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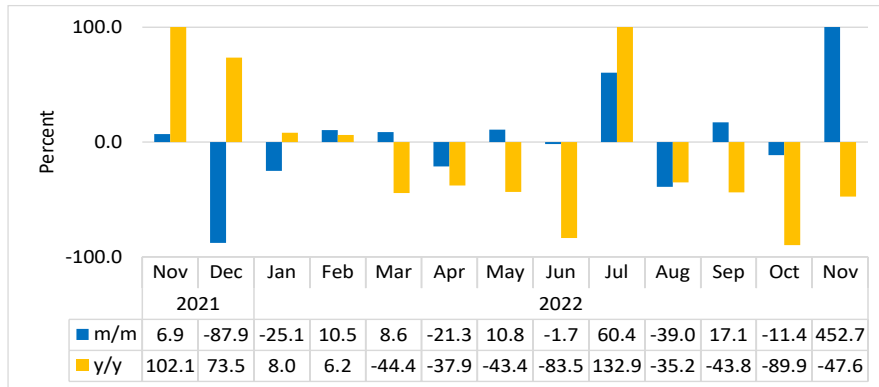


# BUILDING PLANS

SECTORAL REPORT - NOVEMBER 2022



**Chart 1: Buildings Completed Composite Index, Percent<sup>1</sup>**

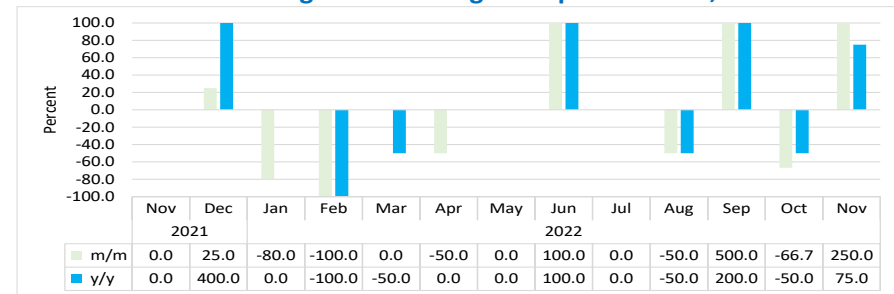


- The **Composite Index for Buildings Completed** is made up of ‘Additions and alterations’, Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Institutions and covers the towns of Ongwediva, Walvis Bay, Swakopmund, and Windhoek.
- The index for November 2022 rebounded by recording an increase of 452.7 percent on a monthly basis, upward from a reduction of 11.4 percent registered in the preceding month.
- The monthly increase was mainly observed in commercial buildings, additions & alterations, residential buildings and institutions buildings. Conversely, the index recorded a decline of 47.6 percent year on year (Chart 1).

<sup>1</sup> This graph is limited to -100 percent and 100 percent for better readability.

- A total of 158 permits for buildings completed in all reporting towns were issued in November 2022 compared to 132 permits and 247 permits that were supplied in the previous month and in the corresponding month of 2021, respectively.
- The total value of buildings completed for the month under review amounted to N\$105.7 million, with Windhoek continuing with its usual dominant trend accounting for the largest share of 49.8 percent of the total value. While Swakopmund and Walvis Bay followed with shares of 41.3 percent and 8.6 percent, respectively. Ongwediva accounted for the least share of 0.3 percent of the total value.

