



Quarterly Housing Statistics

Quarter 2 2007

26 September 2007

Total Housing Completions

38,978 units were completed nationally in the first six months of 2007, of which 8,535 units were completed in Dublin and 12,305 units in Greater Dublin Area. These figures are based on the number of electricity meters installed by ESB Networks.

(Tables 1 and 2)

[The most recent data available to end August 2007 reveal that 49,943 housing units have been completed. While there are indications of some easing in housing activity from last year's record, almost 1,600 units are currently being completed each week. Further breakdown of these figures is available on the Department's website.]

Affordable Housing Provision

1,192 units (including 190 units delivered on State/Local authority lands element of the Affordable Housing Initiative) were provided under the various affordable housing schemes in the first six months 2007. This represents a 5% increase in output on the same period in 2006. 32% of affordable housing units were provided in Dublin.

(Tables 3 and 4)

Part V Social and Affordable Housing Provision

Part V of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 – 2006 continued to gather momentum, with 932 units of social and affordable housing provided in the first six months of 2007, up 51 % on the same period in 2006. A further 5,138 units under Part V were in progress at the end of June 2007, some 35% up on the end-2006 position.

Social Rented Housing Provision

Total output of social houses provided in the first six months of 2007 amounted to 3,167 units (2,647 Local Authority; 520 Voluntary & Co-operative housing) with a further 450 new units acquired under the Rental Accommodation Scheme. This represents an increase of 33% in the overall number of social housing units completed.

Local Authority commencements and acquisitions increased by 15%; the number of units commenced by the Voluntary and Co-operative housing sector increased by one third on the same period in 2006. 11,511 social housing units were in progress at the end of June 2007. (Tables 5 to 7)

House Prices

Using data supplied by the lending institutions on the value of houses and apartments at the time of loan approval, indicate that nationally, the average price for a new house (including apartments) in Quarter 2 2007 was €331,947, which was an increase of 7.7% on the average price reported the same quarter in 2006.

The average price for a second-hand house (including apartments) nationally in Quarter 2 2007 was €369,837, a decrease of -2.4% on the average price reported the same quarter in 2006.

In Dublin, the average price for a new houses (including apartments) in Quarter 2 2007 was €426,900, an increase of 7.4% on the average price reported the same quarter in 2006.

The average price for a second-hand house (including apartments) in Dublin was €473,749, a decrease of -8.3% on the average price reported the same quarter in 2006.

(Tables 8 and 9)

See Methodological note when making comparisons with earlier periods, as these are not the same as price indices.

Other features of this release:

- **Housing Loans:**

- Loan approvals – 27,944 loans, with a total value of €7,561 million, were approved for house purchases, in Quarter 2 2007. These represented decreases of -20.7% in volumes and -16.8% in value, compared to the Quarter 2 2006.

- Loan payments – 23,058 loans, with a total value of €5312.1 million, were paid for house purchases in Quarter 2 2007. These represented decreases of -20.0% in volumes and -11.9% in value, compared to the Quarter 2 2006.
(Tables 10 and 11)
- **Residential Commencements:**
 - 31,707 new housing units were started nationally in the first six months of 2007, of which 6,208 units were in Dublin and 10,238 units in Greater Dublin Area. This is a decrease of -22% on the number started in the first six months of 2006.
(Table 12)

Methodological Note

Average House prices are derived from data supplied by the mortgage lending agencies on loans approved by them. In comparing house price figures from one period to another, account should be taken of the fact that changes in the mix of houses (including apartments) will affect the average figures.

The Department with the assistance of the mortgage lending agencies and the CSO, is currently developing a mix-adjusted house price index which will take account of different property, location and purchaser characteristics.

