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Construction output in the Q1–Q3 of 2024 decreased by 3.9%

Supplementary information to the news release on construction – September 2024

Construction output in the Q1–Q3 of 2024 decreased by 3.9%, year-on-year (y-o-y). It was mainly contributed to by building construction, which decreased by 5.7%, y-o-y (a contribution of -3.8 percentage points (p. p.)). Production in the civil engineering construction rather stagnated (a decrease by 0.2%, a contribution of -0.1 p. p.). In the Q1, the result of the construction output of both the segments was also affected by the height of the comparison basis. As for building construction, it supported a decrease by 7.4%, whereas the civil engineering construction increased by 4.8%. In the Q2, differences in the segments were not noticeable that much; both civil engineering construction and building construction decreased, y-o-y, and the overall construction output dropped by 6.0%. In the Q3, the civil engineering construction returned to a moderate growth (+1.0%), whereas the building construction continued to decrease, year-on-year (-3.2%).

Construction enterprises with 50+ employees concluded in the Czech Republic 59 054 construction orders in the Q1–Q3 of 2024 and, in the year-on-year comparison, the number increased by 4.5%. The total value of these orders increased by 15.4%, year-on-year, and amounted to CZK 288.3 billion at current prices. New construction orders in the building construction reached the value of CZK 138.1 billion and in the y-o-y comparison they increased by 22.4%, mainly thanks to results for the first half-year. Also new orders for civil engineering construction increased, y-o-y, by 9.6%, in the Q1–Q3. The average value of a newly concluded construction order amounted to CZK 4.9 million and was by 10.4% higher, year-on-year.

The approximate value of constructions permitted in the Q1–Q3 of 2024 reached CZK 415.1 billion and decreased by 1.8%, year-on-year (at current prices); mainly building permits granted for civil engineering constructions in the Q2 contributed to the decrease. Since the beginning of the year, new constructions of residential and non-residential buildings were more successful; a decrease in the category of modifications to completed buildings was moderated by transport constructions. In the Q1–Q3 2024, 30 constructions for over CZK 1 billion were granted a building permit, for CZK 85.4 billion, most of which was for new constructions; however, their approximate value did not have a significant influence on the total development. Higher investments have been planned in the *Středočeský* Region, in the *Jihomoravský* Region, and in Prague.

In the Q1–Q3 of 2024, construction of 27 316 dwellings started and, in the year-on-year comparison, the number remained on the level of the previous year. From January to the end of September, numbers of dwellings started in family houses decreased by 10.3% compared to the previous year and the decrease took place in all of the quarters. Numbers of dwellings started in multi-dwelling buildings increased almost by a quarter, y-o-y. Conversions of family houses and multi-dwelling buildings recorded a y-o-y decrease as well as dwellings started in non-residential



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buildings. The highest number of started dwellings was in Prague (multi-dwelling buildings), in the *Středočeský* Region (family houses), and in the *Jihomoravský* Region.

In the Q1–Q3 2024, 24 266 dwellings were completed and the number decreased by 6.5%, y-o-y. The y-o-y decrease in the number of completed dwellings took place especially in the category of family houses; the number of dwellings completed in multi-dwelling buildings stagnated. Conversions of family houses and multi-dwelling buildings recorded a y-o-y decrease and fewer dwellings in non-residential buildings were completed for the time being, too. The highest number of completions was in Prague, in the *Středočeský* Region, and in the *Jihomoravský* Region.

Notes: The year-on-year development of construction output (production) has been adjusted for the influence of the number of working days.

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