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# Austin

## Building Permit Report

**April 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 **4,935 permits** this month across all trade types. Electrical permits led volume at **1,403 (28.4%)**, followed by plumbing at **1,415 (28.7%)** and mechanical at **929 (18.8%)**. Building permits — which cover structural, new construction, and remodel work — totaled **1,088 (22.0%)**. Residential projects made up **72.8%** of all activity.

Permit Type	Count	Share
Building Permit	1,088	22.0%
Electrical Permit	1,403	28.4%
Plumbing Permit	1,415	28.7%
Mechanical Permit	929	18.8%
Driveway / Sidewalks	100	2.0%

## Work Class Breakdown

New construction led work class activity with **1,427 permits (28.9%)**, reflecting Austin's continued status as one of the fastest-growing cities in the country. Remodel and addition work totaled **1,077 (21.8%)**, while repair permits accounted for **907 (18.4%)**. Demolitions came in at **90 (1.8%)**, signaling ongoing teardown-and-rebuild activity across the city.

Work Class	Count	Share
New	1,427	28.9%
Repair	907	18.4%
Remodel	684	13.9%
Change Out	620	12.6%
Addition and Remodel	393	8.0%
Homebuilder Loop	196	4.0%
Upgrade	182	3.7%
Irrigation	165	3.3%

## Housing & Residential Activity

Permitted projects this month are set to add **9,928 housing units** to Austin's supply — a figure that reflects the city's aggressive pace of residential development. Residential permits totaled **3,592 (72.8%)** of all activity, compared to commercial at **1,343 (27.2%)**. Austin's rapid population growth continues to fuel both single-family and multifamily construction across all parts of the city.

**9,928**

**3,592**

**1,343**

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 **694 permits** (14.1% of city total). Use this breakdown to focus your outreach and canvassing on the most active markets.

Council District	Permits	Share
District 2	694	14.1%
District 10	683	13.8%
District 1	617	12.5%
District 5	522	10.6%
District 7	436	8.8%
District 9	424	8.6%

## 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	4,274	86.6%
AUSTIN LTD	366	7.4%
AUSTIN 2 MILE ETJ	253	5.1%
WEST LAKE HILLS FULL PURPOSE	6	0.1%
BEE CAVE FULL PURPOSE	6	0.1%

## Get the Full List

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