# Construction Industry Snapshot

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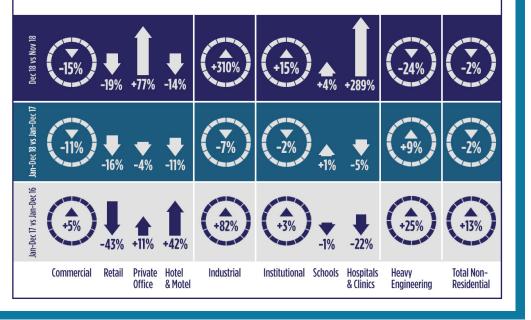
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December 2018 versus the previous five-year average for December, – i.e., from 2013 through 2017, – was +1.6%. Full-year 2018 nonresidential starts versus full-year 2017 were -2.0%.

The starts figures throughout this report are not seasonally adjusted (NSA). Nor are they altered for inflation. They are expressed in what are termed 'current' as opposed to 'constant' dollars.

'Non-residential building' plus 'engineering/civil' work accounts for a larger share of total construction than residential activity. The former's combined proportion of total put-in-place construction in the Census Bureau's latest report, for October, was 59%; the latter's was 41%.

ConstructConnect's construction starts are leading indicators for the Census Bureau's capital investment or put-in-place series. Also, the reporting period for starts is usually one month ahead of the reporting period for the investment series. At present, however, that one-month gap has been extended due to an extraordinary circumstance. One fallout from the partial federal government shutdown has been an absence of Census Bureau workers to process the November put-in-place numbers. With respect to some other key data releases, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is still managing to keep tabs on jobs growth, unemployment and inflation.

According to December's *Employment Situation* report from the BLS, the U.S. construction sector took on an additional 38,000 workers in the final month of 2018. The average monthly climb in 'hard hat' jobs in 2018 was +23,000, a gain of +12.0% compared with 2017's comparable figure of +21,000. The NSA unemployment rate in construction in 2018's final month was 5.1%, up somewhat from November's 3.9%, but better than December 2017's 5.9%.

On a percentage-change basis, U.S. construction sector employment in December was +4.0% year over year. The latest annual staffing changes in other pockets of the economy important to construction were: 'machinery and equipment rental', +9.2%; 'oil and gas extraction', +7.1%; 'architectural and engineering services', +3.0%; 'real estate firms', +2.5%; 'building material and supplies dealers', +0.4%; and 'cement and concrete product manufacturing', +0.2%.

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The small easing (-2.0%) of full-year total nonresidential starts in 2018 versus fullyear 2017 came about because commercial (-11.2%), industrial (-6.8%) and institutional (-2.4%) combined for a degree of decline that engineering (+8.8%) tried valiantly, but failed, to completely offset.

'Roads/highways' made up the largest portion of engineering's 2018 initiations (39%, up from 37% in 2017). Such street starts in December 2018 were -10.8% m/m, but +46.3% y/y and +19.7% ytd. 'Miscellaneous civil' was the next biggest slice of engineering in 2018 (19%, up from 17% in 2017) and, in December, it was also down m/m (-72.0%), but up y/y (+24.6%) and ytd (+19.6%). (In December, ytd was full-year 2018 versus full-year 2017.) The next most important player within civil, 'water/sewer', suffered a significant share decline in 2018 (to 18% from 21%). Its December starts numbers were +2.8% m/m and +20.2% y/y, but -6.9% ytd.

Within commercial starts in full-year 2018 versus full-year 2017, the slices taken by 'private offices' (22%, up from 19%) and 'warehouses' (16%, up from 14%) widened. In December, the percentage changes for the former were +76.9% m/m and +62.0% y/y, but -3.8% ytd; for the latter, they were -70.9% m/m, -59.2% y/y and -7.3% ytd. Two commercial sub-categories with slightly smaller bites in 2018 were 'hotels/motels' (20%, down from 21%) and 'retail/shopping' (13%, down from 14%). 'Hotels/motels' ended 2018 -10.9% ytd; 'retail/shopping', -15.8% ytd.

'School/college' groundbreakings were even more dominant within institutional starts in 2018 than in 2017 (a 56% share, up from 54%). Educational facility starts in December were +3.5% m/m, +29.3% y/y and +0.9% ytd. The addition of 'hospital/clinic,' 'nursing/assisted living' and 'miscellaneous medical' starts to form an overall medical facility sub-category accounted for the next biggest chunk of institutional starts in 2018 (29%, but down from 31% in 2017). Such combined medical facility starts in December were +70.2% m/m and +52.4% y/y, but -8.0% ytd.

