

Concrete Paving

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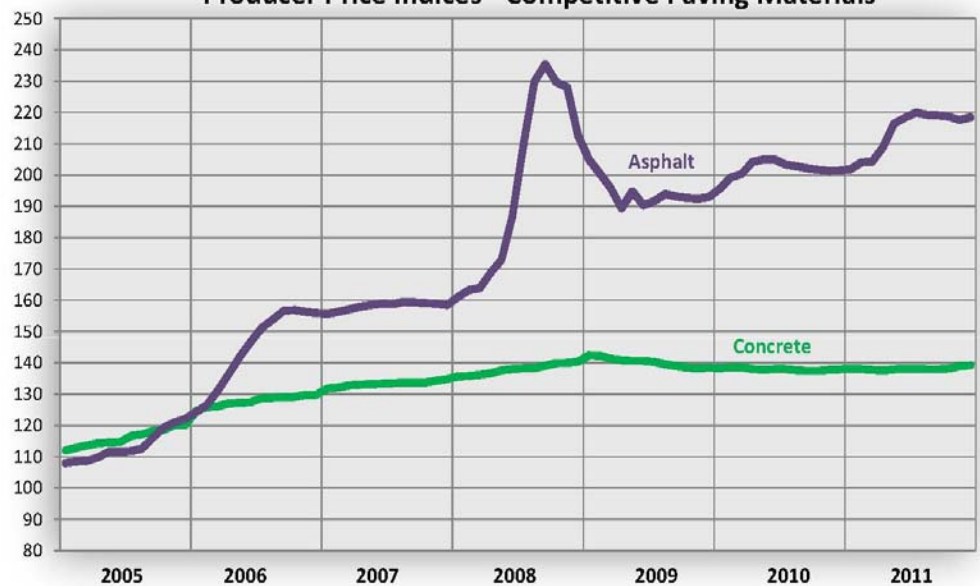
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Producer Price Indices - Competitive Paving Materials



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Concrete paving solutions have always been the low cost alternative when transportation agencies factor in the longevity and low maintenance of concrete pavements. However, cash-strapped agencies often have chosen asphalt because of its lower *initial* cost.

Now, the roadway construction world has changed. Asphalt prices have increased nearly 80% from 2006 to 2011—a cost escalation rate more than five times that of concrete. And oil refining practices have caused diminished asphalt supplies, resulting in periodic shortages of asphalt bitumen binder. Projected increases in oil prices in 2012 will continue the upward cost pressure on asphalt.

Concrete can now be the low first-cost alternative, and last more than twice as long as asphalt. In particular, concrete overlays of deteriorating asphalt or old concrete pavements are highly competitive on *initial cost*. Agencies can get more for less, with concrete!