



# Workload Trends 2014 Q4

## Continued increases in workload, orders and employment

### Weighted Balances (%)

#### Change on 12 Months Ago

<b>Workload</b>	
2013 Q4	+31
2014 Q4	+52

#### Tender Prices

<b>New Work</b>	
2013 Q4	+36
2014 Q4	+79

#### R&M Work

2013 Q4	+31
2014 Q4	+59

#### Order Books

2013 Q4	+3
2014 Q4	+42

#### Over the Next 12 Months

<b>Expected Workload</b>	
2013 Q4	+58
2014 Q4	+49

#### Expected Orders

<b>New Work</b>	
2013 Q4	+46
2014 Q4	+50
<b>R&amp;M Work</b>	
2013 Q4	+39
2014 Q4	+26

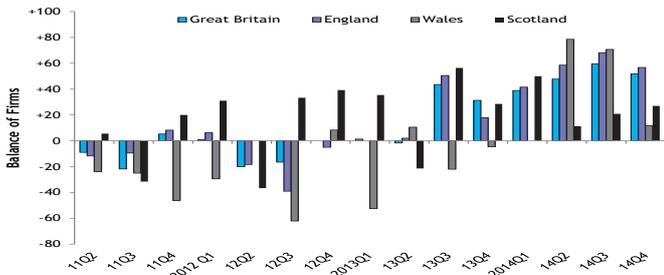
- Workloads increased, on balance, for a sixth quarter in Q4. In Great Britain, 52% of firms, on balance, reported that workloads had increased.
- 6 out of 10 sectors reported growth in workloads, on balance.
- Costs and tender prices continue to rise across all nations
- Tender prices were higher, on balance, for 79% of firms for new construction work and 59% of firms for repair and maintenance.
- The supply of skilled operatives was the largest concern for firms in England and Scotland.

Change in Workloads and Order Books - Great Britain



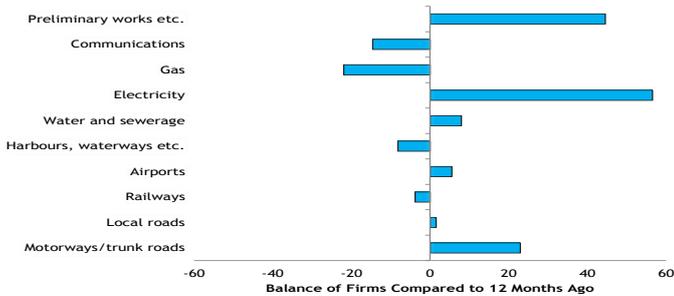
# Trends in Workload

## Workloads Compared to 12 Months Ago



Workloads increased, on balance, for a sixth quarter in Q4. In Great Britain 52% of firms on balance, reported that workloads had increased. Overall, only 7% of firms reported that workloads had declined. In England, 3% of respondents reported that workloads had fallen, compared to 27% in 2013. In England, 57% of firms, on balance, reported an increase, compared to 68% in Q3. In Scotland, 30% of firms reported that workloads were unchanged on a year earlier and 49% reported that workloads were higher, leaving a positive overall balance of 27%. In Wales, only 12% of firms, on balance, reported an increase in workloads.

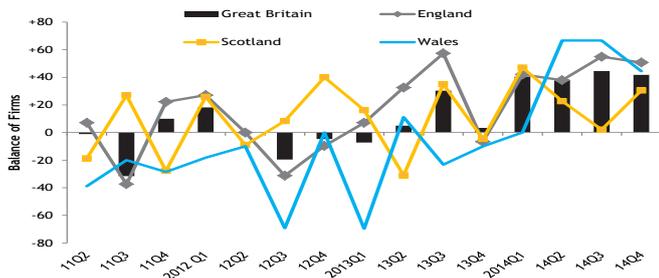
## Workload – By Type of Work (GB)



6 out of 10 sectors reported growth in workloads, on balance. Electricity and preliminary works were the strongest sectors for improved workloads as 57% and 45% of firms in the sector respectively, reported positive growth on balance. The motorways/trunk roads (23%), water and sewerage (8%), and local roads (2%) sectors were all positive in Q2 and Q3 and, also remained positive in the fourth quarter, on balance. After a negative outcome in the third quarter, 6% of firms in the airports sector reported growth in Q4, on balance. Railways (-4%), harbours and water ways(-8%), gas (-22%) and communications (-15%), reported falling workloads in Q4, following positive balance in Q3.

