



Cartersville Planning & Development Department

2014 Annual Report
January 2015



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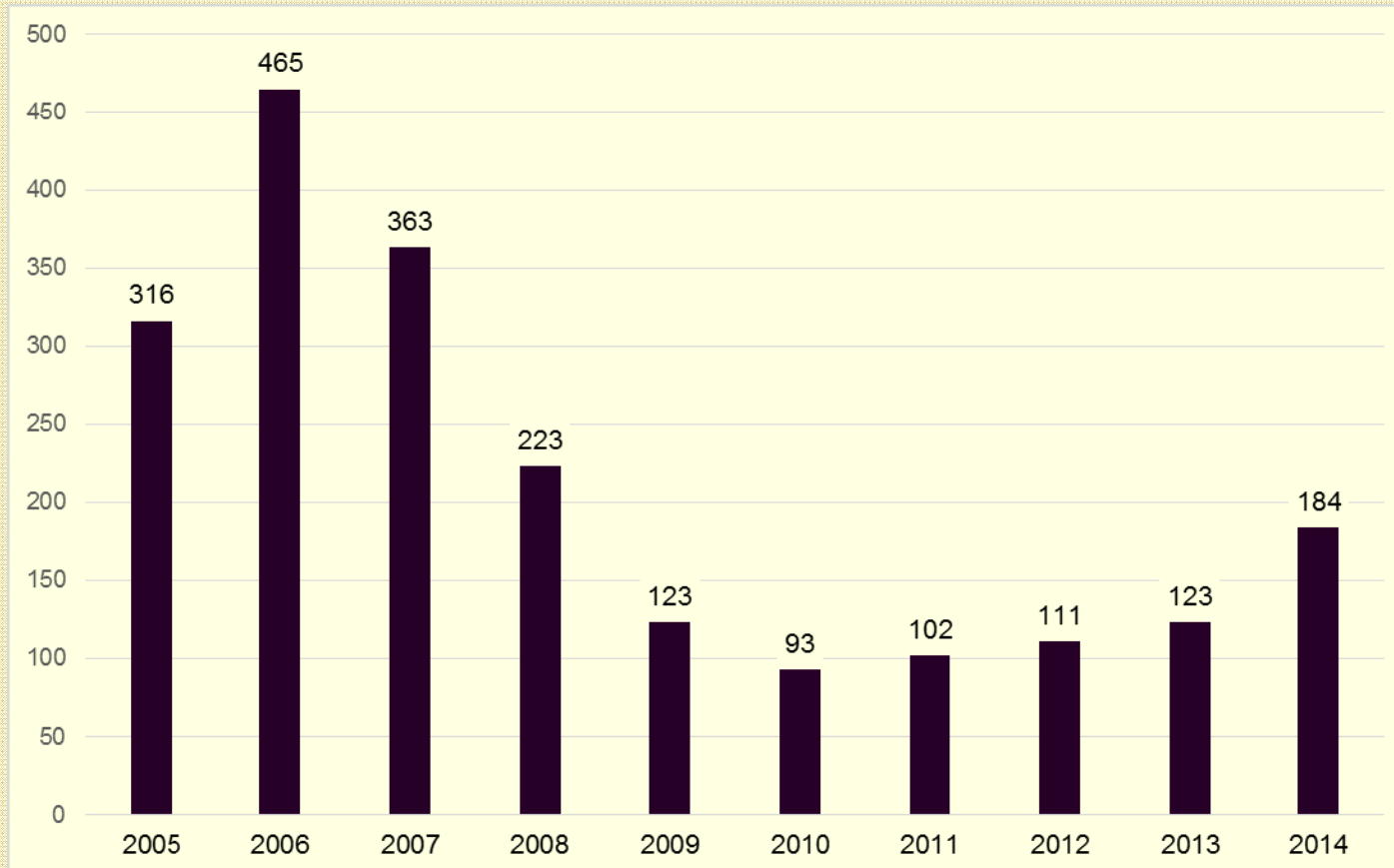
Executive Summary

- Economic indicators in 2014 trended upward. Numbers were higher than any year since 2008.
- Staff worked with industries to take State job tax credits in the City's two Opportunity Zones.
- Based on recent work by staff members and DDA reps, in 2014 downtown was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
- There continues to be a significant number of downtown projects – the number of HPC cases downtown remained at its highest level of cases for a second year. The most visible project was the demolition of the former bank branch at the corner of Museum Dr & Leake St.



Total Building Permits

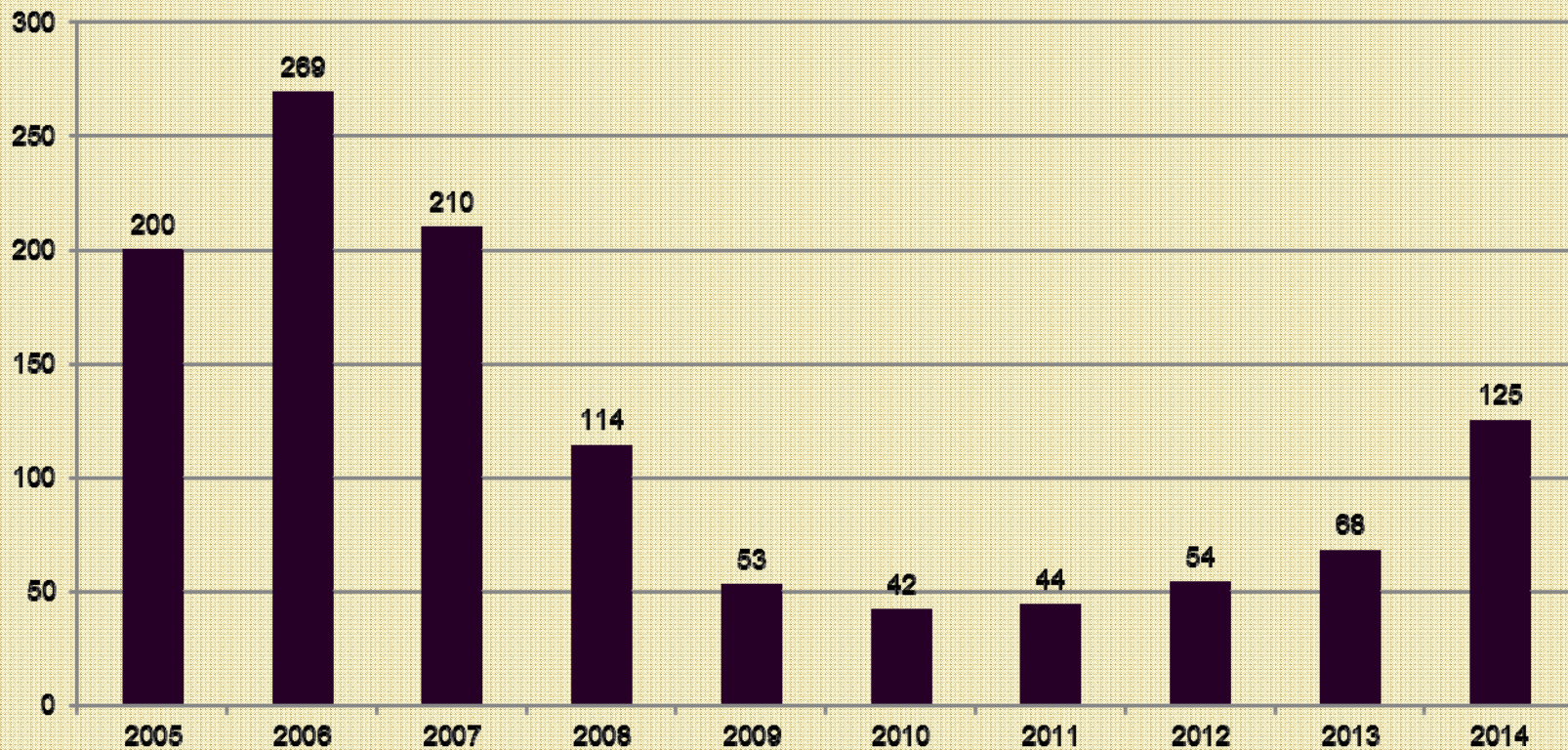
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Residential Building Permits

