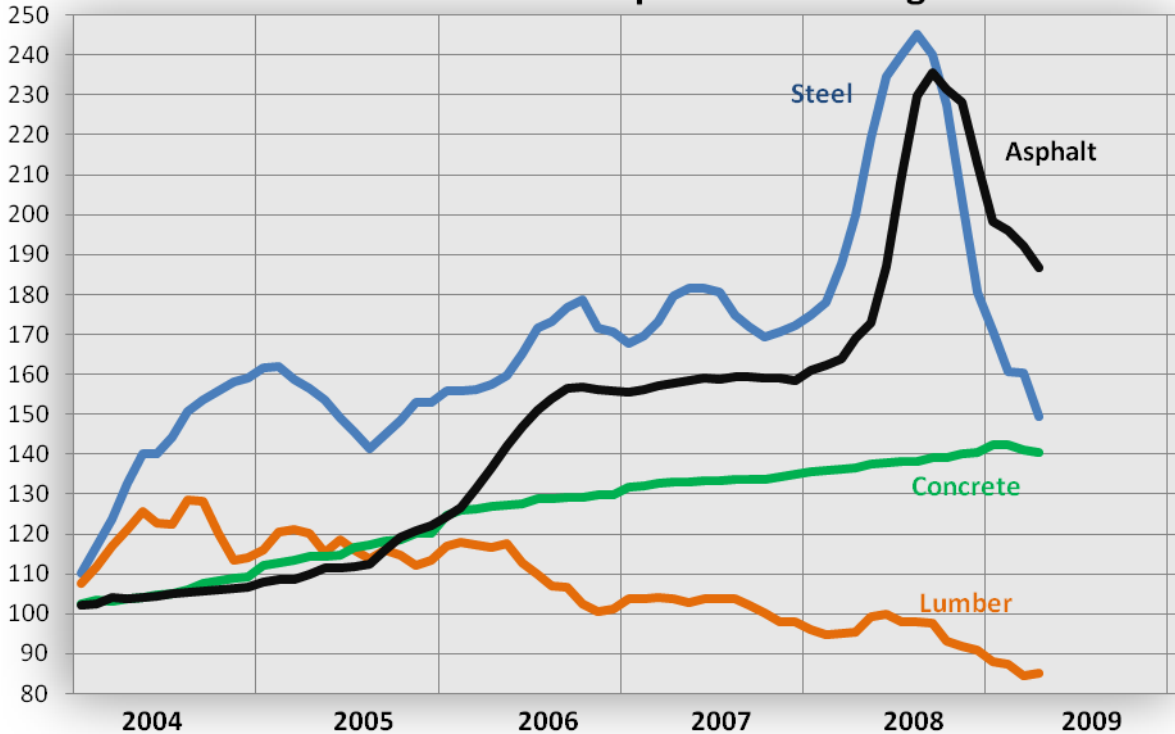


Market Research

Producer Price Indices - Competitive Building Materials



| | Annual | | | Monthly | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | Nov-08 | Dec-08 | Jan-09(p) | Feb-09(p) | Mar-09(p) | Apr-09(p) |
| Steel Mill Products | 166.1 | 174.5 | 211.2 | 203.8 | 180.6 | 171.0 | 160.6 | 160.4 | 149.3 |
| % Change Year Ago | 9.1% | 5.0% | 21.0% | 19.3% | 4.8% | -2.2% | -9.8% | -14.6% | -25.4% |
| % Change Month Ago | | | | -7.7% | -11.4% | -5.3% | -6.1% | -0.1% | -6.9% |
| Lumber | 110.6 | 102.4 | 95.8 | 91.9 | 90.8 | 88.2 | 87.4 | 84.6 | 85.2 |
| % Change Year Ago | -5.1% | -7.4% | -6.4% | -6.3% | -7.4% | -8.1% | -8.0% | -11.0% | -10.7% |
| % Change Month Ago | | | | -1.7% | -1.1% | -2.9% | -0.9% | -3.2% | 0.7% |
| Concrete Products | 127.8 | 133.3 | 138.0 | 140.0 | 140.5 | 142.4 | 142.3 | 141.0 | 140.6 |
| % Change Year Ago | 10.1% | 4.3% | 3.5% | 4.2% | 4.2% | 5.0% | 4.8% | 3.6% | 2.8% |
| % Change Month Ago | | | | 0.1% | 0.4% | 1.4% | -0.1% | -0.9% | -0.3% |
| Asphalt* | 144.9 | 158.2 | 197.4 | 228.1 | 212.7 | 198.2 | 196.1 | 192.3 | 186.6 |
| % Change Year Ago | 27.8% | 9.2% | 24.8% | 43.5% | 34.3% | 23.1% | 21.0% | 17.4% | 10.5% |
| % Change Month Ago | | | | -0.7% | -6.7% | -6.8% | -1.0% | -1.9% | -3.0% |

(p) = Preliminary data

Base Year: 2002 = 100

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Steel prices decreased for the eighth consecutive month, decreasing by 6.9% from March to April. Asphalt prices decreased 3.0% from the previous month. Lumber prices increased by 0.7% from March to April after seven consecutive months of declines. Concrete prices decreased by 0.3% from the previous month.

Steel prices have decreased 25.4% within the last year. Asphalt prices have grown 10.5% and concrete prices grew by 2.8%. Over the last year lumber prices have declined by 10.7%.

PCA Market Research provides this information to aid in the promotion of concrete and cement-based products.