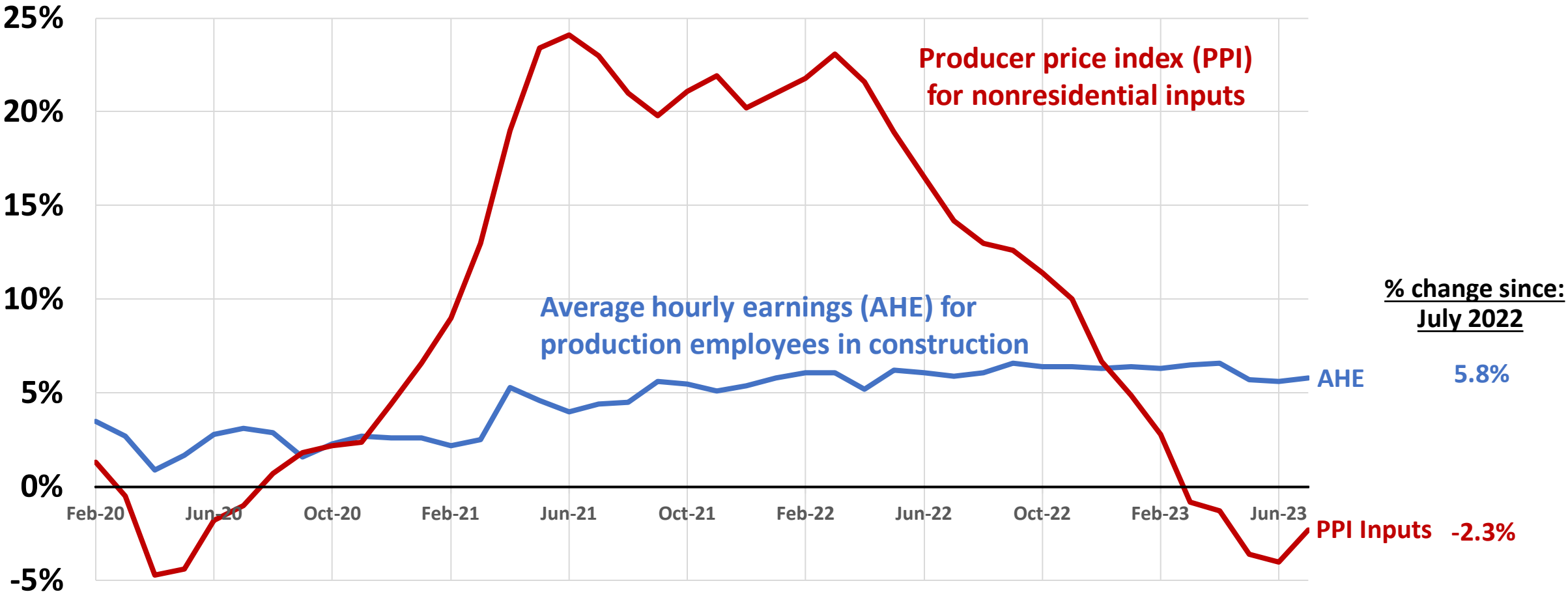


# Construction inputs & labor costs



Year-over-year change in PPI for nonresidential inputs & AHE for production employees in construction, Feb. 2020 – July 2023



1 | Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, PPI, [www.bls.gov/ppi](http://www.bls.gov/ppi) ; Current Employment Statistics, AHE, <https://www.bls.gov/ces/> (©2023 The Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.

# Not all construction costs are cooling!

producer price indexes, 1 - & 12-mo. change (not seasonally adjusted)



**July 2023 change from:**  
**June 2023    July 2022**  
**(1 month)    (12 months)**

Cement	1.7%	12.6%
Ready-mix concrete	0.6%	10.4%
Construction machinery and equipment	1.6%	9.3%

## Subcontractor price indexes, nonresidential building work

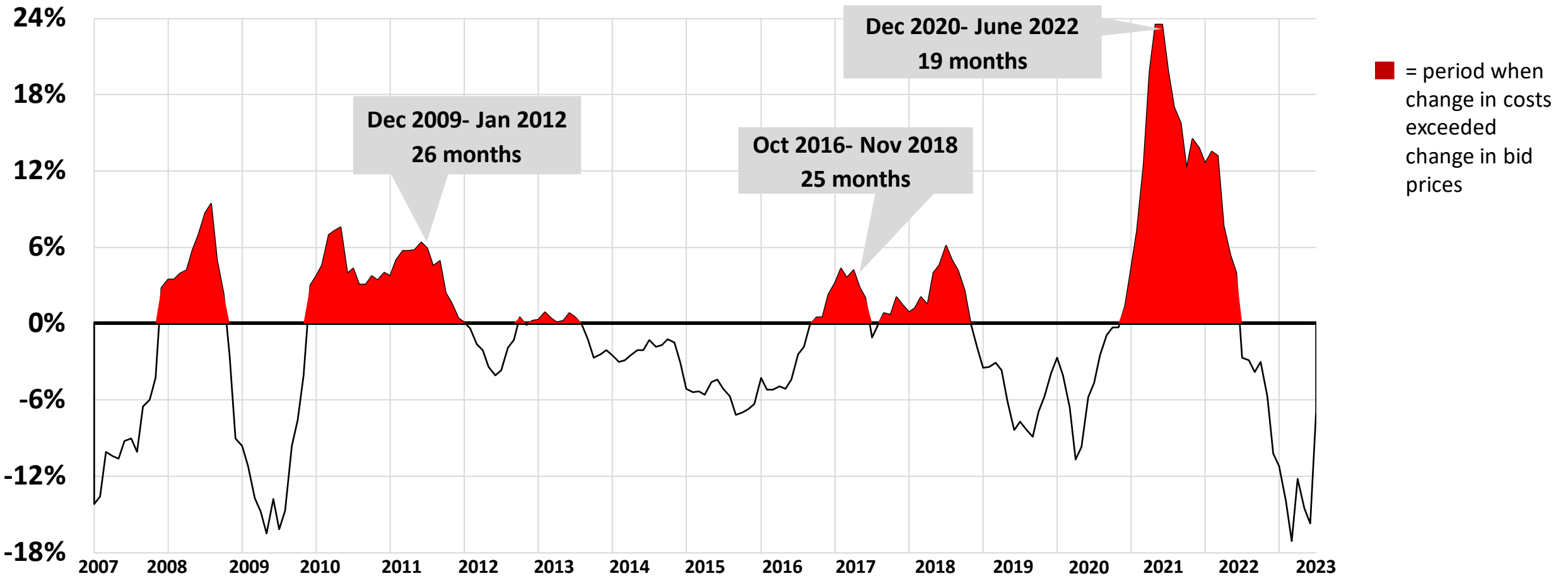
Roofing contractors	-0.1%	12.2%
Electrical contractors	-1.5%	4.5%
Plumbing contractors	0.2%	6.5%
Concrete contractors	-2.7%	-1.2%

# Cost squeeze on contractors can reappear suddenly, last 2+ years

Difference between year-over-year change in materials costs vs. bid prices, Jan 2007-Jul 2023



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3 | Source: BLS, [www.bls.gov/ppi](http://www.bls.gov/ppi), producer price indexes for goods inputs to nonresidential construction (material costs) and new school building construction (bid prices)