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It is confusing having a PIN (Prior Information Notices) which encourages you to respond but you cannot.

UKAEA (UK Atomic Energy Authority) PIN's have multiple purposes. Following feedback, UKAEA's updated pipeline will outline the purpose of the PIN (i.e., market research or response to tender exercise) and what action is required from suppliers. Additionally, you can always submit information you think would be helpful by sending a reply through the messaging feature in [EU supply](#) portal.

I sometimes struggle to find suitable tenders.

UKAEA publishes a Procurement Pipeline quarterly to the supply chain so that a long-term view of UKAEA's upcoming tenders can be seen. All UKAEA tenders can be found on [EU supply](#), where you can sign up and then search for tenders based on the CPV (Common Procurement Vocabulary) relevant to your capabilities.



The opportunity was cancelled after we submitted a bid.

UKAEA always intends to follow through with tenders for each project it releases. To make the tendering process more secure, changes are being made to the pre-tender steps within UKAEA. To make sure that a tender is as secure as possible, a tripartite group has been formed. This group will confirm budget, need, and ability to tender, before a tender is even considered for pre-market engagement and publication. Aspirational tenders are now held in a separate area to published tenders within the procurement pipeline document.

Describing certain terminology and (implicit) assumptions better for suppliers new to this domain.

UKAEA attempts to make all terminology and technical terms clear in our tendering exercises. Abbreviations should be explained in any document circulated. Please contact the procurement representative leading the tender to clarify any details via [EU supply](#) or using team details on the procurement pipeline to clarify terminology pre-tender release.

There is some confusion about where ITTs come out-frameworks or stand-alone tenders.

All UKAEA tenders, unless direct award or alternative route, will appear on the [EU supply](#) portal. In response to feedback related to tenders on the published pipeline, UKAEA has been taking action to improve clarity of details which will be seen with the new UKAEA procurement pipeline format. Under new columns, we establish these details in the relevant tabs.

Challenges around finding the right people to liaise with.

During a tendering procedure, the main contact will always be the procurement representative whose contact details can be found in documentation attached to each tender. Additionally, all procurement team contact details can be found on our published pipeline, so you can ask questions on upcoming opportunities. If you ever have questions, you can always contact the procurement or supply chain team at: Procurement@ukaea.uk or SupplyChain@ukaea.uk.

A negligible number of PQQs and ITTs are issued which interest us.

The best way to see upcoming work pieces is by tracking our published procurement pipeline. This displays all upcoming tenders, as well as future aspirational pieces that UKAEA is considering for a tender. All UKAEA tenders can be found on [EU supply](#), where you can sign up and then search for tenders based on the CPV relevant to your capabilities and interests.

Opening communication with UKAEA.

On our pipeline, you can find the names and contact details of team members' areas of focus and on specific tenders. You can contact Procurement@ukaea.uk or SupplyChain@ukaea.uk for general enquiries, and the teams who manage those inboxes will put you in contact with the correct groups or individuals.

How can small suppliers create more awareness of specialist products available to UKAEA scientific research and engineering staff?

The best way to contact the teams is through the procurement or supply chain teams and their inboxes: Procurement@ukaea.uk or SupplyChain@ukaea.uk, and we will forward your products to the relevant parties. Additionally, you can have the opportunity to network at our UKAEA Suppliers' Events. To keep up to date with upcoming suppliers' events and activities, you can register for email updates via our Supplier Mailing list here: ukaeaevents.com/uk-fusion-suppliers-events.

UKAEA needs to be transparent in determining and delivering its anticipated requirements over 12-month timescales as a minimum.

UKAEA makes our published procurement pipeline as accurate as possible. Tenders are updated frequently on the pipeline to show what will be coming to the market. We have recently updated our procurement pipeline to make these dates and details more reliable via a tripartite group, whose purpose is to validate details. UKAEA aims to be open and transparent by providing medium-term plans and longer-term visibility of forthcoming procurement opportunities, enabling the supply chain to make informed decisions to tender for work.



We would like to see more reliable opportunities, timelines, and transparency between client and contractor response.