A historical housing statistics series is also available on the Department website at www.environ.ie

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Table 1 House Completions by Sector

Period	Social Housing		Private Houses	Total
	Local Authority Houses	Voluntary & Co-Operative Houses		
2005	4,209	1,350	75,398	80,957
2006	3,968	1,240	88,211	93,419
2005				
Q1	548	327	{33,383	{35,307
Q2	828	221		
Q3	940	343	17,804	19,087
Q4	1,893	459	24,211	26,563
2006				
Q1	570	184	21,140	21,894
Q2	956	416	20,633	22,005
Q3	870	333	21,368	22,571
Q4	1,572	307	25,070	26,949
2007				
Q1	869	283	18,866	20,018
Q2	1,022	237	17,701	18,960
<i>Annual percentage change</i>				
2006	-5.7%	-8.1%	17.0%	15.4%
2006				
Q1	4.0%	-43.7%	n/a	n/a
Q2	15.5%	88.2%	n/a	n/a
Q3	-7.4%	-2.9%	20.0%	18.3%
Q4	-17.0%	-33.1%	3.5%	1.5%
2007				
Q1	52.5%	53.8%	-10.8%	-8.6%
Q2	6.9%	-43.0%	-14.2%	-13.8%
Notes:-	<p>(a) Total house completions are based on the number of ESB domestic connections. These figures do not take account of work in progress in housing construction. Due to circumstances beyond the Department's control it has not been possible to obtain a separate set of figures for the first two quarters of 2005.</p> <p>(b) Local authority house completions do not include second-hand houses acquired by them. New units acquired under Part V of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2006 for local authority rental purposes are included.</p> <p>(c) Voluntary & co-operative housing consists of housing provided under the capital loan & subsidy and capital assistance schemes.</p>			

**Table 2: Total and Private House Completions by County
1 January to 30 June 2007**

County Councils (including Borough & Town Councils)	Total House Completions	Private House Completions
Carlow	694	557
Cavan	1,019	1,011
Clare	1,095	1,022
Cork County	3,712	3,538
Cork City	852	792
Cork Total	4,564	4,330
Donegal	2,110	1,919
D/L.-Rathdown	1,272	1,163
Fingal	2,548	2,432
South Dublin	1,665	1,531
Dublin City	3,050	2,723
Dublin Total	8,535	7,849
Galway County	1,979	1,883
Galway City	374	372
Galway Total	2,353	2,255
Kerry	1,385	1,308
Kildare	1,603	1,549
Kilkenny	763	734
Laois	1,129	1,035
Leitrim	542	542
Limerick County	1,158	1,098
Limerick City	186	149
Limerick Total	1,344	1,247
Longford	781	741
Louth	723	681
Mayo	1,250	1,153
Meath	1,421	1,369
Monaghan	516	514
North Tipperary	518	496
Offaly	565	530
Roscommon	727	715
Sligo	668	615
South Tipperary	655	577
Waterford County	671	664
Waterford City	42	22
Waterford Total	713	686
Westmeath	805	772
Wexford	1,554	1,486
Wicklow	746	674
Conversions	200	200
TOTALS	38,978	36,567

Note:- Total house completions are based on the number of new dwellings connected by ESB Networks to the electricity supply and may not accord precisely with local authority boundaries.

Table 3:

