

# Industry Stats

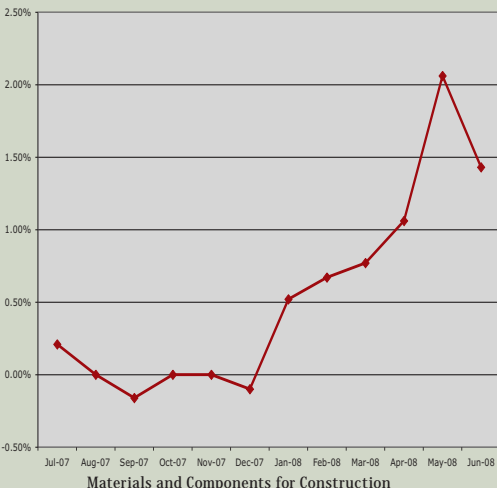
Monthly and annual statistics monitoring the growth and overall health of the construction industry, including employment numbers, employee hourly earnings, construction spending, selected construction commodities pricing and housing unit starts.

## Producer Price Index for Selected Commodities

The Producer Price Index program of the U.S. Department of Labor measures the average change over time in the selling prices received by domestic producers for their output. These charts detail the month-to-month percentage change in selling prices for selected commodities related to the construction industry.

	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Oct-07	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08
<b>Materials and Components for Construction</b>	0.21%	0.00%	-0.16%	0.00%	0.00%	-0.10%	0.52%	0.67%	0.77%	1.06%	2.06%	1.43%
<b>Cement</b>	0.29%	-0.24%	1.14%	-0.19%	-0.09%	-0.47%	-0.24%	0.19%	1.14%	-0.85%	0.62%	-0.19%
<b>Concrete Products</b>	0.15%	0.10%	0.10%	-0.05%	0.44%	0.39%	0.58%	0.14%	0.00%	1.30%	-0.05%	0.67%
<b>Construction Sand, Gravel, Crushed Stone</b>	0.47%	1.11%	0.26%	0.77%	0.34%	-0.17%	1.94%	0.54%	1.69%	-0.36%	0.24%	0.16%
<b>Gasoline</b>	5.60%	-14.21%	4.06%	-0.98%	15.67%	-8.90%	1.95%	1.54%	11.86%	3.23%	12.65%	5.43%
<b>#2 Diesel Fuel</b>	6.99%	-5.05%	6.49%	1.38%	18.87%	-8.36%	2.32%	3.34%	23.62%	2.73%	9.07%	5.73%
<b>Lumber</b>	1.13%	-1.34%	-1.47%	-1.73%	-2.34%	0.06%	-2.15%	-1.10%	0.25%	0.31%	3.99%	0.95%
<b>Iron and Steel</b>	-0.49%	-1.86%	-0.35%	-0.90%	-0.10%	1.42%	4.69%	2.48%	3.62%	10.22%	10.98%	5.02%
<b>Construction Machinery and Equipment</b>	0.22%	0.00%	-0.06%	0.33%	0.11%	0.11%	0.66%	0.27%	0.27%	0.05%	0.16%	0.55%
<b>Transportation Equipment</b>	0.00%	-0.13%	-0.32%	2.08%	0.25%	-0.45%	0.57%	0.00%	-0.19%	0.19%	-0.25%	-0.25%

## Month-to-Month Percentage Price Change in Materials and Components Used in Construction



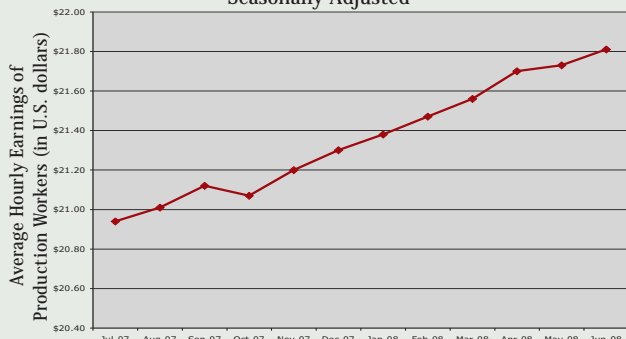
Note: March through June 2008 figures are preliminary.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor

## Average Hourly Wages of Construction Workers

### July 2007 - June 2008

(May - June 2008 figures preliminary)  
Seasonally Adjusted



Source: U.S. Department of Labor

## Employment in Construction

### July 2007 - June 2008

(May - June 2008 figures preliminary)  
Seasonally Adjusted



## New Privately Owned Housing Units

### Authorized By Building Permits

Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate

In Thousands of Units

April - June 2008 vs. June 2007

Survey Date	Total Units	1 unit	2-4 units	5+ units
Jun-07	1,433	1,016	56	361
Apr-08	982	649	38	295
May-08	978	635	34	309
Jun-08	1,138	616	33	489

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## Annual Value of Construction Put in Place 2006/2007/June 2008 Comparison

(Millions of dollars. Totals may not add up perfectly due to rounding.)

	2006	2007	June 2008*
<b>Total Private Construction</b>	<b>896,774</b>	<b>842,358</b>	<b>780,569</b>
Residential	582,290	462,007	372,468
Non-residential	314,484	380,351	408,100
<b>Total Public Construction</b>	<b>280,885</b>	<b>297,842</b>	<b>301,308</b>
State and local	261,772	277,437	278,334
Federal	19,112	20,405	22,974
<b>TOTAL Construction</b>	<b>1,177,659</b>	<b>1,140,200</b>	<b>1,081,876</b>

\*Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate

Source: U.S. Census Bureau