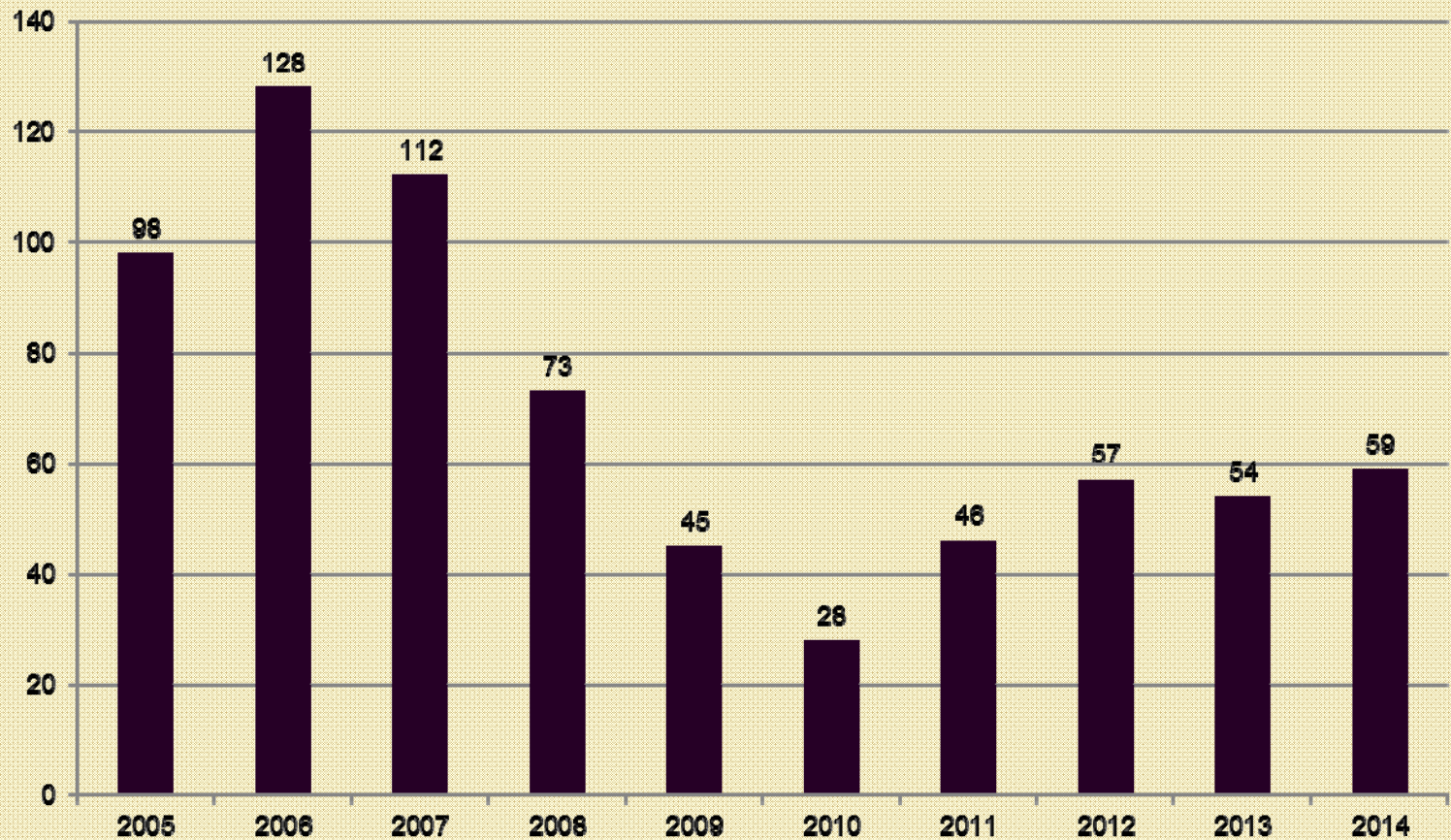
- Residential building permits in 2014 trended upward. Numbers were higher than any year since 2007.





