# 2016 Midyear **Collaborative Construction Economic Forecast** August 15, 2016 2:00 – 3:00 p.m., EDT



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## Moving Ahead: Issues Affecting the Residential and Nonresidential Construction Outlook

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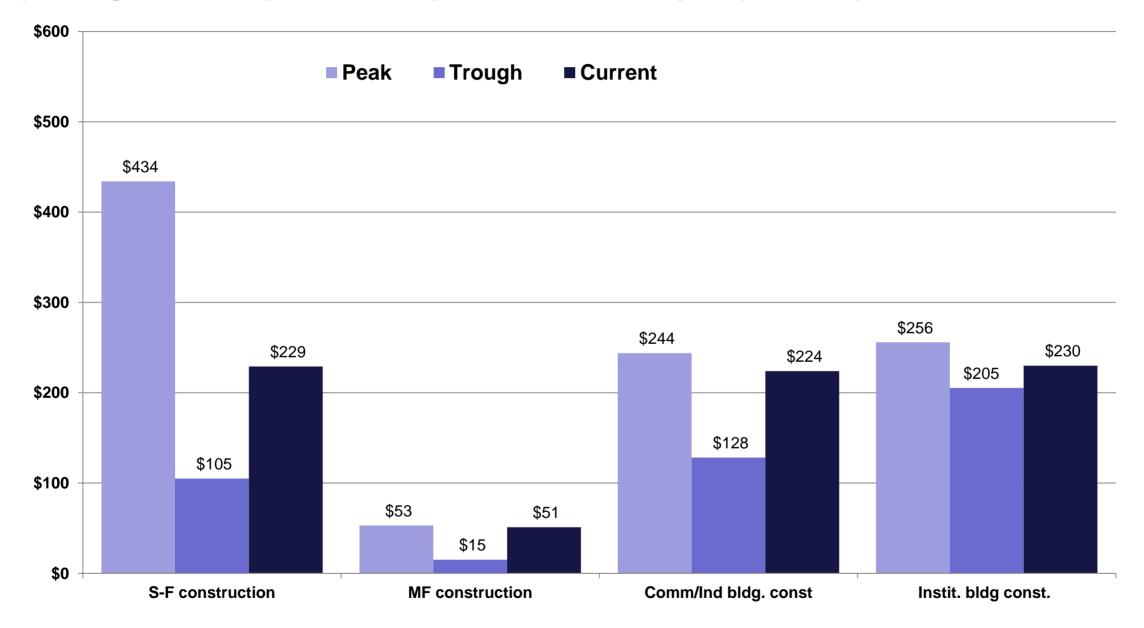
### Topics

- Residential issues: demographic shifts and homeownership.
- Status and trends in commercial and institutional building construction, and the Architecture Billings Index.
- 2016/2017 outlook for nonresidential building spending, and comparison of current forecasts to outlook as of beginning of the year.

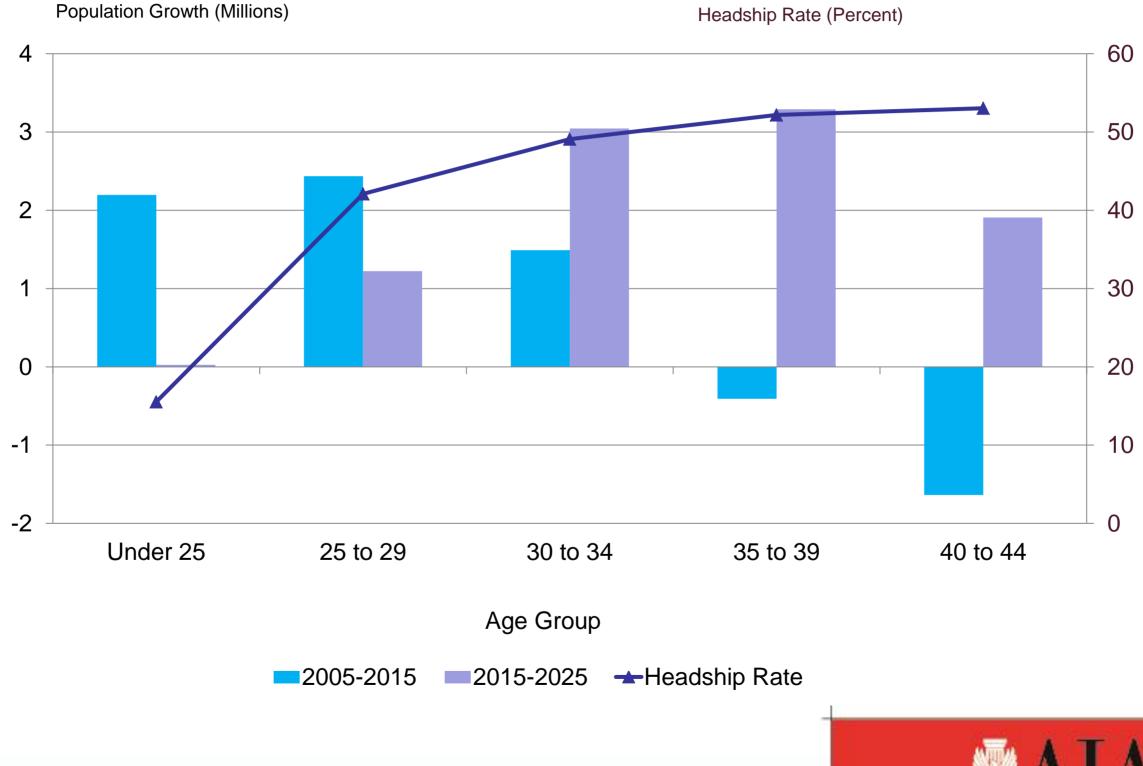


#### Construction Recovery Continues to Plod Along, Particularly for Single-Family Residential

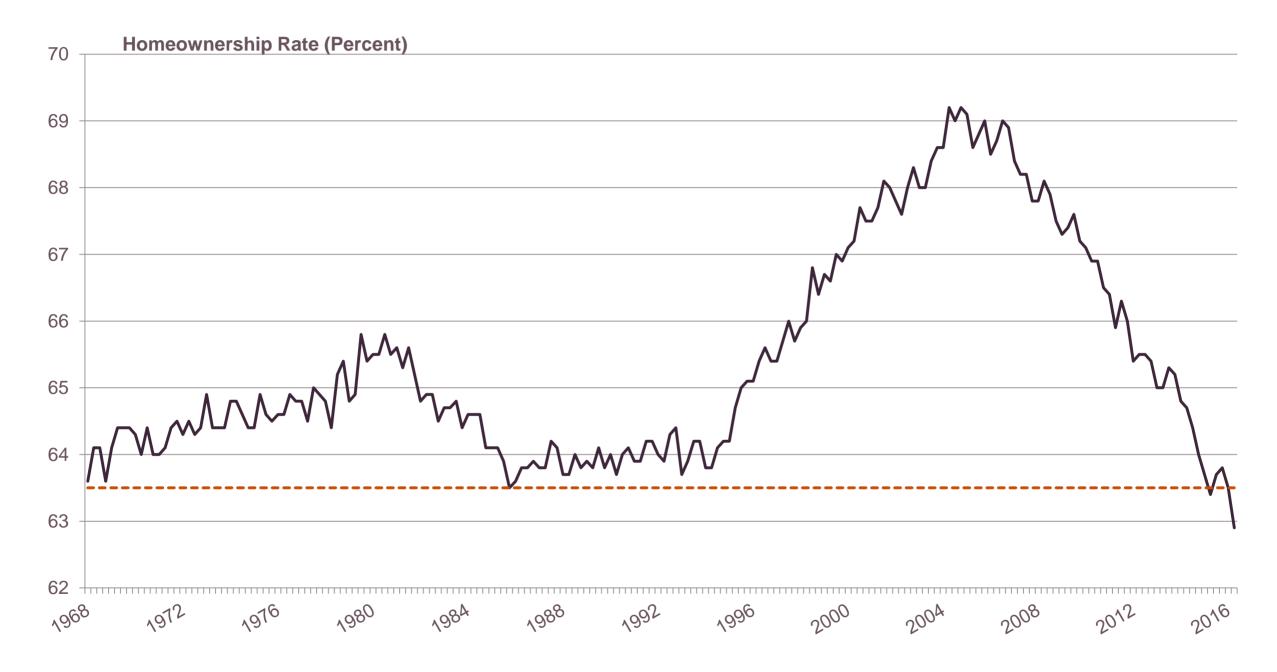
Spending at various points in the past construction cycle (\$Billions)



#### The Millennial Generation is Moving Into Age Ranges with Higher Headship Rates



#### The National Homeownership Rate Has Fallen to Its Lowest Level in a Half Century



Source: JCHS tabulations of US Census Bureau, Housing Vacancy Surveys.

