

# LOS ANGELES BUILDING PERMIT REPORT

APRIL 2026

Monthly analysis of construction activity in the City of Los Angeles, based on building permits issued by the Department of Building and Safety (LADBS). Prepared for contractors, builders, and construction industry professionals.

<b>4,430</b> Total Permits Issued	<b>\$664.8M</b> Total Project Valuation	<b>\$8K</b> Median Project Value	<b>302</b> New Construction Permits
<b>434</b> ADU Permits	<b>▼ 24.1%</b> vs. Prior Month		

Data Source: LADBS Public Records via data.lacity.org. All permit counts reflect permits with an issue date within the report month. Valuation figures are as reported on permit applications and may not reflect final project costs.

# 1. Permit Volume Overview

In the report month, LADBS issued **4,430 building permits** across the City of Los Angeles — a **24.1% decrease** compared to the prior month (5,837 permits). Total declared project valuation reached **\$664.75 million**, with a median project value of **\$8,000**.

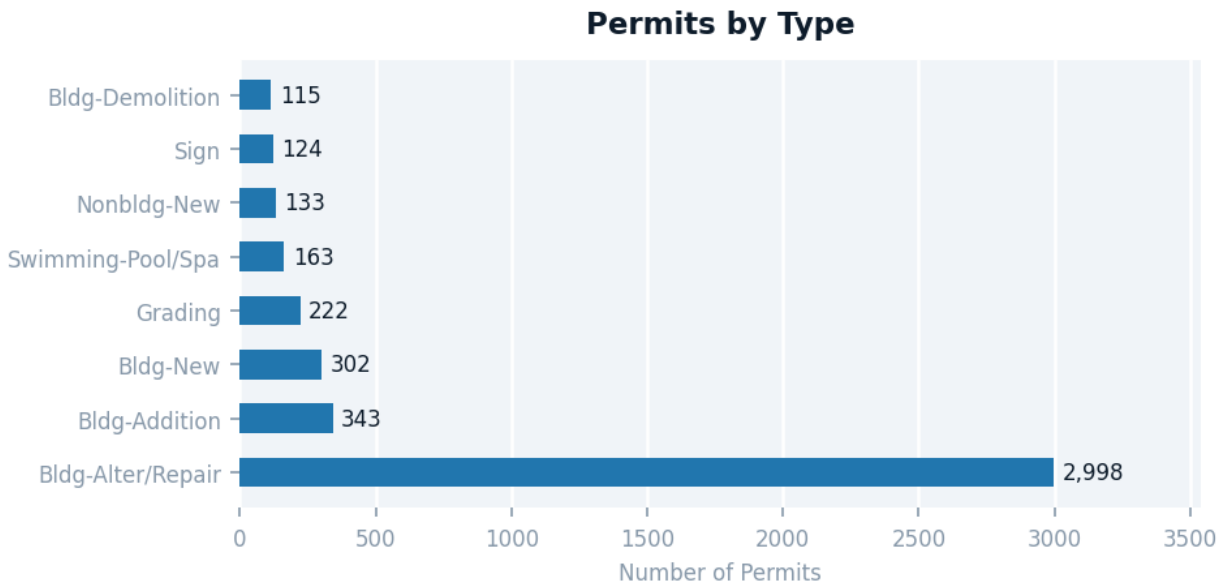


Figure 1: Distribution of permits by type for the report month.

