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### Introduction

The Northern Ireland Construction Bulletin is produced by the Central Survey Unit of the Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency, on behalf of the Department of Finance and Personnel.

The Bulletin contains information on the value of Construction Output in Northern Ireland. These figures are derived from the Northern Ireland Quarterly Construction Enquiry (QCE). This is a statutory survey of construction firms operating in Northern Ireland. Each quarter a sample of construction firms are asked to provide details of the value of construction activity they have undertaken in a specified period. The QCE principally produces the Index of Construction, which is an estimate of the volume of construction output. It is an important economic indicator, which contributes to the calculation of UK GDP.

Additional information on the Northern Ireland Construction Industry is also contained in the Bulletin. This information is provided by the Statistics Research Branch of the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment and the Health and Safety Executive Northern Ireland (from a variety of survey sources).

### **Key Findings**

The key findings from the QCE covering the period 1 April – 30 June 2005 were as follows:

- The seasonally adjusted Index of Construction was 93.9, down 1.1 points on the previous quarter (95.0) and up 1.8 points on the corresponding quarter in 2004 (92.1) (Table 1.1)
- The estimated seasonally adjusted value of construction output (at 2000 prices) was £521 million, decrease of 1.1% (£6 million) on the previous quarter (£527 million) and an increase of 2.0% on the corresponding quarter in 2004 (£511 million) (Table 1.7)

### **Chapter 1 Output**

Table	1.1 Index of C	onstruction	
Ye	ear / Quarter	Unadjusted	Index 2000=100  Seasonally Adjusted
2000	Jan - Mar	101.2	99.8
	Apr - Jun	103.6	103.5
	Jul - Sep	101.5	101.6
	Oct - Dec	93.6	95.0
2001	Jan - Mar	109.2	108.4
	Apr - Jun	100.4	99.3
	Jul - Sep	99.4	99.7
	Oct - Dec	99.0	100.5
2002	Jan - Mar	95.3	95.1
	Apr - Jun	95.8	94.2
	Jul - Sep	90.4	90.8
	Oct - Dec	87.8	89.2
2003	Jan - Mar	90.4	90.4
	Apr - Jun	94.8	92.9
	Jul - Sep	95.9	96.4
	Oct - Dec	93.0	94.6
2004	Jan - Mar	91.1	91.1
	Apr - Jun	94.1	92.1
	Jul - Sep	89.0	89.4
	Oct - Dec	89.9	91.6
2005	Jan - Mar	95.0	95.0
	Apr - Jun	96.1	93.9

Figure 1.1 Index of Construction

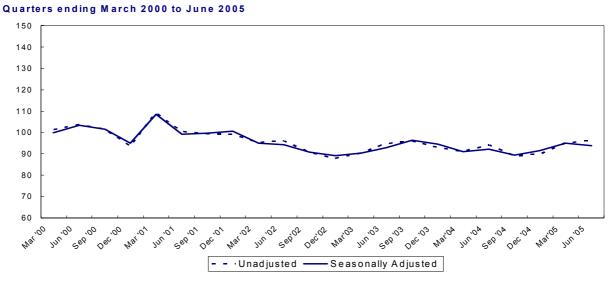


Table 1	Table 1.2 Index of New Work <sup>1</sup>											
			Index 2000=100									
Yea	ar / Quarter	Unadjusted	Seasonally Adjusted									
2000	Jan - Mar	98.9	99.3									
	Apr - Jun	105.3	104.3									
	Jul - Sep	102.4	102.0									
	Oct - Dec	93.3	93.9									
2001	Jan - Mar	104.6	106.2									
	Apr - Jun	100.3	98.3									
	Jul - Sep	96.3	96.2									
	Oct - Dec	98.5	99.0									
2002	Jan - Mar	89.5	91.6									
	Apr - Jun	91.2	88.7									
	Jul - Sep	86.0	86.0									
	Oct - Dec	84.2	84.6									
2003	Jan - Mar	80.9	83.1									
	Apr - Jun	89.9	87.2									
	Jul - Sep	90.4	90.4									
	Oct - Dec	88.9	89.3									
2004	Jan - Mar	83.4	85.8									
	Apr - Jun	90.5	87.7									
	Jul - Sep	85.0	84.9									
	Oct - Dec	86.0	86.5									
2005	Jan - Mar	88.7	91.2									
	Apr - Jun	90.7	87.8									

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> New work relates to new construction including housing, factory and office extensions, major reconstruction, major alteration, site preparation and demolition

Figure 1.2 Index of New Work Quarters ending March 2000 to June 2005

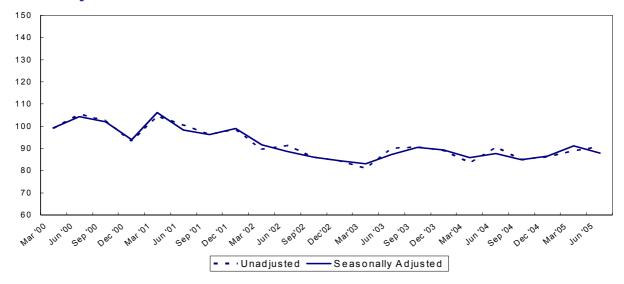


Table 1.3 Index of Rep	Table 1.3 Index of Repair and Maintenance <sup>1</sup>											
		Index 2000=100										
Year / Quarter	Unadjusted	Seasonally Adjusted										
2000 Jan - Mar	112.9	100.2										
Apr - Jun	94.8	99.9										
Jul - Sep	97.1	99.0										
Oct - Dec  2001 Jan - Mar  Apr - Jun  Jul - Sep  Oct - Dec	95.4 132.8 100.7 115.4 101.5	102.1 117.2 105.5 117.6 109.9										
2002 Jan - Mar	125.1	109.9										
Apr - Jun	119.9	124.9										
Jul - Sep	113.5	115.9										
Oct - Dec	106.0	115.3										
2003 Jan - Mar	139.4	122.1										
Apr - Jun	120.0	124.6										
Jul - Sep	124.5	127.6										
Oct - Dec	114.0	124.2										
2004 Jan - Mar	130.7	114.4										
Apr - Jun	113.1	117.1										
Jul - Sep	109.6	112.8										
Oct - Dec	109.6	119.0										
2005 Jan - Mar	127.5	111.9										
Apr - Jun	124.0	128.0										

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Repair & Maintenance includes all on-site work not defined as new construction.