### Nonresidential Building Trends and Outlook





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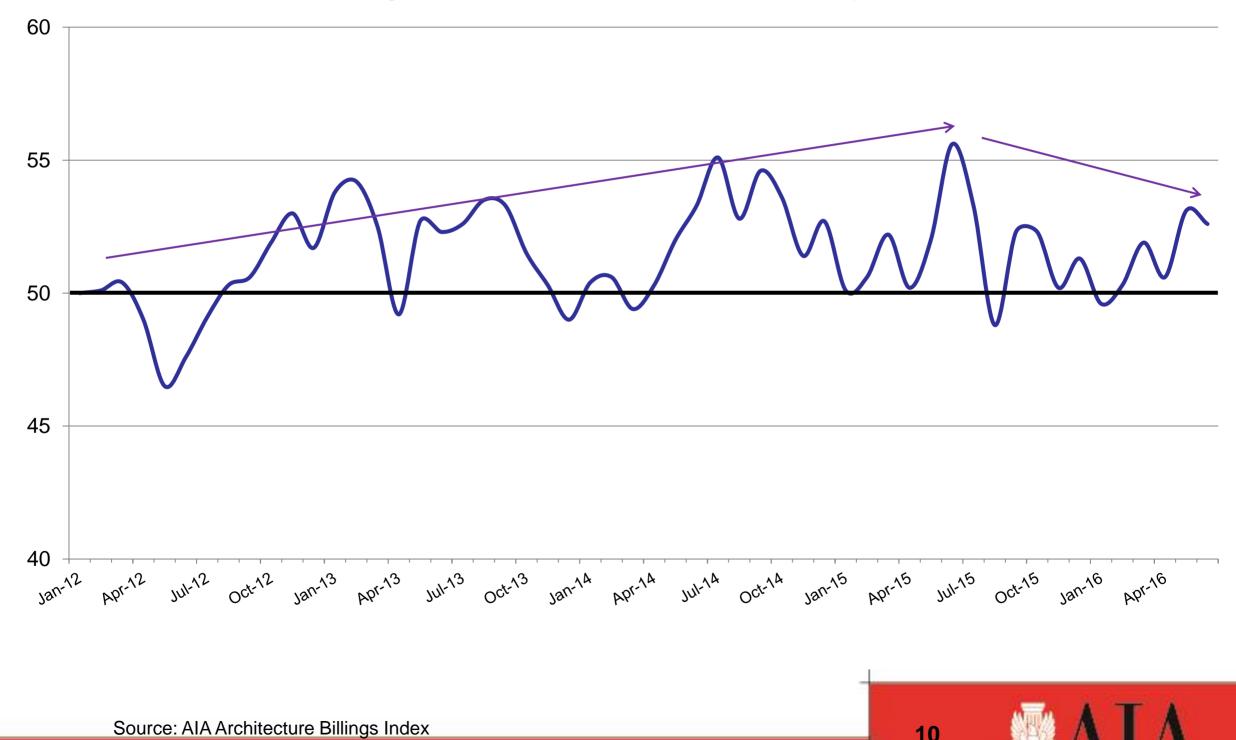
#### First Half 2016 Results Show Nonresidential Building Spending Starting to See Slower Growth

| Billions of \$, NSA, January - June totals |             |             |                 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
|  | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> | <u>% change</u> |
| <b>Total Nonres. Bldg. Construction</b>    | \$219.1     | \$206.0     | 6.3%            |
| Commercial/Industrial                      | 113.2       | 103.4       | 9.5%            |
| Lodging                                    | 12.6        | 10.0        | 26.9%           |
| Office                                     | 30.4        | 25.3        | 20.1%           |
| Commercial (retail and other)              | 34.2        | 31.2        | 9.6%            |
| Manufacturing                              | 36.0        | 36.9        | -2.6%           |
| Institutional                              | 105.8       | 102.6       | 3.2%            |
| Health care                                | 19.6        | 19.2        | 2.2%            |
| Educational                                | 41.0        | 38.6        | 6.2%            |
| Religious                                  | 1.8         | 1.6         | 10.5%           |
| Public safety                              | 3.9         | 4.1         | -6.4%           |
| Amusement and recreation                   | 10.2        | 9.2         | 10.2%           |
| Transportation                             | 20.3        | 20.8        | -2.1%           |
| Communication                              | 9.0         | 9.0         | 0.5%            |



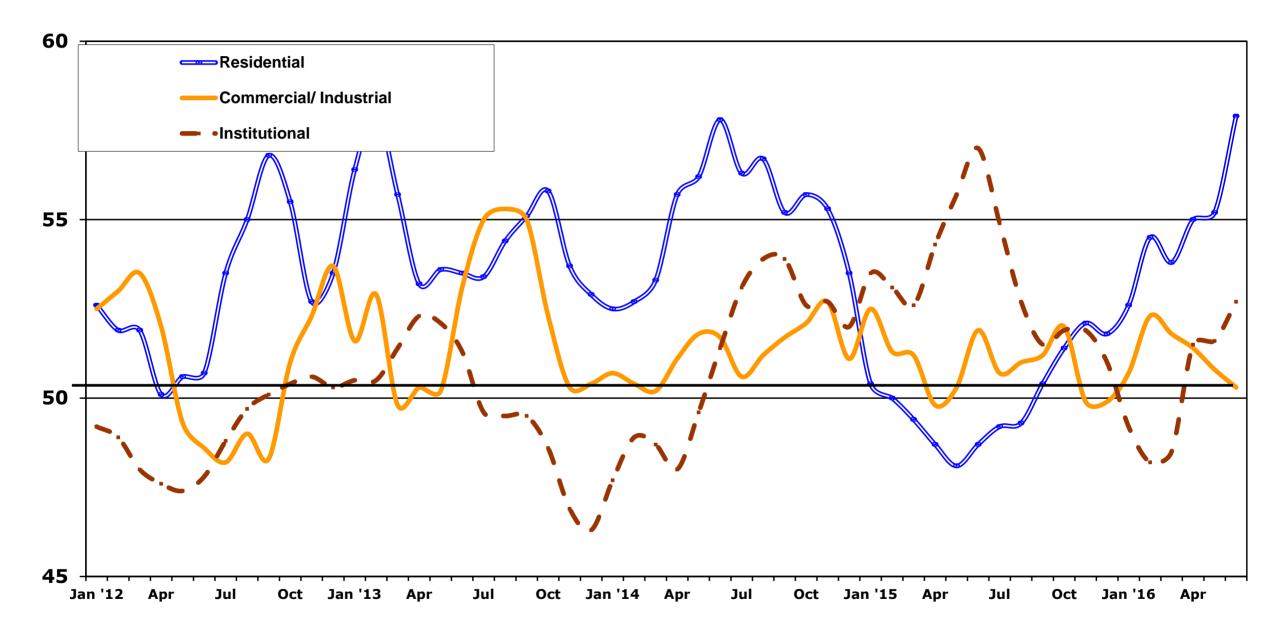
#### Though Remaining Volatile, Pace of Growth in Architecture Billings Seems to be Slowing