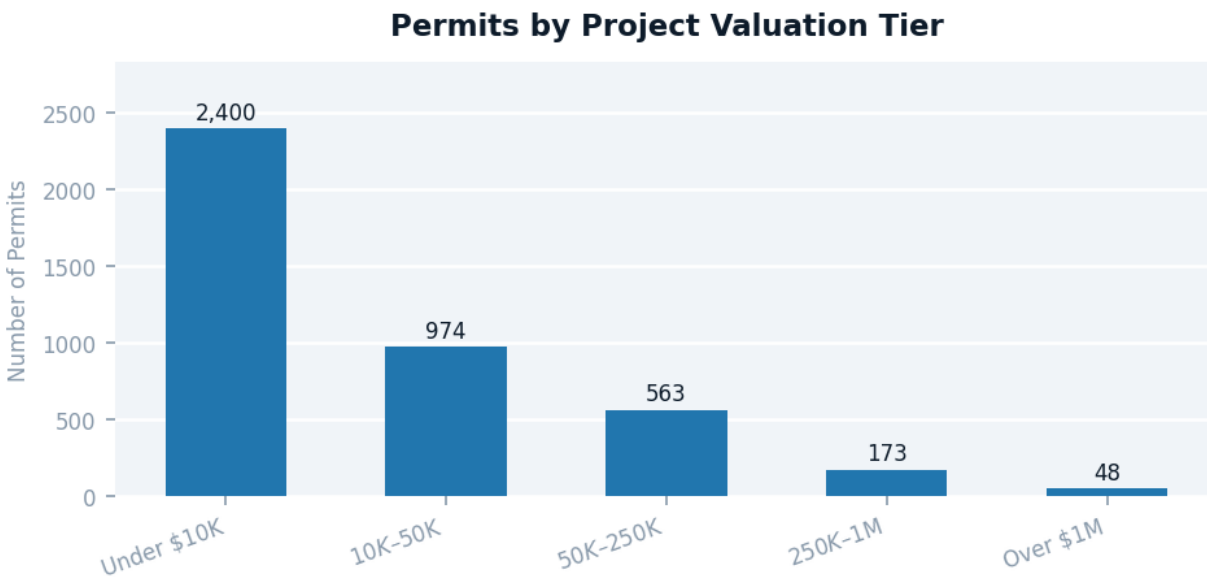


Figure 2: Number of permits by declared valuation bucket (excludes \$0 valuations).

## 2. Hottest ZIP Codes & Neighborhoods

The tables below identify the most active ZIP codes and community plan areas (neighborhoods) by permit volume. These markets represent the highest concentration of active construction projects — prime territory for contractor business development.

ZIP Code	Permits	Total Val.
90272	289	\$52.5M
90066	98	\$3.8M
90049	92	\$5.7M
91367	88	\$4.2M
90045	88	\$345.1M
90026	86	\$1.0M
91335	85	\$5.4M
90016	81	\$8.0M
91344	80	\$1.6M
90065	77	\$2.5M

Neighborhood	Permits	Total Val.
Brentwood - Pacific Palisade	378	\$58.3M
Northeast Los Angeles	306	\$11.0M
Wilshire	282	\$26.9M
Hollywood	261	\$17.8M
West Adams - Baldwin Hills -	229	\$11.0M
Canoga Park-West Hills-Winne	227	\$10.3M
South Los Angeles	208	\$16.6M
West Los Angeles	157	\$25.6M
Van Nuys - North Sherman Oak	154	\$12.9M
Encino - Tarzana	145	\$5.9M

Table 1 (left): Top 10 ZIP codes by permit count. Table 2 (right): Top 10 community plan areas by permit count.

### 3. Project Valuation & Size Analysis

Total declared project valuation for the month was **\$664.75 million**. The median project valuation was **\$8,000**, indicating that most permitted work consists of small-to-mid-scale alterations and repairs. New construction alone accounted for **\$139.63 million** in declared value across **302 permits**.

