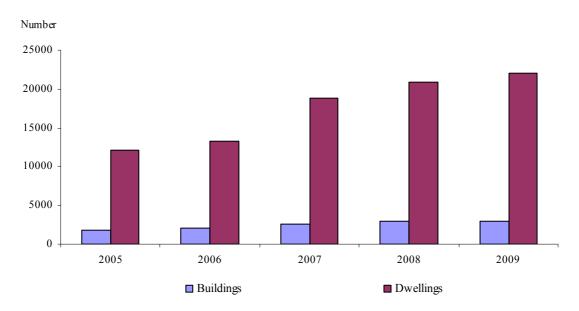


## NEWLY BUILT RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND DWELLINGS COMPLETED IN 2009

The newly built residential buildings completed in 2009 were 2 975 and as compared to the 2008 an increase of 1.7% was marked. The newly built dwellings in them increased by 1 134 and reached 22 058, or 5.4% more in comparison with the 2008. The newly built dwellings completed in the towns were 93.1% and in the villages - 6.9%.



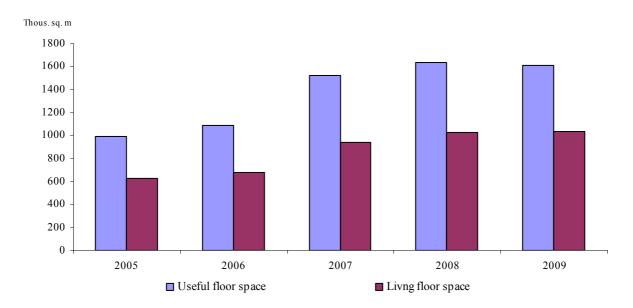
Completed newly built residential building and dwellings

The largest number of the residential buildings and dwellings was completed in the district Varna - 629 residential buildings with 4 389 dwellings in them, district Burgas - 506 buildings with 5 326 dwellings, followed by district Plovdiv - 236 buildings with 1 389 dwellings, district Sofia city - 181 buildings with 3 169 dwellings. The smallest number of the residential buildings was built in the district Haskovo - 7 with 83 dwellings (Annex 1).

In 2009 the useful area of the newly built dwellings was 1 612 thousand sq.m or 1.4% less than in 2008. At the same time an insignificant increase of the living floor area by 0.5% to 1 035 thousand sq. m was observed.

The average useful area of a newly built dwelling decreased from 78.2 sq. m in 2008 to 73.1 sq. m in 2009. The biggest average useful area of a dwelling was registered in the district

Gabrovo - 113.1 sq. m, district Haskovo - 111.7 sq. m and district Pazardzhik - 100.7 sq. m while the smallest one in the district Kardzhali - 60.2 sq. m, district Razgrad - 62.1 sq. m and in the district Montana - 62.9 sq. m.



Completed newly built residential dwellings by floor space

## 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.

Annex 1
RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AND DWELLINGS COMPLETED IN 2009

Districts	Residential buildings and dwellings completed - number		Useful floor space - sq.m			
	Buildings	Dwellings		of which		
			Total	living floor space	accessory floor space	kitchen area
Total	2975	22058	1612332	1034576	441885	135871
Blagoevgrad	42	297	21640	15771	3842	2027
Burgas	506	5326	342123	220938	97275	23910
Varna	629	4389	354873	210215	118278	26380
Veliko Tarnovo	130	1243	85483	55437	25491	4555
Vidin	17	134	13119	6485	4414	2220
Vratsa	47	272	18277	12194	4735	1348
Gabrovo	107	329	37200	15595	18236	3369
Dobrich	139	654	43331	26699	11247	5385
Kardzhali	46	416	25058	15914	6495	2649
Kyustendil	12	68	4703	2574	1661	468
Lovech	49	177	13288	8373	3124	1791
Montana	15	114	7166	5516	1339	311
Pazardzhik	117	576	57990	35299	15526	7165
Pernik	57	117	7666	5177	1285	1204
Pleven	52	377	26444	18209	5384	2851
Plovdiv	236	1389	103978	72767	20353	10858
Razgrad	12	91	5647	3801	1189	657
Ruse	74	699	52934	30363	16414	6157
Silistra	12	65	4523	3004	1098	421
Sliven	59	411	31139	18873	8834	3432
Smolyan	48	175	13607	6496	4922	2189
Sofia	169	422	39476	25820	9561	4095
Sofia Cap.	181	3169	210160	157843	37252	15065
Stara Zagora	102	404	34509	23386	7386	3737
Targovishte	29	202	13403	7564	4521	1318
Haskovo	7	83	9268	8675	365	228
Shumen	48	230	16000	10224	4007	1769
Yambol	33	229	19327	11364	7651	312