diffusion index: 50 = no change from previous month, seasonally adjusted



#### All Major Construction Sectors Seeing Healthy ABI Scores

Billings scores since 2012; index: 50 = no change from previous month

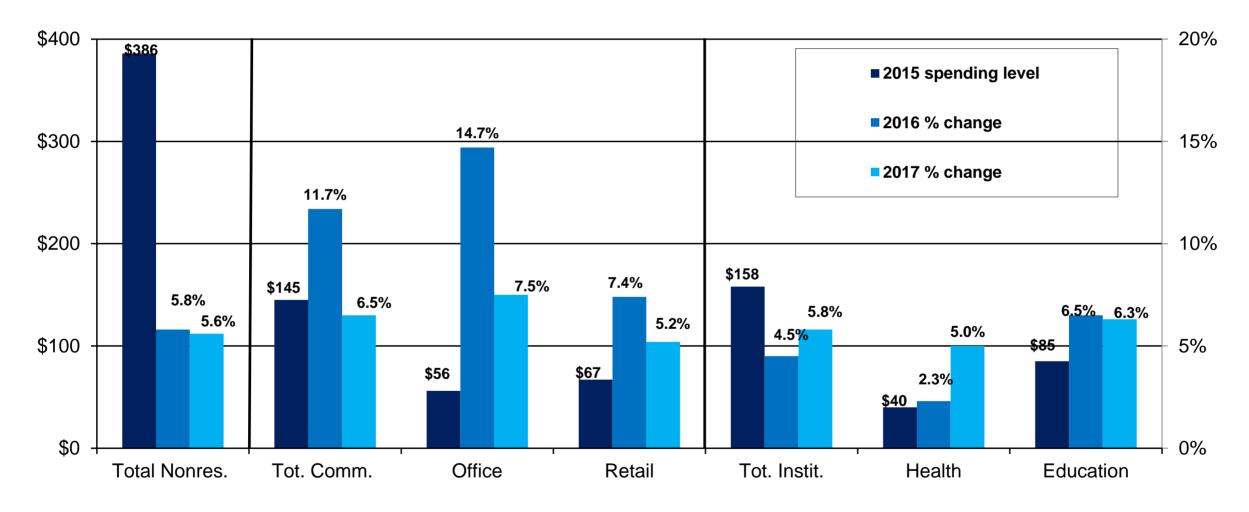


#### Source: AIA Architecture Billings Index

#### Commercial Gains Projected to Moderate as Growth Swings Over to Institutional Categories



annual % change





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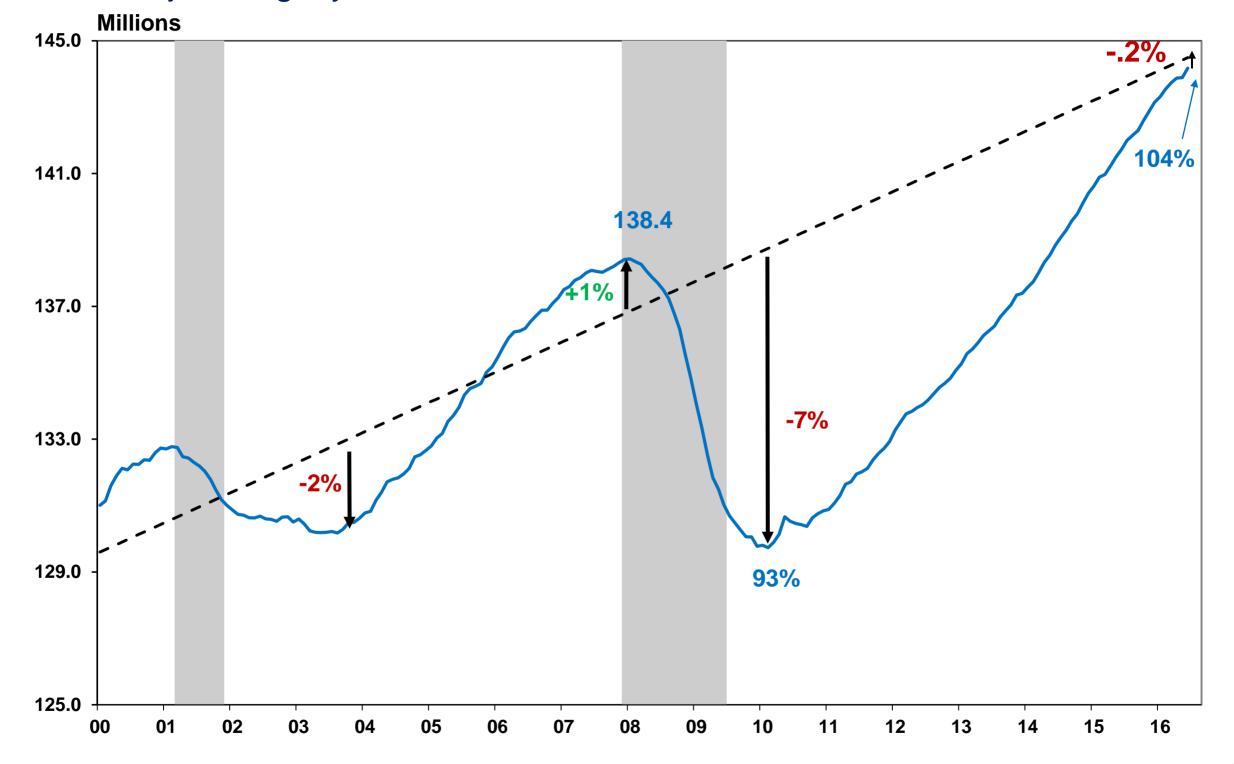
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#### **US Payroll Employment**

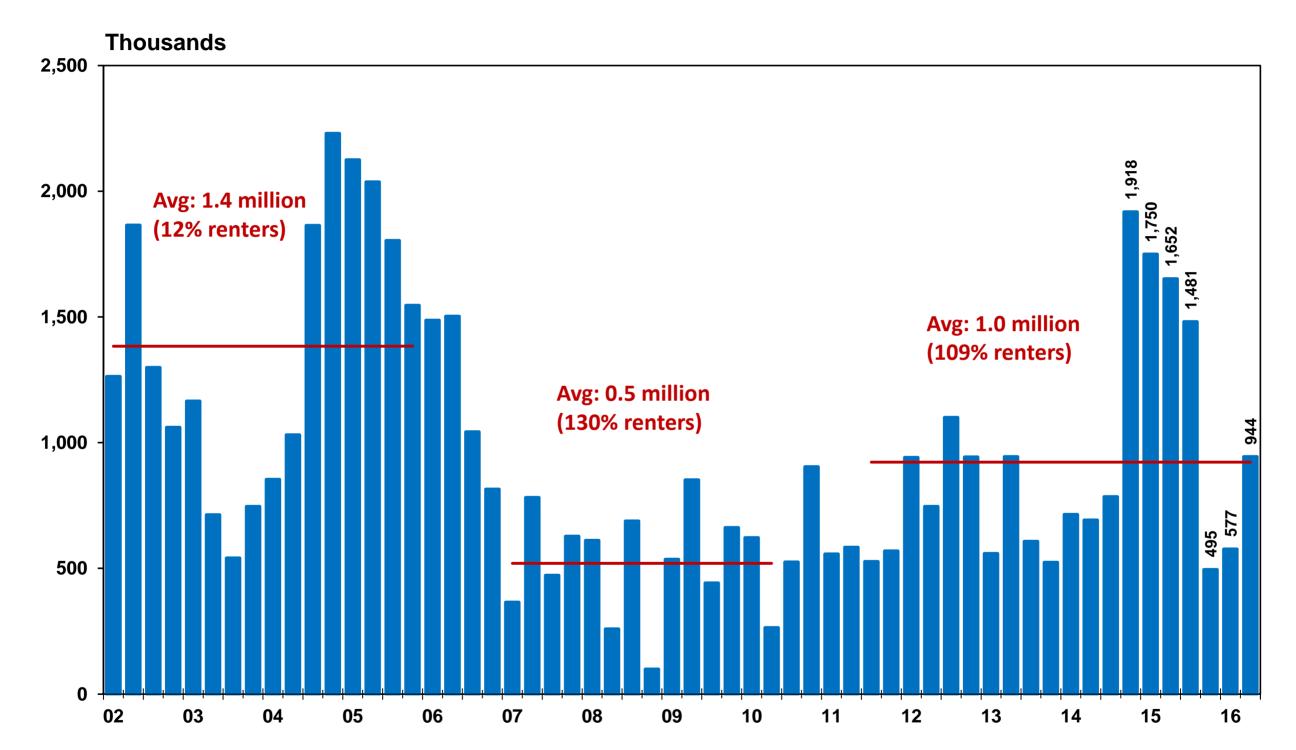
Total jobs slightly below trend





#### **Household Formations**

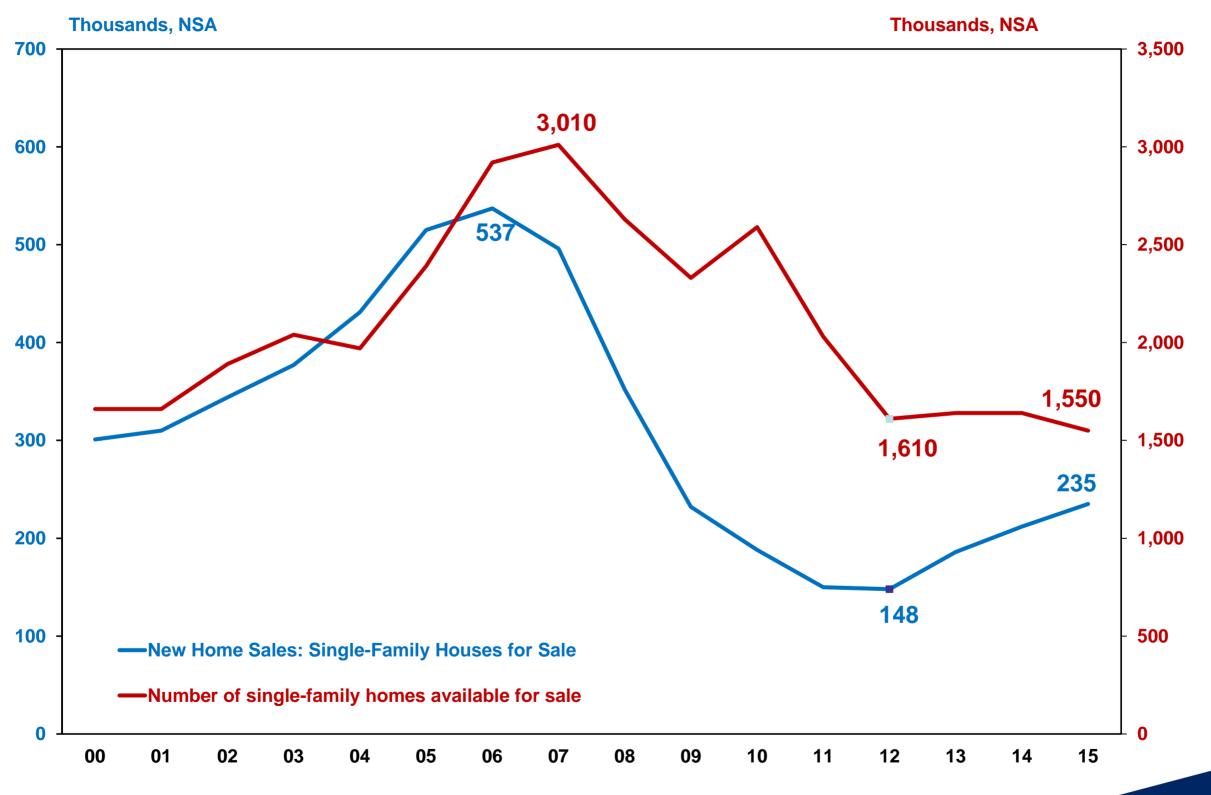
Average yearly growth of household formations has doubled