Figure 1.3 Index of Repair and Maintenance Quarters ending March 2000 to June 2005

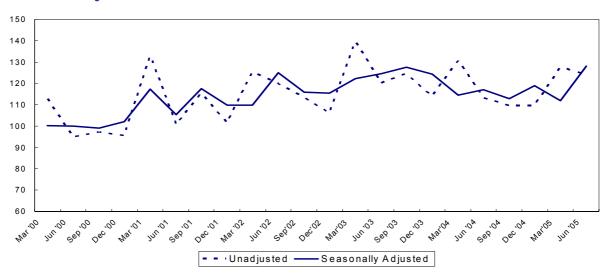


Table 1.	4 Index of Hous	sing <sup>1</sup>	
			Index 2000=100
Yea	ar / Quarter	Unadjusted	Seasonally Adjusted
2000	Jan - Mar	97.1	99.1
	Apr - Jun	111.4	105.1
	Jul - Sep	96.5	97.7
	Oct - Dec	95.0	97.5
2001	Jan - Mar	103.1	105.4
	Apr - Jun	104.7	99.1
	Jul - Sep	101.4	102.0
	Oct - Dec	97.3	99.7
2002	Jan - Mar	95.0	97.4
	Apr - Jun	97.1	92.4
	Jul - Sep	92.6	92.6
	Oct - Dec	93.4	95.6
2003	Jan - Mar	89.8	92.3
	Apr - Jun	101.3	96.9
	Jul - Sep	100.0	99.5
	Oct - Dec	94.9	96.8
2004	Jan - Mar	90.4	93.4
	Apr - Jun	94.1	90.1
	Jul - Sep	92.8	92.0
	Oct - Dec	90.5	92.3
2005	Jan - Mar	92.0	95.4
	Apr - Jun	104.1	99.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Housing relates to all housing construction activity, both private and public sector.

Figure 1.4 Index of Housing Quarters Ending March 2000 to June 2005

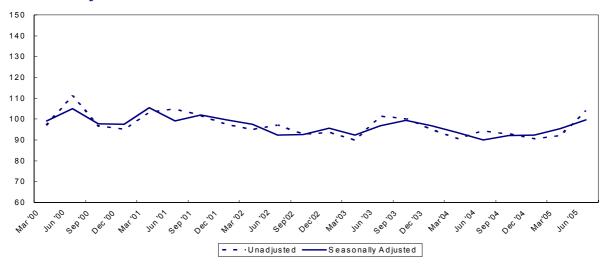


Table 1.	5 Index of Infra	structure <sup>1</sup>	
			Index 2000=100
Yea	r / Quarter	Unadjusted	Seasonally Adjusted
2000	Jan - Mar	115.7	107.9
	Apr - Jun	108.2	114.1
	Jul - Sep	98.7	96.7
	Oct - Dec	78.2	81.3
2001	Jan - Mar	96.7	91.2
	Apr - Jun	64.2	66.6
	Jul - Sep	75.8	74.8
	Oct - Dec	97.7	101.7
2002	Jan - Mar	87.7	82.8
	Apr - Jun	95.8	98.6
	Jul - Sep	108.9	108.1
	Oct - Dec	105.7	110.4
2003	Jan - Mar	112.4	105.8
	Apr - Jun	119.2	122.2
	Jul - Sep	118.8	118.5
	Oct - Dec	105.4	110.2
2004	Jan - Mar	113.0	105.7
	Apr - Jun	109.4	112.3
	Jul - Sep	104.6	104.5
	Oct - Dec	110.4	115.8
2005	Jan - Mar	141.9	132.2
	Apr - Jun	110.4	113.4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Infrastructure includes work on roads and car parks, water and sewerage, electricity, gas, communication, air transport, railways, harbours and waterways

Figure 1.5 Index of Infrastructure Quarters Ending March 2000 to June 2005

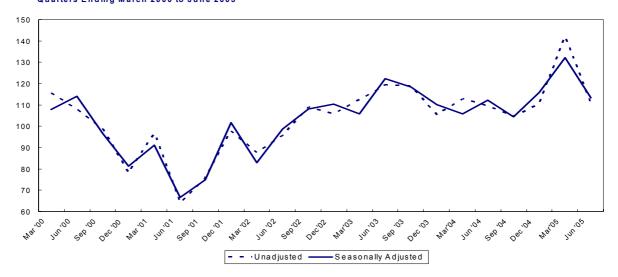


Table 1.6 Index of Other Work <sup>1</sup>										
		<b>.</b>	Index 2000=100							
Year	/ Quarter	Unadjusted	Seasonally Adjusted							
2000	Jan - Mar	101.6	95.2							
	Apr - Jun	94.9	100.7							
	Jul - Sep	107.1	108.3							
	Oct - Dec	96.2	96.3							
2001	Jan - Mar	118.3	111.6							
	Apr - Jun	105.4	109.8							
	Jul - Sep	103.6	105.1							
	Oct - Dec	101.1	101.9							
2002	Jan - Mar	97.5	92.4							
	Apr - Jun	94.6	97.2							
	Jul - Sep	83.6	85.2							
	Oct - Dec	77.7	78.6							
2003	Jan - Mar	85.4	81.3							
	Apr - Jun	82.4	83.7							
	Jul - Sep	86.2	88.2							
	Oct - Dec	88.0	89.0							
2004	Jan - Mar	86.2	82.3							
	Apr - Jun	90.3	91.2							
	Jul - Sep	81.3	83.4							
	Oct - Dec	84.0	84.9							
2005	Jan - Mar	86.1	82.4							
	Apr - Jun	84.7	85.3							

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Other work includes factories, warehouse, oil, steel, gas and coal, school, colleges, offices, banks, shops, universities, entertainment, agriculture, health, welfare, garages and miscellanous.

Figure 1.6 Index of Other Work Quarters Ending March 2000 to June 2005

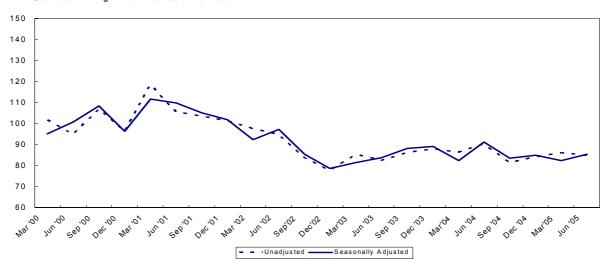


Table 1.7 Valu	e of Construct	ion Output	
Year / Quarter	Current prices (£ Million)	2000 prices (£ Million)	2000 prices and Seasonally Adjusted (£ Million)
2000 Jan - Mar	551	561	553
Apr - Jun	572	574	574
Jul - Sep	565	563	563
Oct - Dec	529	519	527
Total	2,218	2,218	2,217
2001 Jan - Mar	626	605	601
Apr - Jun	590	556	550
Jul - Sep	595	551	553
Oct - Dec	604	549	557
Total	2,415	2,261	2,262
2002 Jan - Mar	589	528	527
Apr - Jun	612	531	522
Jul - Sep	591	501	504
Oct - Dec	581	487	494
Total	2,372	2,046	2,047
2003 Jan - Mar	604	501	501
Apr - Jun	643	526	515
Jul - Sep	673	532	534
Oct - Dec	669	515	524
Total	2,589	2,075	2,075
2004 Jan - Mar	659	505	505
Apr - Jun	694	522	511
Jul - Sep	671	493	495
Oct - Dec	686	498	508
Total	2,709	2,018	2,019
2005 Jan - Mar	725	527	527
Apr - Jun	741	533	521