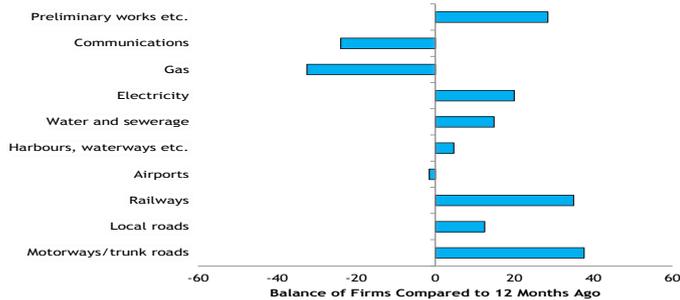
# Trends in Orders and Future Expectations

## Orders Compared to 12 Months Ago



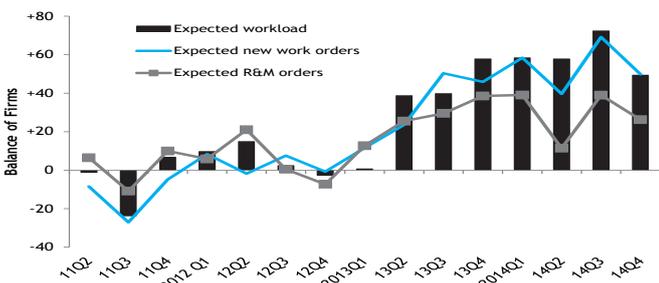
42% of firms, on balance, in Great Britain reported growth in orders in Q4, compared to 45% in Q3. However, 13% of respondents reported that orders had declined. Orders increased according to 51% of firms, on balance, in England. In England, only 4% of respondents reported a decline in orders in Q4, the same as Q3. In Scotland, 30% of respondents, on balance, reported growth in Q4, compared to only 2% in Q3. In Wales, the balance of firms reporting a change in orders compared to 12 months ago was to 44%. 22% of firms in Wales and 26% of firms in Scotland reported a fall in orders in Q4.

## Order Books – By Type of Work (GB)



Seven sectors reported an increase in orders compared to 12 months ago, on balance, in Q4. The sectors reporting the highest balances were motorways/trunk roads (38%), railways (35%) and preliminary works (28%). Railways and preliminary works have recorded strong balances for the last seven quarters since 2013 Q2. On balance, electricity (20%), water and sewerage (15%) and local roads (13%), and harbours and waterways (5%) also reported growth in Q4. The sectors that declined in Q4, on balance, were gas (-32%), communications (-24%) and airports (-1%).

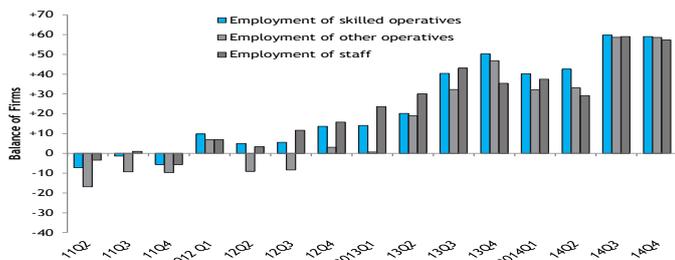
## Expected Future Trends in the Next 12 Months



Expected workloads in Great Britain and England rose for the eighth consecutive quarter since Q1 2013. In Great Britain and England, 49% and 65% of firms respectively, reported that workloads are expected to increase over the next 12 months. In Scotland and Wales, these balances were 48% and 70%, respectively. On balance, 50% of British firms expect new work orders to grow in the next 12 months. By nation; England (55%), Scotland (51%) and in Wales (70%). For R&M orders, 26% of British firms, on balance, expect an increase during the next 12 months. This figure is 15% for Welsh, 10% for Scottish and 37% for English firms which broadly remained the same as Q3.