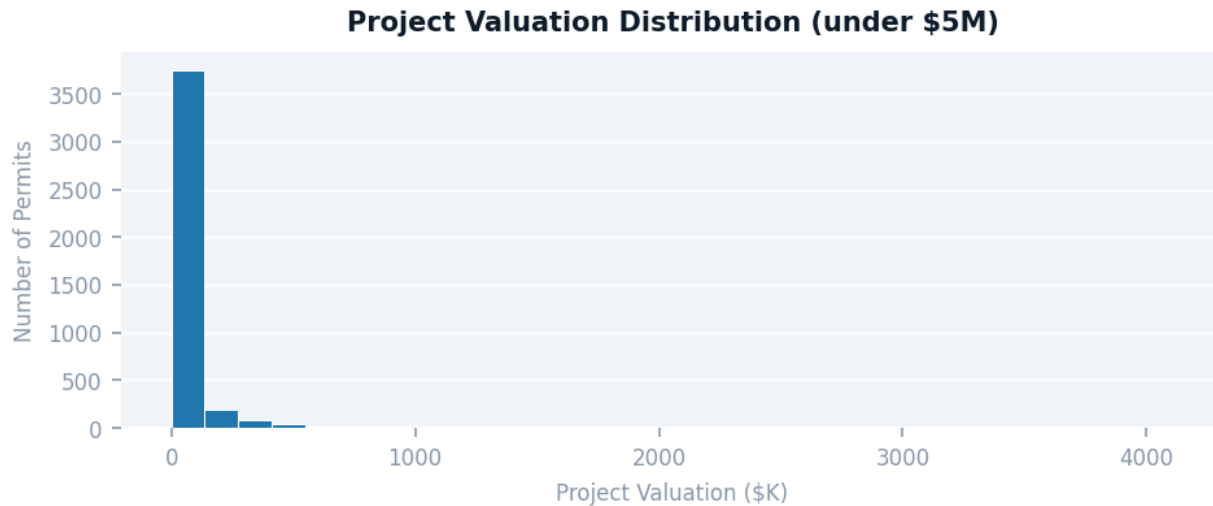


Figure 3: Histogram of project valuations (permits under \$5M shown). Long-tail outliers (large commercial/multifamily) are excluded for readability.

#### Top 5 Highest-Value Projects

Address	Type	Valuation	Project Description
500 WORLD WAY	Bldg-Alter/Repair	<b>\$333,103,645</b>	LAX Terminal 5 Early Start Foundations permit
531 W COLLEGE ST	Bldg-Alter/Repair	<b>\$18,750,000</b>	*eplan* **** EARLY START FOUNDATION ONLY**** NEW 8 STORY 450 UNITS (50 VLI) AFFORDABLE HOU...
350 S ALEXANDRIA AVE 1-152	Bldg-New	<b>\$11,000,000</b>	*eplan*New 7-Story, Type IA/IIIA, affordable housing apartment building with roof deck, to...
2140 S WESTWOOD BLVD	Bldg-New	<b>\$9,000,000</b>	ePlan. New 6-Story 77 unit Apartment per TOC Tier 2 (70 non-affordable units, 7 ELI units)...
1950 S AVENUE OF THE STARS F	Bldg-Alter/Repair	<b>\$7,200,000</b>	ePlan: * TI TO (E) OFFICE BUILDING FLOORS 33-37, WITH EMPLOYEE-ONLY KITCHEN AND COMMISSARY...

## 4. ADU & New Construction Spotlight

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and new construction permits represent two of the most opportunity-rich segments for contractors. This month, **434 ADU permits** were issued (9.8% of total volume), alongside **302 new construction permits** (6.8% of total) representing **\$139.63 million** in declared valuation.