Page 5 sets out 12-month moving average trend graphs for many of the key type-of-structure sub-categories. 'Retail' is tapering off badly, as shopkeepers continue to replace bricks-andmortar locations with web-based selling platforms. 'Miscellaneous civil' has also been diving

#### TABLE 1: VALUE OF UNITED STATES CONSTRUCTION STARTS — DECEMBER 2018 (ConstructConnect®)

	Jan - Dec 18 (\$ billions)	% Change Jan-Dec 18 vs Jan-Dec 17	% Change Dec 18 vs Dec 17	% Change Dec 18 vs Nov 18
Hotel/Motel	25.524	-10.9%	12.9%	-13.8%
Retail/Shopping	16.835	-15.8%	-34.0%	-19.3%
Parking Garage	2.785	-20.7%	-40.6%	-13.8%
Amusement	8.214	4.6%	-32.2%	9.4%
Private Office	27.874	-3.8%	62.0%	76.9%
Government Office	10.833	2.5%	35.2%	-19.9%
Laboratory	3.066	2.4%	-29.2%	33.7%
Warehouse	19.983	-7.3%	-59.2%	-70.9%
Miscellaneous Commercial *	12.208	-36.9%	-89.9%	-59.3%
COMMERCIAL (big subset)	127.322	-11.2%	-29.5%	-15.2%
INDUSTRIAL (Manufacturing)	34.263	-6.8%	510.3%	310.4%
Religious	2.059	-8.3%	25.5%	22.8%
Hospital/Clinic	15.787	-5.1%	197.4%	288.5%
Nursing/Assisted Living	10.181	-14.5%	-24.6%	2.5%
Library/Museum	2.746	-23.3%	-5.6%	-40.6%
Fire/Police/Courthouse/Prison	8.124	-3.8%	39.0%	-7.6%
Military	5.571	16.6%	75.4%	-29.4%
School/College	70.063	0.9%	29.3%	3.5%
Miscellaneous Medical	10.337	-5.2%	-12.9%	-34.8%
INSTITUTIONAL	124.868	-2.4%	38.7%	14.9%
Miscellaneous Non-residential	6.981	-8.9%	-26.2%	-33.1%
NONRESIDENTIAL BUILDING	293.434	-7.1%	13.3%	13.4%
Airport	7.166	-42.9%	9.9%	-42.0%
Road/Highway	63.579	19.7%	46.3%	-10.8%
Bridge	23.955	16.2%	9.4%	-0.1%
Dam/Marine	6.874	35.1%	3.7%	-17.4%
Water/Sewage	29.836	-6.9%	20.2%	2.8%
Miscellaneous Civil (power, pipelines, etc.)	31.532	19.6%	24.6%	-72.0%
HEAVY ENGINEERING (Civil)	162.942	8.8%	25.7%	-23.9%
TOTAL NONRESIDENTIAL	456.376	-2.0%	16.9%	-1.7%

\* Includes transportation terminals and sports arenas

Source: ConstructConnect Research Group/Table: ConstructConnect.

of late, but that's after skyrocketing higher in 2017 and first-half 2018. Its present lower perch is still well above historical norms. 'Roads' and 'bridges' are maintaining their upward treks.

Tables B-3 and B-8 of the monthly *Employment Situation* report record average hourly and average weekly wages for industry sectors. B-3 is for all employees (i.e., including bosses) on non-farm payrolls; B-8 is for 'production and non-supervisory personnel' only (i.e., it excludes bosses). For 'all jobs' and construction, there are eight relevant percentage changes to consider.

In December, the economy-wide compensation increases were all in a range of +3.0% to +3.5%. Including bosses (Table B-3), both average hourly and average weekly pay hikes were +3.2%. Excluding bosses (Table B-8), average hourly earnings were +3.3% and average weekly earnings, +3.0%. For construction workers alone (i.e., as a subset of all workers), the earnings advances in December lay between +3.9% y/y and +4.5% y/y. Including supervisory personnel, average hourly and weekly pay raises for on-site employees were +3.9%. Excluding supervisory personnel, construction paycheck flows were even frothier, at +4.2% hourly and +4.5% weekly.

Further on costing, November's results (y/y) for three key BLS Producer Price Index (PPI) series were: construction materials special index, +6.7%; 'inputs to new construction index, excluding capital investment, labor and imports, +4.9%; and 'final demand construction', +5.1%.

The value of construction starts each month is summarized from ConstructConnect's database of all active construction projects in the U.S. Missing project values are estimated with the help of RSMeans' building cost models.

ConstructConnect's nonresidential construction starts series, because it is comprised of total-value estimates for individual projects, some of which are ultra-large, has a history of being more volatile than many other leading indicators for the economy.