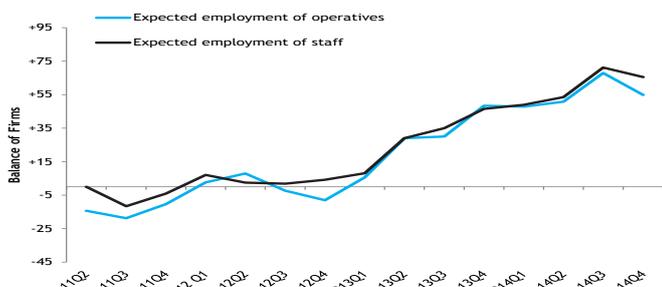
# Trends in Employment

## Employment Compared to 12 months Ago (GB)



Firms continued to increase employment in Q4. In Britain, on balance, employment of skilled operatives and other operatives increased according to 59%. For staff, on balance, in Q4, 57% of firms increased employment. For English firms, employment increased, on balance, according to 58% of firms for skilled operatives, 59% for other operatives and 52% for staff. In Wales, a balance of 40% was reported for skilled operatives, 50% for other operatives and 60% for staff. In Scotland, on balance, increases were reported by 43% of firms for skilled operatives, 37% for other operatives and 42% for staff.

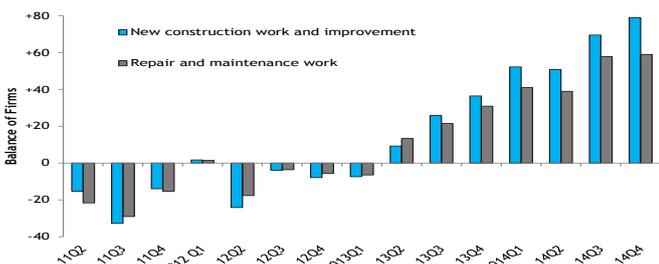
## Expected Employment in the Next 12 Months



On balance, 55% of firms in Great Britain expect the employment of operatives to increase and 66% expect the employment of staff to increase in the next 12 months. In England, on balance, around half of respondents expect employment of operatives (54%), and employment of staff (68%), to rise. For the second consecutive quarter, prospects were optimistic in Wales in Q4. On balance, operatives and staff employment is expected to increase according to 75% of respondents. In Scotland, on balance, 44% of respondents expect employment to increase for operatives and 56% for staff.

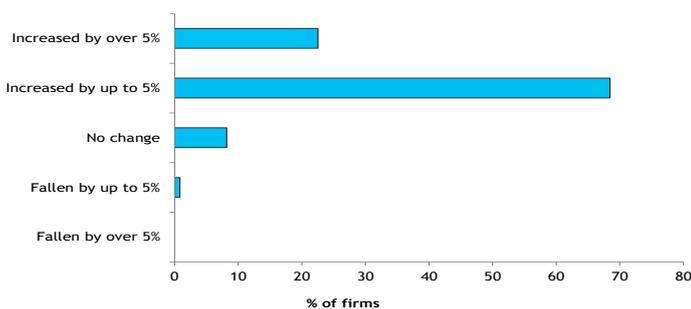
# Trends in Costs, Tender Prices and Supply Constraints

## Tender Prices Compared to 12 Months Ago (GB)



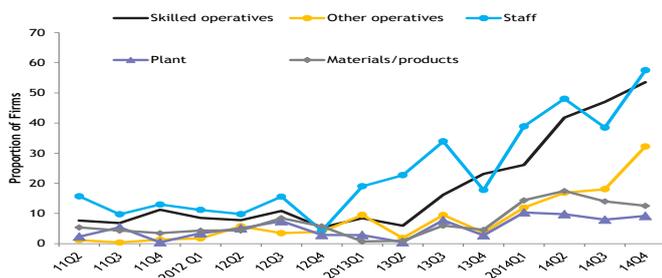
Compared to 12 months ago, tender prices for new construction work and improvement were higher, on balance, for 79% of firms, and 59% of firms for repair and maintenance work. In England, 86% of firms, on balance, reported higher tender prices for new construction work and improvement and 81% for repair and maintenance. In Wales, 80% of firms, on balance, reported an increase in tender prices for new construction and improvement and half of firms for repair and maintenance. In Scotland, on balance, 59% of respondents reported an increase in new construction work and improvement and 38% in repair and maintenance.

## Costs Compared with 12 Months Ago (GB)



68% of firms in Great Britain reported in Q4 that costs increased by up to 5% compared to 12 months earlier and 23% reported increases of over 5%. Overall, on balance, 90% of firms reported an increase in costs. In England, 95% of firms, on balance, reported an increase in costs. 33% reported rises by over 5%, 63% by up to 5% and only 2% reported no change. In Scotland, costs increased, on balance, according to 78% of firms, and 75% of firms reported cost increases up to 5%. In Wales, 90% of firms, on balance, reported an increase in costs over the last 12 months. 10% of firms reported no change and 85% reported increases up to 5%.