#### **Low Housing Inventory**

#### Existing home inventory flat





### **Constraints on Building Growth**

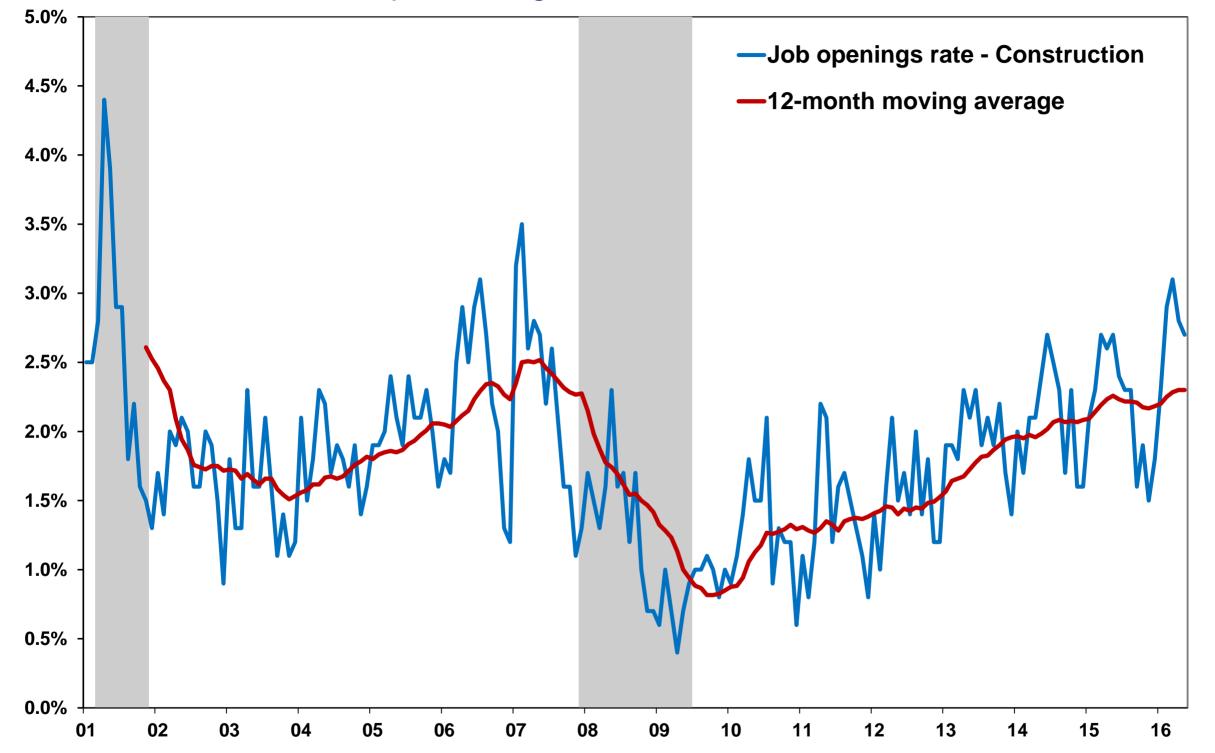
### The Three L's



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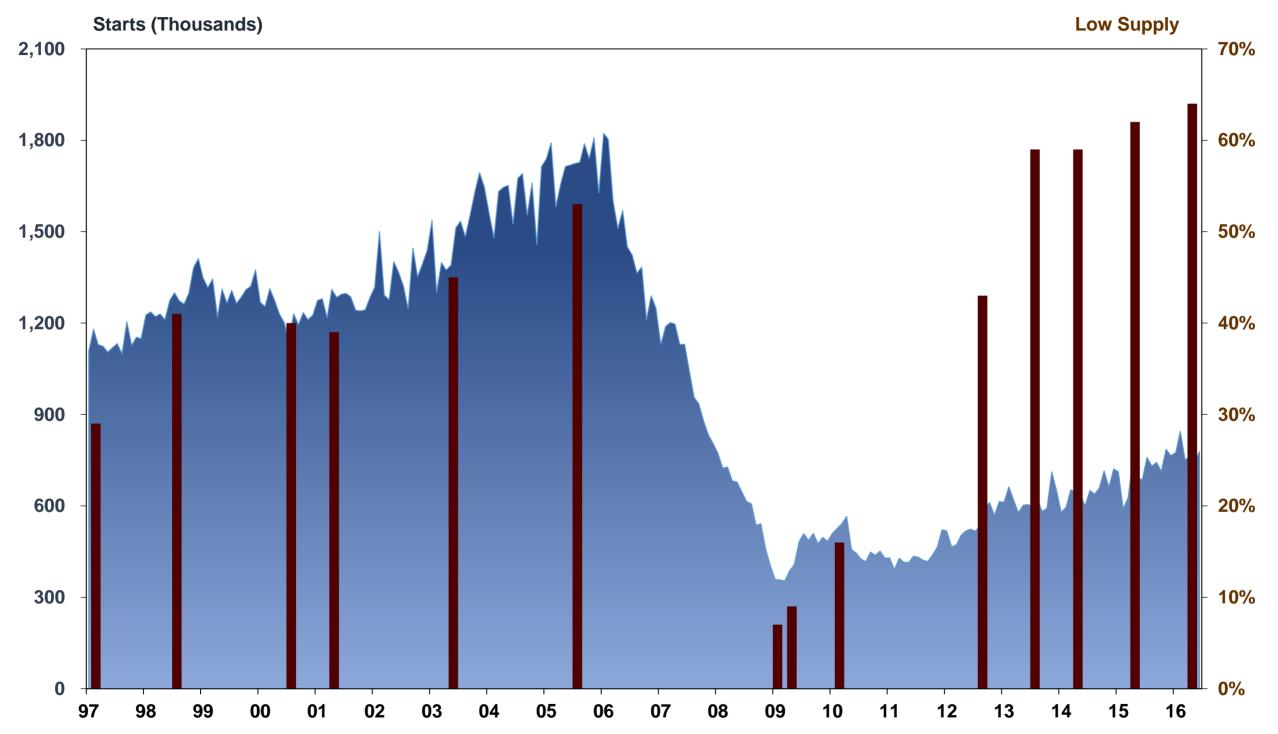
#### Labor

Unfilled construction jobs rising





#### Lots Housing Starts (Area) and Low/Very Low Lot Supply (bars)



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#### **Median Lot Value and Size**

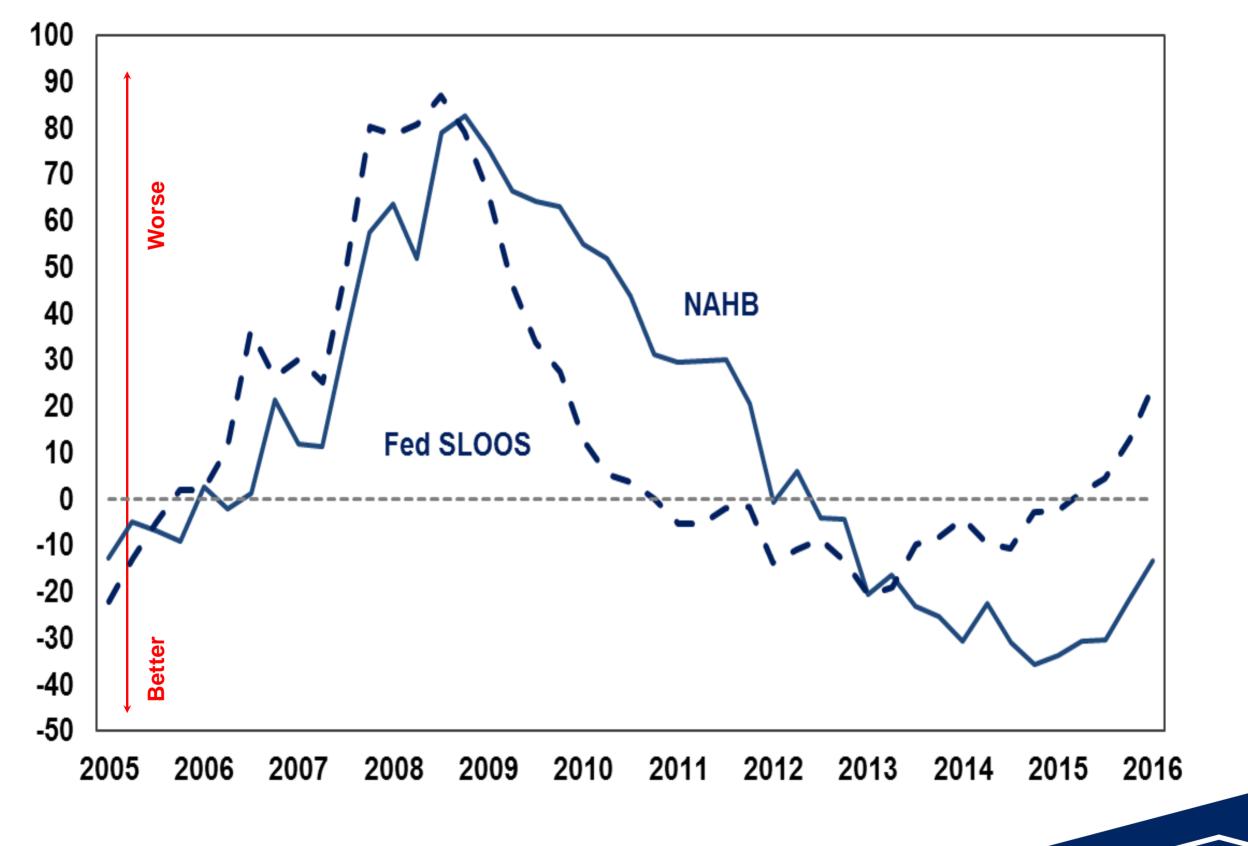
Lot size declining --- lot value increasing





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#### Lending - AD&C Access



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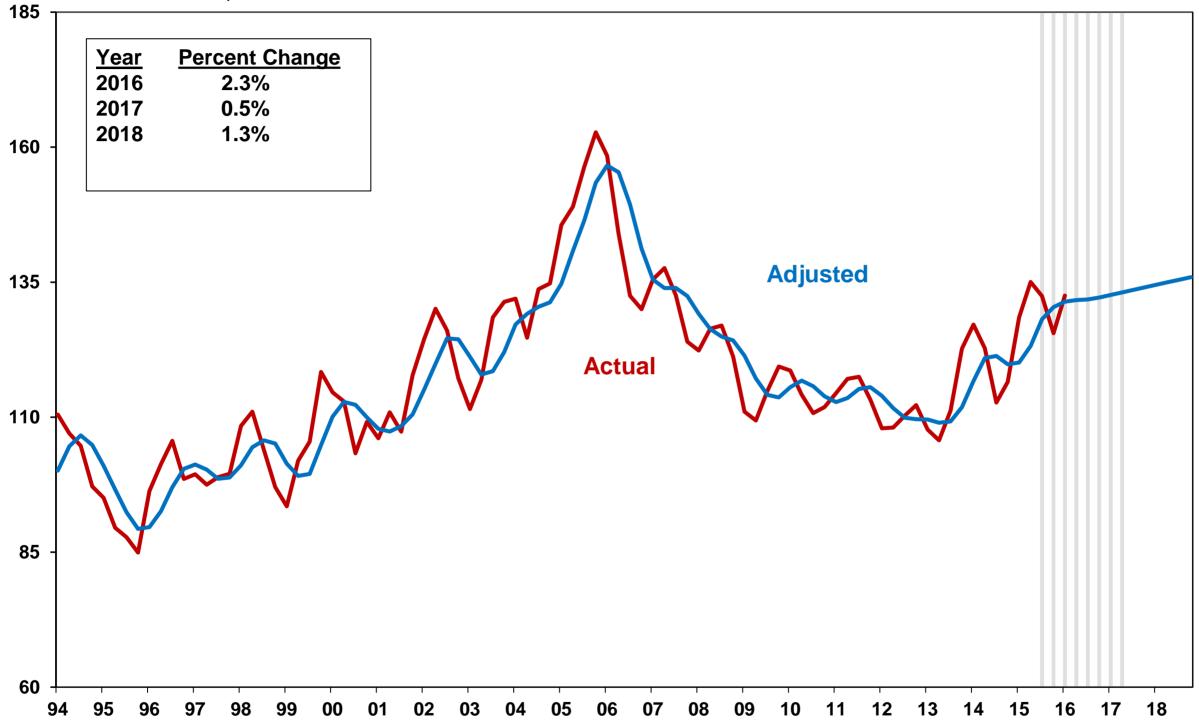
#### **Forecasts**



