



Construction

The top three employing industries within this sector are building equipment contractors, commercial building construction and exterior building contractors. Other industries within this are involved in fabricating structural metals and manufacturing end-user durable goods. Included is the manufacture, maintenance and distribution of all types of industrial machinery and component parts.

South West View



28,975

Businesses across the region



207,000

People are employed in this sector



6%

Forecasted growth to 2022



JOB TYPES

Check below to see the types of jobs in this sector, the demand based on the number job advertisements in the past year and what salary you could expect to earn.

Occupation	Advertised Salary	No. of Job posts
Administrator	£18,741	6,380
Book-Keepers	£22,069	3,410
Sales Accounts	£38,139	2,856
Quantity Surveyors	£44,264	1,779
Production Managers	£47,445	1,748
Electrical Fitters	£30,081	1,423
Civil Engineers	£41,112	1,378
Personal Assistants	£34,567	1,287
Plumbers	£31,864	1,250
Office Managers	£34,567	960
Carpenters and Joiners	£30,181	946
Construction Trades	£31,593	921
Telecoms Engineers	£39,185	800
Fork-lift Drivers	£20,385	714
Machine Drivers	£29,121	619
Painters and Decorators	£26,592	554
Bricklayers and Masons	£24,280	392
Project Managers	£30,312	255

SUBJECT AREAS

Get ahead in this sector by studying the following subjects.



Business Administration



Electrical Engineering



Structural Engineering

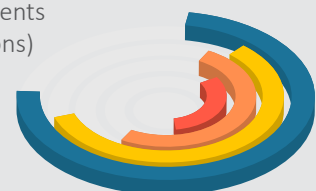


Civil Engineering

QUALIFICATIONS

29%

of job advertisements required a BA (Hons) degree.



Day in the life...

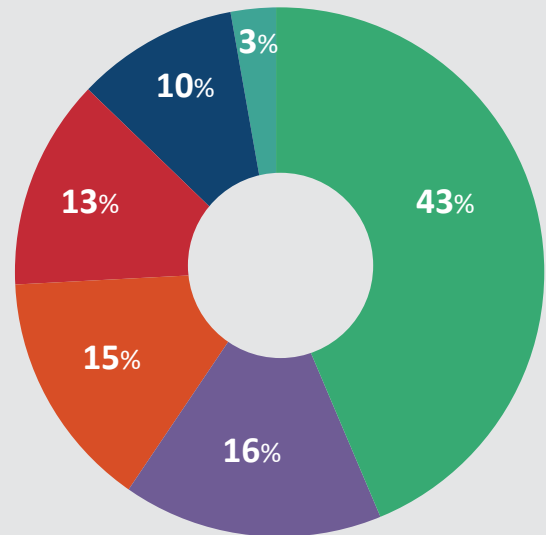


“The joy of working with Highways England is that no day is ever the same, typical days are few and far between. One day I could be assisting project managers in progressing their schemes or evaluating contractual obligations, the next I could be processing structural records or even visiting a site / depot to inspect the current health & safety standards. The opportunity to join our supply chain colleagues to gain site and design experience has further increased the variety of work I have encountered so far”

- Technician

JOB SHARE

The chart shows the share of job types which are currently in demand for this sector.



- Administrative
- Associate Professional and Technical
- Skilled Trades
- Professional Occupations
- Managers, Directors and Seniors
- Elementary Trades

TOP EMPLOYERS

Based on the number of recent job advertisements these are the largest employers for this sector in your area.

- Devon County Council
- Babcock International Group
- Kingston Barnes
- TQR Consultancy
- Kier Goup
- Jacobs Limited
- Galliford Try Plc
- Taylor Wimpey
- Balfour Beatty Plc
- Carrillion



If you over 16 you can apply, apprentices should work for at least 30 hours per week and an apprenticeship takes one and five years to complete, depending on the level and sector.

Apprenticeship Types

- Construction Operations (Groundworks)
- Painting and Decorating
- Bricklaying
- Joiner
- Roofer



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