



Fourth Quarter 2014

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Housing Indicators

Key Interest Rates

The 30-year mortgage rate declined in October 2014 to 3.98%, which is near its 16-month low. The current 30-year rate is 21 basis points lower than the rate from a year ago. Despite the end of the Fed's bond buying program, global concerns have led to a rise in demand for the 10-year treasury note driving down its yield and, likewise, mortgage rates. The drop in rates have spurred refinancing activity. Mortgage applications for refinancing rose 18.8% month-over-month in October to an eight-month high.

Consumer Confidence Index (CCI)

The CCI reached a seven year high in October 2014 increasing to 94.5. This sharp increase was preceded by a considerable decline in September to 89.0 from 93.4 in August. The CCI is up 29.3% since October 2012 and 30.5% from a year ago. The continued upward momentum is a clear indicator that consumers have an optimistic outlook on the economy, which bodes well for future housing and remodeling activity.

NAHB Housing Market Index (HMI)

The HMI, a measure of builder confidence, fell to 54 in October 2014 after rising to a nine-year high of 59 in September. The HMI has remained above 50 for four consecutive months, indicating that home builders maintain a positive view on future housing activity.

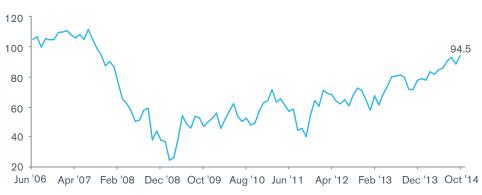
Key Interest Rates - Monthly Trends



Seasonally Adjusted

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Economic Research (FRED)

Consumer Confidence Index



Indexed to 1985

Source: The Conference Board

NAHB Housing Market Index (Builders Confidence)



Seasonally Adjusted

Source: National Association of Home Builders

Housing Starts

National Housing Starts

U.S. housing starts in September were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,017,000, which is up 6.3% compared to August and up 17.8% from the same month a year ago.

The increase in housing starts in September is likely attributable to a surge in multi-family construction and recovery from a sharp decline in August. Construction of new single family homes, which accounts for approximately two-thirds of the market, increased just 1.1% in September.

In the third quarter of 2014, actual housing starts were up 15.5% over the same quarter a year ago.

U.S. Housing Starts (units in thousands)



Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

Regional Housing Starts

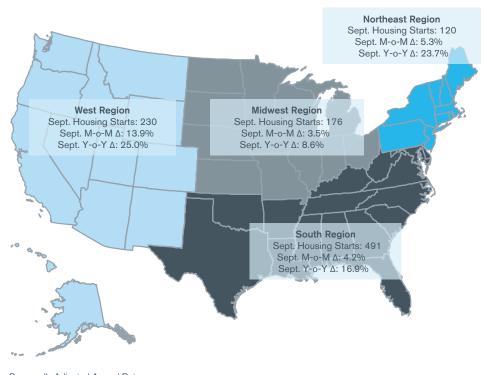
National housing starts, on a seasonally adjusted annualized basis, exceeded the million-mark for the third time this year, with each region reporting a month-over-month and year-over-year gain.

The West Region was the strongest performer with starts up 13.9% in September over the prior month and up 25.0% over September 2013.

The Northeast also performed well with starts up 5.3% compared to the prior month and up 23.7% over September 2013.

The South and Midwest increased 4.2% and 3.5%, over the prior month.

U.S. Housing Starts by Region (units in thousands)



Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

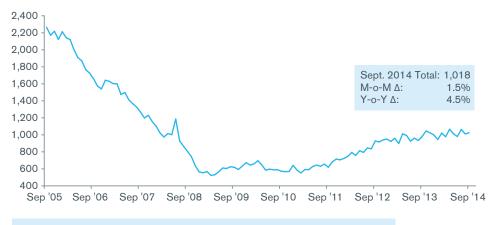
Building Permits

National Building Permits

Building permits, a bellwether of future construction activity, increased in September to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,018,000, which is 1.5% above August permits and 4.5% above September 2013.

In the third quarter of 2014, actual building permits were up 5.2% over the same quarter a year ago.

U.S. Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits (units in thousands)



Q3 2014 Unadjusted Actual Building Permits: 274 Year-over-Year Δ : 5.2%

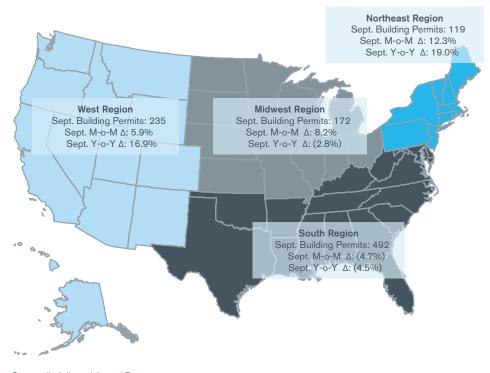
Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

Regional Building Permits

The Northeast, Midwest and West regions all experienced an increase in building permits in September reporting increases of 12.3%, 8.2%, and 5.9%, respectively, over August.

The South was the only region to experience a decline in September of 4.7% compared to August.

