

Construction Industries in Kent

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The Construction Sector is an important industry that is relied upon to build homes, infrastructure, workplaces, schools and hospitals.

This bulletin looks at the number of jobs in construction industries in Kent. It also looks at the number of construction enterprises and the estimated GVA generated.

Summary

- 15.8% of businesses in Kent as at 2017 were Construction based enterprises, above the England average of 12.0%
- Maidstone district has the highest number of Construction businesses (1,275). Gravesham the highest proportion at 20.6%, one of the highest concentrations in the country.
- Gravesham and Dartford saw significant growth in Construction enterprises over the last five years
- There were 38,500 employee jobs in Construction industries in Kent, 6.3% of all jobs
- A high proportion of construction jobs in Kent (59.4%) were in specialised construction activities (electrical, plumbing and other construction installation jobs)
- The largest proportion of construction workers (50.4%) were in skilled trades occupations
- Construction industries generated an estimated £3.3m of GVA in Kent in 2016

Introduction

In 2017 the UK government launched its Industrial Strategy White Paper. The aim of the Industrial Strategy is to “boost productivity by backing businesses to create good jobs and increase the earning power of people throughout the UK with investment in skills, industries and infrastructure”¹. As part of this strategy, it launched its Construction Sector Deal to help develop Construction Industries in the UK. The aim of this deal is to transform the sector’s productivity through innovative technologies and a more highly skilled workforce.

The Construction sector was identified as underpinning the economy and society, with few other industries having the potential able to provide such large numbers of high-skilled, well-paid jobs.

More information on the Construction Strategy Sector Deal can be found on the [Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy website](#).

The Construction sector is made up of three main subsectors: Construction of Buildings (residential and non-residential), Civil Engineering (constructions of roads, railways and utilities projects) and Specialised Construction (demolition, electrical, plumbing and other construction installation).

This bulletin looks at the number of Construction enterprises using information from the UK Business Counts dataset from the Office for National Statistics (ONS). The UK Business Counts dataset is an extract compiled from the Inter Departmental Business Register (IDBR) which contains information on VAT traders and PAYE employers. The UK Business Counts dataset records the number of enterprises that were live at a reference date in March each year giving a snap shot of businesses that were live at this point in time. It is broken down by size band, industry, turnover and age of business.

Additionally, this bulletin also looks at the number of employee jobs in the Construction sector using information from the Business Register and Employment Survey (BRES) from the ONS. The BRES is a sample survey which collects employment information from businesses across the whole of the Great Britain economy for each site that they operate. The survey covers all businesses in Great Britain registered for VAT and/or PAYE. BRES does not cover the very small businesses neither registered for VAT nor PAYE, neither does it include self employed workers unless they are registered for VAT or PAYE.

The data provides us with an estimate of employee jobs and total employment (number employees plus the number of working owners)

¹ Industrial Strategy: Building a Britain Fit For The Future
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/industrial-strategy-building-a-britain-fit-for-the-future>

BRES is a sample survey and produces estimated employment figures. These estimates are of a good quality at higher levels of geography (for example region), however the quality of the estimates deteriorates as the geographies get smaller. This should be taken into account when considering the quality of county and district estimates.

The survey provides us with estimates of employees by industrial sector. The Construction sector used in this bulletin is defined using the 2007 Standard Industrial Classification (2007SIC). Detailed information about the types of industry which make up each of the industrial sectors is available from the [UK Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities](#) published by the Office for National Statistics.

This bulletin also looks at occupations within the Construction Industry. Detailed information about the occupations in which residents work is available from the 2011 Census from ONS. This enables us to look at some industry specific occupations related to Construction. This dataset gives us information about the occupations of Kent residents who were in employment at the time of the Census (27 March 2011). This data will not be updated until after the next census in 2021.

Lastly, this bulletin looks at GVA generated by the construction industry.

Gross Value Added (GVA) is a measure of Output i.e. the value of the goods and services produced in the economy. It is primarily used to monitor the performance of the national economy and is now the measure preferred by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) to measure the overall economic well-being of an area. . GVA estimates are available by broad industrial group down to local authority district level and are available for the years 1998 to 2016.

More information is available about GVA estimates is available from the [Office For National Statistics](#).

Construction Industry Enterprises in Kent

The UK Business Counts dataset records the number of enterprises that were live as at March each year, giving a snap shot of businesses that were operating at this point in time. It is broken down by size band, industry and turnover.

All numbers are rounded at source. Values may be rounded down to zero and so all zeros are not necessarily true zeros. Totals across tables may differ by minor amounts due to the disclosure methods used.

Kent had a higher proportion of Construction enterprises than the national average as at March 2018. 9,990 Construction enterprises in the county accounted for 16.3% of all enterprises in Kent as opposed to 12.4% in England. This is shown in table 1.

The highest concentration of Construction enterprises in the county can be found in the Thames Gateway Kent districts of Gravesham (21.0%), Dartford (20.0%) and Swale (19.1%). The wider Thames Gateway is one of Europe's largest regeneration areas stretching from London, through Essex and Kent.