## Contractors Unsatisfied with Supply (GB)



Overall, the supply of suitable workers worsened compared to the first three quarters of 2014 for civil engineering firms in Great Britain. 54% and 32% of respondents reported dissatisfactory supply of skilled operatives and other operatives, respectively. The percentage reporting dissatisfaction in supply of staff increased to 58% in Q4 compared to 38% last quarter. 9% of firms reported dissatisfaction with plant and 13% reported dissatisfaction with materials/products. The most commonly reported dissatisfaction was supply of skilled operatives in England (54%) and Scotland (62%). In Wales, 35% of firms reported dissatisfaction with supply of staff.

# Workload Trends Survey

<b>1 Workload</b>	2010	Q4 2011	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Compared with 12 Months Ago																		
<b>By Country</b>																		
GB	-20	-27	-9	-22	+5	+1	-20	-17	0	+1	-2	+44	+31	+39	+48	+60	+52	
England	-18	-32	-12	-9	+8	+6	-18	-39	-5	0	+2	+51	+18	+42	+59	+68	+57	
Scotland	-32	-3	+6	-32	+20	+31	-37	+33	+39	+35	-21	+56	+29	+50	+11	+21	+27	
Wales	-24	-29	-24	-25	-46	-29	0	-62	+8	-52	+11	-22	-5	0	+79	+71	+12	
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																		
<115	-23	-38	-11	-12	-10	-18	-28	-8	+8	-10	+6	+41	+47	+13	+21	+29	+37	
115-299	-29	-10	0	0	-14	+8	+5	+27	-22	+13	0	+64	+18	+75	+38	+17	+45	
300-599	0	0	0	-29	-33	+33	0	0	-20	+60	-50	0	+38	+33	+67	+100	+83	
600+	-16	-35	-13	-35	+49	0	-33	-51	+7	-7	+8	+53	+27	+39	+55	+77	+52	
<b>By Type of Work</b>																		
Motorways & trunk roads	-73	-61	-54	-58	-37	-43	-53	-37	-33	-34	-6	+7	+13	+21	+26	+52	+23	
Local roads	-29	-37	-43	-30	-41	-30	-42	-50	-30	-27	-32	+2	-6	-9	+9	+35	+2	
Railways	-2	+24	+8	+15	+41	+32	+52	+21	+53	+28	+69	+54	+51	+45	+43	+48	-4	
Airports	-26	-23	-15	-14	-1	-23	-5	+2	-17	-1	+18	+4	-2	-16	+13	-45	+6	
Harbours, waterways etc.	-30	-19	-27	-11	-10	-3	+11	-15	-7	-5	+14	-4	+13	+3	+21	+16	-8	
Water & sewerage	-15	+23	+14	+23	+12	+8	+23	+27	+1	+20	+24	+23	+20	+2	+5	+11	+8	
Electricity	+35	+17	+61	+20	-4	+41	+28	+19	+8	+10	+16	+24	+6	+20	+17	+20	+57	
Gas	-24	-20	-22	-28	-18	+14	-2	+24	+1	-25	+2	-2	+2	-26	+21	+9	-22	
Communications	-7	-28	-63	-41	-35	-23	+1	-13	-34	-35	-4	-2	+22	0	+14	+20	-15	
Preliminary works, etc.	-23	-8	-17	-13	-15	+3	-7	-10	-12	-8	+15	+30	+40	+48	+36	+45	+45	

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

<b>2 Expected Workload</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
In the Next 12 Months																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
GB	-10	-7	-1	-24	+7	+10	+15	+2	-3	+1	+39	+40	+58	+58	+58	+72	+49
England	-10	-9	+9	-25	+9	+16	+27	+10	+4	+22	+55	+68	+61	+63	+73	+73	+65
Scotland	+5	+5	-13	+19	+8	-6	0	+8	-12	-5	+21	+14	+47	+50	+52	+54	+48
Wales	-25	-23	-9	-35	-47	+8	-18	-52	-22	-66	+3	+4	+10	+22	-4	+86	+70
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
<115	-27	-18	+11	-16	-7	+5	-10	-9	-8	-6	+11	+38	+56	+33	+43	+56	+40
115-299	+7	+8	-8	-4	+5	0	+4	+19	+14	+22	+42	+75	+55	+44	+69	+41	+64
300-599	0	0	-14	-13	-13	+11	+21	+11	-10	-14	+29	-10	+38	+63	+100	+100	+63
600+	-11	-12	-1	-39	+24	+17	+30	0	-3	0	+52	+45	+66	+68	+52	+84	+41

