

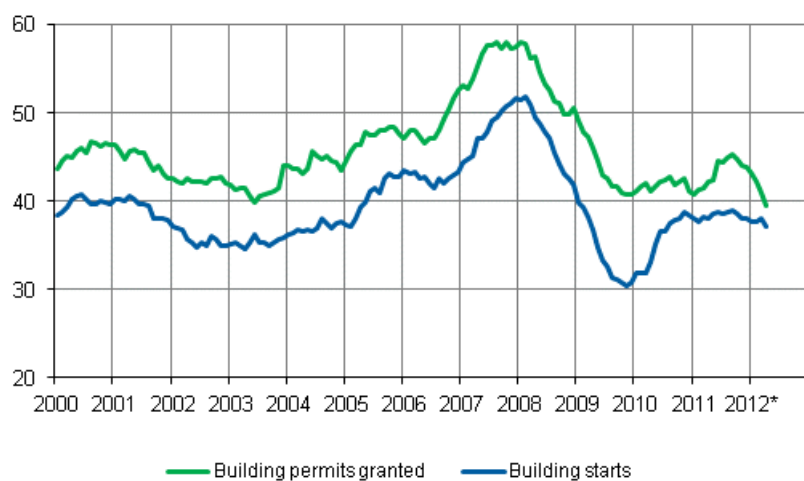
Building and dwelling production

2012, April

Cubic volume covered by granted building permits fell by good 23 per cent in April

In April 2012, building permits were granted for a total of around 2.8 million cubic metres, which is 23.3 per cent less than one year ago. This is indicated by Statistics Finland's preliminary data from statistics on building and dwelling production.

Granted permits and building starts, mil. m3, variable annual sum



In the release the data indicated with an asterisk (*) are preliminary data.

The cubic volume covered by permits granted for residential buildings fell by 12 per cent in April from one year back. The cubic volume covered by permits for detached houses decreased by 15.9 per cent, that for terraced houses by 11.7 per cent and that for residential blocks of flats by seven per cent.

The cubic volume covered by permits for other than residential building construction fell by 29.7 per cent from April 2011.

The cubic volume covered by permits granted for industrial and warehouse buildings decreased most, or by 45 per cent. The cubic volume covered by permits granted for commercial and office buildings also

declined greatly, by 41.8 per cent. The fall in the cubic volume in these groups in comparison to last year is partly explained by projects with high cubic volumes for which building permits were granted in April 2011.

In April 2012, building permits were granted for 2,889 dwellings, which is 16 per cent fewer than one year earlier.

Volume of newbuilding fell by 5 per cent in April

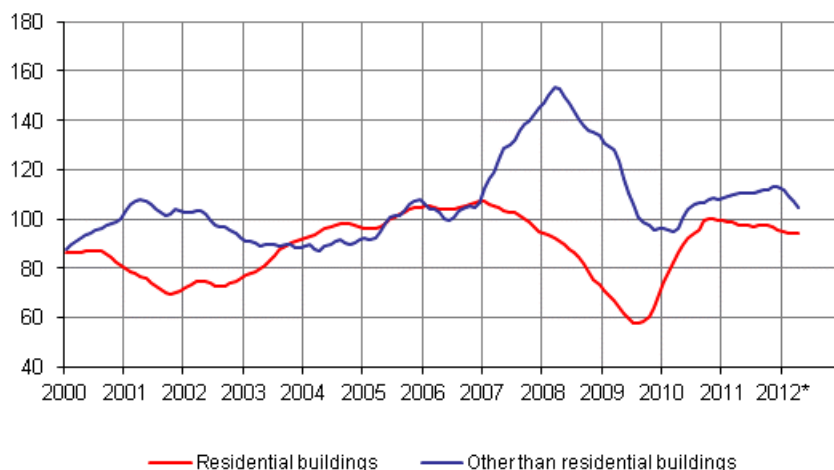
In April 2012, the constant-price value or the volume of ongoing building production was down by 5.1 per cent year-on-year. The volume of residential building construction contracted by 4.2 per cent from April 2011.

The volume of residential building construction has been falling since autumn 2011. The volume of detached house construction has been contracting since spring of last year. In April, the cubic volume covered by permits for detached houses declined by 8.4 per cent and that for terraced houses by 4.9 per cent from last year's April. At the same time, the volume of residential blocks of flats increased by 1.7 per cent.

The volume of public service building construction fell most in April, by 12 per cent. The volume of construction of industrial and warehouse buildings decreased by 11.5 per cent and that of commercial and office buildings by 4.8 per cent from April 2011.

