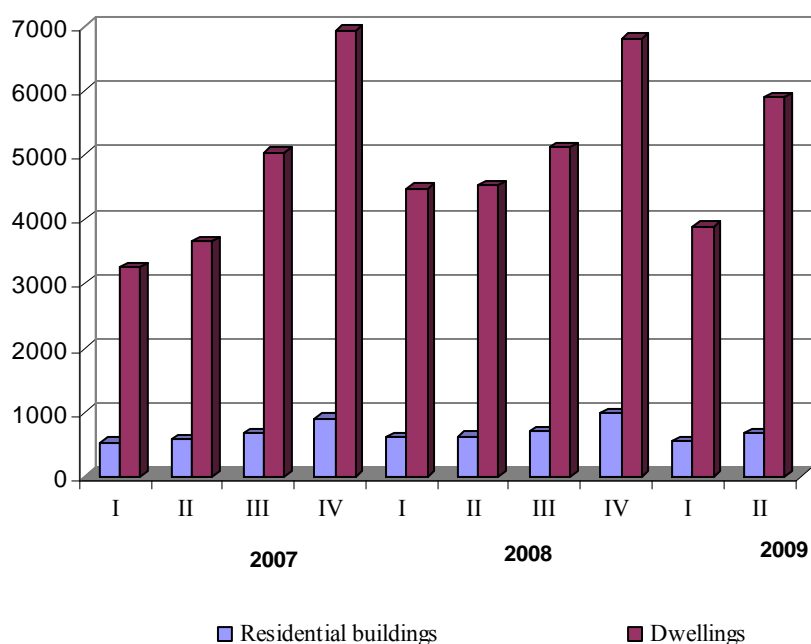


## NEWLY BUILT RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND DWELLINGS IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2009

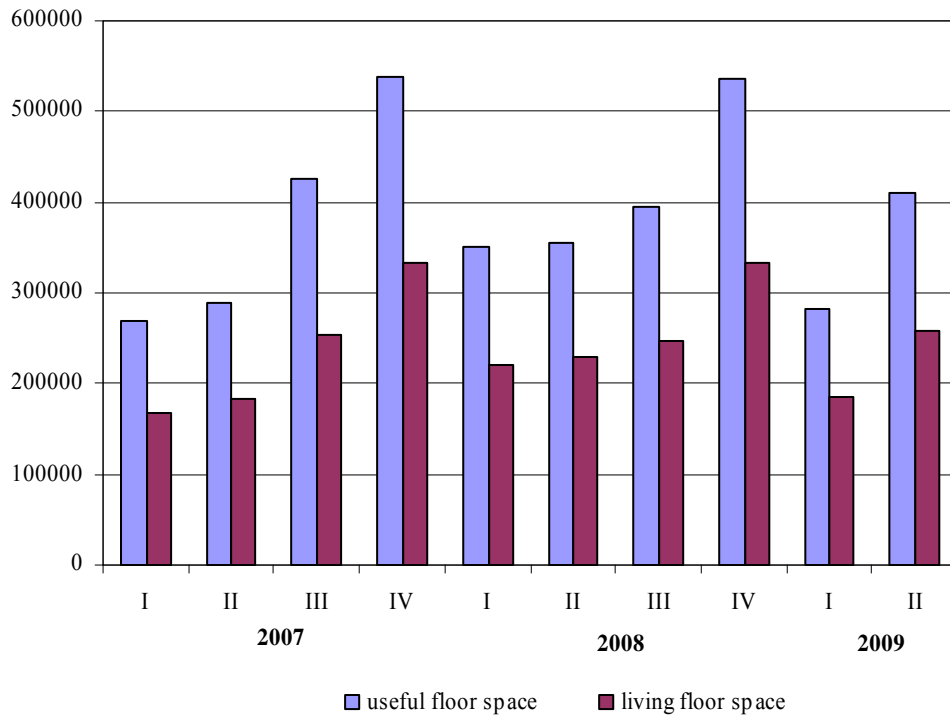
According to the preliminary data of the National Statistical Institute, in the second quarter of 2009 the newly built residential buildings were 679 and marked an increase of 24.1% compared to the first quarter of 2009. The number of the new dwellings in them increased by 51.1% compared to the first quarter of 2009 and reached 5 888. In comparison with the corresponding period of previous year 2008 the number of the newly built residential buildings increased by 6.9% and number of the dwellings in them marked an increase of 30.2%.



