

RETAIL

Of all the sectors that experienced a decline in revenue, retail suffered the least.

In 2009, the industry reported a 3.6 percent drop in revenue from the year before. However, retail took the worst hit of all the industries in 2008, shrinking that year by about a third.

Leading the retail sector for the second straight year was Navarro Discount Pharmacies, which in 2009 posted a

modest 4 percent decline in revenues.

Among the fastest-growing companies in this industry is Holman's Inc., a business-to-business retailer that sells precision surveying and computer products.

Holman's boosted sales nearly 13 percent in 2009, bringing its total annual revenue to \$39.4 million. Puente Enterprises, an airport concessions company whose revenues rose by 14 percent, to \$36 million was another strong performer.



Retail					
Rank	2009 Revenue	2008 Revenue	Company	Primary Products and Services	% Change
1	\$316,000,000.00	\$329,000,000.00	Navarro Discount Pharmacies,	Retail chain of pharmacy drugstores	-3.95%
2	\$225,000,000.00	\$218,153,943.00	Mid-Atlantic Petroleum Properties LLC,	Retail gas centers	3.14%
3	\$126,119,097.00	\$133,447,595.00	El Dorado Furniture Corp.,	Home furniture & decorative accessories	-5.49%
4	\$115,000,000.00	\$110,000,000.00	Norsan Group,	Restaurants & food dist.	4.55%
5	\$59,000,000.00	\$69,000,000.00	Gracious Home,	Retail hardware & housewares, home furnishes	-14.49%
6	\$44,085,330.00	\$42,381,254.00	Cuellar LLC,	Retail grocery	4.02%
7	\$39,367,000.00	\$34,935,000.00	Holman's Inc.,	Precision surveying & computing prods.	12.69%
8	\$36,095,000.00	\$31,600,000.00	Puente Enterprises Inc.,	Airport concessions	14.22%
9	\$27,399,612.00	\$47,040,719.72	Everglades Steel Corp. & Medley Steel Corp.,	Steel, stainless steel, galvanized material	-41.75%
10	\$24,800,000.00	\$23,500,000.00	Carniceria 3 Hermanos Inc.,	Grocery stores & meat processing plant	5.53%

CONSTRUCTION

This year, the HispanicBusiness 500's construction sector took a major blow, with revenues plunging by \$1 billion in one year, down to \$4.8 billion. That's a drop of nearly 17 percent.

Still, construction's share of the HispanicBusiness 500 directory's total revenues held steady at 16.1 percent, a reflection of how construction's woes last year were in proportion to that of other industries among Hispanic-owned companies.

In a bit of good news, the 10 biggest construction companies performed a little better this year than last,

boosting their combined revenues by 8.6 percent, to \$2.97 billion.

One new company breaking into the directory's overall top 10 list this year is Kansas-based Crossland Construction, which placed fifth, up from No. 11.

At a time when much of the industry is experiencing an outright depression, Crossland held pretty steady in 2009, bringing in \$527 million, an increase of just under 1 percent from the year before. It might not sound like much, but in last year's economy, anything other than down is a step up.



Construction					
Rank	2009 Revenue	2008 Revenue	Company	Primary Products and Services	% Change
1	\$1,623,502,000.00	\$1,378,660,000.00	MasTec Inc.,	Build, install, maintain, & upgrade utility & comm. infrastructures	17.76%
2	\$527,486,211.00	\$522,877,150.00	Crossland Construction Co. Inc.,	General & heavy constr., constr. mgmt & design build	0.88%
3	\$175,000,000.00	\$158,000,000.00	Thos. S. Byrne Ltd.,	General construction, construction mgmt.	10.76%
4	\$118,286,000.00	\$96,233,400.00	Bay Cities Paving & Grading Inc.	General engr. & heavy const.	22.92%
5	\$118,176,000.00	\$126,526,000.00	Azteca-Omega Group,	General contracting, construction mgmt.	-6.60%
6	\$118,035,000.00	\$102,480,000.00	MCM,	General contracting, design build, constr. mgmt./civil	15.18%
7	\$97,710,000.00	\$97,004,620.00	Cornejo & Sons Inc.,	Heavy & highway const. & support svcs.	0.73%
8	\$97,098,934.00	\$90,188,707.00	CAPE Inc.,	Construction, environmental & fuel syst. solutions	7.66%
9	\$85,500,000.00	\$134,000,000.00	Northeast Remesco Construction Inc.,	Heavy const.	-36.19%
10	\$74,343,000.00	\$56,000,000.00	J2 Engineering Inc.	Design build constr. & environmental svcs.	32.76%