CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY GUIDE

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Directories

Lists, by area, medium sized contractors and smaller builders who are members of the National Federation.

Steel Construction Industry Directory for Specifiers and Buyers (British Constructional Steelwork Association Ltd, 2011) [(B) DIR 624.1821 BUS]
This report gives background information about the steel construction industry and a listing of BCSA members.

CECA Directory 2011/2012 (Ten Alps Publishing Ltd, 2011) [(B) DIR 624 BUS]
This is a listing of members of the civil engineering contractors association. It provides a regional breakdown of civil engineering firms across the country and has contact information for all member companies of the association.

Spon’s Architects’ & Builders’ Price Book 2012 (Taylor & Francis, 2012) [(B) DIR 692.5 BUS]
This is a detailed source for construction price information.

Industry guide and listing of companies in the industry that are members of the confederation; listings arranged by region and alphabetically.

Blinds & Shutters: Buyers Guide 2011 (Turret RAI) [(B) DIR 690.18202541 BUS]
Regional listing of members of the association.
Listing of architectural practices specialising in sports and leisure sector construction and development projects
www.ribafind.org

This publication is published monthly and it is the building/construction’s industry guide to prices of materials ranging from screws to garden and electrical building materials. The directory has a comprehensive list of construction materials manufacturers with their contact information.

(Ten Alps Publishing, 2011) [(B) DIR 681.76029441 BUS]
Regional list of construction plant-hire association members, specialist services, manufacturers and distributors directory.
www.cpaplantfinder.co.uk

The List: Royal Institute of British Architects Directory of Chartered Practices 2011 (Royal Institute of British Architects, 2011) [(B) DIR 338.7617202541 BUS]
This publication lists RIBA charter practices across the country. The directory list practices by town and indicates which specific construction sectors they specialise in, each entry has contact information for the practices listed.

Interior Design Yearbook 2010 (Onecoms) [(B) DIR 729.014797103 BUS]
Interior design yearbook made exclusively for designers, specifiers, and other interior professionals.

Developer & Housebuilder Yearbook 2010 (Onecoms) [(B) DIR 690.802941 BUS]
Industry Bible for house builders and developers.

Comprehensive guide listing product manufacturers by product, detailing contact information of manufacturers, trade names and matching these with manufacturers and highlighting companies that are exporting HVACR products and services.

RICS Directory: Volume 1 - Directory of Firms, Volume 2 - List of Members (Waterlow Legal and Regulatory, 2011) [(B) DIR 333.0802541 BUS] Directory divided into two volumes that contain lists of surveyor member companies and individual members.
www.rics.org

Building Materials Directory 2011 (Underwriters Laboratories Inc) [(B) DIR 691.029473 BUS]
Gives information about Underwriters Laboratories Inc. and lists, with explanatory notes, their product categories. There is also a listing of companies qualified to use the UL mark.

Published annually this publication has a comprehensive list of services for the industry split by sector i.e. Concrete and Steel.

RAC: Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Yearbook 2010 (EMAP Business Communications, 2010)
[(B) DIR 697.93 BUS] This is an A-Z listing of products, suppliers and service providers. There is an index which groups suppliers by region and also a listing of recruitment consultants and training providers specific to the industry.

[(B) DIR 338.40296970009417 BUS]
Contains Mechanical and electrical product manufacturers, agents, distributors and stockists. Also list of MEBSCA and ECA members.
Contains information and contact details of suppliers, manufacturers and contractors to the bridge building industry.

**Hvindex.com H&V Index Desk Reference** (Trendale Ltd, 2010) [(B) DIR 338.76970002541 BUS]
Arranged by product includes information of industrial and commercial heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration equipment.
[www.hvindex.com](http://www.hvindex.com),

**Tunnels & Tunneling Buyers Guide** (Progressive Media Markets Ltd, 2010)
[(B) DIR 624.193025 BUS]
Guide to people and machines of the tunnelling industry, with a buyer's guide section, company data section and index to display advertisers.

[(B) DIR 338.79627025 BUS]
Guide to locating highway-related companies, services, products, a review of major technological developments and new products.

**The Lighting Directory Sourcebook** (EMAP Ltd, 2009, [(B) DIR 621.32] BUS)
Directory of UK and World suppliers of interior and exterior lighting/lighting systems.

**National Federation of Demolition Contractors Yearbook 2010** (NFDC, 2010) [(B) DIR 624.1 BUS]
Industry guide and listing of companies in the industry that are members of the federation; listings arranged by region.

