



## Construction Industry Round Table

## Business News

*A force for positive change in the design/ construction industry*

### **9/09/13 – Employment Picture Stagnant for August**

The nation's employment picture stagnated in August 2013, as the overall jobless rate moved down one tenth of a point to 7.3 percent, but it was due to more people leaving the workforce – resulting in the lowest “labor force participation rate” in 35-years. The unadjusted construction figures were flat staying at 9.1 percent unemployed in August (which translates into approximately 758,000 jobless people looking for work in our industry segment).

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