

Interested in a CONSTRUCTION career in the WEST MIDLANDS?

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Architect • Bricklayer • Building Operative • Building Services Engineer • Carpenter/Joiner • Carpet Fitter • Cavity Wall Insulation Technician • Ceiling Fixer • Civil Engineer • Civil/Structural Engineering Technician • Construction Manager • Construction Plant Operator • Crane Operator • Damp-proofer • Demolition Operative • Estate Manager • Facilities Manager • Fence Erector • Floor Layer • Glazier • Painter and Decorator • Plasterer • Plumber • Quantity Surveyor • Recycling Adviser • Recycling Officer • Road Surfacing Manager • Roofer • Rural Property Surveyor • Scaffolder • Steeplejack • Stonemason • Structural Engineer • Surveyor • Town Planner • Traffic Engineer • Wall and Floor Tiler • Window Fitter

EXAMPLES OF CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYERS IN THE WEST MIDLANDS



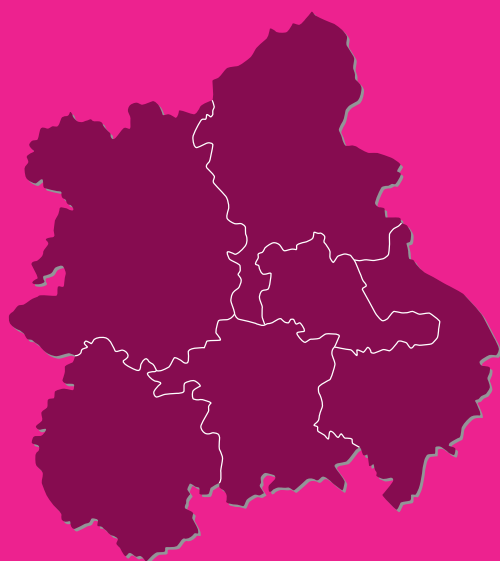
Carillion

Thomas Vale



Wilmott Dixon Construction Ltd

Kendrick Construction Ltd



Integrated Water Services

Middleton Maintenance

Mitie

Lovell Partnerships Ltd

Mansell Balfour Beatty

Barratt Developments PLC

Hewden

Morgan Sindall

Redrow



17,440



employed in Wood Trades

15,220



employed in Electrical trades
and installation

11,720



employed in Plumbing

7,180



employed in Painting and
Decorating

5,710



employed as Surveyors

4,630



employed as Bricklayers

3,650



employed as Roofers

2,940



employed as Glaziers

2,320



employed as Scaffolders

2,110



employed as Plasterers

ENTRY AND QUALIFICATIONS

There are several entry points for this sector. Apprenticeships are available and you can gain qualifications at all levels through to postgraduate level.



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SALARIES can range from:



Glazier - £15,000 - £30,000
Building Technician - £19,000 - £33,000
Quantity Surveyor - £22,500 - £50,000



IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT CONSTRUCTION

- Over 230,00 construction jobs are expected to be created across the UK by 2020.
- In the UK the number of jobs in the construction industry has reached around 3 million.
- There are well over 150 professions in the construction industry.
- Around 300,000 women currently work in the UK construction industry.
- 92% of the construction industry is made up of small companies.
- More than 35% of construction workers have set up their own businesses.
- By 2018 the construction industry will need an additional 120,000 apprentices



SKILLS REQUIRED



- Good practical skills.
- Excellent team work skills.
- Good communication skills.
- The aptitude to work calmly under pressure and pay attention to detail.
- Number skills to handle cash and do basic mental arithmetic.
- Physical fitness.
- An awareness of the importance of health and safety in the construction industry.
- A head for heights for some occupations in the construction industry.
- IT skills.

More Information

- <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/Pages/Home.aspx>
- <https://www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships>

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