





The big list WA100 is BD's annual survey of the world's largest practices ranked by the number of fee-earning architects they employ. This year, US architects dominate the top 20, and there's a new number one ...

RANK 2016	RANK 2015	NEW	PRACTICE NAME	COUNTRY	ARCHITECTS EMPLOYED	FEE INCOME (US \$MILLION)
1	3		Gensler	USA	2,299	\$900-1bn
2	1		AECOM	USA	2,100	\$400-499m
3	2		Nikken Sekkei	Japan	1,700	\$400-499m
4	4		Perkins+Will	USA	1,135	\$290-299m
5	6		HDR	USA	975	\$270-279m
6	7		Woods Bagot	Australia	898	\$160-169m
7	5		Aedas	China	890	\$200-209m
8	8		IBI Group	Canada	836	\$210-219m
9	11		HOK	USA	829	\$270-279m
10	9		P&T Architects and Engineers	China	800	\$160-169m
11	23		CallisonRTKL	USA	751	\$330-339m
12	10		DP Architects	Singapore	720	\$100-109m
13	12		Jacobs	USA	700	\$400-499m
14	16		Foster + Partners	UK	666	\$220-229m
15=	13		Sweco	Sweden	650	
15=	14		White Arkitekter	Sweden	650	\$100-109m
17	18		Perkins Eastman Architects	USA	617	\$170-179m
18	29=		HKS	USA	591	\$210-219m
19	15		Samoo Architects & Engineers	South Korea	584	\$230-239m
20	21		Kohn Pedersen Fox	USA	555	\$150-159m
21	19		Junglim Architecture	South Korea	549	\$80-89m
22	26		Stantec	Canada	496	\$290-299m
23	22		Tengbom	Sweden	482	
24	20		Cannon Design	USA	475	\$130-139m
25	24		Nihon Sekkei	Japan	461	\$140-149m
26	17		Heerim Architects & Planners	South Korea	444	\$180-189m
27	29=		SmithGroupJJR	USA	439	\$140-149m
28	27=		Haeahn Architecture	South Korea	425	\$60-69m
29	27=		GMP	Germany	422	\$80-89m
30	35		DLR Group	USA	382	\$150-159m
31	31		ATP Architects Engineers	Austria	380	\$70-79m
32	37		ZGF Architects	USA	379	\$80-89m
33	32=		Kume Sekkei	Japan	376	\$90-99m
34		•	Kunwon Architects Planners & Engineers	Korea	366	\$50-59m
35	49		Atkins	UK	352	\$130-139m
36	25		NBBJ	USA	344	\$160-169m
37	38		Mitsubishi Jisho Sekkei	Japan	330	\$130-139m
38	36		Leigh & Orange	China	322	\$70-79m
39	42		HPP Architects	Germany	313	\$30-39m
40	32=		BDP	UK	311	\$60-69m
41	41		KEO International Consultants	Kuwait	297	\$150-159m
42	40		Sunjin Engineering & Architecture	South Korea	296	\$70-79m
43	46		Hyundai Architects & Engineers	South Korea	275	\$70-79m
44	45		Cox Architecture	Australia	263	\$70-79m
45	50		Dewan Architects & Engineers	UAE	253	\$60-69m
46	55		Chapman Taylor	UK	250	\$40-49m
47	52		ACXT-IDOM	Spain	241	\$50-59m