ConstructConnect's single-family plus multi-family residential starts in December were -6.7% m/m; -7.3% y/y; and -9.5% ytd. 'Grand total' starts were -3.7% m/m; +6.3% y/y; and -5.0% ytd. ♦ Alex Carrick

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ConstructConnect has moved to a better-targeted and research-assigned 'start' date. (Prior to January 2017, the 'start' date was recorded as occurring within 30 to 60 days of the announced bid date.) In concept, a 'start' is equivalent to ground being broken for a project to proceed. If work is abandoned or re-bid, the 'start' date is revised to reflect the new information.

#### TABLE 2: VALUE OF UNITED STATES CONSTRUCTION STARTS — ConstructConnect® INSIGHT VERSION — DECEMBER 2018 ARRANGED TO MATCH THE ALPHABETICAL CATEGORY DROP-DOWN MENUS IN INSIGHT

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NONRESIDEN	ITIAL BUILDING	293.434	-7.1%	13.3%	13.4
RESIDENTIAL		287.727	-9.5%	-7.3%	-6.7
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	Airport	7.166	-42.9%	9.9%	-42.0
	All Other Civil	24.096	54.2%	27.8%	-78.8
	Bridges	23.955	16.2%	9.4%	-0.3
	Dams / Canals / Marine Work	6.874	35.1%	3.7%	-17.4
	Power Infrastructure	7.436	-30.7%	16.6%	103.9
	Roads	63.579	19.7%	46.3%	-10.8
	Water and Sewage Treatment	29.836	-6.9%	20.2%	2.0
CIVIL		162.942	8.8%	25.7%	-23.9
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c	community	20.020	-31.4%	-68.8%	-28.
	College / University	18.824	-15.5%	46.2%	-21.3
	Elementary / Pre School	19.233	1.8%	10.2%	27.
	Jr / Sr High School	30.287	14.1%	33.1%	19.
	Special / Vocational	1.718	-1.8%	-27.6%	-29.0
E	ducational	70.063	0.9%	29.3%	3.
	Courthouses	1.833	-32.1%	27.0%	56.0
	Fire and Police Stations	3.048	6.7%	27.5%	-10.0
	Government Offices	10.833	2.5%	35.2%	-19.9
_	Prisons	3.243	12.4%	96.1%	-47.0
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	Industrial Labs / Labs / School Labs	3.066	2.4%	-29.2%	33.
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	letail	49.341	-12.4%	-11.2%	-18.3
NONRESIDEN	NTIAL BUILDING	293.434	-7.1%	13.3%	13.4
	Multi-Family	86.532	-26.7%	-8.7%	-0.3
	Single-Family	201.195	0.6%	-6.6%	-9.3
RESIDENTIAL		287.727	-9.5%	-7.3%	-6.
NONRESIDEN		456.376 744.104	-2.0% -5.0%	16.9% 6.3%	-1.7

Table 1 conforms to the type-of-structure ordering adopted by many firms and organizations in the industry. Specifically, it breaks nonresidential building into ICI work (i.e., industrial, commercial and institutional), since each has its own set of economic and demographic drivers. Table 2 presents an alternative, perhaps more user-friendly and intuitive type-of-structure ordering that matches how the data appears in ConstructConnect's on-line product 'Insight'.

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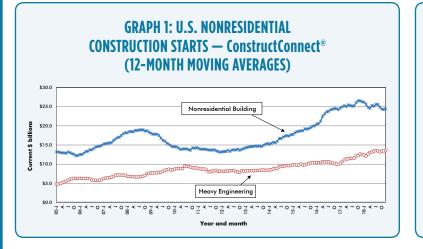
#### TABLE 3: ConstructConnect's TOP 10 PROJECT STARTS IN DECEMBER 2018

