The residential framing industry is heavily affected by fluctuations in the housing market.

Nationwide, a total of 32,143 jobs were lost between March 2006 and March 2007. Almost half of these losses were from five counties in the West and South.

Maricopa County, Ariz., Clark County, Nev., Riverside County and San Bernardino County, Calif., and Broward County, Fla., lost a total of 15,300 jobs between March 2006 and March 2007.
FIGURE 25 Residential framing contractors employment, United States and selected counties, 2002–2007

NOTE: This graphic is based on preliminary 2007 data.