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### CONSTRUCTION SITES AND THE LEVEL OF PRODUCTIVITY

Build UK (the main contract's trade association) has reported that almost all their members' sites in England and Wales are now open with 97% of infrastructure and construction sites operating. This is up from 93% two weeks ago. Output continues to rise slowly, with infrastructure sites achieving 89%, up from 85% and construction sites improving from 74% to 78%.

93% of housing site in England and Wales are now open, up from 68% a month ago, with output rising from 53% to 78%.

The situation in Scotland remains very different, with just 21% of projects running and output at 27%. The Scottish Government is currently implementing Phase 1 of its [COVID-19 route map through and out of the crisis](#), which aligns with Phase 0 and 1 of the [Construction Re-start Plan](#) developed to get the industry back to work.

Phase 2 of the Construction Re-Start Plan is known as the 'soft start', which will see work that can be carried out within physical distancing parameter resumed. However, the industry has been told that it can only move to this phase a [minimum of two weeks](#) after publication of the updated guidance for the sector on 28<sup>th</sup> May, which means that tomorrow (11<sup>th</sup> June) is the earliest that there could be an update on when sites in Scotland might be able to open.

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