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Industry sector at a glance
Construction

About

The construction sector is generally divided in to three separate areas, these are:

Construction of buildings

General construction of buildings, including new work, repair, additions and alterations.

Civil engineering

Civil engineering work, including road and railway construction, and utility projects.

Specialised construction activities

Covering trades that usually specialise in one aspect, common to different structures. For example, demolition, electrical, plumbing, joinery, plastering, painting and glazing.

Roles available

There are many different roles available in construction, here are just a few:

Craft roles: such as joiner, bricklayer, roofer

Technical roles: such as buyer, site engineer, building technician

Professional roles: such as architect, surveyor, project manager

Construction roles are varied and determined by the type of project being commissioned.

What it takes to work in Construction

Here are some of the qualities required to work in construction:

- Safety conscious
- Organised
- Competence
- Self-motivated
- Communication
- Commitment
- Good physical health
- Teamwork

Did you know?

- **2.4m** Jobs in the sector. **7%** of UK total
- **35%** of work carried out in the UK in 2018 was repair and maintenance
- **6%** Construction's total economic output
- The sector contributes **£117bn** to the UK economy
- **36%** Proportion of self-employed in this sector

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