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U.S. Construction Statistics: Third Quarter 2009

Year-to-Date Housing Starts (in thousands, not seasonally adjusted)

YTD September 2008 YTD September 2009	U.S. Total 752.1 431.3	Northeast 104.9 48.3	Midwest 110.4 74.6	South 373.4 215.7	West 163.3 92.7
Change YTD September 2009	-42.7%	-54%	-32.5%	-42.2%	-43.2%

Year-to-Date U.S. Construction Spending (in thousands)

	Year-to-Date September 2009	Year-to-Date September 2008	% Change
Total Construction	715,163	813,306	-12.1
Total Private Construction	474,744	583,770	-18.7
Residential	188,403	273,825	-31.2
Nonresidential Lodging Office Commercial Health care Educational Religious Amusement and recreation Transportation Communication Power Manufacturing	286,341 20,531 32,455 42,951 28,443 12,982 4,848 6,258 6,736 14,800 57,012 58,334	309,946 26,704 43,318 62,799 28,777 14,052 5,206 7,902 7,308 19,529 50,253 42,407	-7.6 -23.1 -25.1 -31.6 -1.2 -7.6 -6.9 -20.8 -7.8 -24.2 13.4 37.6
Total Public Construction	240,419	229,535	4.7
Residential	6,009	5,531	8.6
Nonresidential Office Commercial Health care Educational Public safety Amusement and recreation Transportation Power Highway and street Sewage and waste disposal Water supply Conservation and development	234,410 11,370 2,929 7,433 67,944 10,416 8,276 19,125 9,878 62,567 18,027 11,668 4,244	224,004 9,773 2,653 6,390 65,237 8,772 8,392 17,850 8,950 61,052 18,037 12,004 3,983	4.6 16.3 10.4 16.3 4.1 18.7 -1.4 7.1 10.4 2.5 -0.1 -2.8 6.6

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Interline Brands, Inc., Jacksonville, FL, reported sales for the third quarter 2009 were \$277.9 million, a decline of 12.5 percent from the prior-year period. Sales for the nine months ended Sept. 25, 2009 were \$804.7 million, a 12.4 percent decrease from the comparable 2008 period. Profit was \$19.7 million, down from \$33.5 million the prior year.