Built Environment and Construction





Climate Change

The built environment and construction currently accounts for around

40% of our emissions in Scotland (2020).



Economic Value



for **£6.6** billion of Gross Value Added (GVA) in 2020, **8.1% of Scotland's total GVA**.

There were **over 47,000**

businesses operating in the construction sector in 2022.





In 2021, total employment in the construction sector was **158,000**, equivalent to **6% of all jobs in Scotland.**

Building Stock

There are approximately

2.5 million
occupied dwellings
in Scotland.

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Fuel Poverty

In 2019, **25% of Scottish households** were in fuel poverty.

Fuel poverty is higher in remote rural areas **(43%)** and remote small towns **(34%)**.



Workforce

In 2021, **84%**of the sector's
workforce were men.

37%

were **over 50 years of age** (compared with **33%** for Scotland as a whole).

1.6%

of workers were from minority ethnic backgrounds (compared with 4.3% for Scotland as a whole).

Building Stock

Levels of insulation are higher in the social sector compared to the private sector.

Older households (63%)
have lower average energy
efficiency ratings than
families (68%) and other
households (65%).

The average energy efficiency profile of rural properties is lower than that of urban areas.