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

<b>3 Order Books</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Compared with 12 Months Ago																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
GB	-9	-20	-1	-32	+10	+18	0	-20	-5	-7	+5	+30	+3	+40	+38	+45	+42
England	-6	-12	+7	-37	+22	+27	0	-31	-10	+7	+33	+57	-7	+42	+38	+55	+51
Scotland	-10	-54	-19	+27	-28	+26	-9	+8	+40	+16	-31	+35	-5	+47	+23	+2	+30
Wales	-34	-41	-39	-20	-29	-18	-10	-69	0	-70	+11	-23	-10	0	+67	+67	+44
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
<115	-23	-35	-11	-15	-2	-14	-12	-14	-4	-21	+13	+30	+35	0	+21	+19	+14
115-299	-24	-26	-13	-5	-16	-21	+10	+17	-6	+24	+8	+45	+18	+50	+23	+29	+45
300-599	0	+33	+20	+14	-50	+57	+25	-13	-25	0	-43	+11	+14	+40	+67	+100	+40
600+	+4	-5	+3	-63	+66	+35	-9	-40	0	-10	+18	+33	-13	+50	+44	+52	+52
<b>By Type of Work</b>																	
Motorways & trunk roads	-76	-74	-46	-58	-23	-22	-35	-46	-21	-20	+9	-1	-8	+26	+31	+43	+38
Local roads	-31	-39	-42	-36	-39	-32	-43	-45	-18	-34	-16	-3	-8	-8	+21	+8	+13
Railways	+5	+14	+12	+15	+36	+32	+49	+7	+36	0	+63	+50	+30	+32	+49	+51	+35
Airports	-27	-17	+11	-16	+18	-11	+2	-5	+16	+10	+20	+4	-10	-1	+27	-54	-1
Harbours, waterways etc.	-19	-15	-27	-18	+1	-7	+5	-14	-6	-9	+11	+1	+20	+6	+15	+5	+5
Water & sewerage	+1	+22	+5	+9	+11	-1	+27	+22	-26	+2	-1	0	+1	-1	+9	+17	+15
Electricity	+25	+30	+22	+9	0	+22	+12	+27	+14	+27	-2	+28	-3	+12	+54	+31	+20
Gas	-19	-19	-31	-31	+1	-2	-8	+34	-19	-12	+18	-4	+18	-18	+14	-41	-32
Communications	-20	-2	-27	-30	-60	-33	-25	-13	-41	-49	-8	-9	+21	-3	+36	+26	-24
Preliminary works, etc.	-25	-24	-25	-26	-27	+2	-22	-20	+1	+3	+14	+26	+35	+22	+45	+31	+28

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

<b>4 Expected Trends in New Orders</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
In the Next 12 Months																	
<b>New Work</b>																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
GB	-25	-6	-8	-27	-5	+8	-2	+8	-1	+12	+24	+50	+46	+58	+40	+69	+50
England	-26	-3	-6	-32	-5	+15	+7	+26	+17	+39	+45	+64	+44	+63	+48	+72	+55
Scotland	+10	-3	-9	+31	+15	-9	-12	+2	-17	+7	-2	+16	+41	+38	+30	+48	+51
Wales	-52	-29	-9	-39	-58	+4	-9	-39	-11	-69	-33	+31	+10	+22	0	+86	+70
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
<115	-31	-15	+2	-23	0	+11	-22	-9	-14	-8	+9	+30	+48	+33	+37	+43	+28
115-299	0	-5	-8	+7	-22	-13	+8	+6	+9	+26	+26	+75	+45	+50	+56	+41	+68
300-599	0	+25	0	-13	-13	+11	+7	+22	-10	+14	+14	0	+50	+43	+100	+100	+75
600+	-40	-7	-15	-48	+3	+17	0	+13	+8	+15	+31	+66	+44	+71	+26	+82	+41
<b>R&amp;M</b>																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
GB	-13	+4	+6	-11	+10	+6	+21	+0	-7	+13	+25	+29	+39	+39	+11	+39	+26
England	-11	+1	+22	+1	+17	+22	+38	+22	+11	+24	+43	+40	+49	+51	+25	+37	+37
Scotland	-27	+17	+19	+11	-13	-19	+7	-15	-41	+10	+5	+4	+4	+31	+2	+38	+10
Wales	-25	-5	-14	-39	-23	-21	-31	-61	-36	-77	-26	+7	-18	-11	-33	+54	+15
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
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115-299	0	0	-8	-13	-10	-14	-5	+20	-14	+9	+6	+42	+45	+18	+40	+44	+33
300-599	0	0	0	-25	-29	-11	+14	-11	-29	-17	+14	-22	+33	+38	+43	+67	0
600+	-15	+7	+16	-3	+37	+24	+56	+13	+8	+33	+51	+42	+38	+53	-3	+33	+38