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#### **Residential Remodeling**

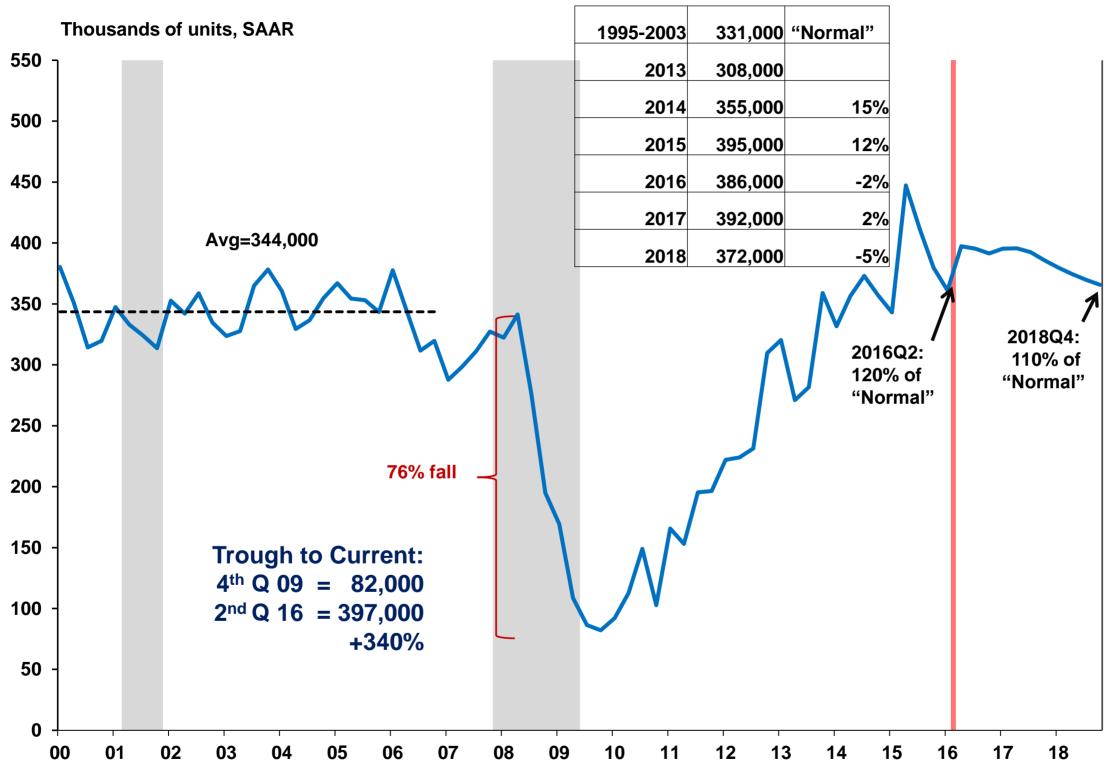
**Billions 2009 USD, SAAR** 





#### **Multifamily Housing Starts**

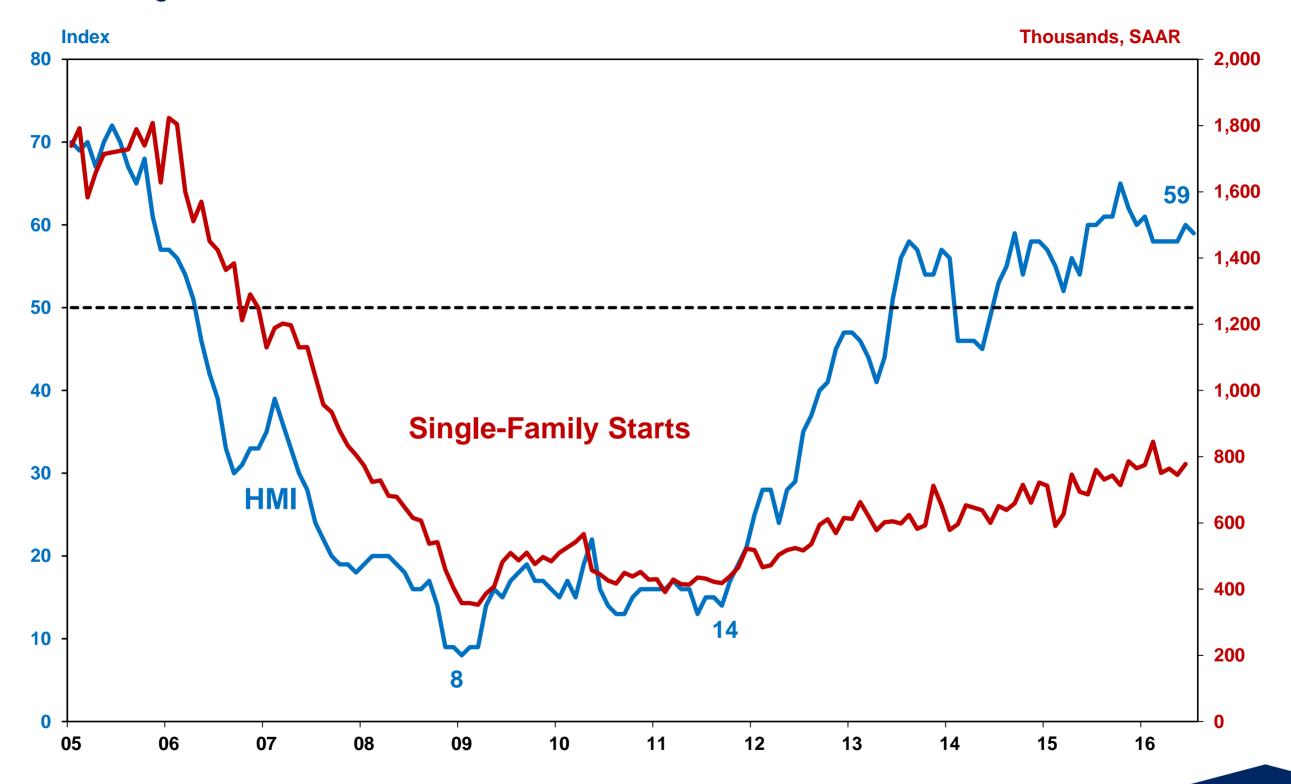
Leveling off





#### **NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Market Index**

The song remains the same

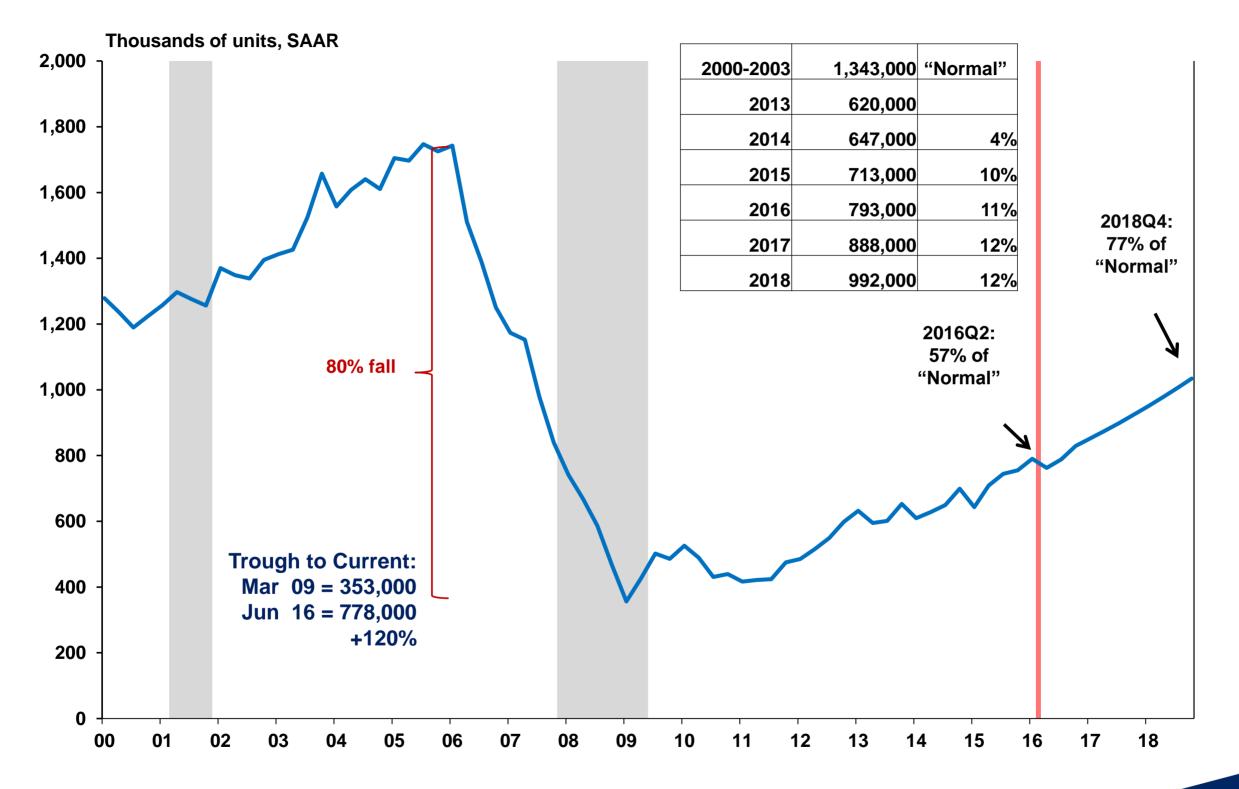




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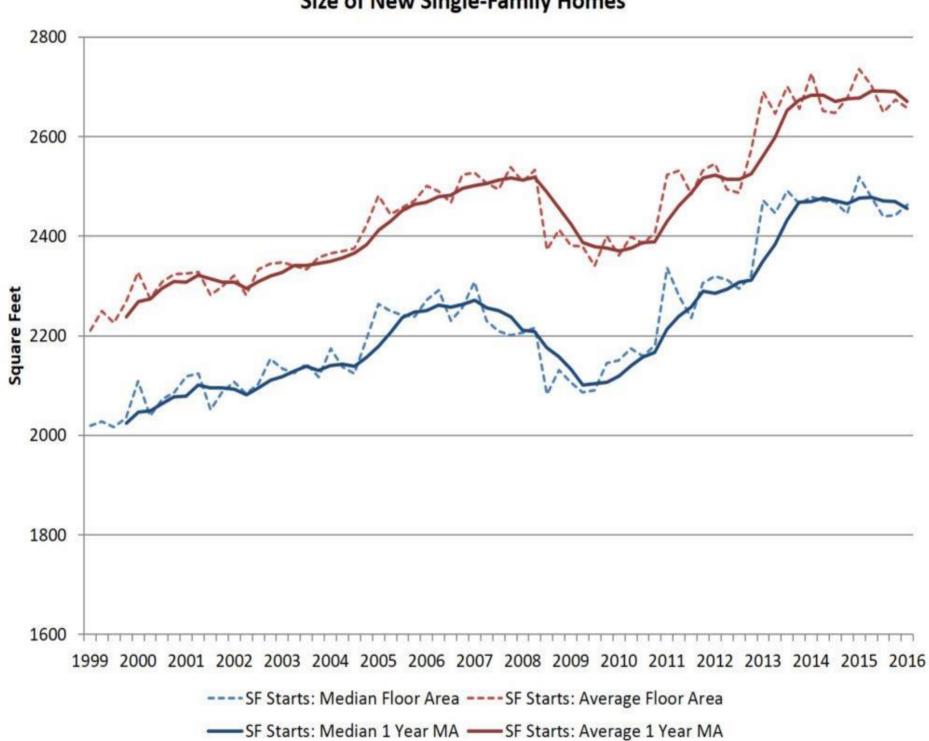
#### **Single-Family Starts**

Growing pains





#### **Home Size Market Shift**



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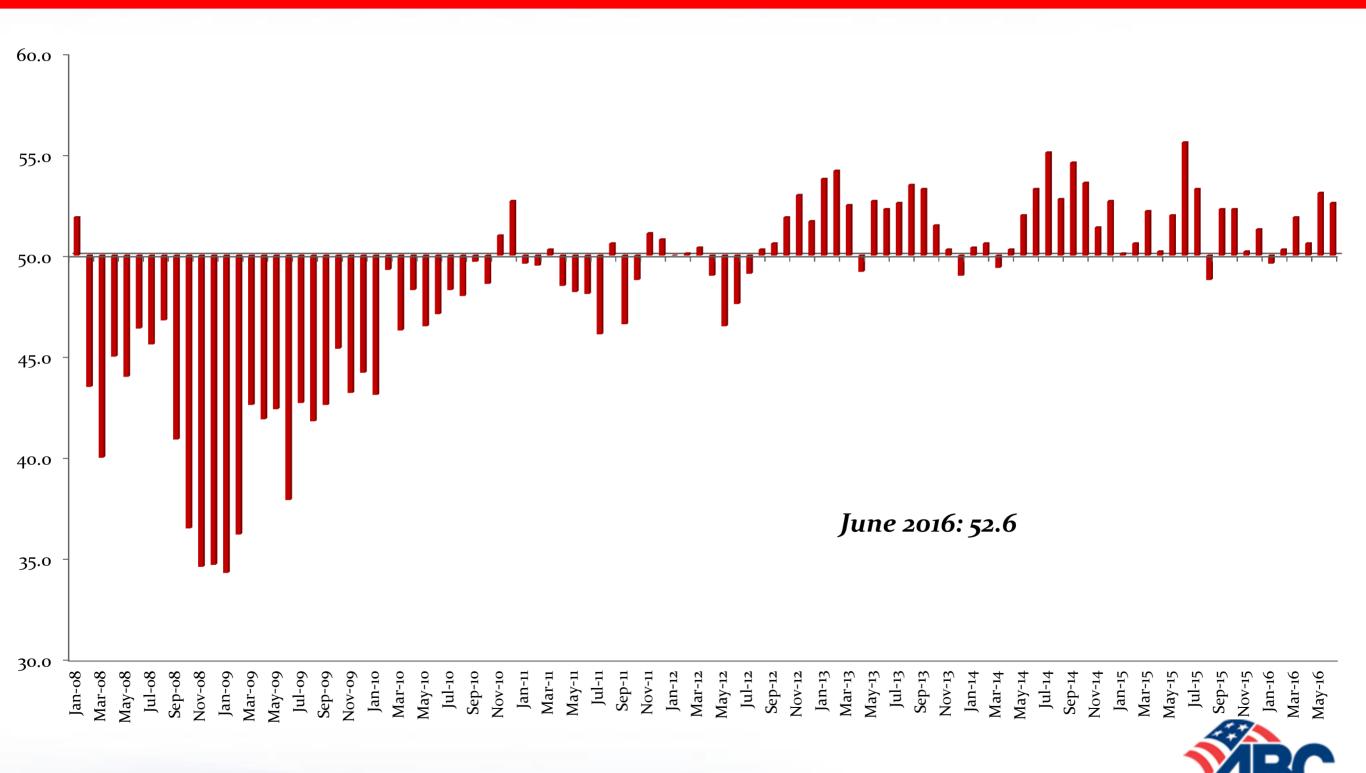
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## **Associated Builders and Contractors**

