

Comments

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Dwellings started

In Q1 2008, 9 570 dwellings were started, which was by 4.4% more (+405 dwellings) year-on-year. Increases were recorded for dwellings in multi-dwelling buildings (by 18.4%, i.e. +525 dwellings) and dwellings in family houses (by 3.5%, i.e. +158 dwellings). Decreases were observed in all of the other categories.

Dwellings completed

In Q1 2008, 9 158 dwellings were completed, i.e. a year-on-year growth of 9.8% (+821 dwellings). The highest increases were registered for dwellings completed in family houses (by 22.1%, i.e. +813 dwellings), dwellings completed as extensions to multi-dwelling buildings (by 51.0%, i.e. +157 dwellings) and dwellings in converted non-residential spaces (by 37.4%, i.e. +71 dwellings). Decreases were recorded for dwellings in multi-dwelling buildings (by 3.0%, i.e. -102 dwellings) and dwellings in community care service homes and boarding houses (by 57.4%, i.e. -93 dwellings).

Dwellings under construction

The total of 171 383 dwellings under construction as at 31 March 2008 was by 1.0% (+1730 dwellings) higher year-on-year. The highest share in dwellings under construction was recorded for family houses (50.2%), the lowest for dwellings in converted non-residential spaces (1.3%).

Dwellings under construction are on the increase in the long term because numbers of dwellings started increase more rapidly than numbers of dwellings completed; dwellings whose construction has been suspended are also included.

Dwelling modernisations (upon building permit)

In Q1 2008, modernisation of 5 165 dwellings was completed, which was by 2.8% less year-on-year.