**Chart 2: Commercial Segment Buildings Completed Index, Percent<sup>2</sup>**

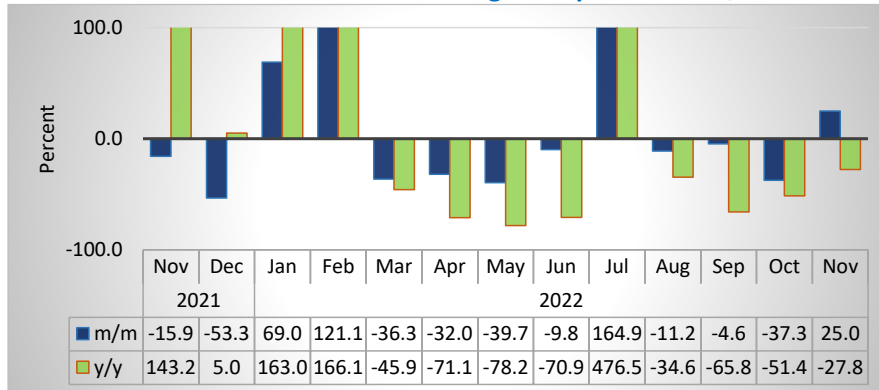


- The **Commercial Segment Building Completed Index** for November 2022 recovered by recording an increase of 250.0 percent month on month, upward from a deterioration of 66.7 percent posted a month earlier (Chart 2). Similarly, the index increased by 75.0 percent year on year.
- The increase registered monthly for the commercial segments was derived mainly from Windhoek and Walvis Bay. In November 2022, commercial segments registered only 7 permits for buildings completed,

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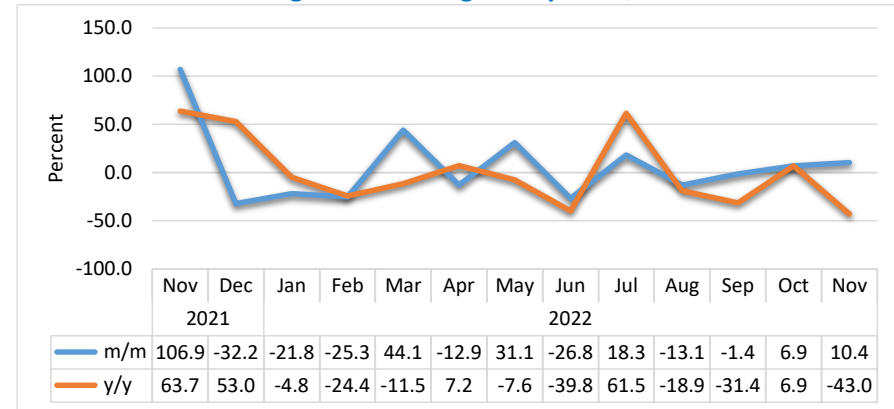
compared to 2 permits and 4 permits that were issued in October 2022 and the corresponding month of 2021, respectively.

**Chart 3: Additions & Alterations Buildings Completed Index, Percent<sup>3</sup>**



- The **Index for Additions & Alterations** in November 2022 increased by 25.0 percent on monthly basis, in contrast to a reduction of 37.3 percent registered in the previous month. However, the index posted a decline of 27.8 percent, year on year (Chart 3).
- The increase recorded on a monthly basis emanates mainly from the buildings completed in Swakopmund, Windhoek and Ongwediva towns, which recorded increases of 87.5 percent, 17.6 percent and 1 permit that was issued, respectively. However, Walvis Bay fared dismally, posting a monthly decline of 10.0 percent.
- A total of 65 permits for additions and alterations were issued during November 2022, compared to 52 permits and 90 permits issued in October 2022 and the corresponding month of 2021, respectively.

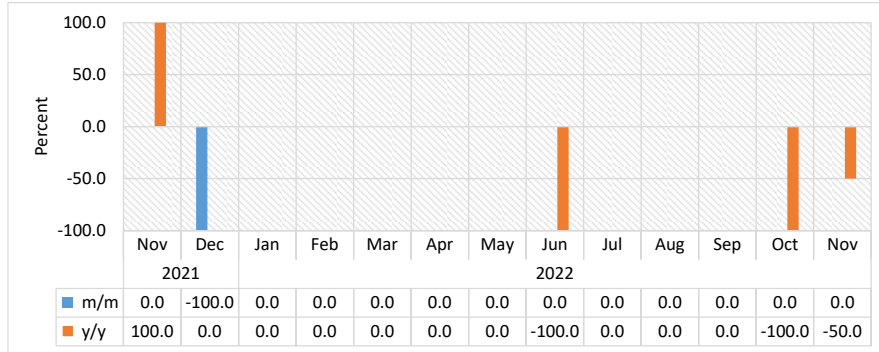
**Chart 4: Residential Segment Buildings Completed, Percent**