Table 1: Construction enterprises

2018			5 year change	
	Number	%	Number	%
Ashford	870	14.0%	195	28.9%
Canterbury	765	14.5%	160	26.4%
Dartford	850	20.0%	275	47.8%
Dover	545	16.2%	155	39.7%
Folkestone & Hythe	575	15.7%	115	25.0%
Gravesham	805	21.0%	245	43.8%
Maidstone	1,360	18.6%	295	27.7%
Sevenoaks	990	15.0%	170	20.7%
Swale	920	19.1%	210	29.6%
Thanet	670	17.3%	185	38.1%
Tonbridge and Malling	935	16.3%	200	27.2%
Tunbridge Wells	700	11.0%	120	20.7%
Kent	9,990	16.3%	2,330	30.4%
Medway	1,785	21.2%	490	37.8%
Kent + Medway	11,770	16.9%	2,815	31.4%
South East LEP	29,865	17.6%	7,040	30.8%
South East Region	54,485	13.5%	11,175	25.8%
England	288,200	12.4%	67,980	30.9%
Great Britain	321,350	12.4%	73,540	29.7%

Source: UK Business Counts

Presented by: Strategic Commissioning - Analytics, Kent County Council

Maidstone district has the highest number of construction enterprises in the county (1,360) accounting for 18.6% of all enterprises in the district.

The distribution of Construction enterprises in Kent and Medway is shown in map 1.

Map 1: Construction industry enterprises in Kent & Medway

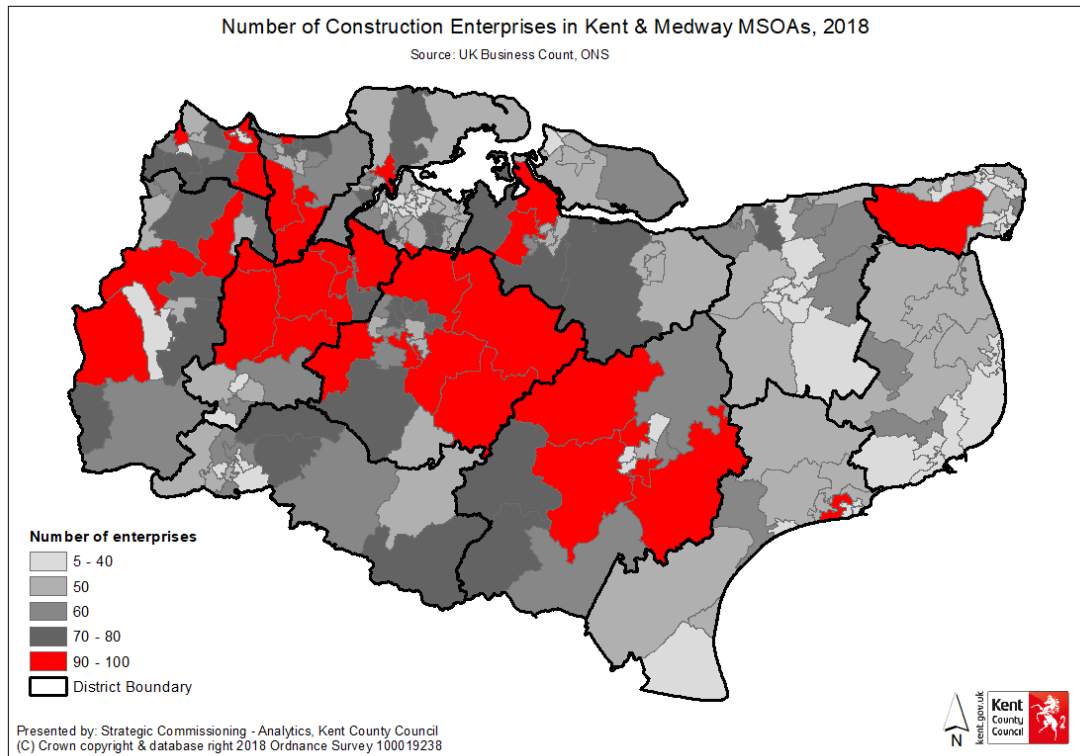
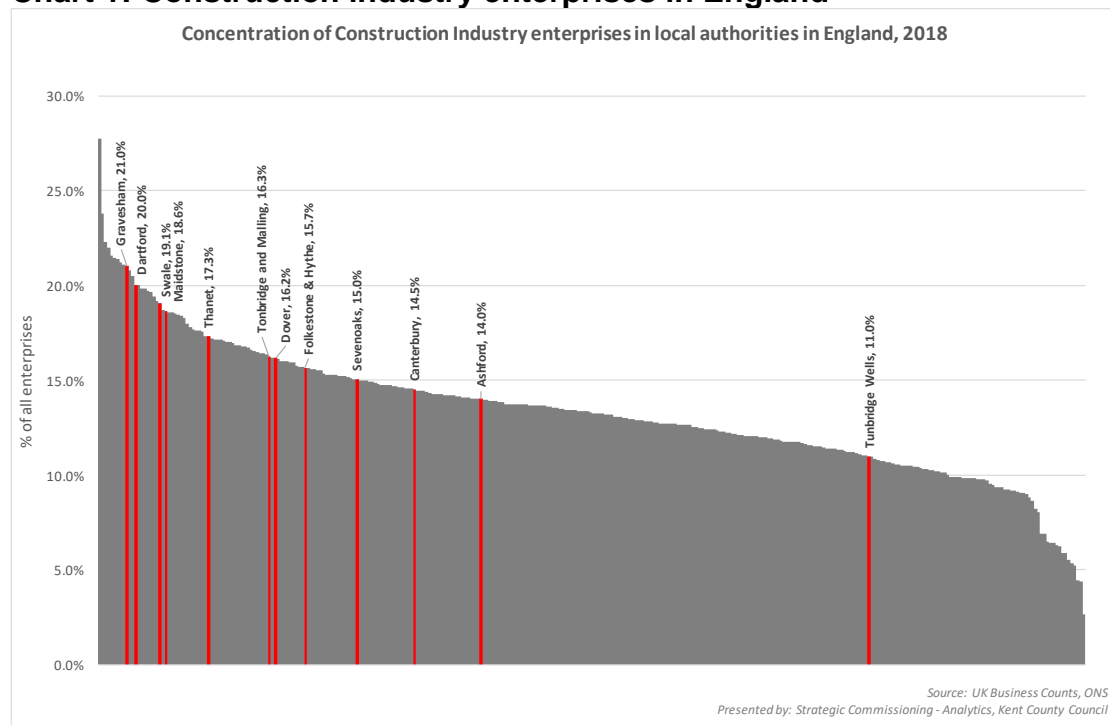