Figure 1.7 Value of Construction Output Quarters Ending March 2000 to June 2005

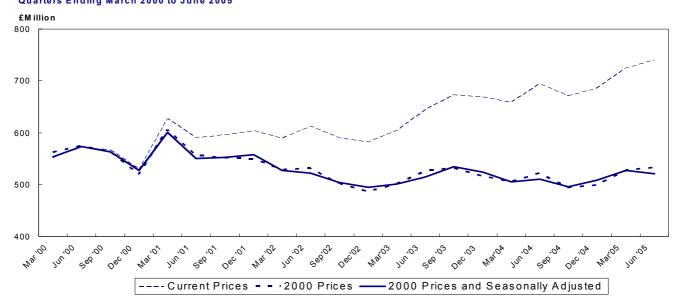


Table 1.8 (a) Output <sup>1</sup>														
<b>Current Prices</b>	(£ millio	n)												
			Other Nev		non-hous			Repair and Maintenance						
	l				New Work	exc								
	New ho	ousing	•	infrast	ructure			Housing	<b>g</b>	Other Wo	rk	1		
YEAR/														
QUARTER			Infra -		Private		All New			Infra -			All Repair &	
	Public	Private	structure	Public	Industrial	Commercial	Work	Public	Private	structure	Public	Private	maintenance	All Work
2000 Jan - Mar	24.2	162.8	56.0	90.7	22.9	94.4	451.1	23.8	19.6	15.8	31.0	9.6	99.8	550.9
Apr - Jun	22.4	205.8	54.5	93.5	27.3	84.5	488.1	21.0	20.9	13.9	17.4	11.2	84.4	572.5
Jul - Sep	20.4	172.8	53.2	114.0	20.3	96.0	476.7	18.6	20.4	9.8	25.2	14.7	88.6	565.4
Oct - Dec	20.4	181.3	33.0	91.2	18.8	96.7	441.4	16.6	14.1	17.4	22.4	17.0	87.5	528.9
2001 Jan - Mar	26.4	190.3	44.4	114.5	21.1	107.7	504.3	23.3	19.0	18.3	34.9	26.7	122.1	626.4
Apr - Jun	30.2	199.6	31.9	120.4	18.6	96.0	496.8	21.5	18.8	9.3	18.7	24.4	92.8	589.6
Jul - Sep	25.7	196.4	33.5	119.2	12.0	99.4	486.3	24.9	18.6	16.6	25.3	23.8	109.2	595.4
Oct - Dec	29.4	195.8	48.3	102.2	19.2	112.7	507.6	18.5	17.7	17.8	26.9	15.1	96.0	603.7
2002 Jan - Mar	32.8	173.5	43.7	91.4	23.3	105.3	470.0	33.4	17.6	16.2	35.4	16.1	118.7	588.7
Apr - Jun	36.7	188.4	46.7	93.3	22.3	108.9	496.4	34.9	17.2	19.3	25.2	18.5	115.2	611.6
Jul - Sep	29.8	197.6	51.0	89.0	20.8	88.6	476.7	30.3	14.7	24.8	21.9	22.1	113.8	590.5
Oct - Dec	32.3	197.0	49.1	74.1	33.6	88.5	474.7	31.4	17.4	24.1	20.6	13.1	106.7	581.4
2003 Jan - Mar	27.4	184.1	54.7	96.9	20.2	79.9	463.2	35.0	24.2	24.8	39.9	16.9	140.8	604.1
Apr - Jun	27.8	229.3	59.6	82.7	33.1	88.6	521.0	32.5	22.7	24.6	25.4	17.2	122.4	643.3
Jul - Sep	27.7	247.0	58.8	96.8	17.9	94.4	542.5	26.6	28.0	24.0	31.4	20.4	130.4	672.9
Oct - Dec	30.3	240.8	51.7	109.6	22.4	93.4	548.4	29.4	21.6	22.8	27.4	18.9	120.2	668.6
2004 Jan - Mar	25.4	230.8	49.0	101.5	19.8	94.0	520.4	29.3	24.8	31.6	37.0	15.6	138.2	658.7
Apr - Jun	26.7	251.7	51.6	101.1	22.9	118.8	572.9	32.4	19.9	26.6	23.8	18.2	120.9	693.8
Jul - Sep	30.3	249.3	51.2	94.6	20.0	103.5	548.9	30.6	22.0	24.9	26.6	17.8	122.0	670.8
Oct - Dec	29.0	249.3	62.5	101.2	17.6	104.2	563.7	32.2	19.8	19.9	31.9	18.2	122.1	685.8
2005 Jan - Mar	34.8	248.6	80.8	110.3	18.6	88.4	581.6	37.3	15.3	27.4	43.5	19.6	143.2	724.7
Apr - Jun	35.2	283.4	59.0	95.5	20.9	106.6	600.6	37.1	24.0	25.5	31.4	22.0	140.0	740.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes output by contractors and public sector direct labour departments