- The **Residential Segment Buildings Completed** for November 2022 increased by 10.4 percent month on month, upward from a growth of 6.9 percent recorded a month earlier. Furthermore, the index declined by 43.0 percent year on year, (Chart 4).
- The improvement monthly was recorded mainly in the towns of Walvis Bay, Ongwediva and Swakopmund. Windhoek however recorded a decline of 19.2 percent in the completed residential building segment for the same period.
- In November 2022, a total of 85 permits for residential segments were supplied in all reporting towns while 77 permits and 149 permits were issued in the preceding month and the corresponding month of 2021, respectively.

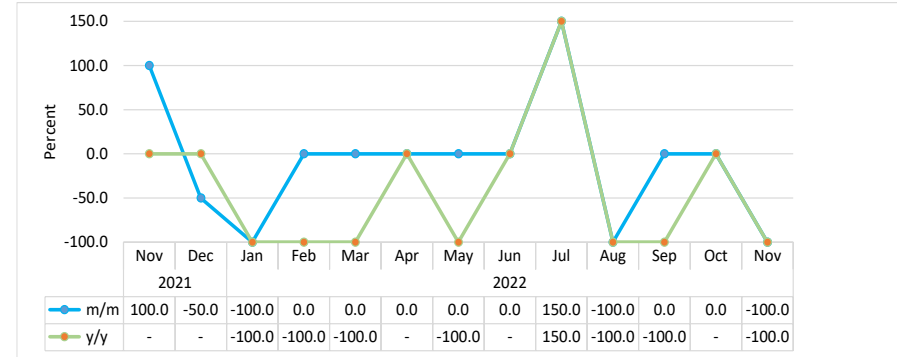
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**Chart 5: Institutions Segment Buildings Completed Index, Percent**



- The **Index for Buildings Completed for Institutions segments** continued with a trend of nil percent between the months of January 2022 and November 2022. However, the index declined by 50.0 percent on an annual basis, (Chart 5).
- For the month of November 2022, only 1 permit of institutions segment was issued in all reporting towns while no permits were issued in the preceding month and 2 permits were issued in the corresponding month of 2021, respectively.

**Chart 6: Industrial Units Buildings Completed Index, Percent**



- The **Index for Buildings Completed for Industrial Units** in November 2022 declined by 100.0 percent. Similarly, the index also declined with the same magnitude year on year, (Chart 6).
- No permits of building plans completed were issued for industrial units during the month of November 2022.

