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## HOME REMODELING & REPAIR INDEX

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### LETTER FROM CRAIG SMITH

CEO, ServiceMagic.com

Since hitting the bottom in the fourth quarter of 2008, homeowners' optimism about their home and the overall economy continues to improve with each passing quarter. The extent of this enthusiasm is highly influenced by where they live as the recovery in home improvement is impacting certain regions of the US sooner and more significantly than others. The good news from our third quarter index is that homeowner optimism has continued to improve and more people are willing to confidently invest in home improvements beyond required repairs and maintenance.

Generally speaking, homeowners seem to once again be willing to spend on discretionary items for their homes – that is, projects that don't necessarily have to be done but improve the value of their home. For the first time this year, we saw an increase in Cleaning & Maid Services. This category was a good indicator that home spending was tightening at the beginning of the recession because homeowners were choosing to just do this work themselves over hiring a professional. Larger remodeling projects, which showed modest gains in Q2, continued to build steam along with smaller projects such as countertop and cabinet replacement.

Additionally, our consumer sentiment survey results show that more homeowners are feeling good about their homes as investments again. The survey results also show that discretionary projects were largely paid for in cash versus financing or credit. The combination of consumer sentiment and available cash has contributed to an uptick in remodeling categories, and foreshadows continued growth for the foreseeable future.

Another interesting trend is the location of where things are picking up. Though still spotty, to be sure, home improvement is gaining more ground in the East. Moving west, the numbers begin to decline while the Midwest took a big dip and the Pacific region remained flat.

Overall, ServiceMagic is seeing trends that reflect a continued recovery in the home improvement market. The service professionals who belong to our network say their businesses have taken a hit, but continue to feel positive about the next 12 months, while homeowners continue to give them reason for their optimism.

Craig Smith

### PURPOSE

ServiceMagic.com is the nation's leading website connecting homeowners to prescreened, customer-rated contractors. With more than four million requests from homeowners in 2008, ServiceMagic.com is providing valuable data to the public in terms of how home project spending trends have changed in both overall size and scope, as well as specific categories of projects that have seen increases and decreases due to the decline in economic conditions.

### NOTES ON DATA

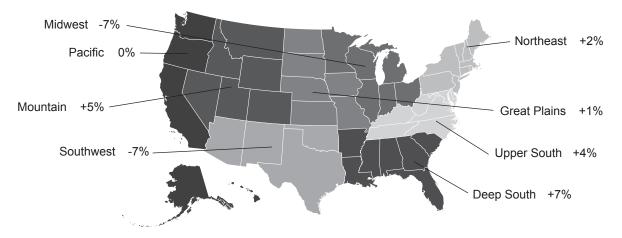
- 1 ServiceMagic.com experienced 22% overall growth in service requests from homeowners in Q3 '09 over Q3 '08. All regional- and category-specific data contained in this report were normalized to account for this growth, unless otherwise stated.
- 2 Due to point-in-time variations such as seasonality, all data presented here presents a Q3 '08 to Q3 '09 comparison unless otherwise indicated.
- 3 ServiceMagic.com data reflect homeowners requesting a professional to hire for home improvement projects. In other words, this data reflects "do-it-for-me" projects and not "do-it-yourself" projects.
- 4 This report is separated into two parts:
  - A The index (data) from ServiceMagic.com, which reflect the 1.5 million service requests received in Q3 '09.
  - B Results from a survey of 2,685 homeowners and 614 service professionals conducted in October 2009.
- 5 We have included in the report:
  - A Index data from the Top 50 markets as ranked by the U.S. Census
  - B Demographic data for households and housing stock
    - 1 Household demographics: household income, age of head of household, marital status.
    - 2 Housing stock demographics: age of home, value of home, length of residence, square footage of home.
- 6 New this quarter, service requests have been grouped together for regional demographic analysis.
  - A An aggregated view of each region is presented to help provide more relevant or better insights and comparisons for top 50 cities.
  - B Service request group detail is located in the appendix on page 55.

### NATIONAL SUMMARY

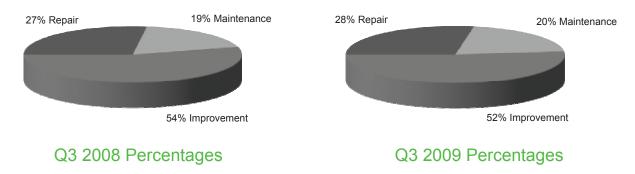
With 1.5 million requests for household services in Q3, ServiceMagic remains uniquely qualified to offer the industry extremely relevant data pertaining to home improvement activity. Each quarter of 2009 has presented a unique story of how consumers are making decisions about home improvements relative to the macro economic situation. The third quarter is no different; we have observed an increase in discretionary spending by consumers with specific trends based on geography and type of service requests.

This is supported by:

- 1 The rise in several key home improvement categories indicates homeowners are moving back to a "do-it-for-me" versus "do-it-yourself" mindset. Those categories include Cleaning & Maid Service, Painting, and Window and Wall Coverings. In addition, other projects like Additions & Remodeling, Windows, Cabinets, and Countertops have also increased as compared to last year, and are largely being paid for in cash. See below for a graph on the increases in these service requests and page 46 for survey results from consumers who submitted these specific requests.
- 2 While pockets of lesser activity remain sprinkled throughout the country, ServiceMagic is seeing a general East to West trend when it comes to the acceleration of home improvement activity. Homeowners in the East are showing their renewed optimism for viewing their homes as investments by once again taking on remodeling and other discretionary projects. Moving West, enthusiasm begins to wane, as tracked by the map below.



3 ServiceMagic is also seeing a normalization across the three motivational categories: Improvement, Repair, and Maintenance. With the onset of the recession, the breakout began to subtly shift away from improvements to repairs. In Q3, the pendulum swung back to remodeling as the growing piece of the pie.



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### NATIONAL SERVICE REQUESTS

ServiceMagic.com received 4.2 million service requests from homeowners in 2008. The following lists show changes in requests, from Q3 '08 to Q3 '09. Additional detail beyond the top 20 requests is available for national, regional, and metro area comparisons.

#### Top 20 Increases in Service Requests

#### Top 20 Decreases in Service Requests

Paving	+46%	Waste Material Removal	-37%
Countertops	+37%	Rental Services	-35%
Plumbing	+22%	Demolition Services	-26%
Air Conditioning	+22%	Disaster Recovery Services	-20%
Pest Control	+18%	Designers & Decorators	-19%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+17%	Handyman Services	-15%
Cabinets	+16%	Garages & Garage Doors	-14%
Tree Services	+15%	Audio/Visual & Computers	-11%
Disability Services	+14%	Fences	-10%
Additions & Remodeling	+14%	Water Treatment Systems	-9%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+13%	Lawn & Garden Care	-9%
Flooring & Carpet	+13%	Ceilings	-9%
Window Coverings	+11%	Fans	-8%
Painting	+10%	Foundations	-8%
Windows	+9%	Roofing	-5%
Tile	+9%	Swimming Pools	-5%
Concrete	+8%	Landscaping	-5%
Wall Coverings	+8%	Locksmith	-4%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+8%	Skylights	-4%
Gutters	+8%	Carpenters	-4%

#### Spotlight on Discretionary Spending

Reversing the trend in the past two quarters, categories that fall under the discretionary spending umbrella began to once again see growth. Cleaning & Maid Services, while still challenged in certain parts of the country, showed significant growth in many markets. Painting is a prime (pun intended) example of a project that many homeowners chose to do themselves during lean times but have begun to hire professionals to complete as their confidence in our economic outlook grows.

	National	Northeast	Upper South	Deep South	Midwest	Great Plains	Mountain	Southwest	Pacific
Additions & Remodeling	+13%	+19%	+15%	+18%	+2%	+27%	+14%	+1%	+2%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+8%	+9%	+15%	+30%	+2%	+15%	+5%	+13%	-5%
Cabinets	+16%	+23%	+14%	+22%	+11%	+29%	-4%	+11%	+25%
Countertops	+37%	+40%	+30%	+39%	+22%	+53%	+50%	+24%	+12%
Windows	+9%	+14%	+15%	+9%	-1%	+23%	+27%	+2%	+1%
Painting	+10%	+15%	+13%	+20%	+6%	+17%	+18%	+2%	+1%
Window Coverings	+11%	-3%	+9%	+11%	+2%	-	-	+6%	+22%
Wall Coverings	+8%	+9%	+8%	+28%	+19%	-	-	-	-5%



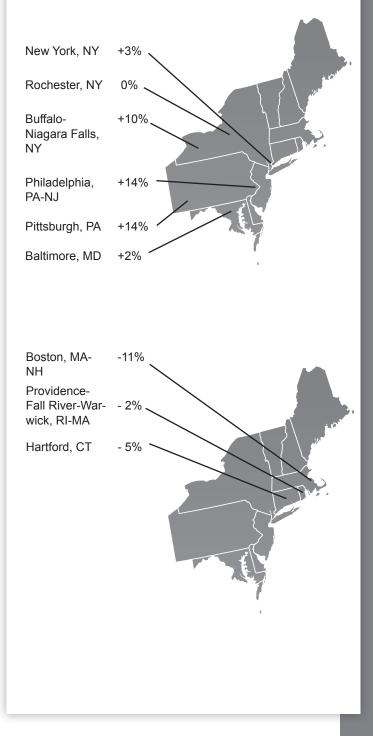
### **REMODELING: PROMISING BUT A MIXED BAG**

Remodeling, up 14%, is showing a strong comeback nationally. The real story, however, requires a more granular perspective. Generally speaking, eastern regions showed gains greater than the national average and western regions are near or significantly less than the national figure. But even a regional analysis doesn't tell the entire story – a more mixed result is apparent when comparing the top 10 metropolitan areas.

Metropolitan areas growth that index at more than the natio	tor	0		Metropolitan areas declines:	with
New York, NY	+27%	San Francisco, CA	+2%	Houston, TX	-19%
Los Angeles, CA	+21%	Boston, MA	+1%	Detroit, MI	-6%
Philadelphia, PA	+16%	Dallas, TX	+1%	Chicago, IL	-2%
Washington, DC	+14%				

### NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF CONSUMERS SUBMITTING HOME IMPROVEMENT REQUESTS

Age of Head of 18-29 years 30-44 years 45-64 years 65+ years	Household	Percentage of Total 5% 32% 50% 13%	Household In \$0-\$49,999 \$50,000-\$99,999 \$100,000-\$249,9 \$250,000+	9	Percentage of Total 17% 32% 46% 6%
Home Value \$0-\$99,999 \$100,000-\$199,99 \$200,000-\$299,99 \$300,000-\$449,99 \$450,000+ Length of Resid 1-5 years	8% 9 34% 9 26% 9 19% 14%	tage of Total ercentage of Total	Home Age 1-5 years 6-10 years 11-20 years 21-30 years 31-50 years 51-100 years 100+ years	Perc 5% 7% 18% 17% 25% 25% 2%	centage of Total
6-10 years 11-20 years 21-30 years 30+ years Marital Status Married Single	27		Home Size 1,000-1,499 sq. 1,500-1,999 sq. 2,000-2,499 sq. 2,500-3,499 sq. 3,500-4,999 sq. 5,000+ sq. ft.	ft. : ft. : ft. : ft. :	Percentage of Total 22% 23% 19% 22% 11% 3%



# NORTHEAST

# Northeast Region Overall Service Request Activity

### Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: +2%

(Q2 comparison: -2%)

Additions & Remodeling indexed higher in the Northeast, up 19% compared to up 14% nationally. Discretionary spending was also concentrated on exterior projects with roofing up 25% followed by concrete and painting up 20% and 15%, respectively. Windows, doors, gutters, and decks also showed growth in the third quarter.

