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# Prices of dwellings in new residential buildings

## The fourth quarter 2023

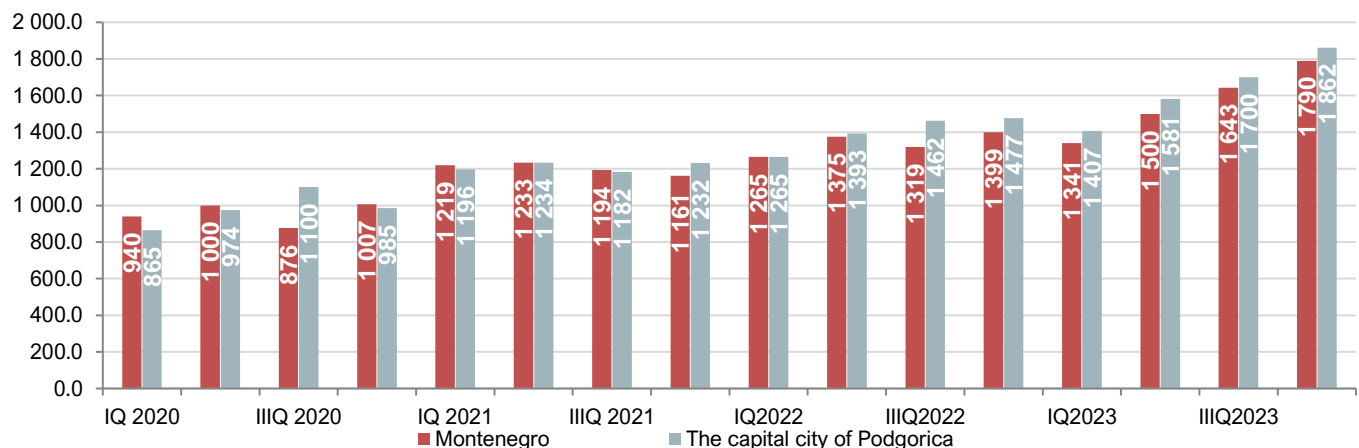
According to the methodology of survey 'Prices of dwellings in new residential buildings', the calculation of average price per square meter of dwellings in new residential building takes only dwellings that were sold on the market for the first time, or for which a purchase contract was concluded for the first time. The subject of this survey is neither the existing (old) dwellings, nor other types of real estate: business facilities, land, and others. The survey does not reflect supply and demand of new dwellings on the market, but prices calculated on the basis of concluded sales contracts.

The average price per square meter of dwellings in new residential building in the fourth quarter 2023 was: in Montenegro 1 790 EUR; in Podgorica 1 862 EUR; in coastal region 1 771 EUR; in central region 915 EUR, and in northern region 1 091 EUR.

The average price of dwellings in new residential building significantly depend on the share of solidarity housing development dwellings. If the share of these dwellings is higher, the average price of dwellings in new residential building will be significantly lower, or if this share is lower, the average price will be higher.

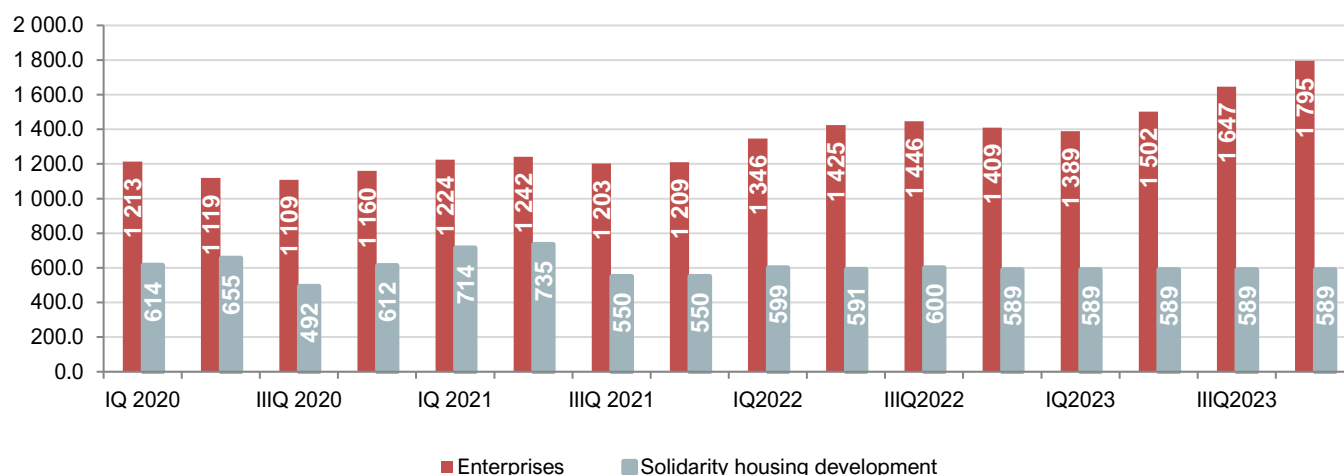
This release shows the average price per the square meter of dwelling in new residential building according to the following categories: enterprises (average market price), and solidarity housing development. The average price per square meter of dwellings in new residential building in Montenegro, in category enterprises, in the fourth quarter of 2023 is 1 795 EUR, while in category solidarity housing development is 589 EUR.

