June 2026

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 60.0 in June 2026, indicating continued expansion in construction activities. Most survey respondents attributed this increase to the ongoing execution of construction projects awarded in preceding months.

The New Orders Index continued to expand, albeit at a slower pace, following the high level of project awards recorded in the previous month. The Employment Index increased further in June as firms continued to ramp up staff recruitment. However, many survey respondents highlighted the persistent shortage of skilled construction workers. The Quantity of Purchases Index increased with the continued increase in construction activities. Nevertheless, many survey respondents reported that shortages of key raw materials, particularly bitumen, continued to restrain the pace of construction activities. Meanwhile, the Suppliers' Delivery Time Index remained elevated in June due to on going supply distruptions.

Summary of the PMI - Construction Survey

Variable	2026 May	2026 June	+/-	Direction
PMI - Construction (Total Activity Index)	**59.1**	**60.0**	+	**Rising, Higher Rate**
New Orders	63.6	54.3	-	Rising, Slower Rate
Employment	56.1	61.4	+	Rising, Higher Rate
Quantity of Purchases	59.1	60.0	+	Rising, Higher Rate
Suppliers' Delivery Time	71.2	62.9	-	Lengthening, Slower Rate

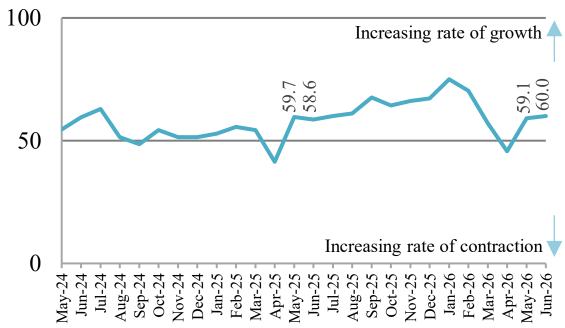
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Business sentiment among construction firms remained positive for the quarter ahead, underpinned by healthy pipeline of work, though the risk of input shortages continued to pose a bottleneck to sectoral growth.

PMI Construction Total Activity Index June 2026

60.0

PMI - Construction (Total Activity Index)



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

The World Outlook: Summary of PMI Construction

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

Source: S&P Global[1] as of 31 July 2026 (PMI Releases (spglobal.com))

[1]S&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.