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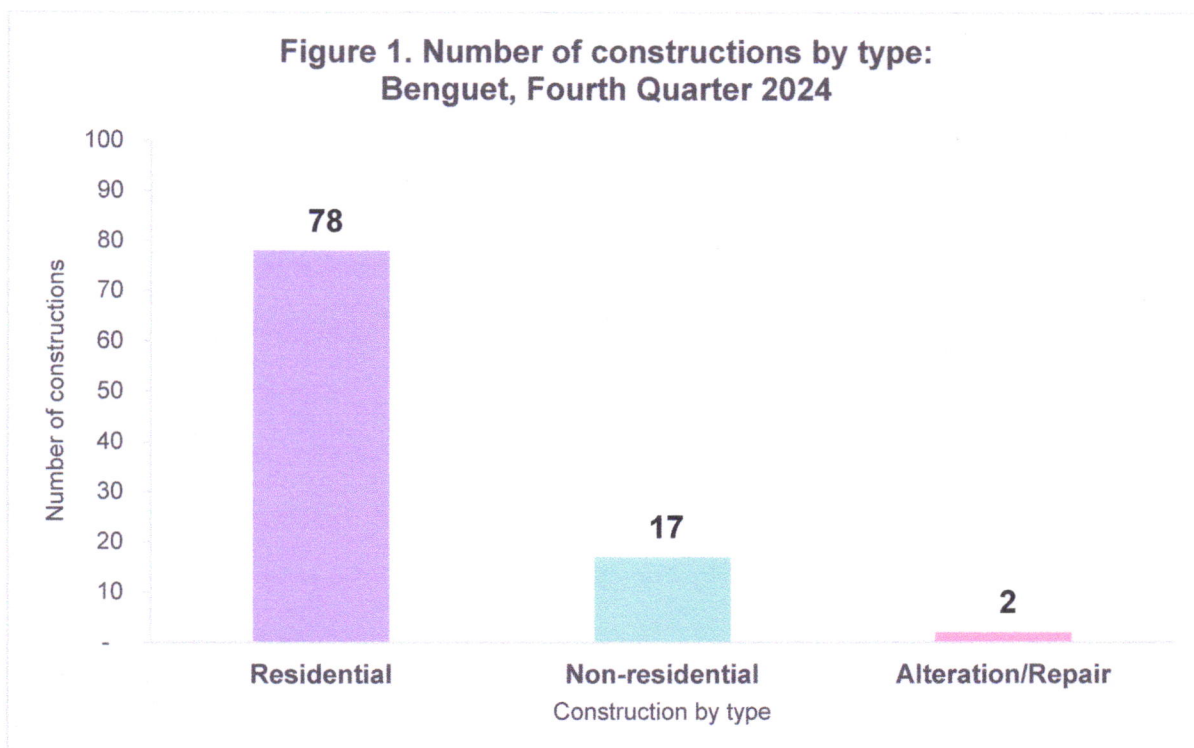
Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits in Benguet, Fourth Quarter 2024 (Preliminary Results)

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97 constructions in Benguet in the fourth quarter of 2024