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48	47		Capita Property and Infrastructure / ESA	UK	234	
49	34		Leo A Daly	USA	227	\$140-149m
50	51		Ronald Lu & Partners	China	222	\$50-59m
51	53		Aukett Swanke	UK	221	\$30-39m
52	58		Ishimoto Architectural & Engineering Firm	Japan	218	\$50-59m
53	62=		Aidea	Philippines	212	\$10-19m
54	71=		Populous	USA	209	\$90-99m
55	57		Wong Tung & Partners	China	207	\$50-59m
56	56		LINK Arkitektur	Norway	202	\$40-49m
57		•	Bates Smart	Australia	200	£30-39m
58	60		Buchan Group	Australia	195	\$50-59m
59=		•	Allford Hall Monaghan Morris	UK	194	\$40-49m
59=	48		B+H Architects	Canada	194	\$40-49m
61		•	EHAF Consulting Engineers	Egypt	185	\$30-39m
62	59		Broadway Malyan	UK	184	\$70-79m
63	62=		AXS Satow	Japan	180	\$50-59m
64	44		HENN	Germany	179	\$80-89m
65	61		Jaspers-Eyers Architects	Belgium	175	\$20-29m
66=	79=		GVA	Mexico	170	\$10-19m
66=	65=		CF Møller	Denmark	170	\$50-59m
68	65=		PBK	USA	169	\$50-59m
69	78		National Engineering Bureau	UAE	168	\$60-69m
70	54		Archial NORR	UK	167	\$70-79m
71	76		Sheppard Robson	UK	166	\$20-29m
72	77		SSH	Bahrain	161	\$80-89m
73	71=		Page	USA	160	\$120-129m
74	69=		Burckhardt + Partner	Switzerland	159	\$60-69m
75	71=		Wilmutte & Associés	France	154	\$30-39m
76	69=		Archetype Group	Vietnam	151	\$10-19m
77	94		Valode & Pistre Architectes	France	150	\$30-39m
78	84		Allies and Morrison	UK	147	\$30-39m
79		•	Lemay	Canada	146	\$30-39m
80	82=		DSP Design Associates	India	144	\$5-9m
81		•	AHR	UK	139	\$30-39m
82	104		Scott Brownrigg	UK	137	\$20-29m
83=	68		Henning Larsen Architects	Denmark	136	\$30-39m
83=		•	Purcell	UK	136	\$20-29m
85=	79=		CP Kukreja Architects	India	130	\$5-9m
85=		•	Architecture-Studio	France	130	\$20-29m
85=	102		Diamond Schmitt Architects	Canada	130	\$20-29m
88		•	Solomon Cordwell Buenz	USA	129	\$40-49m
89	82=		Morphogenesis	India	120	Under \$5m
90		•	GHD Woodhead	Australia	116	\$30-39m
91		•	Gomez Vazquez International	Mexico	109	\$10-19m
92=	85		Showa Sekkei	Japan	108	Under \$5m
92=	89		Sikka Associates Architects	India	108	Under \$5m
94=	88		Gulf Consult	Kuwait	106	\$40-49m
94=	114		PM Group (incorporating PM Devereux)	Ireland	106	\$20-29m
96	81		MG2	USA	105	\$40-49m
97	90=		WATG Wimberly Interiors	USA	104	\$30-39m
98	92		Progetto CMR	Italy	102	\$10-19m
99=	86		10 Design	UK	101	\$20-29m
99=	106		EPR Architects	UK	101	\$20-29m
99=	93		Squire and Partners	UK	101	\$30-39m



Environmental Science and Chemistry Building, University of Toronto by Diamond Schmitt.

85= DIAMOND SCHMITT

COUNTRY	CANADA
LAST RANKING	102
ARCHITECTS EMPLOYED	130

The Toronto practice increased its architects by 40 this year after success in the education, culture and commercial sectors. Among its many university projects nearing completion are the C\$155 million (£77 million) Schulich School of Engineering at the University of Calgary and the C\$65 million Student Residence and Culinary Arts Building at Centennial College, Toronto. In Vaughan, Ontario, Diamond Schmitt is designing the C\$138 million office and retail KPMG Tower. Another fruitful market was multistorey residential in Toronto.

In 2016, the practice plans to continue expanding into US markets after sustained growth in two of its specialities of academic laboratories and concert venues. It is particularly focused on the eastern seaboard and southern states such as Texas, where it is designing the Buddy Holly Hall of Performing Arts and Sciences in Lubbock.

88 SOLOMON CORDWELL BUENZ

COUNTRY	USA
LAST RANKING	NEW
ARCHITECTS EMPLOYED	129

This US newcomer to the WA100 rankings is an architecture, interior design and planning firm with offices in Chicago and San Francisco. It focuses primarily on the North American market, working for commercial and institutional clients across the sectors.

Residential developers are its best clients, accounting for around half its turnover, with notable completed projects including 500 Lake Shore Drive in Chicago. Also in the city, SCB recently topped out 4 East Elm, the first high-rise condo to be built in the Gold Coast neighbourhood since 2010.

89 MORPHOGENESIS

COUNTRY	INDIA
LAST RANKING	82=
ARCHITECTS EMPLOYED	120

Already one of India's largest practices, Morphogenesis is planning to open a new office in Mumbai in 2016 and expects to double the size of its Bangalore office, which opened in 2014.

Major projects completing this year include Adani Shantigram, a 306,600sqm residential township in Ahmedabad. The practice has a particular interest in the design of "smart" cities - which it defines in terms of "Sustainability, Mobility, Affordability, Resilience and Technology" - and is designing India's first vertical "smart" township.

Morphogenesis is looking to expand in South-east Asia and the Middle East. It is also working in South Africa, where projects include a residential township in Johannesburg.

90 GHD WOODHEAD

COUNTRY	AUSTRALIA
LAST RANKING	NEW
ARCHITECTS EMPLOYED	116

A new entrant to the WA100 chart, GHD Woodhead was formed in 2014 by the merger of Australian practices Woodhead and GHD. Unsurprisingly, it is most active in Australasia, where it has the fifth-highest fee income (see page 68). As well as its 12 offices in Australia, the group has a presence in New Zealand, the Philippines, the UAE, Qatar, Chile and the USA.

GHD Woodhead works broadly across a range of sectors, for commercial and government clients with target markets including transport, retirement living, defence and justice and infrastructure. Projects that the practice expects to complete this year include the 23-storey 203 North Terrace tower in Adelaide, Air 7000 defence facilities in Adelaide and Darwin, Barwon Water's new headquarters in Geelong, Curtin University School of Medicine in Perth and an Executive Jet Terminal in Dubai.



51 Pirie Street, a 34-storey hotel and residential development in Adelaide by GHD Woodhead.