Non-Residential Building Permits

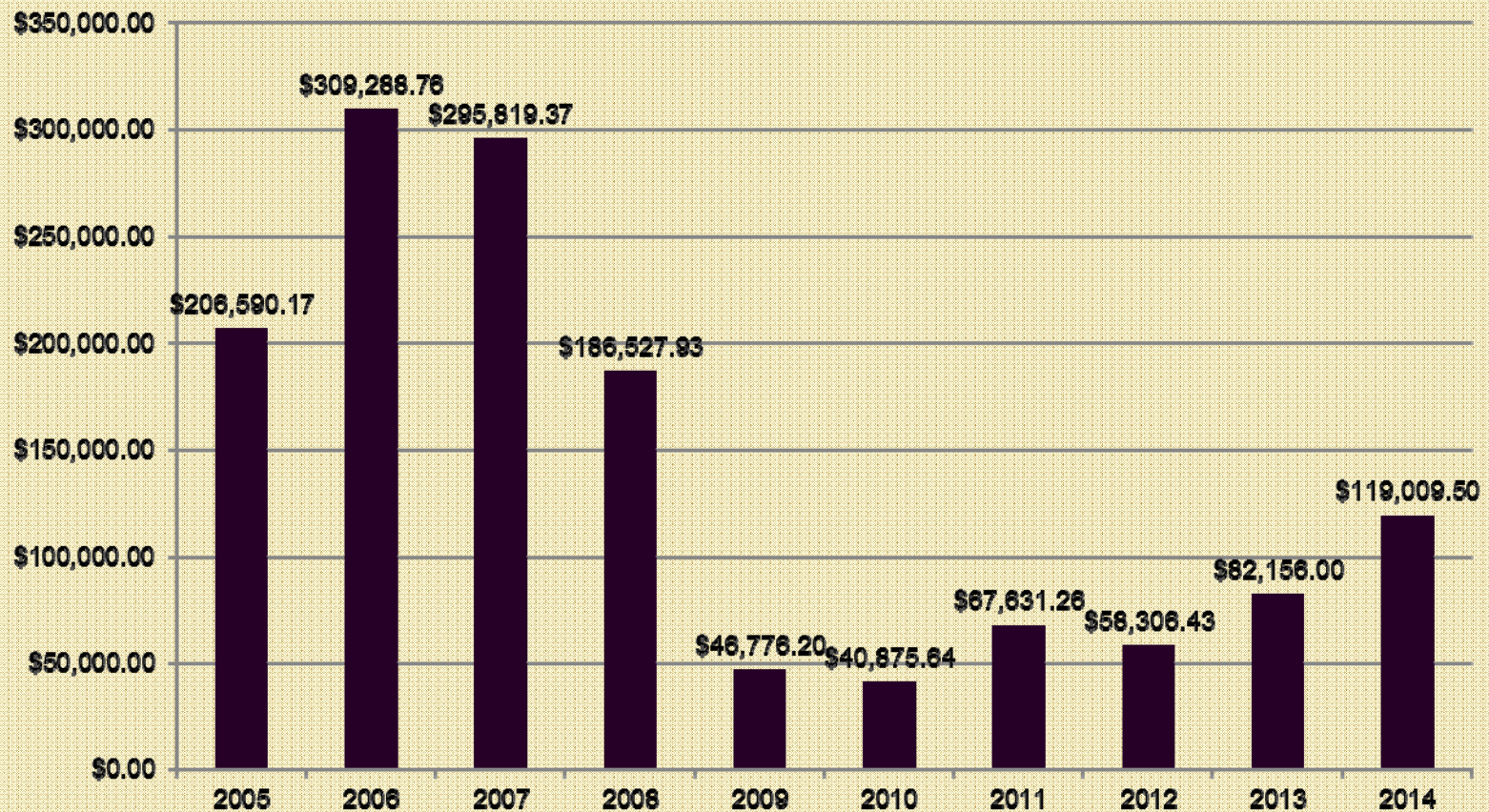
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Total Building Permit Revenue

