

# Media Release

## WA Leading the Nation in Women in Construction

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WA is leading the nation with female participation in building and construction according to recent Bureau of Statistics data.

“The WA building and construction industry is proudly leading the country with female participation and employment in our sector.”, said MBAWA CEO Matthew Pollock.

“The latest ABS Labour Force figures for construction employments shows WA’s female participation rate is 17.4%.

“This is head and shoulders above every other state and well above the national average of 13.4%.

“What the numbers show is WA has a building and construction industry sector which is inclusive and rewarding for women.

“Master Builders has long championed that building a better industry is centred on its workforce and having the right approaches to attracting and retaining workers.

“We need to attract over 40,000 extra workers into the construction industry in the next two years. We’re going to need more people from all parts of the community to choose a career in construction if we are to meet these targets.

“Master Builders continues to lead with its initiatives and programs for attracting women into the industry.

“Meeting future workforce targets is the most important factor if we are to meet the demand for new housing and major projects to support a growing WA economy.” Mr Pollock concluded.

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