

# AZBO News



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## Message from the Chair

AZBO is getting a new look to our web page [WWW.AZBO.US](http://WWW.AZBO.US). Be looking for the new look within the next few weeks. It has been a long process of development and, thanks to the enduring efforts of Mike Baker, City of Avondale and Central Chapter Member, a long overdue change is here. If you are interested in keeping our web page updated we are looking for a few more volunteers. Also, due to Mike Baker's efforts AZBO's presence on Facebook is growing. Log on and check it out there are many great articles being posted and you will be joining people from across America and the globe.

Our spring institute is just weeks away and the Education Committee, led by Pat Headington, Yuma County and Central Chapter member, and Mary Dickson, City of El Mirage and Central Chapter Member, have been hard at work as have the members of their team. They have put together a top notch institute at the Francisco Grand, Casa Grande, AZ. If you have not registered you can do so [here](#). AZBO is a preferred provider so CEU's earned will meet the new requirements for certification renewals as defined by ICC. Thank you Education Committee for a job well done.

It has become tradition for the hosting Chapter to put on a Wednesday evening dinner event. The Central Chapter will be sponsoring the dinner and SRP will be sponsoring the Keynote speaker, Mark Matteson, as he shares "A Call

to Arms." Mark is an inspiring speaker and author of international bestsellers. His inspirational skills and industry specific knowledge will empower you with the tools for change and aliening your vision, AZBO's vision, and the vision of your local leaders. This event is just \$10 for the first 75 registrants, and \$35/registrant after that. You do not have to be attending classes to join us at the Francisco Grand, April 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6-9pm. You can register [here](#), all registrations for this event must be received by April 4<sup>th</sup>.

May is Building Safety Month. I encourage you to be thinking about what you can do in your department to promote Building Safety in your community. If you are having trouble thinking what to do perhaps I can offer up a bit of help. First go to the ICC [Building Safety Month](#) page, download their proclamation and have your Mayor sign it for display at your department counter and, post a copy of the Presidential proclamation alongside it. There are also digital downloads to be had that promote Building Safety. And, you can get creative with things like free pool barrier checkups, hold a drawing for some free smoke detectors or a kitchen fire extinguisher to be given away. May is an opportunity to promote what we do for our communities. Don't miss your opportunity.

Things are constantly changing and AZBO has its fair share. I encourage you to get involved with your local chapter and be a part of a dynamic growing organization.

Sincerely,

Randy Westacott,  
AZBO Chairman, 2013-2015

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## Governor Doug Ducey Announces Director of the Registrar of Contractors

**PHOENIX** - Governor Doug Ducey has appointed **Jeffrey Fleetham** as director of the Arizona Registrar of Contractors (ROC).

"Mr. Fleetham demonstrates the knowledge and experience necessary to serve the ROC's mission with success," said Governor Doug Ducey. "He has a vast background that includes construction, consumer products, consulting and dispute resolution in both public and private sector industries. His expertise will be valuable to the agency as it protects the public while creating a positive business climate for our contractors."

Mr. Fleetham has owned 12-88 LLC, a residential project consultant and dispute resolution company, since 2013. He previously worked as an investigator with the Registrar of Contractors, responsible for inspecting commercial and residential construction projects in response to complaints filed against licensed contractors and unlicensed entities; making recommendations for construction repairs; investigating illegal activities; developing department standards and licensing requirements; and training of compliance investigators, among other duties. He received a Certificate of Commendation and a Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Service from the ROC in 2013.

Additional experience includes serving as vice president, laborer, foreman and superintendent of Fleet, Construction Inc.; general manager and Midwest division manager of Silverado Foods, Incorporated; Western division manager of the United States Playing Card Company; and district account manager, field sales representative and assistant field warehouse manager for Hershey Foods, Inc.

Mr. Fleetham is a member of the National Federation of Independent Business; **Arizona Building Officials, where he was named Member of the Year for 2013-2014**; International Code Council; and Air Conditioning Contractors of America.