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

## Workload Trends Survey

<b>5 Employment</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Compared with 12 Months Ago</b>																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
<b>Skilled operatives</b>																	
GB	-27	-13	-7	-1	-6	+10	+5	+6	+14	+14	+20	+40	+50	+40	+43	+60	+59
England	-23	-16	-14	-1	-7	0	+1	0	+9	+7	+35	+65	+42	+43	+55	+76	+58
Scotland	-42	-5	+6	+7	-4	+8	-14	+24	+23	+41	+7	+36	+42	+58	+26	+24	+43
Wales	-42	-11	-13	+5	-21	+4	+41	-29	+39	-3	+17	-31	+22	0	+4	+52	+40
<b>Other operatives</b>																	
GB	-29	-21	-17	-9	-10	+7	-9	-8	+3	+1	+19	+32	+47	+32	+33	+59	+59
England	-25	-26	-22	-8	-6	-1	-22	-18	-3	-4	+29	+48	+29	+35	+39	+70	+59
Scotland	-52	-7	-19	-5	-46	0	-14	+8	+16	+19	+23	+37	+63	+39	+17	+24	+37
Wales	-44	-11	-29	-9	-32	+4	+25	-35	+28	-7	+17	-33	+4	0	+4	+66	+50
<b>Staff</b>																	
GB	-21	-24	-3	+1	-6	+7	+3	+12	+16	+24	+30	+43	+35	+37	+29	+59	+57
England	-19	-18	-6	-4	-6	-1	-5	+3	+5	+20	+44	+67	+37	+42	+40	+78	+52
Scotland	-40	-51	0	+36	0	0	-7	+34	+18	+35	+17	+46	+17	+56	+10	+8	+42
Wales	-29	-6	-4	+4	-53	-26	+18	-19	+33	+7	+20	-33	+26	+22	-15	+66	+60
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
<b>Skilled operatives</b>																	
<115	-23	-20	0	-6	-5	-2	-16	-14	+13	-4	-4	+26	+44	+25	+18	+30	+18
115-299	-35	-5	-16	+15	-22	+4	+12	+18	+17	+18	+30	+60	+41	+44	+56	+33	+61
300-599	-25	-50	+14	0	-13	+33	+7	0	+20	+29	-25	+30	+13	+56	+75	+43	+56
600+	-24	-9	-12	-6	+4	+10	+12	+16	+11	+19	+41	+44	+65	+40	+40	+81	+78
<b>Other operatives</b>																	
<115	-25	-13	-9	-10	-10	-9	-21	-14	+3	-13	0	+19	+36	+19	+36	+30	+25
115-299	-43	-22	-40	-4	-18	-4	+8	+6	0	+14	+37	+48	+20	+56	+56	+33	+54
300-599	-25	-50	-14	-11	-38	+22	0	+11	+10	+29	-13	+20	+25	+38	+75	+57	+56
600+	-24	-21	-12	-11	+4	+15	-14	-20	+2	-3	+30	+36	+65	+30	+18	+76	+78
<b>Staff</b>																	
<115	-4	-13	0	0	-12	-9	-6	-5	+1	+8	+7	+14	+28	+21	+14	+32	+32
115-299	-32	-13	-24	+7	-4	-9	+28	+18	+30	+18	+35	+57	+41	+39	+56	+33	+50
300-599	-25	-75	0	0	-13	+22	-7	+22	+30	+43	-13	+40	+13	+44	+63	+71	+44
600+	-24	-16	+2	-1	0	+17	+3	+16	+14	+28	+51	+51	+43	+40	+21	+74	+78

