

NEWSLETTER

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DON'T LET CHANGE LIMIT YOUR GROWTH

It can be challenging to make a living as a contractor. Material costs are constantly on the rise, qualified labor is getting harder to find, and your work schedule is at the whim of the housing market and mother nature.

One of the most challenging and time-consuming steps of a building project is pouring the footings and constructing the foundation. The time and work that goes into this process have, in great part, been reduced with the popularizing of slab-built homes and frost-protected shallow foundations. But, as we all know, it is still a tedious process that can take days to complete, even on small projects.

The site must be excavated and leveled, and then there is the forming, pouring of concrete, form removal, and backfill. As a contractor, you understand that all this means a lot of wasted time and money spent.

One contractor in Eastern Idaho made the change from traditional foundation methods converting from crawlspaces to slab-on-grade foundations using Mono Slab® EZ Form. By using this simplified method, the contractor was able to excavate, install underground plumbing, set up, install, and pour twenty-nine foundations in only seven days.

Like this contractor in Idaho, don't let changing a process limit your growth and success. Products like Mono Slab® can help you open new doors to new opportunities and increased growth.



TWENTY-NINE NEW FOUNDATIONS IN JUST SEVEN DAYS!



SOCIAL MEDIA SPOTLIGHT

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COSTLY CRAWL SPACES



Compared to monolithic slab foundations, crawl spaces are much more complicated to construct—which is correlated to higher expenses. On average, a crawl space costs more than two and a half times the amount of a standard slab foundation.

Shorter Lifespan than Slab Foundations

Due to the materials used to construct crawl spaces and the greater potential for problems with mold, rot and pests, crawl spaces have shorter average lifespans than concrete slab foundations. However, with proper maintenance, you can still expect a crawl space foundation to last close to a full lifetime.

COST OF A SLAB FOUNDATION

The average cost of a monolithic slab foundation is \$5 per square foot, which translates to \$5,000 for a home that is 1,000 square feet on the ground level.

COST OF A CRAWL SPACE

The average cost of a crawl space foundation is \$13 per square foot, which translates to \$13,000 for a home that is 1,000 square feet on the ground level.

<https://www.forbes.com/home-improvement/foundation/slab-vs-crawl-space/#:~:text=On%20average%2C%20a%20crawl%20space,of%20a%20standard%20slab%20foundation.&text=Due%20to%20the%20materials%20used,lifespans%20than%20concrete%20slab%20foundations.>

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