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Austin

Building Permit Report

August 2024

Monthly analysis of permit volume, work types, housing activity, and construction values sourced from City of Austin public permit records.

Total Permits

New Construction

Housing Units

Demolitions

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Permit Volume Overview

Austin issued **4,516 permits** this month across all trade types. Electrical permits led volume at **1,363 (30.2%)**, followed by plumbing at **1,258 (27.9%)** and mechanical at **964 (21.3%)**. Building permits — which cover structural, new construction, and remodel work — totaled **826 (18.3%)**. Residential projects made up **71.9%** of all activity.

Permit Type	Count	Share
Building Permit	826	18.3%
Electrical Permit	1,363	30.2%
Plumbing Permit	1,258	27.9%
Mechanical Permit	964	21.3%
Driveway / Sidewalks	105	2.3%

Work Class Breakdown

New construction led work class activity with **1,133 permits (25.1%)**, reflecting Austin's continued status as one of the fastest-growing cities in the country. Remodel and addition work totaled **1,016 (22.5%)**, while repair permits accounted for **749 (16.6%)**. Demolitions came in at **47 (1.0%)**, signaling ongoing teardown-and-rebuild activity across the city.

Work Class	Count	Share
New	1,133	25.1%
Change Out	750	16.6%
Repair	749	16.6%
Remodel	616	13.6%
Addition and Remodel	400	8.9%
Irrigation	225	5.0%
Upgrade	142	3.1%
Homebuilder Loop	141	3.1%

Housing & Residential Activity

Permitted projects this month are set to add **13,040 housing units** to Austin's supply — a figure that reflects the city's aggressive pace of residential development. Residential permits totaled **3,249 (71.9%)** of all activity, compared to commercial at **1,267 (28.1%)**. Austin's rapid population growth continues to fuel both single-family and multifamily construction across all parts of the city.

13,040

3,249

1,267

Housing Units Added	Residential Permits	Commercial Permits
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Activity by Council District

Austin's 10 city council districts provide a geographic view of construction activity. **District 10** led this month with **585 permits** (13.0% of city total). Use this breakdown to focus your outreach and canvassing on the most active markets.

Council District	Permits	Share
District 10	585	13.0%
District 2	566	12.5%
District 1	461	10.2%
District 7	453	10.0%
District 5	450	10.0%
District 9	369	8.2%

Jurisdiction Breakdown

Austin's permit data covers multiple jurisdictions beyond the city limits, including ETJ (Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction) areas and surrounding municipalities. Understanding which jurisdictions are most active helps contractors identify growth corridors in the greater Austin metro.

Jurisdiction	Permits	Share
AUSTIN FULL PURPOSE	3,807	84.3%
AUSTIN 2 MILE ETJ	361	8.0%
AUSTIN LTD	305	6.8%
WEST LAKE HILLS ETJ	13	0.3%
BEE CAVE FULL PURPOSE	10	0.2%

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