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

<b>6 Expected Employment</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>In the Next 12 Months</b>																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
<b>Operative jobs</b>																	
GB	-6	-11	-14	-19	-10	+3	+8	-2	-8	+6	+29	+30	+48	+48	+51	+68	+55
England	-2	-10	-12	-24	-18	+4	+16	+7	-1	+21	+53	+65	+53	+49	+58	+65	+54
Scotland	-5	0	-28	+10	+13	-6	-2	-6	-10	-6	+10	+18	+31	+45	+49	+63	+44
Wales	-38	-41	-18	-26	-47	+4	-27	-48	-28	-24	+3	-16	+5	+28	-4	+84	+75
<b>Employment of staff</b>																	
GB	+3	0	0	-12	-4	+7	+3	+2	+4	+8	+29	+35	+47	+49	+54	+71	+66
England	+7	0	+4	-22	-5	+12	+11	+9	+12	+23	+51	+63	+37	+62	+63	+70	+68
Scotland	0	0	+6	+21	+8	-9	-17	+6	-12	-4	+12	+16	+48	+34	+51	+66	+56
Wales	-21	-12	-9	-22	-47	0	-18	-42	-11	-17	0	-11	+5	+17	-4	+84	+75
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
<b>Operative jobs</b>																	
<115	-21	-28	+7	-11	-3	-7	-7	-13	-8	0	+2	+33	+46	+29	+41	+34	+36
115-299	-4	0	-29	0	-5	+4	0	+6	+9	+13	+37	+60	+55	+50	+63	+56	+64
300-599	0	+25	-29	-25	-25	+11	+7	0	-30	-29	+14	0	+38	+63	+86	+100	+50
600+	0	-16	-15	-28	-13	+4	+20	0	-7	+13	+42	+29	+50	+50	+45	+76	+59
<b>Employment of staff</b>																	
<115	-7	-15	+11	-7	-7	-2	-7	-7	-3	+1	+15	+27	+41	+25	+27	+29	+40
115-299	+4	+13	-17	+4	0	+4	+8	+13	+14	+9	+32	+65	+59	+33	+56	+63	+71
300-599	0	+25	-29	-13	-25	+11	-7	+11	-10	0	0	+10	+38	+63	+100	+100	+75
600+	+10	-5	+8	-20	+3	+12	+10	0	+11	+13	+42	+37	+47	+57	+52	+81	+70

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

<b>7 Costs</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3*	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Compared with 12 Months Ago (%)</b>																	
<b>GB</b>																	
Falling	+4	+6	+5	+3	+0	0	+1	+0	+4	+8	0	+1	0	0	0	0	0
Unchanged	+19	+18	+12	+15	+1	+4	+11	+3	+1	+0	+6	+5	+3	0	0	+5	+1
Slower	+29	+9	+13	+26	+27	+22	+23	+22	+23	+20	+23	+18	+25	+10	+15	+19	+8
Same rate	+31	+25	+33	+45	+62	+64	+55	+69	+61	+61	+66	+72	+62	+75	+77	+61	+68
Faster	+18	+42	+37	+12	+10	+10	+10	+6	+11	+10	+5	+4	+9	+15	+9	+15	+23
<b>Cost Balances</b>																	
<b>By Country</b>																	
GB	+74	+70	+78	+40	+70	+70	+54	+71	+67	+63	+64	+71	+68	+90	+85	+71	+90
England	+80	+70	+72	+42	+72	+73	+48	+77	+68	+62	+70	+75	+65	+90	+88	+78	+95
Scotland	+9	+67	+88	+49	+54	+58	+53	+70	+57	+81	+62	+76	+42	+86	+77	+74	+78
Wales	+92	+76	+96	+70	+63	+72	+50	+87	+78	+10	+10	+38	+96	+83	+96	+80	+90
<b>By Size of Firm</b>																	
<115	+91	+79	+91	+69	+79	+75	+66	+68	+78	+82	+74	+71	+82	+79	+86	+84	+77
115-299	+61	+77	+76	+63	+65	+57	+44	+47	+70	+82	+74	+81	+70	+83	+94	+81	+82
300-599	+50	+75	+100	+50	+50	+89	+67	+67	+70	+86	+57	+80	+75	+63	+75	+83	+89
600+	+76	+67	+69	+13	+73	+67	+46	+84	+59	+44	+58	+66	+60	+100	+86	+62	+100

\* Discontinuity in series due to an amendment to the question in order to collect more detailed information on the degree of cost change.

