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**February permits remain steady – creating over 2,000 jobs for the greater Indy area**

**Indianapolis, IN** – February permit reports indicate that in the Greater Indianapolis Nine-County area, Single-Family Building Permits increased 26 percent over January numbers. There were 379 new home permits issued in February compared to 300 in January – a 26 percent increase.

In the Greater Indianapolis Nine-County region, the permits issued through February 2014 have created a total economic impact of \$121,597,902 in local income, \$27,604,737 in local taxes, and 2,029 local jobs, year-to-date (see chart below).

“The harsh weather remains a huge factor in our February permit numbers but the numbers remain strong,” says Steve Lains, CEO of the Builders Association of Greater Indianapolis. “Market analysts predict a steady increase in permit activity in 2014 and I suspect once we see a rise in temperatures, we’ll see the predicted uptick in our numbers, creating a substantial economic development impact in the Greater Indianapolis Area,” says Lains.

County	Total Permits	Local Income	Local Taxes	Local Jobs
Boone	53	\$ 9,491,442	2154714	161
Hamilton	290	\$ 51,934,303	11789947	879
Hancock	43	\$ 7,700,604	1748164	130
Hendricks	76	\$ 13,610,369	3089779	230
Johnson	92	\$ 16,475,710	3740259	279
Madison	12	\$ 2,149,006	487860	36
Marion	106	\$ 18,982,883	4309429	321
Morgan	7	\$ 1,253,587	284585	21
Shelby	0	\$ -	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>\$ 121,597,902</b>	<b>\$ 27,604,737</b>	<b>2059</b>

The Builders Association of Greater Indianapolis is a professional trade association representing residential homebuilders, associates and remodelers. For more information call 317-236-6330; or visit [www.BAGI.com](http://www.BAGI.com) for permits from 2000-2014.