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## Top 5 construction-specific reports every contractor needs

Excel spreadsheets can be a powerful tool for summarising and collating data. However, creating templates, adding formulas, manually inputting numbers and trying to produce analysis from spreadsheets is time-consuming, error-prone and easily corruptible.

Reporting on the information you need to run your construction projects, protect margins and ensure profitability, requires coordinated information from a range of sources, which must be integrated from various project phases and construction activities. Even the most highly-organised spreadsheet systems can result in inaccuracies which ultimately cost time and money.

Instead of relying solely on standalone manual spreadsheets, thousands of contractors utilise modern contract management software such as Construct for Sage from Eque2, to do the hard work for them.

## Still using spreadsheets? Here's what you're missing:

### Getting the real-time information you need

Construct allows users to create customised Excel reports and dashboards, making it easy to manage and customise the exact information required to run their business. For example, allow members of the finance and commercial team to compare actual and budgeted costs, in real time, at the click of a button.

### Drilling-down into the detail

With Construct, every report can be filtered so you can drill into the detail of every project. Whether you're sorting by client, contract manager, month or year, you'll never have to sift through multiple spreadsheets again.

### Receiving automated reports in your inbox

With the right software, you only need to produce the report you need once, which can then be scheduled to be sent to your inbox every day, week or month to give you the visibility on your projects you need to make proactive decisions.

To find out more about Construct for Sage, go to [www.eque2.co.uk](http://www.eque2.co.uk)



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## Here's 5 of our most popular construction-specific reports every contractor needs:

### 1 Contract Summary Report:

Break down costs by the major cost categories of labour, plant, materials, subcontractors and sundries, as well as monitoring revenue, profit and margin percentage.

### 2 Work in Progress:

Gain a complete overview of any project with a detailed breakdown of cost codes with values for cost budgets, purchase orders, actual costs, revenue budgets (contract I value), value of applications, certificates, invoices, estimated and actual profit, cost to complete, retentions held.

### 3 Retentions:

Clearly see retentions held from you by your clients as well as retentions you have held from subcontractors. Retentions are itemised by contract, and allow you to keep track of outstanding retention values and release dates to chase payment.

### 4 Variations:

Clearly keep track of your variations, both external and internal. Things move quickly on site so understanding and monitoring both verbal and formal variations, and then keeping track of the cost and what you have billed for will make a huge impact on your projects bottom line.

### 5 Plant on Hire:

Construct makes it easy to monitor plant hire items; after raising a purchase order for plant, it's possible to see if the plant is exceeding its hire period, and therefore costing you money, allowing you to quickly rectify it.

Construct gives you a real-time view of how a job is performing, allowing you to allocate budgets to individual jobs and raise purchase orders against the contract as jobs near completion. For more detail, less time spent on manual processes and more time focussed on growing your business, contact Eque2 to find out how Construct for Sage can make reporting easier than ever before.

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