The volume of other than residential building construction went down by 5.7 per cent from one year ago.

Volume index for newbuilding 2005=100, trend



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Appendix table 1. Building permits, 1000 m3

Building type	4/2012*	Annual change% ¹⁾	1-4/2012*	Annual change% ¹⁾	Variable annual sum*	Annual change% ¹⁾
All buildings	2 850	-23	9 602	-25	39 539	-4
Residential buildings	1 185	-12	3 475	-15	13 192	-4
Free-time residential buildings	92	-4	264	-6	1 083	-9
Commercial and office buildings	392	-42	1 496	-36	6 260	-12
Public service buildings	181	17	686	8	2 709	4
Industrial and warehouse buildings	451	-45	1 857	-43	9 473	3
Agricultural buildings	304	-14	1 117	-18	3 760	-10
Other buildings	244	-10	706	-7	3 061	1

1) Change percentages for the year on which data are preliminary have been calculated using the preliminary data of corresponding level from the previous year.

Appendix table 2. Building permits monthly, 1000 m3

	All buildings	Residential buildings	Free-time residential buildings	Commercial and office buildings	Public service buildings	Industrial and warehouse buildings	Agricultural buildings
2009	40 804	10 755	1 221	8 714	3 681	8 161	5 227
2010	41 208	13 956	1 303	7 096	3 124	8 217	4 354
2011	43 801	14 167	1 136	7 189	2 750	11 164	4 173
IV	4 297	1 532	113	697	169	1 006	456
V	5 058	1 826	153	830	284	980	511
VI	7 723	2 121	168	1 681	444	2 281	473
VII	2 014	783	90	261	55	449	149
VIII	3 607	1 187	97	452	242	1 120	232
IX	3 772	1 299	107	376	287	1 103	324
X	2 713	959	83	465	233	452	296
XI	2 723	855	79	300	311	671	322
XII	2 327	687	43	400	166	560	337
2012* I	1 619	610	40	283	76	261	246
II	2 205	756	54	296	276	453	226
III	2 928	923	79	524	154	692	341
IV	2 850	1 185	92	392	181	451	304

Appendix table 3. Building permits for dwellings, No.

Building type	4/2012*	Annual change%	1-4/2012*	Annual change%	Variable annual sum*	Annual change%
All buildings	2 889	-16	8 592	-17	32 074	-4
Detached houses	899	-16	2 746	-13	10 905	-6
Attached houses	339	-15	960	-20	4 101	4
Blocks of flats	1 641	-15	4 526	-23	16 142	-6
Other than residential buildings	10	-71	360	393	926	43

Appendix table 4. Building permits by region

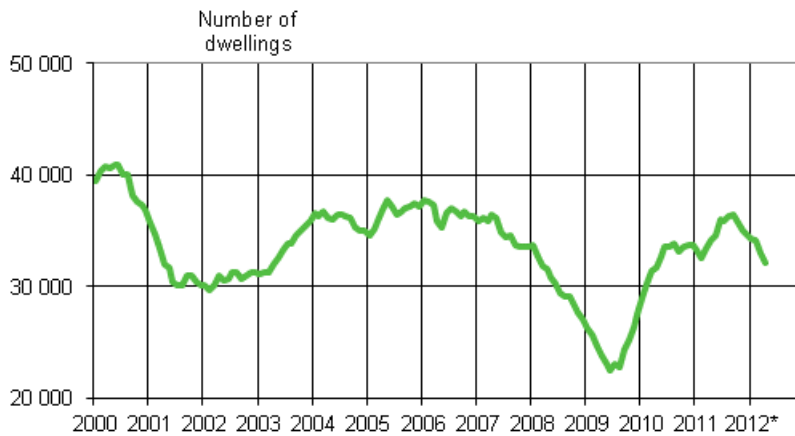
Region	Volume (1000 m3)		Dwellings (No.)		Free time residential buildings (No.)	
	1-4/2012*	1-4/2011	1-4/2012*	1-4/2011	1-4/2012*	1-4/2011
All regions	9 602	13 864	8 592	11 047	1 238	1 459
Continental Finland	9 586	13 787	8 581	10 958	1 232	1 426
Uusimaa	2 782	3 591	3 233	4 461	95	96
Metropolitan area	1 936	2 261	2 343	3 082	4	7
Varsinais-Suomi	785	1 097	451	746	137	168
Satakunta	384	385	176	310	23	38
Kanta-Häme	197	1 049	98	295	31	47
Pirkanmaa	634	1 153	902	891	85	101
Päijät-Häme	418	401	370	321	38	72
Kymenlaakso	314	535	101	224	43	48
South Karelia	142	275	58	206	62	55
Etelä-Savo	269	395	124	127	143	156
Pohjois-Savo	535	429	455	307	63	75
North Karelia	260	340	216	297	64	54
Central Finland	431	515	467	574	87	102
South Ostrobothnia	689	763	431	312	38	36
Ostrobothnia	448	671	439	377	53	89
Central Ostrobothnia	142	164	66	105	9	30
North Ostrobothnia	733	1 161	576	1 029	99	100
Kainuu	158	152	112	87	50	49
Lapland	266	711	306	289	112	110
Åland	16	77	11	89	6	33