~Source: azgovernor.gov, February 3, 2015



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## Chapter Information

### **Southern Chapter** Installation of Officers

~from left to right~

John Farmer, Vice President

Dan Ice, Board Member

Brian Uthe, Board Member

Nolette Hernandez, Secretary

Chuck King, President

Dave Nichols, ICC Representative



**Central Chapter** issued 17 scholarships for the Spring Institute.

The award recipients were as follows:

Teresa Smith of Gila Bend 2 scholarships;

Casa Grande Jurisdiction 4 scholarships;

Cave Creek Jurisdiction 4 scholarships;

Phoenix Jurisdiction 3 scholarships;

Goodyear Jurisdiction 4 scholarships.

The Central Chapter continues to support its members by providing 20 scholarships per institute. Be on the lookout for the next opportunity coming in July.

**Grand Canyon Chapter** Board is allowing scholarships for the Spring Institute for up to 50 student days.

The Chapter is also presenting a training day in June to be held in Prescott. The training will be for architects and draftsmen regarding the 2012 IRC. All AZBO Members will be eligible to attend. Watch for additional information to be distributed by the Grand Canyon Chapter.



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## Jurisdiction Updates



**Ella Ochoa,**  
**City of El Mirage**  
passed the  
Permit Technician  
Certification Exam.  
The City of El Mirage  
is 100% Certified.



**City of Maricopa** has purchased an electronic permitting and plan review software program. They are offering a free webinar.

**Free Digital Plan Review Webinar**  
**Tuesday March 17, 11:00 AM -12:00 PM PST**

Representatives from the City of Maricopa along with ePlan Soft, and SMARTGov will discuss the significant time and cost savings that jurisdictions are experiencing using digital plan review.

Robert Mathias, Development Manager for the City of Maricopa will discuss the efficiencies gained by moving your jurisdiction to digital plan review. This webinar will be featuring the industry leading functionality of E-PlanSoft's e-PlanCheck® Electronic Plan Review embedded in SmartGov.

For more information and to register go to

<http://www.eplansoft.com/epc-webinar-increase-efficiency-40-electronic-plan-review-smartgov/>



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The **City of San Luis, AZ** completed a 20,000 sq. ft. business incubator with the assistance of grants funding from the US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA), the Arizona Department of Housing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and local funding of over \$2 million. Our building department was part of the overall grant applications, design to meet different demands and building of the facility. The Business Incubator will assist small, local, start up and expanding businesses focus in producing jobs for local residents through encouraging and supporting businesses.

The 20,000 sq. ft building will have a flexible configuration. 10,000 sq. ft shall be devoted to primary incubator space, which shall consist of approximately 1,000 sq. ft. of common office space share by five participating businesses with a range of square footage between 1,430 sq.ft to 2,717 sq. ft. The remaining 10,000 sq. ft will be configured as two 4,237 sq. ft spaces with its own office space, conference room and loading docks.

The City is currently accepting applications. Start up or expanding businesses must meet the criteria of presenting a business plan, secure adequate capital and present a complete and acceptable staffing plan.

The incubator will focus and encourage applicants who are engaging in light manufacturing, machining, distribution, and similar industries such as wholesale brokers, dealers, distributors, appliance repair, printing, engraving, publishing, machine and tool repairs; packing business, plumbing, electrical, refrigeration repairs and furniture builders and cabinet makers to name a few. The incubator will not accept retail firm, but will allow sales functions to operate out of the incubator business for large distribution sales.

Interested businesses can request an application at the Community Development Department. For further information, you may contact Jenny Torres, Community Development Director at (928)341-8584 or via e-mail at [jtorres@cityofsanluis.org](mailto:jtorres@cityofsanluis.org).



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It's time to get involved



AZBO is **seeking new ideas** for classes and instructors to share knowledge.  
Have you ever considered teaching?

Did you ever feel you could do a better  
job at getting the information across?

**Then now is your chance!**

Fill out the form (last page of this Newsletter) and have the opportunity to get  
placed on the schedule for future Education Institutes.

**Open to individuals and businesses alike!**



~Mary Dickson, City of El Mirage, Co-Chair AZBO Education Committee.

