

The Great Recession and the Construction Workforce

Peak vs. July 2016 Upper Midwest

	Peak Month/Year	Total	July 2016	Total Gain/Loss	% change from peak
Iowa	July 2016	90,300	90,300	0	0%
South Dakota	April 2016	24,500	24,200	-300	-1%
Minnesota	February 2006	132,000	121,700	-10,300	-8%
Wisconsin	April 2006	130,100	117,300	-12,800	-10%
North Dakota	December 2014	40,600	31,300	-9,300	-23%

Source: Associated General Contractors of America, www.agc.org from Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), U.S. Department of Labor, www.bls.gov/sae, 8/19/2016. BLS posts data either for construction alone or construction, mining and logging combined.