Appendix table 5. Volume index of newbuilding 2005=100

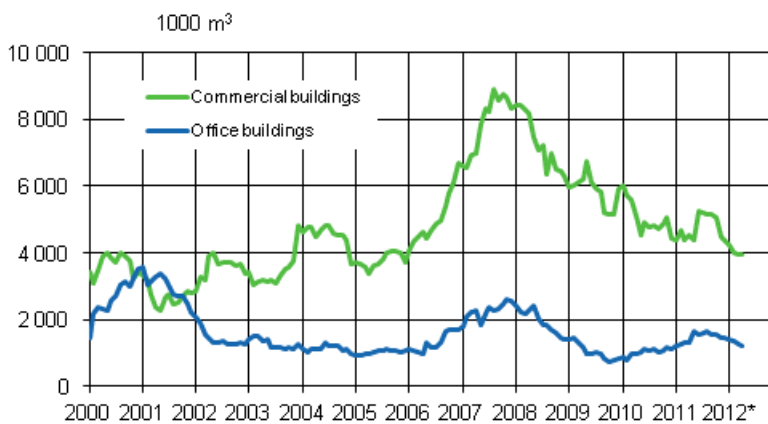
	All buildings	Residential buildings	Free-time residential buildings	Commercial and office buildings	Public service buildings	Industrial and warehouse buildings	Agricultural buildings
2009	85,7	62,9	96,5	131,8	110,0	102,7	95,2
2010	96,9	91,4	112,1	119,1	118,7	75,0	94,7
2011	104,0	97,7	102,2	126,6	110,2	102,1	95,8
IV	88,8	80,9	63,6	124,7	110,4	93,1	65,8
V	93,1	84,7	76,2	122,0	105,7	96,3	72,2
VI	99,9	89,5	91,0	122,1	113,7	99,4	83,4
VII	105,0	95,8	108,7	122,7	104,5	102,4	95,8
VIII	112,2	104,3	126,9	129,8	106,6	107,8	109,8
IX	116,6	111,2	136,2	129,8	105,6	111,7	119,6
X	117,8	115,0	135,9	125,4	105,6	111,9	124,3
XI	116,2	111,9	123,9	132,3	110,0	113,9	117,5
XII	107,8	102,2	106,1	131,0	107,0	109,0	106,7
2012* I	104,0	96,4	100,4	136,1	102,8	109,0	99,9
II	92,9	85,8	83,0	122,3	102,3	99,3	81,6
III	86,6	78,8	72,2	124,3	99,0	88,9	69,6
IV	84,3	77,5	67,8	118,7	97,2	82,4	66,3

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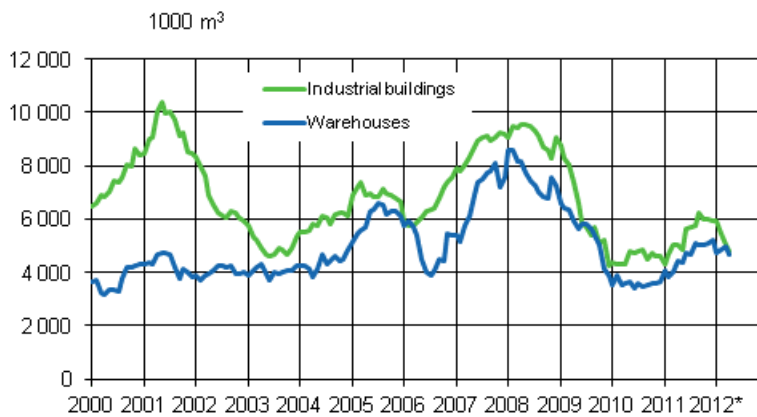
Appendix figure 1. Building permits granted for dwellings, variable annual sum



Appendix figure 2. Commercial and office buildings, variable annual sum



Appendix figure 3. Industrial buildings and warehouses, variable annual sum



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