BY THE NUMBERS.....

Capital expenditure for **construction** in Alberta (in $ millions):	2007	2008	2009	2010 p	2011 (est.)
	59,767.6	65,155.2	44,707	48,604.4	52,526.6

Construction price index for apartment buildings in	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Calgary:	131.5	156.8	174.4	160.7	156.6
Edmonton:	129.0	152.0	168.6	148.4	150.9
% change Calgary:	14.1	19.2	11.2	-7.9	-2.6
% change Edmonton:	12.6	17.8	10.9	-12.0	1.7

Value of **building permits** (monthly) in Alberta	Seasonally adjusted (in $ millions)			% change	
	February 2010	January 2011	February 2011	Jan. 2011 to Feb. 2011	Feb. 2010 to Feb. 2011
Residential:	666	458.3	431.8	-5.8	-35.2
Non-residential:	321.4	238.8	1046.1	338	225.5
Alberta Total:	987.6	697.1	1478	112	49.6

Yearly value of **all building permits** in Alberta ($ millions)	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	13,875.7	15,729.7	13,142.2	11,276.9	11,425.4

New housing price index ($ thousands)	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Calgary:	86.1	100	100.6	93.9	95.6
Edmonton:	75.7	100	101	89.7	89

Wholesale merchants' **sales** by industry unadjusted ($ millions) across Canada	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Building supplies:	74,337.1	76,635.5	77,235.9	67,196.8	74,713.9
Metal products:	17,732.5	17,619.4	18,972.7	13,163.1	15,331.3
Lumber and millwork:	34,292.0	35,721.0	34,099.6	32,001.0	35,304.3
Machinery and equipment:	103,163.5	108,813.6	115,358.6	103,211.3	110,474.1

Source: Statistics Canada

Number of employees covered under the **Merit Hour Bank Benefit Plan:**	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	24,844	28,291	33,875	38,314	38,187	39,371

Total manhours worked under the **Merit Hour Bank Benefit Plan:**	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	51,931,342	58,264,783	69,743,223	77,595,931	74,140,547	79,583,013

Source: Merit Contractors Association