



## Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

### Sharp decrease in the number of building licenses in Palestine\* in the fourth quarter of 2023 compared with previous quarter, due to the ongoing Israeli aggression on Palestine

The total number of building licenses issued in the fourth quarter of 2023 decreased by 26% compared with the third quarter of 2023 and decreased by 28% compared with the fourth quarter of 2022, where the number of new building licenses decreased by 32% compared with the third quarter of 2023 and decreased by 33% compared with the fourth quarter of 2022.

A total of 2,020 building licenses were issued in the fourth quarter of 2023, of which 1,119 are new buildings.

The area of licensed buildings (residential and non-residential) totaled 946 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which new buildings made up 745 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and existing buildings comprised 201 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

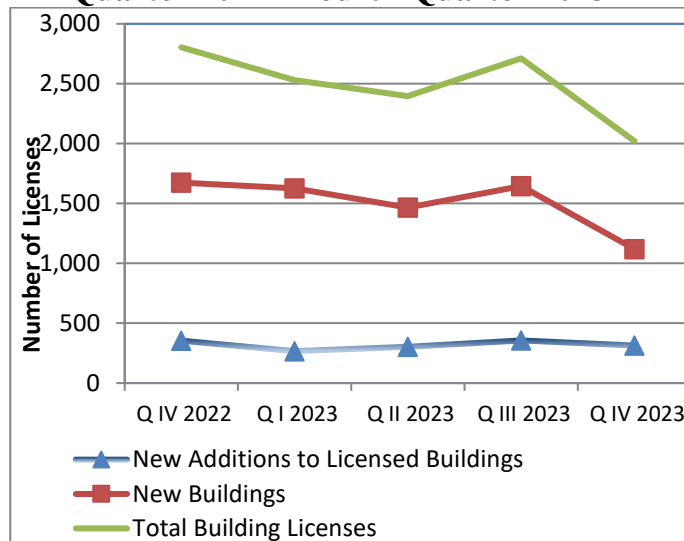
The total number of licensed dwellings was 4,078 with a total area of 676 thousand m<sup>2</sup>, of which 3,178 were new dwellings with a total area of 528 thousand m<sup>2</sup> and 900 were existing dwellings with a total area of 148 thousand m<sup>2</sup>.

The number of new dwellings in the fourth quarter of 2023 decreased by 24% compared with the third quarter of 2023 and decreased by 33% compared with the fourth quarter of 2022.

#### Notice:

In Gaza Strip, there are no licenses issued for this quarter due to the Israeli aggression against it.

### Number of Building Licenses Issued in Palestine\* during the period, Fourth Quarter 2022 - Fourth Quarter 2023



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

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