Chart 1 shows the proportion of Construction enterprises in local authorities in England.

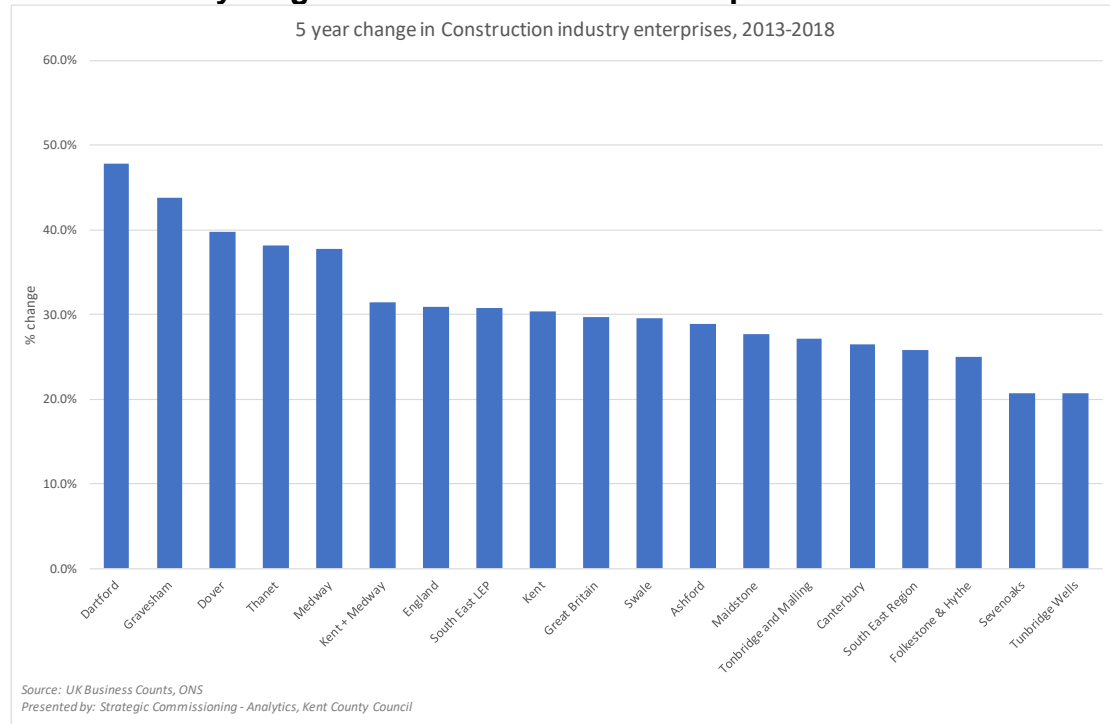
Chart 1: Construction industry enterprises in England



Over the last five years the number of Construction industry enterprises has grown in all local authorities. Dartford district saw the largest growth in Kent in percentage terms (+47.8%). This growth can largely be attributed to the announcement in 2014 of a new Garden City to be developed at Ebbsfleet, an area largely in Dartford but also taking in part of Gravesham. Maidstone district saw the biggest increase in number of construction enterprises (+295).

The five-year growth in Construction enterprises can be seen in chart 2.

Chart 2: Five-year growth in Construction enterprises



The Construction sector is made up of three main subsectors: Construction of Buildings (residential and non-residential), Civil Engineering (constructions of roads, railways and utilities projects) and Specialised Construction (demolition, electrical, plumbing and other construction installation).

Specialised Construction Activities counts for almost two thirds of construction enterprises in Kent.

Table 2: Make up of Construction enterprises

2018	Total	Specialised			Specialised		
	Construction Enterprises	Construction of buildings	Civil engineering	construction activities	Construction of buildings	Civil engineering	construction activities
Ashford	870	200	125	550	23.0%	14.4%	63.2%
Canterbury	765	205	100	460	26.8%	13.1%	60.1%
Dartford	850	180	50	620	21.2%	5.9%	72.9%
Dover	545	125	95	325	22.9%	17.4%	59.6%
Folkestone & Hythe	575	140	70	365	24.3%	12.2%	63.5%
Gravesham	805	180	65	560	22.4%	8.1%	69.6%
Maidstone	1,360	300	130	925	22.1%	9.6%	68.0%
Sevenoaks	990	330	50	610	33.3%	5.1%	61.6%
Swale	920	210	80	630	22.8%	8.7%	68.5%
Thanet	670	170	65	435	25.4%	9.7%	64.9%
Tonbridge and Malling	935	250	75	610	26.7%	8.0%	65.2%
Tunbridge Wells	700	225	45	430	32.1%	6.4%	61.4%
Kent	9,990	2,515	945	6,525	25.2%	9.5%	65.3%
Medway	1,785	325	155	1,305	18.2%	8.7%	73.1%
Kent + Medway	11,770	2,840	1,100	7,830	24.1%	9.3%	66.5%
South East LEP	29,865	7,370	2,320	20,175	24.7%	7.8%	67.6%
South East	54,485	15,390	3,870	35,225	28.2%	7.1%	64.7%
Great Britain	288,200	85,820	20,585	181,790	29.8%	7.1%	63.1%
England	321,350	93,450	23,505	204,395	29.1%	7.3%	63.6%

