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Construction: building permits and completed buildings 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2012 – Preliminary Results

## **Construction keeps downward trend**

Building permits underlined the downward trend in the third quarter of 2012, recording new minimum levels. The number of building permits registered an annual average reduction of 14.4%, settling at 5.100 buildings. All the observed variables registered the lowest figures since the first quarter of 2001.

The number of completed buildings registered an annual average reduction of 1.1%, settling at 6.400 buildings. Vis-àvis the previous quarter, the number of building permits declined by 1.9% while completed buildings increased by 4.6%.

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