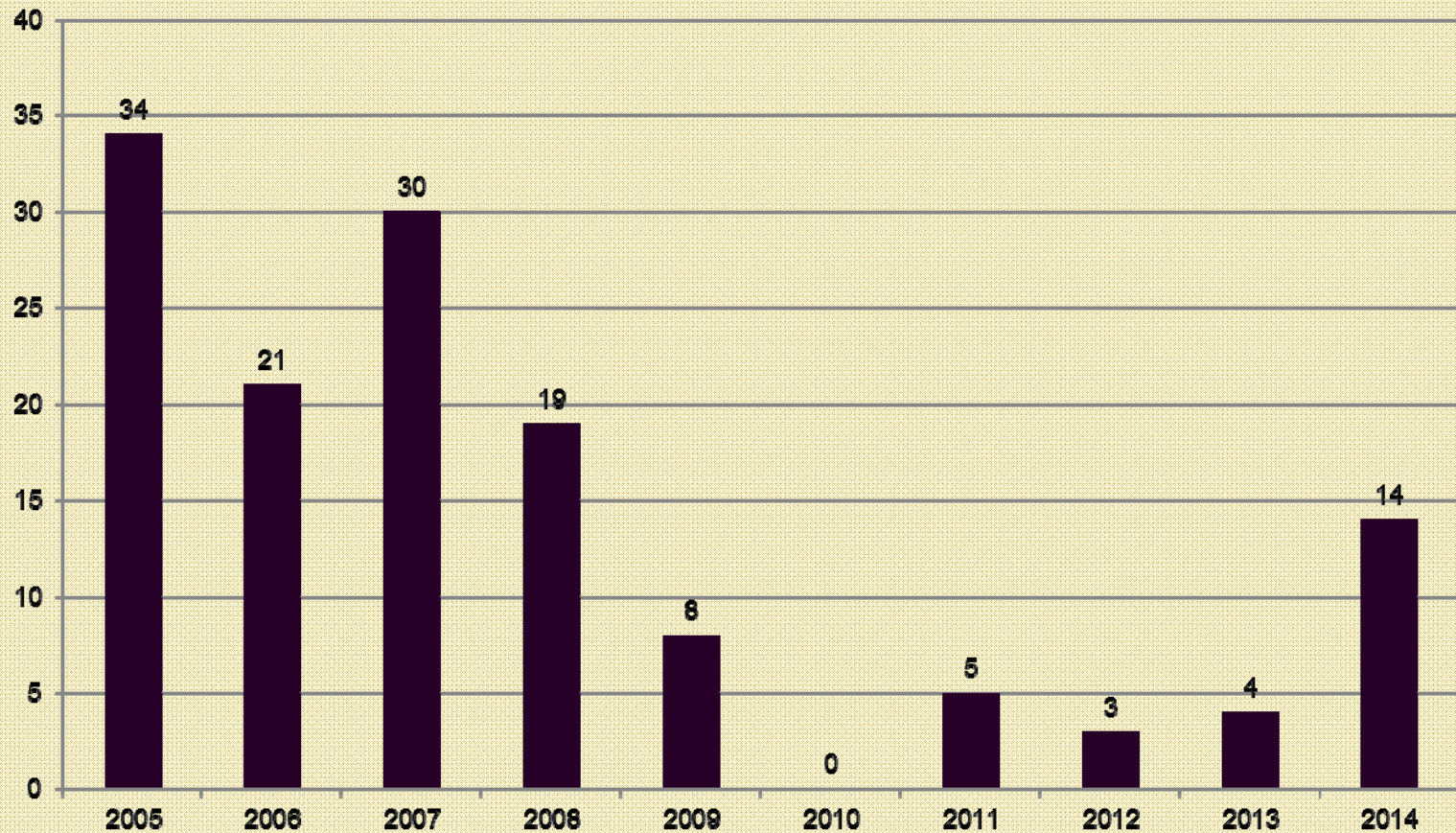
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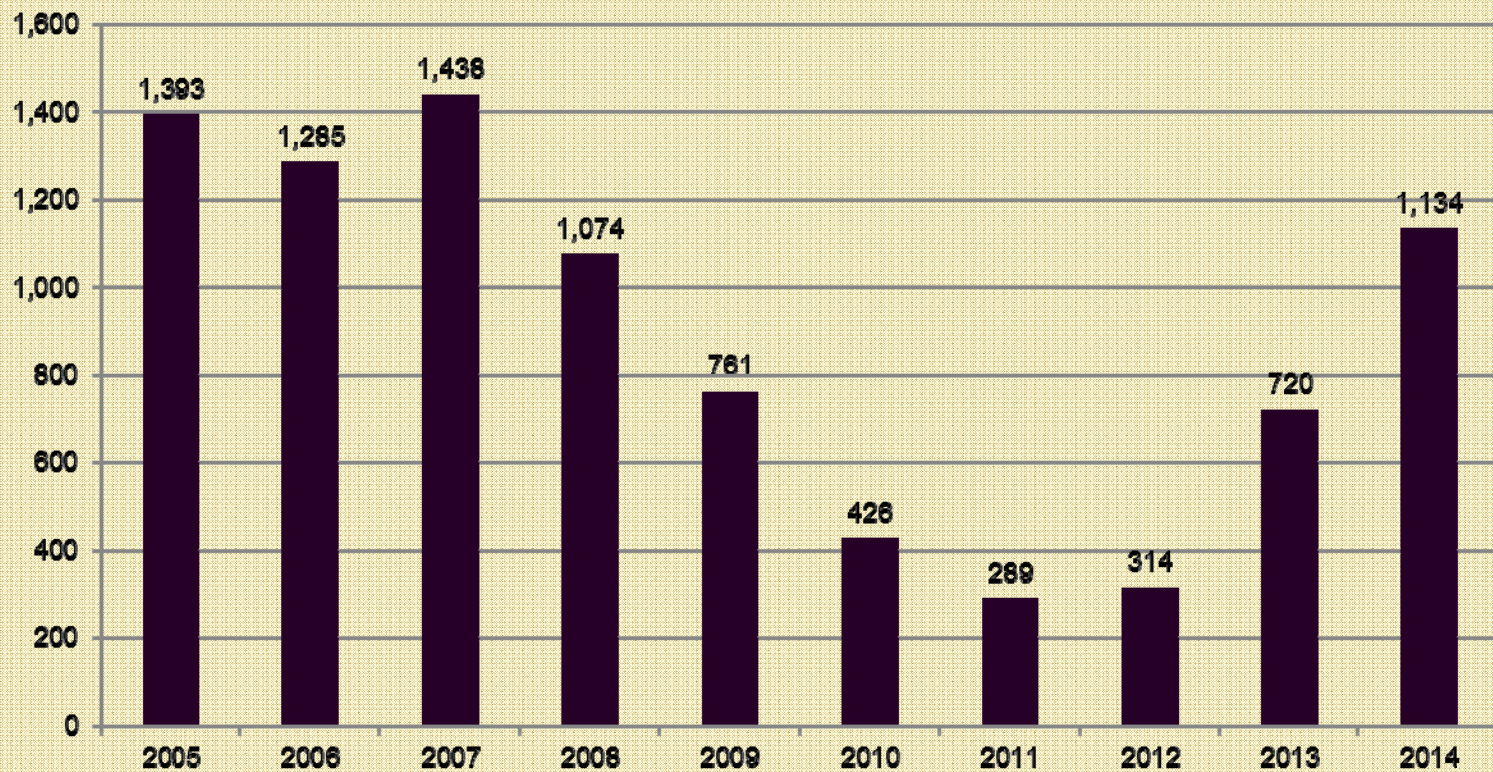
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Inspections

- Since 2013, new business inspections have been completed by staff. Also, a change was made in how rough residential inspections are counted. Instead of being counted as one, it is now divided into four separate inspections - framing, plumbing, mechanical, electrical.