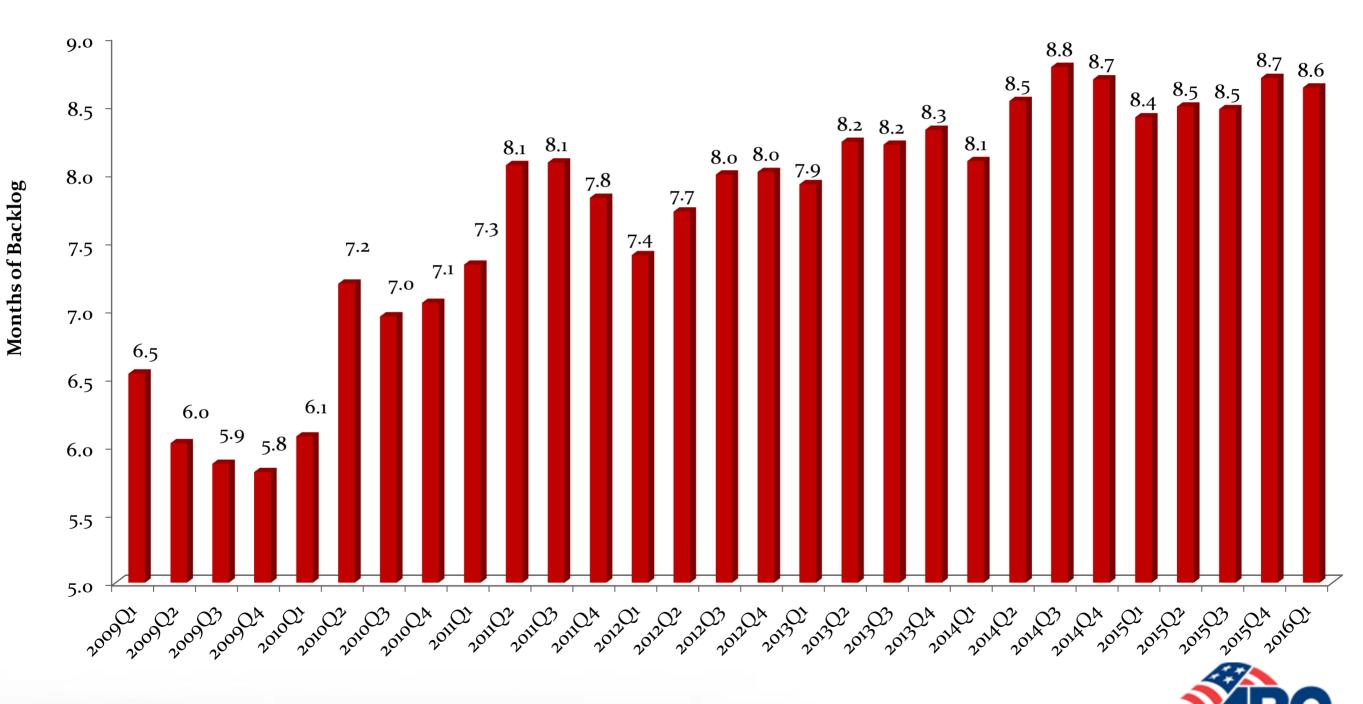


#### **Architecture Billings Index**

January 2008 through June 2016



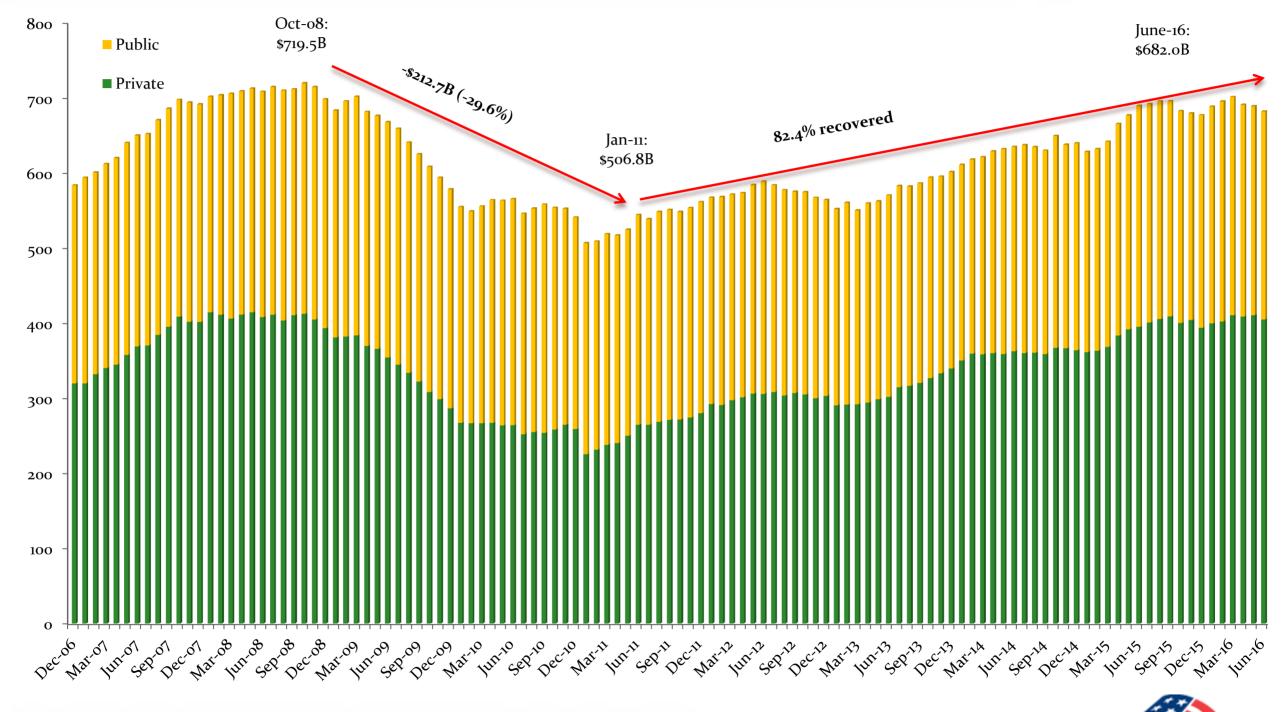
#### ABC's National Construction Backlog Indicator (CBI) Average 2009Q1 through 2016Q1