Authorized Building Permits by Region (units in thousands)



Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

Home Sales and Supply

New Home Sales and Supply

New home sales in September were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 467,000, which is 0.2% higher than August and 17.0% higher than September 2013. For the year to date through September, new home sales are up 1.8% from the same period a year ago. The rise in new home sales is due to the declining mortgage rates, increasing consumer confidence and a gradually improving economy.

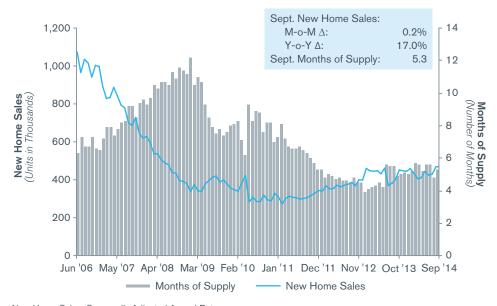
The inventory of new homes increased to 5.3 months in September, a 10.4% increase from August.

Existing Home Sales and Supply

Existing home sales increased in September to an annual rate of 5,170,000, which is 2.4% higher than August and 1.7% lower than September 2013. Sales of condominiums and co-ops have outpaced sales of existing single-family homes with growth rates of 5.2% and 2.0%, respectively, in September.

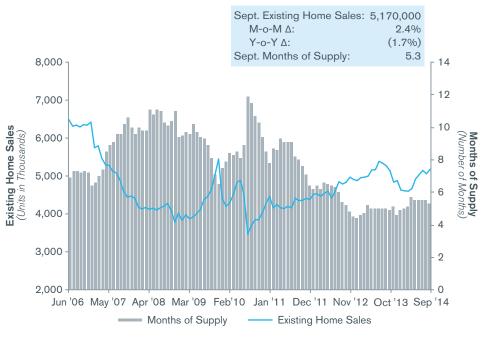
The inventory of existing homes has remained relatively unchanged over the last five months with 5.3 months of supply in September compared to 5.5 months in August.

New Homes - Sales and Months of Supply



New Home Sales: Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Months Supply: Seasonally Adjusted at Current Sales Rates Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

Existing Homes - Sales and Months of Supply



Existing Home Sales: Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Months Supply: Not Seasonally Adjusted

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

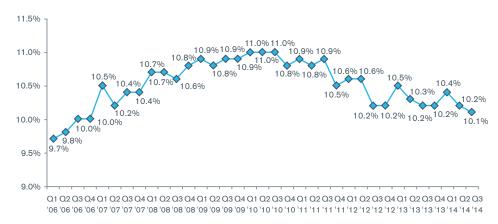
Vacancy Rates and Household Formations

Monthly Vacancy Rates

Vacancy rates have generally been trending downward since peaking in Q2 2010.

Vacancy rates decreased slightly to 10.1% in Q3 2014 from 10.2% in Q2 2014, and are at the lowest level recorded since the housing market downturn.

U.S. Year-Round Vacancy Rates



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

Household Formations

Household formation, which is a key driver of home sales, continues to remain weak as millennials continue to struggle with mounting student-loan debt and high unemployment rates, and rising home prices may be deterring many potential first-time home buyers.

Despite the housing market recovery, the lack of new household formations may limit the growth and sustainability of the market.

U.S. Annual Household Formations (units in thousands)



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

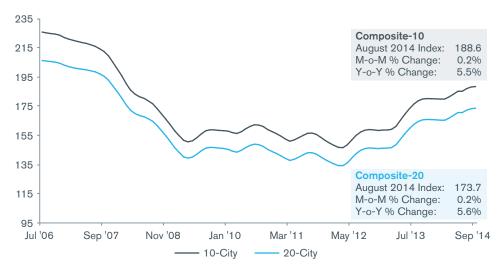
Trends in U.S. Home Prices

S&P / Case-Shiller Home Price Indices*

The 10-City and 20-City home price indices increased slightly in August 2014. The 20-City index as of August was 5.6% higher than the same month a year ago and 0.2% higher compared to July 2014.

Despite the recent increase, both indices remain well below their peak in April 2006. The 20-City index is 15.9% below its peak.

S&P / Case-Shiller Indices*



Monthly, Indexed to January 2000 Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC

Miami, Las Vegas and San Francisco continue to experience the largest year-over-year increases in prices; however, San Francisco was one of only three cities in the 20-city index to report a month-over-month decline in August.

The cities reporting the largest month-overmonth increases in August were Detroit, Dallas, Denver and Las Vegas.

