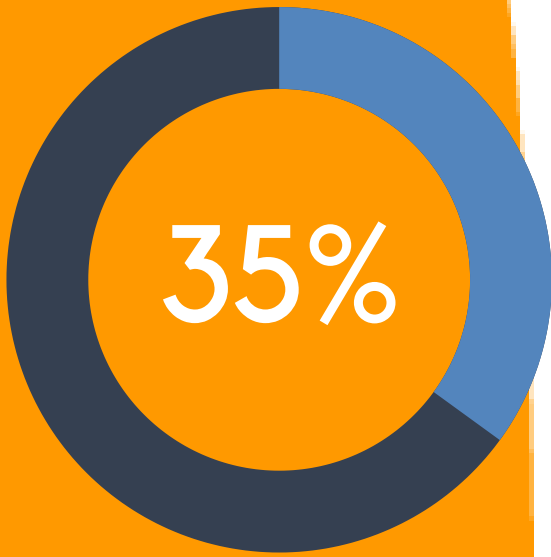


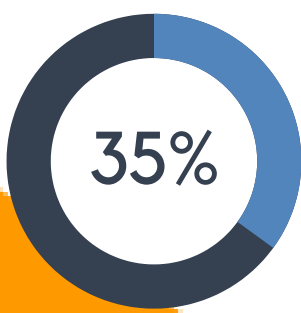
Qimtek Manufacturing & Home Working Survey 2021: Engineering Suppliers



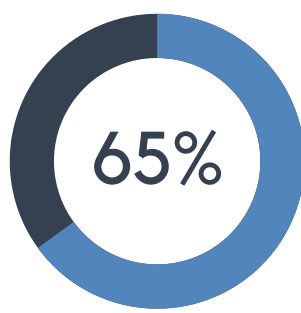
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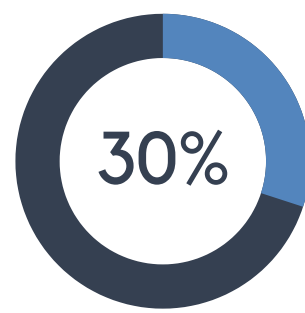
Qimtek's 2021 report found that home working is 4% less prevalent amongst engineering suppliers in comparison to manufacturing buyers. 65% of engineering suppliers stated that they were finding it more difficult to communicate with manufacturing buyers as a result of the current restrictions; 26% reported that communication levels had remained unaffected and 9% found communication easier due to home working.



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will continue to work from home - either full-time or part-time - once restrictions are lifted.

Although less prevalent than amongst manufacturing buyers, 4% of engineering suppliers reported that some staff members will continue to work from home full-time for the foreseeable future, and a further 26% indicated that staff members will alternate between office and home working moving forward.

However, as with manufacturing buyers a majority of engineering suppliers (70%) will be returning to full-time office working once current restrictions are lifted.

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