Table 1.8 (b) O	Table 1.8 (b) Output <sup>1</sup>													
Constant (2000)	Prices	and Seas	onally Adj	usted (£	million)									
			Other Ne		non-housir			Repair	and Mai	ntenance				
	Nowba				lew Work e	XC			Other West					
	New ho	using	-	infrastr	<u>ucture</u>		All	Housin	<u>g</u> 	Other Wo	rk I			
YEAR/			Infra -		Private	Private	New			Infra -			All Repair &	All
QUARTER	Public	Private	structure	Public	Industrial	Commercial	Work	Public	Private	structure	<b>Public</b>	Private	Maintenance	Work
2000 Jan - Mar	22.8	172.2	57.3	94.0	20.6	96.1	461.1	22.8	19.5	13.7	23.9	10.0	90.2	553.3
Apr - Jun	21.7	195.8	54.5	95.2	26.5	90.7	484.4	20.7	20.2	15.5	22.5	11.2	90.0	573.5
Jul - Sep	22.0	171.3	53.0	112.3	23.6	94.3	473.7	19.1	20.4	10.2	26.0	13.9	89.2	563.2
Oct - Dec	20.6	181.5	32.5	87.7	18.7	91.4	435.8	17.3	14.9	17.2	24.1	17.3	92.0	526.6
2001 Jan - Mar	24.3	189.9	43.4	109.2	20.3	104.5	492.9	21.3	17.8	16.0	25.3	26.9	105.6	601.0
Apr - Jun	27.2	177.6	31.6	111.3	18.5	93.5	456.5	20.3	17.9	9.7	23.3	23.4	95.0	550.4
Jul - Sep	26.1	175.5	32.4	107.7	14.8	91.2	446.7	25.2	17.8	16.3	25.3	21.4	105.9	552.7
Oct - Dec	27.1	175.6	45.1	91.6	18.1	99.3	459.8	18.8	18.3	17.1	28.7	15.2	99.0	557.4
2002 Jan - Mar	28.2	159.1	40.3	81.4	19.4	93.8	425.1	29.3	15.7	14.1	24.5	15.7	99.0	527.0
Apr - Jun	30.2	148.2	42.7	83.1	17.9	93.8	411.8	31.3	16.0	18.9	30.0	17.1	112.5	522.2
Jul - Sep	27.5	153.9	47.0	78.0	20.6	74.2	399.2	29.4	13.2	22.5	20.9	18.6	104.4	503.5
Oct - Dec	27.2	155.9	45.6	63.1	26.6	71.6	392.7	29.9	16.8	22.3	20.7	12.6	103.9	494.3
2003 Jan - Mar	22.7	148.0	49.3	80.3	15.7	67.5	385.7	28.9	20.3	20.3	25.8	15.5	110.0	501.1
Apr - Jun	21.7	166.8	54.0	68.0	25.6	71.4	404.9	27.2	20.2	22.2	28.1	14.9	112.2	514.9
Jul - Sep	23.4	168.0	54.9	79.6	18.1	76.4	419.7	25.0	24.1	20.5	29.2	16.5	115.0	534.3
Oct - Dec	23.1	163.2	47.5	88.3	18.5	71.3	414.6	26.7	19.7	20.7	26.1	17.3	111.9	524.4
2004 Jan - Mar	19.5	161.1	44.9	80.7	16.3	75.7	398.3	23.2	19.8	24.6	22.8	13.7	103.0	505.1
Apr - Jun	19.5	156.5	47.1	78.3	18.1	89.3	407.0	25.7	17.2	22.6	24.9	14.9	105.5	510.6
Jul - Sep	23.8	154.6	46.5	71.4	19.7	79.7	394.1	27.2	17.8	19.8	23.6	13.7	101.6	495.4
Oct - Dec	20.4	156.8	54.1	75.4	14.2	77.8	401.8	27.5	16.8	17.5	28.7	15.5	107.2	507.7
2005 Jan - Mar	25.0	163.8	68.3	81.7	15.3	70.0	423.6	28.1	11.6	19.8	25.3	16.5	100.8	526.7
Apr - Jun	24.6	169.9	49.8	70.7	16.2	77.2	407.9	27.8	19.8	20.3	31.1	17.0	115.3	520.7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes output by contractors and public sector direct labour departments

# Table 1.9 Output<sup>1</sup> (Private Contractors only) by Stratum<sup>2</sup> of Firm

Current Prices (£million)

2nd Quarter 2005

	Ziid Qdditoi 2000														
				Other Nev	v Work n	on-housin	g		Repair and Maintenance						
		New ho	using			Other New Work exc infrastructure			Housing		Other Work				
Stratum	Annual			Infra -		Private	Private	All New			Infra-			All Donois 9	
	Turnover													All Repair &	
of Firm	(£'000)	Public	Private	structure	Public	Industrial	Commercial	Work	Public	Private	structure	Public	Private	maintenance	All Work
1	0-99	0.0	18.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	19.7	0.3	3.8	0.6	1.0	1.3	6.9	26.6
2	100-499	1.6	39.1	4.0	0.8	2.1	6.7	54.2	3.8	16.2	1.6	2.0	7.4	31.0	85.2
3	500-1,999	3.9	94.9	1.7	7.4	6.6	20.2	134.8	16.0	3.1	2.6	10.3	7.0	39.0	173.7
4	2,000-4,999	8.6	55.6	5.2	10.3	6.7	20.6	106.9	8.7	0.4	3.3	3.2	1.9	17.4	124.3
5	5,000-9,999	11.8	39.9	14.1	12.1	1.1	11.2	90.3	3.2	0.2	4.7	0.4	1.7	10.3	100.6
6	10,000+	9.2	35.5	34.0	56.0	4.5	46.7	185.9	4.2	0.4	0.3	1.3	2.5	8.7	194.7
Total		35.2	283.4	59.0	86.7	20.9	106.6	591.8	36.1	24.0	13.0	18.2	22.0	113.3	705.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Includes output by Contractors only

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Firms are stratified by turnover

