6 February 2023

Construction output in 2022 increased by 1.9%

Construction – December 2022

The construction output decreased by 0.2%, year-on-year (y-o-y), in real terms, in December. In the month-on-month (m-o-m) comparison, it was by 1.2% higher. The planning and building control authorities granted by 15.6% less building permits, y-o-y. The approximate value of permitted constructions increased by 8.5%, y-o-y. The number of started dwellings decreased by 21.9%, y-o-y. The number of completed dwellings increased by 31.6%, y-o-y.

*“Construction output kept growing slightly in 2022 and increased in both segments the same by 1.9%. During the year, construction continued to cope with growth of prices and lack of construction capacities,”* Radek Matějka, Director of the Agricultural and Forestry, Industrial, Construction, and Energy Statistics Department of the Czech Statistical Office (CZSO), says.

Construction output was by 1.2% higher, month-on-month, in real terms. In the y-o-y comparison, it decreased by 0.2%. *“In December, the total decrease of production was weakened by civil engineering construction, which increased by 8.2%, year-on-year. The production in building construction hit a higher comparison basis and decreased by 3.2%,”* Petra Cuřínová, Head of the Construction Statistics Unit of the CZSO, says.

The planning and building control authorities granted 6 700 building permits; it was by 15.6% less, y-o-y. The approximate value of the permitted constructions reached CZK 51.2 billion and it increased by 8.5%, year-on-year, which was contributed to by granting building permits to large constructions of the transport infrastructure.

The number of started dwellings decreased by 21.9%, y-o-y, and reached the number of 3 597 dwellings. The number of completed dwellings increased by 31.6%, year-on-year, and amounted to 4 786 dwellings.

The average registered number of employees in construction increased by 0.9%, y-o-y. Their average gross monthly nominal wage increased by 8.9%, y-o-y.

According to Eurostat, construction output in the EU27 in November 2022 increased by 1.8%, year-on-year. Building construction increased by 1.6% and civil engineering by 2.8%. According to a preliminary release calendar, Eurostat will release data for December 2022 on 20 February 2023.

For more detailed information on the development in construction see [the Supplementary information to the News Release on Construction](https://www.czso.cz/documents/11350/165171481/asta020623_komentar.pdf).

Notes:

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

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

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*Method of data acquisition: direct surveys of the CZSO (*Stav 1–12 *and* Stav 2–12*)*

*End of data collection: 31 January 2023*

*Related outputs:* [*https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/sta\_ts*](https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/sta_ts)

[*https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/bvz\_ts*](https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/bvz_ts)

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

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Annexes:

Supplementary information to the News Release on Construction

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

Table 2 Construction production index, construction orders, building permits granted, and housing construction (year-on year indices for a quarter of the year)

Table 3 Construction production index, construction orders, building permits granted, and housing construction (year-on year indices for the year)

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)