

Skilled Construction Workers Forecast (2018 – 2022)



Objectives

- To assess the trends of manpower demand and supply in the HK construction industry
- To identify the discrepancies between the demand and supply of the labour market
- To provide information for policy makers on the changes likely to occur
 in the construction investment and occupational profile of the labour
 force, and on the broad implications of these changes for training and
 employment policies
- To help formulate short-term actions and long-term strategies in order to meet the future needs

Manpower plans can never be blueprints in any rigid sense. They should be treated as one among many pieces of information which planners need to assess before taking decisions and then used to help evaluate the risks which exist in the present circumstances (Holden et al., 1990).



DEMAND

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CICMF Model - Demand



Unit: man-day



Project sum

Unit: HK\$M



Labour Multipliers (22 project types)

Unit: man-day / HK\$M

Labour Multipliers (22 project types)

Unit: man-year / HK\$M



Expenditure Forecast

(2018-2022, excluding 3RS, Hospital, Public housing projects)



Demand Forecast of Workers

(2018-2022, excluding 3RS, Hospital, Public housing projects)

Unit: man-year

Demand Forecast

of Workers

(2018-2022, excluding 3RS, Hospital, Public housing projects)

Unit: man-year



Demand Forecast of Workers for 3RS, Hospital, Public Housing Projects (2018-2022)

Unit: man-year

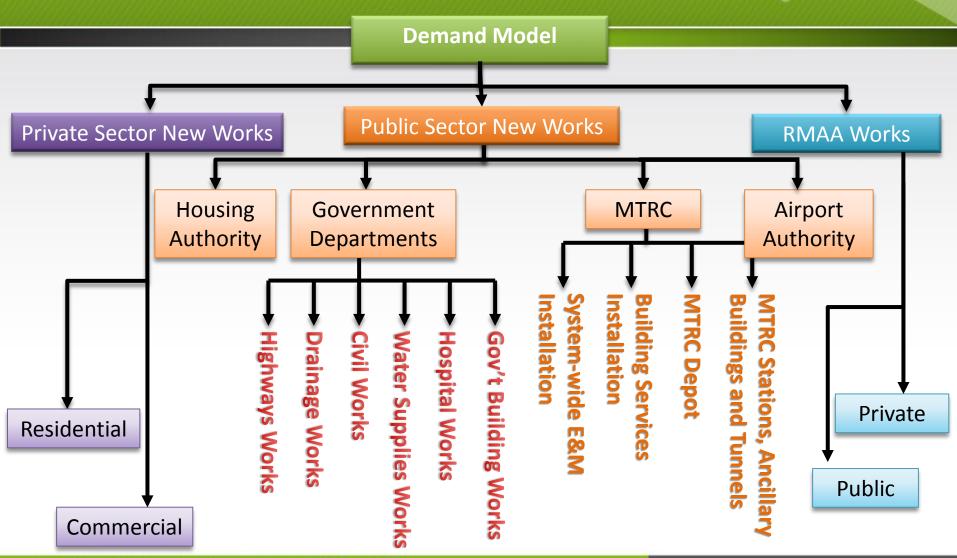
Unit: HK\$M



Demand Forecast of Workers (2018-2022)

Unit: man-year

Demand Model: Project Types Covered



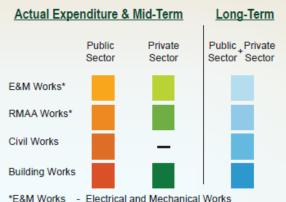
Assumptions

- Linear relationship between labour demand and construction output.
- Analogous labour deployment within a specific project type.
- Labour multipliers remain unchanged in the forecast period.
- The 25th percentile scenario of the expenditure forecast is adopted to reflect the potential effect of filibustering and economic uncertainties