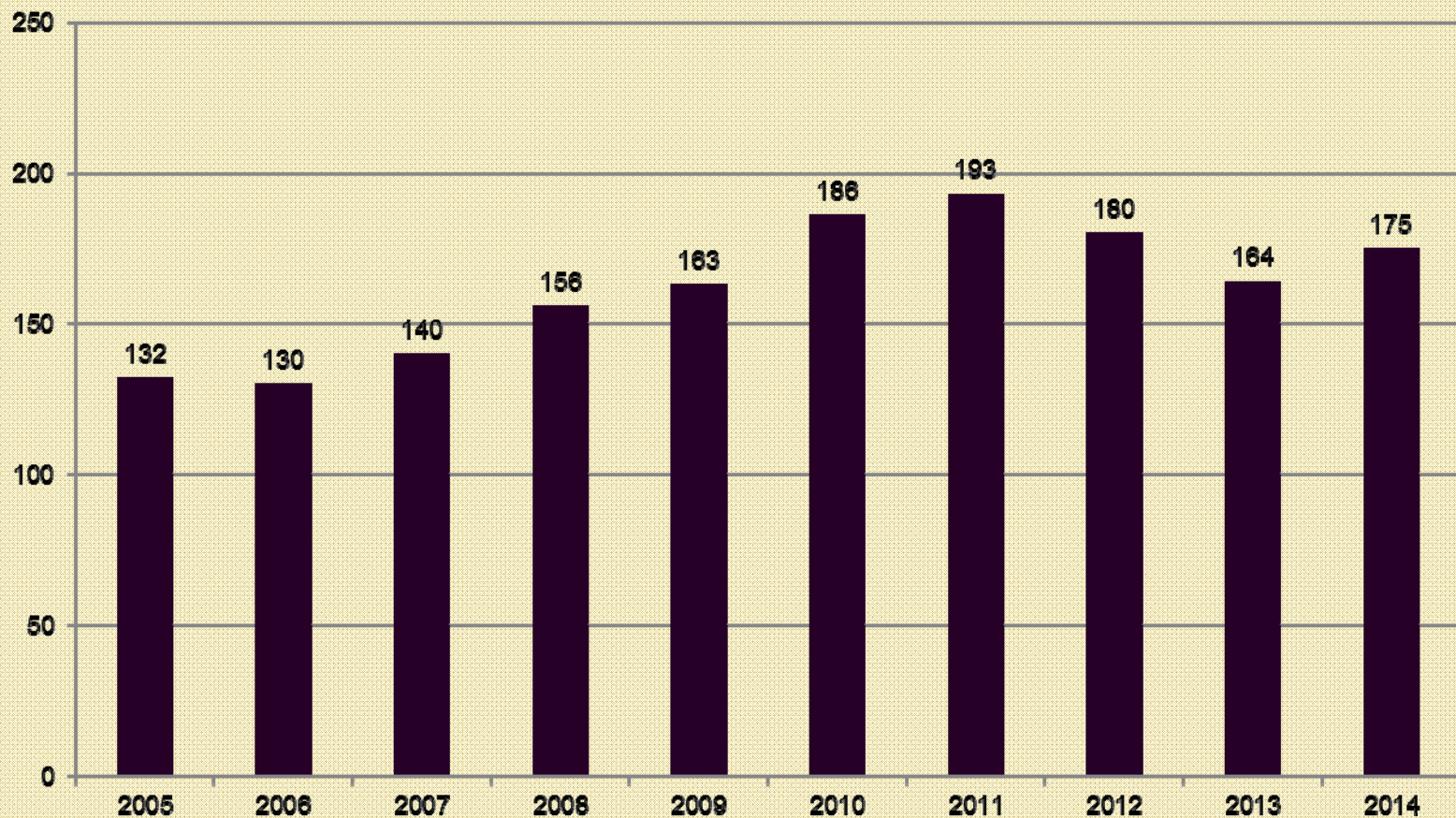




Alcohol Licenses

(some businesses have more than one license)

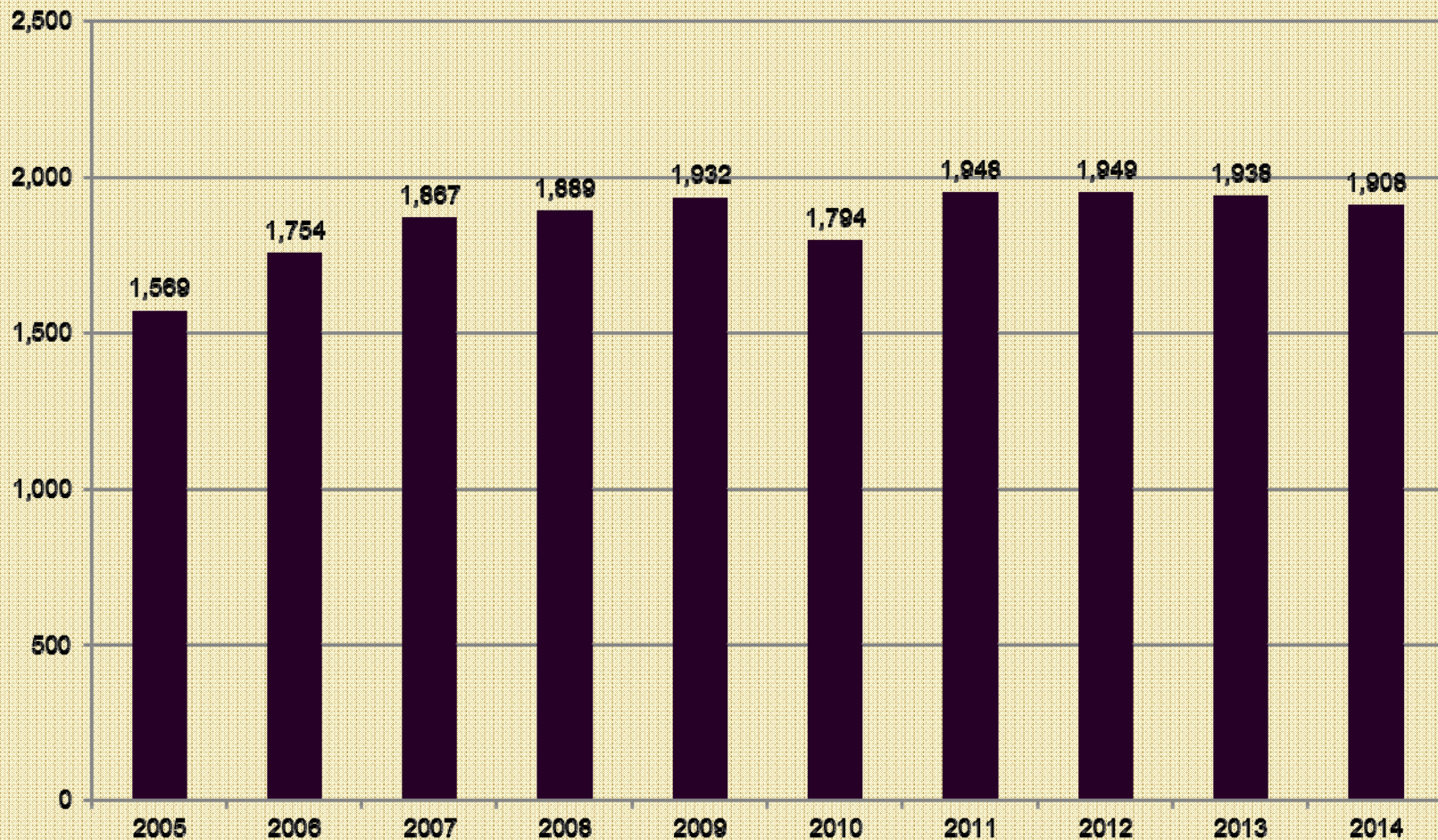
- The number of alcohol licenses has been higher in the last few years, in part due to the addition of Sunday sales in December 2008.