**Graph 1.** Average price of dwelling in new residential buildings, in EUR



**Table 1.** Average prices per square meter of dwellings in new residential buildings by region<sup>1</sup>, in EUR, IV quarter 2023

	Average prices per 1m <sup>2</sup> in EUR	Price for arranging construction land	Price of construction works	Other costs
	(1)=(2)+(3)+(4)	(2)	(3)	(4)
<b>Montenegro (average)</b>	<b>1 790</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>1 396</b>	<b>155</b>
Enterprises (average market)	1 795	240	1 400	155
Solidarity housing development <sup>2</sup>	589	0	589	0
<b>The capital city of Podgorica (average)</b>	<b>1 862</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>1 456</b>	<b>169</b>
Enterprises (average market)	1 862	237	1 456	169
Solidarity housing development	-	-	-	-
<b>Coastal region (average)</b>	<b>1 771</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>1 383</b>	<b>129</b>
Enterprises (average market)	1 771	259	1 383	129
Solidarity housing development	-	-	-	-
<b>Central region (average)</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>101</b>
Enterprises (average market)	952	162	678	112
Solidarity housing development	589	0	589	0
<b>Northern region (average)</b>	<b>1 091</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>180</b>
Enterprises (average market)	1 091	210	701	180
Solidarity housing development	-	-	-	-

**Graph 2.** Average price of dwelling in new residential buildings in Montenegro, by category, in EUR

<sup>1</sup> **Coastal region:** Bar, Budva, Herceg Novi, Kotor, Tivat and Ulcinj.

**Central region:** Cetinje, Danilovgrad, Nikšić, Tuzi and Zeta.

**Northern region:** Andrijevica, Berane, Bijelo Polje, Gusinje, Kolašin, Mojkovac, Petnjica, Plav, Pljevlja, Plužine, Rožaje, Šavnik, and Žabljak.

<sup>2</sup> Solidarity housing development includes the sale of dwellings by housing cooperatives and organizations in cooperation with local self-governments (municipalities) or other institutions, under more favorable conditions. Construction is done for the state institutions needs, organization and enterprises, i.e. employees in these institutions in all municipalities of Montenegro.

- No occurrence.

## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The presented data are collected by the survey on price of dwelling in new residential building (GRADJ-41). The survey is conducted using the reporting method, and covers sold dwellings in new residential building, i.e. dwellings for which a sales contract has been concluded between investor and buyer (for the first time sold dwelling). The focus of this survey is neither the existing (old) dwellings, nor other types of real estate: business facilities, land, and others.

For the purpose of appropriate access to the data use, there should be noted that the published prices (prices per 1 m<sup>2</sup>) are average prices, therefore, they are the result of different characteristics of construction and differences in the month in which the sales contract was concluded in one territory (of region and Montenegro).

The aim of the survey on average prices per square meter of dwelling in new construction is not to measure prices as a reflection of supply and demand for new dwellings on the market, but to measure the price level of dwellings sold in new buildings for which sales contracts have been concluded.

All prices represent the nominal expression of value from sale, and they are expressed per 1m<sup>2</sup> of useful (residential) area. Data in a population that deviates from the usual values is considered to be an extreme value (outlier).

The average price of dwellings in new residential building includes dwellings sold by enterprises, as well as dwellings sold by solidarity housing development institution.

The average price of dwellings in new residential building significantly depend on the share of solidarity housing development dwellings. If the share of these dwellings increased, the average price of dwellings in new residential building will be significantly lower, or if this share decreased, the average price will be higher.

The average market price of dwellings in new residential building covers dwellings sold by enterprises, not covering dwellings sold by solidarity housing development institution.

The total price of dwelling covers price of construction, arranging construction land, price of construction works, and other costs.

Price of arranging construction land includes the following elements: land acquisition; demolition; preparation detailed urban plans and projects; field testing; repair works; arrangement of environment around the building; public utility equipment of land.

Price of construction works includes all construction works and profits of investors per 1 m<sup>2</sup> of useful floor area, craft-finishing and installation works on buildings and dwellings.

Other costs include all construction costs, such as: contributions and taxes for connections to the electricity grid and other communal facilities; taxes for obtaining building permits; VAT; building designing cost; interest on the loans and advances, etc.

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