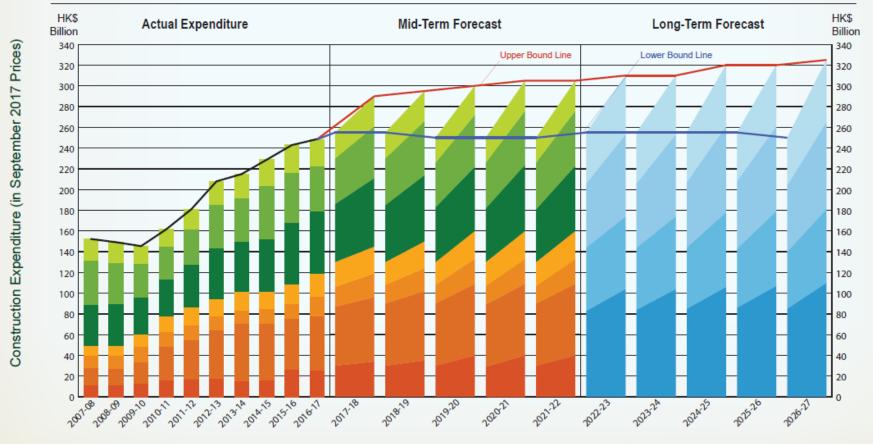
Updates

- Adopt latest construction expenditure forecast
- Multipliers updated: 65 RMAA projects in private sector added
- Incorporated manpower demand estimation of
 - ➤ Three-runway System (3RS)
 - ➤ Public Housing Projects
 - ➤ Hospital Projects

CONSTRUCTION EXPENDITURE FORECAST FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS (2017/18 TO 2026/27)



*RMAA Works - Repair, Maintenance, Alteration and Additional Works





SUPPLY

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CICMF Model - Supply



New Entrants king account of rete

(taking account of retention rate, productivity proficiency, change of population, and inservices workers for nurturing) (Sources: CIC, C&SD)

Existing Pool (Source: Jul 2017, CWRB)



Inactive Workers



- Unemployed
- Unutilized productivity of underemployed
- Workers in Macao

(Sources: CWRB, C&SD)



Forecast Supply of Active Skilled Workers (2018-2022)

Assumptions

- Training places and retention rates remain unchanged in the forecast period.
- Productivity of new entrants after graduation is 63.2% in1st year, 81.2% in 2nd year and 100% in 3rd year (based on proficiency tests of CIC graduates).
- Discounted productivity of in-service skilled workers as trainers required in nurturing new entrants in 1st and 2nd years is 25% of new entrants.
- Discounted productivity of underemployed workers is 50% of fully employed workers.
- Number of retirees is estimated based on the retirement pattern of individual trades with age ≥ 60 by making reference of registration records over the past three years.

Updates

Items	2016 Update	2017 Update
Registered Workers from CWRB database	Aug 2016	Jul 2017
+ Registered General Workers (RGW) possessing trade skills from phone surveys	2016	nil
+ New entrants projected from CIC Training	2016	2017
♥ Graduation & Retention	By trades	By trades
 Workers currently not engaged in the construction industry (from CWRB phone surveys) 	2016	2017
 Underemployed workers 	Jun 2016	Jun 2017
– Workers in Macao	Jul 2016	Jul 2017
Effect of population changes (younger age group)	✓	✓



Projected Manpower Situation

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Estimated Manpower Shortage (Overall)

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
2017 Update	About 5,000 – 10,000	About 5,000 – 10,000	About 5,000 – 10,000	About 5,000 – 10,000	About 5,000 – 10,000
2016	About 10,000 – 15,000	About 10,000 – 15,000	About 10,000 – 15,000	About 10,000 – 15,000	N/A

Notes

• Figures are in absolute at the end of corresponding years and are non-cumulative.

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Estimated Manpower Shortage (by Trade)

#	Trade	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	Bar Bender & Fixer					
2	Concretor					
4	Plumber					
6	Scaffolder					
7	Carpenter					
9	Plant & Equipment Operator (Load Shifting)					
12	General Welder					
13	Metal Worker					

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Estimated Manpower Shortage (by Trade) (cont.)

