

# Construction Outlook July 2022



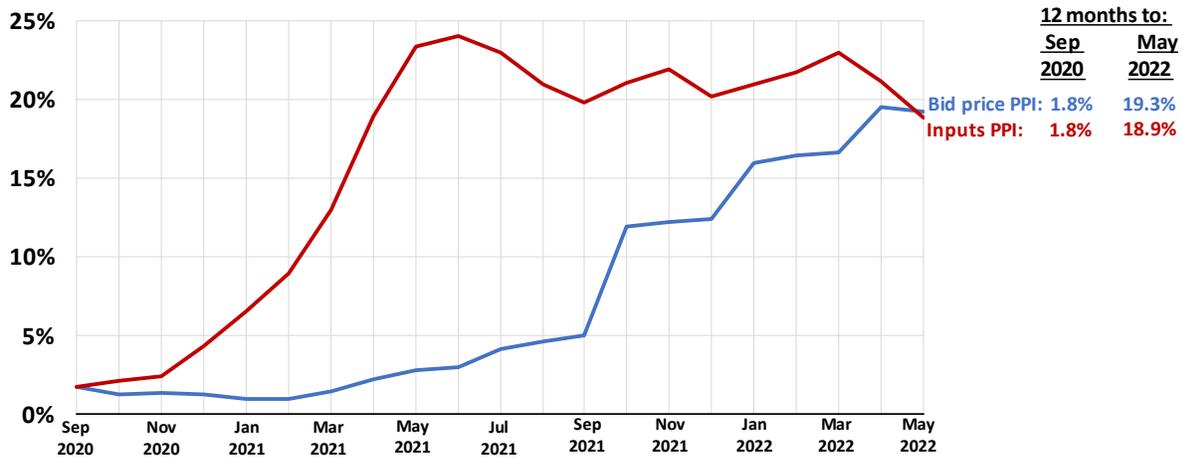
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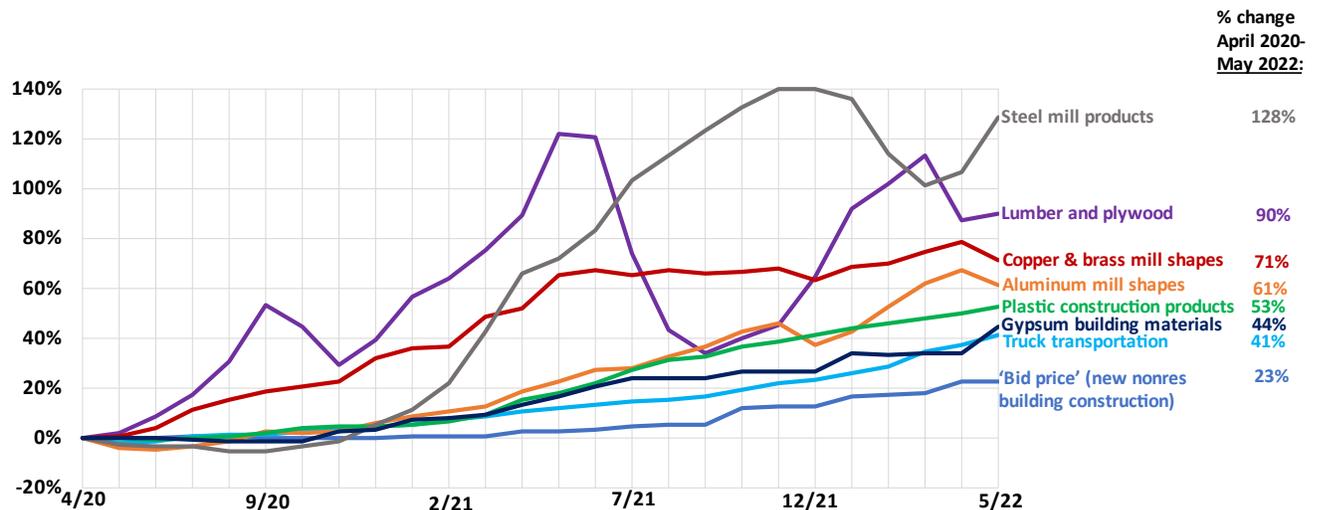
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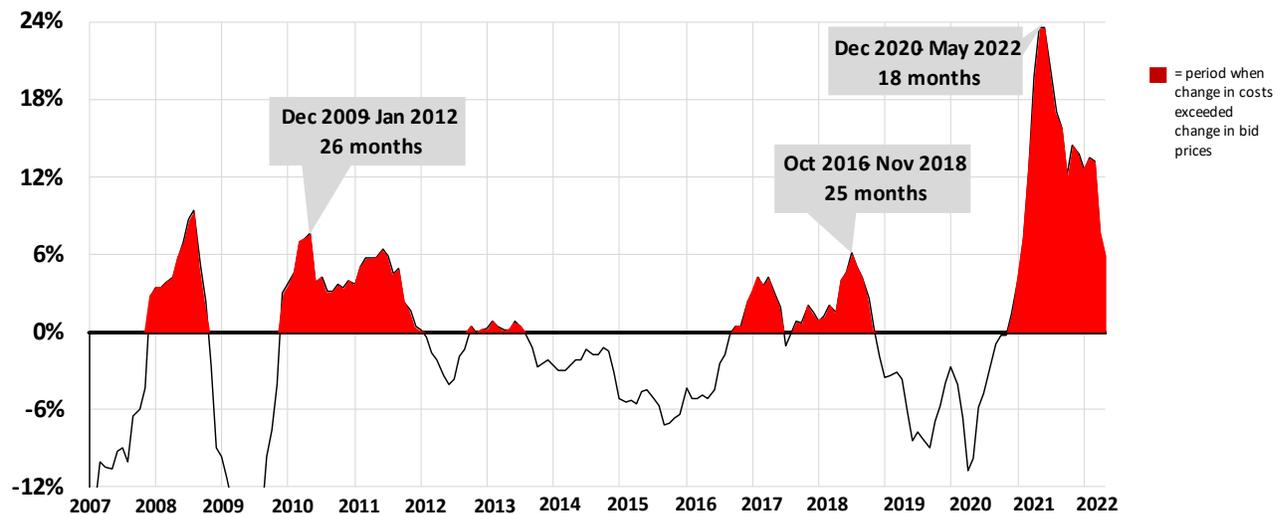


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- Total 10%; private residential 19% (singlefamily 15%; multi -4%); private nonres 4%; public -3%

Largest segments(in descending order of 2021 spending)

- Power -6% (electric -7%; oil/gas fields & pipelines 0.5%)
- Commercial 10% (warehouse 15%; retail 6%; farm 7%)
- Highway and street -6%
- Education -3% (primary/secondary 2%; higher ed -7%)
- Mfg. 34% (chemical 0%; computer/electronic 25%; food/beverage/tobacco -2%; transp. equip. -27%)
- Office -2%
- Transportation -4% (air -14%; freight rail/trucking 5%; mass transit 2%)
- Health care 5% (hospital 8%; medical building 6%; special care -3%)
- Lodging -12%