Metropolitan Regions in the S&P / Case-Shiller Home Price Indices

| August 20 | 14 - Composite 1 | 0 |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Metropolitan Area | M-o-M % Δ | Y-o-Y % Δ |
| Miami | 0.3% | 10.5% |
| Las Vegas | 0.5% | 10.1% |
| San Francisco | (0.4%) | 9.0% |
| Los Angeles | 0.0% | 6.8% |
| Denver | 0.5% | 6.3% |
| San Diego | (0.1%) | 6.2% |
| Boston | 0.1% | 5.0% |
| New York | 0.4% | 3.1% |
| Washington D.C. | 0.0% | 3.0% |
| Chicago | 0.4% | 2.9% |
| Composite-10 | 0.2% | 5.5% |
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Monthly, Indexed to January 2000
*The S&P / Case-Shiller Home Price Indices are
calculated monthly using a three-month moving average
and published with a two-month lag
Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC

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| Dallas | 0.5% | 7.3% |
| Portland | 0.3% | 7.2% |
| Detroit | 0.8% | 7.0% |
| Los Angeles | 0.0% | 6.8% |
| Seattle | 0.0% | 6.6% |
| Denver | 0.5% | 6.3% |
| San Diego | (0.1%) | 6.2% |
| Tampa | 0.2% | 5.5% |
| Atlanta | 0.4% | 5.3% |
| Boston | 0.1% | 5.0% |
| Phoenix | 0.2% | 4.3% |
| Minneapolis | 0.3% | 3.9% |
| New York | 0.4% | 3.1% |
| Washington D.C. | 0.0% | 3.0% |
| Chicago | 0.4% | 2.9% |
| Charlotte | (0.1%) | 2.5% |
| Cleveland | 0.3% | 0.8% |
| Composite-20 | 0.2% | 5.6% |
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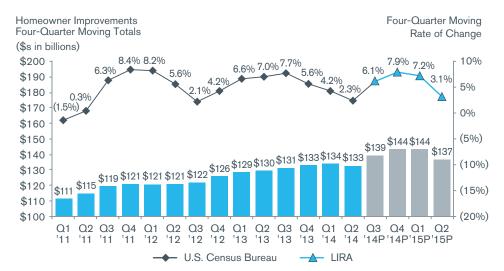
August 2014 - Composite 20

Remodeling Activity and Spending

Leading Indicator of Remodeling Activity (LIRA*)

According to the LIRA, home improvement spending is estimated to have increased 6.1% in Q3 2014. Over the next two quarters, growth in spending is expected to remain between 7.0% and 8.0%, before slowing down to 3.1% in Q2 2015. The near-term increase in remodeling activity is likely attributable to rising home prices, which have given homeowners confidence to invest in their homes.

LIRA* (\$s in billions)

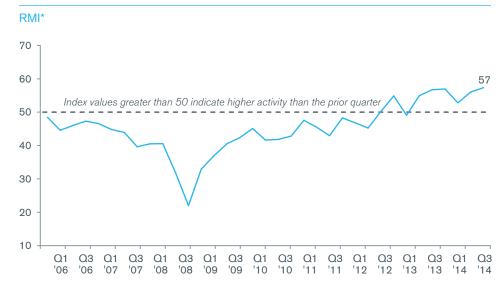


*The LIRA represents the estimated annual rate of change in spending for the current quarter and subsequent three quarters. This annual or moving four-quarter rate of change compares total spending in any given four quarter period to the total spending that occurred in the four quarters prior to that period.

Source: Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University

Remodeling Market Index (RMI*)

The RMI reached a near term high of 57 in Q3 2014 likely due to increasing consumer confidence and household financial stability. The reported index value of 57 in Q3 marks the sixth consecutive quarter the RMI has been above 50 indicating continued strength in remodeling activity.



Seasonally Adjusted

*An RMI above 50 indicates that more than half of the remodelers surveyed report market activity is higher than the prior quarter

Source: National Association of Home Builders

Non-Residential Construction

AIA Architectural Billings Index (ABI)*

The ABI, a leading indicator of future non-residential construction activity, has remained above 50 for five consecutive months.

The ABI increased to 55.2 in September.

It is believed that there is a nine to twelve month lag between architectural billings and construction spending so the recent increase in the ABI suggests that construction activity will remain strong for the remainder of 2014 and first half of 2015.

Architectural Billings Index*



*The ABI is a representative survey conducted by the AIA in attempt to gauge whether architectural firms are reporting an increase or decrease in billing activity from month-to-month. A score above 50 indicates that more than half of the firms that responded are reporting an increase in activity that month compared to the previous month and vice versa. Source: The American Institute of Architects (AIA)

Non-Residential Construction Put in Place

Non-residential construction decreased in August by 0.8% over the prior month and increased by 6.3% over the same period a year ago. The month-over-month decrease was driven by decreased spending in several sectors including power, education, transportation, water supply, public safety and commercial.

