

Scorecard:

How does your project independence rank?

Do you truly own your success on projects? Consider the following challenges to see how independent your projects rank:

Never (1 point)	Sometimes (2 points)	Often (3 Points)	On a project, you are faced with...
			Unpredictable changes in scope and cost from GCs and/or owners are not communicated in time
			Coordination issues occur with GCs and other subcontractors due to outdated documents and/or unexpected changes
			Payment issues arise due to poor or missing documentation
			It's difficult to find enough labor to complete the job
			Other trades work (or lack thereof) prevents you and your team from completing their segment of a project
			Adequately tracking what work you and your team has done is difficult
			The technology/software you use changes project by project depending on the GCs
			Safety is a concern because teams are often disconnected
			TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS:

8-10: Looks like you're managing your project independently. Should your scope or work change, you might want to consider investing in at least a limited number of field collaboration software licenses as a test run to keep control of your work.

11-15: You could find more independence for your trade and projects by using collaboration software in some capacity. With the most up-to-date plans and documents available at all times, teams are always working from the latest set and can easily compare, identify and manage the smallest changes in scope and cost.

16-24 If you haven't done so already, adopting field collaboration software for your projects should be a major priority to establish more project independence. Key benefits include enhanced project documentation, better coordination, reduced rework and improved quality control. With the right field software that can be used consistently from project to project, your team will be able to work together more efficiently and get paid and recognized for the work completed.