Affordable Housing Schemes
1 January to 30 June 2007

County Councils (including Borough & Town Councils)	Shared Ownership			Affordable Housing (1999) Scheme		
	No. of transactions completed	No. of approvals in principle issued but transactions not yet completed	No. of applications received	No. of houses provided	No. of houses in progress	Houses proposed
Carlow	0	0	5	19	12	15
Cavan	0	0	5	0	0	0
Clare	1	1	7	0	0	18
Cork County	11	27	40	10	249	281
Cork City	0	13	43	0	37	174
Cork Total	11	40	83	10	286	455
Donegal	5	7	23	8	28	0
D/L-Rathdown	0	1	1	0	38	16
Fingal	0	197	1,224	8	394	138
South Dublin	0	0	0	18	0	0
Dublin City	17	18	91	48	291	1,708
Dublin Total	17	216	1,316	74	723	1,862
Galway County	0	3	3	0	13	12
Galway City	0	0	0	18	53	135
Galway Total	0	3	3	18	66	147
Kerry	2	5	17	6	23	6
Kildare	63	71	108	19	55	84
Kilkenny	6	4	10	0	14	8
Laois	8	6	14	6	170	30
Leitrim	0	0	1	0	0	0
Limerick County	1	0	3	0	0	10
Limerick City	0	0	3	0	0	0
Limerick Total	1	0	6	0	0	10
Longford	0	1	7	0	0	0
Louth	0	0	2	6	113	8
Mayo	1	0	0	2	50	23
Meath	1	1	8	0	32	0
Monaghan	1	0	1	0	20	0
North Tipperary	2	6	12	0	0	24
Offaly	1	1	4	0	22	40
Roscommon	0	0	6	0	0	0
Sligo	2	5	11	6	0	8
South Tipperary	6	4	3	0	0	0
Waterford County	0	0	0	0	32	0
Waterford City	3	36	12	0	0	0
Waterford Total	3	36	12	0	32	0
Westmeath	0	0	18	10	45	51
Wexford	1	1	0	51	97	77
Wicklow	0	0	0	7	33	19
TOTALS	132	408	1,682	242	1,821	2,885

Table 4:

Part V. Planning and Development Acts 2000 - 2006
1 January to 30 June 2007

County Councils (including Borough & Town Councils)	Affordable Housing			Social Housing (included in total completions):						TOTAL OUTPUT UNDER PART V		
	No. of units:			No. of units:			No. of units:			No. of units:		
	acquired	in progress	*proposed	acquired	in progress	*proposed	acquired	in progress	*proposed	acquired	in progress	*proposed
Carlow	0	8	27	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	14	27
Cavan	0	21	11	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	29	11
Clare	17	29	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	29	8
Cork County	89	397	25	13	82	2	0	0	14	102	479	41
Cork City	45	36	167	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	36	167
Cork Total	134	433	192	13	82	2	0	0	14	147	515	208
Donegal	22	14	4	0	41	0	0	0	0	22	55	4
D/L.-Rathdown	15	122	0	12	0	0	0	79	0	27	201	0
Fingal	88	508	676	0	43	0	0	12	0	88	563	676
South Dublin	89	269	0	11	134	12	38	96	0	138	499	12
Dublin City	18	563	0	24	255	0	62	122	0	104	940	0
Dublin Total	210	1,462	676	47	432	12	100	309	0	357	2,203	688
Galway County	12	49	58	15	14	22	0	0	0	27	63	80
Galway City	1	52	149	0	33	148	0	18	0	1	103	297
Galway Total	13	101	207	15	47	170	0	18	0	28	166	377
Kerry	16	42	17	6	24	14	14	0	0	36	66	31
Kildare	54	267	6	12	108	2	2	35	18	68	410	26
Kilkenny	17	70	18	6	122	55	0	0	0	23	192	73
Laois	20	59	35	3	78	28	0	0	0	23	137	63
Leitrim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limerick County	2	30	33	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	35	33
Limerick City	13	12	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	12	17
Limerick Total	15	42	50	0	0	0	0	5	0	15	47	50
Longford	0	30	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	52
Louth	1	30	50	7	36	10	0	8	37	8	74	97
Mayo	9	56	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	56	23
Meath	40	204	0	0	2	0	0	12	0	40	218	0
Monaghan	0	0	11	11	40	8	0	62	0	11	102	19
North Tipperary	5	13	16	2	19	16	0	76	0	7	108	32
Offaly	2	41	34	2	45	52	0	0	19	4	86	105
Roscommon	0	37	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	50	0
Sligo	6	44	29	4	57	21	0	0	0	10	101	50
South Tipperary	0	94	81	22	61	64	0	8	35	22	163	180
Waterford County	18	44	131	0	51	75	0	0	0	18	95	206
Waterford City	16	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0
Waterford Total	34	44	131	13	51	75	0	0	0	47	95	206
Westmeath	0	42	14	0	32	4	0	0	0	0	74	18
Wexford	7	25	0	7	23	0	0	0	0	14	48	0
Wicklow	6	35	27	18	18	0	0	17	0	24	70	27
TOTALS	628	3,243	1,719	188	1,343	533	116	552	123	932	5,138	2,375

Notes:- In addition, 190 units were also delivered directly under AH1 in first 6 months 2007 (Fingal-22: South Dublin-56:Wexford Co Co-10: Cork City -52 and Waterford City-50)

* No. of units proposed on foot of agreements that have been entered into at 30 June 2007 but not yet started.

