

DATA SUMMARY

THE 2009 CONSTRUCTION AREA : QUARTER 1/2009



The National Statistical Office has collected data on permitted area both new construction, and addition or alteration since 1966. The data use for calculating the National Account (Gross Fixed Capital Formation) and Real Estate Information Center.

Data presented are the permitted construction area under the Construction Control Act : B.E. 2522 in 1Q09 (January - March 2009) of the nation. The main findings are as follows ;

1. Number of permits and construction area

In 1Q09, the total number of permitted new construction building and addition or alteration were 40,766 persons, there were composed of 36,006 persons of construction building, and 4,760 persons of civil engineering construction.

1.1 Construction building

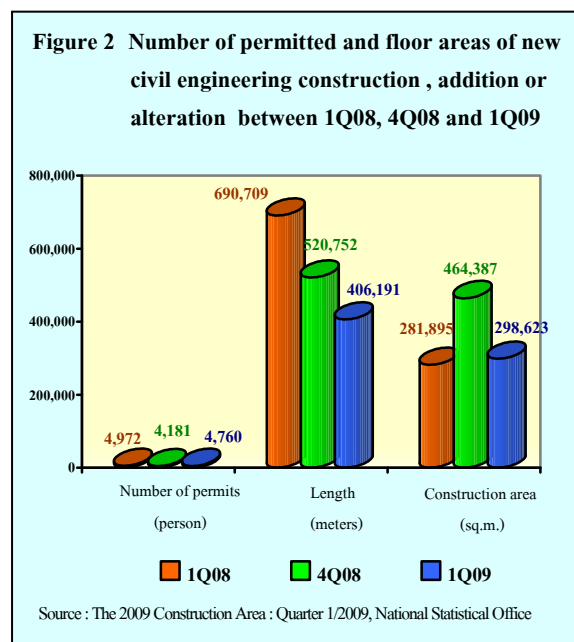
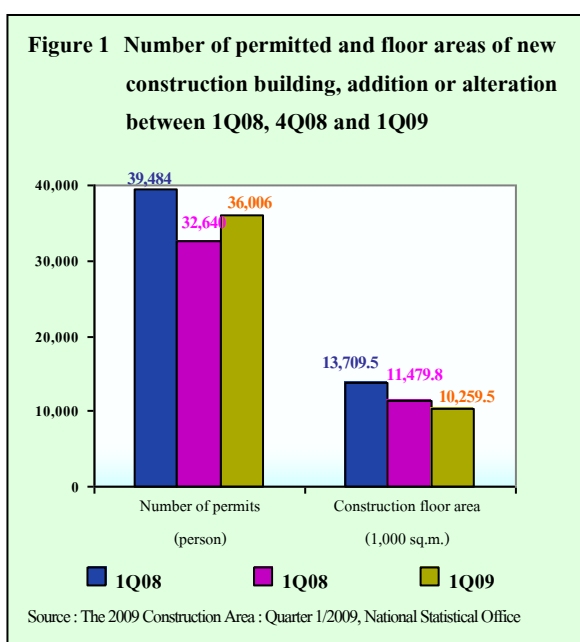
The permitted construction building with the floor area of 10.3 million square meters, most of them (about 97.8 %) were new construction and those of addition or alteration were 2.2 %.

Comparing to the 4Q08, the permitted number was increased about 10.3 % but the floor area was decreased about 10.6 %. If compare to the 1Q08, the permitted number and the floor area were decreased about 8.8 % and 25.2 % respectively.

1.2 Civil engineering construction

For the civil engineering construction, the number of permitted civil engineering construction were 4,760 persons, most of them (about 99.0 %) were new construction and 1.0 % was addition or alteration. In term of floor area such as the Car Park, Sport Ground, Petrol Station, Advertising Board, Swimming Pool etc., there were totally 298,263 square meters. In term of the length of civil engineering construction such as Water Drain, Road, Fence/Wall, Bridge, Dam etc., there were totally 406,191 meters.

Compared with in 4Q08, the number of permitted were increase about 13.8 %. But the floor area decrease 35.7 % whereas the length decrease 22.0 %.



If compare to the 1Q08 it was found that the number of permitted construction decrease about 4.3 %. The length of construction decrease 41.2 %, but the floor area of construction increase by 5.9 %.

