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Austin

Building Permit Report

October 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 **4,534 permits** this month across all trade types. Electrical permits led volume at **1,457 (32.1%)**, followed by plumbing at **1,224 (27.0%)** and mechanical at **750 (16.5%)**. Building permits — which cover structural, new construction, and remodel work — totaled **1,009 (22.3%)**. Residential projects made up **68.9%** of all activity.

Permit Type	Count	Share
Building Permit	1,009	22.3%
Electrical Permit	1,457	32.1%
Plumbing Permit	1,224	27.0%
Mechanical Permit	750	16.5%
Driveway / Sidewalks	94	2.1%

Work Class Breakdown

New construction led work class activity with **1,351 permits (29.8%)**, reflecting Austin's continued status as one of the fastest-growing cities in the country. Remodel and addition work totaled **1,000 (22.1%)**, while repair permits accounted for **883 (19.5%)**. Demolitions came in at **58 (1.3%)**, signaling ongoing teardown-and-rebuild activity across the city.

Work Class	Count	Share
New	1,351	29.8%
Repair	883	19.5%
Remodel	645	14.2%
Change Out	499	11.0%
Addition and Remodel	355	7.8%
Irrigation	195	4.3%
Homebuilder Loop	162	3.6%
Upgrade	116	2.6%

Housing & Residential Activity

Permitted projects this month are set to add **9,165 housing units** to Austin's supply — a figure that reflects the city's aggressive pace of residential development. Residential permits totaled **3,122 (68.9%)** of all activity, compared to commercial at **1,412 (31.1%)**. Austin's rapid population growth continues to fuel both single-family and multifamily construction across all parts of the city.

9,165

3,122

1,412

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 2** led this month with **626 permits** (13.8% of city total). Use this breakdown to focus your outreach and canvassing on the most active markets.

Council District	Permits	Share
District 2	626	13.8%
District 10	606	13.4%
District 9	473	10.4%
District 1	472	10.4%
District 7	405	8.9%
District 4	393	8.7%

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	3,859	85.1%
AUSTIN 2 MILE ETJ	321	7.1%
AUSTIN LTD	300	6.6%
LAKESWAY FULL PURPOSE	18	0.4%
AUSTIN 5 MILE ETJ	7	0.2%

Get the Full List

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