Project requests came from an average, home size of 1,000-1,499 square feet, somewhat smaller than the national average, and an even split between a length of residence of one to five years and 11 to 20 years.

### **Demographic Profile: Exterior Projects**

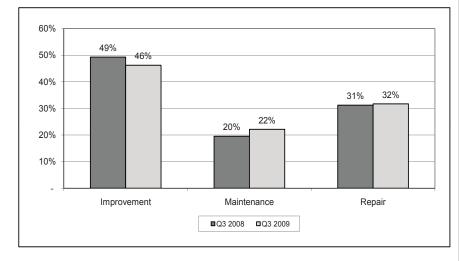
- Ages 45-64: 52%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 49%
- Home Value \$300,000-\$449,999: 24%
- Homes 51-100 years old: 47%
- Length of residence of 1-5 and 11-20 years: 31%
- Homes 1,000-1,499 square feet: 32%

MORE DETAILS AVAILABLE ON NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND MARKET DEMOGRAPHIC AND SERVICE REQUEST DATA BY REQUEST

#### HOME REMODELING M & REPAIR INDEX

### Baltimore, MD

- 33% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 32% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 35% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999



#### Top 10 Increases

Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+40%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+37%
Architects & Engineers	+24%
Cabinets	+21%
Air Conditioning	+20%
Plumbing	+18%
Pest Control	+17%
Audio/Visual & Computers	+16%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+15%
Additions & Remodeling	+14%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Designers & Decorators	-30%
Powdercoating	-24%
Drywall & Plaster	-15%
Fireplaces & Wood Stoves	-15%
Doors	-12%
Locksmiths	-12%
Carpenters	-11%
Foundations	-10%
Appliances	-10%
Roofing	-8%

#### Top 10 Increases

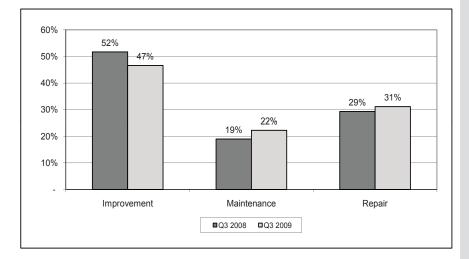
Tree Services	+42%
Paving	+37%
Countertops	+30%
Air Conditioning	+27%
Pest Control	+25%
Cabinets	+20%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+14%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+11%
Brick & Stone	+4%
Concrete	+4%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Landscaping	-23%
Gutters	-21%
Fences	-21%
Swimming Pools	-20%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-20%
Lawn & Garden Care	-17%
Garages & Garage Doors	-17%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-16%
Siding	-15%
Architects & Engineers	-14%

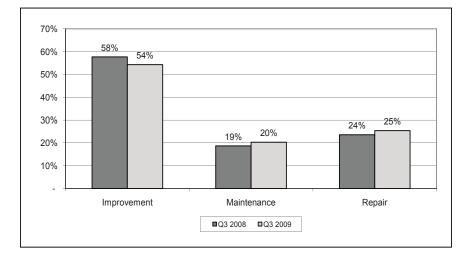
### Boston, MA-NH

- 32% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes
- 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 44% of Interior Projects requests came from homes valued \$450,000+
- 41% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homeowners ages 30-44



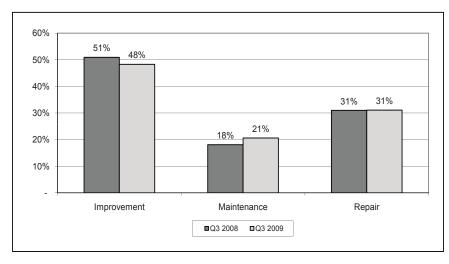
### Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY

- 62% of Additions & Remodeling requests from homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999
- 34% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 41% of Interior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999



## New York, NY

- 30% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet
- 59% of Interior Projects requests came from homeowners who are single
- 50% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homes valued \$450,000+



#### Top 10 Increases

Painting	+65%
Pest Control	+63%
Concrete	+61%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+57%
Siding	+57%
Plumbing	+45%
Windows	+38%
Carpenters	+28%
Decks	+23%
Air Conditioning	+22%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Landscaping	-47%
Tile	-46%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-20%
Lawn & Garden Care	-18%
Tree Services	-11%
Garages & Garage Doors	-8%
Gutters	-8%
Additions & Remodeling	-6%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-6%
Fences	-4%

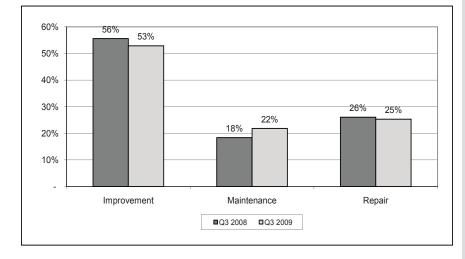
#### Top 10 Increases

Paving	+54%
Organizers	+49%
Tree Services	+39%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+33%
Roofing	+31%
Moving	+29%
Concrete	+28%
Additions & Remodeling	+27%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+24%
Cabinets	+24%

Handyman Services	-25%
Garages & Garage Doors	-25%
Lawn & Garden Care	-23%
Sheds & Enclosures	-18%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	-17%
Gutters	-17%
Waste Material Removal	-12%
Doors	-11%
Designers & Decorators	-10%
Fans	-10%

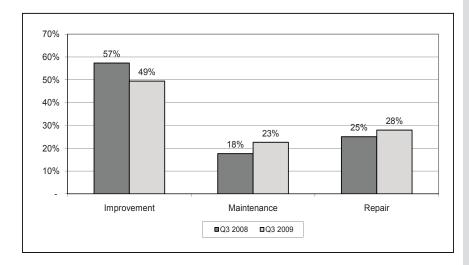
### Rochester, NY

- 43% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 65% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999
- 30% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homes 31-50 years old



## Hartford, CT

- 30% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 34% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 31-50 years old



#### **Top 10 Increases**

Architects & Engineers	+62%
Paving	+53%
Roofing	+28%
Siding	+28%
Appliances	+26%
Gutters	+26%
Additions & Remodeling	+25%
Concrete	+25%
Windows	+22%
Electrical	+21%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Designers & Decorators	-48%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-37%
Lawn & Garden Care	-30%
Air Conditioning	-29%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-29%
Swimming Pools	-28%
Landscaping	-24%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	-20%
Garages & Garage Doors	-20%
Painting	-16%

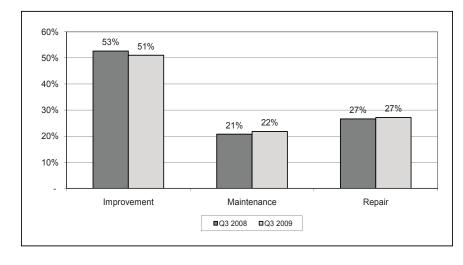
#### Top 10 Increases

Paving	+82%
Appliances	+47%
Doors	+47%
Brick & Stone	+44%
Painting	+42%
Locksmiths	+37%
Drywall & Plaster	+34%
Swimming Pools	+34%
Countertops	+32%
Electrical	+30%

Waste Material Removal	-41%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-37%
Designers & Decorators	-33%
Architects & Engineers	-26%
Glass & Mirrors	-15%
Cleaning & Maid Services	-8%
Windows	-6%
Garages & Garage Doors	-5%
Fans	-4%
Decks	-1%

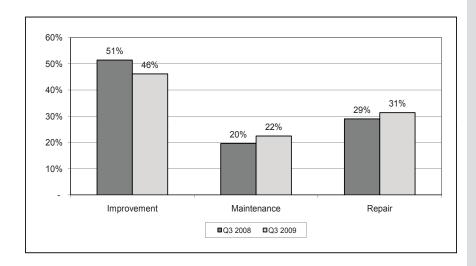
### Pittsburgh, PA

- 42% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 28% of Exterior Projects requests had a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 18% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners ages 65+



## Philadelphia, PA-NJ

- 28% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 48% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homeowners who are single



#### Top 10 Increases

Pest Control	+59%
Doors	+57%
Air Conditioning	+56%
Landscaping	+55%
Windows	+44%
Decks	+39%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+35%
Roofing	+34%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+32%
Flooring & Carpet	+31%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Waste Material Removal	-50%
	0070
Heating & Furnace Systems	-41%
Fireplaces & Wood Stoves	-37%
Locksmiths	-29%
Lawn & Garden Care	-25%
Demolition Services	-17%
Swimming Pools	-14%
Appliances	-12%
Handyman Services	-8%
Fans	-4%

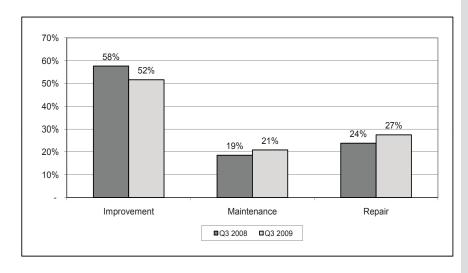
#### Top 10 Increases

Home Inspections	+86%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+85%
Gutters	+74%
Roofing	+72%
Skylights	+62%
Organizers	+52%
Tree Services	+50%
Air Conditioning	+43%
Moving	+43%
Siding	+38%

Window Coverings	-26%
Demolition Services	-18%
Home Security Services	-17%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-16%
Designers & Decorators	-13%
Fans	-13%
Disability Services	-9%
Handyman Services	-7%
Garages & Garage Doors	-6%
Architects & Engineers	-6%

### Providence-Fall River-Warwick, RI-MA

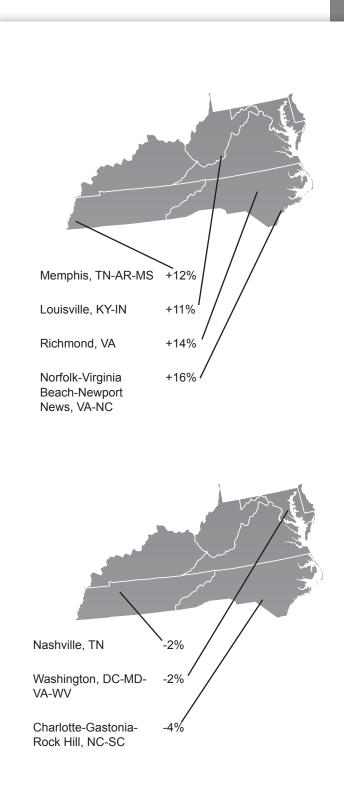
- 39% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 31% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet



#### Top 10 Increases

Countertops	+82%
Doors	+64%
Appliances	+58%
Paving	+51%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+48%
Electrical	+46%
Audio/Visual & Computers	+37%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+36%
Tree Services	+33%
Concrete	+29%

Tile	-26%
Garages & Garage Doors	-23%
Glass & Mirrors	-20%
Cleaning & Maid Services	-15%
Siding	-13%
Handyman Services	-8%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-7%
Windows	-6%
Swimming Pools	-5%
Architects & Engineers	-1%



# **UPPER SOUTH**

# Upper South Region Overall Service Request Activity

**Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: +4%** (Q2 comparison: +2%)

Discretionary spending for Additions & Remodeling and Interior Projects tracked close to the national average. Countertops topped the list at an increase of 30%, with Cabinets and Tile both up 14%, and Painting up 13%. Additionally, Cleaning & Maid Services was up 15%, nearly double that of what we saw nationally.

