



The Sri Lanka Purchasing Managers' Index for Construction (PMI – Construction), as reflected by the Total Activity Index, recorded a value of 64.3 in October 2025. This high reading follows last month's peak, indicating a sustained positive outlook for construction activities.

The New Orders index continued to expand in October, with many respondents reporting an increase in government-funded projects. The Employment and Quantity of Purchases indices also expanded during the month, reflecting firms' continued confidence, supported by the steady flow of construction projects. Meanwhile, the Suppliers' Delivery Time remained lengthened during the month.

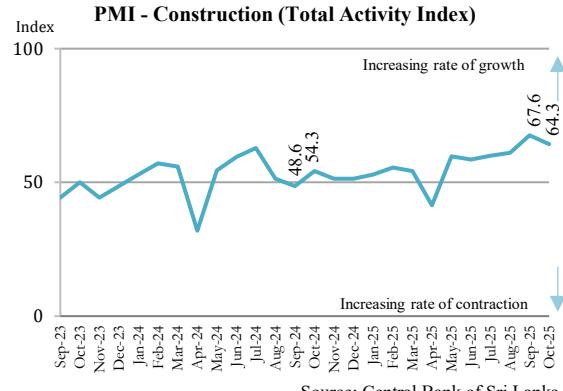
Summary of the PMI - Construction Survey

Variable	Sep.	Oct.	+/-	Direction
PMI - Construction (Total Activity Index)	67.6	64.3	-	Rising, Slower Rate
New Orders	68.9	67.1	-	Rising, Slower Rate
Employment	55.4	52.9	-	Rising, Slower Rate
Quantity of Purchases	56.8	58.6	+	Rising, Higher Rate
Suppliers' Delivery Time	52.7	52.9	+	Lengthening, Higher Rate

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Expectations for the next three months remain positive, with most of the firms anticipating a continued pipeline of projects.

**PMI
Construction
Total Activity Index 64.3
October 2025**



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The World Outlook: Summary of PMI Construction

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

Source: S&P Global¹ as of 28 November 2025
(PMI Releases (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.