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Austin

Building Permit Report

January 2025

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 **4,030 permits** this month across all trade types. Electrical permits led volume at **1,256 (31.2%)**, followed by plumbing at **1,141 (28.3%)** and mechanical at **721 (17.9%)**. Building permits — which cover structural, new construction, and remodel work — totaled **791 (19.6%)**. Residential projects made up **74.9%** of all activity.

Permit Type	Count	Share
Building Permit	791	19.6%
Electrical Permit	1,256	31.2%
Plumbing Permit	1,141	28.3%
Mechanical Permit	721	17.9%
Driveway / Sidewalks	121	3.0%

Work Class Breakdown

New construction led work class activity with **1,209 permits (30.0%)**, reflecting Austin's continued status as one of the fastest-growing cities in the country. Remodel and addition work totaled **845 (21.0%)**, while repair permits accounted for **709 (17.6%)**. Demolitions came in at **49 (1.2%)**, signaling ongoing teardown-and-rebuild activity across the city.

Work Class	Count	Share
New	1,209	30.0%
Repair	709	17.6%
Remodel	499	12.4%
Change Out	495	12.3%
Addition and Remodel	346	8.6%
Homebuilder Loop	172	4.3%
Irrigation	169	4.2%
Upgrade	132	3.3%

Housing & Residential Activity

Permitted projects this month are set to add **9,951 housing units** to Austin's supply — a figure that reflects the city's aggressive pace of residential development. Residential permits totaled **3,020 (74.9%)** of all activity, compared to commercial at **1,010 (25.1%)**. Austin's rapid population growth continues to fuel both single-family and multifamily construction across all parts of the city.

9,951

3,020

1,010

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 **595 permits** (14.8% of city total). Use this breakdown to focus your outreach and canvassing on the most active markets.

Council District	Permits	Share
District 2	595	14.8%
District 10	544	13.5%
District 7	417	10.3%
District 1	402	10.0%
District 9	368	9.1%
District 5	354	8.8%

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	3,325	82.5%
AUSTIN LTD	374	9.3%
AUSTIN 2 MILE ETJ	294	7.3%
WEST LAKE HILLS FULL PURPOSE	7	0.2%
BEE CAVE ETJ	5	0.1%

Get the Full List

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