## Wages have risen 4-6% since 2021; materials costs have been volatile

Year-over-year change in producer price index (PPI) for nonresidential inputs and average hourly earnings (AHE) for construction, Apr. 2020 – Apr. 2025





1 | Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, PPI, <u>www.bls.gov/ppi</u>; AHE, <u>https://www.bls.gov/ces/</u>

## Price changes for construction inputs as of April 2025

producer price indexes (PPIs), 1 - & 12-mo. change (not seasonally adjusted)



Anuil 2025 change from

	April 2025 change from:			
	Mar. 2025	Apr. 2024	Feb. 2020	
	<u>(1 month) (</u>	12 months)	<u>(62 months)</u>	
Overall input costs were flat in 2024 but have outpaced the CPI since 2020				
PPI for inputs to new nonresidential construction	0.0%	1.3%	40%	
Consumer price index (CPI)	0.3%	2.3%	24%	

## ...and some input prices remain volatile

Copper and brass mill shapes	2.0%	7.0%	73%
Steel mill products	5.9%	2.4%	63%
Gypsum building materials	-0.6%	3.0%	54%