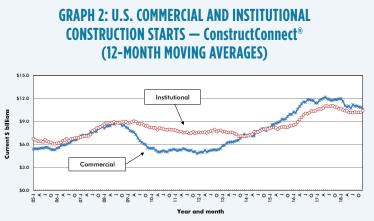
LOCATION (EAST TO WEST)	TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION	DESCRIPTION	SQUARE FEET 000S* DOLLA	RS 000,000S
<b>Massachusetts</b> Boston	Engineering/Civil	Bridge Replacement Br. No. B-16-016 (Concrete) North Washington Street over the Boston Inner Harbor (4 structures) N Washington St Massachusetts Department of Transportation - Highway Division (DOT)	*	\$177
<b>Pennsylvania</b> Philadelphia	Institutional	College House West Residential Dorm/ The University of Pennsylvania (1 structure; 5 stories; 450 units) 40th St and Walnut St University of Pennsylvania - Design and Construction	250	\$163
<b>Virginia</b> Manassas	Industrial	Micron Technology Inc Manassas Plant Expansion "Clean Room" for microchip production (2 structures) 9600 Godwin Dr Micron Technology Inc / Manassas	100	\$3,000
Boydton	Commercial	Microsoft-BN09-13 (Data Center Expansion) (1 structure; 1 story) 101 Herbert Dr Microsoft Corp	450	\$347
<b>Florida</b> Boca Raton	Residential	Alina Residences Boca Raton (2 structures; 11 stories; 793 units) 210-398 SE Mizner Blvd ELAD National Properties	1,342	\$500
<b>Ohio</b> Cleveland	Institutional	MetroHealth Tower (3 structures; 12 stories; 270 beds) 2500 MetroHealth Dr Hammes Company	707	\$1,000
<b>Michigan</b> Detroit	Commercial	Monroe Block Mixed-Use - Block A / Detroit (5 structures; 50 stories) 118 Monroe Ave Rock Ventures LLC	988	\$830
Lansing	Institutional	McLaren Greater Lansing Regional Medical Center (1 structure; 240 beds) Collins Rd and US 127 McLaren Regional Medical Center Greater Lansing	500	\$450
<b>California</b> Los Angeles	Residential	The Grand - Parcel Q (6 structures; 59 stories; 2241 units) 100 S Grand Ave Related California	1,700	\$1,000
Redding	Institutional	Shasta County New Redding Courthouse Project (2 structures; 6 stories) 1500 Court St State of California - Office of Court Construction and Management	177	\$155
TOTALS:			6,214	\$7,622

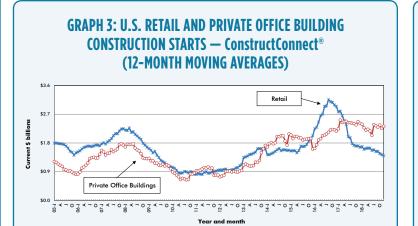
\*A square footage measure does not apply for alteration, some forms of industrial (e.g., petrochemical) and most engineering/civil work.

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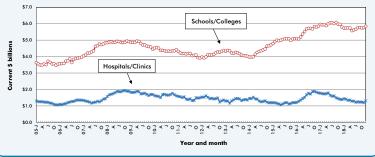
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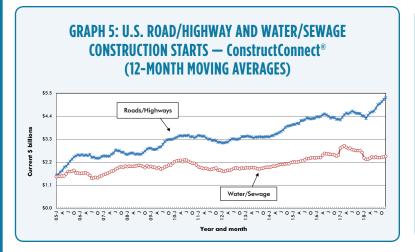




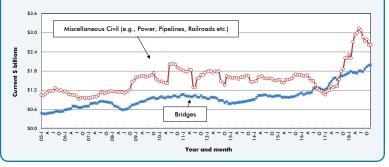


GRAPH 4: U.S. HOSPITAL/CLINIC AND SCHOOL/COLLEGE CONSTRUCTION STARTS — ConstructConnect® (12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGES)





GRAPH 6: U.S. BRIDGES AND MISCELLANEOUS CIVIL CONSTRUCTION STARTS — ConstructConnect® (12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGES)



The last data points in all the graphs are for December, 2018.

Source: ConstructConnect/Charts: ConstructConnect.

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#### TABLE 4: U.S. YEAR-TO-DATE REGIONAL STARTS NONRESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION\* — ConstructConnect®