#	Trade	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
14	Glazier					
16	Plasterer Terrazzo & Granolithic Worker					
26	Electrical Fitter (incl. Electrician)					
28	Refrigeration/AC/Ventilation Mechanic					
29	Fire Service Mechanic					
30	Lift and Escalator Mechanic					

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Way Forward

- To enrich and constantly update relevant data (incl. multipliers, CWRB data, ratio of workers performing RMAA works, number of workers in Macao, training data, etc).
- To liaise with relevant organisations to solicit relevant project data in the RMAA sector.

Better utilise CWRB database for forecasting purpose.

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Trade No.	Trade Name (English)	工種名稱(中文)
1	Bar Bender & Fixer [or Steelbender]	鋼筋屈紮工
2	Concretor	混凝土工
3	Drainlayer	地渠工
4	Plumber	水喉工
5	Leveler	平水工
6	Scaffolder	棚架工
7	Carpenter	木模板工
8	Joiner	細木工
9	Plant & Equipment Operator (Load Shifting) [or Plant Operator (exc. driver, bulldozer driver, etc.)]	機械設備操作工
10	Truck Driver	貨車駕駛員
11	Rock-Breaking Driller [or Pneumatic Driller]	鑽破工

Trade No.	Trade Name (English)	工種名稱(中文)
12	General Welder	普通焊接工
13	Metal Worker	金屬工
14	Glazier	玻璃工
15	Painter & Decorator	髹漆及裝飾工
16	Plasterer Terrazzo & Granolithic Worker	批盪工
17	Bricklayer	砌磚工
18	Marble Worker	雲石工
19	Mason (incl. rubble mason, splitting mason and ashlar mason)	砌石工
20	Structural Steel Welder	結構鋼材焊接工
21	Structural Steel Erector	結構鋼架工
22	Rigger / Metal Formwork Erector	索具工(叻喍)/金屬模板裝嵌工

Trade No.	Trade Name (English)	工種名稱(中文)
23	Asphalter (Road Construction)	瀝青工(道路建造)
24	Construction Plant Mechanic [or Fitter]	建造機械技工
25	Diver	潛水員
26	Electrical Fitter (incl. Electrician)	電氣裝配工
27	Mechanical Fitter	機械打磨裝配工
28	Refrigeration / AC / Ventilation Mechanic	空調製冷設備技工
29	Fire Service Mechanic	消防設備技工
30	Lift and Escalator Mechanic	自動梯技工/升降機技工
31	Building Services Maintenance Mechanic	樓宇工程設備維修技工
32	Cable Jointer (Power)	強電流電纜接駁技工
33	Asphalter (Waterproof)	瀝青工(防水)

Trade No.	Trade Name (English)	工種名稱(中文)
34	Tiler	鋪瓦工
35	Roofer	屋面工
36	Waterproofer	防水工
37	Material Lab Labour	物料實驗室技工
38	Gas Piper	氣體裝置技工
39	Drywall	清水牆工
40	False Ceiling Worker	假天花工
41	Landscape Worker	園藝工
42	Track worker	鋪軌工
43	Piling Worker	打樁工
44	Pipelayer	敷喉管工

Trade No.	Trade Name (English)	工種名稱(中文)
45	Shotfirer	爆石工
46	Tunnel Worker	隧道工
47	Marine Craft Crew	海面建造機械操作工
48	Diver's Linesman	潛水架線工
49	Miner	礦工
50	Shotcretor (Nozzleman)	噴射混凝土工
51	Stevedore	搬運工人
52	General Worker	普通工人
53	General ABWF Workers	普通樓宇及翻新工人
54	General E&M Workers	普通機電工人
55	General Civil / Airfield Workers	普通土木/機場工人

Trade No.	Trade Name (English)	工種名稱(中文)
56	Specialist Plant Operator - Marine (Reclamation)	專門機械設備操作工 - 海上(填海)
57	Specialist Plant Operator - Land (Reclamation)	專門機械設備操作工 - 陸上(填海)
58	APM/BHS/Airport System Workers	旅客捷運系統/行李處理系統/機場 系統工人