Source: UK Business Counts

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Looking in more detail at the enterprises which are classified as Construction based it shows that in fact electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities make up the biggest proportion of Construction businesses.

Table 3: Detailed Construction enterprises

2018	Kent	Medway	South East	England
Construction of buildings				
Development of building projects	9.0%	4.8%	11.0%	12.0%
Construction of residential and non-residential buildings	16.2%	13.4%	17.2%	17.8%
Civil engineering				
Construction of roads and railways	3.8%	3.1%	1.9%	2.0%
Construction of utility projects	0.4%	0.6%	0.3%	0.4%
Construction of other civil engineering projects	5.3%	5.0%	4.9%	4.8%
Specialised construction activities				
Demolition and site preparation	1.5%	1.4%	1.2%	1.3%
Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities	29.4%	31.4%	29.0%	27.5%
Building completion and finishing	22.8%	28.6%	23.8%	24.3%
Other specialised construction activities n.e.c.	11.7%	11.5%	10.6%	10.0%

Source: UK Business Counts

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A higher proportion of Construction enterprises are micro enterprises (employing 0-9 people) than the average for total industries. Micro enterprises account for 95.2% of Construction enterprises in Kent.

Table 4: Construction enterprises - sizebands

	Employment sizeband					Percentage			
	Total	Micro (0 to 9)	Small (10 to 49)	Medium-sized (50 to 249)	Large (250+)	Micro (0 to 9)	Small (10 to 49)	Medium-sized (50 to 249)	Large (250+)
2018									
Ashford	870	830	35	5	0	95.4%	4.0%	0.6%	0.0%
Canterbury	765	735	20	5	0	96.1%	2.6%	0.7%	0.0%
Dartford	850	795	50	5	0	93.5%	5.9%	0.6%	0.0%
Dover	545	515	25	0	0	94.5%	4.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Folkestone & Hythe	575	550	20	0	0	95.7%	3.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Gravesham	805	775	25	0	0	96.3%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Maidstone	1,360	1,280	70	5	0	94.1%	5.1%	0.4%	0.0%
Sevenoaks	990	930	50	10	0	93.9%	5.1%	1.0%	0.0%
Swale	920	885	30	5	0	96.2%	3.3%	0.5%	0.0%
Thanet	670	640	25	5	0	95.5%	3.7%	0.7%	0.0%
Tonbridge and Malling	935	880	45	10	0	94.1%	4.8%	1.1%	0.0%
Tunbridge Wells	700	685	15	0	0	97.9%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Kent	9,990	9,510	420	55	5	95.2%	4.2%	0.6%	0.1%
Medway	1,785	1,700	75	10	0	95.2%	4.2%	0.6%	0.0%
Kent + Medway	11,770	11,205	495	65	5	95.2%	4.2%	0.6%	0.0%
South East LEP	29,865	28,485	1,210	150	15	95.4%	4.1%	0.5%	0.1%
South East	54,485	51,835	2,335	275	40	95.1%	4.3%	0.5%	0.1%
England	288,200	272,525	13,765	1,650	255	94.6%	4.8%	0.6%	0.1%
Great Britain	321,350	302,925	16,145	1,980	305	94.3%	5.0%	0.6%	0.1%

Source: UK Business Counts

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Two thirds of Kent Construction enterprises (67.3%) have an annual turnover of up to £199,000, this reflects a similar picture to that seen nationally (67.6%) and regionally (66.7%). Almost one in five of the construction enterprises in the South East region who have an annual turnover higher than £199,000 are Kent based enterprises.

Table 5: Construction enterprise turnover

2018	Number of Construction enterprises				% of total Construction enterprises			
	Kent	Medway	South East	England	Kent	Medway	South East	England
Total	9,990	1,785	54,485	288,200	100%	100%	100%	100%
0 to 49 (thousand)	1,070	205	5,730	32,380	10.7%	11.5%	10.5%	11.2%
50 to 99 (thousand)	2,355	480	12,145	65,965	23.6%	26.9%	22.3%	22.9%
100 to 199 (thousand)	3,295	580	18,465	96,555	33.0%	32.5%	33.9%	33.5%
200 to 499 (thousand)	1,495	230	8,100	42,505	15.0%	12.9%	14.9%	14.7%
500 to 999 (thousand)	850	135	4,695	23,235	8.5%	7.6%	8.6%	8.1%
1000 to 1999 (thousand)	475	75	2,640	13,390	4.8%	4.2%	4.8%	4.6%
2000 to 4999 (thousand)	295	50	1,740	8,555	3.0%	2.8%	3.2%	3.0%
5000 to 9999 (thousand)	75	15	520	3,035	0.8%	0.8%	1.0%	1.1%
10000 to 49999 (thousand)	80	15	380	2,135	0.8%	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%
50000+ (thousand)	10	0	65	445	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%

Source: UK Business Counts

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Employees in Construction Industries

The Business Register and Employment Survey (BRES) provides us with estimates of the number of employees by industrial sector. The Construction sector used in this bulletin is defined using the 2007 Standard Industrial Classification (2007SIC).

