



Construction



In Leeds City Region, building the HS2 railway is expected to generate 13,300 – 23,000 construction related jobs between 2026 – 2033

Construction covers building roads, railways and bridges as well as houses, schools, shopping centres and hospitals. There are over 150 professions that can involve anything from planning, design, financing, project management or safety through to trades such as bricklaying and joinery.

- The construction sector in West Yorkshire employs around 49,000, 4.6% of all employment, up from 46,000 in 2011.
- Most employers are small (employing less than 10 people) and many are self employed.
- Expansion of house and commercial building and infrastructure projects will create more opportunities within skilled trades and higher skilled occupations.
- The number of online vacancies in construction in West Yorkshire was 2,921 in 2017.

- In Leeds City Region jobs are expected to rise by 12,000 from 2014-2024. 44,000 vacancies are expected over this period to replace those who leave the sector.

In the future... There is increasing demand for 'sustainable' construction skills and use of new technologies and materials, so new roles will emerge within the sector.

Types of job	National average salary
Civil engineer	£43,284
Electrician	£31,617
Quantity surveyor	£44,009
Construction manager	£51,655
Carpenter/joiner	£26,875
Labourer	£24,093

Additional sources: CITB 2017, LCR HS2 Growth Strategy 2018

Skills/qualities

- Practical and technical skills
- Attention to detail
- Able to work at heights
- Safety aware
- Team working
- Ability to read drawings/plans
- Problem solving
- Communication

Useful subjects include;

- Maths, English and ICT
- Sciences
- Design technology

Some local employers

- NG Bailey
- Termrim Construction
- Kier Group
- BAM Construction
- Watson Batty Architects
- Walker Singleton Chartered Surveyors



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www.citb.co.uk



www.goconstruct.org

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