### Table 1.10 Contractors Output<sup>1</sup> (New Work Only) by Type of Work Current Prices (£ million) a) New Work for Public Sector Oil. ΑII steel& Schools New Infra -Ware-Uni-Enter -Agri-Miscellpublic housing structure Factories houses &Colleges versities Health Offices tainment Garages Shops coal culture aneous sector 2000 87.4 5.0 0.5 137.5 3.3 0.0 80.1 68.1 30.6 88.8 63.6 576.6 11.8 0.0 0.0 111.8 2.1 0.0 172.3 55.3 42.0 35.9 0.0 0.0 1.2 86.7 638.6 2001 111.7 3.6 16.0 2.2 2002 131.6 139.2 3.9 10.2 0.0 107.4 12.5 32.0 36.4 27.4 0.0 0.0 72.1 575.0 2.5 26.8 586.9 2003 113.1 151.0 3.0 0.0 24.9 82.7 17.9 0.0 0.0 0.0 53.2 111.8 2004 111.3 179.7 0.3 1.0 0.0 106.5 26.0 109.3 43.0 18.1 0.0 0.0 0.0 41.7 636.8 b) New Work for Private Sector ΑI Oil. steel& Agri-New Infra -Schools Uni-Ware-Enter-Miscellprivate housing structure Factories Garages Shops Offices tainment Year houses coal &Colleges versities Health culture aneous sector 2000 68.0 21.3 722.7 58.7 0.0 0.0 12.3 116.2 96.6 5.6 44.4 0.1 96.5 1242.3 7.7 2001 782.2 45.7 46.0 23.9 1.0 0.0 0.0 10.8 100.5 83.7 109.8 0.2 103.0 1314.5 2002 756.5 50.8 59.3 40.7 0.0 0.0 0.0 8.9 51.3 80.6 5.3 109.2 0.0 136.0 1298.6 901.2 43.4 2003 129.6 1424.5 73.5 42.4 50.3 8.0 0.0 0.0 15.9 39.1 4.3 122.7 1.2 2.5 981.2 161.6 1515.6 2004 33.7 38.6 40.3 1.4 0.0 0.0 14.4 88.4 28.0 2.4 123.2 c) New Work for Public and Private Sector ΑI **Public** & Oil. **Private** New Infra -Waresteel& **Schools** Uni-Enter -Agri-Miscell-Garages Shops Work &Colleges versities | Health | Offices tainment Year housing structure Factories houses culture aneous coal 2000 810.1 0.5 160.1 1818.9 196.3 72.9 24.6 0.0 80.1 11.8 80.3 146.7 185.4 5.6 44.4 2001 893.9 157.4 49.6 25.9 1.0 172.3 16.0 66.2 142.5 119.6 7.7 109.8 1.4 189.7 1953.2 888.1 0.0 40.9 108.0 2.2 1873.6 2002 190.0 63.3 50.9 107.4 12.5 87.7 5.3 109.2 208.1 1014.3 1.2 2003 224.5 44.9 53.3 8.0 111.8 24.9 98.6 70.2 57.0 4.3 122.7 2011.4 182.8 2004 1092.6 213.4 38.9 41.3 1.4 106.5 26.0 123.7 131.4 46.1 2.4 161.6 2.5 164.9 2152.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes output by contractors only

Table 1.11 National Lottery Awards to Northern Ireland<sup>1</sup>

	ARTS HERITAGE		HEALTH, EDUCATION &									
			ARTS HERIT		ENVIRONMENT		CHARITIES		SP	ORTS	1	OTAL
Year / Quarter												
		Total		Total		Total		Total		Total		
		Capital		Capital		Capital		Capital		Capital		Total Capital
	No. of	Value	No. of	Value	No. of	Value	No. of	Value	No. of	Value	No. of	Value
	Awards	(£Thous)	Awards	(£Thous)	Awards	(£Thous)	Awards	(£Thous)	Awards	(£Thous)	Awards	(£Thous)
2000 Jan - Mar	14	361.7	7	938.6	0	0	29	417.1	0	0	50	
Apr - Jun	2	20.0	10	5018.0	0	0	27	612.1	0	0	39	5650.10
Jul - Sep	0	0	1	162.0	0	0	22	82.0	0	0	23	244.00
Oct - Dec	8	137.6	6	1082.8	0	0	14	122.7	0	0	28	1343.10
2001 Jan - Mar	15	273.4	7	5448.6	0	0	3	61.3	37	1665.9	62	7449.20
Apr - Jun	22	890.3	3	889.5	0	0	1	1.3	14	618.5		2339.50
Jul - Sep	1	3.3	7	4996.0	0	0	30	166.0		18.3		5183.60
Oct - Dec	4	9.3	5	1222.5	3	9.9	18	151.6	9	520.6	39	1913.90
2002 Jan - Mar	11	36.3	15	3995.5	29	83.8	47	241.8	16	40.9	118	4398.40
Apr - Jun	11	92.8	2	52.7	22	76.5	27	137.5	7	14.8	69	374.30
Jul - Sep	13	375.5	15	4308.9	10	36.0	18	323.5	12	28.8	68	5072.60
Oct - Dec	3	8.8	5	1605.0	15	263.0	16	833.1	12	32.0	51	2741.92
2003 Jan - Mar	4	329.9	15	4023.4	30	192.5	44	555.9	20	48.8	113	5150.49
Apr - Jun	30	757.5	1	10.9	26	1661.2	11	73.9	13	35.7	81	2539.24
Jul - Sep	6	55.9	2	8.4	24	656.0	22	343.3		22.8	62	1086.54
Oct - Dec	8	23.8	2	53.7	25	524.6	12	41.7	15	46.0	62	689.80
2004 Jan - Mar	2	8.6	10	4198.6	19	82.9	7	504.9	7	28.0	45	4822.90
Apr - Jun	5	19.0	6	458.9	12	538.5	7	23.7	12	38.8	42	1078.87
Jul - Sep	9	31.6	2	5.6	20	71.5	11	290.2	12	50.6	54	449.44
Oct - Dec	5	14.5	1	4.2	30	703.5	18	399.1	15	51.9	69	1173.21
2005 Jan - Mar	17	4635.4	1	5.0	10	589.9	8	332.2	5	14.6	41	5577.09
Apr - Jun	5	41.1	0	0.0	30	464.5	10	169.7	15	53.9	60	729.26

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Figures relate only to those awards with a capital element.

### **Chapter 2 The Structure of the Industry**

**Table 2.1 Structure of the Construction Industry** 

The table below shows the number of businesses that are either registered for VAT with HM Customs and Excise or which operate

a PAYE sch	neme with the Inland Revenue, at June 200	)5							
SIC (2003) class/ subclass	Description	Turnover (£000) size band							
		0 -99	100 - 499	500 - 1,999	2,000 - 4,999	5,000 - 9,999	10,000+	Total	
45.11	Demolition and wrecking of buildings; earth moving	55	50	10	0	0	0	115	
45.12	Test drilling and boring	5	0	0	0	0	0	10	
45.21	General construction of buildings and civil engineering works	1,010	1,425	560	145	60	35	3,245	
45.22	Erection of roof coverings and frames	65	75	20	0	0	0	165	
45.23	Construction of motorways, roads, railways, airfields and sports facilities	60	105	20	5	0	5	195	
45.24	Construction of water projects	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
45.25	Other construction work involving special trades	355	270	55	10	0	0	695	
45.31	Installation of electrical wiring and fittings	520	365	115	25	15	5	1,045	
45.32	Insulation work activities	25	25	10	0	0	0	60	
45.33	Plumbing	360	370	85	20	5	5		
45.34	Other building installation	85	70	20		0	0	180	
45.41	Plastering	165	145			0	0		
45.42	Joinery installation	535	375			0	0	995	
45.43	Floor and wall covering	45	70	15		0	0	135	
45.44	Painting and glazing	190	230			0	0		
45.45	Other building completion	105	100	30		0	0	240	
45.50	Renting of construction or demolition equipment with operator	140	90	25	5	0	0	265	
Total		3,730	3,775	1,080	250	90	50	8,975	

Source: Inter Departmental Business Register, Office for National Statistics, Statistics Research Branch, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Investment Figures have been rounded to the nearest 5 to avoid disclosure and thus figures may not add back to totals.