From **Sharon Bonesteel**, SRP: SWEEP has given permission to send  
out their data sheet on AZ construction. See chart after page 8.

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Rest in  
Peace  
Sandra Lee  
Stevens

Longtime  
Companion  
of Kelly P.  
Reynolds



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# ARIZONA

The Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP) prepared this fact sheet to provide an overview of commercial construction activity in Arizona and total energy consumption by the state's commercial sector. It translates construction statistics and energy data into a visual snapshot of commercial construction activity that is useful for commercial energy efficiency program managers and policymakers.

**Size:** 113,998 square miles

**Population:** 6.627 million

**2013 Construction Value:** \$3.4 billion<sup>1</sup>

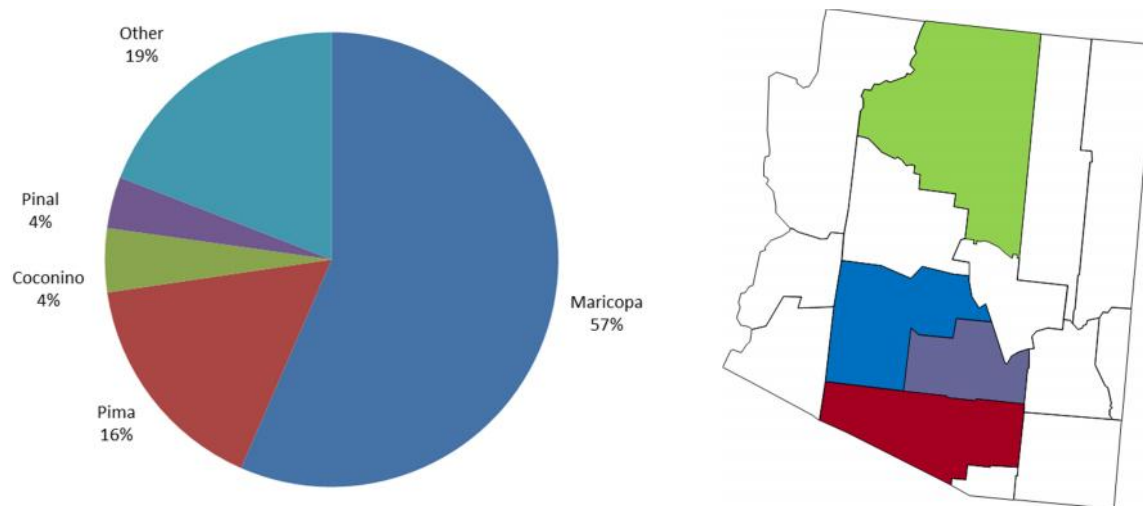
**Commercial electricity sales:** 30 MMWh<sup>2</sup>

**Average price:** 9.8 cents/kWh

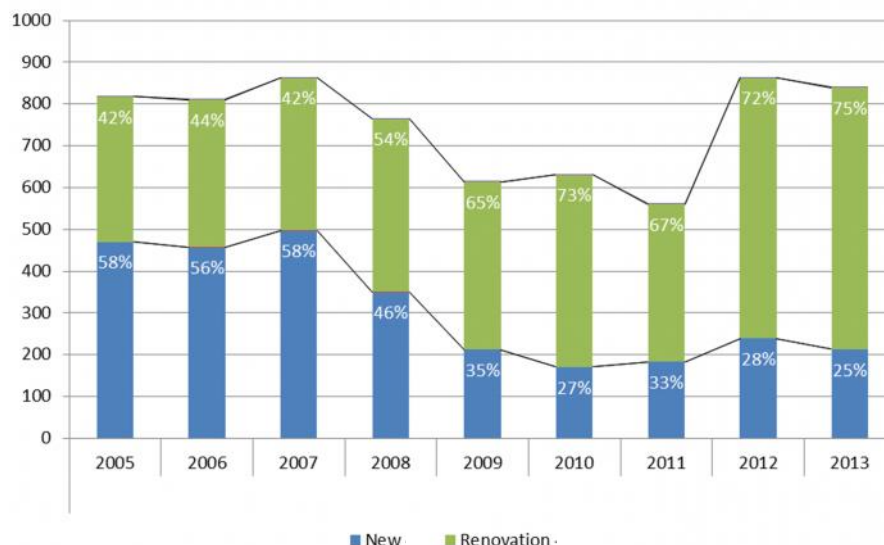
**Commercial gas sales:** 32 billion cubic feet