	Jan-Dec 2017	Jan-Dec 2018	% Chang
Connecticut	\$5,135,560,001	\$3,700,102,931	-28.0%
Maine	\$1,648,950,487	\$2,051,230,061	24.4%
Massachusetts	\$10,230,114,661	\$9,715,649,212	-5.0%
New Hampshire	\$1,348,484,016	\$1,404,471,432	4.2%
Rhode Island	\$1,244,989,344	\$2,646,646,648	112.6%
Vermont	\$741,034,630	\$443,228,351	-40.2%
Total New England	\$20,349,133,139	\$19,961,328,635	-1.9%
New Jersey	\$9,674,408,184	\$7,870,968,568	-18.6%
New York	\$34,883,124,000	\$27,955,760,486	-19.9%
Pennsylvania	\$21,617,241,359	\$13,489,533,515	-37.6%
Total Middle Atlantic	\$66,174,773,543	\$49,316,262,569	-25.5%
TOTAL NORTHEAST	\$86,523,906,682	\$69,277,591,204	-19.9%
Illinois	\$13,094,365,358	\$12,656,831,762	-3.3%
Indiana	\$6,829,555,050	\$8,237,514,089	20.6%
Michigan	\$15,701,290,443	\$10,796,169,190	-31.2%
Ohio	\$14,533,790,619	\$15,935,327,356	9.6%
Wisconsin	\$9,890,263,383	\$19,531,427,745	97.5%
Total East North Central	\$60,049,264,853	\$67,157,270,142	11.8%
lowa	\$5,310,165,332	\$4,924,365,990	-7.3%
Kansas	\$3,838,378,647	\$5,143,030,952	34.0%
Minnesota	\$9,056,011,008	\$8,241,651,940	-9.0%
Missouri	\$8,184,207,405	\$7,562,307,595	-7.6%
Nebraska	\$3,127,046,157	\$2,584,979,189	-17.3%
North Dakota	\$1,928,267,725	\$3,169,191,308	64.4%
South Dakota	\$2,275,666,955	\$1,537,375,215	-32.4%
Total West North Central	\$33,719,743,229	\$33,162,902,189	-1.7%
TOTAL MIDWEST	\$93,769,008,082	\$100,320,172,331	7.0%
Delaware	\$1,510,913,661	\$1,206,065,559	-20.2%
District of Columbia	\$2,471,008,245	\$3,241,990,845	31.2%
Florida	\$30,053,583,483	\$27,715,771,454	-7.8%
Georgia	\$12,446,268,586	\$11,602,149,629	-6.8%
Maryland North Carolina	\$7,441,112,245	\$7,158,361,031	-3.8% 2.8%
South Carolina	\$14,343,410,587 \$7,920,527,637	\$14,752,153,434 \$6,117,411,400	-22.8%
Virginia	\$12,003,139,818	\$17,181,904,260	43.1%
West Virginia	\$1,591,348,152	\$7,361,541,142	362.6%
Total South Atlantic	\$89,781,312,414	\$96,337,348,754	7.3%
Alabama	\$5,522,205,098	\$5,599,650,867	1.4%
Kentucky	\$4,259,911,087	\$6,284,720,759	47.5%
Mississippi	\$2,647,946,340	\$2,266,842,810	-14.4%
Tennessee	\$7,657,531,674	\$8,452,544,604	10.4%
Total East South Central	\$20,087,594,199	\$22,603,759,040	12.5%
Arkansas	\$2,908,585,235	\$3,349,954,782	15.2%
Louisiana	\$5,999,849,449	\$4,839,105,034	-19.3%
Oklahoma	\$6,336,210,925	\$5,910,295,614	-6.7%
Texas	\$59,768,251,909	\$52,980,023,748	-11.4%
Total West South Central	\$75,012,897,518	\$67,079,379,178	-10.6%
TOTAL SOUTH	\$184,881,804,131	\$186,020,486,972	0.6%
Arizona	\$6,800,538,734	\$8,855,704,278	30.2%
Colorado	\$8,850,793,200	\$8,381,834,620	-5.3%
Idaho	\$1,468,091,005	\$1,966,929,055	34.0%
Montana	\$1,067,537,645	\$1,463,941,155	37.1%
Nevada	\$5,020,189,535	\$5,422,006,665	8.0%
New Mexico	\$1,983,466,515	\$2,116,447,640	6.7%
Utah	\$5,398,101,318	\$6,270,421,088	16.2%
Wyoming	\$1,099,712,439	\$1,168,897,863	6.3%
Total Mountain	\$31,688,430,391	\$35,646,182,364	12.5%
Alaska	\$1,681,946,597	\$1,558,762,035	-7.3%
California	\$48,322,432,808	\$42,874,313,539	-11.3%
Hawaii	\$2,011,570,774	\$2,299,362,360	14.3%
Oregon	\$5,649,433,042	\$5,926,782,013	4.9%
Washington	\$11,015,392,733	\$12,452,445,632	13.0%
Total Pacific	\$68,680,775,954	\$65,111,665,579	-5.2%
TOTAL WEST	\$100,369,206,345	\$100,757,847,943	0.4%
TOTAL U.S.	\$465,543,925,240	\$456,376,098,450	-2.0%

\*Figures above are comprised of non-res building and engineering (i.e., residential is omitted).