### Newly built residential buildings and dwellings

The largest number of the residential buildings and dwellings has been built in the districts of Varna and Burgas, 157 residential buildings with 1 204 dwellings and 134 buildings with 1 665 dwellings respectively, followed by the district of Plovdiv - 43 buildings with 414 dwellings, district of Sofia - 40 buildings with 78 dwelling, district of Stara Zagora - 36 buildings with 139 dwellings and Sofia (capital) - 35 buildings with 549 dwellings.

In the second quarter of 2009 the useful area of the newly built dwellings was 411 sq. m or 15.9% more than the same quarter of 2008 and the living floor space increased by 12.2% to 258 thousand sq. m. At the same time, the average useful area of a dwelling decreased from 75.5 sq. m in the first quarter of 2009 to 69.9 sq. m in the second quarter of 2009. The biggest average useful area of a dwelling was registered in the districts of Vidin - 131.6 sq. m and Pazardzhik - 128.2 sq. m and the smallest one in the districts of Dobrich - 43.6 and Smolyan - 55.7 sq. m (Annex 1).



**Useful floor space and living floor space – sq. m**

### Methodology

The statistical data about the newly built residential buildings and dwellings was developed on the basis of the quarterly reports obtained from the municipal administrations.

In the scope of the survey were the newly built residential buildings with approved record of handover Form 16 or a valid usage license according to Regulation № 2/31.07.2003 of the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works.

**Living floor space** is the floor area of living-rooms, bedrooms, recesses for sleeping, dining-rooms, the rooms for day-stay, cabinets and libraries of scientists and drawing-rooms but does not include the areas of the kitchens.

**Service floor space** is the floor area of the rooms and kitchens with less than 4 square meters floor area, vestibules with a portal or an other screen, corridors, bathrooms, toilets, larders, hanging closets, other service rooms such as drying-rooms, laundries or balconies not depending on their area. The area of kitchens with over 4 sq. m. floor area is shown separately.

**The useful area** of the dwelling is sum of the living-floor-space, service floor space and the area of the kitchens.

**RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND DWELLINGS COMPLETED FOR THE PERIOD  
APRIL - JUNE 2009**

Districts	Residential buildings and dwellings completed - number		Useful floor space - sq.m			
	Buildings	Dwellings	Total	of which		
				living floor space	accessory floor space	kitchen area
<b>Total</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>5888</b>	<b>411344</b>	<b>258215</b>	<b>119443</b>	<b>33686</b>
Blagoevgrad	16	109	7551	5144	1521	886
Burgas	134	1665	99320	63443	29548	6329
Varna	157	1204	99 125	56870	35521	6734
Veliko Tarnovo	30	465	31375	20750	9390	1235
Vidin	5	39	5 132	2795	1074	1263
Vratsa	10	74	5100	3077	1825	198
Gabrovo	12	39	4840	1992	2447	401
Dobrich	25	261	11384	7270	2472	1642
Karddzhal	4	39	2460	1634	568	258
Kyustendil	4	29	1934	1123	643	168
Lovech	14	35	2891	1789	713	389
Montana	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pazardzhik	26	70	8973	5413	2523	1037
Pernik	4	4	511	294	132	85
Pleven	15	122	7966	5572	1468	926
Plovdiv	43	414	27773	19500	5492	2781
Razgrad	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ruse	19	169	12420	6567	4024	1829
Silistra	3	41	2440	1520	639	281
Sliven	9	75	5612	3389	1458	765
Smolyan	3	15	835	433	357	45
Sofia	40	78	7175	4704	1560	911
Sofia Cap.	35	549	36682	27165	6624	2893
Stara Zagora	36	139	12109	7560	3258	1291
Targovishte	8	80	5092	2732	1820	540
Haskovo	..	..	..	..	..	..
Shumen	14	82	5786	3663	1537	586
Yambol	10	78	5675	3008	2589	78

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