### **Demographic Profile: Interior Projects**

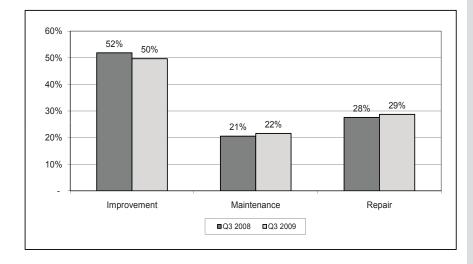
- Ages 45-64: 48%
- Household incomes of \$100,000-\$249,999: 50%
- Homes valued \$200,000-\$299,000: 30%
- Homes 11-20 years old: 23%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 41%
- Homes 1,000-14,999 square feet: 24%

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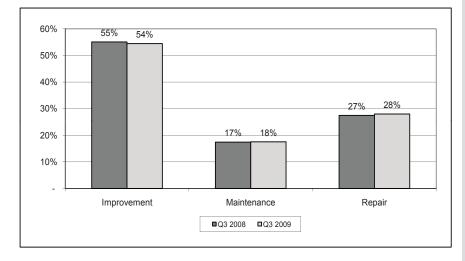
### Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, NC-SC

- 35% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 11-20 years old
- 42% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners ages 30-44
- 46% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999



## Louisville, KY-IN

- 34% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 50% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners who are single
- 42% of Systems & Equipment requests came from household incomes of less than \$49,999



#### **Top 10 Increases**

Paving	+48%
Doors	+32%
Pest Control	+27%
Windows	+24%
Air Conditioning	+19%
Countertops	+18%
Electrical	+17%
Tile	+16%
Painting	+16%
Cabinets	+13%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Designers & Decorators -	41%
Audio/Visual & Computers -	-26%
Roofing -	-26%
Garages & Garage Doors -	-23%
Siding -	18%
Decks -	16%
Landscaping -	15%
Swimming Pools -	14%
Architects & Engineers -	12%
Additions & Remodeling -	-8%

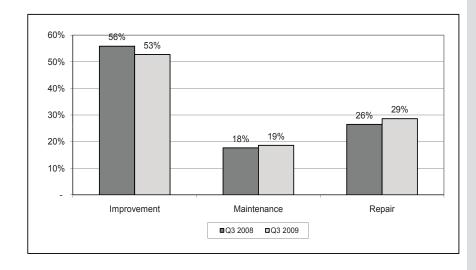
#### Top 10 Increases

Carpenters	+58%
Gutters	+45%
Additions & Remodeling	+44%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+41%
Concrete	+40%
Painting	+34%
Windows	+32%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+26%
Flooring & Carpet	+25%
Architects & Engineers	+22%

Lawn & Garden Care	-39%
Tree Services	-39%
Air Conditioning	-23%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-22%
Handyman Services	-20%
Roofing	-16%
Swimming Pools	-16%
Designers & Decorators	-8%
Fences	-1%
Garages & Garage Doors	-1%

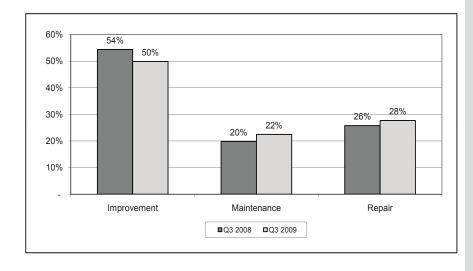
### Memphis, TN-AR-MS

- 48% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homeowners who are single
- 31% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet



## Nashville, TN

- 29% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 21-30 years old
- 25% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet



#### Top 10 Increases

Plumbing	+89%
Windows	+77%
Siding	+71%
Doors	+65%
Concrete	+55%
Additions & Remodeling	+46%
Carpenters	+43%
Countertops	+35%
Handyman Services	+32%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+29%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Audio/Visual & Computers	-35%
Cabinets	-31%
Home Security Services	-27%
Appliances	-25%
Brick & Stone	-16%
Air Conditioning	-13%
Lawn & Garden Care	-13%
Designers & Decorators	-7%
Garages & Garage Doors	-5%
Flooring & Carpet	-3%

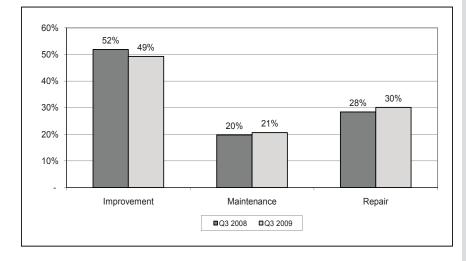
#### Top 10 Increases

Countertops	+48%
Paving	+48%
Plumbing	+45%
Architects & Engineers	+33%
Electrical	+32%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+26%
Roofing	+24%
Windows	+24%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	+23%
Additions & Remodeling	+22%

Swimming Pools	-40%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-39%
Designers & Decorators	-33%
Carpenters	-27%
Landscaping	-20%
Lawn & Garden Care	-19%
Garages & Garage Doors	-17%
Concrete	-17%
Painting	-15%
Fences	-15%

### Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News, VA-NC

- 35% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 44% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 40% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999



#### Top 10 Increases

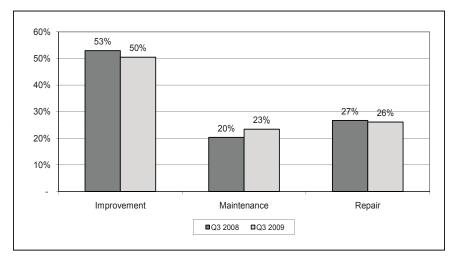
Roofing	+71%
Drywall & Plaster	+55%
Paving	+53%
Carpenters	+52%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	+47%
Plumbing	+46%
Decks	+43%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+41%
Foundations	+39%
Air Conditioning	+37%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Garages & Garage Doors	-26%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-23%
Fans	-15%
Architects & Engineers	-11%
Siding	-10%
Septic Tanks & Wells	-9%
Swimming Pools	-9%
Handyman Services	-6%
Windows	-5%
Lawn & Garden Care	-4%

### Richmond-Petersburg, VA

- 37% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes
- 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 32% of Exterior Projects requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 26% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet



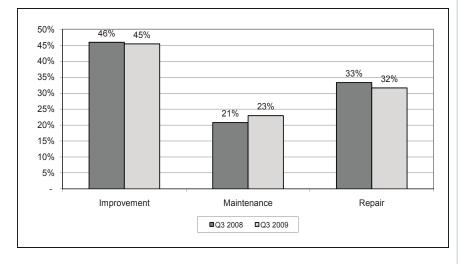
#### Top 10 Increases

Countertops	+85%
Tree Services	+65%
Architects & Engineers	+60%
Plumbing	+51%
Carpenters	+47%
Tile	+46%
Paving	+40%
Decks	+37%
Air Conditioning	+36%
Fences	+33%

Electrical	-17%
Doors	-16%
Swimming Pools	-15%
Concrete	-11%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	-9%
Waste Material Removal	-3%

### Washington, DC-MD-VA-WV

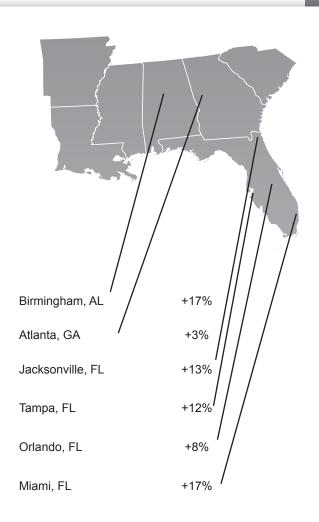
- 35% of Interior Projects requests came from homes valued \$300,000-\$449,999
- 49% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners who are single
- 33% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homes valued \$300,000-\$449,999

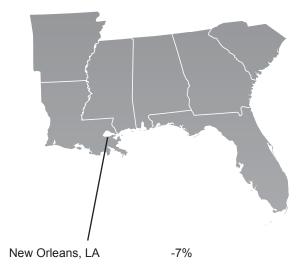


#### Top 10 Increases

Pest Control	+37%
Appraisers	+33%
Paving	+33%
New Home Builders	+32%
Air Conditioning	+27%
Moving	+21%
Cabinets	+18%
Window Coverings	+17%
Decks	+14%
Additions & Remodeling	+14%

Roofing	-32%
Siding	-22%
Gutters	-21%
Disability Services	-18%
Handyman Services	-17%
Skylights	-17%
Carpenters	-17%
Architects & Engineers	-16%
Foundations	-16%
Septic Tanks & Wells	-15%





# **DEEP SOUTH**

### Deep South Region Overall Service Request Activity

### Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: +7%

(Q2 comparison: +12%)

Discretionary spending was largely focused on Interior Projects, which indexed higher this quarter. Cleaning & Maid Services saw a 30% increase, more than triple that of the national average. Window coverings and painting also had substantial growth, up 28% and 20%, respectively.

Nationally, Additions & Remodels requests came from smaller homes, those 1,000-1,499 square feet, but in the Deep South, 26% of homes 2,500-3,499 square feet submitted Additions & Remodels requests. Most often the homes were 11-20 years old, somewhat younger than what we saw nationally.

### Demographic Profile: Interior Projects

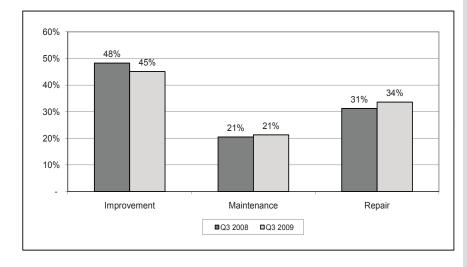
- Ages 45-64: 48%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 41%
- Homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999: 50%
- Homes 11-20 years old: 28%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 37%
- Homes 2,500-3,499 square feet: 27%

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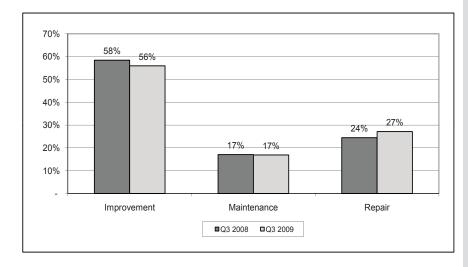
### Atlanta, GA

- 31% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 11-20 years old
- 24% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homes 3,500-4,999 square feet
- 41% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homeowners ages 30-44



## Birmingham, AL

- 32% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of less than \$49,999
- 28% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 31-50 years old
- 40% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homeowners ages 30-44



#### Top 10 Increases

Appraisers	+60%
Sheds & Enclosures	+40%
Roofing	+32%
Wall Coverings	+31%
Plumbing	+24%
Moving	+20%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+20%
Organizers	+19%
Lawn & Garden Care	+18%
New Home Builders	+16%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Fans	-25%
Carpenters	-16%
Handyman Services	-14%
Decks	-11%
Swimming Pools	-10%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-9%
Doors	-8%
Appliances	-8%
Paving	-7%
Architects & Engineers	-7%

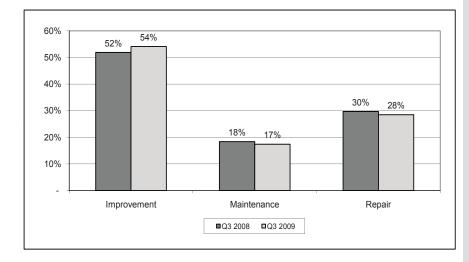
#### Top 10 Increases

Plumbing	+87%
Electrical	+53%
Flooring & Carpet	+47%
Roofing	+40%
Foundations	+36%
Painting	+33%
Additions & Remodeling	+31%
Carpenters	+28%
Air Conditioning	+25%
Swimming Pools	+23%