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#### TABLE 5: VALUE OF U.S. NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS — DECEMBER 2018 — ConstructConnect® BILLIONS OF CURRENT \$S, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (NSA)

	Late	st month actua	als	Moving averages (placed in end month)						Year to Date.		
	Oct 18	Nov 18	Dec 18	Oct 18	3-months Nov 18	Dec 18	Oct 18	12-months Nov 18	Dec 18	Jan-Dec 2017	Jan-Dec 2018	
e Family	16.497	13.356	12.110	17.071	15.514	13.987	17.059	16.837	16.766	199.943	201.19	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-1.2%	-19.0%	-9.3% -6.6%	-3.5% -2.1%	-9.1% -7.2%	-9.8% -9.6%	-0.5% 3.2%	-1.3%	-0.4%	7.1%	0.6	
ment	-5.5%	5.809	-0.0%	7.498	6.863	6.474	7.560	7.257	7.211	117.978	86.53	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	13.3% -23.4%	-26.0% -38.5%	-0.8% -8.7%	2.8% -22.3%	-8.5% -27.8%	-5.7% -25.3%	-2.6% -21.9%	-4.0% -26.5%	-0.6% -26.7%	35.7%	-26.7	
AL RESIDENTIAL	24.347	19.164	17.873	24.570	22.377	20.461	24.619	24.094	23.977	317.921	287.72	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	3.1% -12.1%	-21.3% -24.7%	-6.7% -7.3%	-1.6% -9.3%	-8.9% -14.6%	-8.6% -15.3%	-1.1% -6.1%	-2.1% -9.2%	-0.5% -9.5%	16.2%	-9.5	
/Motel nth-over-month % change	2.183 -0.8%	1.755 -19.6%	1.514	1.984 10.4%	2.046 3.1%	1.817 -11.2%	2.122 -0.7%	2.113 -0.5%	2.127 0.7%	28.645	25.52	
ır-over-year % change	-7.2%	-6.2%	12.9%	-12.8%	-7.1%	-2.0%	-10.6%	-11.7%	-10.9%	41.5%	-10.9	
l/Shopping nth-over-month % change	1.047 -23.0%	0.931	0.752	1.230 -15.5%	1.113 -9.5%	0.910 -18.2%	1.472 -4.4%	1.435 -2.5%	1.403 -2.2%	19.999	16.83	
ır-over-year % change ng Garages	-43.5% 0.167	-32.2% 0.380	-34.0% 0.328	-27.3%	-26.7%	-37.5% 0.292	-13.6%	-16.1%	-15.8%	-43.4% 3.514	-15.8	
nth-over-month % change	18.3%	127.2%	-13.8%	-11.3%	43.8%	27.1%	-11.3%	7.8%	-7.5%			
r-over-year % change sement	-68.1%	132.5%	-40.6% 0.590	-45.4% 0.798	-21.9%	-29.4% 0.770	-18.0%	-5.3%	-20.7% 0.684	-22.8% 7.854	-20.7 8.21	
nth-over-month % change ir-over-year % change	55.3% 76.1%	-54.3% 46.9%	9.4% -32.2%	41.2% 28.7%	3.6% 52.5%	-6.9% 21.1%	6.5% 6.8%	2.1% 14.0%	-3.3% 4.6%	21.4%	4.6	
9	2.410	40.9%	-32.2%	1.804	1.701	1.871	2.360	2.258	4.0%	21.4%	27.87	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	56.9% 48.6%	-52.0% -51.6%	76.9% 62.0%	-36.6% -3.1%	-5.7% -16.2%	10.0% 6.4%	2.9% -0.3%	-4.3% -8.5%	2.9% -3.8%	11.2%	-3.8	
rnmental Offices	0.958	0.914	0.732	1.096	1.045	0.868	0.863	0.887	0.903	10.572	10.83	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-24.2% 22.8%	-4.6% 45.6%	-19.9% 35.2%	3.4% 41.0%	-4.7% 46.8%	-16.9% 33.6%	1.7% -10.0%	2.8% -6.9%	1.8% 2.5%	-19.3%	2.5	
ratories	0.203	0.175	0.234	0.255 -33.7%	0.242	0.204 -15.7%	0.263 -0.7%	0.264 0.1%	0.255 -3.1%	2.994	3.06	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-10.0%	1.7%	-29.2%	52.5%	19.2%	-16.0%	12.3%	12.4%	2.4%	-23.6%	2.4	
house nth-over-month % change	1.620	1.698	0.493	1.756 -8.6%	1.789 1.9%	1.271 -29.0%	1.694 -0.3%	1.725 1.8%	1.665 -3.5%	21.567	19.98	