As at 2017 there were 40,500 employees working in the Construction industry in Kent accounting for 6.6% of all employees in the county. This is a higher proportion than is seen both regionally and nationally.

Table 6: Construction employees

	Number			Percentage		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Ashford	2,300	2,400	3,300	4.1%	4.2%	5.8%
Canterbury	2,400	2,500	2,500	3.8%	3.8%	3.7%
Dartford	7,500	7,500	5,500	12.0%	12.0%	9.6%
Dover	1,300	1,500	1,900	3.6%	4.5%	5.5%
Folkestone & Hythe	1,600	1,800	1,800	4.4%	4.8%	4.9%
Gravesham	1,900	2,000	2,500	6.5%	6.6%	7.8%
Maidstone	3,800	4,300	6,000	5.0%	5.6%	8.0%
Sevenoaks	4,300	5,500	6,000	8.4%	10.9%	11.2%
Swale	3,000	3,500	3,500	6.1%	6.9%	6.9%
Thanet	1,800	2,100	2,300	4.2%	5.2%	5.4%
Tonbridge and Malling	3,300	3,500	4,000	5.7%	6.0%	7.0%
Tunbridge Wells	1,500	1,500	1,800	2.4%	2.8%	3.4%
Kent	34,500	38,000	40,500	5.6%	6.2%	6.6%
Medway	5,000	5,500	6,500	5.7%	6.0%	7.1%
Kent + Medway	39,500	44,000	47,000	5.6%	6.2%	6.7%
South East LEP	182,500	205,000	223,500	6.3%	6.4%	6.8%
South East	98,000	101,000	107,500	4.5%	4.9%	5.4%
England	1,123,000	1,142,000	1,227,500	4.5%	4.5%	4.8%
Great Britain	1,306,500	1,344,000	1,420,000	4.5%	4.6%	4.8%

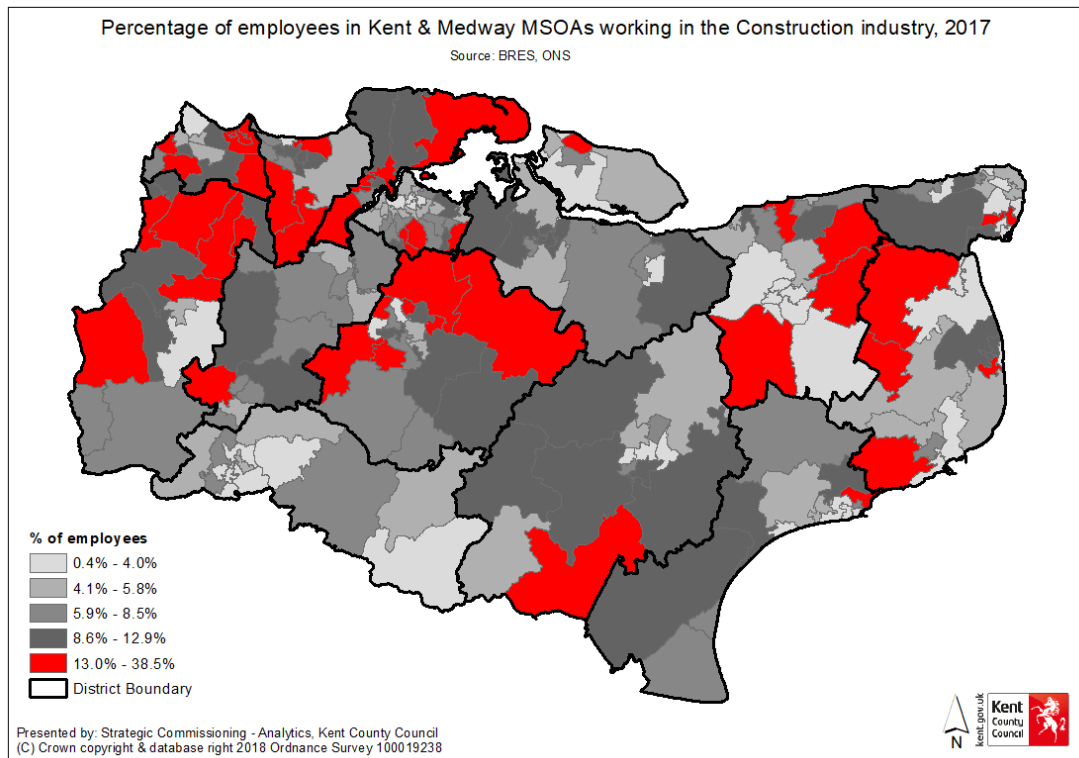
Source: BRES

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Maidstone and Sevenoaks have the highest number of Construction employees in Kent (6,000 in each district) accounting for 8.0% and 11.2% of the employees within each district respectively.

