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# Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits in TACLOBAN CITY: February 2025 (Preliminary Result)

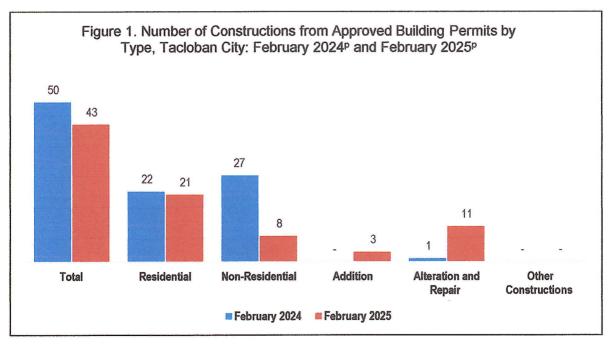
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### Approved Building Constructions in Tacloban City down to 43 in February 2025

The number of constructions from approved building permits in Tacloban City went down to 43 in February 2025. This indicates an annual decrease of 14.00 percent from the 50 total number of constructions in the same month of 2024.

By type of construction, residential buildings reported the highest number of constructions at 21 or 48.84 percent of the total number of constructions in February 2025. This recorded a slight decrease of 4.55 percent from February of the previous year's level of 22 constructions. A percentage of 76.19 or 16 of the total residential constructions were single-type houses in Tacloban City.

Meanwhile, alteration and repair of existing structures significantly increased and recorded as the second highest in terms of number of constructions at 11 or 25.58 percent of the total number of constructions in February 2025.



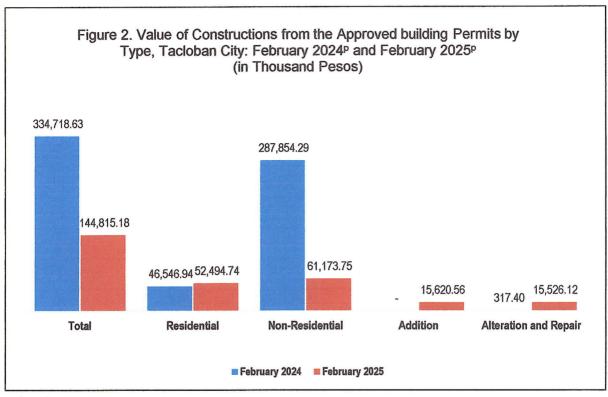
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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Approved Building Permits

There were eight (8) non-residential constructions in February 2025 contributing 18.60 percent to the total number of constructions. This number significantly dropped by 70.37 percent from 27 reported in the same month of 2024. Meanwhile, there are three (3) recorded addition to any new construction to increase height or are of existing building/structure.

### Non-residential buildings recorded the highest value of constructions

In February 2025, the total value of constructions in Tacloban City amounted to ₱144.82 million, reflecting an annual decrease of 56.74 percent from the ₱334.72 million value of constructions posted in the same month of 2024.



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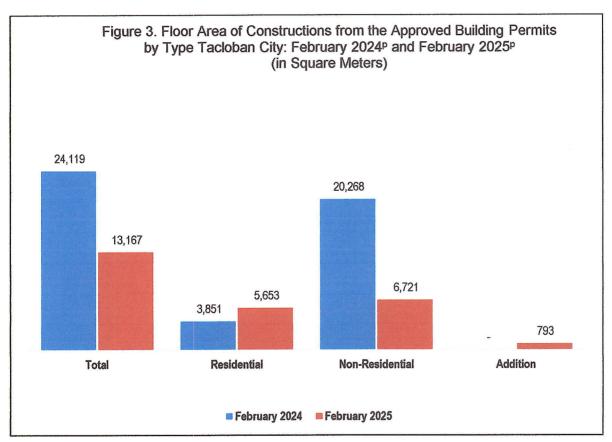
Non-residential building constructions valued at ₱61.17 million accounted almost half (42.24%) of Tacloban City's total value of constructions in February 2025. This indicates an annual decline of 78.75 percent from the ₱287.85 million construction value of non-residential buildings recorded in 2024. Among non-residential constructions, industrial-type buildings had the highest value of constructions at ₱38.84 million comprising 63.50 percent of the total value of non-residential construction in February 2025.

Meanwhile, the construction value of residential buildings in Tacloban City amounted to ₱ 52.50 million or 36.25 percent of the total construction value in February 2025. This translates an annual increment of 12.78 percent from the ₱ 46.55 million value of constructions of residential buildings reported in the same month of 2024.

## Non-residential buildings accounted for more than half of the total floor area of constructions

The total floor area of constructions in Tacloban City in February 2025 was recorded at 13,167 square meters. This excludes alteration and repair, other non-residential such as facade, helipad, niche, water tank, etc., and other constructions, which include demolition, street furniture, landscaping, and signboards, since there is no reported floor area for these types of constructions. The total floor area in February 2025 registered an annual decline of 45.41 percent from the recorded 24,119 square meters floor area in the same month of 2024.

Non-residential constructions in Tacloban City posted 6,721 square meters or 51.04 percent of the total floor area of constructions in February 2025. This reflects an annual decrease of 66.84 percent from the recorded floor area of non-residential constructions at 20,268 square meters in the same month of 2024.