UKAEA are committed to improving the accuracy and reliability of any data published in our procurement pipeline. This will be seen in the latest pipelines, following validation of information released via a tripartite group of key stakeholders and standardisation of terms used so that definitions are clear. Contact and clarification can be made with procurement representatives as required, whose contact details can be found in documentation attached to each tender.



Guidance of documents/questionnaires we must fill in if we are to successfully bid.

All tendering documents contain guidance for bidders in the instructions for completion. In addition, you can use the procurement the messaging feature on [EU supply](#) to contact the relevant procurement officer and seek advice as clarification.

Information can also be found on our Procurement Page linked to Selection Questionnaires and additional guidance on procurement routes. You can visit our Procurement Page using this link: gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority/about/procurement

I would like to see improved accuracy regarding dates, more details in description of scope of supply/works, and preliminary budgets.

UKAEA is committed to improving the accuracy of all predicted dates for tenders and projects listed on our published procurement pipeline. We have implemented a new format on our procurement pipeline providing clear information. To make sure that details are accurate and informative of scope, a tripartite group has been formed to validate details before a tender is even considered for pre-market engagement and publication in procurement pipeline.

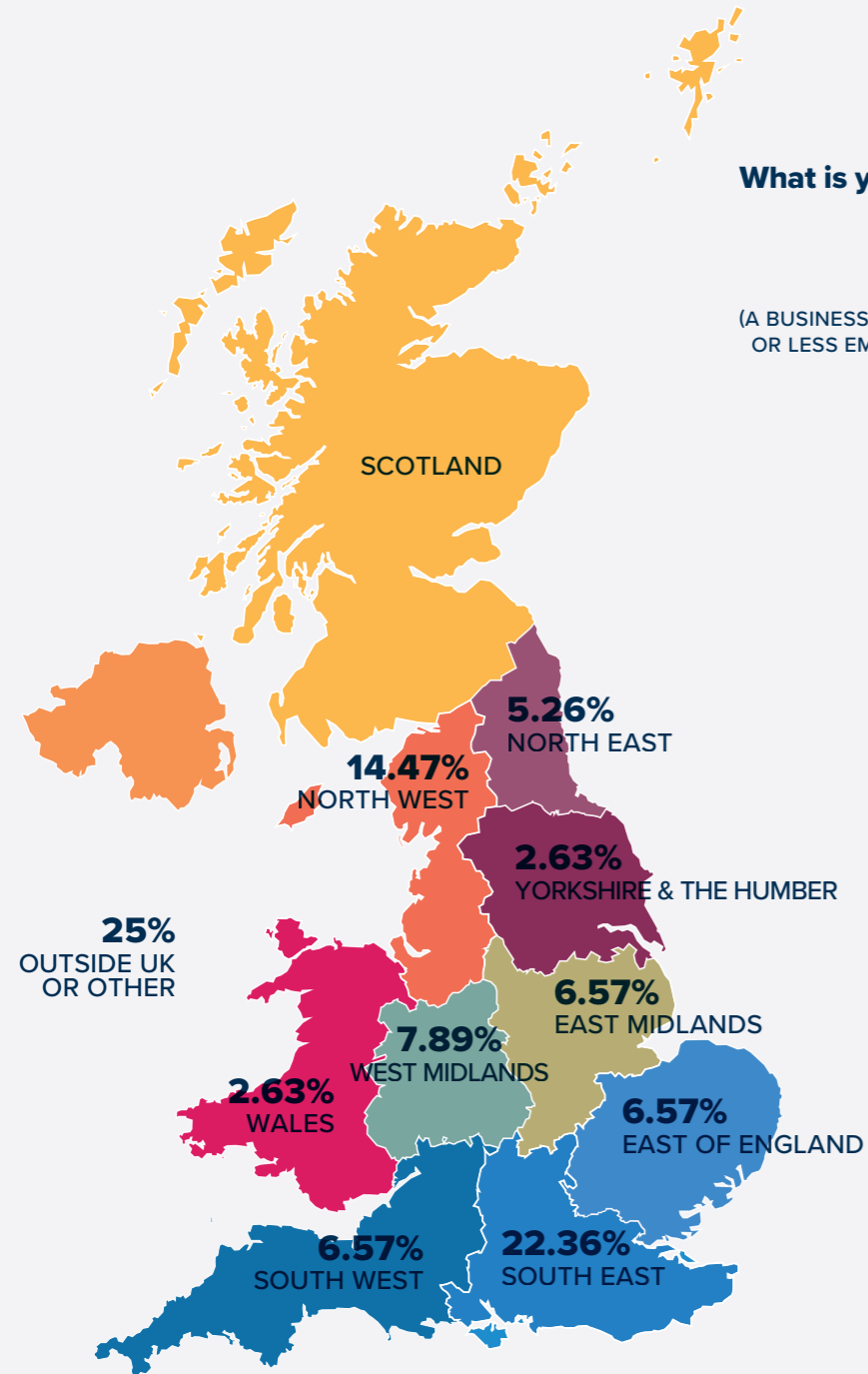
Communication—Finding the right people to talk to.