ır-over-year % change	-4.1%	28.1%	-59.2%	-9.3%	10.3%	-9.8%	-5.1%	-3.3%	-7.3%	45.9%	-7.3	
Commercial nth-over-month % change	0.629	0.654 4.0%	0.266	0.542 -47.7%	0.639 17.8%	0.516 -19.2%	1.217 -9.0%	1.214 -0.3%	1.017 -16.2%	19.332	12.20	
r-over-year % change	-69.6% 10.397	-5.5% 8.204	-89.9% 6.955	-51.4% 9.626	-44.3% 9.631	-71.2% 8.519	-19.8% 10.918	-15.7% 10.853	-36.9% 10.610	53.1% 143.452	-36.9 127.32	
nth-over-month % change	1.0%	-21.1%	-15.2%	-14.4%	0.1%	-11.5%	-1.0%	-0.6%	-2.2%			
r-over-year % change	-11.8%	-8.7% 0.825	-29.5% 3.385	-10.4% 3.097	-6.2% 1.828	-16.6% 2.261	-8.1% 2.653	-8.5%	-11.2% 2.855	4.7%	-11.2 34.26	
nth-over-month % change ir-over-year % change	23.4% -65.1%	-68.0% -32.6%	310.4% 510.3%	18.1% -55.0%	-41.0% -71.9%	23.7% -25.8%	-13.1% -14.8%	-1.3% -16.7%	9.0% -6.8%	81.9%	-6.8	
ous	0.115	0.144	0.177	0.159	0.149	0.145	0.166	0.169	0.172	2.246	2.05	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-39.4% -46.4%	25.2% 27.4%	22.8% 25.5%	-2.1% -6.9%	-6.1% -2.6%	-2.9% -6.9%	-4.7% -12.8%	1.6% -10.4%	1.8% -8.3%	29.2%	-8.3	
tials/Clinics	1.059	0.548	2.129	1.121	0.809	1.245	1.234	1.198	1.316	16.628	15.78	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	29.1% 9.3%	-48.2% -44.1%	288.5% 197.4%	6.6% 6.7%	-27.8% -20.6%	53.9% 40.2%	0.6% -14.6%	-2.9% -14.1%	9.8% -5.1%	-22.4%	-5.1	
ing/Assisted Living nth-over-month % change	1.082 40.7%	0.657	0.673	0.821	0.836	0.804	0.910 0.4%	0.867 -4.7%	0.848 -2.1%	11.906	10.18	
r-over-year % change	4.6%	-43.9%	-24.6%	-13.9%	-20.3%	-22.1%	-5.5%	-12.1%	-14.5%	22.4%	-14.5	
ries/Museums nth-over-month % change	0.389 43.7%	0.254	0.151	0.279 34.0%	0.304 8.9%	0.264 -13.1%	0.221 7.0%	0.230 4.0%	0.229	3.582	2.74	
r-over-year % change Police/Courthouse/Prison	81.1% 1.034	70.3% 0.747	-5.6% 0.690	-9.2% 0.770	33.9% 0.725	51.6% 0.824	-31.3% 0.637	-29.7% 0.661	-23.3% 0.677	11.5% 8.441	-23.3 8.12	
nth-over-month % change	161.1%	-27.7%	-7.6%	6.8%	-5.8%	13.5%	4.1%	3.8%	2.4%			
ır-over-year % change ıry	41.4%	62.6% 0.685	39.0% 0.484	12.8%	18.3%	46.5% 0.669	-9.0%	-5.7%	-3.8% 0.464	40.8%	-3.8 5.57	
, nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	49.4% 14.2%	-18.1% 41.3%	-29.4% 75.4%	33.0% 10.3%	10.9% 8.9%	-3.7% 34.3%	2.1% 7.8%	3.9% 16.3%	3.9% 16.6%	2.1%	16.6	
ols/Colleges	4.388	41.3%	4.203	5.055	4.357	4.218	5.731	5.759	5.839	69.453	70.06	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-5.0% -8.9%	-7.4% 9.2%	3.5% 29.3%	-14.4% 6.1%	-13.8% 0.2%	-3.2% 7.4%	-0.6% -3.9%	0.5% -3.3%	1.4% 0.9%	-0.9%	0.9	
Medical	0.646	0.716	0.467	0.859	0.854	0.610	0.867	0.867	0.861	10.909	10.33	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-46.1% -19.4%	10.8% 0.8%	-34.8% -12.9%	-9.3% -17.7%	-0.6% 6.7%	-28.6% -10.7%	-1.5% -5.7%	0.1% -6.3%	-0.7% -5.2%	39.5%	-5.2	
AL INSTITUTIONAL nth-over-month % change	9.549 8.2%	7.813	8.974	9.690 -4.7%	8.729 -9.9%	8.779 0.6%	10.195 0.0%	10.197 0.0%	10.406 2.0%	127.941	124.86	