**Average price:** \$9.35/thousand cubic feet

**Top Counties by Number of Project Starts, 2005-2013**



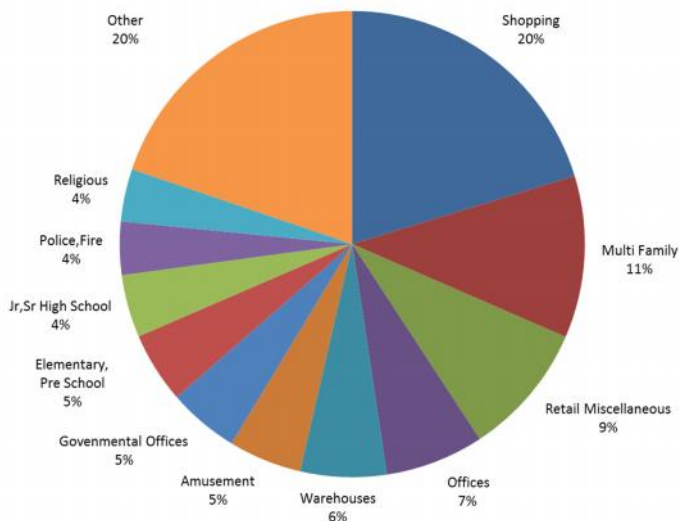
**Total New Construction and Renovation Projects, 2005-2013**



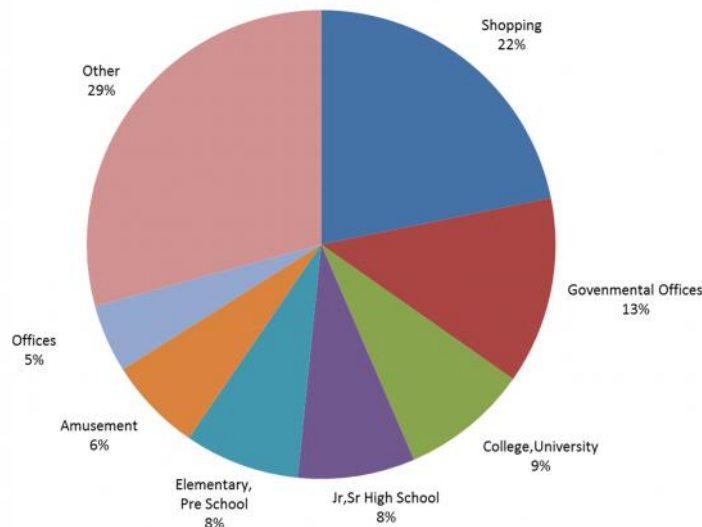
<sup>1</sup> Construction data provided by CMD Construction Data.

<sup>2</sup> Energy statistics from U.S. Energy Information Administration (2012).