U.S. Non-Residential Construction Put in Place (\$s in billions)



Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rate Source: U.S. Department of Commerce: Census Bureau

August LTM Construction Spending Summary

August 2014 Non-Residential Construction Spending Breakdown

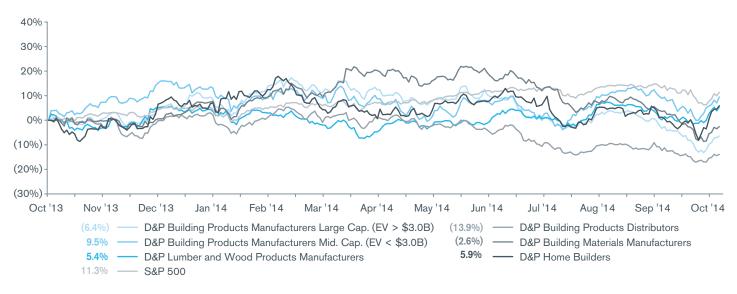
| Non-Residential Buildings | M-o-M % Δ | Y-o-Y % Δ | Non-Building Structures | M-o-M % Δ | Υ-ο-Υ % Δ |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|------------------|------------|
| Office | 1.1% | 14.7% | Conservation and development | (2.5%) | 22.1% |
| Commercial | (3.1%) | 13.2% | • | (- · · · · · | |
| Amusement and recreation | 0.9% | 12.8% | Power | (3.4%) | 15.9% |
| Religious | 0.9% | 11.7% | Sewage and waste disposal | 0.8% | (0.4%) |
| 9 | 1.7% | 11.1% | Highway and street | (0.6%) | (0.7%) |
| Manufacturing | | | Water supply | (4.0%) | (10.5%) |
| Lodging | 0.9% | 6.7% | , | | |
| Communication | 3.4% | 2.1% | | | |
| Educational | (2.0%) | (1.3%) | | | |
| Transportation | (2.9%) | (2.1%) | | | |
| Healthcare | (0.6%) | (5.7%) | | | |
| Public safety | (5.0%) | (7.1%) | Seasonally Adjusted Annual R Source: U.S. Department of C | | nsus Burea |

Public Companies Valuation Trends

Equity Market Performance

Over the last 12 months, the stock price index for publicly traded building products and materials companies, home builders and lumber and wood products manufacturers have underperformed the S&P 500. Investor concern regarding weak housing starts and new home sales data this past summer may have negatively impacted stock prices and the indicies relative performance to the S&P 500 Index.

12-Month Indexed Stock Chart

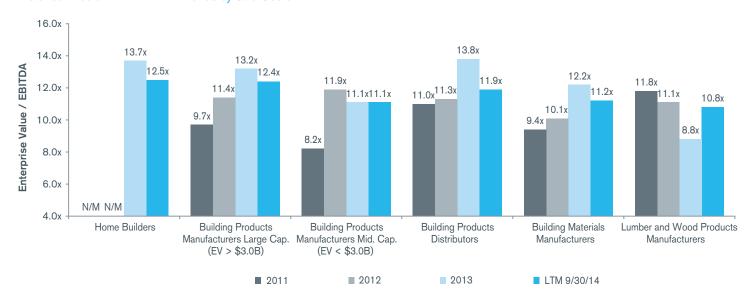


Source: Capital IQ

Valuation Trends

Valuation multiples for the industry as a whole have trended upward over the last few years likely due to rising stock prices and anticipation of higher earnings in the future as housing starts, building permits, remodeling and repair activity and other industry drivers indicate a market recovery. Over the last few months, valuation multiples declined slightly in several sectors in accordance with the overall market, but have now almost fully recovered.

