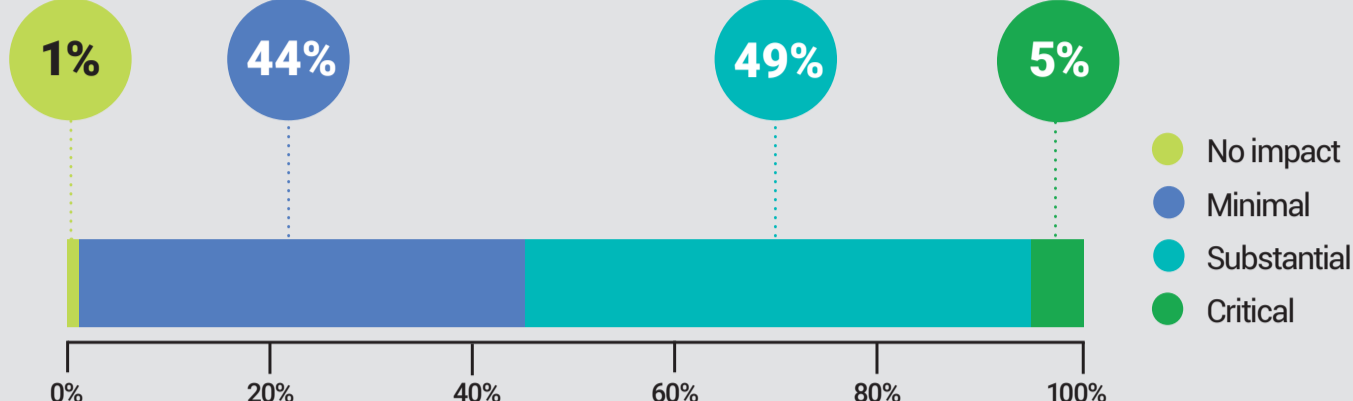




# MHA Construction Sector Survey Results: COVID-19

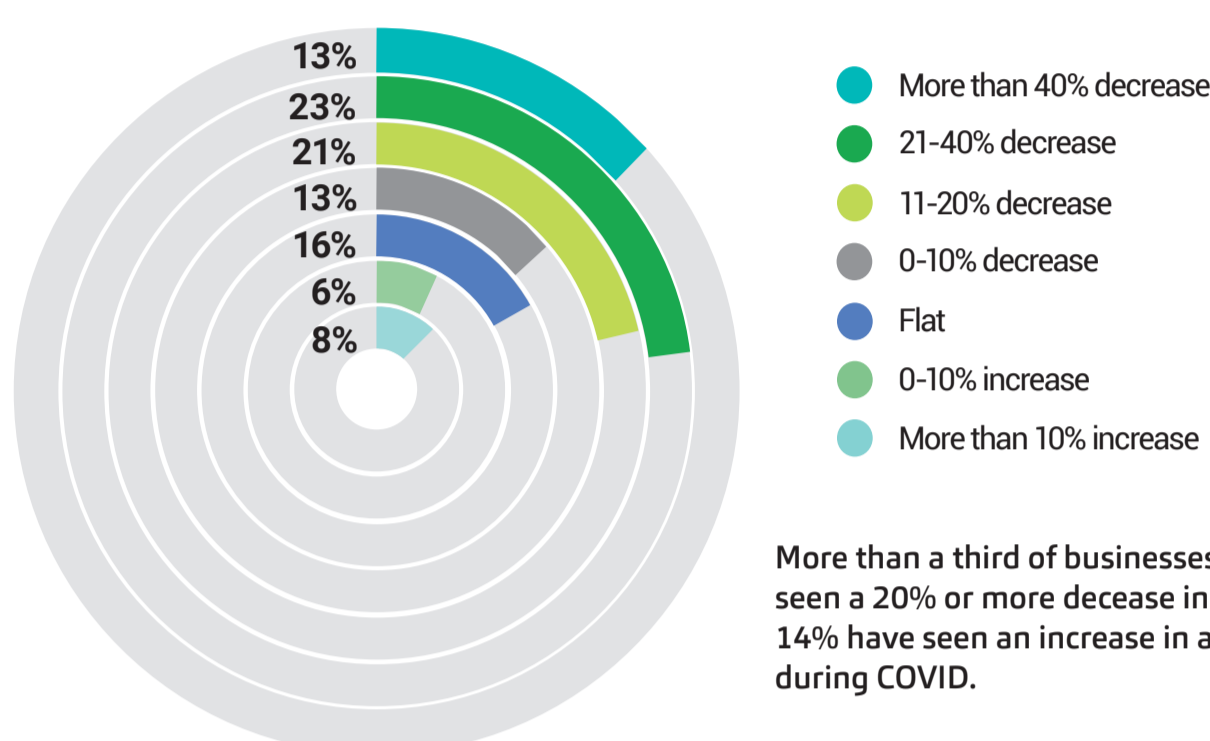
## What impact has COVID-19 had on construction businesses in the UK?