Business Licenses (Occupational Tax Certificate)

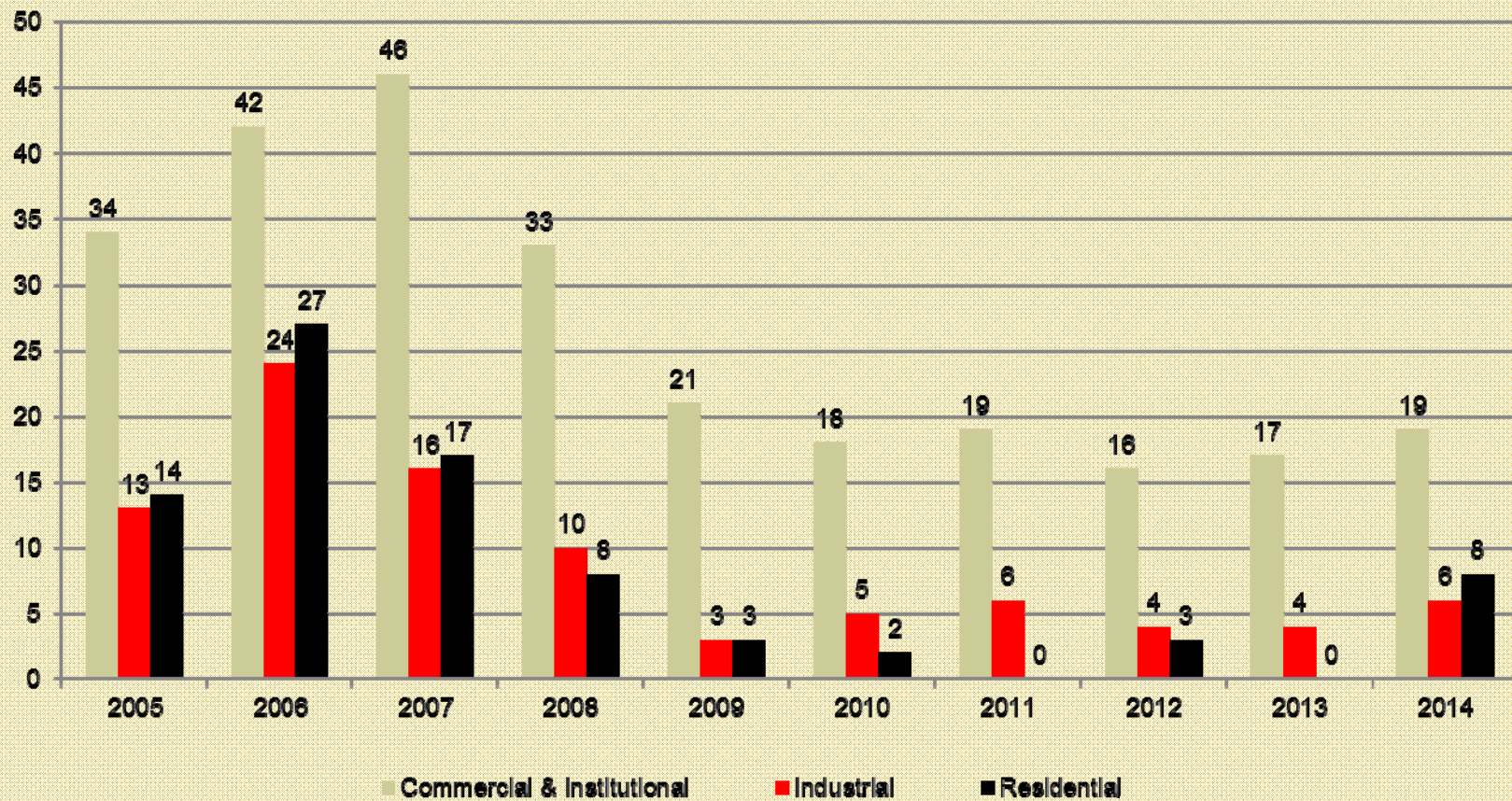
- The number of business licenses issued has been fairly consistent.





Plan Reviews

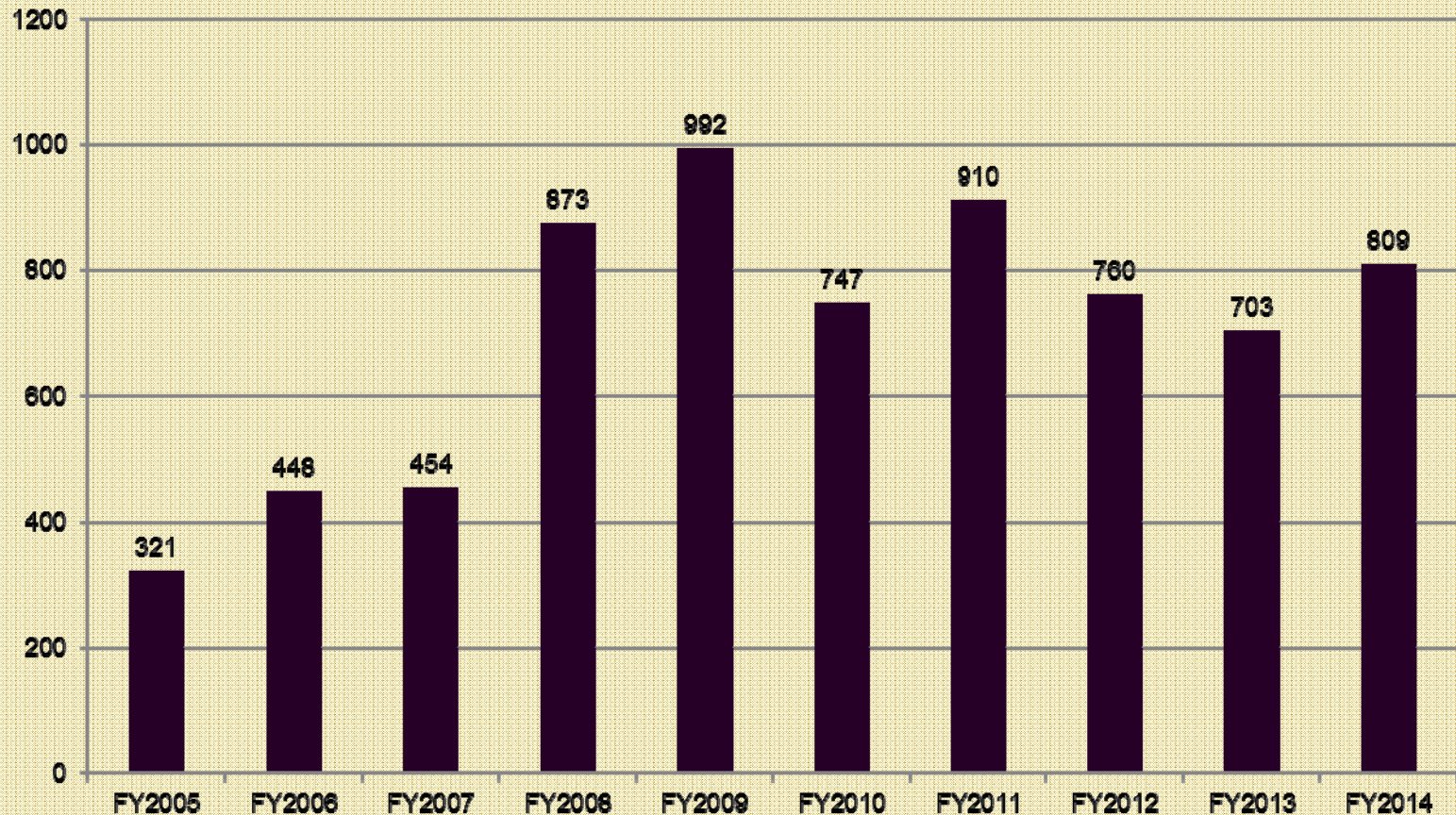
- The number of commercial projects is higher than industrial and residential each year.