Historical Median EV / EBITDA Trends by Sub-Sector



Source: Capital IQ

Public Companies Trading Analysis

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| | | | | | | Revenue | | | EBITDA | | Lī | ГМ |
| Company | 10/31/14 Stock Price | % of 52 Wk High | Market Value | Enterprise Value | LTM | 2014E | 2015E | LTM | 2014E | 2015E | EBITDA Margin | Revenue Growth |
| Building Products Manufacturers Large Cap. (EV > \$3.0B) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Compagnie de Saint-Gobain | \$42.89 | 73.8% | \$24,331 | \$35,471 | 0.62x | 0.64x | 0.61x | 6.3x | 6.1x | 5.5x | 9.9% | (1.0%) |
| Masco Corporation | \$22.07 | 88.6% | \$7,863 | \$9,941 | 1.19x | 1.15x | 1.07x | 10.3x | 9.7x | 8.5x | 11.5% | 7.8% |
| Fortune Brands Home & Security, Inc. | \$43.25 | 90.3% | \$6,823 | \$7,335 | 1.69x | 1.62x | 1.47x | 14.2x | 12.7x | 10.4x | 11.9% | 14.5% |
| Owens Corning | \$32.06 | 68.7% | \$3,770 | \$5,954 | 1.12x | 1.10x | 1.03x | 9.0x | 8.1x | 6.9x | 12.4% | 1.9% |
| USG Corporation | \$26.86 | 74.2% | \$3,887 | \$5,795 | 1.57x | 1.54x | 1.39x | 12.8x | 10.8x | 8.5x | 12.3% | 7.9% |
| Acuity Brands, Inc. | \$139.43 | 95.3% | \$5,924 | \$5,725 | 2.39x | 2.41x | 2.19x | 17.3x | 17.0x | 14.3x | 13.8% | 13.9% |
| Lennox International, Inc. | \$88.92 | 93.9% | \$4,272 | \$4,820 | 1.46x | 1.43x | 1.34x | 13.1x | 11.7x | 10.1x | 11.1% | 6.4% |
| James Hardie Industries plc | \$10.57 | 77.3% | \$4,704 | \$4,721 | 3.07x | 2.79x | 2.44x | 14.7x | 12.8x | 10.1x | 20.9% | 13.6% |
| Armstrong World Industries, Inc. | \$48.42 | 78.2% | \$2,658 | \$3,569 | 1.30x | 1.30x | 1.23x | 12.3x | 9.3x | 7.9x | 10.6% | 3.8% |
| | Median | 78.2% | | | 1.46x | 1.43x | 1.34x | 12.8x | 10.8x | 8.5x | 11.9% | 7.8% |
| | Mean | 82.3% | | | 1.60x | 1.55x | 1.42x | 12.2x | 10.9x | 9.1x | 12.7% | 7.6% |
| Building Products Manufacturers Mid. Cap. (EV < \$3.0B) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nortek Inc. | \$83.28 | 90.2% | \$1,308 | \$2,663 | 1.11x | 1.06x | 0.99x | 11.7x | 10.0x | 8.3x | 9.5% | 8.7% |
| Ply Gem Holdings, Inc | \$11.35 | 61.5% | \$770 | \$1,647 | 1.16x | 1.11x | 1.00x | 16.0x | 14.3x | 9.9x | 7.2% | 18.2% |
| Headwaters Incorporated | \$12.70 | 89.7% | \$933 | \$1,432 | 1.88x | 1.81x | 1.64x | 12.6x | 10.5x | 9.1x | 15.0% | 12.2% |
| Trex Co. Inc. | \$43.00 | 99.0% | \$1,376 | \$1,375 | 3.84x | 3.59x | 3.11x | NM | 16.4x | 13.2x | 13.2% | 10.7% |
| Simpson Manufacturing Co., Inc. | \$33.08 | 88.2% | \$1,620 | \$1,362 | 1.82x | 1.78x | 1.64x | 11.0x | 10.1x | 8.7x | 16.6% | 10.0% |
| Griffon Corporation | \$12.29 | 85.7% | \$618 | \$1,340 | 0.70x | 0.69x | 0.66x | 9.0x | NA | 7.8x | 7.8% | 2.4% |