**Civil Engineering Yearbook 2011** (Ten Alps Publishing Ltd, 2011) [(B) DIR 624 BUS]
This publication features topical articles relating to civil engineering, reviews of products and services specific to the industry and rounds off with a listing which has contact details of manufacturers and suppliers.

**Chartered Surveyors Regional Directory** (The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, 2010)
[(B) DIR 333.08025421 BUS)
RICS regional directory for London, listing London areas.
[www.ricsfirms.com](http://www.ricsfirms.com),

Directory for building professionals - architects, developers, builders, engineers, construction specialists and project managers - find and contact local authority building control teams anywhere in the UK

**Electrical Construction Equipment Directory 2009** (Underwriters Laboratories Inc, 2009)
[(B) DIR 621.31042029473 BUS]
This directory list the manufacturers whose products, components, materials and systems have been UL certified.
[www.ul.com](http://www.ul.com),

[(B) DIR 683 BUS]
This is a source guide to products and services for the external environment; the publication lists manufacturers and suppliers if all manner of products such as low shrinkage concrete to timber play houses to themed play equipment.
[www.esi.info](http://www.esi.info)
ESI: Building Products 2008 (The Standard Indexes Ltd, 2008) [(B) DIR 690.02941 BUS]
This is the market leading compendium of products and materials for building design and construction.
www.esi.info.com

Barbour Compendium: Big Red 2010 (Barbour Index Plc, 2010) [(B) DIR 690.102941 BUS]
This publication is a 21 section compendium with each section starting off with an index of products and an alphabetical list of suppliers; hence the directory may be used to identify products, companies, trade names and also showcases products which are sustainable and have environmental credentials.
www.barbourproductsearch.info

This guide has a comprehensive directory of manufacturers, suppliers and hires providers of plant equipment.

This directory alphabetically list members of the association, it breaks down the listings by regions of the country. Section 2 of this publication list member companies interested in working overseas. Each entry gives contact details of the companies, their field of specialisation and size of previous contract.
www.hvca.org.uk

H & V Index Desk Reference Book 2010 (Trendale Ltd, 2010) [(B) DIR 338.76970002541 BUS]
This is a buyer’s guide to industrial and commercial heating, ventilation air conditioning and refrigeration equipment; the directory has a product index and goes on to identify manufacturers and suppliers with their contact details of the products listed in the product index.
www.hvindex.com

This directory lists specialist suppliers of products and services, consultants and craftsmen in traditional building conservation, refurbishment and design. It also features technical articles, pointers on current legislation and continuing education specific to historic and old buildings conservation.

Federation of Master Builders National Yearbook & Diary 2011 (Burrows Communication Limited, 2011) [(B) DIR 690.025 BUS]
These publication list members of the federation across the country and also give details of other trade associations that support the building industry.

Steel Construction Yearbook 2008 (SCI, the Steel Construction Institute, 2008) [(B) DIR 624.1821 BUS]
This publication enables access to codes, standards and articles for the steel construction industry and also has an A – Z listing with full contact information of companies and key personnel.

Selecting Your Supply Chain: Directory of Specialist Contractors 2008 (Emap Construction, 2008) [(B) DIR 338.76902541 BUS]
This publication lists specialist service providers and suppliers to the construction industry.
**Market Research & Statistics**

**Business Source Complete (EBSCO)** (Online database available in the Business & IP Centre)
Contains Industry, Company and Country reports on the construction Industry.

**Frost & Sullivan** (Online database available in the Business & IP Centre)
In-depth global market research and strategy reports covering electronics, energy systems, environmental & building technologies, information & communication technology.

**Key Note** (Online database available in the Business & IP Centre) Full text access to many reports on the construction industry such as *Building Contracting*, 2011; *Construction Industry Market Review*, 2009; *Bricks & Tiles*, 2010 & *Windows & Doors*, 2010.

**Building Materials Market Report 2011** (Key Note, 2011) [A-Z sequence by title] (also available onsite via electronic source)
Market Analysis of the UK bricks and tiles industry, the report provides information on the industry background, competitor analysis, SWOT analysis, and a synopsis of the global market for bricks and tiles.

**Bricks & Tiles Market Report 2010** (Key Note, 2010) [A-Z sequence by title] (also available onsite via electronic source)
Market Analysis of the UK bricks and tiles industry, the report provides information on the industry background, competitor analysis, SWOT analysis, and a synopsis of the global market for bricks and tiles.

