

TOP 100 ARCHITECTS

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2007	2006		Chartered architects	Technologists	Technicians	Total	2007	2006	2007	2006	UK	Worldwide
1	1	Building Design Partnership	427	0	261	688	597	517	1,141	1,052	9	12
2	2	SMC Group	258	10	248	506	258	na	590	na	27	30
3	3	Capita Symonds	242	0	238	480	1,493	1,373	3,783	3,568	40	40
4	5	Atkins	240	0	0	240	6,340	5,807	12,066	11,372	175	255
5	4	Aedas	231	35	253	484	269	255	727	653	0	0
6	9	Benoy	228	57	15	243	228	185	266	207	2	5
7	7	Foster + Partners	218	0	516	734	218	163	918	694	1	1
8	10	PRP Architects	188	0	96	284	202	153	370	325	4	4
9	-	3DReid	177	50	105	282	177	0	320	0	7	7
10	8	HOK/HOK Sport	165	2	109	274	165	161	353	328	2	26
11	12	Keppie Design	149	39	75	224	149	121	257	212	6	6
12	11	Broadway Malyan	131	7	233	364	193	187	501	406	7	11
13	13	Sheppard Robson	120	0	98	218	129	102	323	301	2	2
14	24	Scott Brownrigg	109	2	35	144	120	75	208	175	4	5
15	-	HLM Architects	96	37	24	120	122	97	179	148	6	6
16=	15	Allies and Morrison	95	0	61	156	95	98	214	221	1	1
16=	23	EPR Architects	95	0	25	120	95	72	141	123	1	1
18	-	NPS Property Consultants	91	48	85	176	225	173	1,043	765	23	23
19	21	Austin-Smith:Lord	87	0	29	116	87	73	163	131	4	4
20=	-	RPS Group	80	0	107	187	368	347	2,063	1,895	61	95
20=	19	Stride Treglown	80	0	126	80	114	96	270	201	6	6
20=	47	Llewelyn Davies Yeang	80	5	30	110	80	55	135	132	3	6
23	29	Fairhursts Design Group	76	0	11	87	76	55	97	72	2	3
24	21	Aukett Fitzroy Robinson	73	2	74	147	73	73	179	164	3	10
25	35	TPS	69	0	29	98	399	325	504	417	9	9
26	31	RHWL Architects	68	7	44	112	68	51	147	120	1	2
27	20	Pascall & Watson Architects	66	2	103	169	68	74	197	170	2	4
28	32	Squire & Partners	63	0	60	123	63	49	123	88	1	1
29=	30	Holder Mathias Architects	62	20	28	90	63	55	108	103	2	3
29=	-	Carey Jones	62	18	32	94	62	50	139	107	2	3
29=	39	Hamiltons Architects	62	0	141	203	62	61	220	155	3	3
32=	-	Scott Wilson	60	0	75	135	1595	567	3,653	2,392	49	87
32=	26	Feilden Clegg Bradley	60	0	33	93	93	93	121	120	2	2
34=	-	Rolfe Judd	58	58	22	80	72	62	110	95	1	2
34=	26	Purcell Miller Tritton	58	7	36	94	58	53	161	138	10	10
36	16	Lewis & Hickey	57	5	83	140	80	na	202	0	5	6
37	33	Ryder/RyderHKS	55	6	73	128	71	56	195	149	3	3
38	-	Architects Design Partnership	53	0	30	83	53	48	98	75	5	5
39	-	TP Bennett	51	0	28	79	94	81	207	164	1	2
40=	34	Hunter & Partners	50	0	42	92	86	82	153	145	3	5
40=	42	Bond Bryan	50	3	50	100	64	52	147	111	2	2
40=	39	John McAslan & Partners	50	10	4	54	70	66	87	82	2	1
43	-	Boyes Rees Architects	48	3	0	48	48	39	55	45	1	1
44=	-	Allford Hall Monaghan Morris	47	0	37	84	47	44	105	85	2	2
44=	-	RTKL	47	0	43	90	47	45	110	91	1	11
44=	42	Sidell Gibson Architects	47	0	28	75	47	39	89	72	1	1
47	35	HTA Architects	46	4	31	77	46	44	101	96	2	2
48	41	Make	45	0	54	99	45	40	118	94	3	3
49	38	Wilkinson Eyre Architects	43	0	54	97	43	43	122	106	1	1
50=	-	Erinaceous	42	2	26	68	364	0	749	0	112	120
50=	-	PM Group/Devereux Architects	42	2	22	64	63	52	180	143	4	16
50=	42	Hawkins Brown	42	0	29	71	42	39	85	69	1	1