Code Enforcement

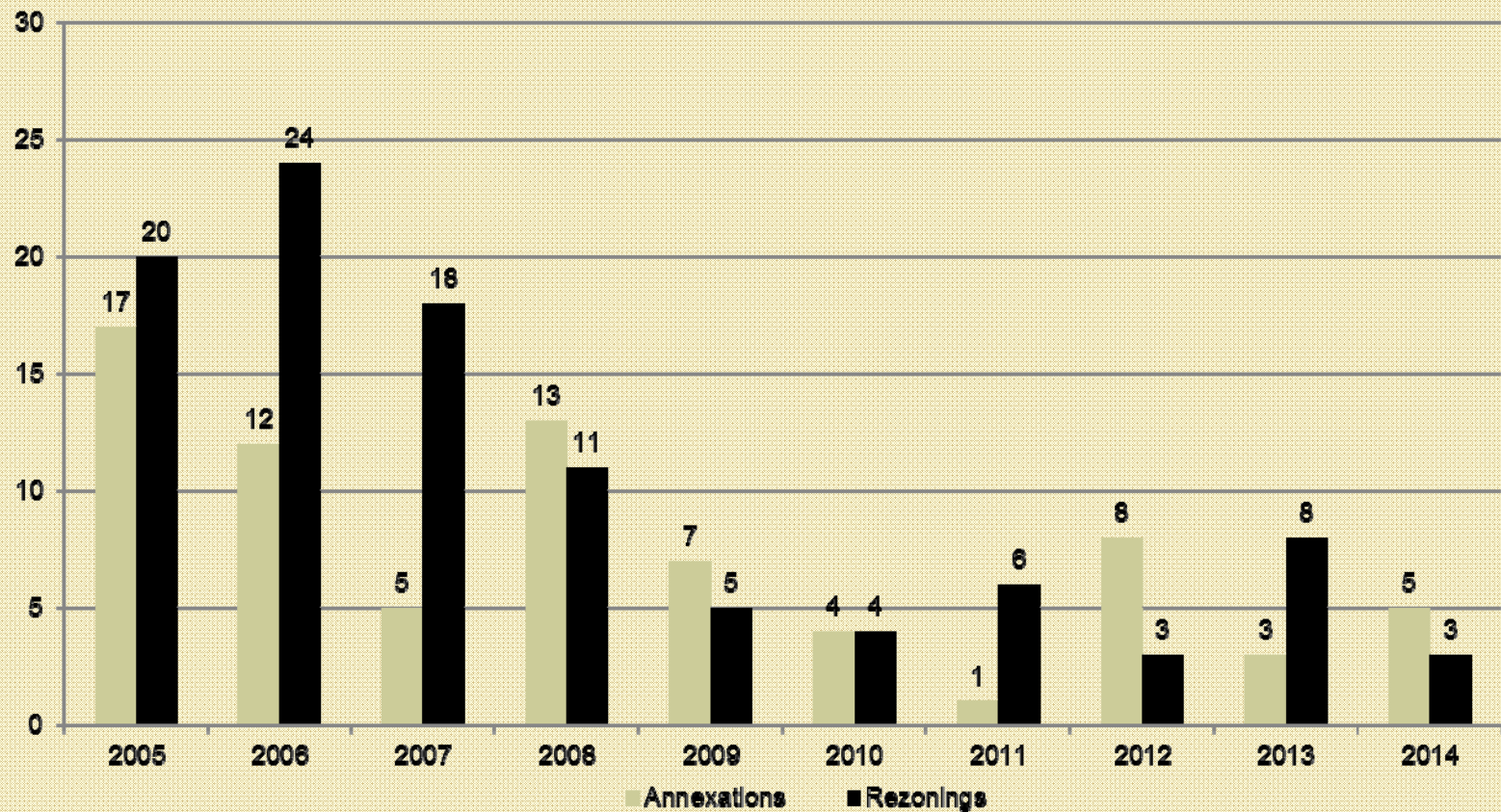
- Code Enforcement reports Code Violation cases abated. This number represents written notices - door hangers or Notices of Violation.





