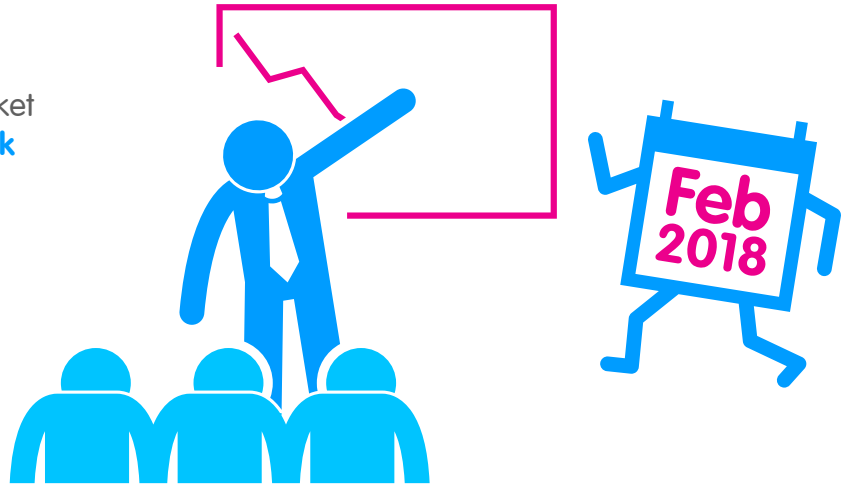


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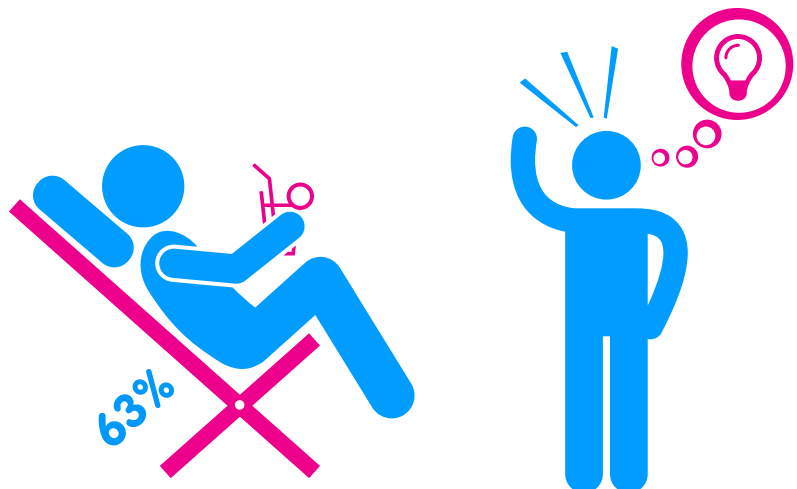
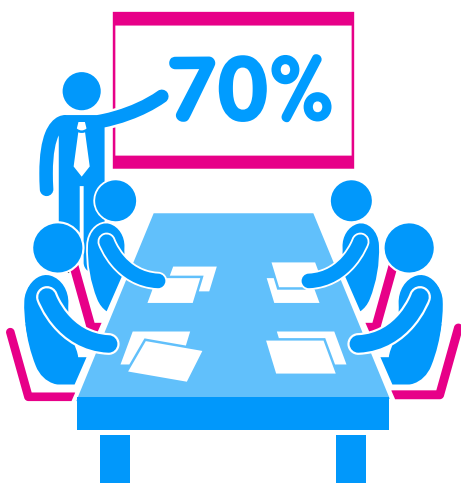
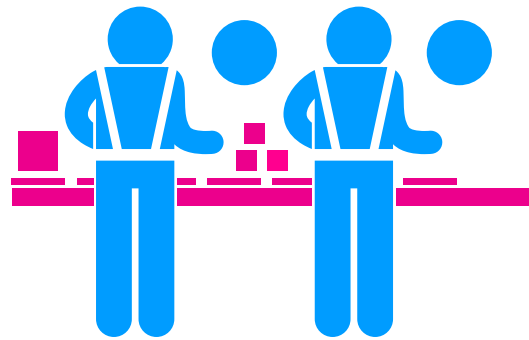
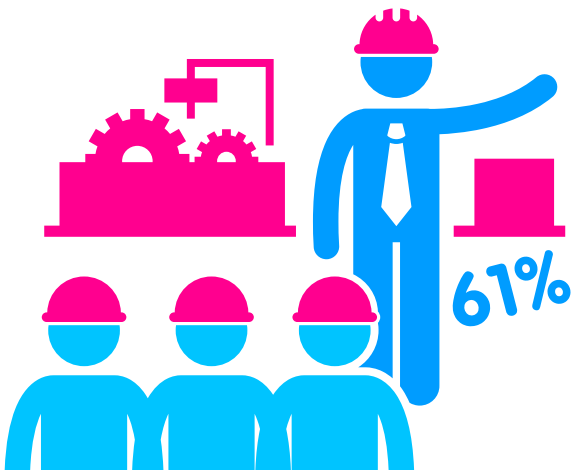
Here we highlight the latest contractor market trends taken from **REC's latest Jobs Outlook Survey** that was carried out in February.



Agency worker demand

61% of end clients plan to hold or increase agency worker numbers over the next **3 months**.

61% also plan to hold or increase agency worker numbers in the next **4 - 12 months**.



This month the the most important reason for using agency staff was covering **peaks in demand** with **70%**, followed closely by **covering leave or absences** with **63%**.

This month micro, small & medium sized businesses anticipated an increase in the need for agency workers.