On our published pipelines you can find contact details of team members who are related to specific areas and tenders. You can contact Procurement@ukaea.uk or SupplyChain@ukaea.uk for the general inboxes and the teams who manage those inboxes will put you in contact with the correct individuals. Additionally, our UKAEA Suppliers' Events provide the opportunity to speak to key stakeholders at specific exhibition stands relating to UKAEA programmes if you attend in-person.

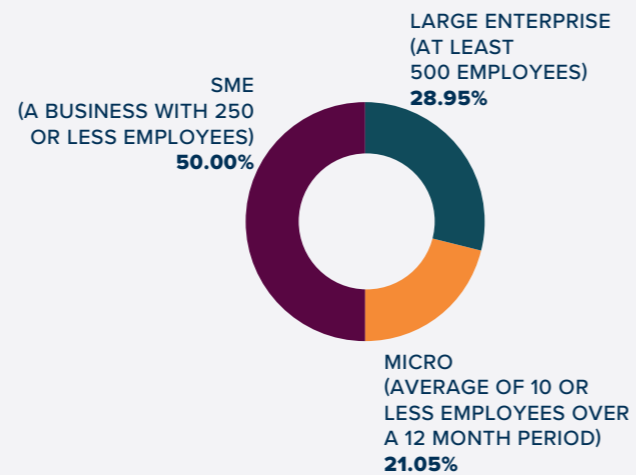


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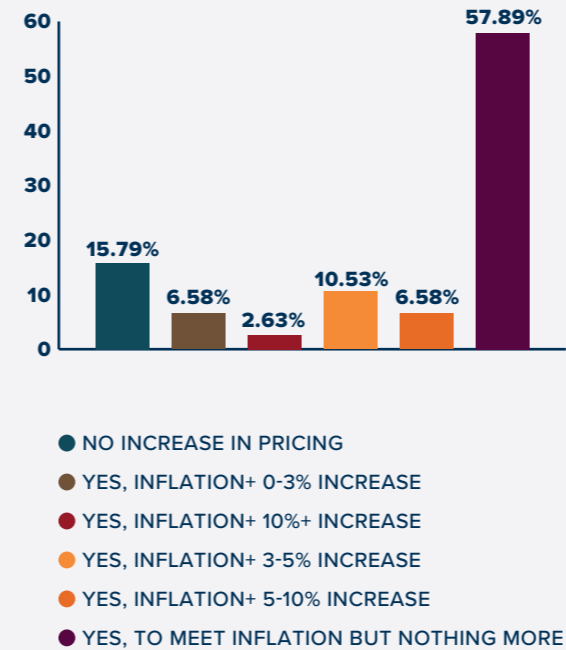
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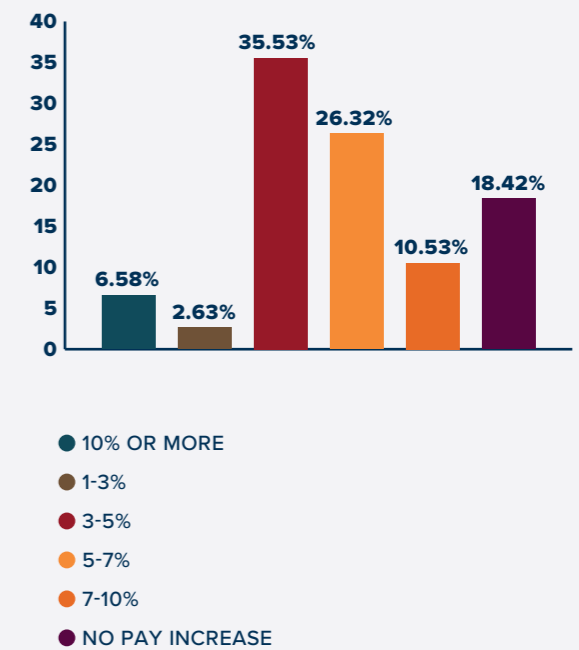
What is your company size by category?



