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Background

New order estimates in construction measures the value of new orders by type of work and region within Great Britain. It is published quarterly, as part of the Construction output publication. The most recent [new orders publication](#) was for Q1 (January to March) 2017

New orders data is also used in the model for estimating output by type of work and by region, alongside parameters that make assumptions as to timing and magnitude of conversion of new orders won into output produced. This model is explained in the [Construction output quality and methodology information](#).

Requirements:

The ONS will shortly be re-tendering for the supply of New Order Estimates in Construction. This involves providing a supply of quarterly estimates of contracts won, broken down by region, type-of-work and funding categories, along with details on the largest contracts for each period.

The ONS is also looking to improve the methodology for modelling output by type of work and by region. The new tender will therefore be requesting an increased amount of detail on the contracts won, to allow for improvements to be made to this model.