Outdoor living areas continue to be very popular spaces and pet room/interior kennel grows in popularity

% of respondents reporting popularity of room “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q2

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q2
Outdoor living spaces, mud rooms, and home office account for 80% of most popular special function rooms

Most popular special function room, % of respondents, Q2 2018

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q2
First floor master bedroom remains popular as home feature

% of respondents reporting popularity of feature “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q2

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q2
FIGURE 4  Technology friendly feature reported as very popular system

% reporting popularity of system “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q2

Technology friendly system not asked in 2017
*extra outlet capacity/charging stations, in-wall wireless mobile charging docks, USB wall outlets
Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q2
FIGURE 5  Low maintenance/synthetic are product categories growing in popularity

% of respondents reporting popularity of product/product category “increasing” minus % reporting “decreasing”; Q2

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q2
FIGURE 6  New project inquiries see slower growth, but billings at residential firms remain strong

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 Q2-2018
Project backlogs remain healthy at residential architecture firms

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 Q2-2018
Firms in sunbelt regions seeing stronger billings at present

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 Q2-2018
Custom/luxury homes see strongest growth among new construction sectors

% of respondents reporting sector “improving” minus % reporting “weakening”; Q2

Source: The American Institute of Architects Home Design Trends Survey, 2018 Q2