





INTRODUCTION

Concrete roof tiles are the most cost-effective roof covering. By using concrete roof tiles investors and specifiers alike can be assured of a long-lasting roof covering with an aesthetically pleasing appearance.

An independent survey was carried out to verify the cost-effectiveness of concrete roof tiles. These cost comparisons are the result of input from many sources and were co-ordinated by Mr Victor Booth Pr Eng.-a consulting engineer specialising in roofs. The Concrete Manufacturers Association gratefully acknowledges the efforts of all participants in helping to formulate the data and the results.

A small house of 57m² was used to illustrate the comparisons shown in the graph. The prices shown in the graphs are for a complete erected roof structure covered with the appropriate material. Fascia boards and gutters have been excluded. No provision has been made for either an underlay membrane or ceiling construction. Truss prices at the coast would be more expensive due to the timber treatment requirement in such areas.

The 26° roof pitch for concrete tiles does not require an undertile membrane although it is recommended as a dust excluder and would cost approx R12/m² installed. It should be noted that other roof covering materials also require membranes but often of a more expensive nature.

ASSUMPTIONS

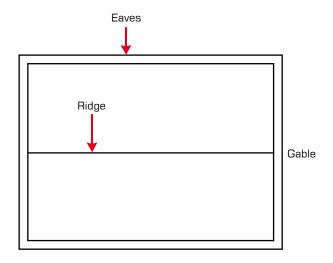
Certain assumptions have been made to simplify the costing model. It is assumed that this type of house is not built as a "one off" but as a development and therefore the costs are based on a development of 500 houses and the "normal" volume discounts have been taken into account.

METHODOLOGY

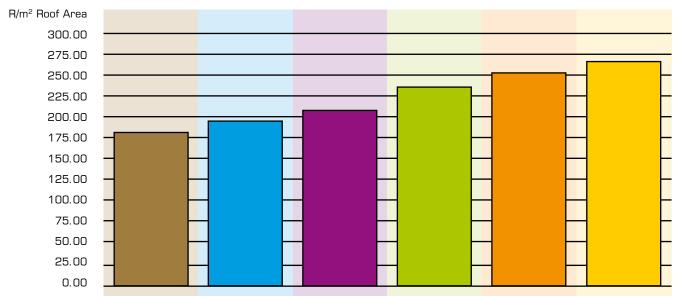
The design parameters for this roof structure are fixed, viz. span, overhangs etc., as well as the costing data for the various components. The most common roof pitches for each material were used in the respective costings. Erected truss prices for this roof structure varied by only approx 15%. If the truss prices are not 100% accurate, the relationship between the various truss prices, based on material and labour content, will always be the same. That is, if all the truss prices were multiplied by 1.3 (i.e. add 30%) due to material and labour price increases the general relationships between the different costs, as depicted graphically, would not change. The figures relate to a "snapshot" in time. Inflationary price increases of materials and labour vary from product to product, as does the timing of the increases.

Disclaimer:-

Whilst every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of the results they are intended to be used as a guide only and not as a methodology for costing roofs. We can take no responsibility for misuse or misunderstanding of the data.



COST COMPARISON



ROOF COVERING	CMA ROOFING SYSTEM WITH CONCRETE ROOF TILES	CONVENTIONAL TIMBER TRUSSES WITH CONCRETE ROOF TILES	CORRUGATED IRON SHEETING	PRE-PAINTED IBR METAL SHEETING	CORRUGATED FIBRE CEMENT SHEETING	PRESSED METAL TILES
SPECIFICATION						
FLOOR AREA (m²)	57	57	57	57	57	57
ROOF AREA (on slope m²)	74	74	70	69	69	71
RIDGE CAPPING	Tapered Ridge	Tapered Ridge	Metal Ridge cap	Metal Ridge cap	Special Ridge cap	Angle Ridge
			455mm girth	455mm girth		
PITCH	26°	26°	17,5°	15°	15°	20°
TRUSS SPACING	900mm c/c max	760mm c/c max	1 200mm c/c max	1 200mm c/c max	1 200mm c/c max	1 100mm c/c max
BATTEN SPACING	345mm c/c max	345mm c/c max				369mm c/c max
PURLIN SPACING			1 150mm c/c max	1 150mm c/c max	1 150mm c/c max	
GABLE OVERHANG	300mm	300mm	300mm	300mm	300mm	300mm
TRUSS SPAN	6 300mm	6 300mm	6 300mm	6 300mm	6 300mm	6 300mm
EAVES OVERHANG	300mm	300mm	300mm	300mm	300mm	300mm
COSTS						
TRUSSES/TIMBER						
SUNDRIES	5 056.00	6 033.00	5 295.00	5 295.00	5 295.00	5 090.00
ROOF ERECTION	2 100.00	2 100.00	1 760.00	1 760.00	1 760.00	2 100.00
ROOFING MATERIAL						
INCLUDING FIXING	6 600.00	6 600.00	6 883.00	9 108.00	11 636.00	11 745.00
TOTAL COST OF ROOF COST R/m² FLOOR AREA (excl VAT) COST R/m² ROOF AREA (excl VAT)	13 756.00 241.00 186.00	14 733.00 258.00 199.00	13 938.00 245.00 202.00	16 163.00 284.00 234.00	18 691.00 328.00 253.00	18 935.00 332.00 267.00

Notes

- Roof truss prices are based on a standard industry pricing practice for large "repetitive" housing contracts.
- All prices used in the cost comparison are based on 2009 (August) figures.
- Labour costs for the erecting of the timber structure and the fixing of the roof covering material are included in the cost comparison.
- General sundries exclude fascia boards and barge boards.
- Above rates exclude VAT.
- Waste is included in all calculations



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