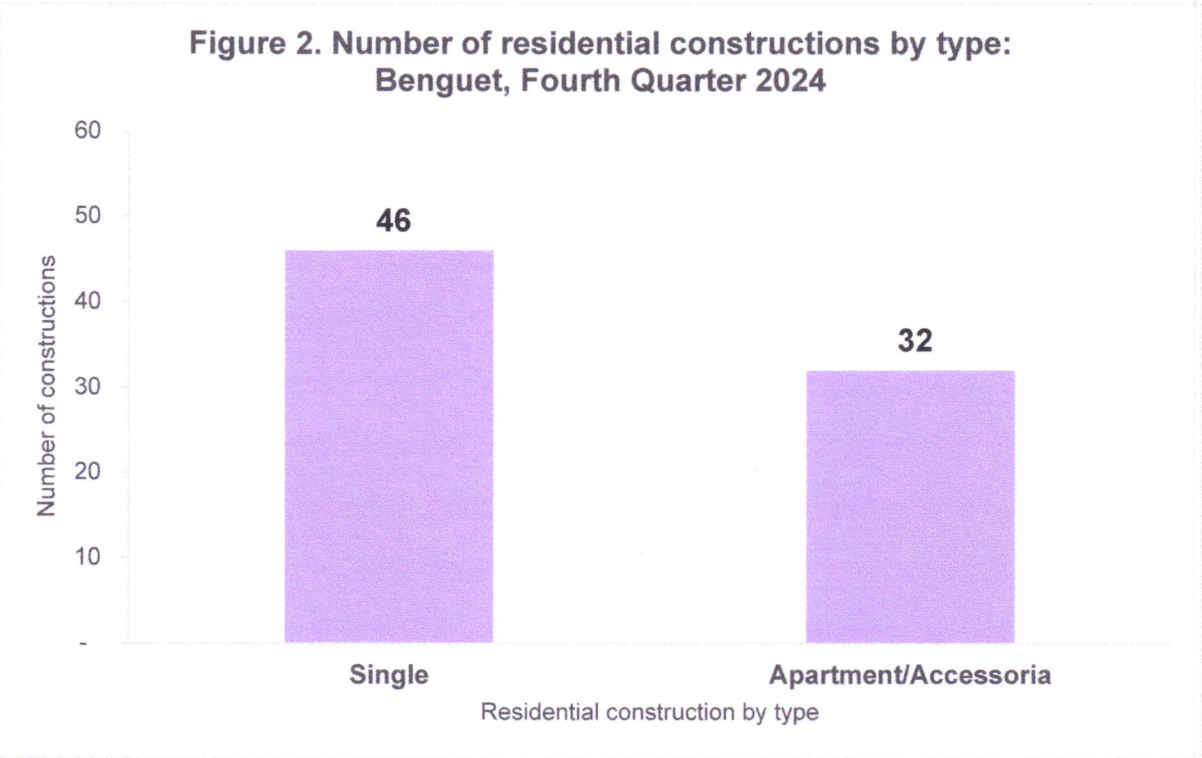
The approved building permit applications in Benguet for the fourth quarter of 2024 recorded a total of 97. Residential buildings recorded a total of 78 constructions while non-residential buildings recorded 17 constructions. Building alteration/repair recorded two. (Figure 1)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority (Preliminary Results)

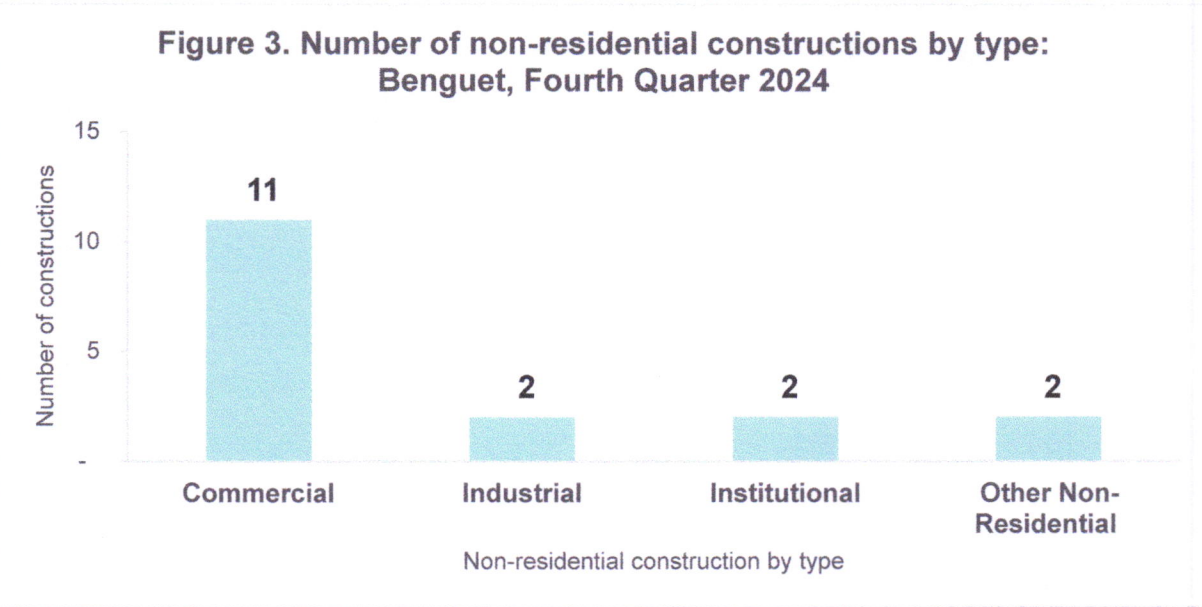


By type of residential buildings constructed, single house recorded the 46 constructions and apartment/accessoria recorded 32 constructions. (Figure 2)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority (Preliminary Results)

