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Local Authority Highway Maintenance & Civil Engineering Market Snapshot

Market growth continues



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2021 was another strong year for the local authority Highway Maintenance & Civil Engineering market, with council spend on these services rising by just over 5% to reach £3.65Bn. This marked a continuation of the significant growth seen in 2020, when council spend in this market jumped by almost 7.5% to £3.47M, having hovered around the £3.2Bn mark for the previous few years.

The year started with a rapid increase in spend levels, rising by 63.5% between January and March, before returning to a more steady level at around the £300M per month mark.

Regionally, the 2021 picture is quite varied. While the highest growth when compared to the previous year was seen in the North East (25.3%), this was also the region with the lowest total local authority Highway Maintenance & Civil Engineering spend by quite some way. Strong growth (17.9%) was also seen in the South East, which also came out on top in terms of total spend, with falls in spend when compared to 2020 seen in only three regions – the West Midlands, North West and Yorkshire & Humber.

Staying Power

Four of 2021's top five suppliers also made the list in 2020.

Less is More

One supplier (Amey) climbed into the top five in 2021 despite earning less in this market than in 2020.

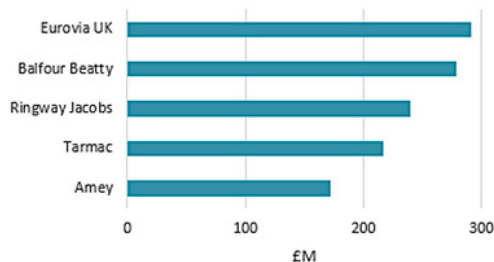
Market Share Falls

The top five suppliers saw their combined market share fall by almost 4% in 2021.

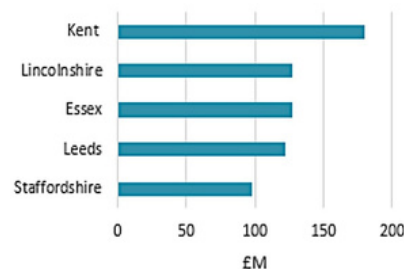
Mixed Results

Three of the top five suppliers saw their earnings in this market fall in 2021, whilst two saw an increase.

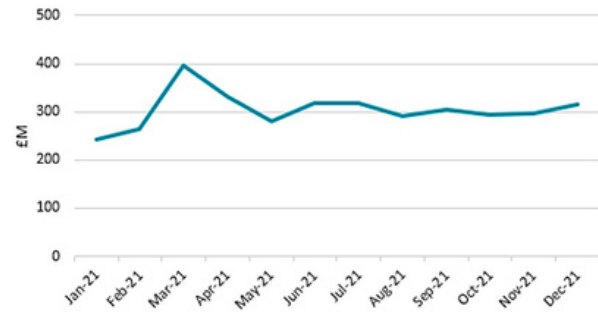
Top Five Suppliers 2021



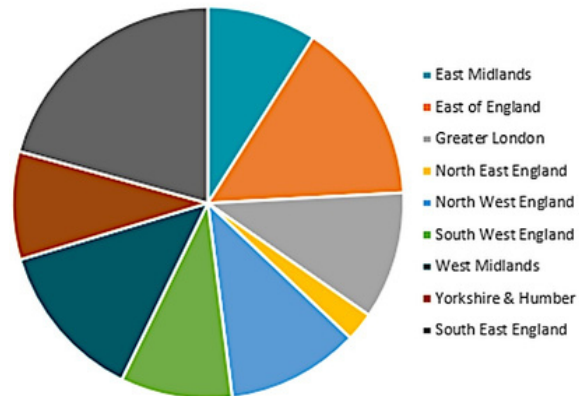
Top Five Spenders 2021



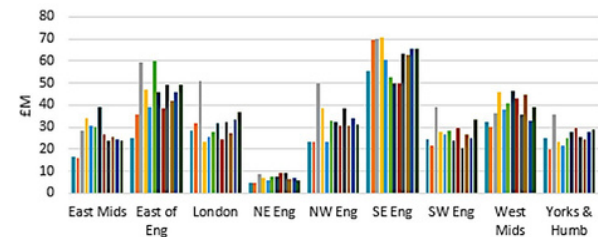
Council Spend 2021



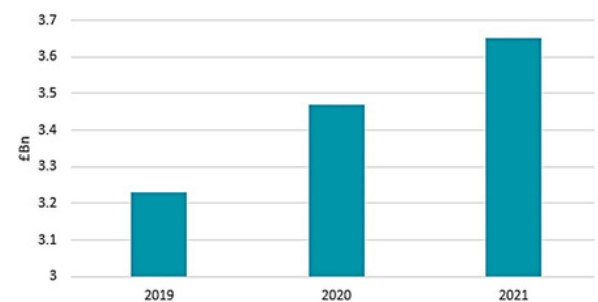
Council Spend (by Region) 2021



Council Spend (by Region) Jan - Dec 2021



Council Spend 2019 -2021



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