Waste Material Removal	-44%
Designers & Decorators	-36%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-25%
Garages & Garage Doors	-16%
Handyman Services	-14%
Decks	-10%
Fences	-10%
Insulation	-6%
Lawn & Garden Care	-3%
Septic Tanks & Wells	-2%

### Jacksonville, FL

- 36% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 1,000-1,499 square feet
- 41% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 35% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from a length of residence of 6-10 years



#### Top 10 Increases

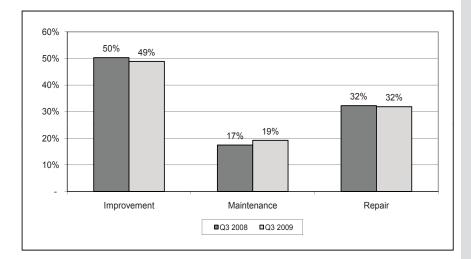
Countertops	+71%
Plumbing	+67%
Garages & Garage Doors	+56%
Appliances	+52%
Additions & Remodeling	+49%
Fences	+41%
Siding	+41%
Drywall & Plaster	+39%
Windows	+39%
Tile	+36%

#### Top 8 Decreases

Waste Material Removal	-64%
Heating & Furnace Systems	-52%
Handyman Services	-31%
Lawn & Garden Care	-27%
Decks	-18%
Roofing	-16%
Gutters	-11%
Swimming Pools	-1%

### Miami, FL

- 41% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 32% of Exterior Projects requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 32% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 51-100 years old



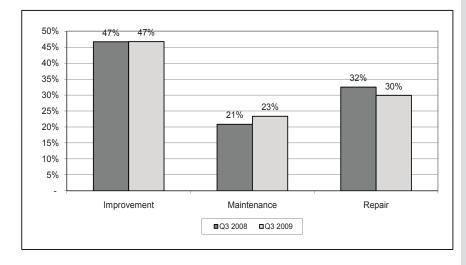
#### Top 10 Increases

Tree Services	+69%
Home Security Services	+59%
Drywall & Plaster	+57%
Cabinets	+55%
Air Conditioning	+53%
Additions & Remodeling	+52%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	+49%
Painting	+38%
Roofing	+38%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+34%

Waste Material Removal	-50%
Garages & Garage Doors	-34%
Glass & Mirrors	-27%
Doors	-25%
Designers & Decorators	-21%
Architects & Engineers	-9%
Pest Control	-5%
Carpenters	-4%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-3%
Locksmith	-2%

### Orlando, FL

- 30% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 11-20 years old
- 39% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 31% of Systems & Equipment requests came from a length of residence of 6-10 years



#### Top 10 Increases

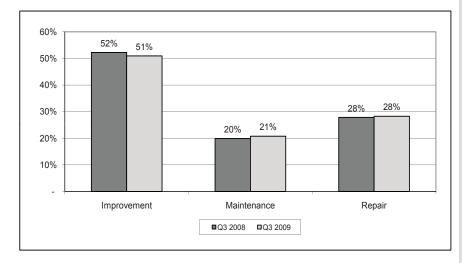
Cabinets	+55%
Window Coverings	+34%
Electrical	+33%
Fences	+32%
Air Conditioning	+31%
Landscaping	+27%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+24%
Swimming Pools	+24%
Architects & Engineers	+23%
Plumbing	+20%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Drywall & Plaster	-36%
Carpenters	-31%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-26%
Ceilings	-24%
Roofing	-23%
Doors	-23%
Siding	-19%
Designers & Decorators	-19%
Awnings	-18%
Brick & Stone	-13%

### Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL

- 34% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of less than \$49,999
- 39% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 31% of Systems & Equipment requests came from a length of residence of 6-10 years



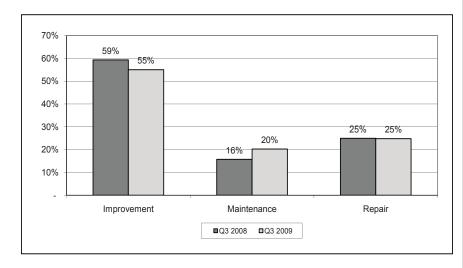
#### Top 10 Increases

Air Conditioning	+58%
Roofing	+55%
Brick & Stone	+54%
Drywall & Plaster	+43%
Painting	+40%
Awnings	+39%
Appliances	+38%
Moving	+36%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+33%
Swimming Pools	+29%

Audio/Visual & Computers	-40%
Locksmiths	-40%
Architects & Engineers	-30%
Lawn & Garden Care	-23%
Garages & Garage Doors	-12%
Sheds & Enclosures	-11%
Window Coverings	-8%
Carpenters	-7%
Designers & Decorators	-7%
Doors	-6%

### New Orleans, LA

- 37% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of less than \$49,999
- 40% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 31-50 years old
- 51% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners who are single

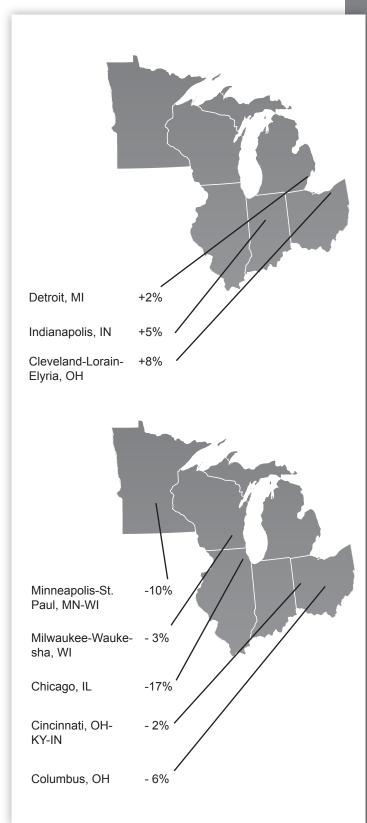


#### Top 10 Increases

Countertops	+99%
Pest Control	+55%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+33%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+29%
Appliances	+26%
Air Conditioning	+24%
Landscaping	+22%
Flooring & Carpet	+20%
Plumbing	+18%
Drywall & Plaster	+15%

Roofing	-53%
Electrical	-39%
Gutters	-35%
Designers & Decorators	-33%
Cabinets	-33%
Siding	-31%
Foundations	-27%
Fences	-26%
Garages & Garage Doors	-21%
Concrete	-15%





# MIDWEST

### Midwest Region Overall Service Request Activity

**Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: -7%** (Q2 comparison: -3%)

Compared to the national average of 13% growth, Additions & Remodeling is only up 2% and further evidence supports that homeowners in the Midwest are focused on Maintenance & Repair and Systems & Equipment upgrades. Furniture Repair & Refinish saw an increase of 25% and Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning was up 12%. Plumbing was up 15% and Appliances grew 9%.

Service requests came from an average home size of 1,000-1,499 square feet, smaller than the national average. However, interestingly enough, average household income for Moving & Real Estate requests in the Midwest was lower than the national average (\$50,000-\$99,999), yet home size was significantly larger than other categories in this region (2,500-3,499 square feet).

#### Demographic Profile: A mix of Maintenance & Repair and Systems & Equipment

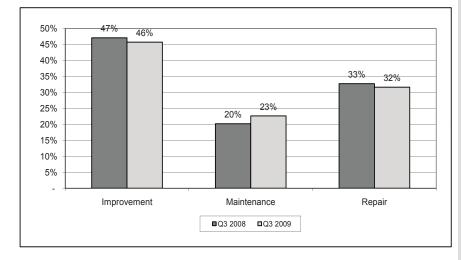
- Ages 45-64: 48%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 43%
- Homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999: 40%
- Homes 51-100 years old: 30%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 38%
- Homes 1,000-1,499 square feet: 26%

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#### HOME REMODELING 🗹 & REPAIR INDEX 🗹

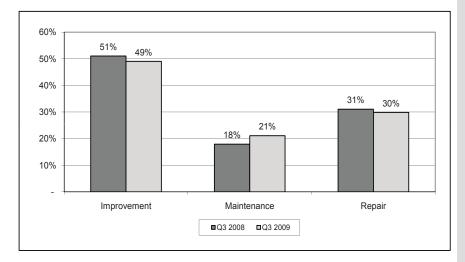
### Chicago, IL

- 31% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 35% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 33% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homes 31-50 years old



## Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN

- 35% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 31-50 years old
- 29% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet
- 26% of Maintenance & Repair Requests came from homes 11-20 years old



#### Top 10 Increases

Appraisers	+59%
New Home Builders	+19%
Paving	+18%
Appliances	+17%
Central Vacuums	+14%
Pest Control	+12%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+12%
Moving	+9%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+8%
Tree Services	+3%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Skylights	-42%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-40%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-35%
Roofing	-32%
Handyman Services	-31%
Architects & Engineers	-28%
Landscaping	-28%
Lawn & Garden Care	-27%
Air Conditioning	-26%
Carpenters	-26%

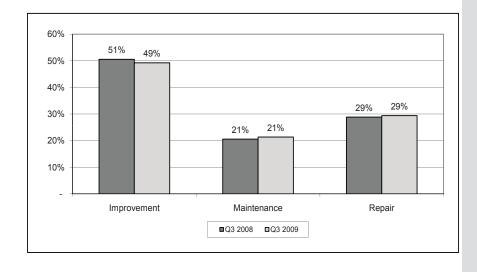
#### Top 10 Increases

Cleaning & Maid Services	+34%
Plumbing	+32%
Siding	+30%
Flooring & Carpet	+29%
Appliances	+20%
Concrete	+14%
Painting	+9%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+9%
Additions & Remodeling	+9%
Electrical	+7%

Roofing	-65%
Tree Services	-40%
Siding	-35%
Waste Material Removal	-34%
Fences	-26%
Decks	-16%
Handyman Services	-15%
Lawn & Garden Care	-14%
Garages & Garage Doors	-10%
Landscaping	-8%

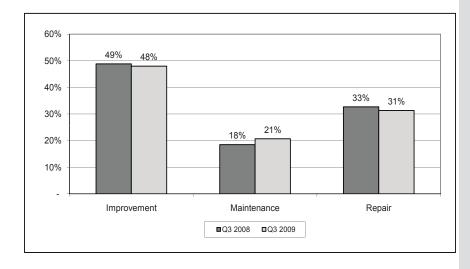
### Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH

- 32% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 27% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet



## Columbus, OH

- 41% of Exterior Projects requests came from homeowners ages 30-44
- 32% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 28% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 11-20 years old



#### Top 10 Increases

Flooring & Carpet	+41%
Electrical	+41%
Plumbing	+38%
Concrete	+35%
Pest Control	+33%
Paving	+32%
Roofing	+29%
Windows	+25%
Additions & Remodeling	+22%
Tile	+19%
Top 10 Decreases	

Waste Material Removal	-52%
Swimming Pools	-36%
Decks	-16%
Handyman Services	-10%
Fireplaces & Wood Stoves	-7%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-7%
Garages & Garage Doors	-6%
Lawn & Garden Care	-6%
Landscaping	-6%
Siding	-1%