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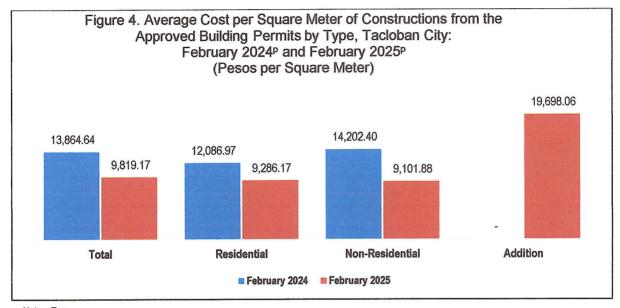
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Meanwhile, residential constructions recorded 5,653 square meters or 42.93 percent of the total floor area of constructions in February 2025. It increased at an annual rate of 46.79 percent from February of the previous year's floor area of 3,851 square meters.

### Addition to the existing buildings had the highest average cost of constructions

The average cost of constructions in Tacloban City in February 2025 was recorded at ₱9,819.17 per square meter. This was 29.18 percent lower than the average cost of ₱13,864.64 per square meter in 2024. Alteration and repair, other non-residential such as facade, helipad, niche, water tank, etc., and other constructions, which include demolition, street furniture, landscaping, and signboards, were excluded in the average cost of construction since there is no reported floor area for these types of construction.

By type of construction, addition to the existing buildings had the highest average cost of ₱19,698.06 per square meter in February 2025. This was followed by residential constructions costed ₱9,286.17 per square meter.

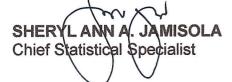


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Apartment or accessoria residential constructions post the highest average cost among the three recorded residential-type constructions, posted at ₱12,210.74 per square meter. Meanwhile, duplex or quadruplex residential constructions and single-house constructions posted an average cost of ₱9,544.54 and ₱7,828.97 per square meter in February 2025, respectively.

Across non-residential constructions, industrial buildings reported the highest average cost of \$10,086.30 per square meter. Followed by commercial and institutional buildings registered the average costs of \$8,081.69 per square meter and \$6,276.15, respectively.



### STATISTICAL TABLES

Table 1. Summary of Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits in the City of Tacloban: February 2024 and February 2025

	2025 <sup>p</sup>	February 2025 <sup>p</sup>			
Type of Construction	Level	Level	Annual Growth Rate (percent)		
Total					
Number	50	43	-14.00		
Floor Area (sq.m.)	24,119	13,167	-45.41		
Value (₱1,000.00)	334,718.64	144,815.18	-56.74		
Residential					
Number	22	21	-4.55		
Floor Area (sq.m.)	3,851	5,653	46.79		
Value (₱1,000.00)	46,546.94	52,494.74	12.78		
Non- Residential					
Number	27	8	-70.37		
Floor Area (sq.m.)	20,268	6,721	-66.84		
Value (₱1,000.00)	287,854.29	61,173.75	-78.75		
Addition					
Number	-	3	-		
Floor Area (sq.m.)	-	793	-		
Value (₱1,000.00)	-	15,620.56	-		
Alteration and Repair					
Number	1	11	1,000.00		
Value (₱1,000.00)	317.40	15,526.12	4,791.66		
Other Construction					
Number	-	-	-		
Value (₱1,000.00)	-	-	-		

sq.m. - square meters

₱1,000.00 – in thousand pesos

p - preliminary

Notes: Details of floor area and value may not add up to their respective totals due to rounding. Other Construction include demolition, street furniture, landscaping, and signboard. Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Approved Building Permits

Table 2. Number, Floor Area and Value of Residential and Non-Residential Constructions by Type in the City of Tacloban: February 2024 and February 2025

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION	February 2024 <sup>r</sup>			February 2025 <sup>p</sup>			Annual Growth Rate (in percent)		
	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (in thousand pesos)	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (in thousand pesos)	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (in thousand pesos)
Residential	22	3,851	46,546.94	21	5,653	52,494.74	-4.55	46.79	12.78
Single	22	3,851	46,546.94	16	3,756	29,405.63	-27.27	-2.47	-36.83
Duplex	-	-	-	1	28	267.25	-	-	-
Apartment	-	-	-	4	1,869	22,821.87	-	-	-
Residential Condominium	-	_	-	-	Management of the second of th	-	-	-	-
Other Residential	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Non-Residential	27	20,268	287,854.29	8	6,721	61,173.75	-70.37	-66.84	-78.75
Commercial	22	16,697	185,281.01	5	2,392	19,331.41	-77.27	-85.67	-89.57
Industrial	-	-	-	2	3,851	38,842	-	-	-
Institutional	5	3,571	102,573	1	478	3,000	-80.00	-86.61	-97.08
Other Non- Residential	-	-	-		Tennance standard			-	-

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#### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

The definition of terms is adopted from the Revised and Updated IRR of the NBC.

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

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

**Agricultural buildings** are buildings used to house livestock, plants, and agricultural products such as barns, poultry houses, piggeries, stables, greenhouses, and grain mills.

**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.

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

**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.

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 NBC.

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.

**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.

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

**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.

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.

**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 plants, 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., schools, museums, libraries, sanitaria, churches, hospitals.

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

Other constructions are non-building structures which includes:

**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.

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

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

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

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

**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.

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

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

**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.