**Table 5: Total Output of Social Rented Housing by Local Authority Area
1 January to 30 June 2007**

County Councils (including Borough & Town Councils)	Local Authority Housing			Voluntary & Co-operative Housing#		TOTAL OUTPUT			
	completions	acquisitions	in	completions	in	completions	acquisitions	total	in
	**	*	progress		progress	(A)	(B)	(A)+(B)	Progress
Carlow	79	16	109	58	26	137	16	153	135
Cavan	0	1	144	8	40	8	1	9	184
Clare	64	24	136	9	26	73	24	97	162
Cork County	99	27	452	75	318	174	27	201	770
Cork City	47	131	353	13	66	60	131	191	419
Cork Total	146	158	805	88	384	234	158	392	1,189
Donegal	121	1	386	70	227	191	1	192	613
D/L.-Rathdown	73	1	284	36	145	109	1	110	429
Fingal	104	0	404	12	89	116	0	116	493
South Dublin	134	85	616	0	83	134	85	219	699
Dublin City	272	116	1,325	55	418	327	116	443	1,743
Dublin Total	583	202	2,629	103	735	686	202	888	3,364
Galway County	96	30	180	0	12	96	30	126	192
Galway City	0	24	67	2	20	2	24	26	87
Galway Total	96	54	247	2	32	98	54	152	279
Kerry	55	31	268	22	142	77	31	108	410
Kildare	48	31	308	6	69	54	31	85	377
Kilkenny	22	29	191	7	42	29	29	58	233
Laois	63	0	223	31	97	94	0	94	320
Leitrim	0	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	46
Limerick County	60	20	99	0	99	60	20	80	198
Limerick City	36	10	35	1	31	37	10	47	66
Limerick Total	96	30	134	1	130	97	30	127	264
Longford	40	13	121	0	0	40	13	53	121
Louth	41	54	400	1	167	42	54	96	567
Mayo	62	2	165	35	87	97	2	99	252
Meath	52	0	221	0	73	52	0	52	294
Monaghan	2	3	105	0	37	2	3	5	142
North Tipperary	22	13	33	0	121	22	13	35	154
Offaly	35	11	160	0	96	35	11	46	256
Roscommon	12	2	135	0	21	12	2	14	156
Sligo	53	21	120	0	15	53	21	74	135
South Tipperary	22	1	203	56	62	78	1	79	265
Waterford County	7	12	133	0	45	7	12	19	178
Waterford City	3	18	357	17	24	20	18	38	381
Waterford Total	10	30	490	17	69	27	30	57	559
Westmeath	33	15	192	0	27	33	15	48	219
Wexford	68	9	385	0	8	68	9	77	393
Wicklow	66	5	393	6	29	72	5	77	422
TOTALS	1,891	756	8,749	520	2,762	2,411	756	3,167	11,511

Notes:- # Voluntary & co-operative housing consists of housing provided under the capital loan & subsidy and capital assistance schemes.
 ** includes units acquired under Part V, Planning and Development Acts 2000-2006 for rental purposes.
 * acquisitions by local authorities of second-hand houses.
 In addition a further 450 new units have been acquired on long-term lease under the Rental Accommodation Scheme in the first 6 months 2007.

