



# Construction



**22,000 people work in construction in the Humber.**



**Construction is the process of creating and building infrastructure such as roads, bridges and railways or a facility such as a business premises, home, hospital or school. Construction starts with planning, design, and financing and continues until the project is built and ready for use. Normally, the job is managed by a project manager, and supervised by a construction manager, design engineer, construction engineer or project architect. Craft trades people such as bricklayers and joiners are essential to the construction sector.**

### Will there be opportunities available?

- The low level of output growth in the region means that construction employment is forecast to remain steady at around 200,000 workers per year between 2019 and 2023.
- Yorkshire and Humber is expected to see slightly more pressure for demand in managerial, professional and technical occupations.
- Infrastructure and housing sectors are expected to be the main drivers of growth in the region, with the latter being likely to account for 23% of all new work in the region.
- Plans have been revealed for 38 affordable homes to be built on a former North Lincolnshire Council depot site on Station Road in Scunthorpe.

- The homes will be a mixture of two, three and four bedrooms. This development would be part of a wider £25m project to build 240 new affordable homes.
- This will be supported by a range of improvement works being carried out by Yorkshire Water, as well as rail and flood alleviation projects in Leeds.
- 120,000 new apprentices will be needed nationally in the next 2 years.
- 190,000 of the workforce nationally is set to retire in the next 5 years.
- Electricians, Plumber and Heating & Ventilation engineers are in demand.
- The fastest growing occupations are forecast to be in Project Management, Technical Staff, Labourers, Plan Operatives, Bricklayers, Floorers and Specialist Building Operatives.



Types of Job	National Average Salary
Architect	£27,500 to £90,000
Carpenter/Joiner	£16,000 to £40,000
Electrician	£18,000 to £42,000
Civil Engineer	£24,000 to £80,000
Quantity Surveyor	£18,000 to £80,000
Plumber	£15,000 to £40,000

- 2,100 new recruits in Yorkshire and Humber will be needed annually to 2023.
- Over 80% of Construction companies in the Humber employ less than 10 people.



### Skills/qualities

- Practical and technical
- Problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Team working
- Communication
- Safety aware
- Able to work at heights
- Able to read drawings
- Accurate measurement

### Useful subjects include

- English
- Maths
- IT
- Science

### Some local employers

- Sewell Group
- MKM Building Supplies
- Beal Homes
- Keepmoat
- Hobson & Porter
- Howdens Joinery
- Soper group

Sources: Business Register Employment Survey, Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings, Office for National Statistics.

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