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Construction output kept growing in January

Construction – January 2022

In January 2022, the construction output increased by 6.4%, year-on-year (y-o-y), in real terms. It the month-on-month (m-o-m) comparison, it was by 1.6% higher. The planning and building control authorities granted by 12.1% more building permits, y-o-y. The approximate value of permitted constructions increased by 2.1%, y-o-y. The number of started dwellings increased by 13.1%, y-o-y. The number of completed dwellings increased by 18.1%, y-o-y.

*“Construction output kept growing in January and a lower basis from the previous year affected by covid as well as more favourable weather have partially contributed to the good result. After five months, civil engineering construction surpassed building construction as for the result, however, both the segments were growing with a similar pace,”* Petra Cuřínová, Head of the Construction Statistics Unit, explains.

The **construction output** in January 2022 was by 1.6% higher, m-o-m, in real terms. In the year-on-year comparison, it increased by 6.4%. Compared to the corresponding month of the previous year, the production in building construction increased by 6.1%. The production of civil engineering construction increased by 7.7%, y-o-y.

The planning and building control authorities granted 6 751 **building permits** in January 2022; it was by 12.1% more, y-o-y. The **approximate value** of the permitted constructions reached CZK 33.5 billion and compared to the corresponding period of 2021 it increased by 2.1%.

The **number of dwellings started** increased by 13.1%, y-o-y, in January 2022 and reached the number of 2 954 dwellings. The **number of completed dwellings** increased by 18.1%, y-o-y, in January 2022 and amounted to 3 556 dwellings. *“The number of completed dwellings increased by almost a fifth. The increase is owing to the category of multi-dwelling buildings especially in Prague and in the* Středočeský *Region. On the other hand, completing of family houses mainly in Moravian regions slackens,”* Silvie Lukavcová from the Construction Statistics Unit says.

The **average registered number of employees** in construction increased by 1.7%, y-o-y, in January 2022. Their **average gross monthly nominal wage** increased by 7.6%, y-o-y, in January 2022.

According to Eurostat, **construction output in the EU27 in December 2021** decreased by 1.8%, year-on-year. Buildings decreased by 2.1% and civil engineering works increased by 1.7%. According to a preliminary release calendar, Eurostat will release data for January 2022 on 22 March 2022.

Notes:

Data for 2021 have been revised.

The year-on-year development of construction output (production) has been adjusted for working days. Month-on-month or quarter-on-quarter rates are also seasonally adjusted.

Methodology: <https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/sta_m>

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 *international comparison in EU countries:* [*Eurostat*](https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/short-term-business-statistics/publications)

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Annexes:

Table 1 Construction production indices, building permits granted, and housing construction (year-on-year indices for the month)

Chart 1 Construction production indices (year-on-year indices for the month)

Chart 2 Construction production indices (base indices)

Chart 3 Construction production indices, international comparison (base indices)