Table 2.2 Northern Ireland Census of Employment September 2003 Employee Jobs

SIC03	BUSINESS DESCRIPTIONS	Male Full-time	Male Part-time	Male	Female Full-time	Female Part-time	Female	Total
F	CONSTRUCTION	30,914	1,305	32,219	2,412	1,379	3,791	36,010
45	Construction	30,914	1,305			1,379	3,791	36,010
451	Site preparation	502	11	513	15	14	29	542
4511	Demolition and wrecking of buildings; earth moving	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
4512	Test drilling and boring	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
452	Building of complete constructions or parts thereof, civil engineering	16,478	684	17,162	1,312	715	2,027	19,189
4521	General construction of buildings and civil	40.000	504	40.000	4 400	500	4 705	45 440
4522	engineering works Erection of roof covering and frames	12,869	524 *	13,393	1,132	593 *	1,725 *	15,118 *
	Construction of highways, roads, airfields and sports							
4523	facilities	1,882	60	1,882	81	36	117	1,999
4524	Construction of water projects	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
4525	Other construction work involving special trades	1,298	70	1,368	70	45	115	1,483
45211	Construction of commercial buildings	604	10	614	38	33	71	685
45212	Construction of domestic buildings	7,746	411	8,157	638	435	1,073	9,230
45213	Construction of civil engineering constructions	4,519	103	4,622	456	125	581	5,203
453	Building installation	8,585	248	8,833	722	381	1,103	9,936
4531	Installation of electrical wiring and fittings	5,251	116	5,367	439	193	632	5,999
4532	Installation work activities	220	6	226	24	9	33	259
4533	Plumbing	2,861	110	,	231	158		3,360
4534	Other building installation	253	16	269	28	21	49	318
454	Building completion	4,598	336	4,934	331	242	573	5,507
4541	Plastering	536	53	589	18	14	32	621
4542	Joinery installation	1,684	150	1,834	122	102	224	2,058
4543	Floor and wall covering	291	29	320	47	25	72	392
4544	Painting and glazing	1,398	74	1,472	103	64	167	1,639
4545	Other building completion	689	30	719	41	37	78	797
455	Renting of construction or demolition equipment with operator	751	26	777	32	27	59	836
*	Not shown due to either no employees or confidentiality constraints							

Source: NI Census of Employment, DEII, September 2003

NOTES 1 The Census of Employment is a statutory enquiry of all employers in Northern Ireland, carried out biennially under the Statistics of Trade and Employment (NI) Order 1988.

<sup>2</sup> The Census of Employment covers employee jobs only. It excludes: agriculture (but includes animal husbandry service activities and hunting, trapping and game propagation) the self-employed, HM Armed Forces, private domestic servants, homeworkers and trainees without a contract of employment (non-employed status).

 $<sup>3\ \</sup> Persons\ working\ 30\ hours\ or\ less\ per\ week\ are\ normally\ regarded\ as\ being\ in\ part-time\ employment.$ 

<sup>4</sup> The Census of Employment counts the number of jobs rather than the number of persons with jobs. Therefore a person holding both a full-time and a part-time job, or someone with two part-time jobs, will be counted twice.

<sup>5</sup> Employees are classified to a Standard Industrial Classification (SIC03) from the business description for each employment unit.

Table 2.3	Table 2.3 Northern Ireland Employee Jobs <sup>1</sup> in Construction									
Year	Quarter	Employee Jobs - Unadjusted	Quarterly Change- Unadjusted	Employee Jobs- Seasonally Adjusted	Quarterly Change- Seasonally Adjusted					
2000	March June September December	34,090 34,470 35,240 35,500	380 770	34,610	380 390 500 270					
2001	March June September December	35,790 35,810 36,090 36,680	30 280	35,880 35,950 35,990 36,570	500 70 40 570					
2002	March June September December	36,560 36,300 36,280 35,870	-260 -30	36,410 36,220	70 -220 -200 -460					
2003	March June September December <sup>(R)</sup>	35,400 35,930 36,010 36,280	530 80	36,020 35,970	-300 560 -40 220					
2004	March <sup>(R)</sup> June <sup>(R)</sup> September <sup>(R)</sup> December <sup>(R)</sup>	36,130 36,150 36,190 36,410	20 40	36,260 36,130 36,140 36,340	70 -140 10 200					
2005	March <sup>(R)</sup> June <sup>(P)</sup>	36,630 37,550		36,780 37,500	440 720					

Source: Quarterly Employment Survey (QES), DE $\Pi$ 

Figures will be updated 14 December 2005.

Notes:

Estimates of the number of employee jobs are obtained from the Quarterly Employment Survey (QES). The QES covers all public sector bodies, all private sector firms with 25 or more employees and a sample of the remainder. The sample size has been chosen in order that estimates of total employee jobs should be accurate to within +/- 1% of the Census of Employment total. The survey collects information on numbers of persons in full-time and part-time employment. It should be noted that the survey counts the number of jobs rather than the number of persons with jobs. For example, a person holding both a full-time job and a part-time job, or someone with two part-time jobs, will be counted twice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Figures are rounded to the nearest 10 and may not sum due to rounding.

<sup>(</sup>P) Provisional; (R) Revised

Table 2.4 Northern Ireland Labour Force Survey Self employed in Construction Industry						
Year (Summer)	Number					
2004	31,000					
2003	30,000					
2002	24,000					
2001	27,000					
2000	22,000					

Notes:

Summer quarter comprises June, July and August.

Figures are rounded to the nearest thousand.

Above estimates are subject to sampling error.

Allocation between self employed and employees status is by self assessment.

The above estimates are based on re-weighted LFS estimates, which are in line with 2001 Census of Poulation results. Revisions to the self-employment series have also taken

place to reflect improvements to the LFS editing procedures, based on the SOC 2000 Occupational Classification, which allow data edits to be removed which previously reclassified some self-employed as employees.

