

## MEET YOUR TRUSTED ADVISOR



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## COST CONSIDERATIONS THINGS TO WATCH OUT FOR



**INFRASTRUCTURE** Infrastructure efforts will need to continue expansion at a rapid rate to keep up with the increased migration we are seeing. In Phoenix, there are several large infrastructure efforts that are either entering or have begun the design phase.



**UP-AND-COMING** Residential markets in the southwest are seeing consistent increases in migrations from other states. The housing market in Arizona has cooled as a likely result of rising interest rates; however, inventory remains low. Southwest region water treatment and water recycling projects may increase.



**BIDDING ENVIRONMENT** Phoenix is being inundated with industrial manufacturing and will continue for several years. Looking ahead, industrial manufacturing development in the Phoenix may cause a need for a significant increase in commodities production. Inflation remains an issue and supply chain issues persist.

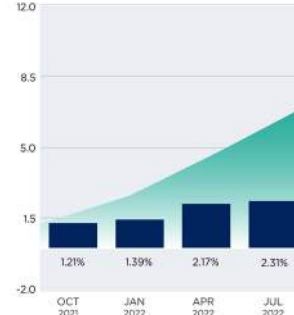


**PROCUREMENT** Market conditions may warrant a more stringent contracting, insurance, and bonding process. Inflation is creating a difficult climate for designers having to consistently design around what commodities and/or products that are in great demand or currently available.

### CONSTRUCTION COST DRIVERS

SELECT MATERIALS	APPROX. INCREASE FROM Q1 2022
Rebar	▲ 2.3%
Structural Steel	▼ -2.2%
Ready-Mix Concrete	▼ -0.7%
Lumber	▼ -39.7%
Copper	▼ -2.1%
Plumbing Fixtures	▼ -1.6%
Diesel	▲ 27.5%

### CITY COST INDEX



### PROJECTED MARKET TRENDS

8.28%

National 2022  
escalation rate

7.27%

Phoenix 2022  
escalation rate



**DON'T MISS OUT ON  
FUTURE INSIGHTS!**

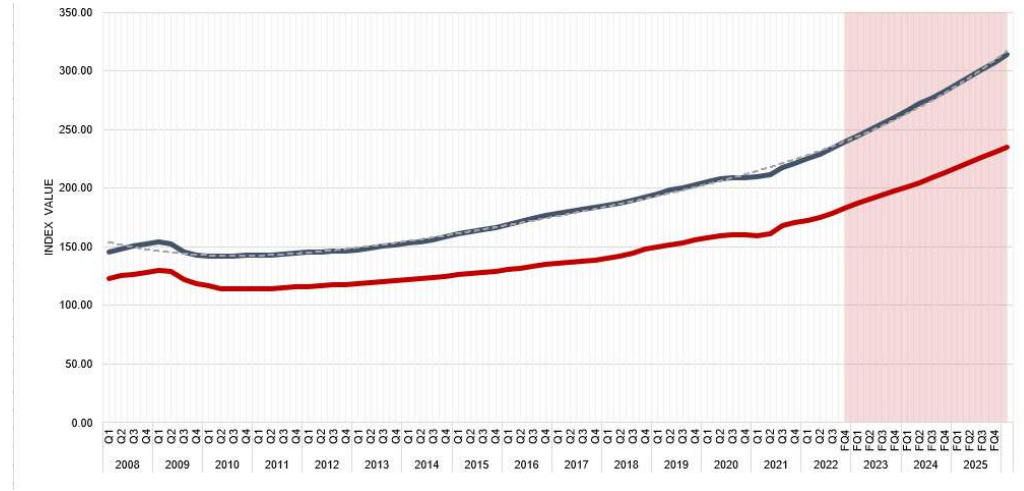


For more than 20 years, we have published a quarterly construction cost report to provide you with the most accurate and up-to-date construction pricing information in the market.

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## CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX, ESCALATION, AND TRENDS

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### ABOUT THE CHART

RLB expects that the National and local construction cost index will rise at a steady rate over the next three years, staying in line with the construction cycle trend. We do not anticipate a decrease in construction costs any time soon.

### WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

RLB forecasts that supply chain and inflation will continue to strain pricing and schedules on construction projects. RLB recommends assembling a dedicated team to each project and to set schedules to combat the persisting supply chain issues.