Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Increase in the number of building licenses in Palestine* in the first quarter of 2019, due to the increase in the number of new building licenses

A total of 2,617 building licenses were issued in the first quarter of 2019 which included 1,645 new buildings.

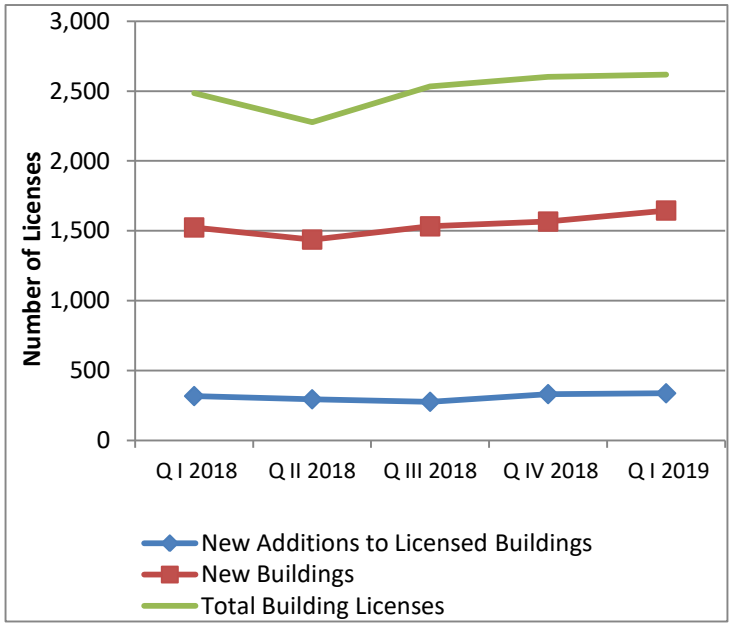
The total number of building licenses issued in the first quarter of 2019 increased by 1% compared with the fourth quarter of 2018 and increased by 5% compared with the first quarter of 2018, where the number of new building licenses increased by 5% compared with the fourth quarter of 2018 and increased by 8% compared with the first quarter of 2018.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 1.232 million m^2, of which new buildings made up 992 thousand m^2 and existing buildings comprised 240 thousand m^2.

The total number of licensed dwellings was 5,535 with a total area of 853 thousand m^2, of which 4,340 were new dwellings with a total area of 684 thousand m^2 and 1,195 were existing dwellings with a total area of 169 thousand m^2.

The number of new dwellings in the first quarter of 2019 increased by 3% compared with the fourth quarter of 2018 and increased by 25% compared with the first quarter of 2018.

Number of Building Licenses Issued in Palestine* during the period, First Quarter 2018 - First Quarter 2019



*Data excluded those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israeli occupation in 1967.