**Market Forecasts: Construction, Utilities & Environment 2010 Keynote** [A-Z sequence by title]
(Also available onsite via electronic source)
This report covers Key Note titles relating to construction, utilities & environment: and is a compilation of Key Note Market Reports published in 2009. The market forecast data and commentary in the text were correct at the time the individual reports were initially published, and have not been revised for this edition.

**It’s All to Play for: infrastructure opportunities in Brazil FIFA world cup 2014** (UK Trade & Investment, 2009, ([B] MKT 382.0941081 BUS))
This report is an assessment by UK Trade & Investment of the opportunities in the infrastructure and sports infrastructure sectors in Brazil. Specific sectors covered are stadia and mass transportation (airports, ports, rail, urban mobility and road).

**Construction Forecasts 2010-2012** (Experian Business Strategies Ltd, 2010)
([B] MKT 338.47624 BUS)
This report presents an assessment of the current state of the construction industry and the outlook for construction output.

**Architects Earnings 2009-2010** (The Fees Bureau ([B] MKT 331.281720920941 BUS))
The report was compiled using data collected from individual architects throughout the UK.

A practical guide for industry, commerce and the public sector.

For Builders, developers, suppliers and consultants, useful in this ever changing industry.
[(B) MKT 338.43720 BUS]
The report was compiled using data collected from individual architects throughout the UK.

The DIY & Home Improvements Industry [Market Review] (Key Note, 2009)
[A-Z sequence by title] (also available onsite via electronic source)
DIY & Home Improvements Industry Market Review
This report focuses on the market for DIY and home improvement products.

Construction Industry Forecasts 2011/14 (Construction Products Association, 2011)
[(B) MKT 338.47624 BUS]
This report forecast output projections for 27 sectors and categories of construction activity. The publication also assesses longer term industry prospects up to 2014.

Getting the deal through: Construction in 32 jurisdictions worldwide, 2012 (Law Business Research Ltd, 2012) [(B) MKT 343.078624 BUS]
A general overview of the key aspects of international construction law. Includes world construction, health and safety and law.

House Building (Key Note, 2011) [A-Z sequence by title] (also available onsite via electronic source)
Market Analysis of the UK house building industry, the report provides information on the industry background, competitor analysis, SWOT analysis, and a synopsis of the global market for electrical contracting.

This report reviews the four main sectors of the UK Construction Industry: house building, infrastructure, industrial construction and commercial construction; the report provides an industry overview, PEST analysis and a global perspective of the construction industry.

Electrical Contracting, (Key Note, 2009) [A-Z sequence by title] (also available onsite via electronic source)
Market Analysis of the UK electrical contracting industry, the report provides information on the industry background, competitor analysis, SWOT analysis, and a synopsis of the global market for electrical contracting.

Emerging markets report (Palladian Publications Ltd, 2009) [(B) MKT 332.673091724 BUS]
Including construction materials and cement. Covering Asia, Middle East, Africa, and Latin America

Building contracting (Key Note, 2011, [A-Z sequence by title] (also available onsite via electronic source)
Market Analysis of the UK building contracting industry, the report provides information on the industry background, competitor analysis, SWOT analysis, and a synopsis of the global market for building contracting.

CSN Labour Market Intelligence 2009-2013: Blueprint for UK construction skills (CITB-Construction Skills, 2009, [(B) MKT 331.1239094101 BUS]
Contains blueprint for construction skills, construction workers company information, HR labour costs, employment agencies and training.

Business Ratio Report: Building & Civil Engineering 2010 Major (Key Note, 2010)
[A-Z sequence by title]
Report provides financial analysis of companies in this sector of the construction industry with brief company profiles and performance league tables.
Business Ratio Report: Building & Civil Engineering [Intermediate] (Key Note, 2009) 
[A-Z sequence by title] 
Report provides financial analysis of companies in this sector of the construction industry with brief company profiles and performance league tables.

Top Markets: Construction, Utilities & Environment 2008 (Key Note, 2008) [A-Z sequence by title] 
[available onsite via electronic sources] 
This report is a compilation of Key Note market reports relating to the construction industry in the United Kingdom.

Building Materials Market Report 2011 (Key Note, 2011) [A-Z sequence by title] 
(also available onsite via electronic source) 
Analysis of the UK building materials market, the report provides information on the industry background, present and future trends, buying behaviour, competitor analysis and a synopsis of the global market for building materials.