### Table 2.5 Northern Ireland Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings **Earnings and Hours in the Construction Industry**

full-time male employees, on adult rates, whose pay was not affected by absence Construction Industry SIC 1992 Division F

	Mean gross weekly earnings					Percentage	of employees	s who received	
			Of Which						
At April Each Year	Total	Overtime Pay	PBR etc	Premium payments		Overtime pay	PBR etc	Premium payments	
2001 2002 2003 2004 2004**	£351.5 £371.0 £386.9 £403.0 £405.3	£30.0 £31.3 £25.6 £28.5 £27.3	x x x x	x x x x		29.6% 30.6% 28.2% 27.3% 26.0%	10.2% 7.5% 13.6% 8.9% 8.6%	0.7% 2.6% 1.4% 3.2% 3.1%	
	Distribut	ion of weekly e	arnings				Mean we	ekly hours	
At April	10%	Median 50%	10%		Mean hourly earnings		Mean total weekly hours	Mean weekly	
Each Year	earned less	earned less than	earned more than		excluding overtime*		(including overtime)	overtime hours	
2001	X	X	х		£8.09		42.7	2.9	
2002	£234.5	£349.0	£591.9		£8.60 £9.12		42.4 42.0	2.9 2.4	
2004 2004**	£234.1 £233.1	£337.2 £339.7	£575.5 £596.0		£9.37 £9.46		42.6 42.5	2.6 2.4	

PBR - payment by results, includes piecework, bonuses, commission and incentive payments (includes profit related pay until 1996).

Premium pay - for shift-work, and for night or week-end work where these are not treated as overtime. x - data unavailable or suppressed

<sup>\*</sup> Average hourly earnings are calculated by dividing the sum of the weekly earnings of the group of employees

by the sum of their total weekly hours.

\*\* To improve coverage, supplementary data was collected for the 2004 ASHE survey on businesses not registered for VAT and for people who changed or started new jobs between sample selection and the survey period. These 2004 results include this supplementary information.

# Table 2.6 Northern Ireland Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings Earnings in the Construction Industry by Occupation

full time male employees, on adult rates, whose pay was not affected by absence

				arpenters and ners	SOC 912 - elementary construction occupation	
At April Each Year	Average gross weekly earnings	Average hourly earnings excluding overtime	Average gross weekly earnings	Average hourly earnings excluding overtime	Average gross weekly earnings	Average hourly earnings excluding overtime
2001 2002 2003 2004 2004**	£316.7 £319.8 £367.6 £350.6 £351.8	£7.45 £7.43 £8.28 £8.12 £8.15	£320.0 £312.7 £334.3 £351.1 £351.9	£7.72 £7.33 £7.59 £7.72 £7.73	£244.1 £275.2 £274.9 £335.9 £331.2	£5.62 £5.83 £6.19 £7.49 £7.42

SOC - Standard Occupational Classification 2000

# Table 2.7 Northern Ireland Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings Earnings and Hours in the Construction Industry and in all Industries and Services

full time male employees, on adult rates, whose pay was not affected by absence Construction Industry SIC 1992 Division F (from 2002 SIC 2003)

	FULL-TIME MALES										
	CONST	TRUCTION IN	DUSTRY	ALL IN	ALL INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES						
At April Each Year	Mean gross weekly earnings	Mean hourly earning excluding overtime	Mean total weekly hours (including overtime)	Mean gros weekly earnings	Mean hourly earning excluding overtime	Mean total weekly hours (including overtime)					
2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2004**	£345.3 £351.5 £371.0 £386.9 £403.0 £405.3	£7.76 £8.09 £8.60 £9.12 £9.37 £9.46	43.6 42.7 42.4 42.0 42.6 42.5	£403.6 £418.9 £431.9 £447.7 £466.3 £464.2	£9.70 £10.13 £10.44 £10.91 £11.23 £11.19	41.3 41.2 41.1 40.7 41.1					

<sup>\*\*</sup> To improve coverage, supplementary data was collected for the 2004 ASHE survey on businesses not registered for VAT and for people who changed or started new jobs between sample selection and the survey period. These 2004 results include this supplementary information.

<sup>\*\*</sup> To improve coverage, supplementary data was collected for the 2004 ASHE survey on businesses not registered for VAT and for people who changed or started new jobs between sample selection and the survey period. These 2004 results include this supplementary information.

Statistics of a	ccidents rep	orted to	HSENI 2	000/01 -	- 2004/0	5	
	fatal, major in					-	
Year		Fatal	Major	Over	3 Day	Tot	al
					• •		
2000/01		12	578		3,421		4,01
2001/02	2	9	595		3,547		4,15
2002/03	3	21	650		3,039		3,71
2003/04	` '	19	675		2,642		3,33
2004/05	(P)	14	609		2,442		3,06
2. All accidents b	y industrial sec	ctor					
Year	Agric	Constr	Mfg&Q <sup>1</sup>	Educ	Health	Other	Total
2000/01	72	245	1,259	380	498	1,557	4,0
2001/02	57	236		392	467	1,804	4,1
2002/03	54	212	1,030	481	505	1,428	3,7
2003/04(P)	42	249	963	342	450	1,271	3,3
2004/05(P)	37	255	809	270	426	1,268	3,06
. Major accident	s by industrial	sector					
Year	Agric <sup>2</sup>	Constr	Mfg & Q	Educ	Health	Other	Total
2000/01	N/A	68	122	206	52	130	5
2001/02	N/A	55	147	199	58	136	5
2002/03	N/A	60	116	293	58	123	6
2003/04(P)	N/A	81	148	176	86	184	6
2004/05(P)	N/A	97	148	118	87	159	6
l. Fatal accident	incidence rate	s per 100,0	000 worker	s by indu	strial sect	or	
Year	Agriculture	Constr	uction	Manufa	cturing	All Indi	ustries
0000/04	10.40		0.5		4 0 4 1		-
2000/01	19.16		8.5		1.91		0.9
2001/02	13.69		11.4		1.01		0.9
2002/03	12.4		12.7		1		2
2003/04	19.2		10.2		0		2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mfg & Q: Manufacturing and Quarries.

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Non-fatal Agriculture accidents are not classified as "major" and "over 3 day", but simply as "non-fatal".