**Table 1: Indices of Buildings Completed**

Year	Month	Additions & Alterations	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Institutions	Composite Index
2018	Jan	237.6	63.6	51.1	0.0	0.0	71.6
	Feb	423.9	53.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	90.7
	Mar	212.0	97.5	0.0	53.3	10810.8	415.5
	Apr	531.6	125.8	0.0	80.0	10810.8	485.2
	May	420.5	72.1	25.5	26.7	0.0	108.0
	Jun	502.6	159.7	51.1	80.0	0.0	176.6
	Jul	560.7	70.7	102.1	160.0	0.0	171.5
	Aug	517.9	93.3	51.1	53.3	0.0	142.4
	Sep	531.6	80.6	102.1	0.0	10810.8	455.9
	Oct	449.6	50.9	178.7	26.7	0.0	119.9
	Nov	181.2	86.2	25.5	53.3	10810.8	408.4
	Dec	172.6	125.8	127.7	53.3	0.0	111.3
2019	Jan	177.8	77.7	51.1	26.7	0.0	75.3
	Feb	95.7	53.7	102.1	0.0	10810.8	375.4
	Mar	76.9	56.5	357.4	26.7	0.0	83.7
	Apr	116.2	94.7	0.0	53.3	0.0	74.3
	May	136.8	120.1	76.6	0.0	0.0	84.0
	Jun	369.2	138.5	153.2	0.0	0.0	137.2
	Jul	157.3	327.9	102.1	26.7	0.0	190.2
	Aug	182.9	84.8	51.1	80.0	21621.6	742.5
	Sep	473.5	175.3	25.5	0.0	43243.2	1455.6
	Oct	423.9	108.8	25.5	160.0	0.0	158.8
	Nov	441.0	106.0	25.5	80.0	10810.8	464.9
	Dec	83.8	120.1	25.5	26.7	0.0	76.8
2020	Jan	88.9	114.5	0.0	53.3	10810.8	403.8
	Feb	46.2	98.9	0.0	26.7	21621.6	708.3
	Mar	461.5	101.8	25.5	266.7	0.0	188.4
	Apr	0.0	4.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9
	May	326.5	107.4	178.7	0.0	0.0	119.3
	Jun	396.6	180.9	76.6	26.7	0.0	158.9
	Jul	147.0	354.8	102.1	0.0	0.0	194.0
	Aug	294.0	306.7	25.5	0.0	0.0	187.0
	Sep	97.4	135.7	76.6	26.7	10810.8	416.4
	Oct	415.4	117.3	0.0	0.0	10810.8	442.9
	Nov	63.2	128.6	0.0	0.0	10810.8	392.7
	Dec	68.4	93.3	25.5	0.0	0.0	55.5

**Table 1: Indices of Buildings Completed continued...**

Year	Month	Additions & Alterations	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Institutions	Composite Index
2021	Jan	46.2	117.3	0.0	26.7	0.0	66.8
	Feb	100.9	110.2	25.5	26.7	0.0	75.0
	Mar	316.2	135.7	102.1	133.3	0.0	155.7
	Apr	401.7	97.5	25.5	0.0	0.0	109.8
	May	321.4	148.4	25.5	53.3	0.0	133.5
	Jun	217.1	166.8	25.5	53.3	10810.8	450.3
	Jul	29.1	73.5	0.0	53.3	0.0	51.1
	Aug	227.4	127.2	51.1	53.3	0.0	112.0
	Sep	415.4	148.4	51.1	53.3	0.0	151.1
	Oct	182.9	101.8	102.1	26.7	21621.6	742.3
	Nov	153.8	210.6	102.1	53.3	21621.6	793.5
	Dec	71.8	142.8	127.7	26.7	0.0	96.3
2022	Jan	121.4	111.7	25.5	0.0	0.0	72.1
	Feb	268.4	83.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	79.7
	Mar	170.9	120.1	51.1	0.0	0.0	86.5
	Apr	116.2	104.6	25.5	0.0	0.0	68.1
	May	70.1	137.1	25.5	0.0	0.0	75.5
	Jun	63.2	100.4	51.1	53.3	0.0	74.2
	Jul	167.5	118.7	51.1	133.3	0.0	119.0
	Aug	148.7	103.2	25.5	0.0	0.0	72.6
	Sep	141.9	101.8	153.2	0.0	0.0	85.0
	Oct	88.9	108.8	51.1	26.7	0.0	75.3
	Nov	111.1	120.1	178.7	0.0	10810.8	416.1

## **Methodology**

**Data Sources:** Selected local authorities from the following town councils:

- Ongwediva**
- Swakopmund**
- Walvis Bay**
- Windhoek**

**Base year:** 2015

**Calculations of index:** The NSA monitors the value and number of buildings completed for 24 local authorities monthly. Four of these towns that accounted for 70.3 percent of the total number of all buildings completed in 2015 have been selected for the index compilation.

Conversion: 1 basis point = 0.01 percent