## Workload Trends Survey

<b>8 Tender Prices</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Compared with 12 Months Ago																	
<b>New work</b>																	
<i>By Country</i>																	
GB	-45	-21	-15	-33	-14	+2	-24	-4	-8	-7	+9	+26	+36	+52	+51	+69	+79
England	-42	-17	-30	-35	-14	-7	-29	-4	-11	-12	+24	+21	+23	+56	+40	+69	+86
Scotland	+62	-23	+6	-21	-38	-23	-29	-28	-5	+2	+7	+10	+40	+13	+39	+42	+59
Wales	-56	-35	-29	-52	-53	+4	-73	+20	-61	-86	-63	+4	+5	+53	+73	+86	+80
<i>By Size of Firm</i>																	
<115	-47	-11	-9	-21	-3	-13	-23	-25	-9	-1	+23	+29	+29	+24	+45	+35	+53
115-299	-42	-18	-8	-26	-23	0	-38	-25	+18	+13	0	+37	+36	+56	+69	+56	+79
300-599	-50	-50	+29	-38	-63	+11	+13	-33	-40	-14	-29	-20	+13	+29	+57	+100	+63
600+	-45	-7	-29	-40	0	+7	-37	+29	-6	-15	+17	+34	+46	+64	+47	+79	+94
<b>R&amp;M</b>																	
<i>By Country</i>																	
GB	-38	-11	-22	-29	-15	+1	-18	-4	-6	-6	+13	+22	+31	+41	+39	+58	+59
England	-34	-5	-30	-22	-17	-13	-25	0	-12	-19	+23	+11	+20	+46	+29	+50	+81
Scotland	-74	-28	-7	-54	-36	-16	-21	-24	-5	+13	+8	+2	+23	+28	+36	+34	+38
Wales	-42	-29	-13	-43	-46	+24	-44	-16	-38	-62	-58	+14	+10	+53	+62	+81	+50
<i>By Size of Firm</i>																	
<115	-43	-19	-7	-13	0	-12	-16	-9	-8	-3	+18	+16	+24	+17	+27	+26	+45
115-299	-42	-18	-19	-30	-26	-5	-30	-14	+14	0	-13	+30	+41	+60	+60	+38	+54
300-599	-33	0	0	-38	-57	+25	+21	-33	-29	0	-33	0	+13	+43	+50	+83	+57
600+	-33	+7	-34	-34	-8	+3	-31	+18	-6	-11	+33	+28	+35	+44	+36	+71	+67

Weighted % Balance of Respondents

<b>9 Supply of Resources Required</b>	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2012 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2013Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2014Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>Skilled Operatives</b>																	
GB	3	4	8	7	11	9	8	11	5	8	6	16	23	26	42	47	54
England	2	5	10	5	15	8	11	6	5	6	3	3	16	23	47	47	54
Scotland	0	3	13	18	0	13	5	10	14	17	12	40	43	35	33	46	62
Wales	8	0	4	0	0	12	9	35	0	0	0	31	19	33	11	32	25
<b>Other Operatives</b>																	
GB	1	0	1	0	1	2	6	3	4	10	2	9	4	12	17	18	32
England	1	1	1	0	0	0	10	3	7	10	2	5	6	18	27	11	30
Scotland	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	6	0	12	5	10	5	10	16	21	32
Wales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	20	0	0	0	30	0
<b>Staff</b>																	
GB	17	14	16	10	13	11	10	16	4	19	23	34	18	39	48	38	58
England	20	19	10	5	19	14	15	13	4	13	24	23	11	39	53	26	51
Scotland	0	0	34	41	0	3	5	0	2	28	3	32	26	40	40	33	61
Wales	8	0	0	0	0	12	0	35	11	0	7	44	19	33	41	64	35
<b>Plant</b>																	
GB	1	1	2	5	0	3	5	7	3	3	0	8	3	10	10	8	9
England	0	1	1	8	1	0	6	12	2	0	1	3	1	9	12	6	15
Scotland	0	0	13	0	0	5	0	2	2	10	0	14	3	3	12	4	5
Wales	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	20	19	0	0	0	10
<b>Materials and Products</b>																	
GB	2	1	5	4	3	4	4	8	6	1	1	6	5	14	17	14	13
England	1	1	6	7	5	2	7	13	11	1	1	2	5	16	17	22	23
Scotland	0	3	16	0	0	3	2	8	0	1	3	6	3	3	14	2	5
Wales	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	5

% of Respondents Reporting Unsatisfactory Availability of Resources

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