

# **Construction & Materials Outlook**

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### **Current economic influences**

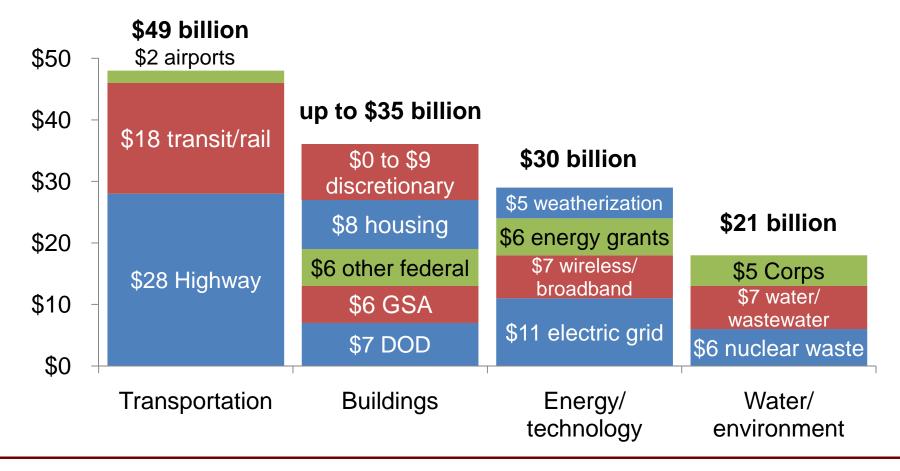


### **Economic stimulus package**

Total: \$787 billion in spending increases, tax cuts



### Construction-related stimulus funding (~\$135 bil.)



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Source: Author



### Stimulus tax provisions affecting construction

- 1-year delay (to 2012) in 3% withholding on gov. contracts
- Increased expensing



# Stimulus timing, strings

- Timing road \$ spent fast; other \$ delayed due to:
  - New programs had to be designed
  - Agencies didn't have enough personnel



### Economic impact of nonresidential construction

- Jobs: 28,500 per \$1 billion
  - 1/3 direct, onsite construction
  - 1/6 indirect, supplying industries
  - 1/2 induced by direct, indirect spending
- GDP: \$3.4 billion

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• Personal Earnings: \$1.1 billion



#### **Construction spending by segment, 1- & 12-month change** Billion \$, seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR)

Oct.'09: \$911 billion, 1-month change: 0%, 12-month



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# Housing outlook

- SF: starts, permits now rising steadily; totals should begin to top year-ago figures in late '09
- MF: No improvement likely until '11
  - Rental demand hurt by job losses among wouldbe renters and by first-time homebuyer credit
  - Supply swelled by owners and who are trying to rent out houses and condos
  - Banks remain unwilling to lend to developers



#### Construction spending: industrial, heavy (billion \$, SAAR)

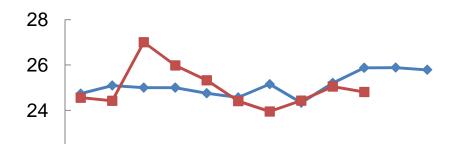




#### Construction spending: public works (billion \$, SAAR)

#### Sewage/waste(98% pub.) —

1-month: -1.0%, 12-month: -4.1%





### Construction spending: developer-financed (billion \$, SAAR)





#### **Construction spending: institutional (private + state/local)**







#### **Producer price indexes**, 1/07-11/09





# **Outlook for materials (beyond '09)**

- Industry depends on specific materials that:
  - are in demand worldwide
  - have erratic supply growth









# Summary for 2009

- Nonres spending: -3 to -7% (up: power, mfg., BRAC, stimulus; down: developer-, state & local gov-funded)
- Res: -35 to -40% (SF up in 2d half, MF down all year)



# Summary for 2010

- Nonres spending: 0 to -5% (more stimulus put in place, maybe gains in retail, higher ed, hospitals)
- Res: +5 to +10% (SF up, MF down all year)