| Apogee Enterprises, Inc. | \$43.90 | 98.6% | \$1,271 | \$1,268 | 1.48x | 1.41x | 1.27x | 18.3x | 13.6x | 9.6x | 8.1% | 10.7% |
| Quanex Building Products Corporation | \$20.02 | 93.5% | \$751 | \$618 | 0.62x | 0.96x | 0.93x | 10.7x | 11.1x | 9.0x | 5.8% | 39.6% |
| PGT, Inc. | \$9.41 | 74.6% | \$445 | \$597 | 2.20x | 2.02x | 1.84x | 14.5x | 12.7x | 9.2x | 15.2% | 34.0% |
| Gibraltar Industries, Inc. | \$15.25 | 79.3% | \$470 | \$582 | 0.70x | 0.68x | 0.64x | 8.7x | NA | NA | 8.1% | 4.1% |
| American Woodmark Corp. | \$40.91 | 97.8% | \$636 | \$520 | 0.68x | 0.63x | 0.56x | 11.3x | 7.7x | 6.6x | 6.1% | 15.2% |
| Norcraft Companies, Inc. | \$17.00 | 85.8% | \$294 | \$408 | 1.15x | 1.10x | 1.01x | 10.7x | 8.0x | 6.7x | 10.8% | 13.1% |
| | Median | 89.0% | | | 1.16x | 1.10x | 1.00x | 11.3x | 10.8x | 9.0x | 8.8% | 11.5% |
| | Mean | 87.0% | | | 1.45x | 1.40x | 1.27x | 12.2x | 11.4x | 8.9x | 10.3% | 14.9% |
| Building Products Distributors | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wolseley plc | \$53.05 | 93.8% | \$13,776 | \$14,962 | 0.67x | 0.67x | 0.66x | 11.2x | 10.1x | 9.2x | 6.0% | 4.2% |
| Watsco Inc. | \$101.62 | 96.4% | \$3,300 | \$3,894 | 1.00x | 0.98x | 0.92x | 12.8x | 12.1x | 10.9x | 7.8% | 6.1% |
| Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc. | \$27.67 | 66.9% | \$1,365 | \$1,652 | 0.72x | 0.71x | 0.65x | 12.3x | 11.3x | 8.9x | 5.9% | 6.0% |
| Lumber Liquidators Holdings, Inc. | \$53.77 | 44.8% | \$1,455 | \$1,444 | 1.40x | 1.34x | 1.20x | 11.3x | 10.5x | 8.8x | 12.3% | 13.3% |
| Builders FirstSource, Inc. | \$5.93 | 63.1% | \$582 | \$898 | 0.57x | 0.55x | 0.49x | 13.9x | 12.1x | 7.9x | 4.1% | 19.1% |
| Bluelinx Holdings Inc. | \$1.20 | 60.6% | \$107 | \$583 | 0.29x | NA | NA | 24.9x | NA | NA | 1.2% | (1.2%) |
| Stock Building Supply Holdings, Inc. | \$15.69 | 67.3% | \$411 | \$492 | 0.39x | 0.37x | 0.32x | 16.7x | 12.1x | 7.7x | 2.3% | 17.4% |
| Taiga Building Products Ltd. | \$0.75 | 81.0% | \$24 | \$277 | 0.24x | NA | NA | 7.3x | NA | NA | 3.3% | 6.4% |
| CanWel Building Materials Group Ltd. | \$5.51 | 96.6% | \$158 | \$265 | 0.39x | 0.39x | 0.36x | 11.2x | 11.4x | 9.0x | 3.5% | 1.2% |
| Hardwoods Distribution Inc. | \$8.92 | 81.4% | \$147 | \$188 | 0.49x | 0.45x | 0.38x | 9.1x | 8.2x | 6.2x | 5.4% | 21.4% |
| Huttig Building Products Inc. | \$3.63 | 66.6% | \$89 | \$165 | 0.28x | NA | NA | 15.0x | NA | NA | 1.9% | 9.6% |
| Goodfellow Inc. | \$8.11 | 91.0% | \$69 | \$123 | 0.27x | NA | NA | 10.3x | NA | NA | 2.7% | (4.1%) |
| | Median | 74.1% | | | 0.44x | 0.61x | 0.57x | 11.8x | 11.3x | 8.8x | 3.8% | 6.3% |
| | Mean | 75.8% | | | 0.56x | 0.68x | 0.62x | 13.0x | 11.0x | 8.6x | 4.7% | 8.3% |
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Source: Capital IQ