**Table 6: Voluntary and Co-operative Housing Output
1 January to 30 June 2007**

County Councils (including Borough & Town Councils)	Capital Loan and Subsidy Scheme*			Capital Assistance Scheme		
	No. of houses:			No. of houses:		
	completed or acquired	in progress	commenced	completed or acquired	in progress	commenced
Carlow	40	0	0	18	26	1
Cavan	0	34	34	8	6	6
Clare	0	10	0	9	16	14
Cork County	61	235	101	14	83	17
Cork City	2	53	25	11	13	24
Cork Total	63	288	126	25	96	41
Donegal	34	103	2	36	124	45
D/L-Rathdown	36	113	96	0	32	0
Fingal	0	63	0	12	26	12
South Dublin	0	83	51	0	0	0
Dublin City	46	197	61	9	221	2
Dublin Total	82	456	208	21	279	14
Galway County	0	0	0	0	12	7
Galway City	0	0	0	2	20	1
Galway Total	0	0	0	2	32	8
Kerry	22	62	51	0	80	56
Kildare	0	47	2	6	22	0
Kilkenny	0	0	0	7	42	18
Laois	21	89	26	10	8	4
Leitrim	0	0	0	0	0	0
Limerick County	0	47	5	0	52	0
Limerick City	0	0	0	1	31	8
Limerick Total	0	47	5	1	83	8
Longford	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louth	0	142	19	1	25	0
Mayo	16	15	0	19	72	15
Meath	0	41	4	0	32	16
Monaghan	0	0	0	0	37	31
North Tipperary	0	107	76	0	14	0
Offaly	0	46	0	0	50	44
Roscommon	0	0	0	0	21	0
Sligo	0	0	0	0	15	6
South Tipperary	56	56	0	0	6	6
Waterford County	0	0	0	0	45	30
Waterford City	1	9	5	16	15	12
Waterford Total	1	9	5	16	60	42
Westmeath	0	0	0	0	27	0
Wexford	0	0	0	0	8	0
Wicklow	0	8	0	6	21	12
TOTALS	335	1,560	558	185	1,202	387

Note:- * formerly known as Rental Subsidy scheme.
includes units acquired under Part V, Planning and Development Acts 2000-2006 for rental purposes.

**Table 7: Local Authority Housing Output
1 January to 30 June 2007**

County Councils (including Borough & Town Councils)	** Completed	*Acquired	**Commenced	In Progress at 30 June 2007
Carlow	79	16	0	109
Cavan	0	1	2	144
Clare	64	24	92	136
Cork County	99	27	170	452
Cork City #	47	131	13	353
Cork Total	146	158	183	805
Donegal	121	1	93	386
D/L.-Rathdown	73	1	28	284
Fingal	104	0	195	404
South Dublin	134	85	17	616
Dublin City #	272	116	106	1,325
Dublin Total	583	202	346	2,629
Galway County	96	30	63	180
Galway City	0	24	0	67
Galway Total	96	54	63	247
Kerry	55	31	96	268
Kildare	48	31	28	308
Kilkenny	22	29	20	191
Laois	63	0	10	223
Leitrim	0	0	26	46
Limerick County	60	20	27	99
Limerick City	36	10	19	35
Limerick Total	96	30	46	134
Longford	40	13	0	121
Louth	41	54	35	400
Mayo	62	2	2	165
Meath	52	0	30	221
Monaghan	2	3	48	105
North Tipperary	22	13	17	33
Offaly	35	11	24	160
Roscommon	12	2	29	135
Sligo	53	21	48	120
South Tipperary	22	1	73	203
Waterford County	7	12	57	133
Waterford City	3	18	150	357
Waterford Total	10	30	207	490
Westmeath	33	15	110	192
Wexford	68	9	47	385
Wicklow	66	5	135	393
TOTALS	1,891	756	1,810	8,749
Notes:-	#	includes new build under regeneration projects.		
	*	acquisitions by local authorities of second-hand houses.		
	**	includes units acquired under Part V, Planning and Development Acts 2000-2006 for local authority rental purposes.		
		In the first six months 2007 a further 450 new units have been acquired on long-term lease under the RentalAccommodation Scheme.		

