

Risk Categories

The intent of this list is to provide a broad set of possibilities for identifying and categorizing risks that may surface on a given project. This list is not meant to be comprehensive for all industries. There may also be some overlap between these categories, based on the vocabulary used in a specific business or industry.

Communication

Competitor

Day-to-day business priority

Economic (external influences on company financial status that can impact a project)

Facilities

Funding/costs (project costs)

Governance/management conflict

Hardware

Infrastructure

- City
- Technical

Integration (technology and processes)

Legal/regulatory

Organizational change/cultural

Procurement

Requirements

- Source
- Stability

Resources (skills)

- In house
- Vendor

Reviews and approvals

Safety

Scope control – scope creep

Schedule

Security – logical

Security – physical

Software

Stakeholders (internal and external)

Strategic alignment

Technology

Tooling/equipment (as in construction)

Transition