r-over-year % change	0.4%	0.3%	38.7%	1.6%	-1.4%	10.8%	-6.5%	-6.1%	-2.4%	2.6%	-2.4	
Non Residential nth-over-month % change	0.646 9.9%	0.473 -26.8%	0.316	0.577 -8.2%	0.569 -1.5%	0.478 -15.9%	0.598 0.7%	0.591 -1.1%	0.582	7.661	6.98	
ır-over-year % change	7.9%	-14.5%	-26.2%	-17.5%	-10.2%	-9.2%	-10.0%	-9.8%	-8.9%	-11.5%	-8.9	
AL NON-RES BUILDING nth-over-month % change	23.167 6.3%	17.314 -25.3%	19.630 13.4%	22.990 -6.8%	20.758 -9.7%	20.037 -3.5%	24.363 -2.0%	24.260 -0.4%	24.453 0.8%	315.802	293.43	
rr-over-year % change rts	-20.8%	-6.6% 0.404	13.3% 0.235	-17.5%	-20.9%	-7.7% 0.550	-8.3%	-8.5%	-7.1% 0.597	8.7%	-7.1 7.10	
nth-over-month % change	81.8%	-60.1%	-42.0%	20.3%	-10.7%	-16.3%	-3.8%	0.2%	0.3%			
ır-over-year % change s/Highways	-21.7%	4.4%	9.9% 3.552	-65.6% 5.156	-67.7% 4.296	-12.8% 3.982	-44.1% 5.093	-44.0% 5.205	-42.9% 5.298	88.3% 53.103	-42.9	
nth-over-month % change ir-over-year % change	-1.8% 34.6%	-9.7% 50.8%	-10.8% 46.3%	-16.0% 32.2%	-16.7% 31.0%	-7.3% 43.1%	1.9% 12.3%	2.2% 14.9%	1.8% 19.7%	3.9%	19.7	
es	1.714	1.785	1.783	1.927	2.060	1.761	1.939	1.983	1.996	20.610	23.9	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	-36.1% 84.8%	4.2% 42.7%	-0.1% 9.4%	-2.2% 37.5%	6.9% 66.4%	-14.5% 38.7%	3.5% 17.4%	2.3% 17.7%	0.6% 16.2%	42.1%	16.2	
s/Marine	1.087	0.585	0.483	0.825	0.818	0.718	0.576	0.571	0.573	5.089	6.8	
nth-over-month % change ır-over-year % change	39.1% 89.7%	-46.2% -8.5%	-17.4% 3.7%	29.4% 108.0%	-0.8% 64.0%	-12.2% 28.4%	8.0% 49.8%	-0.8% 38.5%	0.3% 35.1%	36.1%	35.1	
r/Sewage nth-over-month % change	2.434	2.023	2.080	2.241	2.213	2.179 -1.6%	2.435	2.457	2.486 1.2%	32.041	29.8	
ır-over-year % change	6.6%	14.9%	20.2%	-3.9%	7.8%	13.2%	-11.6%	-10.9%	-6.9%	5.2%	-6.9	
Civil (Power, etc.) nth-over-month % change	2.558 -0.5%	3.022 18.1%	0.846	1.986 45.0%	2.717 36.8%	2.142 -21.2%	2.797 2.2%	2.614 -6.6%	2.628 0.5%	26.358	31.5	
r-over-year % change	39.8%	-42.1%	24.6%	-36.1%	-27.3%	-16.9%	50.0%	18.2%	19.6%	100.1%	19.0	
AL ENGINEERING (Civil) nth-over-month % change	13.218 -0.4%	11.801 -10.7%	8.979 -23.9%	12.872 -1.3%	12.763 -0.8%	11.333 -11.2%	13.434 1.9%	13.426 -0.1%	13.579 1.1%	149.742	162.9	
r-over-year % change	29.8% 60.732	-0.8% 48.280	25.7% 46.482	-3.1% 60.431	-0.6% 55.898	16.3% 51.831	9.6% 62.416	6.0% 61.780	8.8%	25.1% 783.465	8.8 744.10	
nth-over-month % change	3.5%	-20.5%	-3.7%	-3.6%	-7.5%	-7.3%	-0.8%	-1.0%	0.4%			
r-over-year % change I-RES BLDG + ENGINEERING	-9.6% <b>36.385</b>	-13.6% <b>29.115</b>	6.3% <b>28.609</b>	-11.4% 35.861	-14.4% 33.521	-6.8% <b>31.370</b>	-4.0% 37.797	-6.0% <b>37.686</b>	-5.0% <b>38.031</b>	14.5% 465.544	-5.0 456.37	
onth-over-month % change	3.8%	-20.0%	-1.7%	-4.9%	-6.5%	-6.4%	-0.7%	-0.3%	0.9%		-2.0	
I-RES BLDG + ENGINEERING	36.385	29.115	28.609	35.861	33.521	31.370		37.797	37.797 37.686 -0.7% -0.3%	37.797 37.686 38.031 -0.7% -0.3% 0.9%	37.797 37.686 38.031 465.544 -0.7% -0.3% 0.9%	

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