Builders Merchants Market Report 2010 (Key Note, 2010) [A-Z sequence by title] 
(also available onsite via electronic source) 
Market analysis of the UK builders' merchants sector, the report provides information on the industry background, market size, SWOT analysis, competitor analysis, current issues and forecasts for the industry.

Construction & Engineering in the United Kingdom: Industry Profile 2010 
(Datamonitor, 2010) [Available onsite via electronic source - OneSource] 
This report gives a market overview and market size, share and segmentation data plus analysis and company information for the construction industry.

Construction Materials in the United Kingdom: Industry Profile 2011 
(Datamonitor, 2011) [Available onsite via electronic sources - OneSource] 
This report gives a market overview and details of market value, segmentation, profiles of leading companies and presents a five force analysis of the industry.

Small Business Help / Business Start-Up Information

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 – BIF204 (COBRA, 2010) 
[available onsite via electronic source] 
The Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 is a revision to the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 1994 and the Construction (Health Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1996 into a single set of Regulations.

Chartered Institute of Building – SOU119 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source] 
The CIOB provides Building regulations, Technical information, including topics such as standards, contracts and legislative changes. Client Guides - practical advice for those with little experience of the construction industry.

Forum for the Built Environment – SOU441 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source] 
The Forum for the Built Environment, formerly known as the Faculty of Building, is a professional society, connecting people in the built environment, construction, and commercial property.

[available onsite via electronic source] 
The Regulations are made under the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 and apply in England only. There is currently no requirement to have a site waste management plan in Scotland, Northern Ireland or Wales.
BSRIA – SOU307 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source]
BSRIA is a research and information association serving all those involved in the building services industry.

CIRIA – SOU 287 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source]
CIRIA works with industry to produce best practice guidance. The guidance comes in the form of technical reports, strategic guides, training packs, CD-ROMs and leaflets on issues of importance to the construction industry. These documents address key aspects of business practices such as legislation and regulation training, management and economics.

Builder – BOP069 (COBRA, 2010) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about setting up as a general builder. It describes the skills required, the training available, the current market trends and some of the key trading issues.

Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2007 – LEG040 (COBRA,)
[available onsite via electronic source]

Chartered Building Surveyor – BOP133 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source]

An Introduction to the Construction Industry Scheme – BIF456 (COBRA, 2011)
[available onsite via electronic source]
This factsheet provides an overview of the CIS and describes who the scheme applies to, how it works, the procedures involved in registering and reporting under the scheme and the steps one needs to take (and avoid) to ensure compliance.

House Building, Renovation and Maintenance – SYN031 (COBRA, 2010)
[available onsite via electronic source]
This market synopsis identifies some of the key trends and market developments affecting the house building, renovation and maintenance sector. It provides information targeted specifically at new, existing or aspiring small business owners who are aiming to trade or develop their interests in the sector.

ConstructionSkills – SOU155 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source]
Factsheet with contact details of the training body.

Building Regulations – LEG032 (COBRA, 2010) [available onsite via electronic source]
Regulations applicable to 'material change of use' of buildings.

The Building Regulations 2010 (the Regulations) repeal and replace the Building Regulations 2000, consolidating subsequent amendments and implementing some further changes. The Regulations cover most types of building work and set requirements for several technical areas.

[available onsite via electronic source]
This factsheet explains which factors a local authority typically takes into account when deciding on planning permission for commercial premises and outlines what sort of developments can be considered.

Independent Builders' Merchants Association – SOU475 (COBRA, 2007)
[available onsite via electronic source]
Factsheet with contact details of the association.
Fencing Contractor – BOP461 (COBRA, 2011) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about starting up as a fencing contractor. It describes the skills required, the training available, the current market trends and some of the key trading issues.

Scaffolding Contractor – BOP532 (COBRA, 2011) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about starting up as a scaffolding contractor. It describes the skills required, the training available, the current market trends and some of the key trading issues.

Blockpaver – BOP531 (COBRA, 2011) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about starting up as a blockpaver. It describes the skills required, the training available, the current market trends and some of the key trading issues.

National Federation of Demolition Contractors – SOU350 (COBRA, 2007) [available onsite via electronic source]
Factsheet with contact details of the federation.

Skip Hire – MBP059 (COBRA, 2010) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about the skip hire business. It touches on the mode of operations, market and trading issues.

UPVC Fascia Installer – MBP394 (COBRA, 2009) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about the business. It touches on the business idea and services offered, market and trading issues.