2. Type of construction building

2.1 The construction building

Most of permitted construction building in 1Q09, the Residential Buildings was 7.7 million square meters of floor area (74.7 %). Followed by the Commercial and Office Building were 0.98 million square meters (9.6 %). Industrial and Factory Building were 897,928 square meters (8.8 %). Hotel was 362,469 square meters (3.5 %). Education and Health Building were 91,046 square meters (0.9 %) of floor areas permitted.

The overall permitted construction floor area (10.3 million square meters.) compared with in 4Q08, decreased of 10.6%, especially the construction for Education and Health Building with 91,046 square

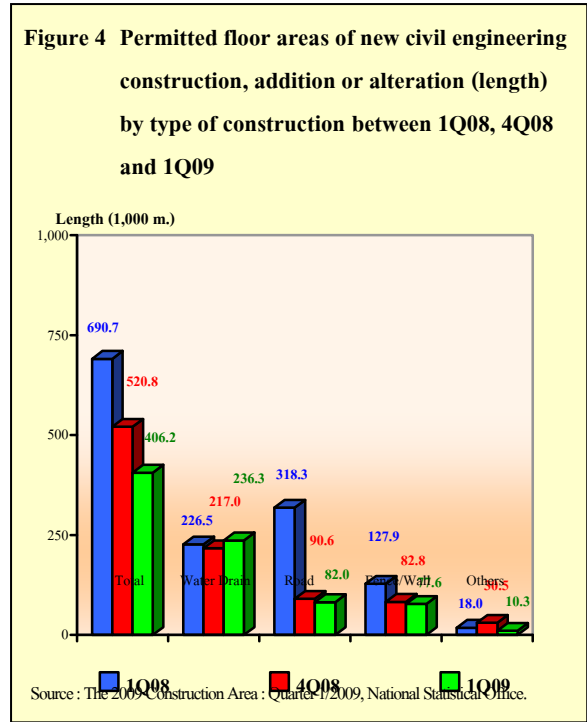
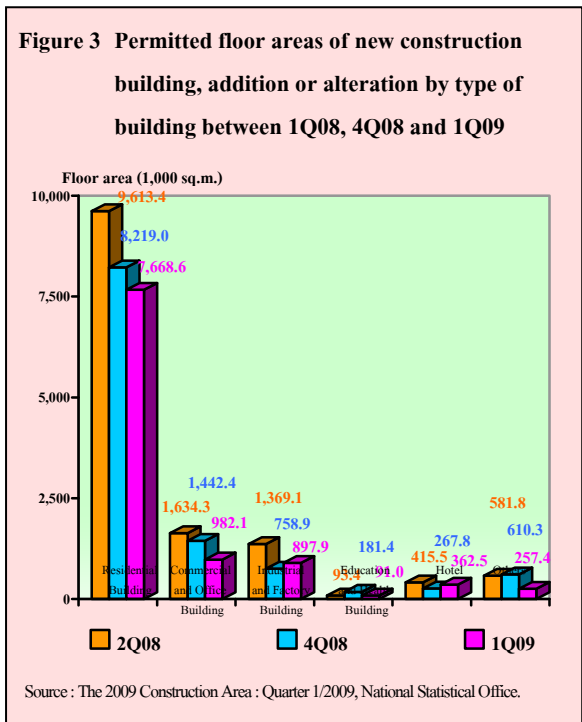
meters, decrease by 49.8 %. Followed by Commercial and Office Building were 0.98 million square meters decrease about 31.9 %. The Residential Buildings were 7.7 million square meters decrease about 6.7 %, but the Hotel with an increase about 35.4 %. construction for Industrial and Factory Building increase 18.3 % .

If compared to the 1Q08 it was found that the permitted construction floor area with 10.3 million square meters decrease by 25.2 %.

2.2 The civil engineering construction

For the civil engineering construction, most of them were Water Drain construction with 236,331 meters (58.2 %). There were 81,963 meters (20.2 %) of Road, and 77,611 meters (19.1 %) of Fence/Wall.

The total length (meters) of civil engineering construction permitted were 406,191 meters compared to an decrease of 22.0 % in 4Q08 and decrease of 41.2 % in 1Q08.



The floor area of civil engineering construction in term of the floor area such as Car Park has been permitted 106,703 square meters. (35.7 %) and Petrol Station were 82,803 square meters (27.7 %).

Compare to the 4Q08, the overall permitted construction floor area were 298,623 square meters decrease 35.7 %, and increase about 5.9 % in 1Q08.