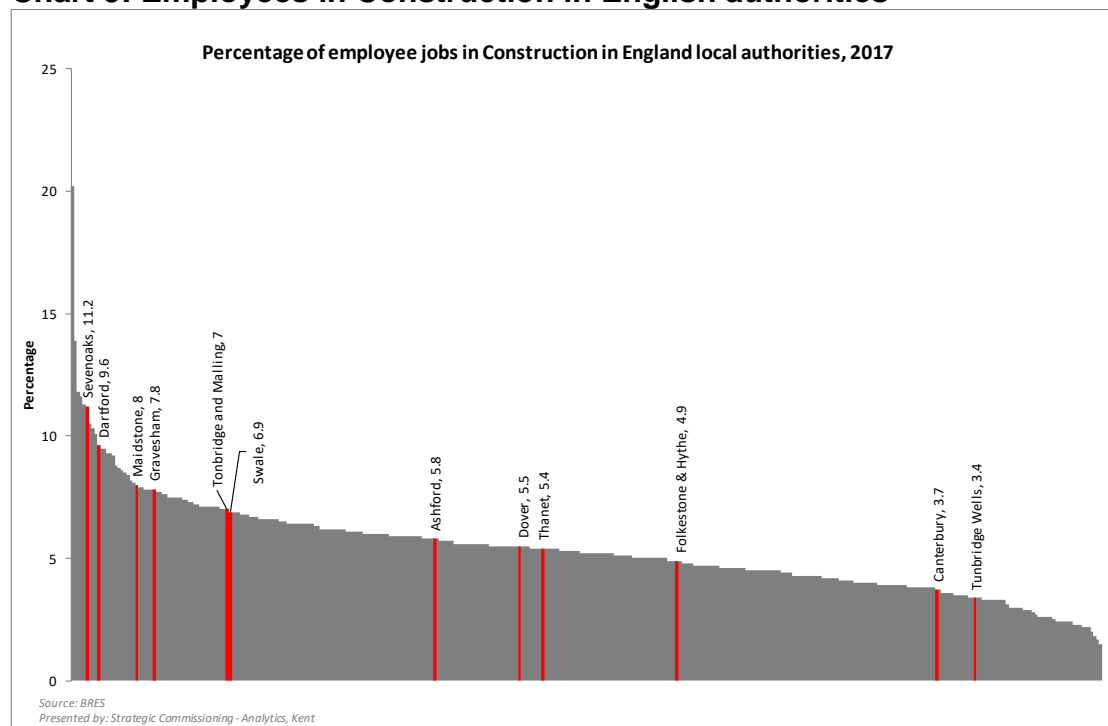
The proportion of workers in the Construction industry in Kent and Medway is shown in map 2.

Map 2: Percentage of workers in the Construction Industry in Kent & Medway



When compared to other authorities in England, Sevenoaks (11.2%) and Dartford (9.6%) have the sixth and tenth highest proportion of employees in the Construction industry in the country.

Chart 3: Employees in Construction in English authorities



The majority of Construction employees in Kent (52.6%) are working within Specialised construction activities.

When looking at these sectors in greater detail it can be seen that a large proportion were employed in electrical, plumbing and other construction installation jobs. A similar proportion were working in the construction of residential and non residential buildings. This is shown in tables 6 and 7.

Table 7: Makeup of Construction Industry employees

2017	Number				% of total construction employees		
	Total Construction	Construction of buildings	Civil engineering	Specialised construction activities	Construction of buildings	Civil engineering	Specialised construction activities
Ashford	2,400	600	400	1,400	23.2%	14.7%	57.9%
Canterbury	2,500	1,000	200	1,400	38.0%	9.2%	55.0%
Dartford	7,500	3,500	400	3,500	46.7%	5.0%	46.7%
Dover	1,500	300	200	1,000	21.7%	14.7%	63.3%
Folkestone & Hythe	1,800	600	400	800	34.3%	21.4%	45.7%
Gravesham	2,000	300	300	1,400	16.3%	15.0%	68.8%
Maidstone	4,300	1,100	700	2,500	26.5%	15.3%	58.8%
Sevenoaks	5,500	2,400	1,100	2,000	43.2%	20.5%	36.4%
Swale	3,500	900	600	1,900	25.7%	17.1%	53.6%
Thanet	2,100	700	200	1,300	32.9%	7.5%	58.8%
Tonbridge and Malling	3,500	1,100	400	2,000	32.1%	10.0%	57.1%
Tunbridge Wells	1,500	600	200	900	36.7%	12.0%	56.7%
Kent	38,000	13,000	5,000	20,000	34.2%	13.2%	52.6%
Medway	5,500	1,500	700	3,500	27.3%	11.8%	63.6%
Kent + Medway	44,000	14,500	5,500	23,500	33.0%	12.5%	53.4%
South East LEP	101,000	33,000	11,500	56,500	32.7%	11.4%	55.9%
South East	205,000	71,000	27,000	107,000	34.6%	13.2%	52.2%
England	1,142,000	360,000	187,000	595,500	31.5%	16.4%	52.1%
Great Britain	1,344,000	415,000	222,000	707,000	30.9%	16.5%	52.6%

Source: BRES

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Table 8: Detailed Construction industry employees

2017	Kent	Medway	South East	England
Construction of buildings				
Development of building projects	7.2%	5.0%	8.0%	7.0%
Construction of residential and non-residential buildings	27.6%	22.7%	26.6%	24.5%
Civil engineering				
Construction of roads and railways	4.6%	4.4%	3.2%	4.7%
Construction of utility projects	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%	1.4%
Construction of other civil engineering projects	7.9%	6.8%	9.5%	10.2%
Specialised construction activities				
Demolition and site preparation	2.2%	0.5%	1.3%	1.2%
Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities	25.0%	27.3%	25.9%	24.5%
Building completion and finishing	14.5%	22.7%	15.6%	16.2%
Other specialised construction activities n.e.c.	11.2%	12.7%	9.3%	10.2%

Source: BRES

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Construction Industry Occupations

Detailed information about the occupations in which residents work is available from the 2011 Census from ONS. This enables us to look at some industry specific occupations related to Construction.

