FIGURE 1  Homes Continue to Increase in Size

% of firms reporting “increasing” for that characteristic; Q1 2016

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1
FIGURE 2  Upper-End Homes Disproportionately Responsible for Size Increases

% of respondents indicating that square footage of homes in category is increasing; Q1 2016

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1
FIGURE 3  Accessibility / Informality Remain Key Concerns For Home Layout/Design

% of firms reporting “increasing” activity for that characteristic; Q1 2016

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1
FIGURE 4  Emphasis on Outdoor Improvements Continues, Topped by Outdoor Living Space

% of firms reporting “increasing” activity for that characteristic; Q1 2016

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1
FIGURE 5  Low-Irrigation Landscaping; Lot Preparation Remain Top Issues for Property Enhancements

% of firms reporting “increasing” activity for that characteristic; Q1 2016

Note: “increased building density on lots” not asked in 2015
Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1
Project Inquiries at Residential Firms See Traditional Q1 Surge; Billings Don’t

Diffusion index: 50 = no change from previous quarter; data are not seasonally adjusted

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1
FIGURE 7  Project Backlogs at Firms Beginning to Flatten Out at Just Below Five Months

Number of months of project backlogs, averages across all firms; data are not seasonally adjusted

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, Q1-2010 to Q1-2016
FIGURE 8  Business Conditions at Firms in all Regions Remain Healthy, But Strongest at Firms in West

Diffusion index for billings: 50 = no change from previous quarter; data are not seasonally adjusted

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, Q1-2012 to Q1-2016
Remodeling Sectors Remain Healthy; On Construction Side, Entry Level Housing Seeing Some Challenges

% of respondents reporting sector “improving” minus % reporting “weakening”; Q1 2016

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2016 Q1