<sup>(</sup> P) =provisional figures

2.8.5. Construction	n sector o	cause of a	ccident by	type of ac	cident		
		2000/01		2001/02			
Cause	Fatal	Major	Over 3	Fatal	Major	Over 3 day	
		,	day			,	
Fall	3	39	38	0	24	36	
Struck by	0	8	35	1	7	35	
Handling,	0	5	35	0	1	35	
strains/sprains							
Slip or trip	0	2	21	0	4	24	
Vehicle	0	5	6	0	1	4	
Collapsing or	0	2	2	1	2	3	
overturning	Ĭ	_	_	•	_		
Others	0	7	37	2	16	34	
Totals	3	68	174	4	55	171	
10113	•				33	.,,	
		2002/03			2003/04(p	<b>o</b> )	
Cause	Fatal	Major	Over 3	Fatal	Major	Over 3 day	
Guuse	ratar	major	day	ratar	major	Over o day	
Fall	5	29	20	3	28	34	
Struck by	0	6	27	0	16	27	
Handling,	0	2	31	0	3	41	
strains/sprains							
Slip or trip	0	7	30	0	18	27	
Vehicle	0	3	4	0	1	3	
Collapsing or	2	1	5	3	2	2	
overturning							
Others	2	12	26	0	13	28	
Totals	9	60	143	6	81	162	
		2004/05(p)					
Cause	Fatal	Major	Over 3				
Fall	2	35	23				
Struck by	_	16	25				
Handling,		9	51				
strains/sprains		Ĭ	Ŭ '				
Slip or trip		17	19				
Vehicle	1	1	3				
Collapsing or	1	1	2				
		1 1	_			Ī	
overturning Others		18	31				

(p) provisional figures

2.8.6. C	onstructio	n <mark>sector – de</mark> s	scription of fat	al accidents	
Year	Number of Fatalities	Occupation	Employment Category	Description	Date
		Plumber	Self-employed	Fell 13m from landing.	28/04/2000
		Labourer	Employee	Fell from scaffolding.	25/09/2000
2000/01	3		Linployee	Ten norn scandarig.	(Died 04/10/2000)
		Demolition	Employee	Fell through opening in floor of	16/11/2000
		worker		industrial premises.	
		Joiner	Employee	Crushed under bale of reinforced mesh	21/06/2001
		Jonei	Employee		21/00/2001
		Floatricion	Colf appellation	that fell 8m during lifting operation.	10/11/2004
		Electrician	Self-employed	Electrocuted while rewiring a house.	19/11/2001
2001/02	4	Builder	Self-employed	Crushed when entangled between	04/12/2001
				slewing ring and digger tracks.	
		Worker	Employee	Electrocuted when boom of excavator	15/12/2001
				came in contact with 33kv overhead	
				power lines.	
		Painter	Employee	Electrocuted while working from	08/05/2002
				MEWP when it came into contact with	
				overhead power line.	
		Child (boy aged	Member of the	Trapped in 225mm diameter sewer	01/06/2002
		5 yrs)	public	pipe.	
		Roofer	Self-employed	Fell from roof while carrying out minor	19/07/2002
				repairs.	
		Labourer	Self-employed	Crushed underneath staircase that	03/09/2002
				collapsed.	
2002/03	8 +1 child	Labourer	Employee	Fell following collapse of 8 staircases	03/09/2002
2002 03	O · r crilla			during placing of the staircases.	
		Businessman	Self-employed	Crushed under wall knocked over by	18/11/2002
				arm of excavator.	
		Joiner	Employee	Fell 3.6m from cage mounted on	03/12/2002
				telescopic handler; cage also fell onto	
				the deceased.	
		Mastic	Employee	Slipped on hip roof and fell underneath	21/01/2003
		asphalter	0.15	middle guard rail and onto flat roof	(Died 23/01/2003)
		Builder	Self-employed	Fell 13.5m from extension ladder	07/02/2003
				mounted on top of tower scaffold.	
		Joiner	Employee	Fell 2.8m through an opening in the	14/05/2003
				floor of a timber framed house	(Died 16/05/2003)
		Sub-contractor	Self-employed	Crush in a trench collapse	30/08/2003
		Mushroom	Employee	Crushed under an overturned excavator	23/10/03
2003/04	6	Picker			.=
		Labourer	0-16-	Fell from a ladder	17/11/2003
		Digger driver	Self-employed	Crushed under a wall collapse during	10/12/2003
		Duildor	Colf appel as sad	demolition	(Died 21/02/2004)
		Builder	Self-employed	Fell approx 7m off a roof	04/03/2004
		Joiner	Employed	Fell approx 2.4m from a wall with wet	04/10/04 (Died 07/10/04)
				mortar	
2004/05	4	Labourer	Employed	Crushed under a wall collapse	12/02/2005
		Roofer	Employed	Fell approx.12.3m from a roof	15/03/2005
		Road Worker	Self-employed	Knocked over by a reversing lorry	22/03/2005

### **Survey Response for QCE**

For the quarter 1 April to 30 June 2005, 88% of contracting firms in the sample participated in the survey. A breakdown of response by stratum is highlighted below. Construction firms are stratified according to annual turnover, ranging from the small stratum one firms with an annual turnover of less than £100,000 through to the large stratum six firms which have an annual turnover in excess of £10 million.

As can be seen from the table, there was a higher co-operation in the survey from larger firms and lower response from firms belonging to stratum 1 and stratum 2. Each quarter, there is ongoing effort to improve overall response.

2005 Apr-June	Stratum	Annual Turnover (£ '000)	Response (%)
	1	0 - 99	79
	2	100 - 499	93
	3	500 - 1,999	90
	4	2,000 - 4,999	81
	5	5,000 - 9,999	93
	6	10,000+	92
	Overall		88

### **Notes to Editors**

- 1. Statistics derived from the QCE are based on returns made by Construction Firms and Public Sector Direct Labour Departments.
- 2. The sample of firms in the QCE includes only VAT registered firms in Standard Industrial Classification Division 45 (Construction) on the Inter Departmental Business Register (IDBR).
- 3. Construction activity measured by QCE includes general construction and demolition work, construction and repair of buildings, civil engineering, installation of fixtures and fittings and any other building completion work.
- 4. The following definitions are used in the QCE to describe Construction Activity:

New Work is any new construction activity e.g. factory and office extensions, major re-construction, major alterations, site preparation and demolition.

Repair and Maintenance is all on-site work not defined as new construction, e.g. housing conversions, extensions and improvements.

Housing refers to all housing construction activity, both private and public sector.

Infrastructure refers to any work on roads and car parks, water and sewerage, electricity, gas, communications, air transport, railways, harbours and waterways.

Other Work refers to factories, warehouses, oil, steel gas and coal, schools and colleges, offices and banks, shops, universities, entertainment, agriculture, health and welfare, garages and miscellaneous.

- 5. The base year for all the series published is 2000 (2000 = 100).
- 6. Tables 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8 (b) are all seasonally adjusted. Seasonal adjustment aids interpretation by removing seasonal variation. The data is seasonally adjusted using X11 ARIMA software.
- 7. Figures may not always tally due to rounding and seasonal adjustment.

8. Results, particularly for the latest quarter, are provisional and subject to revision as fuller information becomes available.

The time series contained within Chapter 1-Output are updated quarterly to take account of:

- Firms not returning forms on schedule;
- Validation of data;
- Changes to Grossing Factors;
- Changes to the Seasonal Adjusters;
- 9. The QCE is a sample survey, the results of which are subject to both sampling and non-sampling error.

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