Annexation and Rezoning Cases

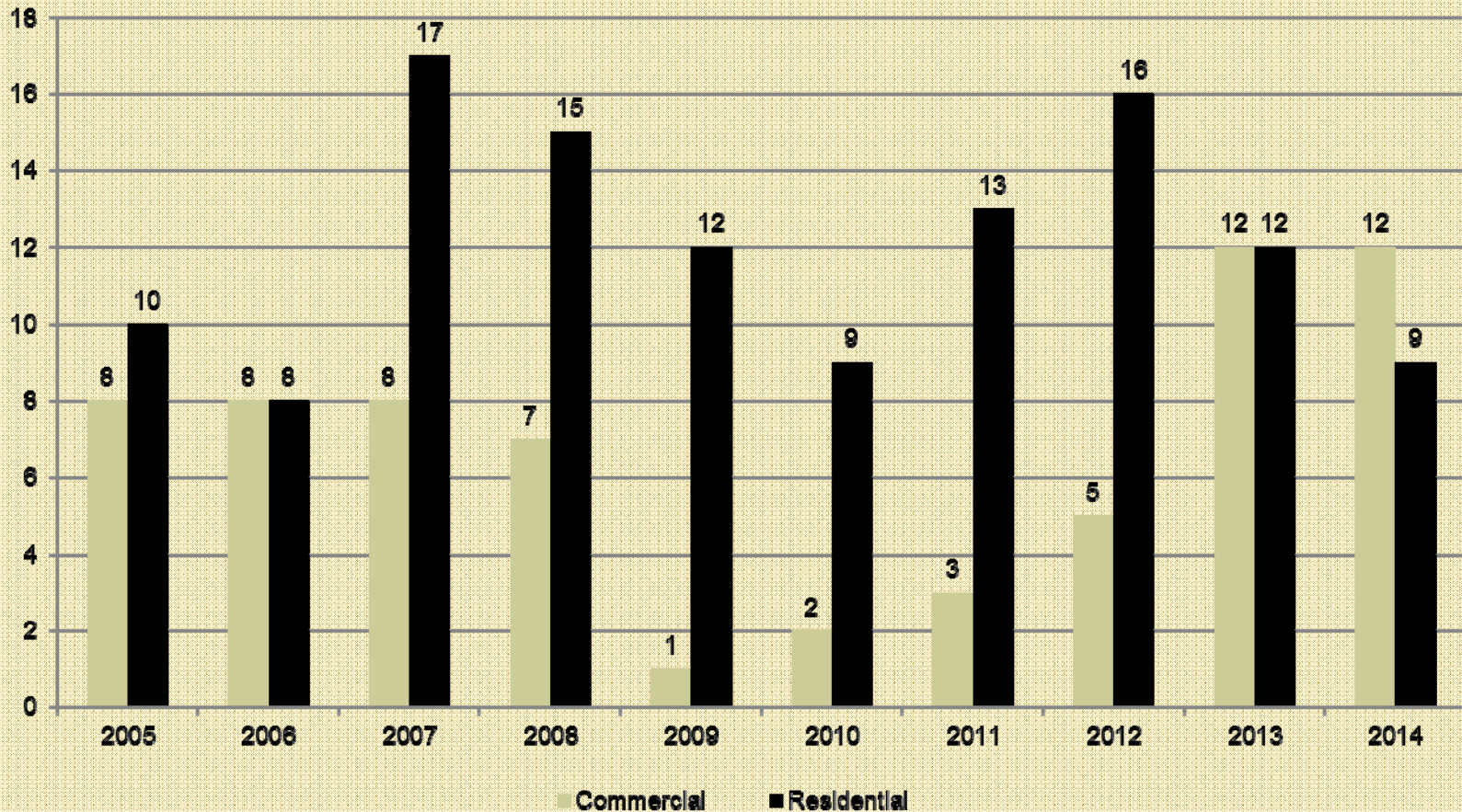
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Historic Preservation

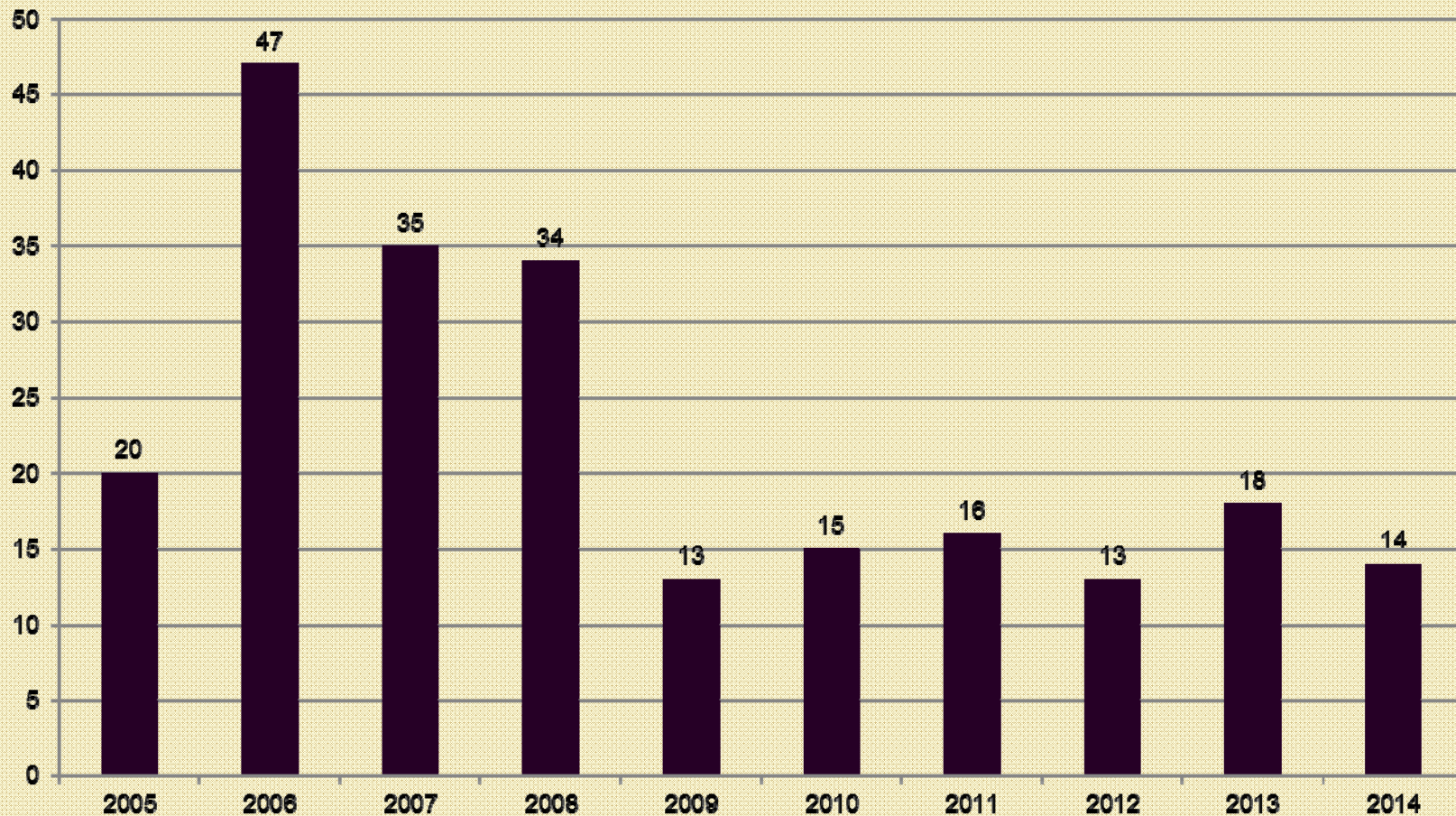
- There have been more downtown commercial cases in 2013 and 2014 than in any year since HPC began hearing cases in 2004.





Variances

- The number of variances remained lower than in the mid-2000's.





Future Projects

- City Code changes based on goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan.
- Continue activities related to the Urban Redevelopment including renovations to older owner-occupied homes in North Towne and the annual Ray Southern Memorial Clean-up in ATCO.
- Work with project representatives for the B.I.G. USA and Kroger developments as well as the increasing number of contractors applying for residential permits.