

Construction & Design

Market Report

Q2 2020

The construction industry has been deeply affected by the recent Covid-19 outbreak however its widely reported that the construction sector is likely to be the first in line for return to work once the restrictions are lifted.

The industry should be able to gradually reopen in the first phase however new measures to combat this virus will have to be implemented to ensure the safety and well-being of all within the industry.

Key Proposals:

- Staggered shift times where possible
- Increased awareness of social distancing and hygiene
- Induction programmes to include Cov-19 awareness and safe practices
- Site to employ specialist Cov-19 practitioners to ensure adherence to site policies

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Construction forecast of €27bn output in 2020, the output at the peak of the boom in 2007 was €38bn. Source, CSO.

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Housing output rose to 21,241 units in 2019. Source, CSO.

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Employment in the construction industry increased to 149,900 by Q3 2019, although this represents an increase of 2.3pc over the same period in 2018.

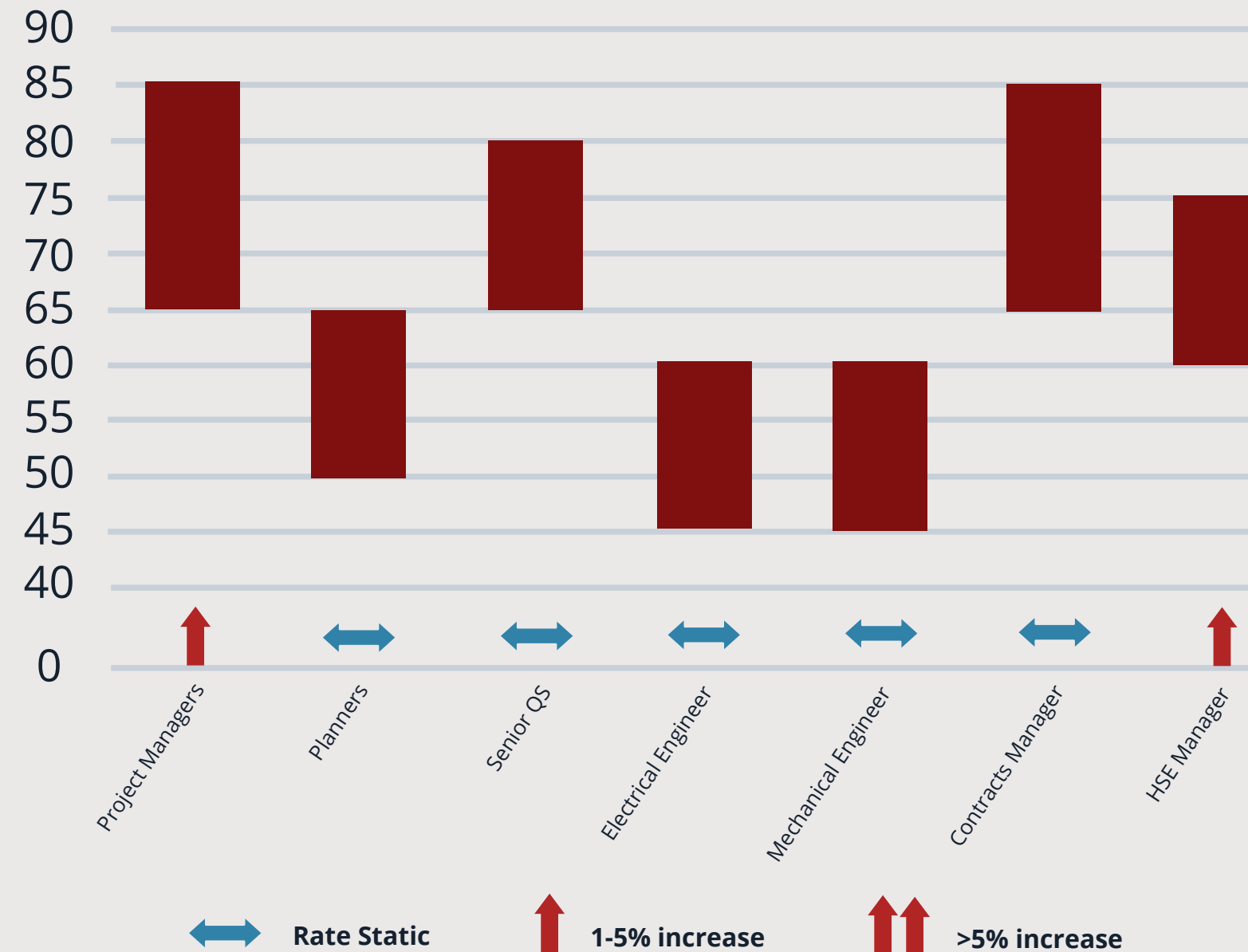
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SCSI Tender Index has risen 51.75pc from 2010 to last year. Costs increased by 6.5pc between 2018 and 2019.

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In November 2019, Intel welcomed a decision to grant planning permission for its proposed new \$4 billion (€3.63 billion) manufacturing fabrication facility at its Leixlip

Contract hourly rates (Euro/hour)



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