Public Companies Trading Analysis (cont.)

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| Company | 10/31/14 Stock Price | % of 52 Wk High | Market Value | Enterprise Value | LTM | 2014E | 2015E | LTM | 2014E | 2015E | EBITDA Margin | Revenue Growth |
| Building Materials Manufacturers | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Holcim Ltd. | \$70.80 | 79.2% | \$22,187 | \$36,742 | 1.70x | 1.69x | 1.58x | 8.8x | 8.3x | 7.3x | 19.4% | (7.3%) |
| Lafarge S.A. | \$69.28 | 81.4% | \$15,892 | \$34,788 | 1.70x | 1.96x | 1.84x | 8.5x | 8.7x | 7.7x | 19.9% | 3.7% |
| CEMEX, S.A.B. de C.V. | \$12.30 | 89.0% | \$15,109 | \$31,784 | 2.06x | 1.95x | 1.81x | 11.7x | 10.7x | 9.1x | 17.6% | 6.6% |
| CRH plc | \$22.13 | 80.8% | \$13,086 | \$21,168 | 0.84x | 0.85x | 0.80x | 13.0x | 9.4x | 8.1x | 6.5% | 3.0% |
| HeidelbergCement AG | \$68.06 | 79.9% | \$10,211 | \$24,059 | 1.25x | 1.32x | 1.24x | 7.6x | 7.4x | 6.7x | 16.5% | 3.2% |
| Vulcan Materials Company | \$61.71 | 88.8% | \$8,078 | \$9,857 | 3.45x | 3.35x | 3.01x | 20.0x | 16.0x | 13.1x | 17.3% | 9.4% |
| Martin Marietta Materials Inc. | \$116.92 | 85.7% | \$7,824 | \$9,369 | 4.52x | 3.45x | 2.68x | 21.2x | 16.1x | 11.4x | 21.3% | 12.4% |
| Eagle Materials Inc. | \$87.43 | 82.7% | \$4,395 | \$4,696 | NM | 4.23x | 3.43x | 19.5x | 12.8x | 9.4x | 25.7% | 31.0% |
| Titan Cement Company S.A. | \$22.16 | 66.0% | \$1,378 | \$2,493 | 1.52x | 1.53x | 1.37x | 10.2x | 8.5x | 6.7x | 14.9% | 5.7% |
| U.S. Concrete, Inc. | \$24.70 | 86.2% | \$346 | \$472 | 0.72x | NA | NA | 8.9x | NA | NA | 8.1% | 16.6% |
| | Median | 82.1% | | | 1.70x | 1.95x | 1.81x | 11.0x | 9.4x | 8.1x | 17.4% | 6.2% |
| | Mean | 82.0% | | | 1.97x | 2.26x | 1.97x | 12.9x | 10.9x | 8.8x | 16.7% | 8.4% |
| Home Builders | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lennar Corp. | \$43.08 | 97.0% | \$8,592 | \$14,093 | 1.98x | 1.84x | 1.59x | 17.2x | 12.6x | 10.6x | 11.5% | 37.7% |
| DR Horton Inc. | \$22.79 | 90.3% | \$8,306 | \$11,217 | 1.51x | 1.45x | 1.20x | 12.8x | 11.6x | 9.4x | 11.8% | 29.2% |
| Toll Brothers Inc. | \$31.95 | 80.0% | \$5,684 | \$8,683 | 2.41x | 2.26x | 1.85x | NM | 14.6x | 10.5x | 8.9% | 52.2% |
| PulteGroup, Inc. | \$19.19 | 88.6% | \$7,115 | \$7,818 | 1.38x | 1.37x | 1.21x | 12.4x | 8.4x | 7.2x | 11.2% | 6.2% |
| NVR, Inc. | \$1,227.58 | 97.6% | \$5,028 | \$5,173 | 1.18x | 1.15x | 1.00x | 10.9x | 10.7x | 8.8x | 10.9% | 20.8% |
| Standard Pacific Corp. | \$7.40 | 80.4% | \$2,073 | \$3,957 | 1.80x | 1.65x | 1.37x | 12.1x | 8.9x | 6.9x | 14.9% | 40.6% |
| KB Home | \$15.74 | 75.7% | \$1,445 | \$3,729 | 1.68x | 1.55x | 1.27x | NM | 16.9x | 11.7x | 6.4% | 13.0% |
| Ryland Group Inc. | \$35.81 | 76.7% | \$1,651 | \$2,750 | 1.13x | 1.06x | 0.88x | 11.4x | 9.2x | 7.2x | 9.9% | 40.4% |
| Hovnanian Enterprises Inc. | \$3.76 | 55.3% | \$544 | \$2,355 | 1.20x | 1.17x | 0.98x | 22.7x | 13.5x | 9.5x | 5.3% | 13.8% |
| Meritage Homes Corporation | \$36.79 | 73.2% | \$1,439 | \$2,277 | 1.17x | 1.07x | 0.87x | 10.3x | 9.7x | 8.1x | 11.4% | 30.3% |
| MDC Holdings Inc. | \$24.42 | 74.7% | \$1,192 | \$1,836 | 1.09x | 1.04x | 0.87x | 16.5x | 16.5x | 13.3x | 6.6% | 12.7% |
| Beazer Homes USA Inc. | \$17.93 | 70.8% | \$474 | \$1,805 | 1.33x | 1.27x | 1.17x | NM | 21.0x | 13.8x | 5.2% | 11.1% |
| M/I Homes, Inc. | \$21.54 | 81.9% | \$527 | \$979 | 0.83x | 0.82x | 0.68x | 11.5x | 13.6x | 8.9x | 7.2% | 27.4% |
| | Median | 80.0% | | | 1.33x | 1.27x | 1.17x | 12.2x | 12.6x | 9.4x | 9.9% | 27.4% |
| | Mean | 80.2% | | | 1.44x | 1.36x | 1.15x | 13.8x | 12.9x | 9.7x | 9.3% | 25.8% |
| Lumber and Wood Products Manufacturers | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Weyerhaeuser Co. | \$33.86 | 97.9% | \$17,755 | \$21,551 | 2.51x | 2.69x | 2.55x | 12.5x | 12.5x | 11.1x | 20.0% | 16.2% |
| West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd. | \$52.41 | 99.4% | \$4,957 | \$4,720 | 1.41x | 1.34x | 1.23x | 10.2x | 8.1x | 6.2x | 13.8% | 8.0% |
| Canfor Corp. | \$23.26 | 87.4% | \$3,552 | \$3,502 | 1.16x | 1.11x | 1.00x | 7.9x | 6.3x | 5.1x | 14.8% | 7.4% |
| Louisiana-Pacific Corp. | \$14.60 | 77.0% | \$2,065 | \$2,273 | 1.17x | 1.15x | 1.00x | 24.4x | 21.2x | 7.5x | 4.8% | (3.2%) |
| Norbord, Inc. | \$19.55 | 64.4% | \$1,177 | \$1,419 | 1.16x | 1.16x | 1.03x | 10.7x | 10.8x | 6.9x | 10.8% | (9.4%) |
| Universal Forest Products Inc. | \$49.97 | 85.4% | \$998 | \$1,067 | 0.42x | 0.41x | 0.38x | 8.8x | 8.1x | 7.0x | 4.7% | 9.0% |
| Ainsworth Lumber Co. Ltd. | \$2.30 | 61.6% | \$626 | \$766 | 1.84x | 1.69x | 1.30x | 15.5x | 11.8x | 5.3x | 11.9% | (11.7%) |
| | Median | 85.4% | | | 1.17x | 1.16x | 1.03x | 10.7x | 10.8x | 6.9x | 11.9% | 7.4% |
| | Mean | 81.9% | | | 1.38x | 1.37x | 1.21x | 12.9x | 11.3x | 7.0x | 11.5% | 2.3% |
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Q3 2014 M&A Activity

Building Products and Materials M&A Trends

M&A activity in the sector was strong in Q3 2014 with 55 completed transactions involving target companies headquartered in the U.S. or Canada.

There remains strong acquisition interest from private equity firms and strategics, likely due to abundance of debt capital, low interest rates, and an improving housing market.