By type of non-residential buildings constructed, commercial building recorded 11 constructions. Industrial building, institutional building, and other non-residential building recorded two constructions each. (Figure 3)



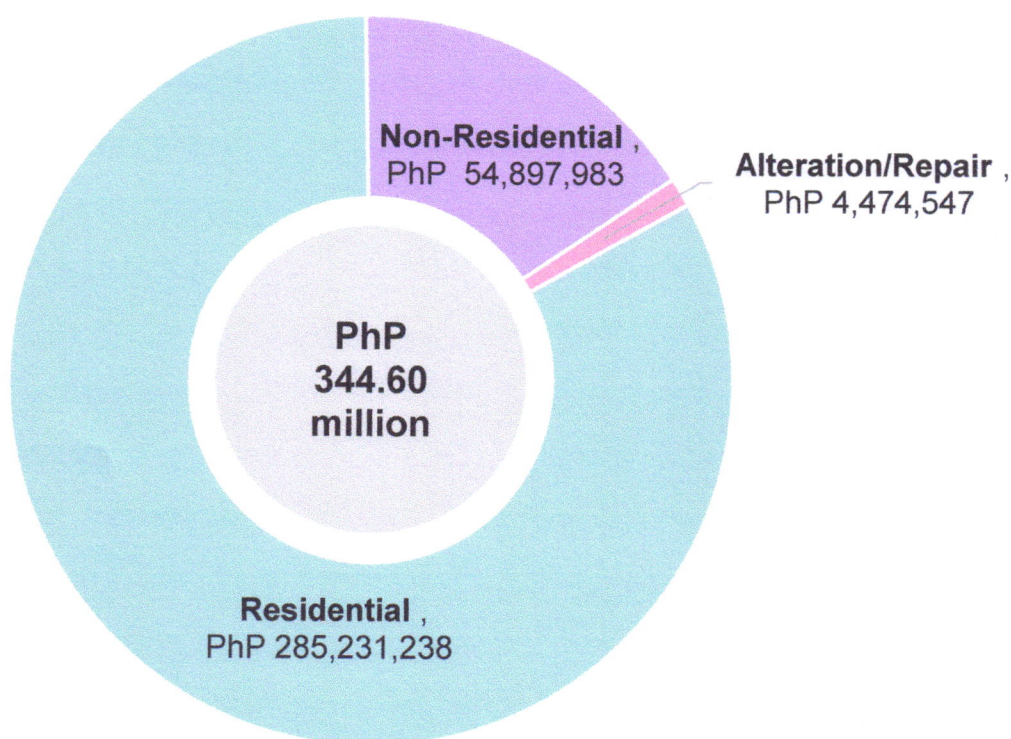
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority (Preliminary Results)

Total value of construction amounts to PhP 344.60 million

The total value of construction from approved building permits in Benguet for the fourth quarter of 2024 amounted PhP 344.60 million.

Residential buildings were valued at PhP 285.23 million while non-residential buildings were valued at PhP 54.90 million. Moreover, building alteration/repair was valued at PhP 4.47 million. (Figure 4)

**Figure 4. Total value of construction by type:
Benguet, Fourth Quarter 2024**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority (Preliminary Results)

Average cost per square meter of residential building was valued at PhP 12,261.15

The total floor area of residential buildings constructed was 23,263 square meters. This translates to an average cost of PhP 12,261.15 per square meter.

For single house, the total floor area constructed was 10,119 square meters with an average cost of PhP 13,949.30 per square meter. Apartments/accessorias constructed had a total floor area of 13,144 square meters with PhP 10,961.52 average cost per square meter.

Average cost per square meter of non-residential building was valued at PhP 12,028.48

The total floor area of non-residential buildings constructed is 4,564 square meters. This translates to an average cost of PhP 12,028.48 per square meter.

For commercial buildings, the total floor area constructed was 4,000 square meters with an average cost of PhP 11,379.95 per square meter. Industrial buildings constructed had a total floor area of 305 square meters with an average cost of PhP 5,681.60 per square meter. Institutional buildings constructed had a total floor area of 259 square meters with an average cost of PhP 14,506.19 per square meter.