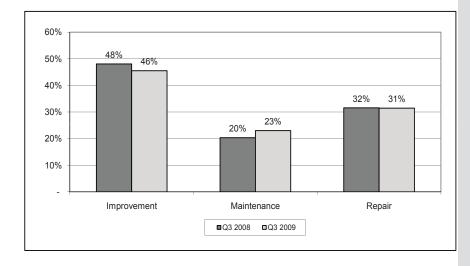
#### Top 10 Increases

Additions & Remodeling	+30%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+20%
Paving	+18%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+11%
Concrete	+10%
Electrical	+7%
Plumbing	+6%
Pest Control	+4%
Appliances	+4%
Painting	+1%
Top 10 Decreases	
Roofing	-67%
Tree Services	-51%
Fences	-35%
Decks	-18%
Air Conditioning	-13%
Lawn & Garden Care	-12%
Garages & Garage Doors	-12%
Siding	-10%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-8%
Flooring & Carpet	-6%

### Detroit, MI

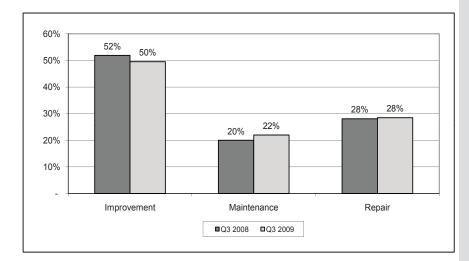
 45% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999

 25% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet



### Indianapolis, IN

- 28% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 6-10 years
- 25% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 2,000-2,499 square feet



#### Top 10 Increases

Paving	+47%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+37%
Countertops	+22%
Plumbing	+19%
Concrete	+16%
Brick & Stone	+15%
Appliances	+15%
Tree Service	+11%
Air Conditioning	+11%
Architects & Engineers	+11%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-35%
Handyman Services	-26%
Foundations	-16%
Fans	-16%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-14%
Lawn & Garden Care	-14%
Doors	-11%
Garages & Garage Doors	-11%
Swimming Pools	-9%
Landscaping	-8%

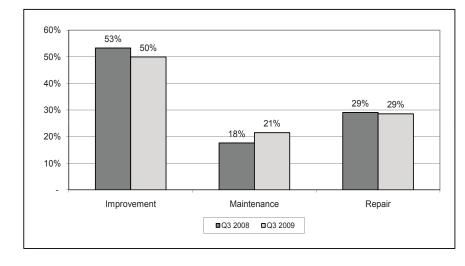
#### Top 10 Increases

Pest Control	+67%
Painting	+43%
Plumbing	+41%
Appliances	+37%
Roofing	+31%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+30%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+23%
Concrete	+21%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+18%
Tree Services	+11%

Heating & Furnace Systems	-40%
Waste Material Removal	-37%
Lawn & Garden Care	-30%
Handyman Services	-27%
Windows	-25%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-17%
Swimming Pools	-17%
Decks	-14%
Air Conditioning	-8%
Garages & Garage Doors	-6%

### Milwaukee-Waukesha, WI

- 44% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 30% of Interior Projects requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 25% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet



#### Top 8 Increases

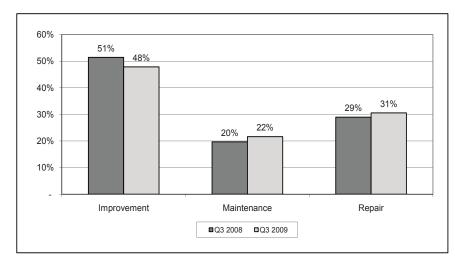
Plumbing	+39%
Paving	+33%
Flooring & Carpet	+25%
Electrical	+20%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+19%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+13%
Painting	+12%
Concrete	+2%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Waste Material Removal	-42%
Garages & Garage Doors	-34%
Heating & Furnace Systems	-23%
Appliances	-13%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-13%
Windows	-9%
Lawn & Garden Care	-4%
Landscaping	-3%
Additions & Remodeling	-2%
Roofing	-1%

### Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI

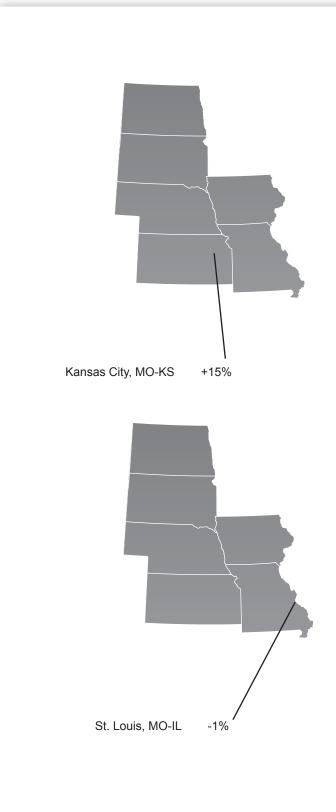
- 37% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 36% of Interior Projects requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 44% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homeowners ages 30-44



#### Top 10 Increases

Furniture Repair & Refinish	+33%
Plumbing	+32%
Foundations	+27%
Cabinets	+19%
Appliances	+15%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+11%
Paving	+11%
Flooring & Carpet	+6%
Tile	+6%
Septic Tanks & Wells	+6%

Siding	-47%
Roofing	-40%
Decks	-39%
Air Conditioning	-35%
Brick & Stone	-32%
Garages & Garage Doors	-28%
Gutters	-27%
Windows	-24%
Lawn & Garden Care	-23%
Carpenters	-17%



# **GREAT PLAINS**

# Great Plains Region Overall Service Request Activity

### Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: +1%

(Q2 comparison: +6%)

The Great Plains is the hot spot for growth in Additions & Remodeling, up 26%, the highest of all the regions. Countertops saw a huge increase of 53% and Cabinets were up 29%, almost double that of the national average. Floorings & Carpet, Windows, and Siding are all on the rise, providing further evidence that homeowners in the Great Plains are making improvements. Cleaning & Maid Services was also impressive with a growth of 15%.

## Demographic Profile: Additions & Remodeling

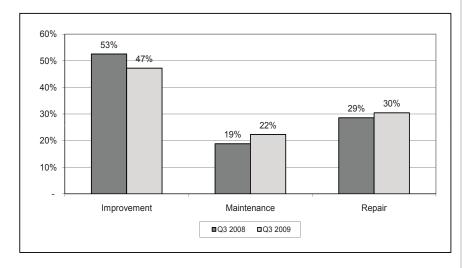
- Ages 45-64: 50%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 41%
- Homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999: 52%
- Homes 31-50 years old: 30%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 42%
- Homes 1,000-1,499 square feet: 34%

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## Kansas City, MO-KS

- 29% of Exterior Projects request came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 31% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 11-20 years old
- 30% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet



#### Top 10 Increases

Plumbing	+57%
Tree Services	+52%
Appliances	+44%
Pest Control	+44%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+40%
Electrical	+38%
Flooring & Carpet	+34%
Landscaping	+32%
Additions & Remodeling	+27%
Siding	+26%
Top 8 Decreases	
Waste Material Removal	-55%
Heating & Furnace Systems	-46%

-24%

-10%

-7%

-4%

-3%

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#### Top 10 Increases

Roofing

Fences

Gutters

Foundations

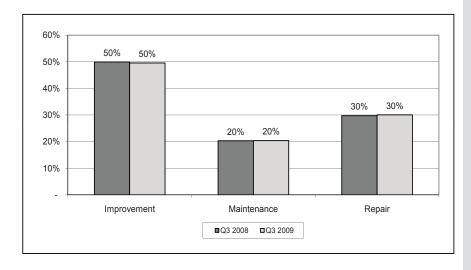
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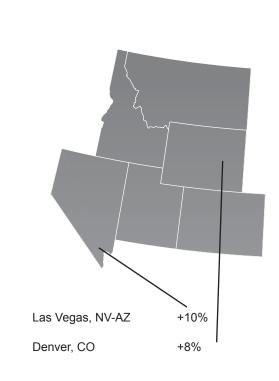
Audio/Visual & Computers

Air Conditioning	+73%
Flooring & Carpet	+52%
Decks	+38%
Roofing	+26%
Painting	+26%
Appliances	+25%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+24%
Plumbing	+21%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+13%
Siding	+10%
Top 10 Decreases	
Handyman Services	-30%
Garages & Garage Doors	-22%
Gutters	-22%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-21%
Architects & Engineers	-18%
Tile	-15%
Drywall & Plaster	-14%
Swimming Pools	-11%
Landscaping	-11%
Fences	-10%

### St. Louis, MO-IL

- 37% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 28% of Exterior Projects Requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet







Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT -8%

# MOUNTAIN

### Mountain Region Overall Service Request Activity

**Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: +5%** (Q2 comparison: -4%)

Additions and Remodeling mirrored that of the national average, while Exterior Projects are definitely the trend in the Mountain region. Roofing was up an incredible 44% compared to being down 5% nationally. Gutters were up 33% and Siding was up 20%. But the biggest increase was in Countertops, up 50%.

### **Demographic Profile: Exterior Projects**

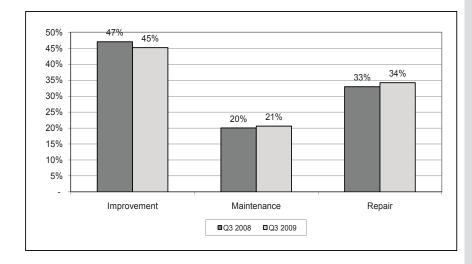
- Ages 45-64: 48%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 48%
- Homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999: 39%
- Homes 31-50 years old: 27%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 37%
- Homes 2,500-3,499 square feet: 29%

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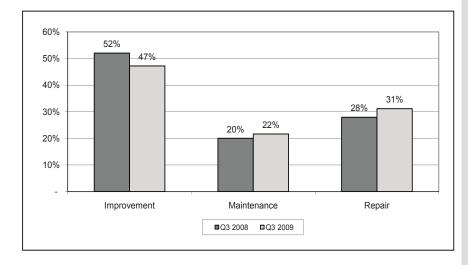
### Denver, CO

- 30% of Exterior Projects requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 45% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homeowners who are single
- 46% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homeowners ages 30-44



## Las Vegas, NV-AZ

- 49% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999
- 39% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 48% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners who are single



#### Top 10 Increases

+84%
+74%
+68%
+54%
+51%
+45%
+39%
+36%
+36%
+35%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Swimming Pools	-33%
Cabinets	-29%
Fans	-27%
Air Conditioning	-17%
Flooring & Carpet	-15%
Handyman Services	-15%
Landscaping	-15%
Designers & Decorators	-13%
Garages & Garage Doors	-10%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-9%

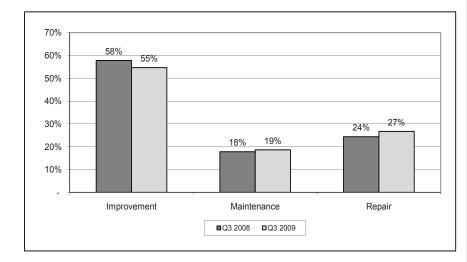
#### Top 10 Increases

Tile	+59%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	+51%
Countertops	+47%
Plumbing	+47%
Garages & Garage Doors	+43%
Air Conditioning	+39%
Electrical	+37%
Flooring & Carpet	+36%
Windows	+36%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+33%

Appliances	-31%
Siding	-23%
Water Treatment Systems	-20%
Drywall & Plaster	-18%
Designers & Decorators	-17%
Roofing	-17%
Landscaping	-13%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-12%
Tree Services	-6%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	-4%

### Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT

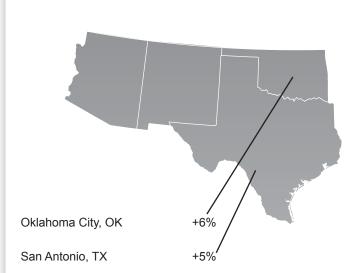
- 40% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homeowners ages 30-44
- 47% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 25% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 1,000-1,449 square feet

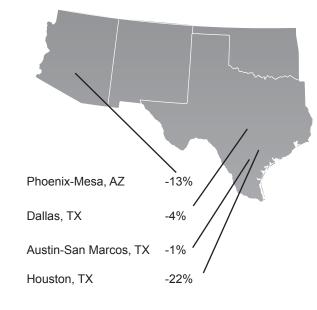


#### Top 10 Increases

Roofing	+43%
Brick & Stone	+35%
Countertops	+33%
Air Conditioning	+24%
Painting	+23%
Carpenters	+21%
Plumbing	+20%
Gutters	+17%
Windows	+16%
Audio/Visual & Computers	+15%

Appliances	-38%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-37%
Landscaping	-36%
Handyman Services	-35%
Swimming Pools	-33%
Lawn & Garden Care	-31%
Designers & Decorators	-27%
Siding	-21%
Doors	-20%
Garages & Garage Doors	-16%





# SOUTHWEST

### Southwest Region Overall Service Request Activity

### Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: -7%

(Q2 comparison: -2%)

Similar to the trend we see in the Midwest, homeowners in the Southwest are focusing on smaller projects, Maintenance & Repair and Systems & Equipment. Additions & Remodeling was fairly close to even with an increase of only 1%. Plumbing tops the list, up 26%, with Countertops and Furniture Repair & Refinish up 24% and 21%, respectively. Also noteworthy, Cleaning & Maid Services indexed higher than the national average and grew 13%.

