

BUSINESS BAROMETER

July 2007

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

Percent Change from:

	May '07	April '07	May '06
Food and Beverage	\$732,814	\$883,615	\$771,121
Apparel	\$135,474	\$164,668	\$130,432
General Merchandise	\$565,731	\$630,999	\$601,739
Auto and Oil	\$193,044	\$317,208	\$201,789
Furniture and Appliances	\$119,107	\$154,841	\$138,767
Building and Industrial	\$363,930	\$358,693	\$402,717
Utilities and Transportation	\$207,420	\$248,869	\$199,901
Hardware, Machinery, and Equip.	\$118,244	\$107,236	\$124,375
Miscellaneous	\$151,885	\$220,723	\$134,562

ALLEGANY CTY	April '07	March '07	April '06
Labor Force	35,472	35,953	35,895
Employed	33,689	33,852	34,123
Unemployed	1,783	2,101	1,772
Unemployment Rate	5.0	5.8	4.9

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX	May '07	Monthly % Change	Annual % Change
ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	207.9	0.59%	2.06%
URBAN WAGE AND CLERICAL	203.7	0.78%	1.98%

BUILDING PERMITS	May '07	April '07	May '06
COUNTY BUILDING PERMITS	\$1,924,000	\$1,974,500	\$2,035,146
CITY BUILDING PERMITS		\$489,304	\$1,517,270