### 1 Impact of COVID-19



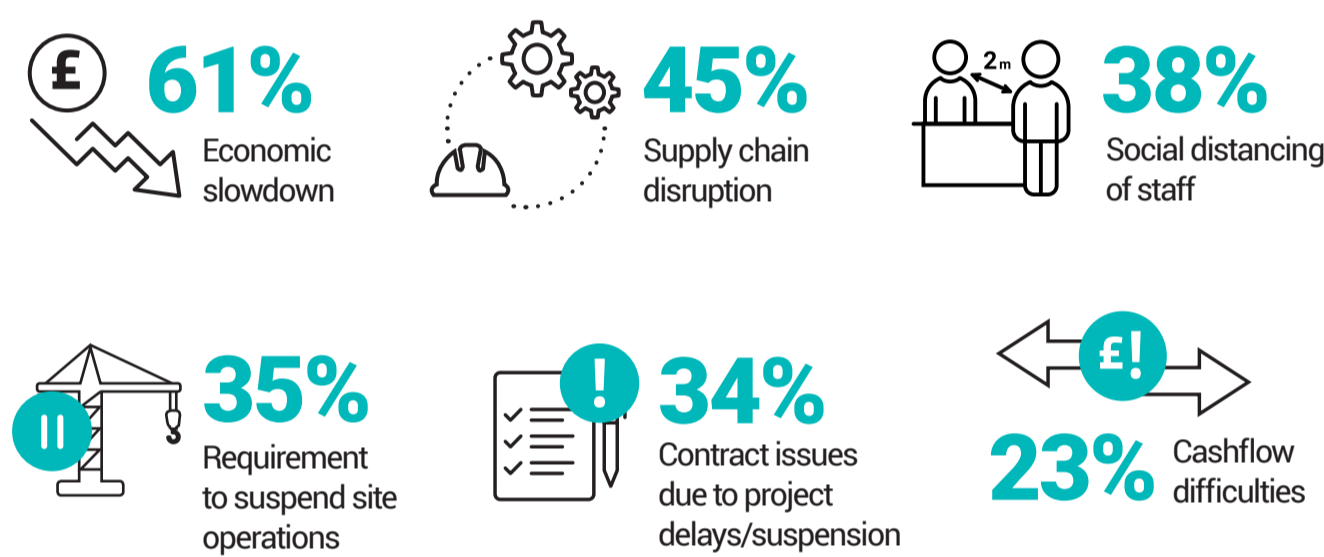
More than 50% of businesses have had a substantial or critical impact on their business due to COVID-19.

### 2 Changes in activity levels



More than a third of businesses have seen a 20% or more decrease in activity. 14% have seen an increase in activity during COVID.

