

BUSINESS BAROMETER

April 2009

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

Percent Change from:

	February '09	January '09	February '08
Food and Beverage	\$807,170	-24.0	12.8
Apparel	\$97,476	-60.9	-31.5
General Merchandise	\$520,824	-55.8	-0.5
Auto and Oil	\$238,745	-10.0	-1.6
Furniture and Appliances	\$145,484	-16.9	-2.2
Building and Industrial	\$225,263	-19.1	-12.1
Utilities and Transportation	\$338,300	-1.8	17.3
Hardware, Machinery, and Equip.	\$82,587	-37.9	1.7
Miscellaneous	\$231,600	-24.8	26.2

ALLEGANY CTY	January '09	December '08	January '08
Labor Force	35,682	35,347	35,277
Employed	32,409	32,877	33,183
Unemployed	3,273	2,470	2,094
Unemployment Rate	9.2	7.0	5.9

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX	February '09	Monthly % Change	Annual % Change
ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	212.2	0.50%	-0.26%
URBAN WAGE AND CLERICAL	206.7	0.49%	-0.75%

BUILDING PERMITS	February '09	January '09	February '08
COUNTY BUILDING PERMITS	\$559,780	\$869,450	\$287,000
CUMBERLAND BUILDING PERMITS	\$1,383,575	\$707,100	\$287,000