Table 8: New House Prices at Loan Approval Stage by Area

Period	Whole Country	Dublin	Cork	Galway	Limerick	Waterford	Other Areas
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
2005	276,221	350,891	265,644	274,905	226,393	246,914	254,006
2006	305,637	405,957	305,015	286,176	275,411	271,521	276,570
2005							
Q1	264,472	342,304	255,027	265,291	213,717	238,619	242,197
Q2	275,394	346,683	268,938	282,475	220,321	233,445	252,075
Q3	275,810	351,263	262,000	277,394	226,019	243,200	256,012
Q4	287,134	361,242	275,468	273,334	243,861	270,968	263,524
2006							
Q1	294,580	390,629	285,610	284,052	250,330	250,630	269,128
Q2	308,302	397,337	314,696	279,059	298,878	271,284	277,465
Q3	309,206	425,925	317,283	289,497	267,873	281,705	280,568
Q4	313,087	419,330	303,925	294,602	284,078	290,626	281,086
2007							
Q1	320,969	417,800	322,364	304,215	276,361	285,823	293,826
Q2	331,947	426,900	334,160	325,147	290,135	305,560	306,712
<i>Annual percentage change</i>							
2006	10.6%	15.7%	14.8%	4.1%	21.7%	10.0%	8.9%
2006							
Q1	11.4%	14.1%	12.0%	7.1%	17.1%	5.0%	11.1%
Q2	11.9%	14.6%	17.0%	-1.2%	35.7%	16.2%	10.1%
Q3	12.1%	21.3%	21.1%	4.4%	18.5%	15.8%	9.6%
Q4	9.0%	16.1%	10.3%	7.8%	16.5%	7.3%	6.7%
2007							
Q1	9.0%	7.0%	12.9%	7.1%	10.4%	14.0%	9.2%
Q2	7.7%	7.4%	6.2%	16.5%	-2.9%	12.6%	10.5%
Methodological Note							
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Table 9: Second-hand House Prices at Loan Approval Stage by Area

Period	Whole Country	Dublin	Cork	Galway	Limerick	Waterford	Other Areas
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
2005	330,399	438,790	307,007	317,811	232,271	252,765	263,653
2006	371,447	512,461	353,104	336,948	257,958	282,998	294,021
2005							
Q1	304,839	402,698	280,106	301,122	211,667	240,497	243,651
Q2	332,151	440,520	306,369	311,748	241,643	248,647	262,180
Q3	327,864	430,220	309,484	322,827	236,914	255,589	267,035
Q4	351,530	475,430	325,577	331,164	234,393	265,458	277,102
2006							
Q1	348,597	472,996	322,076	332,005	256,243	272,033	279,062
Q2	379,011	516,589	368,016	329,369	255,352	284,724	291,376
Q3	389,871	549,330	371,018	343,892	268,457	289,221	306,244
Q4	375,577	517,865	355,370	343,916	251,420	290,203	303,732
2007							
Q1	379,874	516,211	374,714	340,756	267,257	294,777	301,850
Q2	369,837	473,749	340,996	328,120	255,653	277,148	317,702
<i>Annual percentage change</i>							
2006	12.4%	16.8%	15.0%	6.0%	11.1%	12.0%	11.5%
2006							
Q1	14.4%	17.5%	15.0%	10.3%	21.1%	13.1%	14.5%
Q2	14.1%	17.3%	20.1%	5.7%	5.7%	14.5%	11.1%
Q3	18.9%	27.7%	19.9%	6.5%	13.3%	13.2%	14.7%
Q4	6.8%	8.9%	9.2%	3.9%	7.3%	9.3%	9.6%
2007							
Q1	9.0%	9.1%	16.3%	2.6%	4.3%	8.4%	8.2%
Q2	-2.4%	-8.3%	-7.3%	-0.4%	0.1%	-2.7%	9.0%
Methodological Note							
<p><i>Average House prices are derived from data supplied by the mortgage lending agencies on loans approved by them. In comparing house price figures from one period to another, account should be taken of the fact that changes in the mix of houses (including apartments) will affect the average figures.</i></p> <p><i>The Department with the assistance of the mortgage lending agencies and the CSO, is currently developing a mix-adjusted house price index which will take account of different property, location and purchaser characteristics.</i></p>							

