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SL Purchasing Managers' Index

Construction



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The Sri Lanka Purchasing Managers' Index for Construction (PMI – Construction), as reflected by the Total Activity Index, increased to 66.2 in November 2025. Most firms reported improved construction activity during the month, despite the weather-related disruptions towards the end of the period.

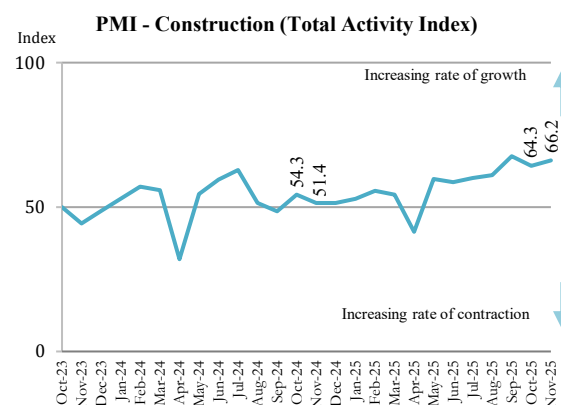
The New Orders Index remained expanded in November. Many respondents highlighted the increased availability of both private and government-funded projects during the month. The Employment and Quantity of Purchases indices further increased, indicating a continued optimism about the availability of construction projects. Meanwhile, the Suppliers' Delivery Time remained lengthened in November.

Summary of the PMI - Construction Survey

Variable	Oct.	Nov.	+/-	Direction
PMI - Construction (Total Activity Index)	64.3	66.2	+	Rising, Higher Rate
New Orders	67.1	64.7	-	Rising, Slower Rate
Employment	52.9	57.4	+	Rising, Higher Rate
Quantity of Purchases	58.6	58.8	+	Rising, Higher Rate
Suppliers' Delivery Time	52.9	53.0	+	Lengthening, Higher Rate

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Despite the anticipated slowdown in December due to holidays and cyclone-related disruptions, the outlook for the next three months remains positive. This is supported by anticipated favourable weather conditions and the launch of new projects in the new year, with post-cyclone reconstruction efforts to provide additional momentum.



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

The World Outlook: Summary of PMI Construction

Country/Territory	Direction
Eurozone	Falling, Slower Rate
France	Falling, Slower Rate
Germany	Falling, Slower Rate
Ireland	Falling, Higher Rate
Italy	Falling from Rising
UK	Falling, Higher Rate

Source: S&P Global¹ as of 30 December 2025
(PMI Releases ([spglobal.com](https://www.spglobal.com)))

¹S&P Global compiles PMIs for over 40 economies worldwide.

Technical Note

Methodology

The index compilation and interpretation of indices follow the survey methodology of S&P Global.

The Construction Total Activity Index is the headline index for Construction, which is referred to as the **PMI – Construction**, as per the international best practices. The Construction Total Activity Index is comparable to the Manufacturing Production Index and Services Business Activity Index.

The Index

PMI is calculated as a 'Diffusion Index', where it takes values between 0 and 100.

PMI=50 - sector remained neutral on month-on-month basis; PMI>50 - sector is generally expanding on month-on-month basis

PMI<50 - sector is generally declining on month-on-month basis

Sample

The survey is conducted targeting highest graded local construction companies registered in the Construction Industry Development Authority covering around 35 responses to capture month on month developments.

Definitions of Variables

Employment : Number of staff working for the organization

Quantity of purchases : Raw materials purchased and kept in a warehouse to be used for production

Supplier Delivery Time : Time lag between order placement and delivery by the supplier

Other variables are self-explanatory.