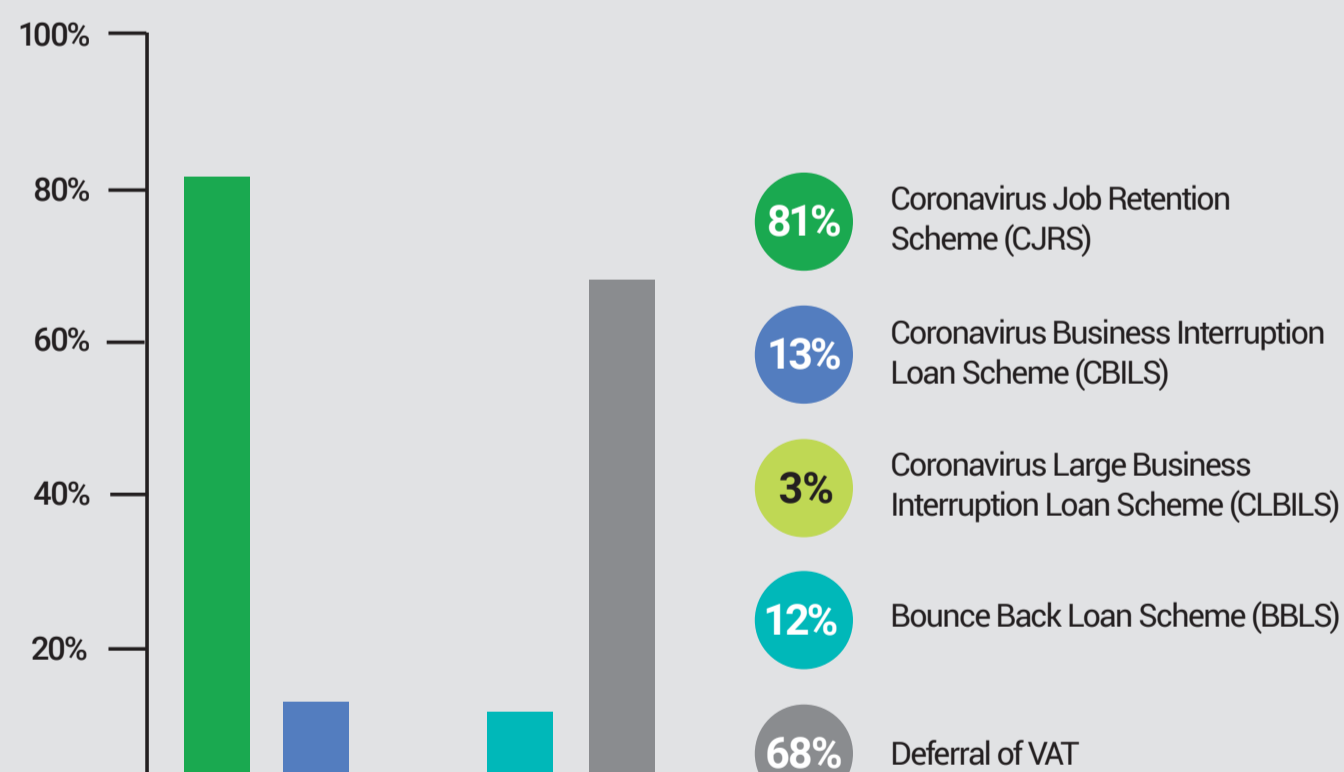
### 3 Biggest challenges for business



#### Other issues faced by businesses:

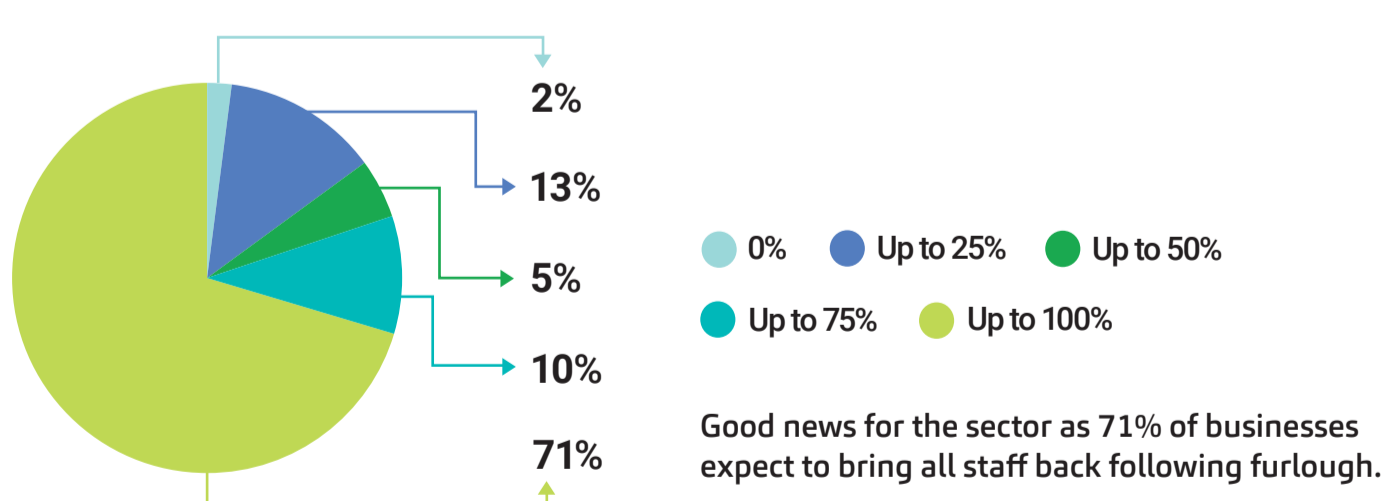
- Loss of workers due to illness/shielding
- Lack of guidance from the government
- Workforce reduction
- Ability to claim on insurance
- Payment of absent workers
- Non-payment of rents by tenants

### 4 Government support



The funding schemes were not heavily utilised, but more than 80% took advantage of the CJRS and nearly 70% deferred VAT payments.

### Proportion of furloughed staff to return



Good news for the sector as 71% of businesses expect to bring all staff back following furlough.

### 5 Changes in working patterns



#### Other changes introduced:

- Home working
- Regular use of video conferencing technology

Read more about the state of the UK construction industry in the MHA Construction Sector Report, due out at the end of September.

The report will look at the state of the construction sector going into the COVID pandemic, analyse how the sector is responding to current challenges, and anticipate the way forward for the industry.