

The Big Picture

THE NUMBERS THAT SHAPE YOUR BUSINESS

TIDBIT OF THE MONTH

"Show Me" Some Golf Courses

Golf construction is growing in Missouri. Among the more intriguing projects is Old Hawthorne in Columbia. The Art Schaupter design within a 609-acre housing development should open for play next spring. The Tribute at Branson Hills, a Bobby Clampett design to open next summer, will celebrate the life of the late, great Payne Stewart. Designed by Landmark Golf Co., Murder Rock Country Club will be the second course at the 7,500-acre Branson Creek development in Hollister. Also planned is a 9,000-square-foot clubhouse. For details on these and other golf projects around the United States, visit www.golfconstructionnews.com.



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Have an Interview? Here's What Not to Do

If you have a job interview coming up, make sure you don't make any of these mistakes, which

CareerBuilder.com cites as some of the strangest that people have made in their quests to get hired.

- Don't comb your hair during the interview.
- Don't be arrogant.
- Don't get so nervous that you look like you're going to get sick.
- Don't lie. You will be found out eventually.
- Don't reveal during the interview that you've had a bunch of other interviews at other golf courses.
- Sure, you want to be relaxed during an interview, but liquid courage is a really bad idea.
- Don't bring your mother, father, wife, dog or anyone else with you to an interview. Sorry honey.



Golf Rounds Played

The percentages below represent the change in the number of rounds played in September 2006 compared to the number of rounds played in September 2005.

REGION	SEPT.	Y.T.D.
New England ME, VT, NH, MA, RI, CT	-1.0%	-1.9%
Middle Atlantic NY, PA, NJ	-10.9%	-3.3%
East North Central MI, OH, IN, IL, WI	-6.7%	-1.3%
West North Central ND, MN, SD, NE, KS, IA, MO	-0.7%	1.2%
South Atlantic WV, DE, MD, VA, NC, SC, GA	-1.3%	2.9%
Florida	1.8%	2.4%
East South Central KY, TN, AL, MS	-1.8%	0.2%
West South Central OK, AR, LA	13.0%	3.7%
Texas	15.3%	4.8%
Mountain MT, ID, WY, NV, UT, CO, AZ, NM	-0.3%	3.5%
Pacific WA, OR, AK, HI	3.2%	1.0%
California	3.2%	1.1%
TOTAL UNITED STATES	-1.9%	0.7%

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Roll Out the Blue Carpet

In a pre-election survey, we asked readers: There's a chance the Democrats can regain control of the House and the Senate. How do you feel about this? Here's how almost **100** readers responded:

- ★ **49%** I hope the Republicans retain majority because they've helped our country.
- ★ **21%** We need the Democrats to win to get our country back on track.
- ★ **29%** I vote for people, not political parties.
- ★ **0%** I probably won't vote.

Obviously, the majority of voters in our poll weren't happy with the election results.

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