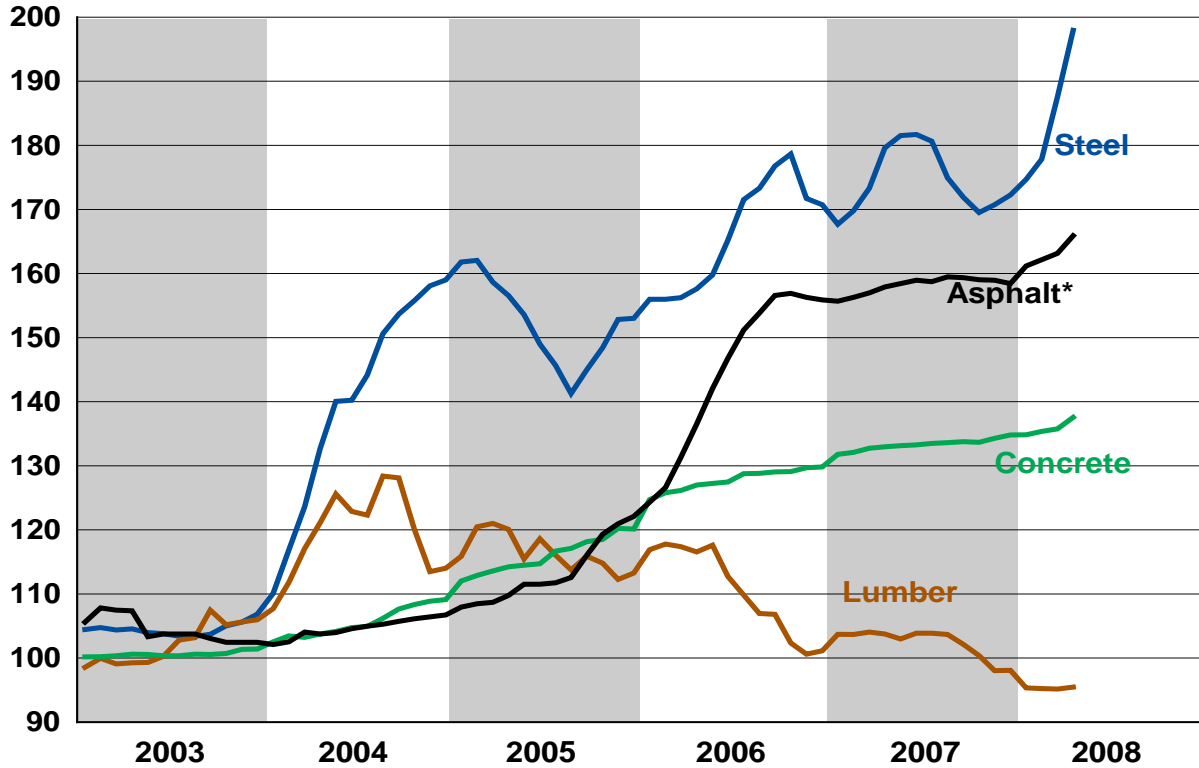


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Producer Price Indices – Competitive Building Materials



	Annual			Monthly					
	2005	2006	2007	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08(p)	Feb-08(p)	Mar-08(p)	Apr-08(p)
Steel Mill Products	152.3	166.1	174.3	170.8	172.3	174.7	177.8	187.6	197.9
% Change Year Ago	8.5%	9.1%	4.9%	-0.6%	0.9%	4.2%	4.7%	8.2%	10.2%
% Change Month Ago				0.7%	0.9%	1.4%	1.8%	5.5%	5.5%
Lumber	116.5	110.6	102.3	98.0	98.1	95.3	95.2	95.2	95.4
% Change Year Ago	-2.5%	-5.1%	-7.5%	-2.6%	-3.0%	-8.1%	-8.1%	-8.6%	-8.0%
% Change Month Ago				-2.3%	0.1%	-2.8%	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.3%
Concrete Products	116.1	127.8	133.2	134.3	134.8	134.9	135.4	135.8	137.6
% Change Year Ago	9.9%	10.1%	4.2%	3.5%	3.8%	2.3%	2.5%	2.3%	3.4%
% Change Month Ago				0.4%	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%	1.3%
Asphalt*	113.4	144.9	158.2	159.0	158.4	161.2	162.1	163.2	165.9
% Change Year Ago	8.3%	27.8%	9.2%	1.7%	1.6%	3.6%	3.7%	3.9%	5.1%
% Change Month Ago				-0.1%	-0.3%	1.7%	0.6%	0.6%	1.7%

(p) = Preliminary data

* BLS series "Paving Asphalt" through 2003 (discontinued) then "Asphalt Paving Mixtures and Block"

Base Year: 2002 = 100

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data rebased to 2002 by PCA Market Research

Steel prices increased for the sixth consecutive month, increasing sharply by 5.5% from March to April. Asphalt prices increased as well, 1.7% from the previous month. Concrete increased 1.3% from March to April. Lumber prices increased slightly after months of decline by 0.3% from the previous month.

Steel prices have increased 10.2% within the last year. Asphalt prices have grown 5.1% and concrete prices grew by 3.4%. Over the last year lumber prices have declined by 8.0%.

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