

except 1930, as part of the decennial census by the Census Bureau. Since 1973, mortgage status data, limited to single family homes on less than 10 acres with no business on the property, have been presented in the American Housing Survey. Data on mortgage activity are covered in Section 25, Banking and Finance.

**Housing units**—In general, a housing unit is a house, an apartment, a group of rooms or a single room occupied or intended for occupancy as separate living

quarters; that is, the occupants live separately from any other individual in the building, and there is direct access from the outside or through a common hall. Transient accommodations, barracks for workers, and institutional-type quarters are not counted as housing units.

**Statistical reliability**—For a discussion of statistical collection and estimation, sampling procedures, and measures of statistical reliability applicable to Census Bureau data, see Appendix III.

**Table 961. Construction—Establishments, Employees, and Payroll by Kind of Business (NAICS Basis): 2007 and 2008**

[7,268 represents 7,268,000. Covers establishments with payroll. Excludes most government employees, railroad employees, and self-employed persons. Kind-of-business classification based on North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), 2002. For statement on methodology, see Appendix III]

Industry	2002 NAICS code <sup>1</sup>	Establishments		Paid employees <sup>2</sup> (1,000)		Annual payroll (mil. dol.)	
		2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
<b>Construction</b> .....	<b>23</b>	<b>811,452</b>	<b>773,614</b>	<b>7,268</b>	<b>7,044</b>	<b>336,131</b>	<b>333,082</b>
Construction of buildings .....	236	244,862	232,634	1,672	1,554	83,317	78,273
Residential building construction .....	2361	198,530	187,327	905	811	39,060	33,807
New single-family housing construction (except operative builders) .....	236115	61,613	69,206	283	276	11,889	10,675
New multifamily housing construction (except operative builders) .....	236116	4,373	4,035	47	49	2,466	2,963
New housing operative builders .....	236117	32,753	23,573	221	176	12,181	9,491
Residential remodelers .....	236118	99,791	90,513	355	309	12,523	10,678
Nonresidential building construction .....	2362	46,332	45,307	767	743	44,257	44,466
Industrial building construction .....	23621	3,963	3,572	97	78	5,057	4,401
Commercial and institutional building construction .....	23622	42,369	41,735	670	665	39,200	40,065
Heavy and civil engineering construction .....	237	51,421	48,030	1,016	995	56,607	57,549
Utility system construction .....	2371	21,448	20,944	525	548	28,284	31,182
Water and sewer line and related structures .....	23711	13,872	13,269	207	192	10,338	9,929
Oil and gas pipeline and related structures .....	23712	1,826	1,946	122	157	7,483	10,331
Power and communication line and related structures .....	23713	5,750	5,729	196	199	10,463	10,923
Land subdivision .....	2372	12,835	10,814	77	67	3,980	3,369
Highway, street, and bridge construction .....	2373	11,746	11,509	323	312	19,113	19,123
Other heavy and civil engineering construction .....	2379	5,392	4,763	92	68	5,230	3,874
Specialty trade contractors .....	238	515,169	492,950	4,579	4,495	196,207	197,260
Foundation, structure, and building exterior contractors .....	2381	115,764	108,067	1,103	1,024	42,369	40,354
Poured concrete foundation and structures contractors .....	23811	26,342	24,663	302	287	12,301	11,559
Structural steel and precast concrete contractors .....	23812	3,697	3,743	79	84	3,844	4,135
Framing contractors .....	23813	17,358	15,381	148	107	4,508	3,293
Masonry contractors .....	23814	27,122	25,022	235	212	8,426	7,742
Glass and glazing contractors .....	23815	5,584	5,541	55	60	2,472	2,912
Roofing contractors .....	23816	19,512	18,579	190	180	7,228	7,075
Siding contractors .....	23817	10,429	9,436	50	45	1,652	1,531
Other foundation, structure, and building exterior contractors .....	23819	5,720	5,702	45	49	1,938	2,106
Building equipment contractors .....	2382	187,856	184,132	1,962	2,017	93,655	98,571
Electrical contractors .....	23821	80,172	78,026	825	860	39,278	41,712
Plumbing, heating, and air-conditioning contractors .....	23822	100,806	99,190	1,013	1,014	47,154	48,589
Other building equipment contractors .....	23829	6,878	6,916	124	143	7,223	8,271
Building finishing contractors .....	2383	134,306	126,100	944	878	35,164	33,075
Drywall and insulation contractors .....	23831	22,458	21,268	230	291	12,655	11,961
Painting and wall covering contractors .....	23832	41,457	38,567	324	216	7,973	7,496
Flooring contractors .....	23833	16,927	16,070	85	80	3,230	3,013
Tile and terrazzo contractors .....	23834	11,965	11,209	71	68	2,517	2,436
Finish carpentry contractors .....	23835	34,263	32,054	164	150	5,908	5,383
Other building finishing contractors .....	23839	7,236	6,932	70	72	2,881	2,786
Other specialty trade contractors .....	2389	77,243	74,651	570	576	25,019	25,259
Site preparation contractors .....	23891	41,517	40,689	331	351	14,940	15,798
All other specialty trade contractors .....	23899	35,726	33,962	239	225	10,079	9,461

<sup>1</sup> North American Industry Classification System code, 2002. 2008 data is based on NAICS 2007; see text, Section 15.

<sup>2</sup> Employees on the payroll for the pay period including March 12.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, "County Business Patterns," June 2010, <<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbtp>>.