#### Demographic Profile: A mix of Maintenance & Repair and Systems & Equipment

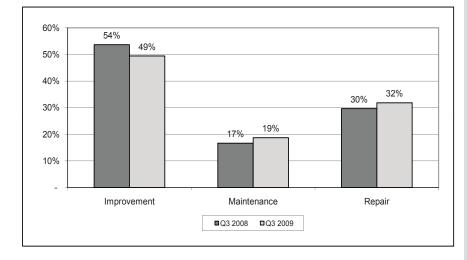
- Ages 45-64: 49%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 44%
- Homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999: 49%
- Homes 11-20 years old: 28%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 50%
- Homes 2,500-3,499 square feet: 38%

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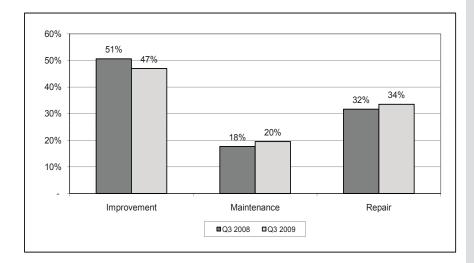
### Austin-San Marcos, TX

- 35% of Interior Projects requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 27% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homes 1,500-1,999 square feet
- 44% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999



## Dallas, TX

- 36% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homeowners ages 30-44
- 33% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999



#### Top 10 Increases

Pest Control	+45%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+35%
Carpenters	+25%
Swimming Pools	+24%
Concrete	+20%
Air Conditioning	+12%
Roofing	+11%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+9%
Electrical	+7%
Flooring & Carpet	+6%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Decks	-23%
Appliances	-21%
Doors	-20%
Landscaping	-13%
Lawn & Garden Care	-13%
Tile	-8%
Fences	-8%
Handyman Services	-7%
Cleaning & Maid Services	-3%
Painting	-3%

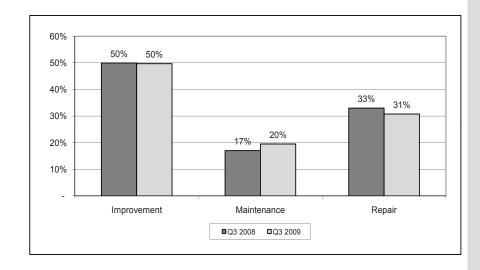
#### Top 10 Increases

Roofing	+57%
Home Security Services	+51%
Plumbing	+26%
Tree Services	+21%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+20%
Electrical	+14%
Gutters	+14%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+14%
Drywall & Plaster	+13%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+11%

Designers & Decorators	-39%
Lawn & Garden Care	-34%
Garages & Garage Doors	-21%
Landscaping	-21%
Carpenters	-19%
Foundations	-19%
Decks	-17%
Handyman Services	-15%
Concrete	-13%
Siding	-11%

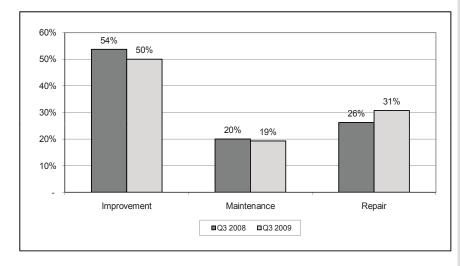
## Houston, TX

- 28% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 37% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from household incomes of less than \$49,999



## San Antonio, TX

- 30% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes 1,000-1,499 square feet
- 41% of Exterior Projects requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999
- 28% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 2,500 3,499 square feet.



#### Top 10 Increases

Plumbing	+47%
Home Inspections	+34%
Foundations	+30%
Countertops	+30%
Air Conditioning	+25%
Home Security Services	+19%
Pest Control	+13%
Doors	+12%
Window Coverings	+11%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+10%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Roofing	-87%
Fences	-74%
Drywall & Plaster	-58%
Tree Services	-56%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-50%
Handyman Services	-30%
Garages & Garage Doors	-29%
Siding	-27%
Gutters	-27%
Flooring & Carpet	-21%

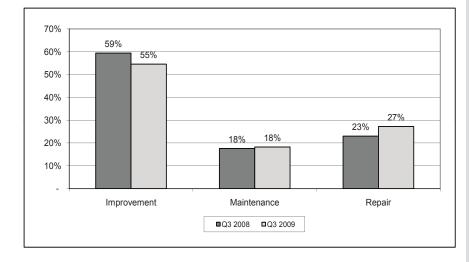
#### Top 10 Increases

Brick & Stone	+54%
Foundations	+53%
Air Conditioning	+45%
Pest Control	+30%
Architects & Engineers	+29%
Appliances	+26%
Siding	+23%
Electrical	+21%
Windows	+16%
Cleaning & Maid Services	+14%

Designers & Decorators	-35%
Lawn & Garden Care	-24%
Decks	-17%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-13%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-11%
Garages & Garage Doors	-11%
Gutters	-7%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	-3%
Fences	-2%
Concrete	-2%

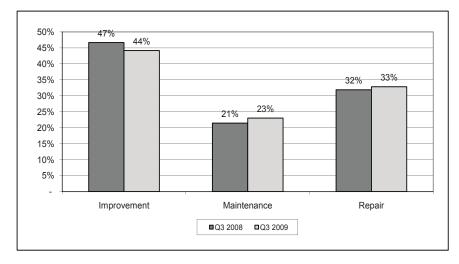
## Oklahoma City, OK

- 34% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 28% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 1,500-2,499 square feet
- 46% of Systems & Equipment requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999



## Phoenix-Mesa, AZ

- 37% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 39% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners ages 30-44
- 41% of Moving & Real Estate requests came from household incomes of \$50,000-\$99,999



#### Top 10 Increases

Appliances	+74%
Cabinets	+56%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+55%
Plumbing	+53%
Electrical	+41%
Air Conditioning	+30%
Architects & Engineers	+26%
Siding	+22%
Concrete	+21%
Additions & Remodeling	+19%

#### Top 10 Decreases

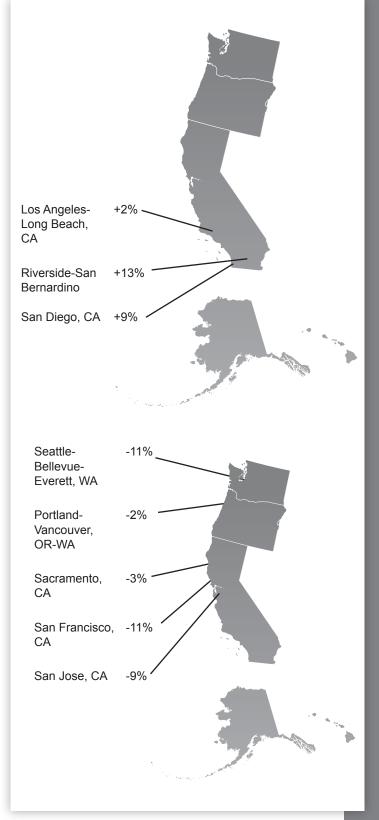
Foundations	-39%
Designers & Decorators	-24%
Lawn & Garden Care	-22%
Handyman Services	-21%
Swimming Pools	-20%
Tree Services	-18%
Windows	-15%
Countertops	-15%
Roofing	-10%
Flooring & Carpet	-8%

#### Top 10 Increases

Moving	+51%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+29%
Air Conditioning	+12%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+6%
Swimming Pools	+5%
Plumbing	+4%
Countertops	+4%
Brick & Stone	+3%
Architects & Engineers	+2%
Garages & Garage Doors	+1%

Roofing	-47%
Handyman Services	-42%
Fences	-40%
Drywall & Plaster	-30%
Carpenters	-30%
Tile	-29%
Tree Services	-27%
Doors	-26%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-25%
Siding	-21%

## **REGIONAL DATA**



## PACIFIC

#### Pacific Region Overall Service Request Activity

### Q3 2009 over Q3 2008: Even

(Q2 comparison: -3%)

The Pacific, a region that has been down all year, has finally evened out. Although the Pacific is slower to recover than other regions, there are a few bright spots, particularly in smaller projects. Air Conditioning was particularly noteworthy, up 58%. Countertops are up 25% followed by Window Coverings, up 22%, and Cabinets, up 12%. Characteristic of this region, discretionary projects such us Cleaning & Maid Services and Wall Coverings are down, both 5%.

Project requests came from an average home value of \$450,000+ compared to \$100,000-\$199,999 nationally. Additionally, half of the homeowners making Maintenance & Repair requests are single.