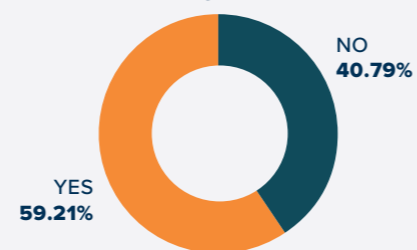
Have you increased the pricing for your services in the 2022-2023 financial year?



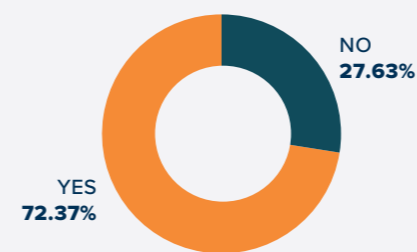
What was the last % pay increase you gave your employees in the 2022-2023 financial year?



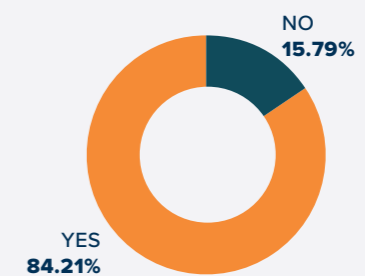
Do you publish a Modern Slavery Statement?



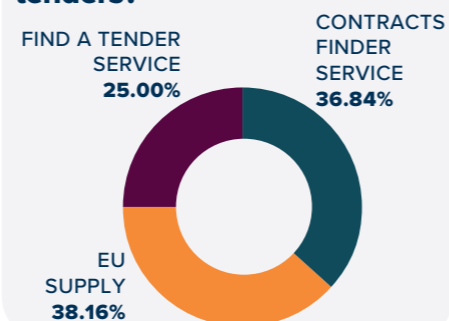
Do you have a sustainability strategy and carbon reduction plans?



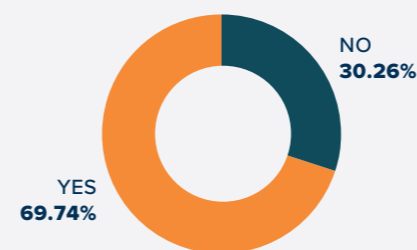
Are you satisfied with the level of communications between UKAEA and the supply chain?



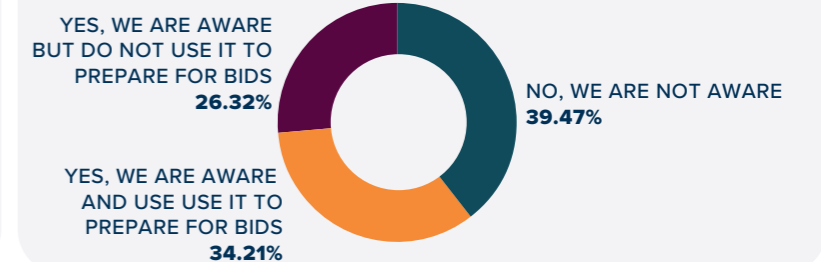
How do you find UKAEA tenders?



Are you aware of UKAEA sustainability strategy?



Are you aware of our procurement pipeline and do you use it in advance of tendering exercises to prepare for bids?





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