Table 10: Housing Loans Approved

Period	New Houses		Second-hand Houses		Totals	
	Number	Value €m	Number	Value €m	Number	Value €m
2005	58,104	12971.0	61,933	14782.3	120,037	27753.3
2006	53,895	13994.7	60,698	17387.5	114,593	31382.2
2005						
Q1	12,227	2555.4	12,268	2651.5	24,495	5207.0
Q2	15,617	3447.1	17,045	4079.7	32,662	7526.8
Q3	15,311	3428.2	17,080	4124.4	32,391	7552.6
Q4	14,949	3540.3	15,540	3926.7	30,489	7467.0
2006						
Q1	14,604	3457.4	16,899	4254.0	31,503	7711.5
Q2	16,814	4187.0	18,404	4904.6	35,218	9091.6
Q3	11,148	3142.9	13,691	4418.5	24,839	7561.5
Q4	11,329	3207.4	11,704	3810.3	23,033	7017.7
2007						
Q1	12,132	3065.0	12,466	3382.2	24,598	6447.2
Q2	11,134	2922.3	16,810	4638.4	27,944	7560.6
<i>Annual percentage change</i>						
2006	-7.2%	7.9%	-2.0%	17.6%	-4.5%	13.1%
2006						
Q1	19.4%	35.3%	37.7%	60.4%	28.6%	48.1%
Q2	7.7%	21.5%	8.0%	20.2%	7.8%	20.8%
Q3	-27.2%	-8.3%	-19.8%	7.1%	-23.3%	0.1%
Q4	-24.2%	-9.4%	-24.7%	-3.0%	-24.5%	-6.0%
2007						
Q1	-16.9%	-11.3%	-26.2%	-20.5%	-21.9%	-16.4%
Q2	-33.8%	-30.2%	-8.7%	-5.4%	-20.7%	-16.8%
<i>Percentage change on previous quarter</i>						
2006						
Q1	-2.3%	-2.3%	8.7%	8.3%	3.3%	3.3%
Q2	15.1%	21.1%	8.9%	15.3%	11.8%	17.9%
Q3	-33.7%	-24.9%	-25.6%	-9.9%	-29.5%	-16.8%
Q4	1.6%	2.1%	-14.5%	-13.8%	-7.3%	-7.2%
2007						
Q1	7.1%	-4.4%	6.5%	-11.2%	6.8%	-8.1%
Q2	-8.2%	-4.7%	34.8%	37.1%	13.6%	17.3%