## Demographic Profile: Additions & Remodeling

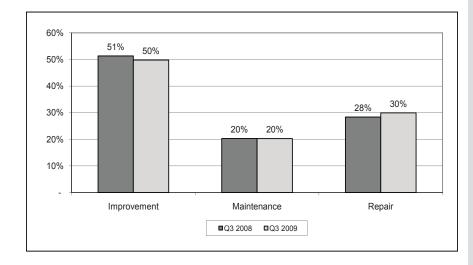
- Ages 45-64: 54%
- HHI \$100,000-\$249,999: 52%
- Homes valued \$450,000+ 37%
- Homes 51-100 years old: 36%
- Length of residence of 1-5 years: 33%
- Homes 1,000-1,499 square feet: 31%

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## Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA

- 28% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 34% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 1,000-1,499 square feet
- 57% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners who are single



#### Top 10 Increases

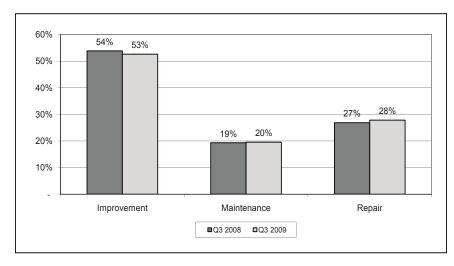
Home Inspections	+76%
Air Conditioning	+72%
New Home Builders	+62%
Tree Services	+32%
Skylights	+29%
Cabinets	+28%
Countertops	+25%
Plumbing	+24%
Additions & Remodeling	+21%
Flooring & Carpet	+19%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Fountains & Ponds	-50%
Foundations	-31%
Sheds & Enclosures	-30%
Brick & Stone	-22%
Decks	-21%
Ceilings	-20%
Designers & Decorators	-19%
Carpenters	-18%
Home Security Services	-17%
Lawn & Garden Care	-15%

## Riverside-San Bernardino, CA

- 47% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$100,000-\$199,999
- 30% of Interior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet
- 29% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 11-20 years old



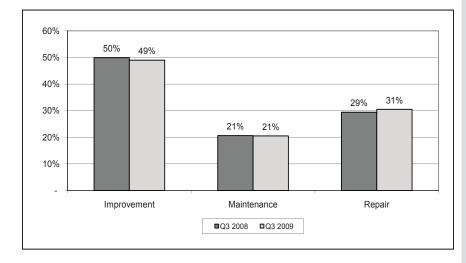
#### Top 10 Increases

Air Conditioning	+86%
Window Coverings	+74%
Tree Services	+65%
Countertops	+55%
Drywall & Plaster	+43%
Plumbing	+42%
Tile	+39%
Gutters	+38%
Locksmiths	+36%
Doors	+35%

Waste Material Removal	-39%
Home Security Services	-32%
Septic Tanks & Wells	-22%
Windows	-20%
Architects & Engineers	-18%
Foundations	-17%
Appraisers	-9%
Ceilings	-9%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-8%
Designers & Decorators	-6%

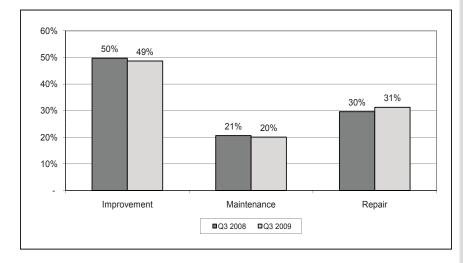
## Sacramento, CA

- 39% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 27% of Systems & Equipment requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 31% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 1,000-1,499 square feet



## San Diego, CA

- 53% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homeowners who are single
- 36% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$300,000-\$449,999
- 30% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 1,000-1,499 square feet



#### Top 10 Increases

Countertops	+52%
Electrical	+25%
Architects & Engineers	+25%
Tree Services	+24%
Gutters	+21%
Window Coverings	+17%
Plumbing	+16%
Lawn & Garden Care	+11%
Garages & Garage Doors	+10%
Windows	+10%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Audio/Visual & Computers	-25%
Handyman Services	-25%
Moving	-20%
Cleaning & Maid Services	-19%
Drywall & Plaster	-19%
Cabinets	-17%
Roofing	-15%
Designers & Decorators	-14%
Brick & Stone	-13%
Landscaping	-12%

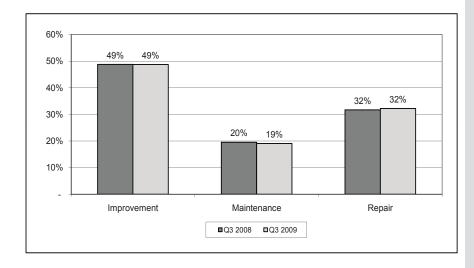
#### Top 10 Increases

Plumbing	+22%
Electrical	+20%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+20%
Swimming Pools	+19%
Cabinets	+19%
Fences	+18%
Roofing	+18%
Tile	+17%
Lawn & Garden Care	+16%
Flooring & Carpet	+10%

Mold & Asbestos Services	-35%
Architects & Engineers	-28%
Ceilings	-16%
Foundations	-15%
Carpenters	-13%
Appliances	-13%
Additions & Remodeling	-12%
Moving	-11%
Handyman Services	-9%
Cleaning & Maid Services	-8%

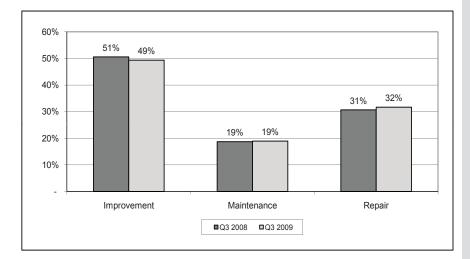
## San Francisco, CA

- 96% of Interior Projects requests came from homes valued \$450,000+
- 63% of Maintenance & Repair requests came from homeowners who are single
- 28% of Systems & Equipment requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years



## San Jose, CA

- 30% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 96% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes valued \$450,000+
- 35% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 1,000-1,499 square feet



#### Top 10 Increases

Gutters	+57%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	+35%
Home Security Services	+28%
Flooring & Carpet	+20%
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning	+16%
Cabinets	+16%
Swimming Pools	+16%
Window Coverings	+15%
Electrical	+10%
Lawn & Garden Care	+4%

#### Top 10 Decreases

Air Conditioning	-62%
Designers & Decorators	-49%
Garages & Garage Doors	-44%
Architects & Engineers	-43%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-42%
Pest Control	-29%
Appliances	-28%
Cleaning & Maid Services	-28%
Brick & Stone	-26%
Landscaping	-25%

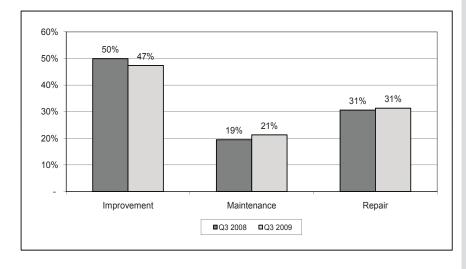
#### Top 10 Increases

Doors	+42%
Window Coverings	+33%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	+29%
Cabinets	+23%
Audio/Visual & Computers	+23%
Countertops	+21%
Brick & Stone	+19%
Windows	+18%
Tree Services	+12%
Flooring & Carpet	+6%

Designers & Decorators	-43%
Lawn & Garden Care	-32%
Garages & Garage Doors	-31%
Mold & Asbestos Services	-30%
Pest Control	-23%
Painting	-21%
Fences	-18%
Handyman Services	-15%
Architects & Engineers	-15%
Carpenters	-13%

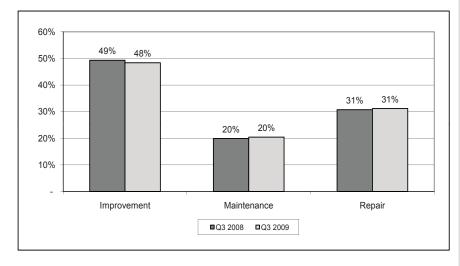
## Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA

- 50% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from homes valued \$200,000-\$299,999
- 24% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet
- 24% of Systems & Equipment requests came from homes 11-20 years old



## Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA

- 32% of Additions & Remodeling requests came from a length of residence of 11-20 years
- 34% of Exterior Projects requests came from homes 2,500-3,499 square feet
- 45% of Interior Projects requests came from homes valued \$300,000-\$449,999



#### Top 10 Increases

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Window Coverings	+55%
Paving	+32%
Mold & Asbestos Services	+32%
Furniture Repair & Refinish	+26%
Tree Services	+25%
Swimming Pools	+22%
Pest Control	+18%
Plumbing	+14%
Gutters	+13%
Countertops	+3%
Top 10 Decreases	
Designers & Decorators	-30%
Carpenters	-28%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-21%
Handyman Services	-20%
Windows	-19%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-18%
Painting	-18%
Appliances	-16%

Carpenters	-28%
Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas	-21%
Handyman Services	-20%
Windows	-19%
Audio/Visual & Computers	-18%
Painting	-18%
Appliances	-16%
Decks	-15%
Moving	-15%

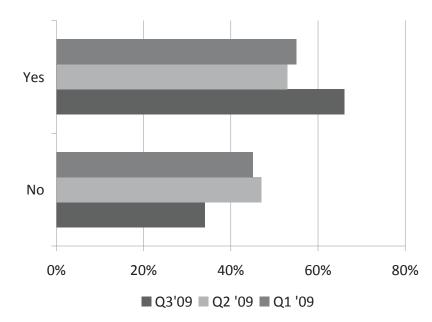
#### **Top 10 Increases**

Moving	+62%
Home Security Services	+45%
Tree Services	+28%
Paving	+26%
Window Coverings	+22%
Heating & Furnace Systems	+12%
Skylights	+11%
Cabinets	+6%
Windows	+5%
Foundations	+1%

Carpenters	-29%
Decks	-29%
Designers & Decorators	-28%
Garages & Garage Doors	-27%
Concrete	-27%
Doors	-27%
Additions & Remodeling	-26%
Landscaping	-24%
Handyman Services	-22%
Siding	-20%

# SERVICEMAGIC CONSUMER SURVEY – DISCRETIONARY SPENDING INSIGHTS

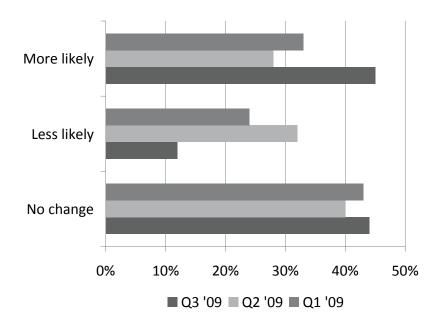
In order to better understand discretionary spending trends, we surveyed consumers who submitted requests in the third quarter for Additions & Remodeling, Cabinets & Countertops, Cleaning & Maid Services, Decks, Fences, HVAC, Landscaping, Painting, Roofing & Gutters, and Windows & Doors.



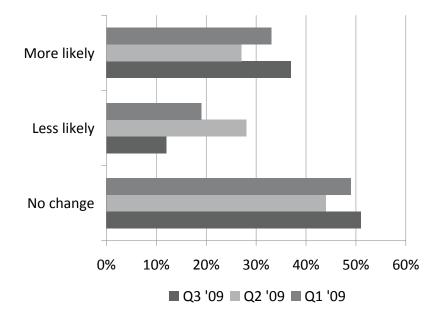
01 Do you feel better about your home being a secure investment than you did three months ago?

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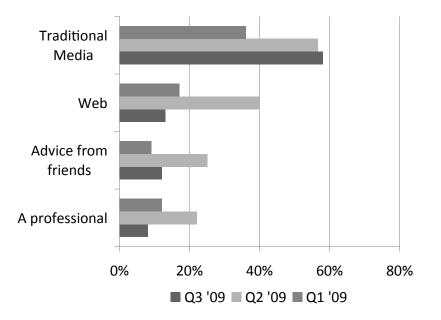
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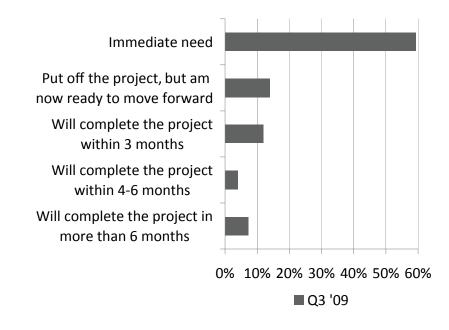
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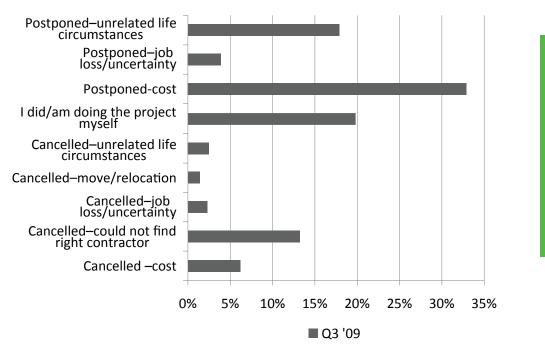
04 Where do you get inspiration for home projects? (Choose all that apply)



05 Thinking of your most recent project request, which of the below most accurately describes your motivation? (Choose one)



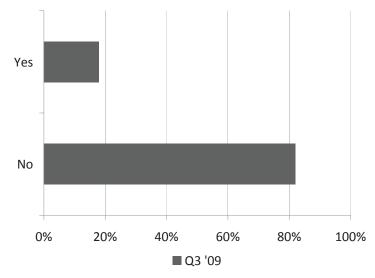
06 If not completed, what is the main reason you are not moving forward with this project?



