

INSOLVENCY REPORT

A closer look at company insolvencies across the glazing & wider construction industry.





EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the eleventh edition of Insight Data's monthly Insolvency Report. Unfortunately this month, almost across the board, insolvencies in the building construction and fenestration sector are up.

It's been a month since Labour's controversial financial statement was announced and although we can't make any direct links between the Budget and the industry's latest insolvency figures, we can't ignore that this could have played a part in November's data.

Our analysis shows that there has been an 133% increase in the number of main contractors going under, with the numbers jumping from three in October to seven in November. The picture for small builders, fabricators and installers in the fenestration sector is similarly bleak. In fact, in November 115 local builders went bust (an increase of 35% on October's figure of 85) and 97 fenestration fabricators and installers went out of business – a 43% rise when compared to October. The data also highlights that 38 architect firms went into administration in November which is up 52% from 25 since October.

Builders' merchants are the only group to see a reduction in insolvencies, with just six reported in November - which is an incredible 72% drop from the 21 noted in October.

As we approach the end of 2024, the future does unfortunately look bleak. Have firms been spooked by the autumn Budget and the number of challenges it will introduce? Has the rise in National Insurance contributions, the increase in minimum wage and the drop in discount in business rates persuaded business owners to act now before April 2025? While it's difficult to say for certain, it's not surprising if this is the case.

The National Insurance rise is going to have a massive impact on businesses of all shapes and sizes and is likely to result in a spike in insolvencies throughout 2025 as companies take stock, cut back or choose to close altogether.

Next year is set to be a year of significant change and potential challenges. However, with reliable insights, quality marketing data and data-driven strategies businesses in the construction and fenestration industry can overcome these difficulties.

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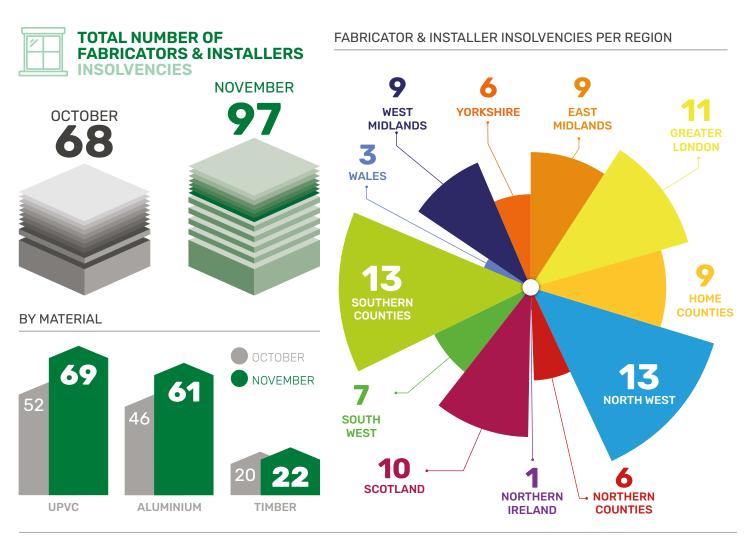
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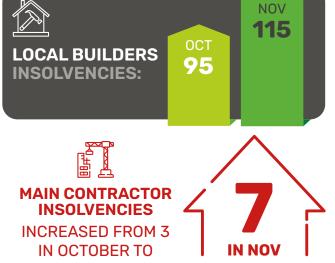
INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT

IN TOTAL, **263** COMPANIES HAD THEIR COMPANY STATUS AMENDED AS DISSOLVED. IN LIQUIDATION. WOUND UP. OR CEASED TRADING.









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