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Our Tender Price Inflation report looks at the movement of prices in tenders for building contracts in the UK. The report examines a number of contributing factors and is further informed by our market survey responses and contractor consultations.

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GT MARKET INTELLIGENCE (\square)

MACRO ECONOMIC HEADLINES



UK Unemployment

(Dec - Feb 2021)

0.7%

CPI Mar 2021

(12-month rate)



UK GDP Annual Growth Rate

4.5%

UK Wage Growth*

UK Base Interest Rate

Arrows indicate direction of movement over a one-year period. *Average Weekly Earnings (Total Pay), Y-on-Y three-month average to Feb 2021.

INPUT COSTS Year-on-Year (February 2020 – February 2021)

April 2021

Unless otherwise indicated, figures show percentage change over 12 months

0 to 2%

(Q4 2019 - Q4 2020) 16.4%

> Fabricated Structural Steel

M&E

Components

-2.5%

18.2%

Concrete

Reinforcing Bars

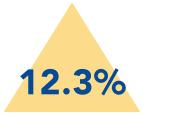
(Steel)

Ready Mixed Concrete

ONS building materials tables. Figures are cumulative annual $\sqrt{\triangle}$ denotes movement trend

\$65.9

Oil Prices Brent Crude (Barrel) (As of 21st Apr 2021)



Imported Sawn or Planed Wood



Construction **Industry Wage** Growth*



Contractor Margins (Q4 2020 to Q1 2021)

*Average Weekly Earnings (Total Pay), Y-on-Y three-month average to Feb 2021.

TENDER PRICE CHANGE

1.5%

RPI Mar 2021

(12-month rate)

Tender price annual percentage change Q2 2021

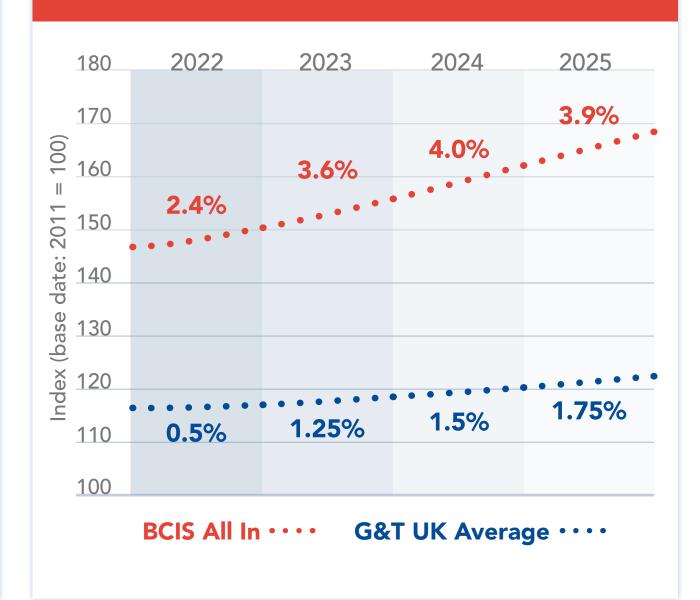
| % | 2021 | | 2022 | | 2023 | | 2024 | |
|-----------------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| Regional forecasts | Now | Last* | Now | Last* | Now | Last* | Now | Last* |
| Greater London | 0.50 | -1.00 | 1.25 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.50 |
| South East | 0.50 | -1.00 | 1.25 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.50 |
| South West | 0.00 | -1.00 | 1.25 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| East | 1.00 | 0.00 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Midlands | 1.00 | -0.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.50 |
| Wales | 0.00 | -1.50 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Yorks & Humber | 0.50 | -0.50 | 1.00 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.25 |
| North West | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| North East | 0.50 | -1.50 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| Scotland | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.50 | 0.50 | 2.00 | 1.50 | 2.00 | 1.50 |
| Northern Ireland | 0.00 | -2.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 |
| UK Average (weighted) | 0.50 | -0.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.75 | 1.50 |

Last* 1Q 2021

Figures are cumulative annual

FORECASTS

Tender Price Trend, All UK TPI Q2 2021



Our advice is to review each project on its own merits. This forecast publication must be treated as a guide only, being that it is based on averages of various types and sizes of projects across a region, ascertained through our latest market research. The quality, both of design and desired end product, procurement route (particularly ownership and transfer risk), delivery timescales, complexity of design and desire of contractors to tender should be carefully considered in project specific estimates and their outturn cost. Suitable allowances should be made for project specific designs, site conditions and local market conditions, which should be reviewed regularly with your Gardiner & Theobald team to determine the appropriate base cost.