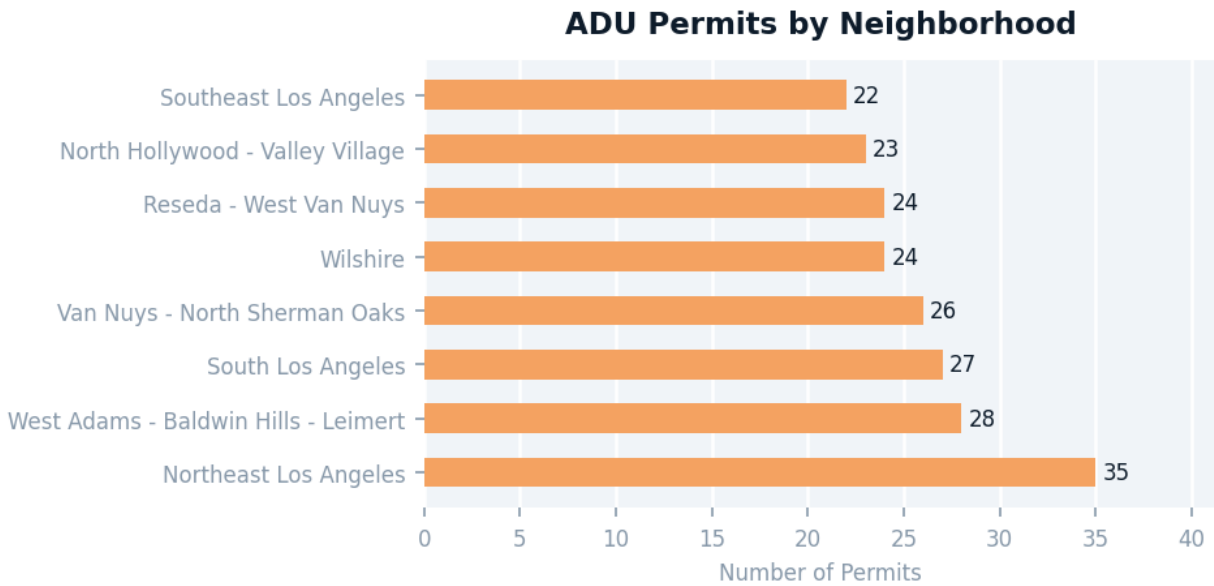


Figure 4: Top neighborhoods for ADU permit activity.

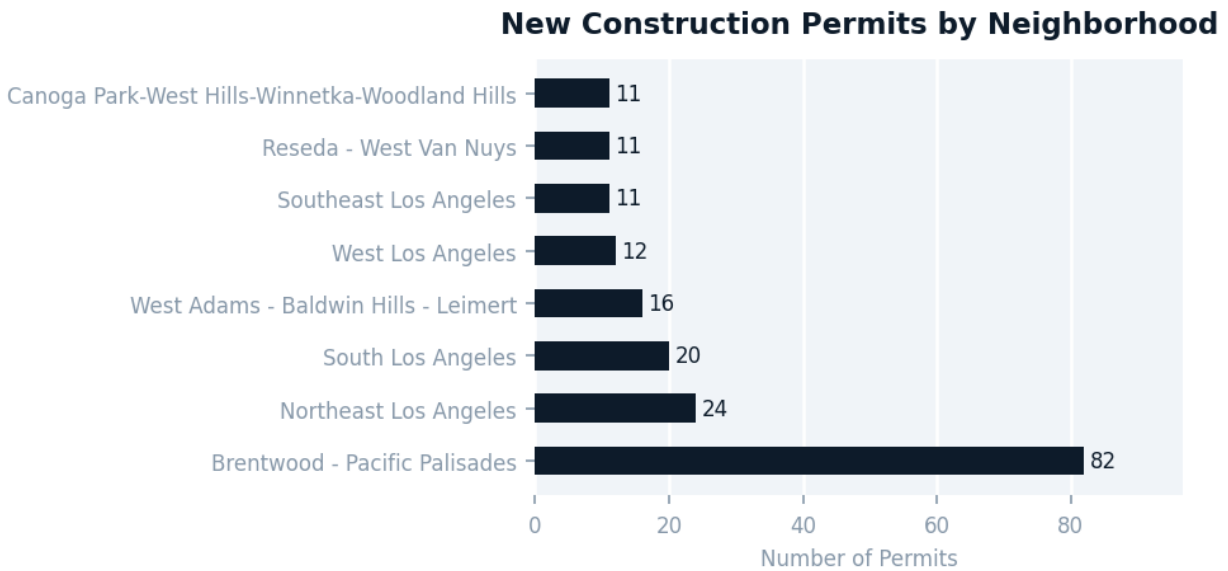


Figure 5: Top neighborhoods for new construction permit activity.

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