Plasterer – BOP307 (COBRA, 2010) [available onsite via electronic source]
This profile provides information about setting up as a plasterer. It describes the skills required, the training available, the current market trends and some of the key trading issues.

Trade Magazines & Newsletters

Business Source Complete (EBSCO) (available online via electronic sources within the Business and IP Centre).
Full text from 11,000 sources, including more than 1000 international top ranking business journals. Offering information in virtually every area of business, accounting & tax, banking, finance & insurance, construction, computer science and economics as well as country economic reports and company profiles.

Factiva (available online via electronic sources within the Business and IP Centre).
A simple search, providing the latest news and information from many industries, including construction. Offers more than 10,000 publications from 159 countries.

Construction Industry Handbook (GTI Specialist Publishers)
(General Reference Collection ZK.9.b.11417 - order via the British Library catalogue)

Construction Industry Focus (Construction Forecasting and Research)
Science Technology and Business (P) VW 132 -E(8) (Social Science)

Construction Industry Trade Surveys (Construction Products Association)
Science Technology and Business (P) WM 142 -E(23) (Social Science)

Inside Government Construction (Inside Government Publications)
(P) 338.476240941 -E (1)
A quarterly journal providing editorial content, views and topical analysis from top government officials and other industry professionals with reference to the construction industry in the United Kingdom.
This journal which touches on technical and other issues such as contracting cost management, project management, best practice, law and regulation relating to quantity surveying and construction.

**Building Sustainable Design** (UBM Built Environment, Quarterly) [(P) 690 - E (3)]
BSD offers opinions, features and analysis for the building services community, mainly building services engineers, architects and construction professionals.

**Construction national housing** (Destination Maps & Media)
Science, Technology & Business [(P) 690.094105 -E(1)]
Earlier title was Construction national; Construction housing magazine. This journal is published quarterly.

**Internet Sources**

**Construction Industry Council**
The construction Industry Council (CIC) is the representative forum for the professional bodies, research organisations, and specialist business associations in the construction Industry.
http://www.cic.org.uk/home/index.shtml

**Construction Plus**
Construction Plus is an information resource to the UK construction industry.
http://www.constructionplus.co.uk

**Health and Safety Executive**
The HSE deals with all aspects of safety in the construction industry in England, Scotland and Wales.
http://www.hse.gov.uk/construction

**Chartered Institute of Building**
This institute is the international voice of the building professional, they also produce research on key issues within the construction industry and these reports are electronically accessible.
http://www.ciob.org.uk

**Engineering Construction Industry Association**
The ECIA is the principal trade and employer association for the UK engineering construction industry.
http://www.ecia.co.uk

**Construction Skills**
ConstructionSkills is the sector skills council for construction and represents every part of the construction industry, from architects to bricklayers. The website enables access to research and studies of issues and trends which focus on the construction industry.
http://www.constructionskills.net

**UK Construction Industry Net**
This is a resource dedicated for the UK construction industry and is structured to provide a link between industry professionals and suppliers in the UK and Ireland.
http://www.uk-ci.net

**The Construction Products Association**
Representing the UK’s manufacturers and suppliers of construction products components and fittings. It acts as the voice of the construction products sector representing the industry-wide view of its members.
http://www.constructionproducts.org.uk/
CIRIA
CIRIA is the construction industry research and information association.
www.ciria.org/

ASC
ASC Info provides the contact details of all the trade association companies and suppliers of building products to the UK construction industry.
www.ascinfo.co.uk/

The Construction Fixings Association
Representing the major manufacturers of fixing systems which are set in drilled holes in all construction materials including Concrete, Brickwork, Blockwork and Stonework.
www.fixingscfa.co.uk/

NetRegs
NetRegs provides free environmental guidance for small and medium-sized businesses in the UK.
www.netregs.gov.uk

Concrete Tile Manufacturers Association
The association supports the Roofing Industry Alliance, whose main aim is to increase the quality and reliability of roof construction.
www.britishprecast.org/

Building Services Research and Information Association
Provides 'that vital focus for co-operative research between industry and government'.
http://www.bsria.co.uk/

Chartered Institute of Building
The CIOB represents its 40,000 members through responses to government legislation and initiatives, and influences change in Industry and Education.
www.ciob.org.uk

The Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA)
The Civil Engineering Contractors Association was established in November 1996, at the request of contractors, to represent the interests of civil engineering contractors registered in the UK.
www.ceca.co.uk

Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE)
The Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) is a registered charity (no. 210252) that strives to promote and progress civil engineering.
www.ice.org.uk/

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