Building Products & Materials Quarterly M&A Trends



Note: Includes all transactions where the target is headquartered in the U.S. or Canada Source: Thomson SDC Platinum

Notable M&A Activity - Q3 2014

| Date Announced | Target | Target Country | Acquirer | Target Business Description |
|-------------------|---|----------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Building Pro | oducts Distributors | | | |
| Sep-14 | Cook and Boardman, Inc. | United States | Ridgemont Equity Partners | Distributes architectural doors, frames, door hardware and related products in the Carolinas |
| Aug-14 | All Weather Products Ltd | Canada | Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc. | Distributes roofing products and accessories |
| Aug-14 | AO, Inc. | United States | Kodiak Building Partners | Distributes commercial doors, frames and hardware |
| Aug-14 | Wine Valley Siding Supply, Inc. | United States | Succession Capital Inc. | Provides siding products, trims, and accessories to builders, subcontractors and homeowners in the Pacific Northwest |
| Jul-14 | Barnes Industrial Plastic Piping, Inc. | United States | Ryan Herco Flow Solutions, Inc. | Supplies plastic pipe and pipe related products in Florida |
| Jul-14 | Slone Lumber Company, Inc. | United States | Builders FirstSource, Inc. | Distributes lumber and various lumber based products |
| Jul-14 | Sand and Gravel Supply Operation at Williams Bay, Wisconsin | United States | Corporate Contractors, Inc. | Distributes sand and gravel materials, including asphalt, broken concrete and spoil |
| Building Pro | oducts Manufacturers | | | |
| Sep-14 | Tell Manufacturing, Inc. | United States | Hardware and Home Improvement Group | Manufactures and distributes commercial and residential locks and door hardware |
| Sep-14 | Wolfpac Technologies, Inc. | United States | Highlander Partners, L.P. | Manufactures and supplies PVC building products |
| Sep-14 | Chase Industries, Inc. | United States | Audax Group, Inc. | Manufactures and sells made-to-order impact traffic doors and specialty door systems |
| Sep-14 | Aquatic Co. | United States | The Sterling Group, L.P. | Manufactures and sells bathing products in the United States |
| Aug-14 | Dura-Line Holdings, Inc. | United States | Mexichem, S.A.B. de C.V. | Manufactures and distributes various building components, including conduits, ducts and pressure-pipe solutions |
| Aug-14 | Fortune Brands Windows, Inc. | United States | Ply Gem Industries, Inc. | Manufactures vinyl framed windows and patio doors |
| Aug-14 | Pactiv LLC, Building Insulation Division | United States | Kingspan Group plc | Manufactures insulation products under the brand name GreenGuard |
| Aug-14 | Universal Stair Parts, Inc. | United States | L.J. Smith, Inc. | Manufactures and distributes wood and iron stair products and stair parts, as well as exterior porch balustrades |

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Q3 2014 M&A Activity (cont.)

Notable M&A Activity - Q3 2014 (cont.)

| Date Announced | Target | Target Country | Acquirer | Target Business Description |
|-------------------|--|----------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Building Pr | oducts Manufacturers (cont.) | | · | |
| Jul-14 | CGI Windows & Doors, Inc. | United States | PGT Industries, Inc. | Manufactures hurricane impact resistant windows and doors |
| Jul-14 | del grosso floor covering inc. | United States | Interior Specialists, Inc. | Manufactures and installs customized flooring products, countertops, and cabinets for home and office markets |
| Jul-14 | HWD Acquisition, Inc. | United States | Sierra Pacific Industries, Inc. | Designs, manufactures and sells custom wood windows and doors |
| Jul-14 | Custom Window Systems, Inc. | United States | Nautic Partners, LLC | Manufactures windows and doors for residential and commercial applications |
| Building Ma | aterials Manufacturers | | | |
| Sep-14 | Composite Technologies Corporation | United States | Meadow Burke, LLC | Manufactures and markets insulation systems for use in precast, tilt-up and cast-in-place applications |
| Aug-14 | VantaCore Partners LP | United States | Natural Resource Partners LP | Manufactures and supplies aggregates, including graded limestone, washed sand, gravel and asphalt |
| Homebuild | ers | | | |
| Sep-14 | Oakmont Home Builders, Inc. | United States | LGI Homes, Inc. | Develops and builds homes |
| Sep-14 | Scott Felder Homes, LLC | United States | BR Homebuilding Group, L.P. | Builds homes in Central Texas |
| Aug-14 | GVB Customs Homes, LLC and SWMJ Construction, Inc. | United States | Century Communities, Inc. | Builds homes in Houston metro area |
| Aug-14 | Grand View Builders, Inc. | United States | Century Communities, Inc. | Builds custom homes primarily in the Houston Metro area |
| Jul-14 | Legendary Communities LLC | United States | Meritage Homes Corporation | Builds homes in Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina |
| Lumber and | d Wood Manufacturers | | | |
| Sep-14 | Southern Lumber Company Inc. | United States | Canfor Corp. | Manufactures lumber and lumber based products |
| Aug-14 | Thermo Pressed Laminates, Inc. | United States | Panel Processing, Inc. | Designs and manufactures low and high pressure laminated panels in Oregon |
| Aug-14 | West Orange Lumber Company, Inc. | United States | Builders FirstSource, Inc. | Manufactures and supplies lumber, roof trusses and custom windows and doors, as well as provides installation services |
| Jul-14 | Northwest Hardwoods, Inc. | United States | Littlejohn & Co. LLC | Manufactures and distributes kiln-dried hardwood lumber, as well as pallet shook and railroad ties |

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