As at 2011 9.7% of the working population of Kent were working in Construction industry occupations above the national average. More than a quarter of those were resident in the Thames Gateway Kent districts of Dartford, Gravesham and Swale.

Table 9: Employment in Construction occupations, 2011

2011 Census	All in employment	Employed in Construction	% employed in construction
Ashford	57,956	5,954	10.3%
Canterbury	66,079	5,446	8.2%
Dartford	49,818	5,357	10.8%
Dover	50,716	4,263	8.4%
Folkestone and Hythe	48,639	4,699	9.7%
Gravesham	47,868	5,709	11.9%
Maidstone	78,511	8,340	10.6%
Sevenoaks	56,499	5,305	9.4%
Swale	63,118	6,693	10.6%
Thanet	55,589	5,228	9.4%
Tonbridge and Malling	60,326	5,703	9.5%
Tunbridge Wells	57,630	4,478	7.8%
Kent	692,749	67,175	9.7%
Medway	127,127	13,890	10.9%
South East LEP	1,901,179	185,909	9.8%
South East	4,288,569	341,685	8.0%
England	25,308,888	1,941,767	7.7%

Source: 2011 Census; Table DC6604EW - Occupation by Industry

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Table 9 shows the occupational groups of Kent residents working in Construction. Just over half of those working in the Construction industry were in skilled trade occupations.

These occupations include:

Construction Building Trades – from building foundations, scaffolding, brick laying to roof covering. This also includes activities such as plumbing, electrical installation and carpentry.

Building completion activities - glazing, plastering, painting, floor and wall tiling or covering with other materials like parquet, carpets, wallpaper.

Table 10 shows the skilled construction trade occupations in more detail.

Table 10: Occupations of those working in Construction industry, 2011

2011 Census	Kent	Medway	South East	England
Total construction occupations	67,175	13,890	341,685	1,941,767
Managers, directors and senior officials	10.8%	8.7%	11.2%	9.7%
Professional occupations	8.3%	7.5%	8.6%	8.0%
Associate professional and technical occupations	4.3%	3.9%	4.4%	4.3%
Administrative and secretarial occupations	7.4%	6.6%	7.2%	6.8%
Skilled trades occupations	50.4%	51.6%	51.9%	52.6%
Caring, leisure and other service occupations	0.5%	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%
Sales and customer service occupations	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%
Process, plant and machine operatives	9.7%	12.1%	8.5%	9.4%
Elementary occupations	7.5%	8.3%	6.7%	7.4%

Source: 2011 Census; Table DC6604EW - Occupation by Industry

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Table 11: People working in skilled construction trade occupations, 2011

2011 Census	Kent	Medway	South East	England
Skilled construction and building trades	30,981	6,414	168,339	976,710
Construction and Building Trades	76.9%	73.8%	76.1%	76.0%
Building Finishing Trades	18.4%	20.2%	20.3%	20.4%
Construction and Building Trades Supervisors	4.7%	6.0%	3.6%	3.6%

Source: 2011 Census; Table QS606EW - Occupation (Minor Groups)

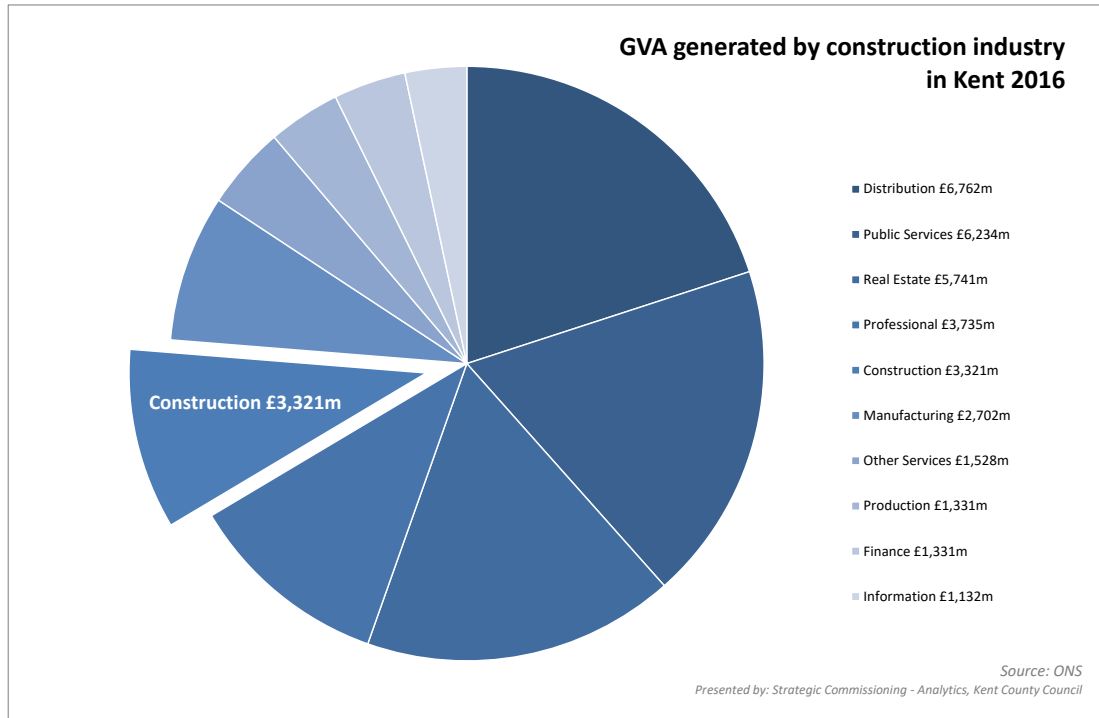
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Construction GVA

