# Comments

In 2008, 43 531 dwellings were started (-0.6% y-o-y), 38 380 dwellings were completed (-7.8% y-o-y) and 176 123 dwellings were under construction (+3.0% y-o-y).

### **Dwellings started**

In comparison with 2007, 43 531 dwellings were started, which was down by 0.6% (-265 dwellings). The number of dwellings started in family houses rose (+9.2%, i.e. +1 928 dwellings), and so did the number of dwellings in residential and nursing care homes (+15.4%, i.e. +84 dwellings). All other categories saw decreases, among them dwellings obtained by conversion of non-residential spaces dropped by 24.2% (-166 dwellings).

In 2008 most dwellings were started in the Středočeský Region (9 516 dwellings), in Prague (6 810 dwellings) and in the Jihomoravský Region (4 196 dwellings). The fewest dwellings were started in the Karlovarský (769 dwellings), Liberecký (1 591 dwellings) and Vysočina (1 591 dwellings) regions.

### **Dwellings completed**

In comparison with 2007, 38 380 dwellings were completed, which was down by 7.8% (-3 269 dwellings). The most marked decreases were recorded for dwellings completed in multi-dwelling buildings (-31.2%, i.e. -5 674 dwellings) and in residential and nursing care homes (-34.9%, i.e. -185 dwellings). The increases were reported for dwellings in family houses (+15.4%, i.e. +2 623 dwellings) and in dwellings obtained by conversion of non-residential spaces (+3.5%, i.e.+57 dwellings).

In 2008 most of dwellings were built in the Středočeský Region (8 041 dwellings), in Prague (6 328 dwellings) and in the Jihomoravský Region (4 553 dwellings). The fewest dwellings were constructed in the Karlovarský (628 dwellings), Ústecký (993 dwellings) regions.

### **Dwellings under construction**

The total of 176 123 dwellings were under construction as at 31 December 2008, which was up by 3.0% (+5 151 dwellings) year-on-year.

In 31 December 2008 most of dwellings under construction were in the Středočeský Region (34 020 dwellings, the fewest dwellings under construction were in the Karlovarský Region (4 167 dwellings).

# Dwelling modernisations (upon building notice or building permit)

In 2008, modernisation of 21 187 dwellings was completed, which was by 12.9% (+2 429 dwellings) more than in 2007.