

6.1 Residential Development

Residential building permits issued in Leon County declined sharply in 2006 after near record totals in 2005. The number of detached single-family home permits fell 40%, attached single-family (townhomes) permits declined nearly 10% while multi-family permits fell by more than 50% in comparison with 2005 levels.

Figure 6-1
Residential Building Permits Issued By Type in Leon County
(1985-2006)

| Year | Detached Single- Family | Attached Single- Family | Multi-Family | Constructed Units Permitted | Mobile Homes* | Total Housing Units Permitted |
|------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|
| 1985 | 992 | 97 | 54 | 1,143 | 540 | 1,683 |
| 1986 | 1,271 | 286 | 280 | 1,837 | 661 | 2,498 |
| 1987 | 1,366 | 375 | 860 | 2,601 | 611 | 3,212 |
| 1988 | 1,439 | 363 | 781 | 2,583 | 540 | 3,123 |
| 1989 | 1,743 | 410 | 1,261 | 3,414 | 658 | 4,072 |
| 1990 | 1,346 | 393 | 1,136 | 2,875 | 542 | 3,417 |
| 1991 | 1,215 | 152 | 298 | 1,665 | 480 | 2,145 |
| 1992 | 1,359 | 284 | 441 | 2,084 | 480 | 2,564 |
| 1993 | 1,373 | 269 | 381 | 2,023 | 530 | 2,553 |
| 1994 | 1,437 | 188 | 476 | 2,101 | 556 | 2,657 |
| 1995 | 1,261 | 302 | 1,268 | 2,831 | 716 | 3,547 |
| 1996 | 1,256 | 257 | 441 | 1,954 | 584 | 2,538 |
| 1997 | 1,109 | 259 | 837 | 2,205 | 649 | 2,854 |
| 1998 | 1,012 | 166 | 534 | 1,712 | 606 | 2,318 |
| 1999 | 1,245 | 162 | 654 | 2,061 | 443 | 2,504 |
| 2000 | 1,154 | 123 | 782 | 2,059 | 430 | 2,489 |
| 2001 | 1,127 | 258 | 962 | 2,347 | 349 | 2,696 |
| 2002 | 1,436 | 97 | 1,375 | 2,908 | 259 | 3,167 |
| 2003 | 1,456 | 254 | 1,197 | 2,907 | 306 | 3,213 |
| 2004 | 1,276 | 184 | 1,492 | 2,952 | 351 | 3,303 |
| 2005 | 1,552 | 392 | 1,411 | 3,355 | 228 | 3,583 |
| 2006 | 926 | 354 | 659 | 1,939 | 208 | 2,147 |

*Prior to 2004, mobile home figures did not include permits issued for mobile home parks

Sources: Permit Enforcement Tracking System, Leon County Department of Growth and Environmental Management, City of Tallahassee Growth Management Department