Table 11: Housing Loans Paid

Period	New Houses		Second-hand Houses		Totals	
	Number	Value €m	Number	Value €m	Number	Value €m
2005	53,758	9689.8	53,922	11846.0	107,680	21535.8
2006	55,737	11001.5	55,516	14,493.8	111,253	25495.2
2005						
Q1	10,861	1847.0	10,168	1989.3	21,029	3836.3
Q2	13,313	2321.0	13,727	2846.4	27,040	5167.4
Q3	13,982	2524.9	14,933	3436.3	28,915	5961.2
Q4	15,602	2996.9	15,094	3574.0	30,696	6570.9
2006						
Q1	13,470	2503.3	12,357	2842.3	25,827	5345.6
Q2	14,599	2648.8	14,223	3383.6	28,822	6032.4
Q3	13,534	2798.4	15,024	4285.0	28,558	7083.4
Q4	14,134	3051.0	13,912	3982.9	28,046	7033.9
2007						
Q1	11,312	2342.9	9,869	2,474.0	21,181	4816.9
Q2	12,143	2540.5	10,915	2,771.6	23,058	5312.1
<i>Annual percentage change</i>						
2006	3.7%	13.5%	3.0%	22.4%	3.3%	18.4%
2006						
Q1	24.0%	35.5%	21.5%	42.9%	22.8%	39.3%
Q2	9.7%	14.1%	3.6%	18.9%	6.6%	16.7%
Q3	-3.2%	10.8%	0.6%	24.7%	-1.2%	18.8%
Q4	-9.4%	1.8%	-7.8%	11.4%	-8.6%	7.0%
2007						
Q1	-16.0%	-6.4%	-20.1%	-13.0%	-18.0%	-9.9%
Q2	-16.8%	-4.1%	-23.3%	-18.1%	-20.0%	-11.9%
<i>Percentage change on previous quarter</i>						
2006						
Q1	-13.7%	-16.5%	-18.1%	-20.5%	-15.9%	-18.6%
Q2	8.4%	5.8%	15.1%	19.0%	11.6%	12.8%
Q3	-7.3%	5.6%	5.6%	26.6%	-0.9%	17.4%
Q4	4.4%	9.0%	-7.4%	-7.1%	-1.8%	-0.7%
2007						
Q1	-20.0%	-23.2%	-29.1%	-37.9%	-24.5%	-31.5%
Q2	7.3%	8.4%	10.6%	12.0%	8.9%	10.3%

Table 12: Commencement Notices Data
1 January to 30 June 2007

Building Control Authorities	Number of Notices Received		Total Number of Residential Units Commenced		Of which, includes Single Houses	
	6 mths 2007	6 mths 2006	6 mths 2007	6 mths 2006	6 mths 2007	6 mths 2006
Carlow	177	145	630	540	150	126
Cavan	277	464	790	1,230	239	393
Clare	291	406	546	851	265	366
Cork County	1,187	1,178	3,475	3,879	1,032	1,000
Cork City	57	71	317	544	39	22
Cork Total	1,244	1,249	3,792	4,423	1,071	1,022
Donegal	952	1,072	1,784	1,964	849	911
Dun/L.Rathdown	104	131	2,221	1,202	69	100
Fingal	188	185	1,429	2,855	135	127
South Dublin	115	138	612	1,537	179	99
Dublin City	231	268	1,946	2,777	127	136
Dublin Total	638	722	6,208	8,371	510	462
Galway County	1,169	901	1,479	1,526	803	859
Galway City	50	24	512	398	18	12
Galway Total	1,219	925	1,991	1,924	821	871
Kerry	529	672	1,316	1,339	462	580
Kildare	396	450	1,510	2,285	248	231
Kilkenny	263	305	719	1,383	235	255
Laois	231	212	769	1,851	211	177
Leitrim	110	191	175	435	118	155
Limerick County	412	416	1,207	1,196	352	316
Limerick City	13	55	24	213	6	19
Limerick Total	425	471	1,231	1,409	358	335
Longford	107	171	154	609	99	136
Drogheda	12	7	55	206	4	4
Dundalk	15	13	152	284	1	3
Louth	209	280	496	419	182	260
Louth Total	236	300	703	909	187	267
Mayo	659	780	890	1,399	657	723
Meath	283	236	1,808	601	245	193
Monaghan	231	267	388	543	212	253
North Tipperary	286	281	673	559	252	260
Offaly	278	251	579	1,091	245	196
Roscommon	329	389	629	883	256	290
Sligo	188	247	404	892	180	203
South Tipperary	197	280	623	796	174	318
Waterford County	243	232	503	431	222	210
Waterford City	19	32	153	575	8	13
Waterford Total	262	264	656	1,006	230	223
Athlone	12	6	214	169	2	1
Westmeath	273	252	742	618	259	243
Westmeath Total	285	258	956	787	261	244
Wexford	479	621	1,071	1,795	391	538
Wicklow	228	263	712	941	195	212
TOTALS	10,800	11,892	31,707	40,816	9,121	9,940
Notes:-	Data has been collected on a monthly basis from Residential Commencement Notices, received by all of the 37 Building Control Authorities. This series started in January 2004					