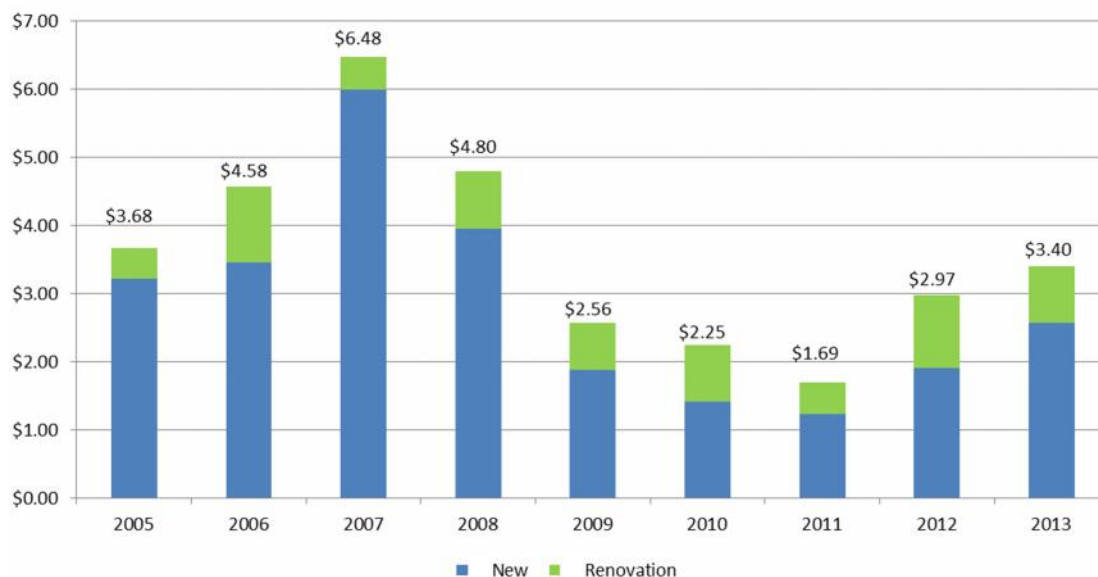
Building Type by Project Starts (New Construction)



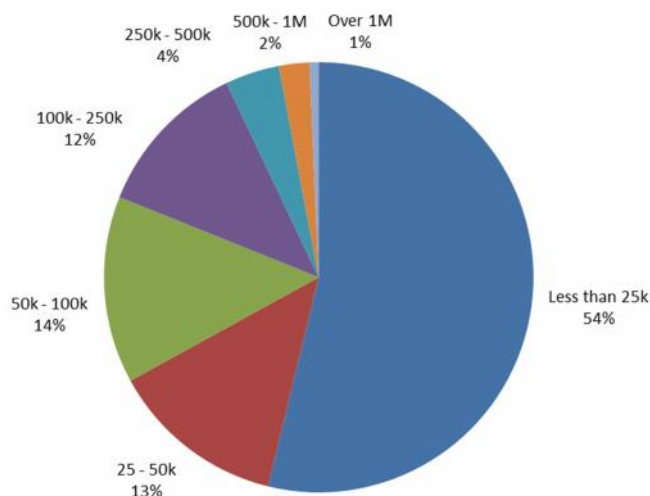
Building Type by Project Starts (Renovations)



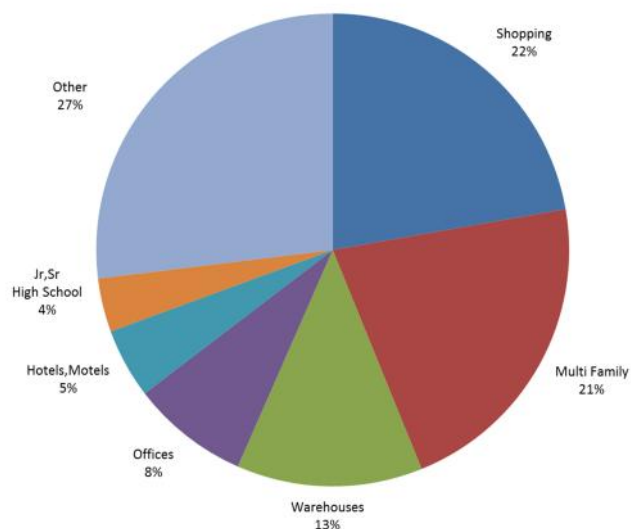
Total Construction Cost by Year, 2005-2013 (Billion \$)



Building Size in Square Feet by Number of Projects



Building Type by Total Square Footage Constructed





**Arizona Building Officials  
Education Institute  
PROPOSAL TO TEACH**



Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Jurisdiction \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Course Title \_\_\_\_\_

Course Description \_\_\_\_\_

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Day of the Week preferred 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Other than projector and screen, what other basic needs does this class require? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Additional Personal Information**

Education Background (include certifications)

Practical Experience in your area

Teaching Experience

**References:** Please list individual(s) who know your expertise in the area in which you would like to teach. Name and contact information.

Scan and return to registrar at registrar@azbo.us