Overall square footage in homes seems to be stabilizing

% of respondents reporting “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q1

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, Q1-2014 to Q1-2018
Upper-end homes and additions/remodels more likely to be reported as increasing in size as overall square footage stabilizes

% of respondents indicating that square footage of homes in category is “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q1 2018

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q1
FIGURE 3  Adding extra rental units/accessory dwellings increases in popularity
% of firms reporting “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q1 2018

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q1
FIGURE 4  
Accessibility increases in popularity for home layout design

% of firms reporting “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q1 2018

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q1
Emphasis on outdoor improvements and outdoor living space continues

% of firms reporting “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q1 2018

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q1
Project backlogs continue to increase in the first quarter

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, Q1-2013 to Q1-2018
Project billings and inquiries see traditional Q1 bounce at residential firms
Diffusion index: 50 = no change from previous quarter; data are not seasonally adjusted

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, Q1-2013 to Q1-2018
Strong spike in billings at firms in the South and West, as firms in all regions remain healthy

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, Q1-2013 to Q1-2018
New construction sectors begin to build momentum

% of respondents reporting sector “improving” minus % reporting “weakening”; Q1 2018

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q1