

BUSINESS BAROMETER October 2006

Sales Tax Collections by Class of Business (value in \$): Percent Change from:

	September '06	August '06	September '05
Food and Beverage	\$718,546	-21.52	2.11
Apparel	\$128,017	-24.47	-8.14
General Merchandise	\$533,591	-18.21	-7.57
Auto and Oil	\$245,729	-22.10	1.30
Furniture and Appliances	\$155,481	-27.65	-18.90
Building and Industrial	\$338,272	-21.72	-9.81
Utilities and Transportation	\$229,787	3.78	19.39
Hardware, Machinery, and Equip.	\$113,068	-23.33	6.85
Miscellaneous	\$227,127	-40.40	-27.59

ALLEGANY CTY	August '06	July '06	August '05
Labor Force	36,411	36,111	33,079
Employed	34,428	34,284	30,962
Unemployed	1,983	1,827	2,117
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.1	6.4

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX	Monthly		Annual
	September '06	% Change	% Change
ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	203.9	-0.49%	4.20%
URBAN WAGE AND CLERICAL	199.6	-0.60%	4.30%

BUILDING PERMITS	September '06	August '06	September '05
COUNTY BUILDING PERMITS	2,246,100	1,922,574	1,406,100
CITY BUILDING PERMITS	370,852	3,894,512	1,028,859