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53	69	Watkins Gray International	41	2	21	62	41	26	82	83	3	3
54	53	Hadfield Cawkwell Davidson	40	11	26	66	48	40	89	91	1	1
55=	60	Mouchel Parkman	39	5	46	85	1,849	1,293	7,458	5,507	102	110
55=	47	Haskoll	39	0	49	88	39	33	102	110	3	6
57	-	Barton Willmore	38	9	65	103	175	0	320	0	8	8
58	71	Jacobs	37	0	0	37	1,338	1,190	6,013	3,870	42	52
59	53	GHM Consultancy Group	36	0	10	46	54	53	76	74	3	3
60=	42	Pozzoni	34	4	32	66	41	34	93	78	1	1
60=	46	Jestico + Whiles	34	0	24	58	34	38	76	85	1	3
62	74	Pick Everard	33	0	46	79	108	97	312	285	6	7
62	84	P&HS Architects	33	13	23	56	19	18	49	51	2	2
63=	56	Avanti Architects	32	1	14	46	33	31	60	60	1	1
63=	60	Assael Architecture	32	0	17	49	32	29	79	72	1	1
66=	79	LHC Group	31	5	18	49	42	30	81	62	3	3
66=	-	Watson Batty Architects	31	14	4	35	41	40	53	50	1	2
66=	49	Lyons Sleeman Hoare	31	2	54	85	31	34	111	109	1	1
69=	62	The Harris Partnership	28	0	39	67	69	65	133	119	4	4
69=	65	Acanthus LW Architects	28	0	10	28	30	27	47	0	1	1
71=	62	BPTW Partnership	27	1	37	64	31	30	90	80	2	2
71=	-	CPMG Architects	27	3	22	49	30	29	64	62	1	1
71=	87	Shepherd Epstein Hunter	27	0	7	34	27	16	39	31	1	1
74=	96	Lend Lease Projects	26	3	20	46	200	160	345	330	10	10
74=	-	DLG Architects	26	0	36	62	26	27	75	75	2	2
76=	75	Bailey Garner	25	0	28	53	78	77	214	214	2	2
76=	-	Skidmore Owings & Merrill	25	0	82	107	39	23	151	87	1	9
76=	58	Tooley and Foster Partnership	25	4	12	37	31	32	54	53	2	2
76=	65	Architecture PLB	25	1	17	42	25	22	52	40	2	2
80	65	Parsons Brinckerhoff	24	1	17	41	688	650	1,599	1,447	15	25
81=	86	Frankham Consultancy Group	23	4	12	35	100	92	193	178	4	4
81=	79	Arup	23	0	64	87	1,210	1,165	3,875	3,417	19	81
81=	84	Edward Cullinan Architects	23		16	39	24	19	47	39	1	1
81=	71	Associated Architects	23	5	16	39	23	25	49	46	1	1
85	77	Calfordseaden	22	9	21	43	79	77	221	204	4	4
86	-	GBS Consulting	19	4	3	22	24	19	29	22	1	1
87=	71	Jefferson Sheard Architects	18	0	55	73	18	25	97	90	5	5
87=	79	Robert Adam Architects	18	6	34	52	18	19	63	72	2	2
89	-	Lee Evans Partnership	17	4	25	42	23	20	58	51	2	2
90=	96	Ingleton Wood	16	3	20	36	65	61	118	111	5	5
90=	87	McBains Cooper	16	0	12	28	144	134	238	234	6	7
90=	93	Kendall Kingscott	16	6	13	29	38	34	80	79	4	4
90=	75	Stubbs Rich	16	0	18	34	16	23	48	58	1	1
94=	87	John Robertson Architects	15	0	20	35	15	16	43	37	1	1
94=	96	Race Cottam Associates	15	1	20	35	15	14	43	39	2	2
94=	87	Miller Bourne Architects	15	0	10	25	15	15	30	30	1	1
97	92	Mace	14	0	0	14	788	686	2,002	1,374	10	22
98	100	TTSP	13	2	33	46	15	14	59	57	1	2
99	93	Quattro Design Architects	12	0	26	38	12	12	43	43	2	2
100	-	Darling Associates	10	1	31	41	9	6	47	18	2	2

KEY AND METHODOLOGY

Recent corporate changes

3DReid The result of the merger between 3D Architects and Reid Architecture.