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TECHNICAL NOTES

Introduction

This Special Release presents the preliminary data on construction statistics from approved building permits for the fourth quarter of 2024.

Scope and Coverage

Construction statistics presented in this special release are based on approved building permits on new constructions and additions, alterations and repairs of existing residential and non-residential buildings, and other structures which are proposed to be constructed in the different cities/municipalities of the country.

Sources of Information

Construction statistics are generated from approved building permits as well as from the demolition and fencing permits collected every month by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) field personnel from the Offices of Local Building Officials (LBOs).

Limitations of data

1. Data on building constructions are based on approved applications for construction during the reference period and not on the construction work completed during the reference period.
2. The completeness of construction data relies on the approved applications filed with the LBOs. Hence, building constructions without approved building permits are not part of the tabulation of data.

Geographic Classification

Building constructions are classified and presented by geographic area using the Philippine Standard Geographic Classification (PSGC) as of December 2021.

Statistics Generated

Construction statistics generated from approved building permits provide monthly data on building construction at the regional and provincial level. The statistics generated are the following:

1. number
2. floor area

3. type of construction
4. value of construction

Definition of Terms

Building permit is a written authorization granted by the LBO to an applicant allowing him to proceed with the construction of a specific project after plans, specifications and other pertinent documents have been found to be in conformity with the National Building Code (PD 1096).

Building refers to any independent, free-standing structure comprised of one or more rooms or other spaces, covered by a roof and enclosed with external walls or dividing walls, which extend from the foundation to the roof.

Construction refers to all on-site work done from site preparation, excavation, foundation, assembly of all the components and installation of utilities, machineries, and equipment of buildings/structures.

Residential building is a building for which its major parts or more than half of its gross floor area is built for dwelling purposes. This type of building can be of the single type, duplex, apartment and/or accessoria, and residential condominium.

Single house is a complete structure intended for a single family or household, i.e., bungalow, 2-storey house, nipa hut, etc.

Duplex house is a structure intended for two households, with complete living facilities for each; it is a single structure divided into two dwelling units by a wall extending from the floor to the ceiling.

Apartment is a structure, usually of two storeys, made up of independent living quarters, with independent entrances from internal walls and courts.

Accesoria is a one or two-floor structure divided into several dwelling units, each dwelling unit having its own separate entrance from the outside.

Residential condominium is a structure, usually of several storeys, consisting of multiple dwelling units.

Other residential construction consists of school or company staff houses, living quarters for drivers and maids, and guardhouses.

Non-residential building includes commercial, industrial, agricultural and institutional buildings.

Commercial buildings refer to office buildings and all buildings which are intended for use primarily in wholesale, retail and service trades; i.e., stores, hotels, restaurants, banks, disco houses, etc.

Industrial buildings are buildings used to house the production, assembly, and warehousing activities of industrial establishments; i.e., factories, plants, mills, repair shops, machine shops, printing press, storage plant, electric generating plants.

Institutional buildings are buildings which primarily engaged in providing educational instructions and hospital/health care; ports, airports and other government buildings; i.e., school, museums, libraries, sanitarium, churches, hospitals.

Agricultural buildings are buildings used to house livestock, plants, and agricultural products such as barn, poultry house, piggeries, stables, greenhouses, and grain mill.

Other non-building constructions include cemetery structures, street furniture, waiting sheds, communication towers, etc.

Addition refers to any new construction which increases the height or area of an existing building/structure.

Repair is a remedial work done on any damaged or deteriorated portion/s of a building/structure to restore its original condition.

Renovation is any physical change made on structures to increase their value and quality.

Alteration is a construction in a building/structure involving changes in the materials used, partitioning and location/size of openings, structural parts, existing utilities and equipment but does not increase the overall area thereof.

Conversion is a change in the use or occupancy of structure or any portion thereof, which has different requirements.

Demolitions refer to the systematic dismantling or destruction of a building/structure, in whole or in part.

Street furniture are street structures consisting of monuments, waiting sheds, benches, plant boxes, lampposts, electric poles, and telephone poles.

Floor area of building refers to the sum of the area of each floor of the building measured to the outer surface of the outer walls including the

area of lobbies, cellars, elevator shafts and all communal spaces in multi-dwellings. Areas of balconies are excluded.

Total value of construction refers to the sum of the cost of building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and others. The value is derived from the approved building permit and represents the estimated value of the building or structure when completed.