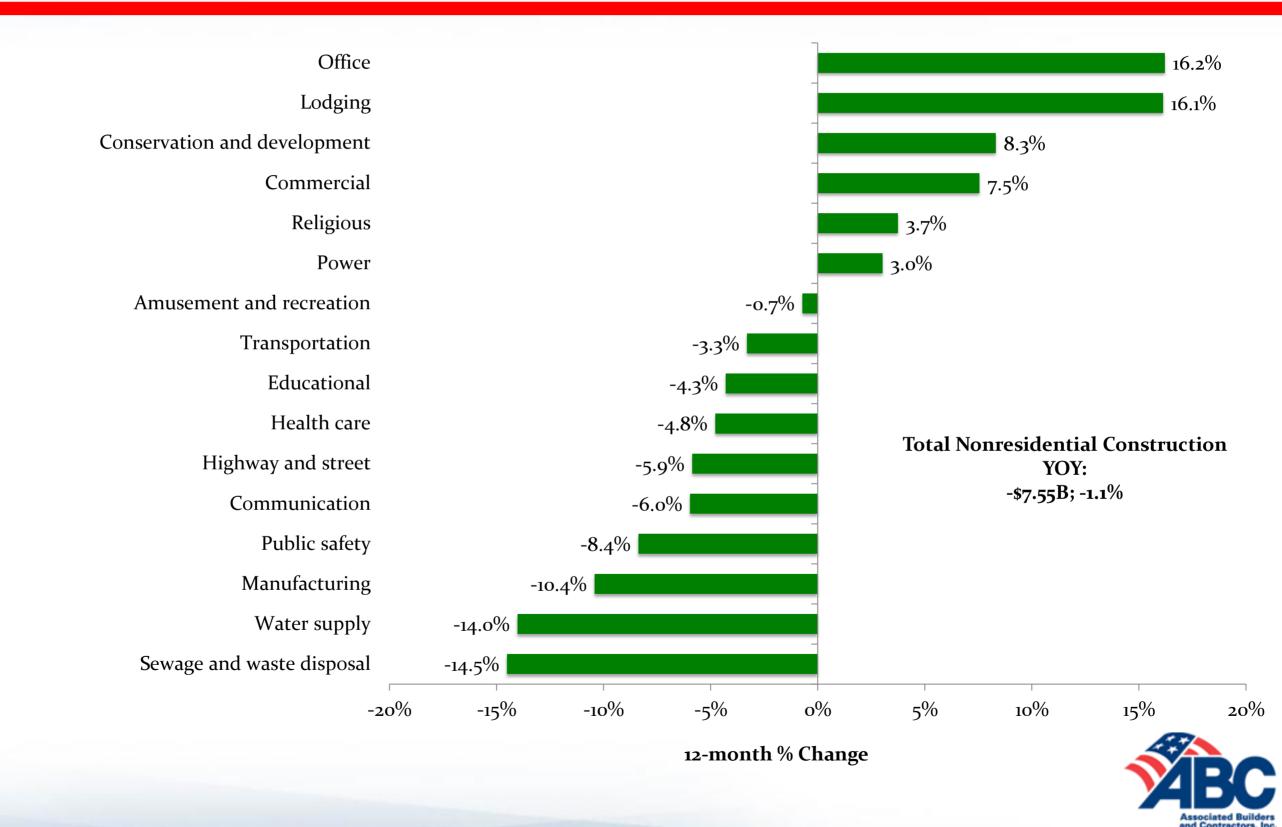
Source: ABC

#### **Nonresidential Construction Put-in-Place** December 2006 through June 2016

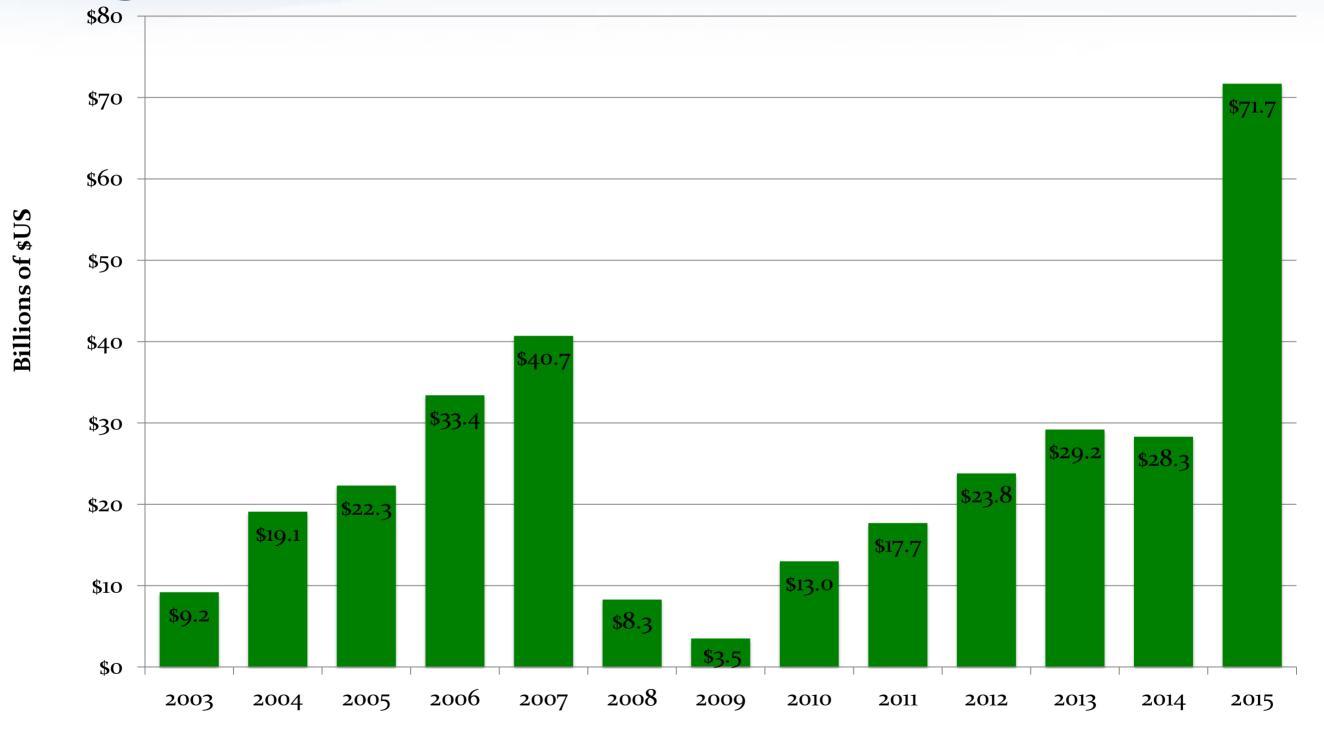




#### National Nonresidential Construction Spending by Subsector June 2015 v. June 2016



# Offshore Investment Sales Volumes Reach New Heights in 2015



Foreign Investment Increases 153.4 Percent in 2015 to \$71.7b



Source: Jones Lang LaSalle; Real Capital Analytics

Note: Among transactions larger than \$5.0 million

#### **National Construction Employment**

Monthly Net Change July 2000 through July 2016





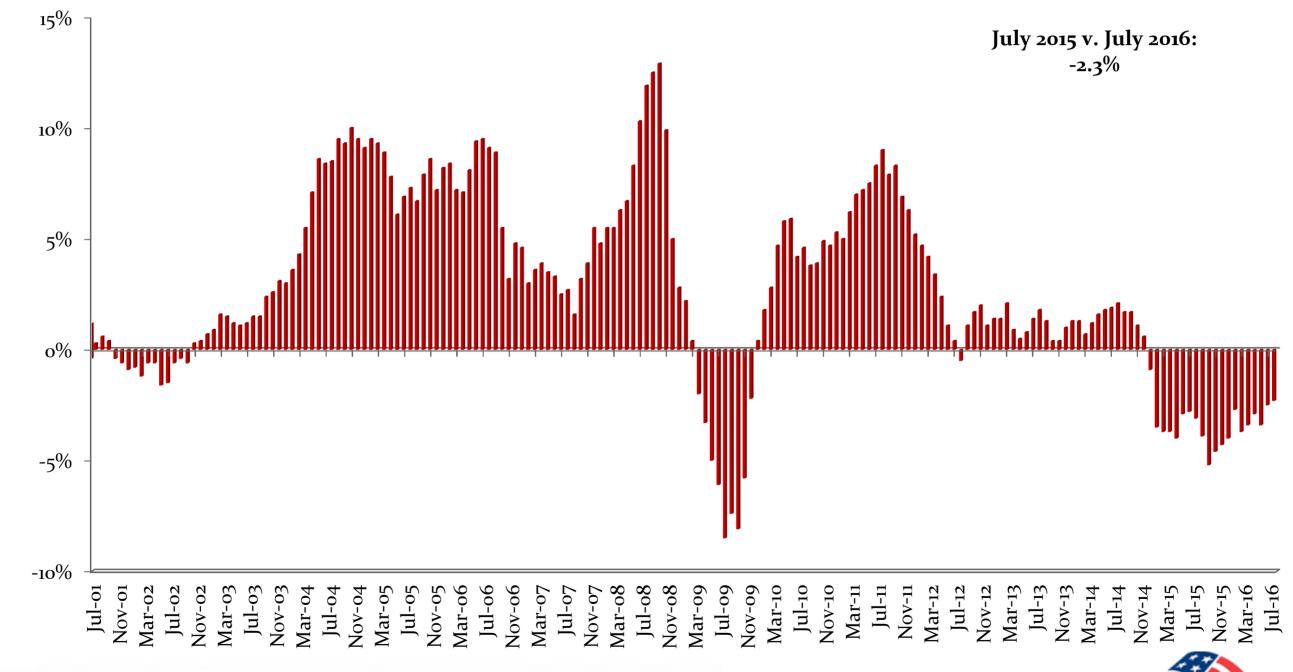
#### **State-by-state Growth in Construction Jobs** June 2015 v. June 2016

| STATE          | Year-over-<br>year Ch.<br>('000) | STATE         | Year-over-<br>year Ch.<br>('000) | STATE                 | Year-over-<br>year Ch.<br>('000) |
|----------------|----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| CALIFORNIA     | 32.3                             | OREGON        | 6.1                              | DELAWARE*             | 0.7                              |
| FLORIDA        | 25.5                             | NEVADA        | 6.0                              | NEW MEXICO            | 0.5                              |
| COLORADO       | 13.2                             | UTAH          | 5.6                              | CONNECTICUT           | 0.4                              |
| WASHINGTON     | 12.5                             | HAWAII*       | 5.5                              | VERMONT               | 0.4                              |
| GEORGIA        | 12.2                             | ILLINOIS      | 3.8                              | NEBRASKA*             | 0.2                              |
| IOWA           | 12.2                             | TENNESSEE*    | 3.8                              | PENNSYLVANIA          | -0.1                             |
| MASSACHUSETTS  | 11.2                             | MINNESOTA     | 3.5                              | RHODE ISLAND          | -0.1                             |
| ARIZONA        | 11.0                             | MISSOURI      | 3.0                              | DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA* | -0.1                             |
| OHIO           | 9.9                              | LOUISIANA     | 2.9                              | ARKANSAS              | -0.3                             |
| NEW YORK       | 8.6                              | MICHIGAN      | 2.4                              | ALASKA                | -0.6                             |