Gross Value Added (GVA) is a measure of Output i.e. the value of the goods and services produced in the economy. It is primarily used to monitor the performance of the national economy and is now the measure preferred by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) to measure the overall economic well-being of an area. GVA estimates are available by broad industrial group down to local authority district level. The latest estimates are for 2016.

It is estimated that GVA generated by the construction industry (£3,321m) accounted for 9.8% of the total GVA in Kent in 2016.

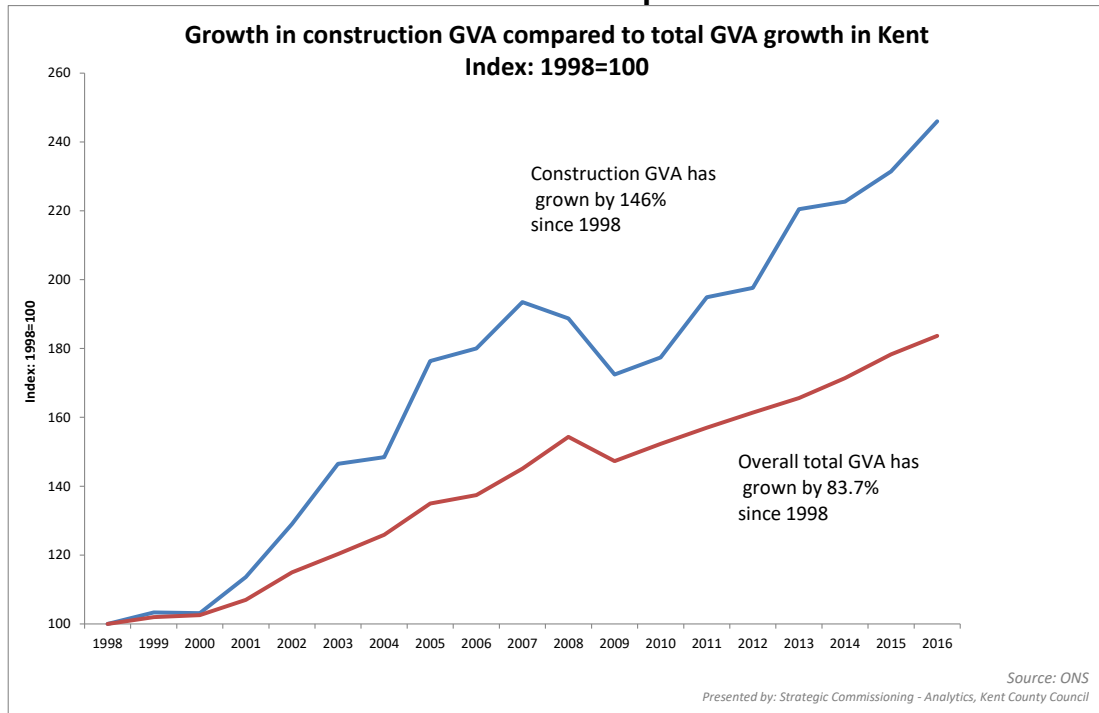
Chat 4: Construction GVA in Kent



Construction GVA has grown considerably since 1998. By setting the same starting point for both construction and total GVA (1998=100) we can more clearly see the differences in growth.

Chart 5 shows that construction GVA has grown at a much faster rate than total GVA in Kent. It shows that construction was particularly badly hit during the recession but has grown at a faster rate following a recovery in 2010.

Chart 5: Growth in construction GVA compared to total GVA in Kent



Dartford district had the highest estimated construction GVA in Kent in 2016 at local authority level (£531m) accounting for 16.7% of the total GVA within the district, and the highest construction GVA per head of population (£5,031).

Table 12: Construction GVA in Kent local authorities

2016	Total GVA (£m)	Total GVA per head (£)	Construction (£m)	Construction GVA per head (£)
Ashford	2,876	22,798	225	1,784
Canterbury	3,222	19,838	221	1,361
Dartford	3,174	30,073	531	5,031
Dover	1,846	16,161	171	1,497
Folkestone & Hythe	2,104	18,923	160	1,439
Gravesham	1,823	17,068	199	1,863
Maidstone	3,842	23,094	381	2,290
Sevenoaks	3,204	26,892	432	3,626
Swale	2,849	19,643	371	2,558
Thanet	2,141	15,222	191	1,358
Tonbridge and Malling	3,690	28,988	277	2,176
Tunbridge Wells	3,047	26,027	162	1,384
Kent	33,818	21,933	3,321	2,154
Medway	5,203	18,679	526	1,888
Kent & Medway	39,021	21,435	3,847	2,113

Source: ONS

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Tunbridge Wells district had the smallest proportion of construction GVA, accounting for 5.2% of the overall GVA generated in the district.

Chart 6: Percentage of GVA generated by construction industries in Kent