ARUP Acquired Rossmore Group in November 2006

Atkins Acquired Mantix Group, Boreas Consultants, Advantage Business Group, Poolman Harlow, MSL Engineering, Young & Butt

Baker Mallett Acquired RH Duns

Balfour Beatty Professional Services

Acquired NAP Partnership (UK) and Charter Builders (USA)

BGA Opened new London office

Bidwells Building Consultancy Structural engineering added as a new service

Carey Jones Formed subsidiary: Carey Jones Interiors

CNP Opened Cardiff office in early 2007

DBK Group Acquired Utility Cost Management, Branson Chester & Edwards, and Goynes Adams

EC Harris Set up joint ventures with: Sama Dubai, Cushman & Wakefield

Erinaceous Acquired and rebranded: Dearle & Henderson, Monaghans, Rose Project Services, Nolan Associates, Tom McNamara & Partners, Leach Rhodes Walker, and Francis Graves. It has also incorporated Dunlop Haywards building consultancy

Frankham Consultancy Group Acquired ISIS Architects & Surveyors

Fulcrum Consulting Made various changes to corporate structure

GBS Consulting Conversion to LLP status

Hannah-Reed Acquired JC Sturrock in April 2007

Hill International Acquired JR Knowles in September 2006

Hilson Moran Partnership Acquired Italian consulting engineer Milanoprogetti; opened new offices in UAE and India

Hyder Consulting (UK) Acquired RPA in April 2007

Intec Management New management structure at board level

Jones Lang LaSalle Acquired KHK Group in May 2007

Llewelyn Davies Yeang Since Ken Yeang joined in October 2005 the company has become involved in a range of signature and deep green projects

MDA Consulting Acquired small m&e

practice (t/o £200,000)

Mott MacDonald Acquired Pettit Engineering Group Holdings, now Mott MacDonald Pettit. Employment data includes Franklin & Andrews for 2007, not 2006.

Mouchel Parkman Acquired Hornagold & Hills, the Ewan Group and Traffic Support in November 2006. In August 2007 acquired HBS, a BPO specialist.

NPS Property Consultants Two joint venture companies formed in 2007: NPS London and NPS South West. These resulted in 185 staff transferring from London borough of Waltham Forest and Devon council to NPS

Project & Building Consultancy Significant growth in project management business

Purcell Miller Tritton Acquired Niall Phillips Architects in June 2007. Number of principals increased by three

Rider Levett Bucknall Global practice formed by Bucknall Austen with Rider Hunt and Levett & Bailey, who are leading property and construction consultants in Oceania/The Americas and Asia respectively.

Ridge & Partners Acquired the Davidson Partnership and Cook Denning Management

RPS Group Acquired Bucks Green in July 2006. The quoted figures for architecture and engineering for 2005 and 2006 include their total turnover before acquisition as well as after. Group turnover and staff figures exclude Burks Green before acquisition

RTKL - UK Acquired by Arcadis (based in Arnhem, Netherlands)

Ryder/RyderHKS Restructured the joint venture between Ryder and RyderHKS

Scott Brownrigg Merged with Canvas Creative in August 2006, in the process adding exposure to commercial interior design

Scott Wilson Acquired Cameron Taylor, DGP International, Ferguson McIlveen, DCL and McLay Collier

Sidell Gibson Architects Formed a joint venture working partnership with John Miller & Partners architects

SMC & Aukett Fitzroy Robinson Entered into a non binding heads of agreement relating to a proposed merger.

Stride Treglown Acquired Chapman

Robinson Architects

Synergy (Trading as CM Parker Browne) Merged with Cook & Butler and Andrew Turner & Co to form Synergy. All continue to trade under their recognised names

The Millbridge Group Merged with Norman Rourke Consulting in 2006

The Tooley and Foster Partnership The association with Team Design in France ended in 2006

UK Building Surveyors Converted to plc status in January 2007

Waterman Group Acquired Boreham Consulting Engineers in April 2007, and AHW Victoria in November 2006.

Whitbybird Merged with Nordic engineer Ramboll in August of this year. The new UK business will trade under the name Ramboll Whitbybird

White Young Green/Tweeds Acquired civil and structural engineer Adams Kara Taylor and project manager Trench Farrow

WSP Group WSP acquired a number of businesses during 2006, in Australia, Sweden, USA, Finland, South Africa, and United Arab Emirates

Methodology

More than 500 firms were contacted for this year's survey. They were sent a survey form asking for details of the number of chartered, non-chartered and technical staff they employ, domestic and worldwide fee incomes, and fees per employee.

Practices were also asked questions relating to: speed of invoice payment, staff recruitment, likely pay increases, margins, areas of work, staff salaries, the age of staff, IT spend, and overseas expansion plans. Apart from fee incomes per employee, the data in the league tables are taken directly from firms' replies.

The survey does not claim to be the definitive guide to consultants as it relies on firms completing and returning the annual survey form. For a variety of reasons, firms sometimes decide not to take part.

Next year's survey ...

Firms wishing to be included in next year's survey should contact Martin Hewes at hewesinfo@aol.com