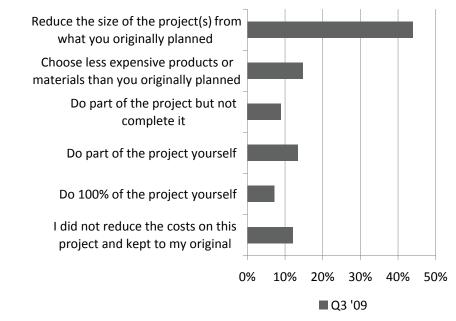




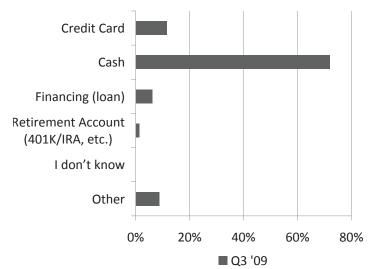
07 Thinking of your most recent project, did you scale back project scope and/or size?



08 For these projects, IF you reduced costs, did you:

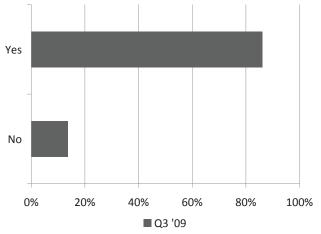


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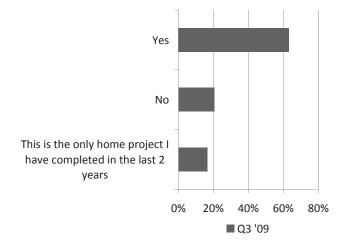


72% of homeowners paid cash for their most recent home project.

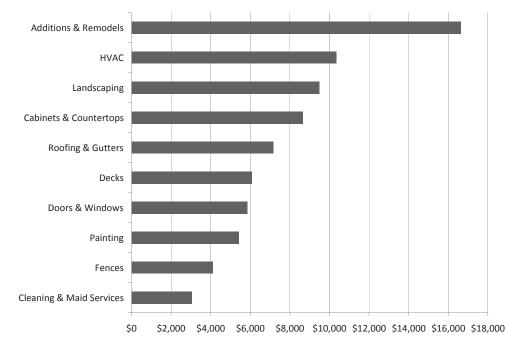
10 Was that your preferred method of payment?



11 Did you use the same payment method for your last home project?



12 How much did you spend or are you expecting to spend on your last project?

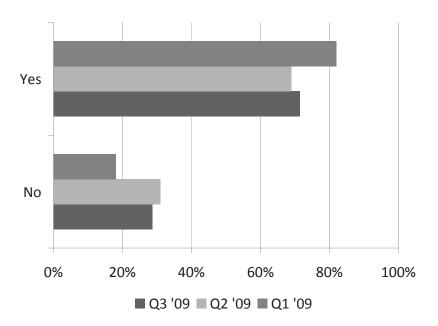


\$7,461 is the average amount consumers reported spending on home projects in the third quarter

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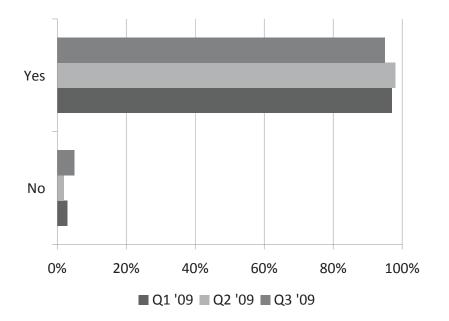
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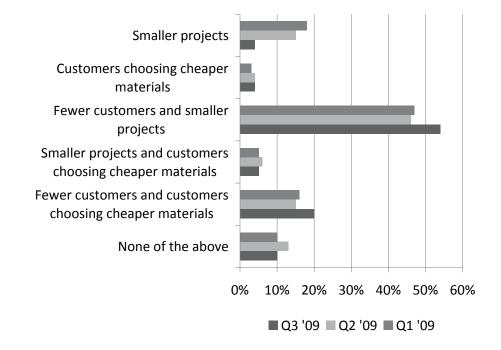
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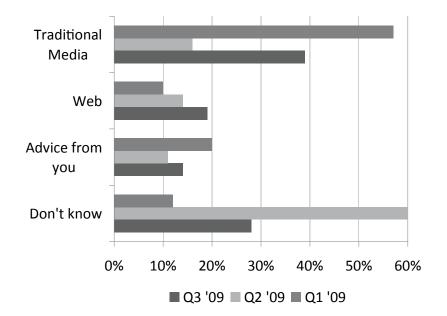
01 Has your business seen a drop in total revenue in the last 12 months?

02 Do you think the decrease in revenue is primarily the result of the economy?

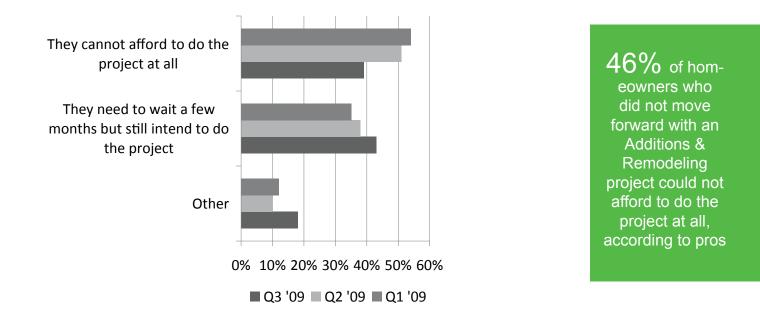




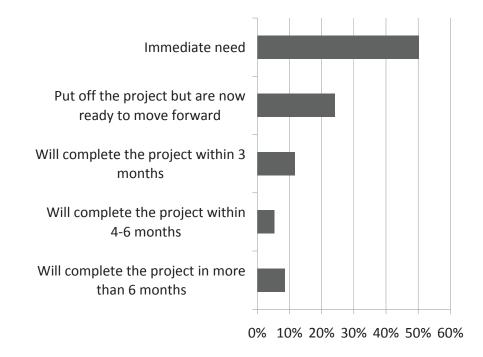
04 Where are your customers getting their inspiration for home projects?



05 What is the most common reason homeowners gave in the last 3 months for not moving forward with a project?



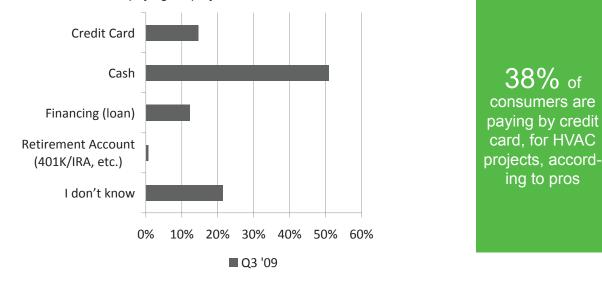
06 Thinking of the last 3 months, what are the most common reasons consumers say they are interested in your services? (Choose all that apply)



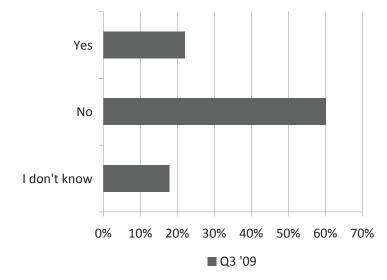
33% of customers submitting Siding requests had put off the project, but are now ready to move forward, according to Siding pros

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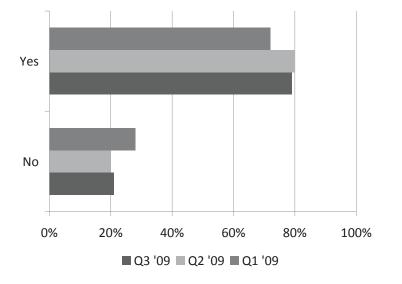
07 How are consumers paying for projects?



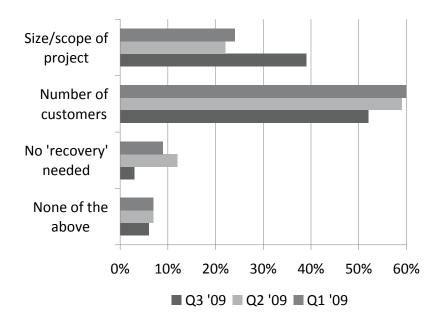
08 Generally speaking, are customers paying with different methods than this time a year ago?



09 Looking ahead at the next 12 months, are you optimistic about your company's performance?

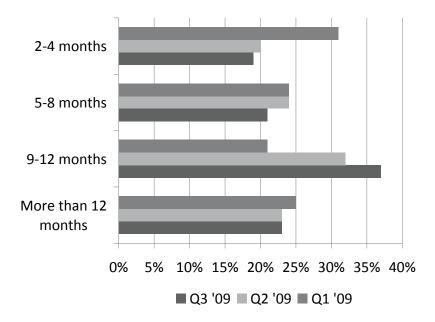


10 What will be the first part of your business to recover?



**39%** of Landscaping Professionals said size/scope of project will be the first part of their business to recover

11 When do you anticipate a significant increase in service requests to stabilize business?



### APPENDIX: SERVICE REQUEST GROUP DETAIL

The following service request groups have been created in order to provide aggregated trends and analysis.

#### ADDITIONS & REMODELING

Additions & Remodeling Architects & Engineers New Home Builders

#### SYSTEMS & EQUIPMENT

Central Vacuums Plumbing Appliances Air Conditioning Septic Tanks & Wells Home Security Services Electrical Fans Water Treatment Systems Heating & Furnace Systems

#### MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

Furniture Repair & Refinish Pest Control Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning **Cleaning & Maid Services Tree Services** Mold & Asbestos Services Organizers Sandblasting Services Waterproofing Locksmiths Lawn & Garden Care Handyman Services Foundations **Disaster Recovery Services** Snow Removal Services Home Maintenance

#### **INTERIOR PROJECTS**

Cabinets Wall Coverings Countertops Glass & Mirrors Painting Flooring & Carpet Window Coverings Audio/Visual & Computers Drywall & Plaster Tile Carpenters Insulation Ceilings **Designers & Decorators** Stained Glass Fireplaces & Wood Stoves

#### MOVING & REAL ESTATE

Appraisers Developers Storage Services Moving Rental Services Home Inspections

#### EXTERIOR PROJECTS

Paving Outdoor Playgrounds Fountains & Ponds Concrete Sheds & Enclosures Siding Brick & Stone Landscaping Doors Swimming Pools Decks Gutters Tennis or Game Courts Fences Awnings Roofing Garages & Garage Doors Hot Tubs, Spas & Saunas Skylights Windows

#### OTHER

Disability Services Excavation Metal Fabrication Docks Powdercoating Waste Material Removal Demolition Services Permit Services Sign Making Services