| MARYLAND*      | 8.1                              | IDAHO         | 2.3                              | MONTANA               | -1.1                             |
| NORTH CAROLINA | 7.3                              | TEXAS         | 2.3                              | WYOMING               | -1.5                             |
| WISCONSIN      | 7.1                              | VIRGINIA      | 1.4                              | MAINE                 | -1.7                             |
| OKLAHOMA       | 6.9                              | SOUTH DAKOTA* | 1.2                              | WEST VIRGINIA         | -1.8                             |
| NEW JERSEY     | 6.8                              | MISSISSIPPI   | 1.1                              | ALABAMA               | -2.1                             |
| INDIANA        | 6.7                              | NEW HAMPSHIRE | 1.1                              | KANSAS                | -3.7                             |
| SOUTH CAROLINA | 6.7                              | KENTUCKY      | 0.8                              | NORTH DAKOTA          | -4.3                             |

\*Construction, Mining, and Logging are included in one industry.



#### **Inputs to Construction PPI** July 2001 – July 2016

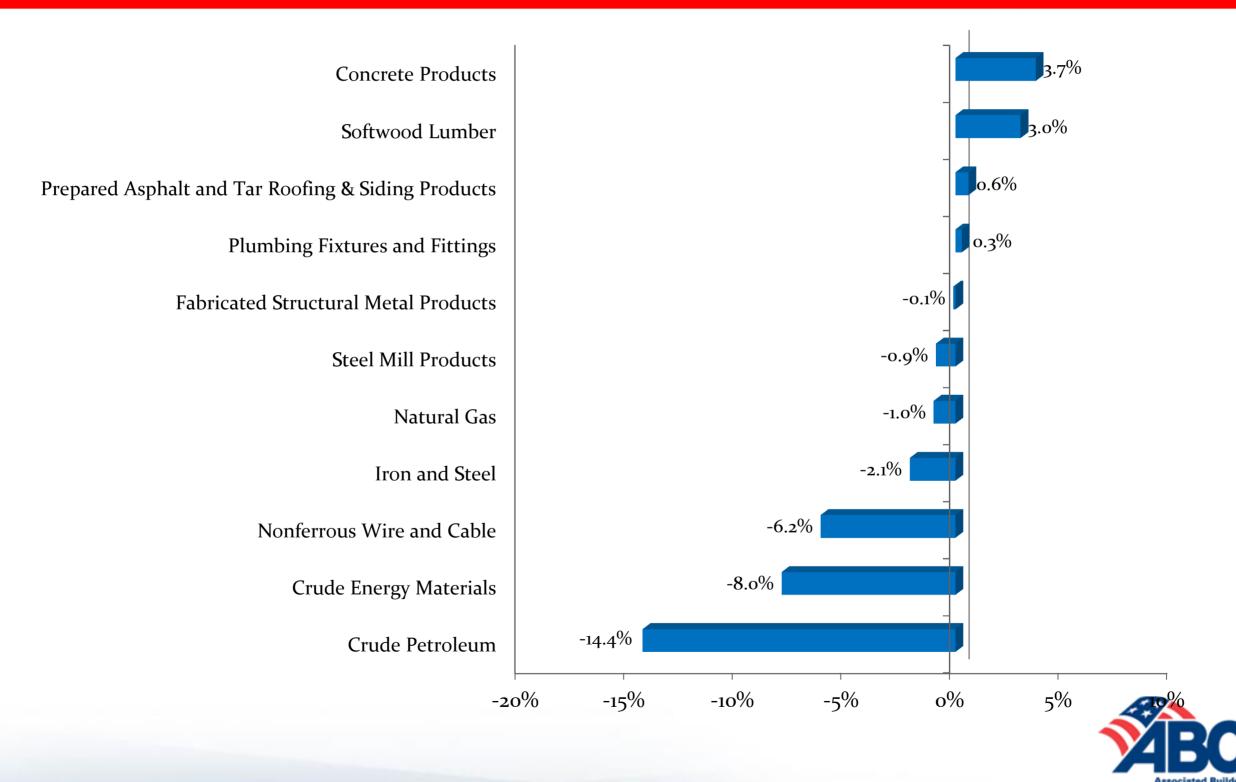




Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

12-month Percent Change

#### **Construction Materials PPI** 12-month % Change as of July 2016



#### Things about which to be Nervous

- Regulators;
- Negative interest rates and other forms of monetary stimulus;
- Stretched asset values in the U.S., perhaps leading to excess investment in certain categories and creating negative wealth effect scenarios;
- Housing activity may be peaking & auto sales may be peaking;
- Consumer delinquencies;
- The usual black swan candidates; &
- Uncertainty surrounding the 2016 election cycle.

#### **Nonresidential Spending Forecast**

| Billions of \$          | 2015 Actual | 2016    | 2017    |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|
| Commercial              | \$144.5     | \$156.9 | \$161.9 |
|                         |             | 8.5%    | 3.2%    |
| Industrial              | \$83.4      | \$80.2  | \$85.0  |
|                         |             | -3.9%   | 6.0%    |
| Institutional           | \$157.9     | \$160.2 | \$164.2 |
|                         |             | 1.5%    | 2.5%    |
| Nonresidential Building | \$385.8     | \$397.2 | \$411.1 |
|                         |             | 3.0%    | 3.5%    |



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## **Questions and Answers**

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