourth Quarter 2001, while it decreased by 17.3% compared with the Fourth Quarter 2000.