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# Austin

## Building Permit Report

**February 2026**

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 **4,180 permits** this month across all trade types. Electrical permits led volume at **1,314 (31.4%)**, followed by plumbing at **1,309 (31.3%)** and mechanical at **639 (15.3%)**. Building permits — which cover structural, new construction, and remodel work — totaled **852 (20.4%)**. Residential projects made up **73.0%** of all activity.

Permit Type	Count	Share
Building Permit	852	20.4%
Electrical Permit	1,314	31.4%
Plumbing Permit	1,309	31.3%
Mechanical Permit	639	15.3%
Driveway / Sidewalks	66	1.6%

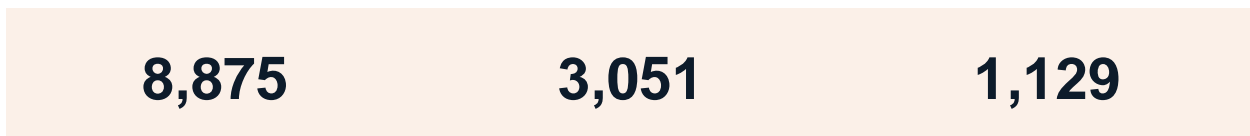
## Work Class Breakdown

New construction led work class activity with **1,235 permits (29.5%)**, reflecting Austin's continued status as one of the fastest-growing cities in the country. Remodel and addition work totaled **853 (20.4%)**, while repair permits accounted for **777 (18.6%)**. Demolitions came in at **84 (2.0%)**, signaling ongoing teardown-and-rebuild activity across the city.

Work Class	Count	Share
New	1,235	29.5%
Repair	777	18.6%
Remodel	563	13.5%
Change Out	494	11.8%
Addition and Remodel	290	6.9%
Homebuilder Loop	193	4.6%
Irrigation	167	4.0%
Upgrade	159	3.8%

## Housing & Residential Activity

Permitted projects this month are set to add **8,875 housing units** to Austin's supply — a figure that reflects the city's aggressive pace of residential development. Residential permits totaled **3,051 (73.0%)** of all activity, compared to commercial at **1,129 (27.0%)**. Austin's rapid population growth continues to fuel both single-family and multifamily construction across all parts of the city.



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 **555 permits** (13.3% of city total). Use this breakdown to focus your outreach and canvassing on the most active markets.

Council District	Permits	Share
District 2	555	13.3%
District 10	509	12.2%
District 7	492	11.8%
District 1	490	11.7%
District 5	478	11.4%
District 9	394	9.4%

## 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	3,590	85.9%
AUSTIN LTD	366	8.8%
AUSTIN 2 MILE ETJ	169	4.0%
AUSTIN 5 MILE ETJ	25	0.6%
ROLLINGWOOD FULL PURPOSE	7	0.2%

## Get the Full List

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